

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ September 25, 2022

Readings: + Amos 6:1a, 4-7 +1 Timothy 6:11-16 + Luke 16:19-31

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sep 24 – Saturday 4:00 PM Eileen Busiere (2nd Ann) by Cris Boucher
Sep 25 – Sunday 7:30 AM Francis & Doris Desmarais (Wdg Ann) by Paul & Laurie
26th Ordinary Sunday 9:00 AM Paul Demears (6th Ann) by Carol & family
11:00 AM Ron Desmarais by the family
4:00 PM William Kenney by his parents
Sep 26 – Monday 7:00 AM Gerald Lacosse by the family
Sep 27 - Tuesday 7:00 AM Michael Goonan by his wife, Ann
Sep 28 – Wednesday 7:00 AM In honor of Padre Pio by a parishioner
Sep 29 – Thursday 7:00 AM Ruth Pelkey (B'day rem) by John & Linda Manno & family
Sep 30 – Friday 7:00 AM J. George Boulde (Wdg. Ann rem) by his family
Oct 01 - Saturday 4:00 PM Audrey Kornicsak (1st Ann) by Anna Chapman
Oct 02 - Sunday 7:30 AM Carol Weibel (Ann) by Mike & Deb Weibel
27th Ordinary Sunday 9:00 AM Joseph & Aline Pirog by the family
11:00 AM Gerard Bilodeau (B;day rem) by Jeannette
4:00 PM Theresa Boissonnault by her family

BINGO 09/24/2022 Team 1

Parish Stewardship 9/18/2022: Offertory \$6,876.00
School Support \$2,548.00
Thank you!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB 9/18/22 #40 In Memory of Catherine Plasse

SEPTEMBER MEMORIALS: HOSTS In loving memory of Frank Kagan by the DiSanti family.

SANCTUARY LAMP: In loving memory of Elphege & Simone Roux by Normand & Denise.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Margaret Daniele, Raymond Couture, Jacqueline Mahoney, Gerald Carron, Joyce Blanchard, Margaret Belanger and Msgr. David Joyce. May their souls and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in God's eternal peace.

THE CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY / SEASON 2 will run for eight (8) consecutive weeks on Tuesday nights at 6PM starting **October 4th** through the end of November. Study guides will be handed out at classes. Please register as space is limited. Registration forms are in the back of the church or contact Peggy Constant 413-536-4558, ext 218.

ST. JOAN OF ARC PTO CRAFT FAIR will be held on **Sunday, October 2nd from 9AM-3PM** at the Knights of Columbus #69, 460 Granby Rd., Chicopee with over 35 Vendors providing homemade and handmade items, Raffles and Bake Sale. Free Parking and Handicap Accessible. All are welcome!

TODAY'S THE LAST DAY TO TURN IN YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE 2022 STE. ROSE PARISH RAFFLE
The Parish Raffle is awarding cash prizes totaling \$3,000.00. The raffle drawing will be held on **Monday, September 26, 2022.** If writing a check, please make it payable to **Ste. Rose de Lima Church.** Good Luck!

Ste. Rose de Lima Religious Education Program Opening Dates!

Welcome!

Grades 2 & 3 – Monday, September 26, 2022 3:30-4:30PM Gr 4 & 5 started last week and attend also
Grade 1 - Monday, October 3, 2022 3:30-4:30PM
Grade K - Monday, October 17, 2022 3:30-4:30PM

High School students' Mass at 4:00 PM then we'll proceed to class in church hall. (Please note that Confirmation is a 3 year prep and all High School students preparing for Confirmation must attend 9th, 10th and 11th grade classes)

Grade 10 Sunday, September 25, 2022 4:00-6:00PM

Grade 11 Sunday, October 2, 2022 4:00-6:00PM

Students should be registered prior to the beginning of the school year. If you need to register your student(s) please email michael@sterose.org or call 413-536-4558. Have a blessed School year!

Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,

Renovation Updates

The renovations in the church are now winding down to the last one-quarter. This past week the painting of the ceiling was completed, the painting of the choir loft facing, and walls were started. Remember, the project needs to be closely scheduled around the hectic funeral schedule. As soon as the painting is finished the flooring company will refurbish that section of flooring. And, at last, the final section of pews will be reinstalled as well as the re-upholstered kneeling pads attached to the kneelers. Many thanks to the volunteers who stripped the material off the old kneeling pads and pulled out the thousands of staples. The volunteers' efforts helped to significantly reduce the cost of updating the kneelers throughout the church. The estimated cost of a total replacement with new kneelers would have easily cost over \$50,000. The next phase is to stain and polyurethane all the pieces of the new book racks. There are approximately 400 book racks throughout the pews. Once assembled, the new book racks will be installed. Your cooperation throughout this process of renovation has been appreciated. The painting of the foyer of the church will be the next phase of the continuing renovations of our magnificent parish church.

Upcoming contemporary Christian evening of music and praise! OCTOBER 14TH AT 7:00 PM

The date is Friday, October 14th at 7:00 PM. The place is Ste. Rose de Lima Church. The parishes of Chicopee have been invited as a city-wide event. Mary Verdi is the music director of Sacred Heart Parish in Pittsfield who takes "***The Mary Verdi & FLIGHT Band***" on tours throughout the diocese for an evening of "praise & worship." If there is an interest, a "potluck" dinner could be planned for 5:00PM as an opportunity for "fellowship" after 2 years of COVID isolation and a concert to inspire our spirits. Plan now to attend. A show of hands will be asked for at the Masses this weekend to see if there is an interest of planning a potluck dinner. For footage of ***Mary Verdi & fLIGHT Concert*** go to: **www.maryverdi.com** Watch it – you'll be glad you did!

The Diocese of Springfield announces the October "pew count."

The diocese has an interest to learn how many Catholics are returning to Sunday Mass now that the COVID restrictions are gone and a process of returning to Sunday Mass seems to be taking place. The weekends are October 22-23; October 29-30; and November 5-6. For past pew counts, Ste. Rose has used a paper attendance ticket that was added to the Offering basket. The ushers will be asked to be sure that every person from infants to adults have an "attendance ticket" so that all persons will be counted. Your cooperation for this "pew count" will be appreciated. White ticket will be for "ADULTS" and a "COLOR" ticket for infants/children up to 12 years old.

Post COVID wake-up call!

Throughout society the post COVID challenge of re-engaging the spirit of volunteerism is confronting many organizations and non-profits. The same is true in the parish. There are opportunities to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council, ushers/greeters, adult/youth choir members, etc. The parish needs you to come forward and volunteer! "*Many hands make light work*" - as the saying goes. Please consider assisting the parish to "wake-up" from the slumber of COVID and make Ste. Rose a more active spiritual and social community of faith. All are welcome – just reach out and we'll respond!

And finally,

You may be wondering, how the parish is affording the renovations? There have been no appeals for contributions! This current renovation project is being paid for by the dividends and interests from the Long-term Pooled Investments managed by the diocese. Not once has the principal amount been touched. COVID has had a serious effect upon the Sunday Offering, I must admit. Other money-saving budget cuts have helped somewhat: the housekeeper's position in the rectory was not filled with her retirement, the custodian's position was reduced to 20 hours versus fulltime with his retirement, and fewer secretarial hours in the Pastoral Center. Salaries are the biggest item on the parish budget. During this period of an 8.3% inflation rate, I have not pressed you for an increased offertory collection. Please support the parish spiritually and financially to the best of your ability. As I have begun my 18th year here at Ste. Rose, the parish has never used "financial reserves" for recurring expenditures. Your weekly/monthly/annual support has made that possible in the past and I pray that will continue. In effect "your" money is accomplishing great things as "we" continue to renovate and improve our magnificent campus. Believe me when I say that I am so appreciative of the trust you have placed in me for these many years. With much love and affection,

Fr. Bill

THE STE. ROSE MEMORIAL FUND is grateful for \$40.00 in gifts in loving memory of Doris Arpin. Thank you!
THE SJA MEMORIAL FUND is grateful for the following gifts in loving memory of: Donald Turgeon \$200; Gerard LeBlanc \$460.00; and Joanne Gramarossa \$965.00. Thank you!

HEARTFELT MEALS prepares and delivers over 100 meals each month. We meet on the second Sunday of each month. We currently are looking for additional help. We need one baker to bake at home and deliver to the school cafeteria each month, also one person to help in the kitchen preparing the meal, and one person to be a substitute driver to deliver meals when needed. Call Gail at 593-5038 for more information.

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOCUS: God's love and mercy must be manifest in our care for those around us. Our actions and choices, how we live our lives as Christians, have an influence on others. For many, our actions as true disciples may be the only "homily" they will ever hear. As a community of faith, God's love and mercy must be manifest in our care for those around us, especially those in need.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: The prophet Amos speaks for the Lord, saying that those who live for themselves without caring for others will find no favor before God. Paul encourages Timothy in his commitment and fidelity to the Gospel truth. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the rich man and Lazarus.

-Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary

LECTIO DIVINA, Divine Reading, classes meet on Mondays at 6:30PM in the Pastoral Center. Come and join us for Spirit filled discussion on the Gospel reading for the coming Sunday Mass. Classes are free and open to anyone who has a desire to get to know Jesus better. For more information see Deacon Mike.

LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN has a "**Spooktacular October Calendar Raffle**" Calendars can be found in the back of the Church. They are \$5.00 each. Envelopes are provided for your cash donation of \$5.00 each and the ticket receipt for the daily drawings in October. There are 31 prizes offered. Thank you and good luck!

MARY VERDI and the fLIGHT Band Coming to Ste. Rose on **Friday, October 14, 2022 at 7:00PM**. Mary Verdi has been featured on EWTN, Catholic TV and Reel to Real. She's a spiritual singer/songwriter with more joy to give than you can imagine! Their tour is going to all 4 Diocese in MA. One hour packed full of fun, joy and praise. Bring the entire family, they will have a blast! Free will offering. Visit www.maryverdi.com for concert footage

RCIA The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will meet regularly on **Thursdays** from September through April. This program is primarily for all non-Catholics interested in starting a new chapter in life's journey by joining the Catholic Church, or for those Catholics who have been baptized but haven't received the Sacrament of Eucharist and Confirmation. We're also inviting parishioners who would like a refresher course on their journey of faith. Please come and join us. Our first class began last **Thursday** at the Pastoral Center. We meet at 6PM. If you're interested, please contact the parish office 413-536-4558 EXT 218 or ask for Peggy. All are welcome.

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL has an immediate opening for a first grade teacher. We're also looking for substitute teachers in grades K-4. Please call Mr. McDonald, principal, at 533-1475 for more information.

ST. ROSE VETERANS' MEMORIAL UPDATE . The dedication of the Veterans' Memorial will be held on Veterans' Day, November 11th. Thank you for supporting this very heartwarming project.

STE. ROSE DE LIMA GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP is for people who have experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, family member or friend. All are welcome! Join us at the Ste. Rose de Lima Pastoral Center, We meet every Monday except major holidays from 6:00-7:30PM. Moderators are Madelyn Korytko formerly of the Mercy Medical Ctr. Grief Group and Peggy Constant, Pastoral Minister.

THE WOMEN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT Is a woman's group that is inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit. As women we know our role distinctly by the many titles we can be called; mother, wife, sister, friend etc. but what does it precisely mean when we claim the role **Daughter of Christ** and how do we live it out every day? As sisters in Christ we are nurturing and strengthening our relationship with God through prayer, many forms of teachings, music, and

fellowship. Women of all ages are invited to join us. We gather once a month on the second Saturday from 9:30 AM-12:00 Noon at the Parish Center. If you would like more information please contact Julie Prats at 626-2925.

COFFEE & DONUTS ARE SERVED every Sunday in the church hall following the 9:00AM Mass. Please feel free to join us. Anyone wishing to help with Coffee and Donuts is asked to speak to a member of the Coffee/Donut team. We can always use new helpers. Thanks! 9

2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC “Transformed in Christ” APPEAL UPDATE As of 9/12/2022, **373** parishioners have participated this year from St. Rose de Lima Parish, totaling **\$48,213.00** in gifts and pledges. If you’ve not yet made a donation, it’s not too late. Please prayerfully consider giving. If you’ve made a donation, thank you! Use the pledge card mailed to your home or visit the secure online website: diospringfield.org/ACA Envelopes are also available at church. Thanks again for your support.

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL, 587 Grattan St., Chicopee is now enrolling Pre-K3 to Grade 8 students for September 2022. Call Chris or Janine in the Business Office @ 536-6038 for registration information or to make an appointment to tour the School. Financial Aid and tuition assistance is available. We look forward to meeting you. Visit www.sjachicopee.org.

DIVINE MERCY MINISTRY TO SENIORS Volunteers are needed to spread Jesus’ message of Divine Mercy to seniors in local nursing homes and assisted living facilities. As a volunteer prayer group leader, you would lead a weekly 30-minute Divine Mercy prayer group using a simple prepared model of readings, prayers, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. If you feel that the Lord is calling you to this ministry of mercy, please email Mary at DivineMercyMinistryToSeniors@gmail.com or call Mary Higgins (413) 552-7231.

HOLY TRINITY PARISH, Westfield, MA is holding a **FALL FESTIVAL this Sunday, September 18th from 12 Noon to 5PM** at **Pilsudski Park**, 200 Old County Rd., Holyoke. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30AM. Polish & American food (Take out available the day of). Polish & American music by THE WINDSTAR BAND in the hall from 1-5PM. Games for adults & children, Bounce House, Bingo, Straw Booth, Chinese Raffle, Bake sale and Grand Raffle. Northside Creamery will have ice cream cones and sundaes for sale. Free admission & parking, rain or shine. For more info call Holy Trinity Parish 568-1506 Mon-Thu 9AM-2PM. All are welcome

BETHLEHEM HOUSE is in need of donations of baby items or cash. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please go to bethlehemhousewma.org for instructions on how to make these donations.

K of C COUNCIL 4044 on Memorial Drive, ANNOUNCES UPCOMING EVENTS:
+SPAGHETTI SUPPERS are back! They take place on the **2nd Wednesday of the month** from 4:30PM to 6:30PM. Spaghetti Supper is \$8.00, We now have a \$6.00 take-out option, as well.

JOIN DOLLY & FRIENDS.....The Travel Itineraries for Five 2022 excursions are posted below. All trips depart from and return to the Moose Club, 244 Fuller Rd, Chicopee, MA on the dates and times given with each trip description. STATEMENT PERTAINS TO ALL TRIPS: “Prices for all the trips include: motor coach transportation, baggage handling (if overnight), all taxes and gratuities (including driver)”

For more information contact Dolly Asselin 413-530-3813
OR: Send your Name, Address, Telephone # (and food choices, if applicable) and your check payable to: Dolly Asselin. Mail to: PO Box 1192, Chicopee, MA 01021.

#3 Wednesday, October 5, 2022 MOUNT WASHINGTON COG RAILROAD (Depart 7:30AM Return 9:30PM). Price \$202 p.p. Climb to the top of Mount Washington by train! Day begins with buffet luncheon at the Omni Mount Washington Resort. Buffet Includes soups, salads; chicken, salmon & roasted pork loin entrees; vegetable; desserts coffee and tea followed by a Ride on the Cog Railway.

#4 Thursday, December 1, 2022 NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LaSALETTE Christmas Festival of Lights! Wright’s Chicken Farm Restaurant. (Depart 12:30PM Return 9:30PM) Price \$80 p.p. Includes visit Oakwood Farm Christmas Barn, dinner at Wright’s Chicken Farm, admission to LaSalette Shrine and all inclusions mentioned above in statement.

#5 December 7-9, 2022 (Wed-Fri) A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN THE WHITE MOUNTAINS (Depart 8AM on 12/7 Return 4PM on 12/9) PRICE: \$579 p.p. double / \$549 triple / \$739 single. \$100 p.p. deposit at booking final pay't due 11/1/2022. Includes two nights lodging, Welcome Reception, 5 meals, guided sightseeing tour of Mt. Washington Valley, Austrian sleigh ride; 3 Christmas Shows; special cocktail pricing and all inclusions mentioned above in statement. **Day One: White Mountain Hotel & Resort, Settler's Green Outlet Village, Yuletide Welcome Reception. **Day two:** Jackson Covered Bridge, Cranmore Mountain, Conway Scenic Railroad Station, Comedy Show, Nestlenook Farm Resort, Evening Sleigh Ride, Christmas show. **Day three:** Christmas Loft. **Pre select: Double / Triple / Single // Bedding: 2 Beds / King.****

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.

SACRED HEART CHURCH TRAVEL CLUB 2022 – BUS TRIPS

Sacred Heart Church Travel Club, 395 Chestnut St. Springfield Mass is sponsoring several Bus trips. Your hosts are: **Jim and Caroline McAleer**. Make your reservations or inquiries by calling them at **(413)734-3676**. They will return a phone call within 72 hours or you may email them at: sacredhearttrips395@gmail.com.

All bus trips include round trip motorcoach and driver gratuity, along with a rest stop on the way up and back. All our welcome and we are happy to have friends and family of your parishioners too!

Sacred Heart Church Travel Club current trips are as follows:

===Saturday October 15, 2022 - Vermont

COST: awaiting cost at this time, but taking reservations

DEPARTURE from **St Mary's parking lot, Longmeadow, MA**. time is pending

Arrival back at Sacred Heart approx 8:00PM

Stops are made for Vt cheese, maple syrup, lunch (included), and the afternoon in the village of Weston - Vt Country Store, Christmas Shop, and Vermont Village Store.

===Saturday November 5, 2022 NYC Broadway or NYC on your own

COST: Bus ONLY \$76. Broadway cost will depend on the show you wish to see. That cost will be determined by our group tour agent.

DEPARTURE: 7:30AM from Sacred Heart parking lot

Arrival back to Sacred Heart approx 9:30PM

===Saturday December 3, 2022 - LaSalette Shrine Christmas Lights and Wrights Chicken Restaurant

COST: \$106 per person

DEPARTURE: mid afternoon from Sacred Heart parking lot with late lunch/early supper (included) at Wrights

Arrival back at Sacred Heart parking lot anticipated after 10PM

===We are grateful if you have some space in your bulletin to include our activities and warmly welcome your Parish family should they wish to participate. We are also happy to answer any questions that arise. Jim and Caroline McAleer, Sacred Heart Travel Club, Sacred Heart Church, 395 Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA 01104, Home - (413)734-3676.

THE MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

Recite the Rosary and ask Our Dear Lady to intercede for us in our need.

Prayed on Monday and Saturday:

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES: The Annunciation + The Visitation + The Birth of our Lord + The Presentation + The Finding in the Temple.

Prayed on Tuesday and Friday:

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES: The Agony in the Garden + The Scourging + The Crowning With Thorns + The Carrying of the Cross + The Crucifixion.

Prayed on Wednesday and Sunday:

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES: The Resurrection + The Ascension + The Coming of the Holy Spirit + The Assumption of Our Lady + The Coronation of Our Lady.

Prayed on Thursday:

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES: The Baptism of Jesus Christ + Christ Reveals Himself at Cana + Proclamation of the Kingdom and Call to Conversion + The Transfiguration + The Institution of the Eucharist

Saturday

STE. ROSE DE LIMA BINGO – Super Bingo Format
Early Bird 6:10PM - Games 6:15PM - \$15 & \$20 Entrance
Extra \$5 Packs – 2 WTA 50/50 – 2 \$1199 Progressives
Free Coffee & Tea --- Catered

Entrance until 6:30PM every Saturday - Elevator Available
Ste. Rose de Lima Church Hall -- 600 Grattan St -- Chicopee, MA -- 413-539-9259

Saturday