



# ST. ROSE OF LIMA

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 11 2021

Saturday, 4:00 pm  
Sunday, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm  
Monday - Friday, 6:45 and 9:00 am  
Holy Days—Vigil Mass 7:30 pm  
Holy Day- 6:45 & 9:00 a.m., 5:30 pm  
Holidays - 8:00 a.m.

### REGISTRATION

All parishioners are asked to be formally registered with the parish. Registration is required to receive parish mailings, sponsor certificates, and sacraments. Call the Rectory office for information or go to [strosechurch.com/register](http://strosechurch.com/register).

### PENANCE

Confessions are celebrated each Saturday from 3:00 until 4:00 p.m. or by special appointment with one of the priests.

### BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at 1:30 p.m. A pre-Baptism class is required for those wishing to baptize a child. For other important parent and sponsor related pre-requisites, please call the Rectory office or go to [strosechurch.com/baptism](http://strosechurch.com/baptism).

### FIRST COMMUNION, FIRST PENANCE and CONFIRMATION

Religious education classes begin at age 4. First Grade is a pre-requisite for First Communion and First Penance. Attendance is required in each grade for reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in grade 8. For more information and pre-requisites for these sacraments, go to [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com).

### MARRIAGE

The couple is asked to contact one of the parish clergy to make arrangements for a wedding, which must be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. For all other important pre-requisites for the marriage sacrament, go to [strosechurch.com/marriage](http://strosechurch.com/marriage).

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Rectory office if you wish to receive this sacrament or if you wish to have Holy Communion brought to your home.

### SAINT ROSE CEMETERY

The cemetery is located on the corner of Cherry and Black Cherry Streets in Sandy Hook. For more information, please contact the Office.



## 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 1200X, 1698, 1870 CCC.

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Monday, July 12

6:45 Jon Coloman . . . . . Colleen & Glenn Budzinski  
9:00 Felicia Antonecchia . . . Angela & Donald Orrico

### Tuesday, July 13

6:45 Anthony Sara . . . Anna & Gerardo Cannavaciale  
9:00 Jack Obre . . . . . Family

### Wednesday, July 14

6:45 Patricia Draper . . . . . John & Joan Borruso  
9:00 Jack Leitner . . . . . Family

### Thursday, July 15

6:45 Ann Bower . . . . . Family  
9:00 Sam Longo . . . . . Mary Korth Curran

### Friday, July 16

6:45 John Siczewicz . . . . . Colleen & Glenn Budzinski  
9:00 Myrtle Lammie . . . . . Mariotte & Brian Corson

### Saturday, July 17

8:00 Nancy DiMaria . . . . . Pat & Ray Mazzochi  
4:00 Joseph Antonazzo . . . . . Nicolina Antonazzo

### Sunday, July 18

7:30 Olivia Engel . . . . . The Brennan Family  
9:30 Barbara Judge . . . . . Lou & Amy Pontillo  
Donald Argersinger . . . John & Maria DeGirolamo  
11:30 Corrine, Bobby & Claire Kneisel . LaVerne Burzynski  
5:00 Jimmy Ranieri . . . . . Georgeine Ranieri

**FOR THOSE ATTENDING A PARKING LOT MASS, TURN YOUR RADIO DIAL TO 89.9 FM TO LISTEN TO THE MASS. AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER WILL BRING COMMUNION OUT TO THE PARKING LOT FOR THOSE WISHING TO RECEIVE COMMUNION.**

### WEDDING BANNS



**Banns II Alyssa Katz & Stephen Ambrogio**

**The St. Rose Memorial Fund has graciously been chosen by the following families and benefactors in memory of a loved one. We are most grateful for their generosity.**

**Gift of Dr. Leon & Ellen Baczski in memory of Patricia Draper**

## Class Registration

**Religious Education Registration for Fall 2021 classes opened on Monday, June 28. Please see the Religious Education webpage for link and information.**

### FOR THE SANCTIFICATION OF PRIESTS

Divine Savior, Jesus Christ, You have entrusted Your Work of redemption to the priests, who take Your place on earth. I offer You, through the hands of Your most holy Mother, for the sanctification of Your priests and future priests this whole day, all my prayers, works, joys, sacrifices and sufferings.

Give us saintly priests. Grant to them apostolic hearts, filled with love for You and all the souls belonging to You, so that, being themselves sanctified in You, they may sanctify us who are entrusted to their care and bring us safely into Heaven.

Loving Jesus, bless all their priestly work and sacrifice. Bless all their prayers and words at the altar and in the confessional, in the pulpit, in the school and at the sick-bed. Call many young men to the priesthood and the monastic life. Protect and sanctify all who will become Your priests. And grant to the souls of the priests who have departed this life, eternal rest.

Mary, Mother of all priests, take them under your special protection and lead them ever to the highest priestly sanctity.

### Faith in Marriage

#### Question:

What kind of religious practices should we begin, once we marry, to help us practice our faith each day?

#### Answer:

Your spiritual life as a couple is important. The sacrament of Marriage is a gift and a grace, but living it well isn't always easy! It requires intentionality and perseverance. Growing your spiritual life as a couple also requires a plan. Life can be incredibly busy. There's never "enough time" for everything we want to do. But we can live by our priorities. If we don't prioritize prayer, we'll find it slowly disappear from our lives.

If you're not already praying individually, that's a good place to start. If your schedules are similar, take some quiet time at the same time to help hold each other accountable. Praying together is also important! You could start by looking at the religious practices of your family and of families around you that you respect. Talk with your spouse about the ones who make the deepest impression on you or were most meaningful when you were young. Think about what you want your future children to experience. Making faith a commitment now will mean it is engrained habit when you grow your family. Ultimately, these faith practices should help us grow in our love for God and for one another.

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## A MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR BOB

As you drive the highways, you see vehicles loaded to capacity with luggage and all things necessary for vacation! What a contrast to this weekend's Gospel! "He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts." While this does not fit our lifestyle, the message is a subtle one and one that is profoundly spiritual. The Lord calls us to mission and to follow the call each of us is given to bring the message of Christ to this world. He tells His disciples to go and share the Good News. He encourages them to free themselves from the burden of material things and bring only the truth and His message of hope, love and salvation to everyone they encounter along the way. He is also keenly aware that there will be those who have no interest in hearing their message. He does not encourage the disciples to argue with or to condemn them, but only to shake the dust off their feet and move on! Every one of us has the opportunity every day to be a "missionary". We live in times when materialism and secularism are the foundation of our moral and value systems. Look where they are taking us! Jesus is simply trying to keep us on track with our lives, our choices, our decisions and our morals. The voices of Christians are being blocked by the cries of the fast growing atheistic spirit that is overtaking our country. I recently heard on a TV show one of the actors screaming to the top of her lungs that the Church is trying to take over our lives and tell us what to do and how to live. Far from it! The Church is simply echoing the message of Jesus Christ how to live a loving, just and hope-filled life rather than the life that the secular world is offering to us. Take the risk and live Christ for others, share His message of forgiveness, justice, equality and peace. You might be surprised how eager some people are to hear the truth for a change. And, those who do not want to listen will eventually choke on the dust you leave behind!

This Sunday, we have invited the members of our Faith Formation ministries to join us for the 11:30 a.m. liturgy in order to say thanks to them for keeping the faith alive during this past year. It was a challenge at every turn, but it was met with commitment and faith by so many who have accepted this important mission in the Church. We had many obstacles to face in planning for the year, but we found a way to overcome each and every one of them. In large part, this was due to the incredible leadership of our Faith Formation/Religious Education

Staff:

Cate Gosselin: Parish Faith Formation Coordinator  
Mary Craig: Confirmation and Middle School Coordinator  
Sandy Jarvis: Penance, Eucharist and Elementary Coordinator  
Silvia Harper: Registration and Database Coordinator

It was also a great success because of the work of our Grade Level Coordinators who met regularly with our catechists to be sure the classes were going well both virtually and in person:

Grade 1: Joann McCaffrey  
Grade 2: Tammy Marks  
Grade 3: Kate Kunze  
Grade 4: Ann Ruggiero  
Grade 5: Lisa Burbank  
Grade 6: Frank Middleton  
Grade 7: Helliet Sanchez  
Grade 8: Mary Craig  
Home School Families: Cosmo Civalé

We will also be honoring Meg Arena and Kate Kunze who took retirement during the year. Both of these women spent many years in service to the Religious Education program and helped to prepare thousands of children for their sacraments as well as keeping the office running smoothly.

We are also grateful to the many others who volunteer their time to make our formation program one that is "Cradle to Grave." The list of these men and women is endless, but I hope they know our gratitude for all they do for all of us! A reception will be held in the Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center following the Mass.





### **Registration is now open!**

Thank you to all of our parents/guardians who registered their children for Fall Religious Education classes this week. We are delighted to see many children coming back in the Fall and some of our home-schooling students will be joining our classrooms this year. If you have not yet registered for classes, please go to the Religious Education webpage on the St. Rose website. Click on the link for our online registration form. If you have any questions, please contact Silvia Harper at (203) 426-2333, Ext. 3.

### **Is Jesus calling YOU?**

We are grateful to the many catechists who are returning in the Fall; and we are excited that parents and students enjoyed a very positive experience with a faith-filled teacher. Some of these catechists completed their first year and found it to be a very rewarding hour, where they developed new friendships with the families, were rewarded with an increase in their own faith, and found joy in teaching our young parishioners. Please say YES to Jesus' call. Become a catechist and see how God works through you because of your love for HIM. Contact Mary Craig for more information (203) 426-2333, Ext. 2.

### **Returning Catechists:**

Don't forget to return your Catechist Volunteer form to Mary Craig. Please make sure your VIRTUS training and Catechist Formation training are completed by August 15, 2021. Thank you for your commitment to St. Rose Parish.

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## **SCHOOL NEWS**

**GOD BLESS AMERICA!** Wishing our school and parish families a blessed 4th of July. Our freedom is truly a gift and we are thankful to all who have and continue to ensure it. We are one nation under God; may He continue to guide and protect us, especially those in service and leadership positions.

**Help Pave the Way to Many Bright Futures -- Be a part of the St. Rose School Blooms Brick Walk!** Bricks make great gifts for graduation, communion, confirmation, weddings and so many other precious life moments. The Brick Walk will be created by the Angel of Hope statue located directly in front of the school. If you or someone you know attended or is attending St. Rose School this is a wonderful way to make a lasting mark on campus and in the heart! Interested in ordering a brick? Visit <https://polarengraving.com/stroseoflimaschool> or email [bloomsbricks@srles.com](mailto:bloomsbricks@srles.com).

**Check out ST. ROSE PRESCHOOL -- Tours available all summer!** Is it time to choose a Preschool for your little one? We offer dynamic 3-year-old, 4-year-old and Transitional Kindergarten (5-year-old) programs in a nurturing environment. Come see why this could be the right fit for your family! Email [admissions@srles.com](mailto:admissions@srles.com) or call 203-426-5102. <https://www.stroseschool.com/academics/preschool>. **Parents of 2-year-olds inquire about our Peek-A-Boo 2's Program.** A warm welcome awaits you!

**Our Heartfelt THANKS to all who support St. Rose School!** Your donations enable us to provide a stellar academic, faith focused education for children in Preschool through 8th grade. We have a rich history and a bright future because of you! Please take a look at our recent video, *We're Still Blooming!* which highlights the successes we achieved during this challenging year. [www.stroseschool.com/giving](http://www.stroseschool.com/giving). Every gift makes a big difference! Thank you and God Bless!

**Calling all alumni -- we'd love to hear from you!** Email [advancement@srles.com](mailto:advancement@srles.com) to share your news in ALUMNI SPOTLIGHTS and stay connected with all who have walked in these halls since 1958! Like us on Facebook, StRoseofLimaSchool; follow us on Instagram, StRoseNewtown.

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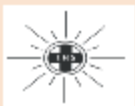
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### PASTORAL OUTREACH MINISTRY

#### PASTORAL VISITS

Are you or a family member Homebound, or in a short-term facility for Rehabilitation, in a Nursing Home, Hospital or on Hospice Care? Would you like a Pastoral/Eucharistic Minister to visit you &/or bring you **Communion**? Because of HIPPA regulations, we have no means of knowing if you are in any of the above situations unless you notify us. Please feel free to call Sister Mary Ellen at 203-426-2572. We are looking forward to your call and to serving you.



#### OUTREACH MINISTRY PROGRAM

The Outreach Ministry program meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center at 6:30 p.m. The program is postponed until further notice due to the coronavirus.

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the first Saturday of the month in the Rectory Conference Room at 10 a.m. Meetings are postponed until further notice due to the coronavirus.

Do you know someone who is sick, grieving or lonely? Consider blessing them with a prayer shawl. Call Sr. Mary Ellen at 203-426-2572 with your requests.



#### SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

If anyone wants religious articles, please contact Lynda Healey (203) 300-3211 and she will help you. We have an assortment of inspirational coffee mugs, St. Joseph home seller statues, holy water fonts, saint medals, bracelets, rosaries, and more.

The purpose of the Social Concerns Committee is to support our parishioners and neighbors in need. Our Cares Box is in the back of the church. On the 3rd weekend of every month, you'll find it in the vestibule. Thanks to your generosity, we can continue to support our local organizations.

**Parishioner to Parishioner** ("Available" items are offered free of charge. Just make arrangements to pick them up.)

**Available:** Fairly new natural wood baby crib

**For Social Concerns information** please call: Kathleen Belmont, 203-470-3107, and leave a message.

*"Whatever you did to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me". Mt. 25:4*



### FOOD FOR THOUGHT



"Every good endowment and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights." James 1:17)

Nancy Rhodes, Parish Nurse



### ST. JOSEPH PROJECT



If the economy, job loss, illness or an unexpected emergency has caused your family to have difficulty regarding housing issues for St. Rose parishioners, please contact Sr. Mary Ellen at 203-426-2572. Everything is strictly confidential. St. Joseph, pray for us! Praise the Lord! He takes care of His children!

### LIFT-A-SPIRIT MEAL MINISTRY

There is nothing nicer than a home-cooked meal! For many members of our St. Rose parish family who are dealing with chronic illnesses or who are facing medical emergencies, a hot meal, made with love and prayers, is nourishing to the body and soul. Please consider joining our group. Contact Kathy: 203-456-6303.



### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

We meet on the third Sunday of the month @38 Church Hill Road in the back entrance conference room. Please use back door. For information, contact Suzanne Vitiello at 914-409-6236. Meetings are postponed until further notice due to the coronavirus.

### CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

Do you have cancer? Are you a cancer survivor? Are you a family member of someone who has cancer? Have you lost a loved one to cancer? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you are encouraged to attend a support group being held the second Wednesday evening of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory Conference Room beginning in September. For more information please contact Frank Sequenzia at 203-948-1369, email: flsequenzia@gmail.com. Meetings are postponed until further notice.

### ROSARY RECITATION IN CHURCH

Join us in front of the Blessed Mother statue Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m. Mass.

### FRIENDLY VISITORS

Become a Friendly Visitor and spend time once a month with elderly who are isolated due to illness or infirmity. Please contact Sister Mary Ellen Genova at 203-426-2572 or Mariotte Corson at 203-426-9275.

## MEETINGS

### **SPIRITUAL JOURNEY**

Meetings are postponed until further notice due to Covid.

### **THE FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

The meetings are postponed until further notice due to the Coronavirus. Questions, call Blanca at 203-426-3253.

### **ST. ROSE JOB NETWORKING**

Northern Fairfield Professionals (NFP) Zoom meeting is 6:00 – 7:30 pm on Tuesday, July 13. Our guest speaker, Don Wittman, will present “Linkedin Secrets, Tips and Tricks Webinar”. This is a free network group for people looking for new opportunities or interested in professional development. *To request the zoom link for the next Northern Fairfield Professionals (NFP) meeting, e-mail [john@itechcp.com](mailto:john@itechcp.com).*

### **ST. ROSE PRAISE & WORSHIP PRAYER MEETING**

Are you interested in being involved with men seeking the Lord asking for His guidance to fulfill the calling on your Life? Then this men's group is what you are looking for. Hope to see you soon! For additional information, contact Tony Evertz at [tevertz@yahoo.com](mailto:tevertz@yahoo.com) or (203) 917-1158. Meetings are on Thursdays **outside Holy Innocents at 10 a.m.**

### **PRO-LIFE & FAMILY MEETING**

The next Pro-Life/Pro-Family meeting is postponed until further notice due to the coronavirus. For info, please contact Deacon Norm Roos, 203-739-0175, email: [normroosjr@aol.com](mailto:normroosjr@aol.com).

### **LAY MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY**

**Mornings:** 1st Tuesday of each month after 9 a.m. Mass  
**Evenings:** 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. **both at the Bell Garden**. The aim is to quench the infinite thirst of Jesus on the Cross for the love of souls. The Special Mission is to work for the salvation and the sanctification of the members of their own Families and of the poorest of the poor of the whole world. Come see.

### **WEBS - WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT BOOK STUDY**

We invite you to join us in reading *Habits of Holiness: Small Steps For Making Big Spiritual Progress*, by Fr. Mark-Mary Ames, during the months of May and June. Meetings are held either outside in the Bell Garden at St. Rose (weather permitting) or virtually on Zoom on Thursdays from 10 am to 11:30 am. Please contact Elizabeth Lynch at 203-994-5106 or email her at [lynchejd@gmail.com](mailto:lynchejd@gmail.com) with questions or to sign up to join us.

**C&L (Communion and Liberation)** is an ecclesial movement in the Catholic Church based on the premise that Faith lived out in communion, is the foundation of the true liberation of man. CL website: <https://english.clonline.org/>. We meet every Wednesday 7:00 to 8:30 pm. on Zoom from our homes. For more information, please call at 203-426-9275 or email at [mariottecorson@gmail.com](mailto:mariottecorson@gmail.com).

**DIVINE MERCY CENACLE:** Due to the coronavirus, meetings are postponed until further notice. Prayer meetings meet on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month. We meet from 3:30 to 5:00 pm in the Chapel. All welcome.

## MEETINGS

### **ST. ROSE MEN'S FAITH NETWORK**

Due to the coronavirus, meetings on campus are postponed. The Men's Faith Network is designed to help parish men of all ages explore what it means to be a Catholic man in today's world. Our primary mission is to help men grow in faith, accountability, and fellowship; emphasizing real-life application. We meet each Saturday at 7:30 a.m. in the Holy Innocents building. All parish men are welcome! Contact Mike Ryan at [mrryan9497@gmail.com](mailto:mrryan9497@gmail.com)

### **YOUNG WIDOWS/WIDOWERS GROUP**

**Due to the coronavirus, the meetings are postponed until further notice.**

The group meets at Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center on the fourth Tuesday of the month to present and discuss a topic relevant to widowhood. Find help dealing with the significant changes a spouse's death brings. Meet people in similar circumstances for support, friendship and understanding. For more info [www.meetup.com/widows-ct](http://www.meetup.com/widows-ct) or call 203-426-0481.

### **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

**Meetings are held off campus until further notice.**

AA meets every Saturday night at 6:30 p.m. in the upper room at 38 Church Hill Road. AA is a fellowship of men and women who help each other from Alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is an honest desire to stop drinking. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help others achieve sobriety. Come join us.

### **WALKING WITH PURPOSE**

Walking With Purpose - Women's Bible Study will return In-Person on Wednesdays beginning September 29, 2021. Day session will be 10-11:45am and evening session is from 7-8:45pm at Holy Innocents Hall. There will be one Virtual Group offered for both day & evening sessions. Space is limited. Online Registration will begin at the end of July. Please go to our WWP link on the St. Rose website, under ministries, to Create an Account to Register and Pay Online. Cost of study is \$35. Any questions: morning session - please contact Joanne Ihlefeld at [ihlejpj@gmail.com](mailto:ihlejpj@gmail.com) and for the evening program contact Liz Brestovansky at [lizbrestovansky@gmail.com](mailto:lizbrestovansky@gmail.com)

### **ST. ROSE WOMEN'S CLUB -All are welcome**

We are an organization of women united in faith and fellowship. We welcome any women of St. Rose Parish who have an interest in becoming members. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, SRWC is not meeting in person. For the past year SRWC members have been supporting each other and our parish by praying for the sick, the hospitalized, the recovering, and reaching out to the lonely, the needy, and the elderly, who are staying home alone. We write, call, visit if possible, inform members where there is a need, and pray for each other. Everyone is welcome to join us. On the second Tuesday of each month, some of our members meet in a home or at St. Rose Cemetery to pray the ROSARY together for the intentions of our members. On the third Thursday of each month, interested members meet for our BOOK GROUP, led by Renee Baade. Call the rectory with any questions.



# Pro-Life

"The Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is celebrated on June 26. They are powerful intercessors for all married couples, expectant mothers, and married couples who are having difficulty conceiving, as well as those who are aging." To prepare for the feast, a novena beginning July 17 can be found at <https://www.usccb.org/resources/Sts%20Anne%20and%20Joachim%20Novena.pdf>

"On Friday, May 28th, President Biden released his Fiscal Year 2022 budget in which he proposes to eliminate the Hyde Amendment and some related pro-life provisions. Calling for elimination of Hyde in a president's budget is unprecedented. The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Billions of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion. The Hyde Amendment has been part of every appropriations bill since 1976, with strong bipartisan support. Now the President and Democratic leaders want to exclude the amendment from all future spending bills. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is urging all Catholics to take action to preserve the Hyde Amendment by signing a petition and contacting their U.S. Senators and Representatives." Visit <https://action.ctcatholicpac.org/> to learn more and take action.

Stop your tax dollars from going to abortion!  
[www.NoTaxpayerAbortion.com](http://www.NoTaxpayerAbortion.com)

For more information on the Church's guidance on moral questions in regards to vaccines and aborted fetal tissue, please visit <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/biomedical-research>

"Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions." Read more at [www.respectlife.org/endof-life-considerations](http://www.respectlife.org/endof-life-considerations).

-USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing

## THE WEDDING JUBILEE MASS

The Wedding Jubilee Mass will be held at St. Matthew Parish on September, 25, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. This Mass honors couples who are celebrating 25, 30, 35...50+ years of marriage. Registration information will be sent to pastors in the next few weeks. In the meantime save the date.

## REMEMBERING THOSE WHO ARE SERVING US May God keep special watch over these men and women serving in the United States Military

### United States Army

LTC Andra Allison  
MAJ Robert A. Bassett, DO  
PFC Ryan J. Bepko  
PVT Jack Carello  
2LT Patrick Carello  
SGT Daniel Cartisano  
PVT Ronald Corris  
SSG Anthony T. D'Aquila

1LT Stephen Gardner  
MAJ Rachel (Askue) Hoffman  
CPT Michael Hubbard  
CPT Tucker Hughes  
CPT Paul M. Kearney  
LTC Matthew A. LaRocca  
WO Rylan McCullom  
SGT Thomas J. Merrifield  
LTC Sean Pond  
SPC Matthew Rahtelli  
1LT Liam Thies  
LTC Benjamin Wallen  
COL Peter J. Whalen  
CPT Daniel Wilcox

### United States Air Force

SSgt. Daniel Carlson  
Capt. Keegan Frobey Matchett  
A1C Alexandria Matjievic  
SSgt. Travis Mueller  
Lt Col John Murphy  
SrA Emily Pieretti  
MSgt James Rebman  
Maj Drew Taylor  
Capt Katie Taylor  
TSgt Daniel West  
Capt Kimberly Solheim West  
Capt Jessica Zencey  
Capt Gregory Zencey  
Maj Philip Zencey

### U.S. Coast Guard

SN Charles Agius  
LT Logan C. Mars  
LT Scott B. Nichols  
LT Meridith A. Palo  
CDR Paul D. Tessitore

### United States Navy

ENS Julia Davis  
SN Philip DeMayo  
SN Danielle Godejohn  
LT Andrew Golankiewicz  
LT Alex Islin  
LT Allison Kirk Islin  
CPO Daniel J. Kearns, Sr.  
LT Daniel Kirk  
ENS Michael Kirk  
CDR Timothy Krippendorf  
BUMC Robert James Mandulak  
MIDN Nathan Mars  
LT Brian Murphy  
GM Ethan Parsons  
CAPT John Porado  
SN Eric Ralston, Jr.  
CPO Matthew Sidor  
CDR Joseph P. Smith  
PO1 Christopher Szabo

### Army National Guard

WO2 Matthew Bergquist  
LTC Todd Bookless  
PFC Louis Enriquez  
SGT Thomas Monckton  
CPT Matthew D. Seibert

### United States Marines

WO1 Michael Costello  
Cpl Sean C. Decker  
2ndLT Jackie Fisher  
Cpl Robert W. Hoyt, Jr.  
Pvt Christopher Manfredi  
PFC Luke T. Miller  
LCpl Ian Montgomery  
Col David L. Morgan II  
LCpl Lucas T. Vendel  
PFC Patrick Zingaro

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*United meets on Sunday evenings on the campus  
of St. Rose unless otherwise noted.*



**ALL VOLUNTEERS** in the Diocese of Bridgeport are required to comply with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy. Part of this policy is attending the program, Protecting God's Children. If you wish to help in any way within the parish or Diocese, please register at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). If you attended the class more than 5 years ago, you need to be recertified. If you have any questions or need help with recertification, please contact Doreen or Kelly in the Rectory office 203-426-1014.



## Online Giving

If you haven't already, please consider making your contributions through Online Giving, a convenient, safe, secure option which makes use of current technology and security standards. Your gift will be transferred from your preferred method of payment directly to our parish. It is simple and flexible, and allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. How: 1- Visit our website: [StRoseChurch.com](http://StRoseChurch.com) 2-Click on the Giving Link on the top right side of page 3-Complete the online registration form.

Call Doreen at the rectory 203-426-5250 for assistance or more info.

## FAITH FOOD PANTRY

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## DIACONATE DISCOVERY EVENINGS

Watch for future dates and meanwhile speak to any of the clergy if you are having a sense of a call to the diaconate.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #185



Do you know a neighbor in need? The Knights are here to help. Contact Community Service Committee Member, Harold Brennan at 203-704-0083 or 203-426-3661. Ever thought of becoming a Knight? For more information contact Guy Mascolo at 203-837-0466 or [mascologuy@yahoo.com](mailto:mascologuy@yahoo.com)

## COLUMBIAN SQUIRES CIRCLE #1307:



The male youth division of the Knights of Columbus, serving St. Rose and the community, is the largest circle in North America. Want to join the group? Contact Matt Rahtelli, (203) 885 4987, or email him at [mrahtelli2@gmail.com](mailto:mrahtelli2@gmail.com).

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The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing our insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information please contact Jon Starr, General Agent at 203-803-6433 or [JonStarr@kofc.org](mailto:JonStarr@kofc.org)

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## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at <https://www.mectw.org/>.

Jesus is asking us to go out two by two and proclaim His good news. Learn how to make your Sacrament of Marriage shine on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

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## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### THE FACE OF PRAYER

The Face of Prayer recently launched phase two of its campaign to create an interactive video catechism based on the questions and concerns of young people. Visit [www.thefaceofprayer.com](http://www.thefaceofprayer.com) to view over one hundred and forty questions answered by Bishop Frank J. Caggiano and other bishops, priests, religious, and lay leaders across the country. Be sure to also join the movement by texting **PRAY** to **55778** to receive daily prayer alerts on your phone.

### VERITAS CATHOLIC RADIO

We are on **1350AM on the radio**, and you can also live stream broadcasts through the app which is available at the Apple Store and at the Google Play Store.

**Project Rachel:** Do you know someone who is carrying the pain and sorrow of a past abortion? The Diocese of Bridgeport is hosting an **Entering Canaan Day of Prayer and Healing for women** on Saturday, June 12, 2021. For confidential registration or more information, call 203-416-1619 or email [projectrachel@diobpt.org](mailto:projectrachel@diobpt.org). God's mercy, healing and forgiveness are waiting for you!

**PROJECT BELOVED** is now accepting applications for several key positions in our soon-to-open medical practice. We are seeking candidates for the following paid positions: Family Practice Physician (FT or PT), Nurse Practitioner (FT or PT), Medical Assistant (FT), and Receptionist (FT). Project Beloved Inc. is a non-profit organization whose primary objective is to establish a life-affirming medical center in Stamford, CT. Please visit [www.projectbeloved.co](http://www.projectbeloved.co) to learn more. Interested candidates are invited to submit a resume to Project Beloved: [info@projectbeloved.com](mailto:info@projectbeloved.com).

**Stay Connected with our Parish through Email, Social Media**—Stay informed about important announcements and happenings at our Parish! We share COVID-19 related news and other important events via email and social media.

**Write to [content@strosechurch.com](mailto:content@strosechurch.com)** if you'd like to join our Parish-wide email list, or **go to our website at [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com)** to get connected to our social media!

### GETTING MARRIED?

The Diocese of Bridgeport offers formation for couples who wish to be married in the Catholic Church. Formation is available online in English and in person in Spanish. For more information, please visit <https://formationreimagined.org/marriage-prep-reimagined/>.

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

### July 11—15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Maybe the work is best left to the professionals. That's how many people view the preaching of the Gospel. That's the stuff priests, religious, deacons, lay ministers, and other professional Church people do. It has little to do with me. Well, that's not really true. The fact of the matter is that preaching the Gospel has everything to do with you, with all of us who are baptized members of the Body of Christ. Nobody gets off the hook from that job. The question is, however, how do we do it? Well, there's a safe way, which many choose, to preach the Gospel — and the risky way. The safe way pretty much keeps the Gospel in church and around like-minded people. I say my prayers, go to Mass, contribute to the food pantry, tithe, and attend Bible Study. That pretty much covers the bases, right? Wrong.

The risky way is the more challenging way and for many, the "road less traveled." Imagine those first disciples going out and into people's homes. They must have had some amazing conversations with folks about God's kingdom, changing their hearts, forgiving sins, and looking at the world differently. They must have met people who were hurting, exiled from their communities, neglected, lost, or living self-insulated lives in a society that served the rich and neglected the poor. While there were many who welcomed what they had to say and the conversations they had, there were others who no doubt rejected them and literally tossed them out on their ears! The Gospel, while being a message of joy and hope, is not always received well by those who are very comfortable keeping things as they are.

The risky way involves example and conversation. We have to take the Gospel from church and carry it with us wherever we go. What kinds of conversations do we have with others? We interact with those closest to us, in our work, social circles, institutions, corporations, in politics, and beyond. Our conversations with others reveal a great deal about how we see things and what we consider important. If we are really interested in seeing God's vision for the world succeed, then we will talk about it. It will become a part of our everyday conversation and find its way into our interactions with others. How will we preserve the dignity of human life and encourage others to have a relationship with God? We must be the example, live value centered, virtuous lives, stand against injustice, combating racism, and learn ways to resolve conflicts without violence.

If we are going to succeed going forward, we have to find a way to bring our prayer centered lives into the marketplace. Our conversations have to change. Not everyone wants to hear what the Gospel has to say. That's a risk God asks us to take.

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**Our God-Given Gifts and Focusing on the Needs of our World and Country**

Do you sense the need for more moral justice to be a part of daily living here in the US and abroad? Our time to act on this prompting from the Holy Spirit is now,... and the Diocese of Bridgeport is interested in becoming more involved in helping – guided by the teachings of Jesus Christ, by initiating a Diocesan chapter of Catholic Relief Services. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) has been extremely influential in advocacy for social justice throughout the world for many years. In fact, the children of St. Rose Parish have been helping each year with their Lenten “rice bowls.” This non-profit organization is not only about monetary donations, it is also geared towards guiding the people who work for us in our government – informing them of ways to help promote social justice. Last year, their focus was on ways to eliminate malaria and helping to rebuild health systems. This year, they are focusing on two major needs that are affecting many people in our world: 1. Migration (mainly caused by climate change and political climate); and hunger (which is seeing a spike due to COVID).

Please call Pam Arsenault at 203-770-6848 if you are interested in finding out more about the Bridgeport chapter of CRS.

***Have a Minute?***

It only takes that long to watch a weekly spiritual and inspirational message from Monsignor Bob.


**Weiss Wednesdays:** Monsignor Weiss offers thoughts and reflections on what it means to live a faith-filled life as a Roman Catholic and navigate through the challenging world around us.

**Stay connected with us!** Watch these videos and more on [Strosechurch.com](http://Strosechurch.com), [Facebook@Stroseoflimanewtown](https://www.facebook.com/Stroseoflimanewtown), [YouTube.com/stroseoflimachurch](https://www.youtube.com/stroseoflimachurch), [Twitter@strosenewtown](https://twitter.com/strosenewtown), [Instagram@stroseoflimact](https://www.instagram.com/stroseoflimact)

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**FREE MINISTRY FOR TRAVELING CATHOLICS. CHECK THE INTERNET FOR MASS TIMES AND LOCATIONS AT**  **[www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).**

**The Voice of St. Rose** is an online streaming Internet Service operated by St. Rose Parish. This provides a wonderful opportunity to listen in and watch the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass live weekly and all parish archives are available through our parish website [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com) or the St. Rose Parish YouTube website. All scheduled Masses are streamed via the Audiocasts over the Voice of St. Rose service affectionately known as “All Things Catholic”. There is additional programming carried over this audio stream from the Vatican and many sources between Mass times from around the diocese including our own Monsignor Bob’s “Weiss Wednesday”. For all the details see the St. Rose Parish website.

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**What We Carry from Town to Town**

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don’t.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we’ve been — whether it’s a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we’re tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the “town” God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don’t let a past disappointment constrain you. Don’t allow yesterday’s failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today’s witness, whatever form it might take.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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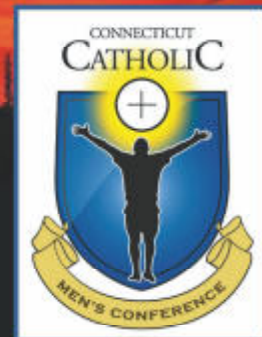
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July 6, 2021

My dear friends in Christ,

Over the years our Diocese has hosted speakers from the developing world to address us regarding the needs of their local Churches during our Mission Co-op Weekend. This year our Co-op Weekend is scheduled for July 17-18, 2021.

The gathering of proper documentation, proof of COVID 19 vaccinations and Safe Environment approval, etc., has been quite difficult, July 17-18 is closer than we thought. Hence, yet again, there will be no speakers visiting our parishes. Nevertheless, I ask parishes to take up a second collection during the weekend of July 17-18. Proceeds will be equally distributed to the Catholic Pandemic Agencies in those parts of our global community that have been impacted the most by this scourge.

Our Mission Office, under the direction of Reverend Michael Boccaccio and assisted by Elaine Bissenden has received many requests from Church agencies at the front of the pandemic in the developing world. Your generous donations will be going to serve the poor and sick in Argentina, Peru, Brazil, El Salvador, Patagonia, Haiti, India, Philippines, Vietnam, Indonesia, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania, Nigeria, Uganda, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Belarus among other countries.

As you know from recent news reports, the COVID 19 infection rate is dramatically increasing in some of these countries, with variants still to be identified let alone, treated throughout the developing world. Therefore, I ask that you be as generous as possible to assist these Catholic agencies throughout the world. The generosity of our parishes will help to serve our brothers and sisters, most especially children, who are battling sickness, fear and economic dislocation.

With gratitude for your consideration of this request and every best wish, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Frank J. Caggiano*

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano  
Bishop of Bridgeport

cc: Reverend Michael A. Boccaccio

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