

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph +++ December 26, 2021
Readings: + Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 + 1 Colossians 3:12-21+ Luke 2:41-52

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK	
Dec 25 – Saturday	12:00 AM Midnight Mass for the Parish Family of Ste. Rose de Lima
Nativity of the Lord	7:30 AM Umberto & Bruna Manno by Angelina Manno & family
	9:00 AM Frederick Lawrence (30 th Ann) by his daughter, Betty LaBelle
	11:00 AM Cosimo & Maria Teresa Pisano by the Contabile family
Dec 26 – Sunday	7:30 AM Emile, Elise & Violette Tetreault by their family
The Holy Family	9:00 AM Tony & Carmela Tassone by Jim & Rita O’Dell
	11:00 AM Joseph Rene Thibeault by his daughter, Sharon & family
	4:00 PM Leo & Bella Constant by daughter-in-law Peggy & family
Dec 27 – Monday	7:00 AM Florestine Belanger by her estate
Dec 28 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by their estate
Dec 29 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Therese Spooner (10 th Ann) by her daughter, Denise
Dec 30 – Thursday	7:00 AM Lisa Cote by Angelina Manno
Dec 31 – Friday	7:00 AM Richard P. & Doris Cote by their family
	4:00 PM Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by their estate
Jan 01 – Saturday	9:00 AM Bruna & Amber Manno by Angelina & family
Jan 02 – Sunday	7:30 AM Lisa Cote by James & Rita O’Dell
Epiphany of the Lord	9:00 AM Leonard Longpre by his niece, Peggy Constant
	11:00 AM James Pray by his family & friends
	4:00 PM Doris & George Rivet by the family

NO BINGO 12/25/21 **PARISH STEWARDSHIP:** 12/19/2021 Offertory: \$7,932.00
School Support: \$3,162.00 ~ **Thank you!**
SJA BOOSTER CLUB 12/26/21 #53 Susan Tryba

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Patricia Mysona and Logan Midura. May they and all our faithful departed rest in God’s eternal peace.

GIVING TREE THANK YOU! Always with more love and attention to detail... year after year... the members of Ste. Rose de Lima Parish family remember our homebound parishioners and families in need at Christmas time. Over 100 of our parishioners who can no longer get out received a memorable gift from the heart of our Ste. Rose Parish. Also, several families were able to provide gifts to their children where gifts may not have happened. Besides our parishioners, clients and guests of Lorraine’s Soup Kitchen were remembered by our parishioners this year. Thank you all for participating in the Giving Tree Program and the gifts to Lorraine’s Soup Kitchen. A great big thank you to our coordinators, and the Community Life Committee for signing and mailing Christmas cards, and the people who helped prepare the Parish Christmas letter for mailing. Thank you also to Peggy, our Pastoral Minister, and to the Eucharistic Ministers and Joyful Volunteers who saw to it that the gifts were delivered in a timely manner. Deepest thanks! Happy New Year 2022!

<p><u>Mass Schedules for Christmas & New Year’s: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</u> NEW YEAR’S DAY: THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD Due to New Year’s Day being on Saturday, January 1, 2022 this year it is not “of obligation.” Friday, December 31, 2021 Mass is celebrated at 4:00 PM. Saturday, January 1, 2022 Mass is celebrated at 9:00 AM. <i>There is no vigil Mass on New Year’s Day at 4:00 PM for Sunday, January 2, 2022.</i> SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 Mass is celebrated at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM , and 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Hopefully this announcement will assist you in planning your schedule for next weekend!</p>
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Merry Christmas!

The Advent season has prepared us for the great celebration of the Miracle of the Incarnation ~ The Word made Flesh ~ who dwells among us. As we remember that first Christmas with awe and wonder let us be mindful of its true meaning. The birth of the Messiah was a long awaited promise finally brought to fulfillment. Generations of people of the Jewish faith lived in hope of this magnificent event. The Incarnation is that moment when God intervened in human history and brought about the gift of salvation. May we never lose sight of the significance of this blessed event. As Jesus grows into adulthood and inaugurates the Kingdom remember that it came with a cost. The gift of eternal life came at the price of Calvary. Calvary however could not claim dominion over life. Calvary reveals the triumph of the Cross over sin and death through the glory of Easter. Christmas and Easter are eternally linked as one-saving event. As we gaze upon the Christ Child wrapped in swaddling clothes we should also remember the shroud rolled up in the tomb. May this Christmas prayer renew the call to discipleship:

*Open our eyes, O Lord,
To behold the rising dawn;
Open our hearts, O Lord,*

*To receive the life of your Son;
Open our lives, O Lord,
To be filled with
Your glory and peace. Amen.*

May the joy of Christmas be with you throughout the whole year!

Merry Christmas! Joyeux Noel! Happy New Year 2022! Bonne, Heureuse et Sainte Annee!

-Fr. Bill

CALENDARS FOR THE YEAR 2022 We're grateful to **St. Pierre-Phaneuf Funeral Chapels** for making the 2022 liturgical and yearly calendars available to the parishioners of Ste. Rose de Lima Parish. Thank you!

THE KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4044 are hosting a New Year's Eve Party at the Castle, 1599 Memorial Dr., Chicopee to benefit the Council's many local charitable programs. Doors open at 6:00PM with dancing to the sounds of DJ Stephan till 1:00AM, a Cash Wheel, 50/50 raffle, Cash Bar and a Charcuterie Board at each table. Stations of Minestrone Soup, Chop Salad, Artesian Breads, Gourmet Pastas & Amenities, Herb Roasted Vegetables, "Top Your Way" Potato, Prime Rib, Salmon-en-croute and Viennese Desserts will be offered. Ring in the New Year with a Champagne Toast, party hats and noisemakers. Tickets are \$80 and sold in the Members' Lounge Mondays and Thursdays 6-8PM, Dec. 6th through Dec. 27th deadline. Jackets are required. Free parking. CDC Guidelines are implemented. For details go to www.kofc4044.com or Don 534-4749. Proceeds from this event benefit the Council's local charitable programs like the Catholic Schools, Lorraine's Soup Kitchen and Seminarians just to name a few. .

JESUS IS CALLING YOU! Will you be there for him? We at Ste. Rose will be having a day long Adoration. If you have never experienced this, Eucharistic Adoration is the worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass. The Eucharistic Host is displayed in a monstrance (open receptacle where the consecrated Host is exposed for veneration) on the altar so that all can see and pray in the presence of Christ. Starting in January we're looking for volunteers to sign up for a specific time for Adoration. It will start after the 7:00AM Mass and go until 3:00PM. Jesus is counting on you for the success of this monthly event. Please sign up for a time in the vestibule of the church or call Laura Dubreuil at 413-364-0212 to schedule your time. This will be a day long monthly event and the first one will begin on **Friday, January 7th at 7:30AM.**

Year of the Eucharist Prayer

Jesus, I believe that you are truly present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist. In you I place my whole family. Heal our wounds and renew us in heart and mind with a greater reverence, devotion and love for you in the Holy Eucharist.

Our Lady, first tabernacle of the Word made flesh, intercede on our behalf to your Son, Especially for the Diocese of Springfield and our priests. Through their love for the priesthood and the Eucharist, may they inspire young men to the priesthood that the Mass may continue to be offered so that we may be nourished with your Son's Body and Blood. Guide especially our youth to your Church so that they may thrive by knowing the truth that only comes from Jesus.

Most Holy Trinity, I adore you!

My God, I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

THANK YOU! SJA is grateful for two recent **Apple Giving Tree** donations: Boxes of Kleenex for the library and computer classrooms and a \$20.00 donation. Items still needed: No-Glue Foam Craft Kits, "new" Skip Bo Cards, "New" Trouble Games, "New" Clue Board Game, "New" Kitchen Play Food, Assorted Outdoor Balls, Walgreens & CVS gift cards for photo printing, slim Expo dry erase markers and paper towels. Donations can be dropped off at the school's Visitor Entrance 9AM-2PM. Ring the bell at the Visitors Entrance. Questions? Call 533-1475.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD at the 9:00AM Sunday Mass has resumed. This Liturgy of the Word is specifically geared toward young children to assist them in developing a love for the Word of God proclaimed at Sunday Mass. Facilitated by our DRE, Cindee Gagnon, our children encounter the sacred

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE AND DONUTS follows the 9:00AM Mass. Join us in the Church Hall. Also, helpers are needed. If you're interested in being part of this team, please speak to one of the Sunday morning servers. We look forward to seeing you!

PINK ENVELOPE FOR SJA SCHOOL SUPPORT On the third weekend of the month, the second collection (*the pink envelope*) is for the benefit of St. Joan of Arc School. The bookkeeping and banking of this collection has changed; therefore, it's important to ask that checks be made payable to St. Joan of Arc School. The bank will only process checks made payable to SJA. In advance, your cooperation is appreciated. Your ongoing generosity to SJA School is impressive and is also appreciated

THE 2022 MASS BOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE We are now reserving Masses for 2022. The offering for a Mass is \$10.00. Monthly Memorials of Sanctuary Lamp (\$25.00 for the month) and Hosts (\$35.00 for the month) are also available. There are still plenty of weekday (and a few weekend).

MARCH 29, 2022: TWIN HILL COUNTRY CLUB, LONGMEADOW, MA *The Miracle of Life Banquet* is Clearway Clinic's annual fundraising event. Clearway Clinic is a faith-based nonprofit committed to rescuing men, women and children from abortion and abortion trauma. 100% of banquet donations go to supporting the life-saving work of the clinic. The keynote speaker for this year's event is **Ben Watson, Retired NFL New England Patriots Tight End and Pro-Life Champion**. In addition to being a retired NFL pro, Ben is a husband, father of seven children, a man of faith, a commentator, and an outspoken advocate for the sanctity of life. Tickets are available on-line for the "life-saving" event: www.clearwayclinic.com

PRO-LIFE We now have a bulletin board and table in the vestibule of the church that is dedicated to Pro-Life issues. The bulletin board will provide you with Pro-Life issues and events. The table will offer Pro-Life pamphlets and other informational materials. Please stop and read about the concerns of the Church and essential information regarding this very important issue. For more information, please contact Deacon Mike at 536-4558 or see Jane Fortin.

STE. ROSE BINGO A little information for everyone who has ever had children in St. Joan of Arc School and who, over the years, worked Bingo. Since its inception in 1975, we, the Bingo Community raised over \$3,779,302 to our parish school for tuition subsidies and its general financial operations. \$3.7 million dollars raised is a real eye opener and shows the critical need for people to step forward and volunteer their time to such a substantial partner in keeping our school open and affordable. Many thanks to the dedication of our present and former Members in Charge, captains, bingo workers, volunteers, and patrons. Please give serious thought to volunteering for bingo.

THE 2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL As of August 4, 2021, there are **436** Ste. Rose parishioner participants who have contributed **\$54,500.00** to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you! To contribute, log onto the diocesan website: www.diospringfield.org and click on to the ACA banner. On-line contributions can be either one-time or a pledge. All major credit cards are accepted. No gift is too small; no gift is too large to assist the Diocese of Springfield in serving the needs of our brothers and sisters who seek assistance from the diocese or from the many agencies that are funded by the ACA. Thank You!

GIRL SCOUTING Girls from kindergarten through high school are encouraged to join us. Adults interested in volunteering with Girl Scouting are also invited to contact GirlScoutsofChicopee@gmail.com for info.

CUB SCOUT RECRUITMENT We are welcoming new members to our Cub Scout Pack held here at St. Rose de Lima. We have begun meeting again safely after a break due to the pandemic. We welcome families to check out scouting for your youngster/s ages 5-10 or K through Grade 5. If you're interested, the best way to reach the Chicopee Scouting team is by email. Please email us at cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com and we'll get back to you. Thank you and welcome to Scouting.

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.