ST. ROSE OF LIMA
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time — September 11, 2022

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."
- Lk 15:10

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:00 am Sunday Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 9:30 11:30 am & 5:00 pm
Daily 6:45 9:00 am
Holy Day Vigil 7:30 pm 6:45 9:00 am 5:30 pm
Holiday 8:00 am

REGISTRATION

All parishioners are asked to formally register with the parish as required to receive mailings, sponsor certificates and sacraments. Visit website or call the office.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 12
6:45 Elizabeth Wasikowski . . . . . The Gallagher Family
9:00 Michael Prall . . . . . Cosmo & Sheila Civale
William Bower . . . . . Family

Tuesday, September 13
6:45 Terence, Lillian & Donald Clark . . . Pat Matthews
9 :00 Jack Obre . . . . . Family
Ray DeLorme . . . . . Patricia DeLorme

Wednesday, September 14
6:45 Madeline Cohen . . . . . Joan Gilbertie
Tom Weiss . . . . . Michael & Heliett Sanchez
9:00 Rich Williams . . . . . WWP Friends
Robert Cannone . . . . . Jed & Cornie Costello

Thursday, September 15
6:45 St. Rose Parishioners
9:00 Kenneth Corcoran . . . . . Pat Conway
Michael A. Marusa . . . . . .The Marusa Family

Friday, September 16
6:45 Chris McCaffrey . . . . . .The McCaffrey & Malico Families
Julie Halligan . . . . . .The Gerbo Family
9:00 Alice Chrusciel . . . . . Family
Joseph Antonazzo . . . . . Nicolina & Family

Saturday, September 17
8:00 Andrew Chapin . . . . . Melissa Sipos
4:00 Charles Christopher Smith . . . The Moulder Family
Michael Gilbertie . . . . . Joan Gilbertie

Sunday, September 18
7:30 Michael A. Marusa . . . . . .The Marusa Family
Rose Cockayne . . . . . Melissa Sipos
9:30 Kathleen DeMeo . . . . . The Giarratano Family
Roger Rasch . . . . . Sandra Morici
11:30 Frank Lucherini . . . . . Dana Pugliese
Mario Ribeiro . . . . . Connie Carey
5:00 James Craig . . . . . Jim & Mary Craig
Peter Lovermi . . . . . .Family

Wedding Banns

BANNS II: Melissa Giles & Jeffrey Faller

The Sanctuary Candle

will be lit this week in memory of Andrea Hall as requested by Joan Gilberte.

PENANCE
Confessions are celebrated Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00PM or by special appointment with one of the priests.

BAPTISM
Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at 1:00PM. A pre-Baptism class is required. For other important parent and sponsor related prerequisites, please go to strosechurch.com/baptism.

FIRST COMMUNION, FIRST PENANCE and CONFIRMATION
Religious education classes begin at age 5. First Grade is prerequisite for Penance and First Communion . Attendance is required in each grade for reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in grade 8. For more information go to strosechurch.com, click on Sacraments.

MARRIAGE
The couple is asked to contact the Rectory 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 more information contact the Office.

Welcome!

to our parish!
For complete information on 'all things' St. Rose including all ministries and happenings, please go to **strosechurch.com.**

A Message from Monsignor Bob

A PRAYER FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11

O God, our hope and our refuge,
in our distress we come quickly to You.
Shock and horror of that tragic day have subsided,
replaced now with an emptiness,
a longing for the innocence lost.
We come remembering those who lost their lives
in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C.
We are mindful of the sacrifice of public servants
who demonstrated the greatest love of all
by laying down their lives for friends.
We commit their souls to Your eternal care
and celebrate their gifts to a fallen humanity.
We come remembering and we come in hope,
not in ourselves, but in You.
As foundations we once thought secure have been shaken,
we are reminded of the illusions of security.
In commemorating this tragedy,
we give You thanks for Your presence
in our time of need.
We seek to worship You in Spirit and in truth,
our guide and our guardian. Amen.

Most of us can remember exactly where we were and what we were doing on that beautiful sunlit September 11 morning. It will always be a day long remembered. Our country was attacked. It seemed impossible that terrorists could break through our national security, hi-jack aircraft and put our country on high alert about the hate that exists in the world today. Countless lives, families and relationships were destroyed because of that hate. As a result, life has changed forever. This is a day to not only remember those who died but also a day to remind us of the power of evil that exists in our world. I remember being at so many prayer services when “Let There Be Peace on Earth” was sung as a reminder that it all starts with each of us. As more and more turn away from God and His ways in our country, evil will dwell among us more than ever. On this day of remembrance, let us pray for the peace we so desperately need within ourselves and among one another. With God’s grace, peace is possible. We can only hope!

A word of thanks to the Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes for a successful parish picnic. The Lord blessed us with a beautiful afternoon, and it was wonderful to see so many parishioners enjoying time together. It was a special blessing to welcome so many of the new families who have joined our parish. I hope this is a sign that we are ready to rebuild our ministries and committees and increase our activities and events. We have much for which to be grateful, and we need each of you to help us continue to be the community of faith God has called us to be.

It was also a happy day to enjoy the return of our Annual Labor Day Parade. There is no better day in Newtown than parade day. Thanks to Saint Rose School for providing a float on behalf of our parish. Special thanks to the Parade Committee for their efforts on our behalf.

Religious Education classes begin next week. It will be great to be back to “normal” after a long absence. Thanks to Cate Gosselin, Mary Craig and Silvia Harper for providing the leadership for our faith formation programs. They have created a wonderful calendar of events to help our children and families grow in their faith. Thanks also to the many volunteer catechists and aides; we could never do what we do without you and your willingness to share your love for the Lord and His Church with our students. Great thanks to the volunteer Security Team for being present and keeping all of us safe. We also offer thanks to Sandra Jarvis who served as the First Penance/Eucharist Coordinator. Sandra has resigned her position. She is a woman of great faith and will be missed. PLEASE KEEP OUR PROGRAM IN YOUR PRAYERS; WE NEED TO KEEP THESE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES CLOSE TO THE HEART OF JESUS!

Regular Meetings

Adoration.
Worship the Lord Tuesdays at 7:00PM, Thursdays/Fridays at 2:45PM, and first Fridays from 10:00AM-4:00PM in church.

Alcoholics Anonymous.
Meets weekly on Saturdays at 6:30PM in the upper room at 38 Church Hill Road.

Cancer Support Group.
Meets second Wednesday of month via Zoom.

Columbiettes.
Meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00PM in Knights Hall.

Communion and Liberation (C&L).
Meets every Wednesday evening at 7:00PM at 38 Church Hill Road.

Children's Rosary.
Will resume in September meeting every third Thursday of the month in the church at 4:30PM.

Divine Mercy Cenacle.
Meetings are the third Wednesday of the month at 3:00PM in the Chapel.

Job Networking.
Meets the second Tuesday of the month via Zoom. Guest speakers featured.

Knights of Columbus.
Meets the first Thursday of every month at Knights Hall.

Lay Missionaries of Charity.
Meets on the first Tuesday of each month after 9:00AM Mass and 5:00PM in the Bride's Room. Holy Hour in the church every 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00PM.

Men's Faith Network.
Meets every Saturday at 7:30AM in Holy Innocents bldg.

Men's Praise and Worship.
Meets Wednesdays at 10:00AM at 38 Church Hill Road.

Parish Health Council.
Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00PM in the Rectory Conference Room

Pro-Life and Family.
Meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00PM in the Rectory conference room.

Rosary Recitation.
Pray the Rosary in front of the Blessed Mother daily after 9:00AM Mass.

Spiritual Journey.
Meets every Thursday at 10:15 in Holy Innocents bldg.

Squires.
Meets second Thursday of the month at Knights Hall.

United Youth Ministry.
Meets most Sundays at 6:30PM on Parish grounds.

Women's Club.
Meets every second Tuesday to pray the Rosary following 9:00AM Mass. Book Group meets third Thursday at 10:00AM in Holy Innocents bldg.

Women's Enrichment Book Study.
Meets Thursdays at 10:00AM in Holy Innocents bldg.

Walking with Purpose.
Visit website to read about programs which meet Wednesdays at 10:00AM or 7:00PM.

Find the details! for all ministries including contact info at strosechurch.com

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, Sept 15, 2022, 1:00 - 6:00 pm
Newtown Congregational Church, 14 West St, Newtown, CT 06470
Donate blood and help someone else have a longer, happier life. Schedule via https://www.redcrossblood.org/ (enter 5320) or 1-800-733-2767

Welcome to the Catholic Church!!

RCIA - the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins October 27, 2022, and applications are being accepted now. 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.

Parish Connections

Watch...Listen...live and archive.
Go to Strosechurch.com/live-stream. Watch daily and weekend Mass plus Catholic community content on audio-only stream from the Vatican and other sources. Special celebrations at St. Rose can be live-streamed for a fee. We are always looking for operators. Call the office for all the info.

Attend Parking Lot Mass.
Available 4:00PM Saturday and 9:30AM Sunday. Tune to 89.9 FM to listen. Communion will be offered outside.

Stay Connected with St. Rose Parish.
We share current updates, happenings, and important announcements on social media, our website and email. Write to Content@strosechurch.com to get on our Parish email list and go to strosechurch.com to connect via Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.

Use Online Giving.
It's easy to give to the many causes at St. Rose Parish. Our online giving page is easy to use - make one-time donation or set-up recurring payments. Go to strosechurch.com and click on Giving to start!

Get VIRTUS trained to be a volunteer.
In compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment Policy. If you wish to help in any way within the Parish please register at virtus.org. If you attended the class more than 5 years ago, you need to be recertified. Call the office with questions or help.

Have a Minute?
It only takes that long to watch a weekly spiritual and inspirational message from Monsignor Bob. In our **Weiss Wednesday** series Monsignor Bob 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. See it on strosechurch.com and all our social media channels.

Northern Fairfield Professionals (NFP) Zoom meeting

5:00 – 6:30 pm on Tuesday, Sept 13th.
Our guest speaker, Paul Bailo, will present on "LANDIT - Phone Interviews...finding your voice"
To receive the zoom link, please e-mail john@itechcp.com

Outreach Ministry

Bereavement Counseling and Funeral Planning.
Please call the office to schedule a meeting with Sister Mary Ellen Genova.

Faith Community Nurse Ministry.
- The Health Council meets monthly and supports health-related special events and services.
- Blood pressure screenings held after Masses on the second weekend of the month.
- Seminars on informative health topics are scheduled periodically. See the website for details.

Friendly Visitors.
Spend time once a month with elderly who are isolated at home.

Lift-A-Spirit Meal Ministry.
Make a home cooked meal for parishioners facing chronic illness or medical emergencies.

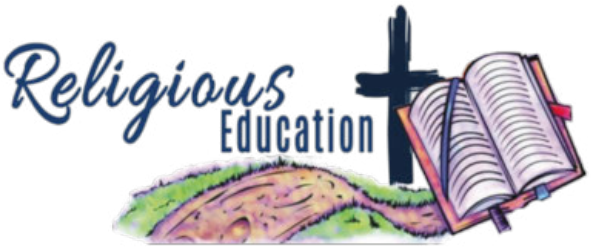
Pastoral Visits.
We bring Communion to parishioners who are homebound, hospitalized or not able to attend Mass for any reason.

Prayer Shawl Ministry.
Volunteers meet on the first Saturday September through May in the Rectory Conference Room at 10:00AM. Requests for a prayer shawl for someone who is ill, grieving or lonely are welcome any time.

Social Concerns Committee.
Help support parishioners and neighbors in need.
- Volunteers meet first Tuesday of every month (except July/August) at 11:00AM in Holy Innocents Building.
- Religious Articles are sold in the vestibule every third weekend of the month.
- Cares Box is always in the back of the Church for donations.
- Parishioner to Parishioner: items available free—you just need to arrange pick up.
  Available:
  Needed:

St. Joseph Project.
Supports parishioners who have housing issues due to job loss, illness or unexpected emergency.
Donations accepted on the fourth Sunday of the month in the house shaped collection box in the vestibule.

Contact Us! **for all Outreach Ministries.**
Go to strosechurch.com/parish-outreach for contact names, numbers and email.



Dates to Remember:

Sept. 11 - Catechist Kickoff Meeting - 1:30 pm.
Mandatory for all catechists - Holy Innocents Bldg.
All catechists will be given their class lists, materials, and have a separate meeting with their Grade Level Coordinator.

Sept. 13 - New Catechist Meeting - 7 pm.
This meeting will focus on the needs of a new catechist, preparation for your first class, and some Q&A time.
Mandatory for all new catechists - Holy Innocents Bldg.

Sept. 15 - Homeschool Parent Kickoff Meeting - 7 pm
This meeting is for all parents registered for the Homeschool program.
Your child's workbook will be handed out during this meeting.
Mandatory for all Homeschool parents - Holy Innocents Bldg.

Sept. 18 - 21 - First Week of Classes
Welcome back students!!
Welcome all new Religious Education families!

Blessing of the Animals - Save the Date
Our annual Blessing of the Animals will take place on Saturday, October 1, at 9 am in front of Holy Innocents Faith Formation building. This event is held Rain or Shine. All pets must be leashed or in a cage.
Deacon Rick Scinto will lead us in prayer, followed by a blessing over all animals.
Prayer cards and Pet medals will be available for sale.

Substitute Teachers

St. Rose School is looking for substitute teachers for pre-school through eighth grade. If you are interested and would like to learn more please call the school's main number 203-426-5102.

St. Rose of Lima School
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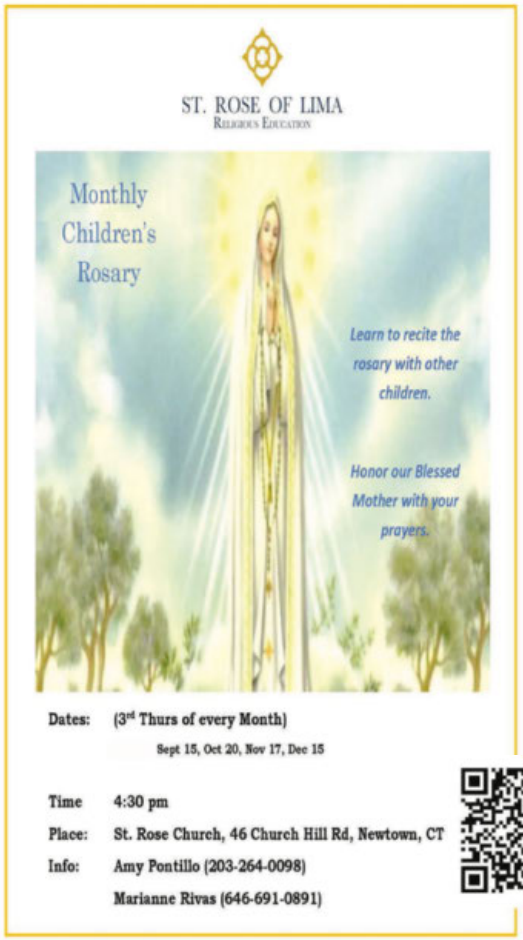
Save the Date! On Friday October 21st, 2022 St. Rose School will host the Blooms Benefit to honor Sister Thaddeus Rajca for her years of faithful service and dedication to Catholic education. Dr. Charles and Mrs. Ana-Cristina Herrick are the Honorary Chairs. We look forward to a joyful celebration with members of our school, parish and greater community. *Interested in sponsoring a table, taking an ad out in the program or donating an item for the silent auction? Email blooms2022@srles.com.*

Do/did you or a family member attend Catholic school? What made you decide and how does/did it impact your life? Please share your WHY? on your social media pages with the hashtag #MyCatholicSchoolWhy. You can also email schools@diobpt.org. Responses will be entered into a raffle by the Diocese of Bridgeport Catholic Schools and winners will be drawn weekly.



WEBS Bible Study

This Fall, WEBS will be covering the Gospel of John using the Ignatius Bible Study by Scott Hahn and Curtis Mitch.
Starts: Tues 9/13 at 9:45, Holy Innocents Building
All women are welcome; this study will be an enlightening delve into John's rich gospel. The book has the bible verses, commentary and a few study questions that we will discuss. It should run about 10 weeks.
If interested, please contact Claudia Sieber to order a book: Claudia.sieber@att.net or by calling/texting 203-417-5514

"St. Rose Church Liturgical Choir" Seeking New Members

Sings Sept. through early June, mostly at the Sunday 9:30am Mass, on religious holidays, and special liturgical events. All that is really needed is basically an in-tune singing voice that can blend well, very basic note-reading ability, and a willing musical spirit. Teenager or older, don't have to be a parishioner. Looking especially for more male voices. Rehearsals: most Thursdays (Sept-May) from 7pm- 8:15pm in choir loft. For more information, contact Music Director, Joseph Jacovino, at josephjacovino@gmail.com or stop in the choir loft after any Sunday Mass to speak with him directly.

Free Estate Planning Resource

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Sandra Jarvis, Gr K-3, Penance & Communion
Mary Craig, Gr 4 - 8, Confirmation
Silvia Harper, Registration/Database Mgmt.
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Deacon Norman Roos, Adult Formation Coord.

Youth Ministry
Renzo Ortega, United High School Youth Minister

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All Ministries/ leaders	www.strosechurch.com

May God keep special watch over these men and women serving in the US Military

United States Army
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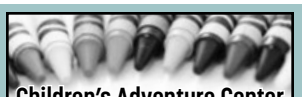

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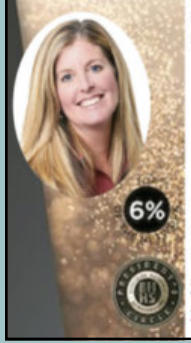

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