

First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2022



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.









Mass Intentions

Monday, November 28	
6:45	Carmen James Guglielmo The Long Family
	Intentions of Caeli Donovan Grandparents
9:00	Intentions of Mary Lee Cannone Kevin &
	Queta Donovan
	The Deceased Members of the Cannone Family
	Kevin & Queta Donovan
	y, November 29
6:45	Robert Collier
9:00	
	& Family
	Intentions of Rosemary Lajoie Vinny Lajoié
Wedne	sday, November 30
6:45	St. Rose Parishioners
9:00	Alfred Schmidt Monica Bower & Family
	Elizabeth Alford Isabel & Tulio Lopez
Thursday, December 1	
6:45	Édgar Pelletier Joan Gilbertie
9:00	Eileen Montague
	Eleanor & Tom Cunningham Ellen Klaus
Friday, December 2	
6:45	David Heaney The Oemcke Family
9:00	Marion Wesselbrand I he DeCanio Family
	Michael Mongeon Cornie & Jed Costello
Saturday, December 3	
8:00	Jaime A. DeRosso Kevin DeBartolomeo &
	Family
4:00	Amy Gilbertie Joan Gilbertie
_	Tom Weiss The DeCanio Family
Sunday, December 4	
7:30	Eugene Tersigni Religious Ed Office
	Intentions of Sara Carvis Ardele Carvis
9:30	John Pavia, Marilyn Imbimbo, Anthony & Luisa
	Pavia Nella Pavia
	Maria de Lourdes Amaral Nunes & Antonio
44.00	Lopes The Middleton Family
11:30	Bethany Mass
5:00	Edward Kiluk
	Tom Weiss Mary & Richard Allaire

Wedding Banns

BANNS III: Maryann Wolfe & Richard Camejo

October 2022 Baptisms

We warmly welcome into our parish family:

Charles John Florio Nia Sky Giannattasio Rory James Hannibal Brayden Michael Ramsey Henry Alexander Sebastiao



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.











- A Nessage from Monsignor Bob-

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appears.
Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

One of the most beautiful and hopeful seasons of the Church year begins this weekend, the season of Advent. In recent times, Advent seems to be in the shadows as we prepare the secular Christmas with our gift buying, decorating and pre -holiday gatherings. Yet this season holds all that is right, good and holy as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Lord. It is amazing to me that in the midst of all the world is becoming and how many are turning deaf ears to the message He gave us, Christ chooses to be born again. He chooses once again to bring us hope and to open for us the path to our salvation. We hear the prophet Isaiah tell us of the power and the glory of God as He sends His Son to be our Redeemer:

They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning forks; one nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.

O house of Jacob,
Come let us walk in the light of the Lord!

What more could we ask or pray for than for this prophecy to be fulfilled as we witness the war in Ukraine and the constant threats of war from other nations? Why do we choose to destroy rather than to build up and restore? Why do we choose to live in darkness when we could live in light? Why allow ourselves to be persuaded by the values of materialism rather than the ways of holiness? Take a look at the path you are walking this Advent, and ask yourself if you are walking the pathway to holiness. The Gospel calls us to "STAY AWAKE! FOR YOU DO NOT KNOW ON WHICH DAY YOUR LORD WILL COME...YOU MUST BE PREPARED, FOR AT AN HOUR YOU DO NOT EXPECT, THE SON OF MAN WILL COME." These words are not intended to frighten or intimidate us but rather encourage us to set things right in our lives.

This holy season provides us with many opportunities to accomplish that...so stay awake and get busy doing the things that in the end really matter!

One opportunity to help us celebrate this holy season begins next weekend with our Parish Advent Mission. Make the commitment to take this time for yourself and renew your relationship with the Lord and the Church. Invite someone to join you and take the journey of faith together. This mission will be led by Fr. William Garrott, a Dominican priest from Washington, D.C. He will preach at all the Masses next weekend. The mission will begin on Monday and conclude on Wednesday. Fr. Garrott will be the celebrant of the 9:00 Mass each of those days and offer a special mission message each evening at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Bill has been a priest for 28 years and has preached over 200 missions. We are blessed to have him in our midst. So, please take some time for yourself and really prepare you and your family for Christmas!

As we enter this holy Advent season and prepare for Christmas, I have to say thanks once again for you incredible generosity. Many miracles have taken place and will take place in the lives of the many people and families to whom you have extended charity and concern. I wish I could openly share all that goes on this season, but much of the generosity is given anonymously or by those who do not want an acknowledgment. Just let me say because of you... +Young mothers who chose to bring their babies to birth without the financial or emotional need necessary have a supply of diapers

- + Children and adults who could not afford a new coat will be warm this winter.
- + Individuals and families will have a blessed Thanksgiving table, complete with pies donated by the Knights of Columbus.
- + Children will know there is a Santa when they wake and find toys under their tree.
- + Families can be lifted from some financial burdens because someone adopted them.
- AND ALL BECAUSE OF YOU AND YOUR GENEROSITY AND LOVE!







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.

Altar Servers and Parents:

We are now using Sign Up Genius for parents to schedule their children to serve Masses. Please go to

strosechurch.com/news for all the details and instructions or scan this QR Code.



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 Wednesday 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. Bring Your Own Lunch gathering first Thursday at 11:30 in Holy Innocents bldg.

Women's Enrichment Book Study.

Meets Tuesdays at 9:45AM in Holy Innocents bldg.

Walking with Purpose.

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

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

Project Rachel

Are you or someone you know experiencing pain and sorrow from losing a child to abortion? You are not alone! For information and resources or to find out about our upcoming local Days of Prayer and Healing, contact Maureen at 203.416.1619 or projectrachel@diobpt.org. God's mercy, healing and forgiveness are waiting for you!











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 livestreamed 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 faithfilled life as a Roman Catholic and navigate through the Challenging world around us. See it strosechurch.com and all our social media channels.

Rosary for Life

Please join the Pro-life Committee for a Rosary for Life every First Saturday after 8 am Mass.



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 fime 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 home-bound, 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.

- Volunteer's 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: If you need an item, let us know. Maybe a fellow parishioner can help! Needed: Wheel chair

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.

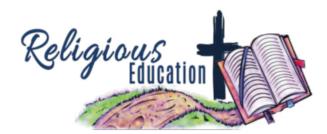
Go to strosechurch.com/parish-outreach for contact names, numbers and email.











Dates to Remember:

Nov. 27 - No Sunday Classes

So that our Religious Education families, catechists and staff can enjoy time with family and friends, classes will not be held on the morning of Sunday, Nov. 27. Classes will resume on Monday, Nov. 28 at 4:30 pm.

Dec 4 - Rehearsal for Live Nativity

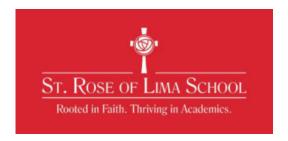
Any children who would like to participate in the Annual Live Nativity should contact Mary Beth Sippin at (203) 258-3462 or email her at mb@sippin.com. If you are an adult who would like to volunteer or a Confirmation candidate looking for service hours, please let Mary Beth know. Thank you in advance.

Dec 5-7 - Advent Confessions at 4:30 pm.

We will bring all students in grades 3 - 8 to the church for Confessions during regular class times. Due to the size of our program, time slots will be given to the catechists ahead of time. Homeschool students are welcome at any of these sessions. (Note: All Monday evening students will attend on Dec. 12.)

Dec 10 Live Nativity presentation

Please join us at the stable behind St. Rose Church for the Live Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ. Join us as we re-enact that special night. Come see the live animals, hear the story of that special night, and watch the star rise in the East, as it did 2,000 years ago.



We hope that your Thanksgiving was filled with family, friends, feasts and fun. It is always a great time to reflect on our many blessings.

Happy First Sunday of Advent. All classes at St. Rose School will be preparing for the birth of Jesus through lessons and activities that focus on the meaning of the season including special service outreaches. We are thankful for the opportunity to live our faith openly every day in the halls and classrooms of St. Rose School.

November 29th is #Giving Tuesday! First, we say THANKS to all of our supporters. We have a rich history and a bright future because of the MANY people who give of their time, talent and treasure. Fundraising is an integral part of keeping Catholic education alive because tuition alone does not cover the cost of educating every child. Every donation makes a BIG difference in the lives of students in Preschool - 8th grade. PLANT THE SEEDS AND SEE HOW THEY BLOOM!

Mark your calendars for Open House Sunday, January 29th, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Come walk in our halls and find out why St. Rose School could be the right fit for your family. Weekday tours are also available. Visit www.stroseschool.com and/or email admissions@srles.com to schedule a tour. A warm welcome awaits!

Like us on FB, St Rose of Lima School, and follow us on Instagram, srsnewtownct.

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.

World Youth Day

Pope Francis is inviting youth and young adults to join him in Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day 2023. The pilgrimage for the Diocese of Bridgeport is July 26th through August 7. For more information about costs, the itinerary, and scholarship opportunities, please visit formationreimagined.org











St. Rose Parish **Advent Mission 2022**

Three Evenings December 5,6 & 7





Evening Mission Sessions: 7PM Rosary 7:30PM Teaching with musical Interludes 8:30PM Reconciliation

Featuring:

Monday ... A Special Blessing with the Oil of St. Joseph from the Oratory of St. Joseph in Montreal Tuesday ... Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament Wednesday ... A Special Blessing and Veneration of a first class relic of St. John Paul II from May 13, 1981.





ANNUAL LIVE NATIVITY

SATURDAY. **DECEMBER 10, 2022** FOLLOWING THE 4 PM MASS LOCATION: The Stable on the Field behind St. Rose Church.

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If you would like your children or grandchildren to participate in this live presentation, or if you are an adult/confirmation candidate interested in volunteering - please call/text Mary Beth Sippin at (203) 258-3462 or email her at mb@sippin.com.

There is only one rehearsal, which will take place on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 1:00 pm in the Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center.

Also, we are looking for a "young" actor or actress (age 6-9 months) to be our Baby Jesus, as well as parents to portray Joseph and Mary in our Live Nativity, please let us know if you are interested in portraying the Holy Family.



Christmas in the Mansion

Lauralton Hall's historic campus will be transformed into a "Showcase of the Season" featuring more than 60 specialty boutiques offering upscale handcrafted items, home décor, jewelry, accessories, and more. The event will take place on Sunday, Dec 4, noon-4:30 pm. Admission \$10, children aged 12 and under are free. Visit www.lauraltonhall.org/christmas for more info.

Mental Health Matters and Missionary Parishes

This Giving Tuesday, November 29th, donate to the Catholic Charities Mental Health Matters campaign and support our missionary urban parishes through the St.

Francis Xavier Fund in Foundations in Faith. Your generosity will help us provide support and services to those in need of mental health services to live happier, healthier lives. And our missionary parishes will benefit from your support of their ministries and outreach, so critical in our urban centers. To donate, visit https:// www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/ acp5f0e2566c9069/user/guest













Making Music Praying Twice A Children's Music Ministry

Linda Villafano lindavillafano@gmail.com

Register for Advent-Christmas-Epiphany 2022

Making Music Praying Twice



A fun low-pressure, hands-on MUSIC CLASS for children ages Infant to 5 years with their Parent, Grandparent or Caregiver held in the Holy Innocents building at St. Rose of Lima Church.

Classes meet on Fridays for 6 weeks

First Advent-Christmas-Epiphany Class Dec. 2 Last class Jan. 13, 2023

(Dec. 2, 9, 16, 30, Jan. 6, 13)

Classes run 10 - 11:30 a.m. Actual class time is 30 - 45 min with the option to stay for social time and play.

Tuition covers 6 sessions

Cost: \$100 for 1 child- \$120 for 2 children- \$140 for 3+ children

Music must be purchased @https://www.makingmusicprayingtwice.com/store prior to class

You can Register for MMP2 programs at any time throughout the year! Accepting Registrations during the current program, prior to or between programs!

(Next program is 2023 Lent Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31)

Free Estate Planning Resource

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in 20 minutes or less, and start your legacy with our Parish in the process. Get started today at

FreeWill.com/BridgeportDiocese



Boy Scouts Wreath Sale

Boy Scout Troop 770, which is sponsored by St. Rose of Lima Church, will be holding its annual holiday wreath sale Thanksgiving weekend, November 26th and 27th, after Mass on Saturday and Sunday. The wreaths are 22-inch fresh balsam fir and cost \$20

each. Cash and checks payable to Troop 770 accepted. All proceeds benefit Boy Scout Troop 770 and help fund troop activities like community service projects, monthly campouts, leadership training, troop supplies and equipment. New scouts are always welcome to join our troop!









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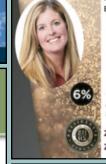


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