

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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March 19, 2023

Readings: +1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a + Ephesians 5:8-14 + John 9:1-41

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mar 18 - Saturday 4:00 PM Pauline Leblond (7th Ann) by Joanne Leblond
Mar 19 - Sunday 7:30 AM Robert Paul by Terry Williams
Fourth Sunday of Lent 9:00 AM Christopher Sandrilla by Rene & Claire Cote
11:00 AM Theresa & Oscar Dupre by their children
4:00 PM Henry Courchesne by Irene Lacroix
Mar 20 - Monday 7:00 AM Francis X Desmarais, Jr. (B'day) by Laurie & Paul
Mar 21 - Tuesday 7:00 AM Irene Marois by the family
Mar 22 - Wednesday 7:00 AM Barbara Cove by Lisette Lessard
Mar 23 - Thursday 7:00 AM Eugene and his son, Craig by Lisette Lessard
Mar 24 - Friday 7:00 AM Robert Couture by wifey, the kid and the boys
Mar 25 - Saturday 4:00 PM Raymond Hamel (7th Ann) by his children
Mar 26 - Sunday 7:30 AM Bob Paul by his daughter, Sue
Fifth Sunday of Lent 9:00 AM Rita Plouffe by Jeannine
11:00 AM Rena Cote by her family
4:00 PM Henry & Yvonne Lepage by their family

BINGO 3/18/2023 TEAM 1 + PARISH STEWARDSHIP 3/12/2023 Offertory \$9,724.00
Thank you!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB 3/12/2023 #23 Marc Gonneville

Grand Prize Drawing: The current Booster Club will end on April 2nd. The Grand prize Drawing will be held after the 9AM Mass in the Church Hall during the coffee hour. New Club: A new club will begin the week of April 9th. There are numbers available for anyone interested in joining the next Booster Club; proceeds go to support St. Joan of Arc School. The club will run from April 9, 2023 to August 20, 2023. Dues at \$5.00 per week (\$100.00 for the 20 weeks). There is a weekly \$100.00 winner. The final week's drawing has multiple winners, with prizes ranging from \$1,000.00 to \$150.00. If interested, please contact Sandy and Joe Chessey 413-592-6256.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the soul and family of Beth Broughton. May her soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in God's eternal peace.

MARCH MEMORIALS: HOSTS in loving memory of the Blanchette & LaScala families by Simone.

SANCTUARY LAMP in loving memory of Denis Chabot by his wife, Fran.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE REV. FRANCIS SHANNON SCHOLARSHIP are now available to members of the Ste. Rose de Lima Parish. High School graduates or college students who wish to further their education may apply. The applications are available at the Ste. Rose de Lima Pastoral Center or from Timothy Sweeney, Chairperson at (413) 531-1893. The Scholarship is a one-time grant. Completed applications must be returned to the Chairperson by May 15, 2023 with an official transcript of high school or college grades and a letter from their Pastor stating that the applicant is an active and participating member of the parish. Students who are former members of St. Mary's Parish in Willimansett who were enrolled in their CCD program at the time the church was closed may also apply.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FOCUS *Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness.* Sometimes doing God's will can seem strange, foolish, or even wrong to others. Jesse assumed his youngest son couldn't be the next king, so David was left to care for the sheep when Samuel came. The Pharisees thought Jesus sinned by healing on the sabbath. Are we preoccupied with what others will think, or are we focusing on doing God's will?

LITURGY OF THE WORD God sends Samuel to anoint the new king of Israel. Samuel surprises everyone by calling for and anointing David, the youngest of Jesse's sons. The Lord's Spirit rushed upon David. Saint Paul tells the Ephesians to live as children of light and expose darkness. In the Gospel, Jesus heals a blind man on the sabbath, breaking the sabbath rules.

-Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary

WE WELCOME OUR MISSION SPEAKER: Paul Koleske to Ste. Rose de Lima Parish. Paul will share with us practical techniques to help us increase our connection with the presence of the Holy Spirit, The Risen Christ's gift to His disciples. The program theme is: "IGNITING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST WITHIN YOU". Paul will speak at all Masses this weekend, to introduce himself and highlight the Parish Mission. All are invited and this Mission is free.

+Monday, March 20th - 6:30PM in the church: "*Connecting with the Light of Christ*"

+Tuesday, March 21st - 6:30PM in the church "*Experiencing the Light of Christ*"

+Wednesday, March 22nd - 6:30PM in the church "*Living the Light of Christ*"

FRANCO AMERICAN WOMEN'S ASSOC. MEETING in St. Rose de Lima Church Hall on Thursday, March 23rd at 6PM. Scholarship applications will be available. We are accepting new members, women of French, and French-Canadian heritage and they're invited to attend the meeting. Both English and French are spoken at the meeting. Refreshments will be served.

WE HAVE A NEW BULLETIN COVER OF ADVERTISERS. We wish to thank all the businesses and organizations who support our bulletin with their ads. Please support their businesses when you're in need of the services they offer. Thank you!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are held at 6:30PM in the Church on Fridays: 3/17 - 3/24 & 3/31 during the Lenten Observance. Stations of the Cross on Good Friday 4/7 will be held at 3PM.

ST. ROSE CEMETERY VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PAVER requests are still being accepted. New paver requests will be installed in the spring/early summer, as weather allows. The display with all the information and paver requests are, once again, set up in the entrance of the Church. Please call the Pastoral Center at 536-4558 with any questions.

COME ON OUT FOR A MOBILE SPIRIT NIGHT! Chick'fil'A Chicopee Mobile Spirit Night is scheduled for Monday, March 27th from 5-8 pm. Order at Chick-fil-A Chicopee through the mobile app and put 'JOA' in the special request section. 15% of the sales will be donated to St. Joan of Arc School. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE! The SJA 8th Graders will be holding a **Savers FUNDrive** this Spring. Think of us when doing your spring cleaning. We will be accepting bags of gently used clothes, bath and linen items, shoes, accessories etc at the SJA Trilby School Parking Lot on Saturday, **April 22nd, 9AM - 12PM** to raise money for the SJA 8th Grade Graduation Festivities. (No furniture or books)

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES AT OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, Wednesdays at 6:30PM
Join us for ***Our Catholic Family***, the 2023 Lenten Speaker Series at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church, 127 Holyoke Road, Westfield. The Lenten ongoing series features: **March 22, Karen Kiefer** (Catholic Parenting: You're Not Alone!) - **March 29, Deacon Michael Forrest** (Haiti 180: Our Global Family) - **April 5, Fr. Valentine Nworah** (The Family as the Domestic Church: My Nigerian Experience). All are welcome!

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL "RADIATE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST" is this year's theme for this year's ACA. We are called to be the light of hope and love and share the gospel and our faith. You do that through your contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Together we shelter the homeless, respect life from conception to death, feed the hungry, help men and women discern their vocation, comfort those who mourn, and educate others in our faith. You can make your contribution to Annual Catholic Appeal: online at www.diospringfield.org/aca. Or by calling: 413-452-0670. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you.

VISIT OUR ON LINE BULLETIN for the list & details of upcoming trips for 2023 hosted by Dolly & Friends: 1. **Parker's Maple Barn**- Mason, NH 3/23/23. 2. **Dueling Pianos**-Southington CT 4/11/23. 3. **Miss Saigon**, Performing Arts, White Plains NY 4/27/23. 4. **Beautiful**: The Carole King Musical-Beverly, MA 6/14/23. 5. **Niagara Falls**, Canada 7/12-13-14/23. 6. **Foster's Clambake**-York, ME 8/15/23. 7. **Amish Country** Sight & Sound "Moses"-Lancaster, PA 9/19-20-21/23. 8. **Polka! Polka**-Southington, CT 10/10/23. 9. **Dreamgirls**, Goodspeed Opera House-East Haddam, CT 11/15/23. Visit www.sterose.org and choose Bulletin for details or contact Dolly Asselin 413-530-3813.

DOLLY & FRIENDS PRESENT THE LINE-UP OF TRIPS FOR 2023.

*All trips include motorcoach transportation, meal tax and gratuities (including driver)

Make checks payable to: Dolly Asselin and mail to: P.O. Box 1192, Chicopee, MA 01021 with meal choice selected if applicable. All trips depart and return to Moose Club, 244 Fuller Rd, Chicopee, MA. For more info contact Dolly Asselin 413-530-3813.

1/ PARKER'S MAPLE BARN, Mason, NH, Thursday, March 23, 2023.

Price: \$149 p.p. Includes: breakfast & tour at Parker's Maple Barn, lunch at Bailey's Bar & Grill, visit Hobart Village Antique Mall. Entrée choices: Choose one: Meatloaf – Pulled Pork – Grilled Chicken Breast. Depart 7:30AM Return approx. 5PM

2/ DUELING PIANOS, Aqua Turf Club Southington, CT, Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Price \$124 p.p. Complimentary coffee & donuts, glass of beer or wine & door prizes. Includes luncheon (Chicken Kathryn, Baked Ham, Salad, Potato, Veg, dessert, coffee.) and Dueling Pianos Show. Depart 9:30AM Return approx. 5:30PM

3/ MISS SAIGON, Performing Arts Ctr., White Plains, NY , Thursday, April 27, 2023

Price \$185 p.p. Includes: reserved seating for MISS SAIGON, lunch at Chazz Palminteri
Pre-select: Choose one: Chicken Parm-Cheese Ravioli-Chicken Francese-Grilled Salmon, Pappardelle. Bolognese. Depart 8:30AM Return approx. 7:30PM

4/ BEAUTIFUL: The Carole King Musical, Beverly, MA, Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Price \$195 p.p. includes: reserved inner circle seating for Beautiful: The Carole King Musical, lunch at the Danversport Yacht Club. Pre-select: Choose one: Herb Roasted Angus Beef-Seafood Trio. Depart 10AM Return approx. 7PM.

5/ NIAGARA FALLS, CANADA, (Wed-Fri) July 12-13-14, 2023

PRICE \$685 p.p. double / \$621 triple / \$588 quad / \$924 single. \$200 deposit at booking. Final pay't due: June 2. Includes 2 nights at Sheraton Fallsview Hotel; Guided Tour of Niagara Falls area; Hornblower Niagara Cruise; TWO DINNERS; TWO BUFFET BREAKFASTS; Duty Free Shopping. Travel Insurance available. Date of Birth required. Proof of citizenship required: A Valid Passport. Pre select Day 1 Choose one: Veal Parm-Chicken Parm-Mushroom Ravioli. Pre-select Day 2: Choose one: Prime Rib-Sirloin Steak-Salmon-Chicken Cordon Bleu-Veg Eggplant Parm. Depart 7:30AM Wed Return approx. 8:30PM Fri.

6/ FOSTER'S CLAMBAKE, York, ME, ISLES OF SHOALS CRUISE, Tues, August 15, 2023

Price \$165 p.p. Includes Foster's Clambake, Isles of Shoals Cruise. Pre-select: Choose one: Lobster-BBQ Chicken-Vegetarian. Depart 8:30AM Return approx. 8:30PM

7/ AMISH COUNTRY with "Moses", Lancaster County, PA (Tue-Thurs) Sept. 19-20-21, 2023

Price: \$576 p.p. double / \$535 triple / \$515 quad / \$720 single. \$100 per person deposit at booking. Final pay't due: 8/15. Travel Ins available. Date of Birth required. Includes: Two nights lodging at Fulton Steamboat Inn; two breakfasts at hotel; guided tour of Amish Farmlands with luncheon at an Amish Farm; two buffet dinners (Bird in Hand Restaurant including a show & Millers Smorgasbord); reserved front orchestra seats at Sight & Sound Theatres for 'Moses'; free time at Kitchen Kettle Village. Depart 7:30AM Tue 9/19 Return approx. 7PM Thurs 9/21.

8/ POLKA! POLKA with the Polka Family Band, Southington, CT, Tues, October 10, 2023

Price \$124 p.p. Includes luncheon, Polka! Polka! Show. Menu Family Style: Lemon Chicken, Pork Schnitzel, Salad, Penne, Potato, Veg. Rolls, Dessert, Coffee. Complimentary Coffee & Donuts, Beer or Wine, door prizes. Depart 9:30AM Return approx. 5:30PM

9/ DREAMGIRLS, Goodspeed Opera House, East Haddam, CT, Wed. November 15, 2023

Price \$185 p.p. Includes Luncheon at Gelston House, reserved orchestra seats to Dreamgirls. Pre-select: Choose one: Cod-Chicken-Steak-Pasta-Burger. Depart 10AM Return Approx 6PM.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH RED SOX RAFFLE Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Granby is doing a RED SOX raffle to raise funds for a new freezer for their kitchen and Warm Meals Warm Hearts Ministry. 1st Prize: BOSTON RED SOX PACKAGE - 2 State Street Pavilion Club Box Seats to May 13th game plus \$100. 2nd Prize: WORCESTER RED SOX PACKAGE - 4 Box Seats to May 21st game plus \$50. Raffle tickets are \$20. Drawing will be April 17. Tickets are available at Parish Office (467-9821), through Don Z (467-7693) or Wally P (348-7219).

SATURDAY ROSARY is prayed at 12 Noon in the Church. Please use the Chapel Street door using the stairs (near the elevator). Join us. For a ride, please call Crystal 413-627-8445.

LENTEN REGULATIONS:

- 1/ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat as well as days of fast, when only one full meal is allowed. +On days of fast, two other meatless meals may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.
- 2/ The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.
- 3/ The obligation to abstain from meat begins at fourteen (14) years of age.
- 4/ The obligation to fast begins at eighteen (18) years of age and ends at fifty-nine (59) years of age.
- 5/ Although the faithful may excuse themselves for a just cause from these laws of fast and abstinence, there is an obligation to substitute another penance and no Catholic should lightly excuse himself/herself from this obligation in the Lenten Season.

ST. JOAN of ARC SCHOOL ~ Pre-K to Grade 8, 587 Grattan St., Chicopee, MA. SJA offers Affordable Tuition & Extended Care ~ Free Breakfast & Lunch ~ Extracurricular Programs ~ Technology ~ Phys. Ed ~ Music ~ Library ~ Duolingo ~ Welcoming, Safe & Secure School Community ~ Social, Physical, Spiritual & Intellectual Wellness ~ Easy Access to I391 and I90 ~ Tuition Assistance Available. Visit: sjachicopee.org or call the school for a tour 533-1475.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. Whether you become an individual member or a member of our Council you will find that Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join, simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter our Council #69 for local information.

K of C COUNCIL 4044 on Memorial Drive

+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.

ATTN. FORMER BOY SCOUTS OF TROOP 138. Where has the time gone? St. Rose Boy Scout Troop 138 is preparing to Celebrate its **90th Anniversary!** If you were part of the History of this troop, we're hoping you have memorabilia you would be willing to share on this celebratory occasion. Please contact Timothy Noonan, the COR Charter Rep at 413-592-7797 if you have memories, pictures, or artifacts. A 90th Anniversary Banquet is in the planning for the near future. Thank you!

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.

THE CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY – SEASON 3 The series is underway and is held at the Ste. Rose Pastoral Center on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6PM. On April 4th, we'll view ***The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus Christ*** with Jonathan Roumie. Please register as space is limited. Contact Peggy Constant 413-536-4558 Ext 218.

RCIA The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults meets regularly by appointment 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. . If you're interested, please contact the parish office 413-536-4558 EXT 218 or ask for Peggy. All are welcome.

"SAVE THE DATE" Believe it or not, our own Father Bill will be retiring one year from now. The date of **Sunday, February 18, 2024**, at the 4:00 P.M. Mass, Father Bill will be celebrating his last official Mass as Pastor of Ste. Rose de Lima Parish. Following the Mass, there will be a reception at the Knights of Columbus Elder Council 69 Granby Road, Chicopee, Mass. Hors d'oeuvres/food stations will be complimentary with music and a pay bar available. Tickets will not be necessary. Please save the date and plan on joining your Parish Council and Parish Family in bidding Father Bill a fond farewell and best wishes in his retirement. More news to follow.

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

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.

+Saturday

STE. ROSE DE LIMA BINGO – Super Bingo Format

Saturday+

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 Availabl

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