



# SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

## A PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Oh Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. Oh Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss his fine head for me, and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. Saint Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.

**WELCOME**—We hope you will favor our parish with prayer, presence and talents. In good stewardship please pick up a Household Data Form (located in the Vestibule) and use our Offertory Envelope System. Our Church is handicapped accessible .

### LITURGY

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

### CONFESSION

At 3:00pm on Saturday at  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
785 Highland Avenue  
Waterbury, CT

**SACRAMENTS**— please contact the Rectory Office of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 203-756-8981 to arrange for the Sacraments of Baptism or Matrimony.

**PRO-LIFE ROSARY**—is held on the 1st Sunday of each month at 8:30 a.m. Facilitator, Mark Greene

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** has joined with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Council #36. Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church hall.

**PASTORAL CARE**—please contact the Rectory Office of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 203-756-8981 if someone is homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home and is need of a pastoral visit or an anointing of the sick.



### PARISH STAFF

Reverend Frederick M. Aniello, Pastor  
Deacon Mark Stevens  
Joe Faryniarz, Organist  
Mary Armour, Parish Secretary

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS 8:00am to 2:00pm

Please contact the Rectory Office of  
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**BINGO**—On Thursdays at 7:00pm at OLMC School hall. Doors open 5:30pm.

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST TWENTY-FIRST  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**9:00 AM** Ed Paige  
By Living Witnesses

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH TWENTY-SECOND  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**9:00 AM** Edward Paige  
By Mark & Rita Greene



*The Tabernacle Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of the Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish.*



The breath of God's loving embrace that Jesus portrays in the gospel reading is very consoling, but it is not to leave us complacent. We can't just free wheel into the banquet of eternal life. There is a narrow door that we need to strive to get through so as to enter into the wide open spaces of God's life forever. A narrow door requires a certain effort to get through. It demands a level of focus and concentration. In one of the other gospels, the gospel of John, Jesus speaks of himself as the door, 'I am the door', and he calls on us to enter through him. Entering through the door that is Jesus implies not entering through other doors that don't lead to the fullness of life Jesus desires for all. Whereas the Lord is always drawing us to himself, as the door, the language of striving to enter by the narrow door suggests that we have to choose to allow ourselves to be drawn. We have to put effort into going through that door of life, into walking in the way of Jesus, especially when other ways seem easier and more attractive. To enter through that narrow door, we may need to rid ourselves of some unhelpful baggage that holds us back and blocks our way. In the story of the prodigal son, the father was waiting ready to embrace his son and give him a place of honour at the banquet of life, but, at some point, the son needed to come to his senses and begin the journey home. When we keep striving to enter through the door that is Jesus we too will find ourselves caught up in the Father's loving embrace.

Very Rev. Martin Hogan, Archdiocese of Dublin, Ireland

## Healing Prayer Requests

Jim Danauskas, Anna Pakalnis, Karen Maestas, James Vaicaitis, Kristina Solmita, Megan Heath, Lee Wyma, Charlotte Sepe, Sue Fitzgerald, Sandra Cox, Douglas White, Annamay & Sam Sperazza, Elizabeth Brazis, Bob Benson, Mary Helie, Ada Solomita & Family, Judge McKenna, Georgette Adomaitis, Danute Kuras, Cynthia Solomita and Janice Rosselot, Baby Sawyer, Dolores Harris, Dolores Darin, Denise Boucher, Armand Solomita, Daniel Pierelli, Bob Steponaitis

If there is a family member or friend that you would like to offer a healing prayer, please contact OLMC Rectory at 203-756-8981 or email the secretary at: [officeolmcwtby@aol.com](mailto:officeolmcwtby@aol.com).

## Church News

**PRO-LIFE ROSARY**—join us as we pray the Rosary on the first Sunday of each month at 8:30 prior to our 9:00 a.m. Mass. All are welcome!

## CHURCH OFFERTORY

The sacrificial offering you provide to our Parish is your expression of loyalty, love and support.

**WEEKLY 8/14/22—\$945**

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*Rest in Peace  
Janet Stokes*



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# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 21, 2022

**Sunday:** Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30  
**Monday:** 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22  
**Tuesday:** 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26  
**Wednesday:** Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51  
**Thursday:** 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51  
**Friday:** 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13  
**Saturday:** 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30  
**Next Sunday:** Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

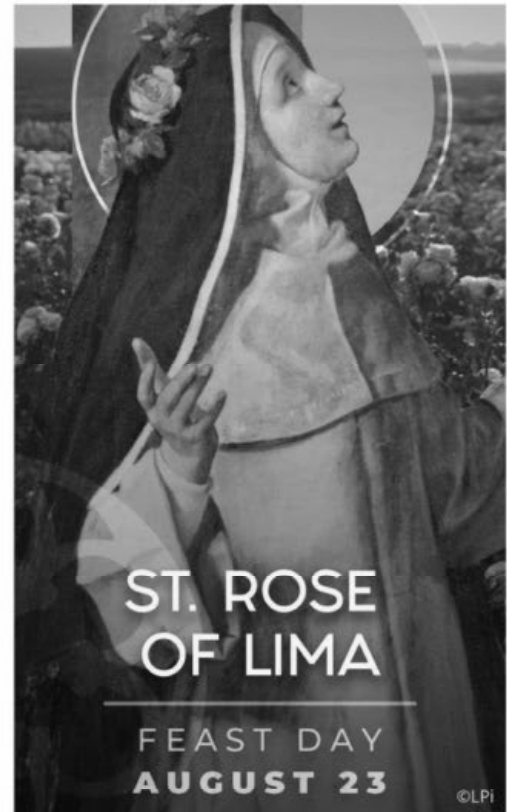
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 21, 2022

**Sunday:** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope  
**Monday:** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Tuesday:** St. Rose of Lima, Virgin  
**Wednesday:** St. Bartholomew, Apostle  
**Thursday:** St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest  
**Saturday:** St. Monica  
**Next Sunday:** 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Discipline is necessary for us to focus our attention and develop and refine our skills. A disciplined person has integrity and can make difficult but necessary choices. Most people do not like discipline, especially children. When we have to rise above our impulses and desires and do something challenging, it can appear as a punishment. The struggles of living a good and effective Christian life, especially when we actively choose virtue over vice, are allowed by God and necessary for reaching spiritual maturity. God invites us to share in His Kingdom. Hearing and accepting that invitation requires an active, conscious decision on our part. Reforming our lives and changing how we do things does not come easily. But it is precisely what is necessary for us to enter through the narrow gate that leads to life. Discipline is essential if we are going to discover our desire for union with our Creator and live in God's house. In this way, we will not risk finding the door locked when we need it to be open.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

Born Isabel Flores de Olivia in April 1586 in Lima, Peru to Spanish colonists, Saint Rose of Lima took the name Rose at her confirmation in 1597. Legend holds that she received this nickname as an infant because a servant saw her face transformed into a rose.

Even as a child Saint Rose was dedicated to Christ. Growing up she made many secret penances. And when she was old enough to be married, deterred suitors by cutting off her hair and rubbing pepper on face to make it blister. She took a vow of chastity even though her parents wished her to marry. She fasted many times a week and permanently abstained from meat.

Eventually her parents gave in and allowed her to join the Third Order of St. Dominic, although she was not permitted to live in a convent. Saint Rose undertook severe penances, allowing herself only two hours of sleep a night in order to have more time to pray, wearing a heavy silver crown with spikes on the inside imitating Christ's crown of thorns, and even burning her own hands. However, she also cared for the sick and hungry, and sold her beautiful embroidery and fine lace, as well as flowers she grew to help raise funds for the poor.

She died at the age of 31 on August 24, 1617. Pope Clement X canonized her in 1671, she was the first saint of the New World, born in the Americas. Saint Rose of Lima is the patron saint of Latin America and the Philippines.



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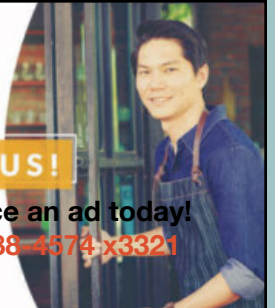
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