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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 1
6:45 Jerry Schmidt . . . . . Bob & Kathy Schmidt
9:00 Rosemary Curry . . . . . Family & Friends
Robert Berthier, Jr. MD . . . . . Our WWP table
5:30 Mary DiCrescenzo . . . . . Lena Natale

Tuesday, November 2
6:45 Enrico Dattolo . . . . . George & Helen Benson
9 :00 Esther Danoy . . . . . .Kathleen Oemcke
7:00 All Souls

Wednesday, November 3
6:45 St. Rose Parishioners
9:00 Patricia Eng . . . . . Norm & Mary Roos
Jerome Decker . . . . .John & Mary Ann Fleming

Thursday, November 4
6:45 Linda Manna . . . . . George & Helen Benson
9:00 Edward Matthews . . . . . Pat Matthews

Friday, November 5
6:45 Ralph DeRosa . . . . Anthony & Arlene D'Aquila
9:00 Patricia Eng . . . . . .Dave & Ginny Jess
Bertha Kazmierski . . . Carol & Doug McKenzie

Saturday, November 6
8:00 Jean Ruddy . . . . . .The Liscinsky Family
4:00 Martha & Joseph Piroh . . . . . Rosemarie Abric
Rose Mary Kunze . . . . . .Debbie & Tim Reilly

Sunday, November 7
7:30 Patricia Eng . . . . . Msgr. Robert Weiss
9:30 Judy O'Shea . . . . . .The Brestovansky Family
11:30 Bethany Mass
5:00 Mary DiCrescenzo . . . . . .The Cicchini Family

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Bill Mannhaupt

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
THANK you for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised $4,055. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday, by visiting MISSIO.org.

BETHANY MASS
Our parish family will always remember in our hearts and minds those parishioners who have gone on to the heavenly banquet. On Sunday, November 7th, at the 11:30 AM Mass, we celebrate in a special way James Pelletier, Marie Culotta, Joseph Grasso Sr., Robert Berthier Jr., Joseph Freeman, John Gerer and Victor DeGirolamo Sr., whom we have served during the last month. Although we miss their physical presence among us, we rejoice that they are with the Lord. We also want their families and friends to know that we are here to support them. Please continue to pray for all our deceased parishioners, their families, and their friends.

Save the Date: Calling all men and young men (age 12+)! Please join your St. Rose brothers at the 6th Annual *An Evening With*...Dr. John Murphy, St Rose Parishioner, Devout Catholic and President/CEO of Nuvance Health speaking about his faith journey. Sunday, November 14th at 6:00 PM in the Holy Innocence building and via Zoom. Dinner and beverages will be served. A goodwill donation is appreciated.

What is a Pilgrimage?

Question:
What is a pilgrimage? Why do people go on them?

Answer:
A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to visit a holy site, such as the shrine of a saint, a place where the Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared, or an historic church or chapel. What makes a pilgrimage different from a vacation and a pilgrim distinct from a tourist is the spirit in which the journey is made. Pilgrimages are really a symbol of our spiritual journey in life, reminding us that this world is not our true home and that we spend our lives journeying to our homeland, which is the Kingdom of God.
Pilgrimages — which can be as involved as a trip to Rome or the Holy Land or as simple as visiting the Blessed Sacrament in a local parish church — are also an opportunity for us to step out of the rhythms and limits of our daily lives to seek out connection with God in a special way, by visiting a holy place. At times, such as on a special feast, a jubilee, or the anniversary of the dedication of the church, special graces (called "indulgences") can also be offered to pilgrims, helping to enrich our experience of the celebration.
In the end, pilgrimages are an ancient act of devotion and something that each of us can put into practice, helping us to discover how God is present in the world around us, in places both near and far. ©LPi

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION—November 5, 2021
"There is no greater love given to Catholics than Christ present in the Eucharist." Pope John Paul II

Come and adore Jesus, here in St. Rose of Lima Church. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed after 9 a.m. Mass, the Rosary group prays a rosary at 9:30 and then silent adoration follows until 3 p.m. From 3 p.m. to Benediction at 4 p.m., we will pray The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Evening Prayers.
"Come to me all you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will give you rest.".

BECOME A ROMAN CATHOLIC!!
Are you tired of sitting in the pew while everyone else goes up for Holy Communion? Did you receive your Sacraments of Initiation? Do you want to learn more about the Catholic Church, or are you interested in joining?

RCIA - the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins the first week of November, 2021. We encourage any adult who has questions about Catholicism to join us. RCIA is open to adults who seek to receive their Sacraments of Initiation. If you or someone you know is seeking to be Confirmed, to receive First Holy Communion, Reconciliation or to be baptized into the Catholic Church, please contact Donna Locke, (d.locke@snet.net or 203 513 0822). We'd love to have you join in our journey of faith.

A MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR BOB

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS ARE NOT SUGGESTIONS!

When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, He intended for them to be lived in sincerity and honesty. We hear in the passage from Deuteronomy: "Fear the Lord, your God, and keep, throughout the days of your lives, all his statutes and commandments which I enjoin on you, and thus have long life...be careful to observe them that you may grow and prosper." While the text of the Commandments might seem to have a negative overtone...you shall not…they are far from negative in the life of grace they offer to us. To know is to love, but there are far too many Christians who do not know the commandments, and as a result, do not live or love them. For your review, here they are…

1) I am the Lord your God, you shall not have strange gods before you.
2) You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3) Remember to keep holy the Lord's day.
4) Honor your father and your mother
5) You shall not kill.
6) You shall not commit adultery.
7) You shall not steal
8) You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
9) You shall not covet your neighbor's wife
10) You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

What do these commandments require of us in being faithful to God?

1) By this commandment we are to offer to God alone our faith and commitment by acts of faith, hope and charity and through our prayers. We need to avoid the false gods of these times that take us away from the one true God.
2) We are called in this commandment to respect the name of the Lord as we would want our own names to be respected. We have grown very careless in the use of God's name in our conversation and our swearing...OMG.
3) We are invited to set one day aside for the glory and the praise of God. We have allowed ourselves to be excused from this commandment by all the other activities in which we engage on the Lord's day.
4) This commandment reminds us of the respect we owe to our parents who gave us life by remaining attentive to them and their needs and to show our gratitude.
5) Life is too precious to be taken away by an act of violence, murder or suicide. We are called to respect life from conception until natural death, our own and others. Sometimes we kill each other's spirit and reputation by a weapon mightier than a sword...our words, actions, social media, gossip.
6) We are created in the image of God, and we must respect the beauty of that gift avoiding abuse of our bodies, misusing sexuality and violating our marriage commitment. Chastity is a forgotten virtue.
7) This commandment calls us to respect what belongs to others, to live up to our agreements and contracts, to pay our just debts, to avoid stealing and cheating, to unjustly keep what belongs to others, to avoid bribery.
8) The eighth commandment is a challenging one as it requires us to respect the good name and reputation of another, forbidding lies, false judgments and harming the character of another.
9) A commitment is a commitment, especially in marriage. The Lord calls us to respect the sacredness of the marriage covenant, our own and others.
10) This commandment reminds us to free ourselves of jealousy and avoid comparing ourselves. We are all uniquely gifted by God. The rewards of this world are as nothing compared to what is waiting for us by being faithful, true and honest. Jealousy is a deadly way of life!

Jesus pulls all these commandments together by giving us the TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS. It is in the context of these two commandments that the Ten Commandments take on additional value in living the Christian life. They truly are a challenge, but they are the key to having a happy, blessed and full life.

> "The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

To know is to love...these are not just suggestions, they are our path to salvation.

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS SCHEDULE
6:45 AND 9:00 A.M. AND 5:30 P.M.
ALL SOULS DAY MASS SCHEDULE
6:45 AND 9:00 A.M. AND 7:00 P.M.
There will be a Mass in the cemetery at 12:00 noon, weather permitting.

Next weekend we are happy to welcome Steve Lee from the Veritas Catholic Network. Steve founded the network in 2017 and went on the air in 2019. This network is the only EWTN affiliate in Connecticut and the New York metro area Broadcasting 24 hours a day of faithful and uplifting Catholic content on the radio and their mobile app. Their office is located in Ridgefield and their tower is in Norwalk. This is a perfect way to learn more about our Catholic teaching, to strengthen our faith by being knowledgeable about the Church and to be aware of Catholic current events.

Have a safe, healthy and happy Halloween. Once again, our security team will be in the cemetery to avoid any mischief or vandalism.

Religious EDUCATION

Week of Oct 31 - B Week Rotation.

Election Day - No Classes
As a reminder, we follow the Newtown Public Schools' calendar; therefore, we will not hold classes on Election Day, Nov. 2. Since this is also All Souls Day, we encourage all parents and children to attend mass on this sacred day, to pray for all of those who have passed away this year, especially those in your own families.

Grade K - 3 Special Event and Project
At the beginning of November, we will celebrate World Drawing God Day. An opportunity and project for children to express who and what God means to them. All students in grades K - 3 will hear the story of Drawing God by Karen Kiefer. After listening to the story and a short discussion, students will draw their masterpieces. Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center will be transformed into a museum to display the children's artwork. We look forward to sharing our students' masterpieces with our St. Rose Parish Community.

Home-School Parent/Student check-in Meetings
Nov. 11 Grades K - 4
Nov. 18 Grades 5 - 8
Both meetings occur at 4:30 pm in Holy Innocents. Each grade level coordinator will teach a one hour lesson to the home-school children and workbooks will be reviewed to make sure children are staying current with their work. While students are in these classes, parents meet with the Home-School coordinators to share their concerns and questions. **There are no makeup dates for these meetings and attendance will be taken.**

SCHOOL NEWS

Thanks to our Home & School Association (HSA) and all who helped with Trunk or Treat on Friday night. This is an awesome family event that brings our community together in a fun, safe way to celebrate Halloween.

On Monday, November 1st, the St. Rose School community will gather for 9:00 a.m. mass in honor of All Saints Day. We are thankful for the beautiful examples of faith, perseverance and hope the saints set for us. In Sister Thaddeus' 7th grade Religion class students are learning all about the Saints. Recently they presented reports on the Saints whom they have chosen for their Confirmation names. Reading about the saints can add a wonderful dimension to the faith journey.

As we look toward All Souls Day November 2nd, we pray for the departed souls of our St. Rose community. May they rest in peace and may their families and friends feel the comfort of God's grace.

Coming in November … the BLOOMS Tuition Raffle. This is an exciting opportunity to win $10,000 in tuition dollars that can be applied to ANY K-12 school or college accredited in the United States. Winnings can also be applied toward student loans. Tickets are $100 each and will be on sale beginning mid November through the drawing date, January 30, 2022. All proceeds (after the prize) go toward the BLOOMS FUND, which ensures that we can continue to provide a stellar academic, faith-focused education for children in Preschool-8th grade. As the famous NY Lotto saying goes "you have to be in it to win it!"

Are you or is your child a St. Rose School alumni? We'd love to hear from you! Email **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, srsnewtownct.

Attention Parents of Two-Year-Olds...The Peek A Boo 2's program is a wonderful, nurturing way to introduce your little ones to a Preschool environment. Under the guidance of caring, experienced Preschool teachers your child will enjoy playtime, arts & crafts, reading and more. Enrollment is open -- Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:00-10:30 a.m. Questions? Email admissions@srles.com.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the first Saturday of the month in the Rectory Conference Room at 10 a.m. **The next Prayer Shawl meeting is Saturday, November 6th, 2021.**
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

The purpose of the Social Concerns Committee is to support our parishioners and neighbors in need. **Our next monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, November 2nd, 11a.m. in the Holy Innocents Center**. New members always welcome.
Reminder: The annual Thanksgiving Drive will be held the weekend of November 13 and 14 at all Masses. Please find a way to continue the giving tradition of care and generosity, which you have built. ***"Amen I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these my least brethren, you did it to me."*** *(Mathew 25:40)* Please support this effort with grocery gift cards or cash donations.
Religious Articles are sold on the 3rd weekend of every month in the vestibule. Our Cares Box is always in the back of the church for donations. Thanks to your generosity, we can continue to support our local organizations.
Parishioner to Parishioner ("Available" items are offered free of charge. Just arrange to pick them up.)
Available: Nothing this week; **Needed**: Nothing this week

For Social Concerns information please call: Kathleen Belmont, 2034703107, and leave a message.

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.

ROSARY RECITATION IN CHURCH

In front of the Blessed Mother statue M.-F. 9 a.m. Mass.

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

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY: HEALTH TIPS

Nancy Rhodes APRN-BC, Parish Nurse

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY SEMINAR

The next seminar will take place on November 22nd in the Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center at 6:30 p.m.

Water is a valuable natural resource. The human body is made up of approximately 66% water, 75% in the brain and 80% in the blood. Water regulates our body temperature. Water is in many foods that we eat such as tomatoes and watermelon. We need to consume approximately 2 quarts of water daily to avoid dehydration. When you are thirsty, you are already becoming dehydrated. We lose water normally from our bodies when we sweat, breathe, produce tears, saliva and going to the bathroom. We even lose water when we are sleeping, and when we are sick with a fever. In addition, drinking water helps to get rid of toxins, lubricates our joints, and regulates our blood sugars and keeps our urine from becoming too concentrated. In conclusion, consuming adequate water is one way that we can help to keep our bodies healthy! **Edi Poidomani**

The next health council meeting is November 9th at 7 PM in the rectory.

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.

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. virtually**. For more information please contact Frank Sequenzia at 203-948-1369, email: flsequenzia@gmail.com and he will send you the zoom details.

MEETINGS

SPIRITUAL JOURNEY Spiritual Journey resumed on Thurs. Sept. 30th. All who want to join us in learning more about our Faith are welcome. Deacon Norm has generously offered to lead the group again this year. We will meet weekly at 10:15 in the Holy Innocents Building. We will follow the Didache Series, Faith and Revelation, Knowing God Through Sacred Scripture. All materials will be provided. There is no charge.

The **FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP**
The meetings are on Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. at 38 Church Hill Road. Questions? Blanca at 203-426-3253.

ST. ROSE JOB NETWORKING: The next Northern Fairfield Professionals (NFP) Zoom meeting is 6:00 – 7:30 pm on Tuesday, Nov. 9.

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 info, contact Tony Evertez at tevertez@yahoo.com or (203) 917-1158. Meetings are Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at 38 Church Hill Rd.

PRO-LIFE & FAMILY MEETING
The Pro-Life/Pro-Family meeting has been rescheduled to Mon. Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Rectory conference room. For info, please contact Fr. Tom Przybyl, 203-426-1014.

LAY MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY
Mornings: 1st Tuesday of each month after 9 a.m. Mass
Evenings: 1st Tuesday of each month 5 to 6:30 p.m. **both in the Bride's Room** . 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 for our fall book study *The Contagious Catholic: The Art of Practical Evangelization*, by Marcel LeJeune. The author diagnoses the common problems that Catholics face when sharing the faith. Meetings are held Thursdays from 10 am to 11:30 am outside in the Bell Garden weather permitting, or in the Holy Innocents building. Please contact Elizabeth Lynch at 203-994-5106 or lynchejd@gmail.com with questions or to order a book. Books on Amazon or Ascension Press.

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 9:00pm. at 38 Church Hill Road**. For more information, please call at 203-426-9275 or email at mariottecorson@gmail.com .

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE: Meetings are on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 3-4:30pm in the Chapel. All welcome.

MEETINGS

ST. ROSE MEN'S FAITH NETWORK
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 mryan9497@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 or call 203-426-0481.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
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
If you want to connect with other women looking to know Christ, love Him more and see how His words relate to our life, join WWP...Registration is Open! Cost is $35 plus the cost of the Study Guidebook. Registration Link:https://www.osvhub.com/stroseoflimachurch/forms/wwp-registration. We meet Wednesday mornings at 10-11:45am and Wednesday evenings from 7-8:45pm and will be held at Holy Innocents Hall. There will be a virtual option offered at the same time, however space is limited. Childcare is offered for the morning session at an additional cost. Go to our link for more details. Questions? Contact Joanne Ihlefeld at ihlejpi@gmail.com for Morning Session or Liz Brestovansky at lizbrestovansky@gmail.com for Evening Session.

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. On the second Tuesday of each month, members meet in the chapel to pray the ROSARY together for the intentions of our membership. On the third Thursday of each month, interested members meet for our BOOK GROUP. Call the rectory with any questions.

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Pro-Life

The next pro-life committee meeting is November 8 at 7:00 pm in the rectory conference room.

40 Days for Life, an ecumenical, internationally-coordinated 40-day peaceful Pro-Life campaign to end abortion centered around a focused, 40-day prayer vigil outside a single Planned Parenthood center or other abortion facility, has started. We invite you to join us in prayer at the entry driveway to Planned Parenthood at 44 Main Street, Danbury starting Wednesday, September 22, 2021 through and including today, Sunday, October 31, 2021. Prayer hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. All are welcome! Contact Peg Rozzi at Danbury40DFL@protonmail.com with questions.

October is Respect Life Month. This year, we focus on St. Joseph, defender of life. "St. Joseph's 'yes' to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us." (USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Respect Life Reflection: St. Joseph, Defender of Life, www.respectlife.org/reflection-joseph)
Please visit https://www.respectlife.org/respect-life-month to learn more.

If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend. The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats and have ranged in age from teens to mid-eighties. For more information, visit www.rachelsvineyard.org

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

The pro-life committee has sponsored billboards with pro-life messages on Rt. 25 in Monroe for 11 years. We generously receive a discount for consistently renting this space. Donations are always welcome to help us continue this program of messaging. Please make checks out to St. Rose Church & put "pro-life billboard" in the memo.

"Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child… Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life — especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen."
-USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life", www.respectlife.org/prayer-to-st-joseph

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
General Peter J. Whalen
CPT Daniel Wilcox

United States Air Force
SSgt. Daniel Carlson
Capt. Keegan Frobey Matchett
A1C Alexandria Matjievic
SSgt. Travis Mueller
Lt Co John Murphy
SrA Emily Pieretti
MSgt James Rebman
Maj Drew Taylor
Capt Katie Taylor
TSgt Daniel West
Capt Kimberly Solheim West
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
PV2 John Henry Brehmer
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
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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. 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.

OSV ONLINE GIVING

Our Online Giving website has been upgraded to a newer, easier--to-use platform! You should have received an email with instructions on how to log into the new system. Your existing payment and donation information will be migrated over so you will not have to set up your gifts again! Check it out!
If you've never used OLG, go to strosechurch.com and click on "GIVING". It is a safe and secure way to give, with flexible payment options and convenient way to donate. Any questions, please call Doreen in the rectory at 203-426-5250.

FAITH FOOD PANTRY
Is located on St. Rose Campus
46 Church Hill Rd. (Next to Knights of Columbus Hall.)

Hours: Tues. 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Thurs. 4-6 p.m.
BY APPOINTMENT

If questions, call 203-426-5604 Or 203-837-0816
Food can be dropped off at Village Perk, The Newtown Bee, Caraluzzi's Market, Fisio Therapy, Popowich Chiropractor, Barre Boutique. Volunteers must be 21 and over and Virtus trained.

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, Michael Wiley at 516-243-4272 or denisehmcs@gmail.com. Ever thought of becoming a Knight? For more information contact Earl Spinelli 203-525-1017 or earl.spinelli@gmail.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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CAREER OPPORTUNITY
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 Jon Starr@kofc.org

Come join the Columbiettes! We are ladies interested in helping others with our many service projects. We warmly welcome any Catholic lady 18 and over! Please contact Donna Rahtelli, President at drahtelli@gmail.com.

DOROTHY DAY HOUSE OF HOSPITALITY—Spring St., Danbury, CT. We are seeking new volunteers the **third Wednesday** of every month from 1-5 p.m. to set up, serve and clean up. Must be **16** years of age. **Must be dependable**. Contact Marcia Izzo at 203-733-9655.

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://wwmectw.org/.

"The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself". Your spouse is your closest 'neighbor'. Learn how to love your spouse by participating in the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

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 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.

Lauralton Hall Shadow Visits
8th grade girls are invited to spend a day at Lauralton in our Shadow Program. You'll experience a "day in the life" at Lauralton including attending classes, having lunch in our dining hall, studying in our library, and navigating our hallways with one of our current students. To schedule your visit, please visit: www.lauraltonhall.org/admissions/visit-lauralton

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 to learn more. Interested candidates are invited to submit a resume to Project Beloved: 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 if you'd like to join our Parish-wide email list, or **go to our website at 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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Diocese of Bridgeport Fall 2021 Campaign
Protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide campaign for an end to abortion. Through prayer, fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired more than 1,000,000 volunteers! Please join us at one of the two vigil sites in the Diocese, Bridgeport and Danbury. For the Bridgeport location information visit 40daysforlife.com/Bridgeport or contact Barbara at bgrabows@aol.com. For the Danbury location information visit 40daysforlife.com/Danbury or contact Sharon and Peg at Danbury40DFL@protonmail.com

For those attending a parking lot Mass, turn your radio dial to 89.9 FM to listen to the Mass. An extra-ordinary minister will bring Communion out to the parking lot for those wishing to receive Communion.

FLU SHOT CLINICS

Thursday, Nov. 4—10a.m.-12—Newtown Municipal Center
Saturday, Nov. 13—10a.m.-1p.m.—Newtown Middle School

Acceptable insurances for payment for flu vaccines: Medicare Part B, Aetna, Blue Cross Blue Shield, ConnectiCare, Harvard Pilgrim, MultiPlan. Go to: Health.district@newtown-ct.gov

Cardinal Kung Academy, a diocesan school in Stamford CT offering a co-ed classical education for grades 7-12, is hosting a high school and junior high school Open House on November 8th. Meet the faculty, administration, family, and students that make CKA an exceptional experience for your teen. RSVP requested. Interested in visiting immediately? Call the school at203-329-8296orvisithttp://.cardinalkungacademy.org

Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Host Holly Berry Festival

Join the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus at the 43rd annual Holly Berry Festival Friday, Nov. 19 from 3-8 pm & Saturday, Nov. 20 from 10 am – 3 pm. The festival will be held in person at Sacred Heart Academy, 265 Benham Street, Hamden, CT 06514. Shop over 45 crafters plus handcrafted items and baked goods made by the Apostles. Enter our raffles to win $1,000 in Visa gift cards or one of our beautiful gift baskets or decorated Christmas trees. Shop our online pre-sale at hollyberry.org beginning Nov. 12. Proceeds benefit the retired Apostle Sisters. More info at www.ascjus.org/hollyberry or call 203-281-2562.

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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 Saturday, 4 p.m., Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass and 9 a.m. weekday Masses live. Previous broadcasts are available through our parish website 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 access see the St. Rose Parish website Voice of St Rose link.
Livestreaming for special services such as Weddings, Funerals, and Baptisms is also available. Contact the parish office for details. Fee Applies.
The live stream team is looking for new operators. Volunteers should be comfortable with technology. Tasks include camera operation, sound board control, and Powerpoint for graphics. Training will be provided. We will accept high school age and up. Contact the parish office or the scheduling coordinator, Gerry Belanger, 203-426-8113 or gerry@strosechoir.com.

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, Facebook@Stroseoflima newtown,YouTube.com/stroseoflimachurch, Twitter@strosenewtown, Instagram@stroseoflimact

BIRTHRIGHT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!
Birthright is an emergency pregnancy service offering free pregnancy tests, friendship counseling, and practical support. Our guiding principle: It is the RIGHT of every pregnant woman to give BIRTH and the RIGHT of every child to be BORN. Birthright volunteers have served in Connecticut since 1972. Thousands of expectant mothers have received the help they need to bring their babies into the world! There are 7 Birthright centers in our state. Please call 1-800-550-4900 for the Birthright nearest you. Training is provided. Spanish speaking volunteers are especially needed. Thank you.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Daily Examen of Stewardship

"Stewardship" can get a bum rap these days. When folks hear the term "stewardship" from the pulpit, their eyes tend to kind of glaze over. "Here's Father asking for more money," they groan inwardly, "Get ready for the passing of the pledge cards."

Christ refutes this idea when he gives us what he calls the greatest commandments — instructing us to love God and to love our neighbor. Now, Christ is a man who chose his words carefully. He meant exactly what he said — and he didn't say that the greatest commandments were to tithe and to give money to charity. If he had wanted stewardship to be only about money, he would have said so.

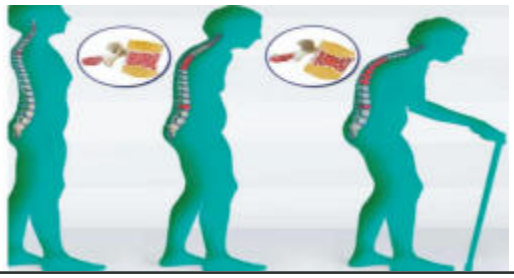
Sometimes we are indeed called to show our love for God and neighbor in the form of a financial gift. But the concept of Everyday Stewardship — living mindfully in prayer, grateful for our blessings, and gracious to our neighbors, committed to God, and accountable to each other — is about so much more.

I propose a twist on the long-held practice of the "Daily Examen" — a pious devotion wherein, at day's end, we go over the events of the last 24 hours and discern God's will. A Daily Examen of Stewardship might contain questions like this:

How did I love God today? In whom did I love Him?
What did God give me today? With whom did I share it? What did I give to Him?
To whom did I reach out today? Who reached out to me?
Where was God on my list of priorities today? First? Second? Third, fourth?
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Strong Bones for Everyone
Speakers: Cathy Snyder, Functional nutritionist
Ann (Nancy) Rhodes APRN- BC

WHEN: Thursday, November 4, 2021
WHERE: Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center
TIME: 6:30 to 7:30 pm
Learn about taking care of your bones at any age and whether you are male or female!
RSVP: to Nancy Rhodes, Faith community nurse at 845-641-7277



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Register: StRoseChurch.com/news

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COVID-19 VACCINE & BOOSTER CLINIC

St. Rose of Lima 46 Church Hill Rd, Newtown

Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center

Free Vaccination Clinic-Open to public

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021

4pm-8pm

No Appointment Needed

Please call faith community nurse, Nancy Rhodes, with any questions: 845.641.7277

*For those individuals who received a Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, the following groups are eligible for a booster shot 6 months or more after their initial series: 65 years and older; age 18+ in long-term care, age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions; age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings.

For those who received J&J vaccine age 18+ and more than 2 months ago are recommended to have a booster.

Mix & Matching: Both the FDA and CDC support individuals to receive a booster dose that is a different vaccine type than they originally received for their primary series if they choose. CDC's recommendations now allow for this type of mix and match dosing for booster shots.

DPH Connecticut Department of Public Health

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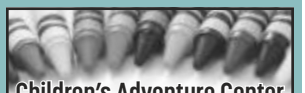

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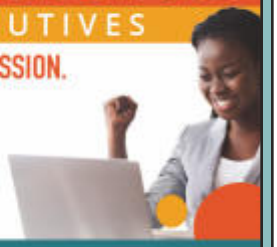

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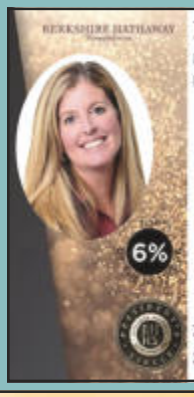

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