



ST. ROSE OF LIMA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 23, 2022

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. Sunday Vigil 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.

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 1:00 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.

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.

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.

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



46 Church Hill Road, Newtown CT, 06470
203-426-1014 Fax 203-426-6222

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 24

- 6:45 Genevieve Mary Pascucci . . . The Daly Family
- 9:00 Carly Marie Margaret Kreshpan Carol Kreshpan
Eileen Fitzpatrick Family

Tuesday, January 25

- 6:45 St. Rose Parishioners
- 9:00 Victor DeGirolamo Mike & Joanne McCaffrey

Wednesday, January 26

- 6:45 St. Rose Parishioners
- 9:00 Marie Marotto . . . Joanne Marcinek and Doreen Osto

Thursday, January 27

- 6:45 St. Rose Parishioners
- 9:00 Robert Berthier, Jr. MD St. Rose Religious Ed.

Friday, January 28

- 6:45 St. Rose Parishioners
- 9:00 Ginny Chion Mike & Joanne McCaffrey
Robert Cicarelli St. Rose School

Saturday, January 29

- 8:00 Eileen Cashin . . . Knights of Columbus Council #185
- 4:00 Victor DeGirolamo, Sr. The Kelleher Family

Sunday, January 30

- 7:30 Virginia Chion Berta Fortin
- 9:30 Margaret Paniccia Family
Thomas Castellani Ed & Lorraine Howard
- 11:30 Lorraine Thomas Peter & Roseanne Dardis
Megan Casey St. Rose School
- 5:00 Bruce & Elaine Tourigny Family

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of George Whalen as requested by The Women's Club.



Join us every Thursday and Friday from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. for Adoration in the church.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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Altar Server Training 2022

It's the new year and time for ALTAR SERVER TRAINING. If you want the **best opportunity available** for lay Catholics to **serve God and our parish at the altar**, please come to Altar Server Training at St. Rose Church. Altar server training is available, once again, for anyone currently in grade 3 or higher. Fr. Tomasz Przybyl will offer training sessions to anyone who wants to learn to serve Mass.

All Altar Servers **must attend** two of these sessions. This training is required for all servers who wish to continue serving, and is open to new servers in grades 3 and up.

When: Mondays, Feb. 7, 14, 28 and March 7, 2022 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Where: St. Rose Church

Who: all continuing servers and any new servers in grades 3 and higher.

Questions: contact Fr. Tomasz or Fr. Karol 203 426 1014 tomaaur@gmail.com

Servers are assigned to one of our five Masses each weekend, and serve about once a month. Please join us at the altar of our Lord. This is the best opportunity any lay Catholic has to come into the fullness of the Mass, the source and summit of our faith. We look forward to seeing you.

A MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR BOB

We gather for this Third Week in Ordinary Time to reflect on the gifts that God has poured into our hearts. Today’s second reading from Saint Paul’s Letter to the Corinthians reminds all of us of how important each of us is in creating a true Christian community. Last week we were reminded of the many gifts and talents God has created in us and how we are called to use those gifts for the service of others. This week’s liturgy reminds us of how those gifts can work together to create that authentic community that is rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ. It calls us to love, to hope and to peace. The reality is that we need each other. We need each other’s support, encouragement, strength and talents to help form us into the Body of Christ. I know we live in times of “rugged individualism” and many think they can make it on their own. More and more think they can make it without God. How foolish to fall into that way of thinking and living! Let us use the words of Scripture as a meditation for ourselves this week . What are my gifts and talents? How am I using them to build up God’s Kingdom on earth? Am I open to God’s grace to discern other talents and gifts I may have never recognized in myself?

In His own reflection, Jesus turns to the words of Isaiah the Prophet:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.”

Our parish community is richly blessed by the many gifts God has poured out on each of us. It is our responsibility to recognize every one of those gifts for our own personal fulfillment but also for the service of others. We find ourselves in a period of recovery from Covid in re-building the many ministries and activities of our parish, but we need each other to accomplish that. Please consider what you might be able to give in terms of your time, your treasure and your talent. Please check our website for our annual “YEAR IN REVIEW” with the theme of re-building our strong community spirit. You will be amazed how many have already stepped forward...now it is your turn!

TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS COLLECTION, 2022

Thank you once again for your generosity to the parish during the Christmas season. We are truly blessed by your continued support of the parish and our ministries and programs. These past several months have not been easy ones for us on many levels, but your continued goodness has been a true blessing.

Christmas Eve and Day	\$52,068
Holy Family Sunday	\$15,789
New Year’s Eve/Day	\$4123
Epiphany	\$23,636
Capital Improvement Collection	\$5,349
Gifts and bequests received	\$125,806.72
Total	\$225884.72

A word of thanks to Deacon Rick Scinto for organizing a group of men to take down our Christmas crèche in church. They chose the coldest day in winter to accomplish this for us, for which I am most grateful. These men used their talents and time to help us...a great example of this weekend’s liturgy!

This past Friday the Annual March for Life was held in Washington D.C. This is a call for all of us to do all we can to protect the life of the unborn and the most vulnerable of our society. When we hear reports of increasing acts of gun violence, domestic violence, gang activity, murder and crimes of all sort, it is easy to realize the culture of death that is being created. We need to stand for a culture of life where every human being is respected.

A PRAYER FOR LIFE

O Mary, Mother of the Living, to you we entrust the cause of life.
Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers
of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult,
of men and women who are victims of brutal violence
of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference and out of misguided mercy.
Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of Life
with honesty and love to the people of our time.
Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new,
the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives
and the courage to bear witness to it in order to build
together with all people of good will the civilization of truth and love
to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.

+ Saint John Paul II



Week of Jan 23 - "A" week Rotation

First Reconciliation Day is almost here!

On Saturday, Jan. 29, all students who will receive First Communion in the spring will be going to Reconciliation for the first time. We ask all of our parishioners to join us in prayer for these children, that their hearts may be ignited with joy by reconciling themselves to God. Their first reconciliation should be a reminder of our need to return to Jesus too, in the confessional. As you pray for our students, please ask God for His strength and mercy so that you too will seek Jesus. Jesus is waiting for our return. It is us who must open the door to that room.

Reception for First Reconciliation:

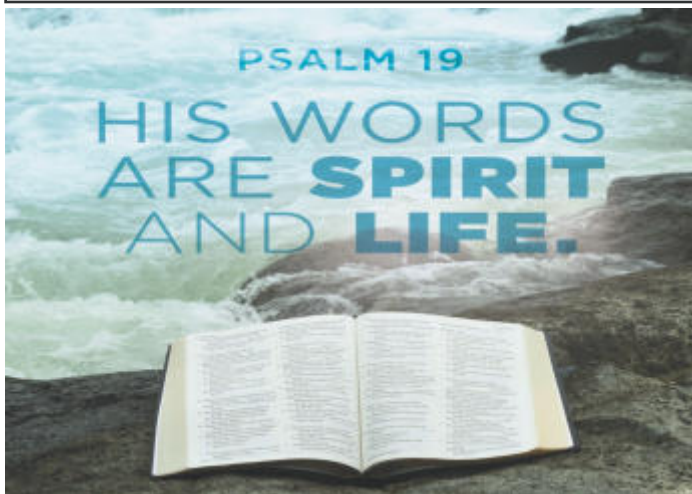
Due to COVID concerns, we will not hold the reception this year. Thank you for your understanding.

Workshop Thank You's:

Our virtual workshop to prepare students for first reconciliation was well attended. Many catechists reported 100% attendance. Thank you to all of our parents who logged on, sat with their children and helped them answer questions. We ask you to review the format of reconciliation with your child, especially reciting the Act of Contrition. Thank you to our wonderful priests, Father Tomasz and Father Karol for their assistance in the workshop. We truly appreciate their presence. Thank you to Sandy Jarvis and Tammy Marks for coordinating the workshop details.

Confirmation Announcement:

We have been notified that St. Rose Confirmation will be held on Saturday, April 30 at 9:00 am and 12:30 pm. Details have been sent to all parents/guardians.



Please join us for Open House, Sunday January 30th, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Meet the Principal, Dean of Student Life, Admissions Director, teachers, current parents and students. Tour the school and find out why this could be the right fit for your family! Registration is not necessary but much appreciated. Virtual tours can also be arranged. Email admissions@srles.com or call 203-426-5102. A warm welcome awaits you!

We look forward to celebrating all that makes St. Rose School special during Catholic Schools Week (January 30 - February 6th). Students and faculty will participate in a variety of activities that highlight the many facets of this exceptional educational experience. We are thankful to all of our generous supporters...we have a rich history and a bright future because of you!

Our Peek A Boo 2's Program runs Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 9:00 -10:30 a.m. with rolling admission. This is an ideal way for children to get a preview of Preschool in a safe, nurturing environment under the guidance of experienced teachers. Interested? Email admissions@srles.com.

Have you purchased your ticket for the \$10,000 Tuition raffle yet? If not, don't delay...the drawing is January 30th! This is an awesome opportunity to win tuition dollars that can be applied to ANY K-12 school, college/university accredited in the United States. Can also be applied to student loans. Grandparents take note -- the prize can be split among 2 students! Questions? Email raffle@srles.com. **Tickets are on sale after all Masses this weekend.** The drawing will take place January 30, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. at St. Rose School. Winner need not be present. Please share the word -- only 350 tickets will be sold so the odds are great! Email raffle@srles.com or call the school office weekdays 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., 203-426-5102 to purchase tickets.

Calling all St. Rose School alumni – we'd love to hear from you! Email advancement@srles.com to share news about school, career, travel, family, service and more. Once a part of the St. Rose School family, always a part!

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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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.



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, March 5th, 2022.**

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. New members always welcome. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 1 at 11 a.m. in Holy Innocents.

Religious Articles are sold on the 3rd weekend of every month in the vestibule. **You can also call Lynda Healey at 203-300-3211 for purchase requests.** 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:** Electric dryer **Needed:** Nothing this week

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



FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE MINISTRY



HEALTH COUNCIL -Nancy Rhodes APRN-BC, Parish Nurse

Jesus brings new beginnings. Happy New Year!

As the facilitator and faith community nurse for our health ministry here at St Rose, I would like to extend an invitation to all who are interested in being a

part of wellness in our parish by being a part of the health council. "Wellness" includes physical health, but also mental and spiritual. In this unusually stressful time, I am seeking ways to have purpose, to help my fellow man more than ever, and to ask others to join me in this mission.

The council meets monthly and consists of non-medical people as well as clinicians. We have Blood pressure monitoring the 2nd weekend of the month after the Masses, upcoming talks about Diabetes, Advanced Directives, and we are looking for another speaker for May.

The council volunteers to help with vaccination clinics by helping with manning the community table, contributing to the weekly health tips, and can help with emailing, fliers, etc. In addition, there are homebound people who would love a weekly visit so that their caregiver could get some respite.

A little bit from each of us goes a long way. Please consider being a part of the health council. Reach out to Nancy Rhodes APRN-BC at 845-641-7277 or email at parishnurse@strosecurch.com.

Thank you, and God bless you!



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 Due to Covid, meetings are temporarily postponed. 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.

ST. ROSE JOB NETWORKING: Northern Fairfield Professionals (NFP) Zoom meeting is 6:00 – 7:30 pm on Tuesday, February 8. Our guest speaker, Annette Richmond, will present on “Build Your Professional Brand On LinkedIn”. She will be covering some of the newer features like LinkedIn Cover Story. *To receive the zoom link, please e-mail 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 info, contact Tony Evertz at tevertz@yahoo.com or (203) 917-1158. Meetings are Wednesdays at 10am at 38 Church Hill Rd.

PRO-LIFE & FAMILY MEETING
The Pro-Life/Pro-Family Committee will meet on February 7. For more information, please contact Father 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
Please join us for fellowship, book study, and discussion that will deepen your faith and your connection to our St. Rose community. We are currently reading Wisdom From the Psalms by Peter Kreeft. Each week, November through January, we will meet and focus on a psalm that Kreeft highlights in his book. Meetings are held on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Holy Innocents building. Please contact Elizabeth Lynch at 203-994-5106 or by email lynchejd@gmail.com for more information.

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 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.

CHILDREN’S ROSARY
We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 4:15 p.m.

Pro-Life

The next Pro-Life committee meeting will be February 7 at 7 pm in the rectory conference room.

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Participants can receive the novena by subscribing to daily emails or text messages. It runs from Jan. 19-27. Please visit www.9daysforlife.com.

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, please visit <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/biomedical-research>

"Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? ... Even a woman who doesn't go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace.

-USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion"



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
MAJ 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
Major Drew Taylor
Capt Katie Taylor
TSgt Daniel West
Major Kimberly Solheim West
Major Philip Zencey

U.S. Coast Guard

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

United States Navy

ENS Julia Davis
SN Philip DeMayo
SN Danielle Godejohn
LT Andrew Golankiewicz
LCR Alex Islin
LCR Allison Kirk Islin
CPO Daniel J. Kearns, Sr.
LT Michael Kirk
CDR Timothy Krippendorf
BUMC Robert James Mandulak
MIDN Nathan Mars
HN Matthew Mullen
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 John Henry Brehmer
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

UNITED YOUTH MINISTRY WINTER RETREAT



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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.



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 strosec church.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, Fizio 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 Joe Jackson 203-241-3618, or email him at joseph.jackson1@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

The Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center (formerly the Knights of Columbus Museum) has opened its Christmas 2021 exhibit, "The Nativity Story: Art of the Crèche." Admission and parking are free and the Center will be open Wednesdays through Sundays, from 10 am to 4 pm.



Please go to michaelmcgivneycenter.org or call 203-865-0400 in advance to obtain with timed-entry tickets.

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



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/>.

Are you letting Jesus proclaim the good news to you in your marriage? Sign up today to attend one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences.

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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.

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.

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

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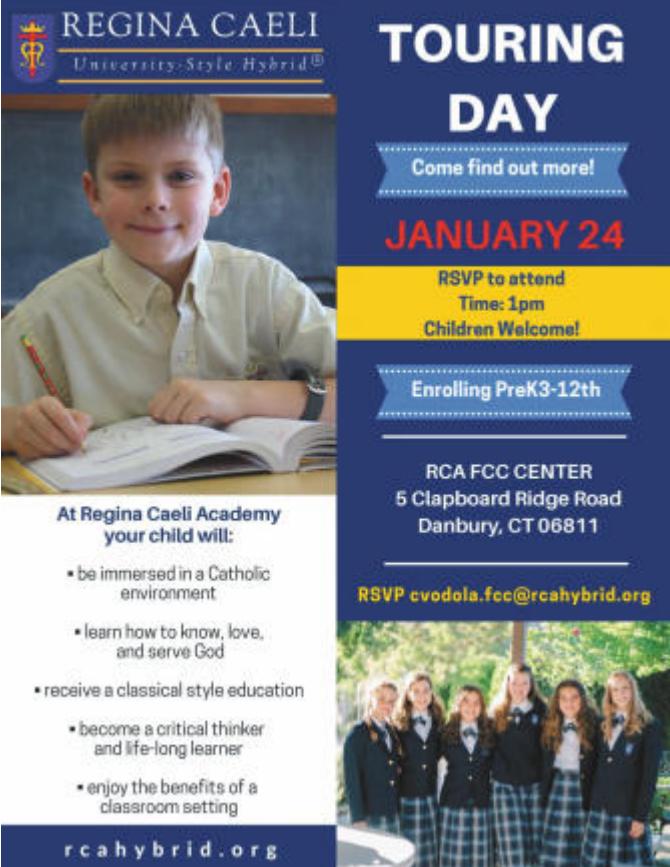
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Spring St., Danbury, CT. We are seeking new volunteers the **third Wednesday** of every month from 1-5 p.m. to set up, serve and clean up. Must be 16 years of age. **Must be dependable.** Contact Marcia Izzo at 203-733-9655.

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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@[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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This support group provides emotional and social support for caregivers. This program helps participants develop methods and skills to solve problems. Encourages caregivers to maintain their own personal, physical, and emotional health as well as optimally caring for the person with dementia. The meeting is offered two times a month, the 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 6 p.m. It is held at the cancer conference room at Griffin Hospital. Reservations are required due to limited numbers.

CONTACT: Cary Carpino RN 203-732-7371

IMMACULATE ACCEPTING FRESHMAN AND TRANSFER APPLICATIONS

The Admissions Committee is now accepting applications on a rolling basis. Visit www.immaculatehs.org/admissions to learn more about scheduling a tour or applying for admission. Freshman applicants are required to take the High School Placement Test (HSPT) - please register for the January 28 exam at www.immaculatehs.org/hspt. Questions? Call (203) 744-1510 x148 or email admissions@myimmaculatehs.org.

SAVE THE DATE: IMMACULATE HIGH SCHOOL'S 17TH ANNUAL GALA

Immaculate High School presents "Together Again on Broadway" on Saturday, March 26, 2022, from 6:00pm to 11:00pm.

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Refreshments	7:00 p.m.
Presentations	7:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Q&A	8:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Brief presentations will be given by:

Msgr. Robert Weiss, Pastor, St. Rose of Lima Parish
 Joseph Gallagher, Chief Development Office, Diocese of Bridgeport
 Dean Gestal, Director of Catholic Cemeteries, Diocese of Bridgeport
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Please contact Kelly Gerbo in the parish office if you plan to attend at parishsecretary@strosechurch.com or (203) 426-1014.



15-year-old Blessed Carlo Acutis died in Italy on October 12, 2006 of acute leukemia. Carlo loved Jesus and the Eucharist from a very early age, and one of his sayings was "to be always close to Jesus, that is my life plan." Another of his quotes is "The Eucharist is my highway to heaven." Carlo was quite an ordinary teenager in that he loved sports, especially soccer; and he was a big fan of computer games and practical jokes. Yet because of his love of Jesus in the Eucharist, and because he was adept with the computer, he created a program of all the Eucharistic Miracles documented through the centuries. After his death, this program was made into an Exhibit, on panels, of these miracles. This exhibit has been traveling all over Europe and is now beginning to be shown in America. The Exhibit will be at St. Jude Parish in Monroe, CT on January 22 & 23. Come and see!

Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles

With an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions, the exhibition presents some of the principal Eucharistic Miracles that took place throughout the ages in various countries of the world and which have been recognized by the Church. By means of 159 panels, one can "virtually visit" the places where the Miracles took place.

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