

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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November 12, 2023

Readings: + Wisdom 6:12-16 + 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 + Matthew 25: 1-13 (154)

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Nov 11 - Saturday	4:00 PM	For All Veterans by a Fellow Veteran – Thank you for your service.
Nov 12 - Sunday	7:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory by Jeannette
32 nd Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM	Phyllis Ann LaFlamme by Noel
	11:00 AM	Fred Orwat by Mary Rider
	4:00 PM	Barree Family by the Kucinski family
Nov 13 - Monday	7:00 AM	John & Carol Rogalski by their children
Nov 14 - Tuesday	7:00 AM	Umberto Manno by Angelina & family
Nov 15 - Wednesday	7:00 AM	Richard Gawron by the family
Nov 16 - Thursday	7:00 AM	Susanna Krassler by the family
Nov 17 - Friday	7:00 AM	All Souls Day Intentions
Nov 18 - Saturday	4:00 PM	Deceased members of the Cote family by the family.
Nov 19 - Sunday	7:30 AM	Carol Weibel by Deb & Mike Weibel
33 rd Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM	Theresa & Leon Laplante by Sue & Al Laplante
	11:00 AM	Roland Chagnon by his children
	4:00 PM	Alfred & Lillian Boisselle by their family

+PARISH STEWARDSHIP 11/05/2023 - Offertory \$ 10,168.00 All Saints \$279.00 Thank you!
Bingo 11/11 Team 4 Food – Grilled Chicken Dinner w/ Butternut Squash

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Daniel Boutin, Eva Hamilton and Claude Tetreault. May God hold their souls and the souls of all our faithful departed lovingly in the palm of His hands.

NOVEMBER MEMORIALS: HOSTS: *In Loving Memory of:* Francis & Doris Desmarais by Laurie & Paul
SANCTUARY LAMP: *In Loving Memory of:* Gerald H. Durand Sr. by his wife Geraldine.

SJA BOOSTER CLUB: WEEK #12 WINNER is #5 Carol Savoie! Congratulations Carol! Interested in joining the Booster Club that helps support St. Joan of Arc School, contact Sandy & Joe Chessey @ 413-592-6256.

“BRINGING BACK THE BIRD” – Knights of Columbus #4044 is bringing back the Thanksgiving Dinner and is looking for volunteers for a variety of opportunities. Food will be prepared from Mon, Nov 20th - Wed, Nov 22. Looking for preparation & packaging on Thanksgiving morning. Also looking for volunteers for meal delivery to the home bound and servers for the meal at the Castle from 12-2pm. If you wish to volunteer, please pick up a registration form at the entrance of the church or call 413-612-4259. Register to have meals delivered or join us at the K of C #4044. You can register by filling out a form or by calling 413-612-4259. The deadline to register is Friday November 10th. If you are receiving the services from WestMass Eldercare please do not sign up or register, your name will be submitted from the Nutrition Program.

HOLIDAY DINNER IN A BAG...EVERYTHING BUT THE BIRD! Lorraine's Soup Kitchen & Pantry is working to provide families with food for the holidays. Our goal is to stuff bags with needed grocery items instead of ourselves, or our turkeys. Wish list items: Gravy, cans of soup, potatoes, canned veggies (corn, beans, peas & carrots), Cranberry Sauce, stuffing mix-Jiffy cornbread or muffin mix, canned yams/sweet potatoes, pickles, Olives (green or black). Desserts- cake mix & frosting, pie crust & filling any dessert item. Please bring donations to the 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday, November 23 or if your donation is large, please consider delivering it to Lorraine's Soup Kitchen at 170 Pendexter Ave, Chicopee, MA 01013, Phone # 413-592-9528.

SJA 33RD ANNUAL CAMPAIGN- November 15-December 31, 2023-to help raise funds to purchase security upgrades for the school. A newsletter and pledge card were mailed to parishioners and alumni. If you did not receive one and would like to donate, there are forms in the church lobby. You can mail the school a check or Venmo us @sjachicopee indicating 'Annual Campaign' in the 'What's this for?' section. Thank you for your continued support and generosity of our school!

Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,
The Annual October-November Pew Count

The following numbers reflect the three weeks of conducting the annual pew count: October 21-22 realized 652; October 28-29 realized 676; and November 4-5 realized 724. For your information the total number of households in the parish is approximately 2100. To say that most Catholic households in the parish are not attending Sunday Mass is a bit of an understatement. There are many members, who due to age, are unable to attend Sunday Mass, so that needs to be taken into consideration. Significantly missing, however, are the families with children. Whether those families are Catholic School families or Public-School families whose children either attend Religious Education classes or not, their absence at Sunday Mass is “like the elephant in the room” syndrome. It is fair to say, that several SJA School families do attend Sunday Mass because of St. Joan – for which it is so rewarding to see. While many issues have beleaguered the Catholic Church in the USA for the past several decades including COVID 19, the parish has not “rebounded” even though the parish has implemented the safe environment policies of the Diocese of Springfield and, as a society, are living in a post-COVID environment where many places have realized a return to a more normal behavior. This is a “no spin zone” and is simply an honest observation as to where Ste. Rose de Lima Parish stands. Is Ste. Rose out of step with what the Catholic Church is experiencing in the USA? Sad to say, the answer is no. Throughout the USA Catholic dioceses have been implementing “pastoral planning.” In essence, pastoral planning is “responding” to the attendance trends by employing the painful process of closing/combining parishes that are no longer “visible” with more viable parishes. Thanks to the “minority” of the membership here at Ste. Rose, the parish is still on a solid foundation. What the next 5-10 years will be like for the Diocese of Springfield and Ste. Rose de Lima Parish will be an interesting reality to observe.

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday November 23rd!

Thanksgiving Day will begin, as is our tradition, with a Thanksgiving Day Mass to be celebrated at 9:00 AM. This annual celebration is also an opportunity to share some of our bounty with our less fortunate neighbors in the City of Chicopee. The parish will take up a non-perishable food drive for the benefit of *Lorraine's Soup Kitchen* on Thanksgiving Day. Accepted as well will be either a cash or check donation. If you choose to write a check, please write it out to *Lorraine's Soup Kitchen*. Every penny and food item donated will go directly for the benefit of *LSK*.

Fr Bill

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE – To date there are 342 contributors to this year's campaign totaling \$47,832.00. The parish is shy of its goal by \$3,168.00. If you have already contributed to this annual campaign of charity – thank you! If you have yet to contribute you may go to www.diospringfield.org and click on the ACA banner. Be sure to make your gift credited to Ste. Rose de Lima. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – COUNCIL # 69 -recently held a Membership Drive in our church but did not receive any prospect cards in return. Unfortunately, the door prize will not be available. If you missed the drive and are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus #69 simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter our council # 69 for local information.

LAST CALL - OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE SHRINE & CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS- SJA School is hosting a bus trip to Our Lady of La Salette Shrine and Christmas Lights in Attleboro, MA on Friday, December 1st. The bus will leave at 2:00 p.m. from the SJA School parking lot and will return to the school at 10:00 p.m. Total cost is \$35.00 cash or check payable to SJA and can be sent to the school. reserve your seat today! Call the office @ 413-533-1475 for any questions.

FRANCO AMERICAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION –will meet on Thursday, November 16, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. in the Pastoral Center Chapel for a Mass in Honor of our sick and deceased members. After the Mass we will meet across the street in the church hall for our monthly 6:30 p.m. meeting.

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

*****NEW*** CLOTHING & LINENS DRIVE-** Clean out your house (including closets) before the holidays! Donate clothes, shoes, linens, bedding, draperies, and towels. **Saturday, November 18, 2023, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Lorraine's Soup Kitchen and Pantry 170 Pendexter Ave, Chicopee MA 01013 in conjunction with Savers, to benefit Lorraine's Soup Kitchen & Pantry hosted by SportsZone/Fan Zone.

The Arm of St. Jude the Apostle is visiting the United States and is coming to St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 63 Pine Street, West Springfield MA 01089 on Fri, November 17, 2023. Known as the Apostle of the Impossible, Saint Jude is revered for his unwavering dedication and steadfast faith. Millions have experienced his intercessions in times of adversity and need. The Veneration of the Relic begins at 2:30 p.m. There will be a special Mass in Honor of St. Jude at 7:00 p.m. Veneration will end at 10:00 p.m.

SJA \$ 5.00 LOTTERY CALENDAR - kicks off on November 1st and ends on December 18th. Please see a SJA student, call the school office @ 413-553-1475 or look for calendars after one of the masses on the weekends in November & December. Think stocking stuffers, birthday gifts or thank you gifts! The raffle will be held throughout January 2024 and the winners will be posted on the school's Website and Facebook page. Checks will be mailed to the winner's address, so please fill this out on the return slips. If your name is picked, it is not removed – you have multiple chances to win!

SJA GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER – SJA School is offering families a convenient, stress-free way to check off Christmas gift card shopping from your holiday “To-Do” List! The SJA Gift Card Fundraiser lets you purchase gift cards for your family, friends, and yourself from a large assortment of restaurants and businesses while raising funds for the school. For each gift card sold, SJA will receive a percent back from Raise Right. Please send all gift card orders to school by Monday, November 27th. Forms can be found in the church lobby.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA – ST. ROSE CEMETERY - Ste. Rose de Lima Parish will again take part in the National Wreaths Across America Program. We are starting our campaign with just over 60 wreaths that have been sponsored throughout 2023. We are all registered and ready for you! Please help Ste. Rose honor our local heroes. We will be laying the wreaths on Dec 16, 2023, at Ste. Rose Cemetery at noon. To sponsor a wreath, you can go to www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/MA0171 and press the sponsor button. Wreaths are \$17.00 each or sponsor two and get one free. The free one will not show up on your purchase form but will show up on our dashboard. You can also sign up to be a volunteer at the same site. We look forward to another successful year thanks to all of you. You can also go to the flyer in the back of the Church and use the QR code to go right to the MA0171 website. Flyers are available to take home or visit us on Facebook.

STE ROSE SCRIPTURE STUDY – “ISAIAH”- LITTLE ROCK PROGRAM – Tuesday’s 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Scripture study combined with group sharing, lecture and prayer lecture, and prayer in an informal setting. Please join us and learn to make real connections between your faith and your everyday life. Suggested cost \$20.00. Anyone is welcome to come FREE! If you have any questions, please contact Michael Johnson @ 355-0566 or Dan Therrien @ 427-6014. Meet at the Pastoral Center, 15 Chapel St., Chicopee

THE WOMEN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT is a women's group that is inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit where women of all ages from our Diocese come together to learn, be uplifted, and grow in their faith through prayer, fellowship, teachings, songs, movies, books, discussions and much more. We gather once a month on the **second Saturday from 9:30 a.m.-12:00** at the Parish Center. As we begin another wonderful year, we want to extend a big invitation and welcome to any women who are looking to strengthen and grow in their faith journey along with other wonderful sisters in Christ. If you would like more information, please contact Julie Prats at 626-2925.

LECTIO DIVINA - Do you want to have a fuller understanding of Sunday's Gospel? If you do, come, and join us for Lectio Divina (divine reading). We meet on Monday nights at 6:30PM at the Pastoral Center. We study the Gospel reading for the coming Sunday Liturgy. It's recommended, but not necessary, that you bring a bible and a pad and pen for journaling. Hope to see you there.

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.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE & DONUTS in the Church Hall every Sunday following the 9:00AM Mass. Please come down and enjoy one another's company over a cup of coffee and a sweet treat!! Join the team!! We're looking for men and women to assist on a regular basis at coffee and donuts. If interested, please see one of the servers. Please contact Darlene Proulx 413-209-6680

STE. ROSE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP- We meet every **Monday at 6:00PM** at the St. Rose Pastoral Center, 15 Chapel Street, Chicopee. We welcome all who have experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, family member or friend. Meetings are every Monday except for major holidays. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact the Pastoral Center 536-4558.

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR BULLETIN COVER ADVERTISERS. We 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.

+SPAGHETTI SUPPERS are back! **K of C COUNCIL 4044 on Memorial Drive** 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.

STE. ROSE DE LIMA AA MEETINGS – Tuesday evenings @ 7:30 p.m. in the Church Hall – entrance on Chapel Street.

THE MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

Recite the Rosary and ask Our Dear Lady to intercede for us in our need.
<i>Prayed on Monday and Saturday:</i>
THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES: The Annunciation + The Visitation + The Birth of our Lord + The Presentation + The Finding in the Temple.
<i>Prayed on Tuesday and Friday:</i>
THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES: The Agony in the Garden + The Scourging + The Crowning with Thorns + The Carrying of the Cross + The Crucifixion.
<i>Prayed on Wednesday and Sunday:</i>
THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES: The Resurrection + The Ascension + The Coming of the Holy Spirit + The Assumption of Our Lady + The Coronation of Our Lady.
<i>Prayed on Thursday:</i>
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



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+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 --- Food: Grilled Chicken Dinner with Butternut Squash Entrance until 6:30PM every Saturday - Elevator Available Ste. Rose de Lima Church Hall – 600 Grattan St- Chicopee, MA 413-539-9259	Saturday+
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