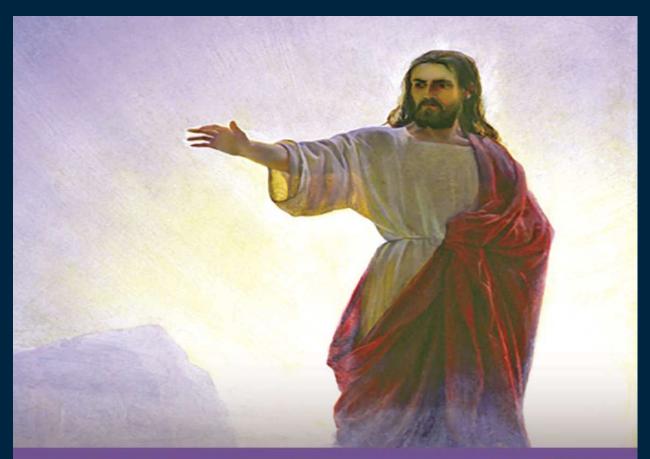


TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 19, 2025



## 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" - Lk 18:7-8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 4:00 pm (Sat) 7:30 9:30 am 11:30 am 5:00 pm

Daily (M-F) 6:45 9:00 Am

Sat/Holiday 8:00 am Holy Day 7:30 pm (Vigil) 6:45 9:00 am

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### REGISTRATION

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









# Mass Intentions for the Week

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|   | Venusta Carnevale Rick & Karen Meisenheimer  |
| Tuesda  | ay, October 21   |
|   | Robert Franzago, Jr Peter & Mary Ellen Leone   |
| 9:00  |  |
|   | Tom Pluff Darlene & Mike Donohue   |
|   | esday, October 22  |
|   | Intentions of St. Rose Parishioners  |
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|   | McNulty  |
|   | Charles Patridge WWP Table Six (Tuesday)   |
|   | day, October 23  |
| 6:45  |  |
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|   | Group  |
|   | Kelley Brimmer Flynn Barbara Brimmer   |
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## The Sanctuary Candle

will be lit this week for the intentions of Vincent Lajoie as requested by Lynn Lajoie.

## Wedding Banns

BANNS III: Catherine Ingersoll & Daniel Fernandes
BANNS I: Amelia Justo & Gregory Fracassini





### **RECONCILIATION**

Celebrated Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00PM or by special appointment with one of the priests.

### **BAPTISM**

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 RECONCILIATION, and CONFIRMATION

Religious education classes may begin at age 5. First Grade is prerequisite for First Reconciliation and First Communion. Attendance is required in each grade for reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 7. For more information go to strosechurch.com, click on Sacraments.

### **MARRIAGE**

Contact the Rectory to make arrangements 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 to receive this sacrament or to have Holy Communion brought to your home.

### **MORNING PRAYER**

Weekdays at 8:40AM.

### SAINT ROSE CEMETERY

Located at the corner of Cherry and Black Cherry Streets in Sandy Hook. For more information contact the Rectory.

### SAINT ROSE RECTORY

Office hours are 9AM to 4PM Monday-Friday.

# Your Weekly Offertory

### can be made here:

Just scan the code and choose *Sunday Offertory* and any other cause you'd like to support.
Thank you!











## A MESSAGE FROM Father Peter

### WHY BE CONFIRMED?

"In those days, Amalek came and waged war against Israel."

I cannot imagine anything more destructive than war, and yet, in a very real way, Confirmation is more like enlistment, enlisting to fight in a war against evil. In fact the traditional understanding and emphasis of Confirmation is that those preparing for it were to become soldiers of Christ.

Confirmation is the sacrament where the Holy Spirit transforms us into His holy soldiers, enabling us to become strong witnesses to our faith, confirmed to be strengthened against the dangers threatening our soul, our homes, our world, and certainly those we love. The seven gifts you receive are weapons in your great arsenal of faith for you to be more than heroes, to be highly decorated Saints.

But perhaps our greatest weapon in the arsenal of our faith is prayer, and not just any prayer: sustained and persistent prayer as Jesus insists today, telling his parable about the necessity to pray always without becoming weary.

From that parable to this true story:

On August 6, 1945, the Enola Gay dropped the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima at 8:15 a.m. The bomb exploded half a mile from the Jesuit Church of Our Lady of the Assumption. More than 100,000 people were killed instantly and thousands more died months later from the effects of radiation. However, the church building and eight Jesuit priests stationed there survived.

A journalist wrote this account of his conversations with one of the Jesuit survivors, Father Hubert Schiffer: "Suddenly, a terrific explosion filled the air with one bursting thunderstroke. An invisible force lifted me from the chair, hurled me through the air."

The next thing he remembered, he opened his eyes and he was lying on the ground. He looked around and there was NOTHING in any direction: the railroad station and buildings in all directions were leveled to the ground.

After the cease fire, the doctors who took care of them afterwards warned them that the radiation they received would produce serious lesions, as well as illness and premature death.

The diagnosis never materialized. No disorders ever developed, and in 1976 Father Schiffer attended the Eucharistic Congress in Philadelphia and told his story. He confirmed that the other Jesuits were still alive and without any ailments. They were examined by dozens of doctors some 200 times over the course of the following years, without any trace of the radiation being found in their bodies.

When asked to account for this incredible situation, in which he and his companions were spared, he said: "We believe that we survived because we were living the message of Fatima. We lived and prayed the Rosary every day in that home."

He feels that they received a protective shield from the Blessed Mother, which protected them from all radiation and ill-effects. (This coincides with the bombing of Nagasaki, where St. Maximilian Kolbe had established a Franciscan Friary which was also unharmed because of special protection from the Blessed Mother, as the brothers, too, prayed the daily Rosary and also had no effects from the bomb).

The power of persistent prayer. In fact, on October 7<sup>th</sup> we celebrated the Feast Day of the Holy Rosary, originally named "Our Lady of Victory" because one of the most significant military battles in history was decided that day as thousands of people simultaneously prayed the Rosary, ensuring the survival of Christianity in the world in 1571.

And look at how Moses and the Israelites were able to win their battle: "As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight. Moses' hands, however, grew tired; so they put a rock in place for him to sit on."

That rock, by the way, would become most significant for Jesus when He would say to Peter, "You are Rock and upon this Rock I will build my Church," which has since become our Armory where we have at our disposal all the graces and blessings and help necessary to lead heroic, purpose-driven, and fully meaningful lives.

Removing the rock, putting your hands down and ceasing to pray, defeat is imminent. When soldiers desert the battlefield, the battle is lost and the casualty list grows and grows. It is worse when one deserts the Church and abandons one's faith: souls may get lost forever.

As we just heard: "Meanwhile Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other, so that his hands remained steady till sunset. And Joshua mowed down Amalek and his army"

Support from Church and family is crucial.

Failure to prepare is to prepare to fail...and a failed faith is the ultimate failure.

As Soldiers, it will be your duty to defend the things we believe in, like the Holy Eucharist: believing fully that during Mass, ordinary bread and wine are transformed into the living body and blood of Jesus Christ. To receive the power and presence of God into our bodies...there is no greater nourishment than that, so that with confidence you may be able to answer the question Jesus Christ poses today:

"When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Faith Here in CT, here in this Church-- When you receive Him into your bodies in Holy Communion, will He find faith in your mind and heart? Because if He does, and we do, we will find more than men and women with Faith, we will find heroes and champions we call Saints.













### Adoration.

Worship the Lord Tuesdays at 7:00PM (Confession available), Thursdays/Fridays at 3:00PM, and first Fridays from 10:00AM-4:00PM in church.

### Cancer Support Group.

Meets second Wednesday of month at 7:00PM 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 via Zoom.

Children's Rosary.
Meets every third Thursday of the month during school season in the church at 4:30PM.

### **Divine Mercy Cenacle.**

Meets are the third Wednesday of the month at 3:00PM in the Chapel.

### Family Life Ministry.

Meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00PM in the Rectory conference room. Rosary for Life after 8:00AM Mass évery First Saturday.

### Health Ministry.

Meets quarterly, meeting place and time to be determined.

### Job Networking.

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

### **Kennedy Rosary Project**

Meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00PM at 38 Church Hill Road.

### **Newtown Lions Club 3rd Annual Model Train Show**

To benefit Childhood Cancer Research Sunday October 26 from 10 AM - 2:30 PM Newtown Community Center, 8 Simpson St. This year the Lions will also host a Halloween Costume Parade as part of the 2025 Benefit Model Train show. The parade will be a fun, festive event for children age 12 and under to show off their costumes. Come participate in a community celebration, and have a chance to win prizes! All participants will leave with a goodie bag. The event will feature several different operating model railroads encompassing over 1700 square feet, and don't miss your opportunity to Win a Lego Model Railroad. Thank You for helping the Newtown Lions Club help our community and the World through your participation.

### Knights of Columbus.

Meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:00PM in Knights Hall.

### Lay Missionaries of Charity.

Meets on the first Tuesday of each month after 9:00AM Mass and 5:30PM 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 via Zoom.

### Rosary Prayer Group.

Pray the Rosary in front of the Blessed Mother after 9:00AM Mass wéekdays, 8AM Mass Saturdays.

### Spiritual Journey.

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

Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30PM in 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 in the Bride's Room, breakfast afterward. Book Group meets third Thursday at 10:00AM in Holy Innocents bldg, Sept-May. Bring Your Own Lunch gathering, Sept-May, first Thursday at 11:30AM in Holy Innocents bldg.

### Women's Enrichment Book Study.

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

### Walking with Purpose.

Women's guided Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 7:00PM or Wednesdays at 10:00AM.

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

### Support our Seminarians!

Bishop Caggiano would like to remind you to participate in the Seminarian & Vocations Drive. The formation of our future priests is a critical responsibility for our diocese, and we rely heavily on the support of generous donors like you to make this possible. The cost of educating and training a seminarian for the priesthood has risen to more than \$70,000 annually, and it is becoming increasingly challenging to meet these expenses without additional assistance from our faithful community. Please support our future priests who will serve our communities for many years to come! Visit www.bridgeportpriest.org/give











### 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.

### 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, X, 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 Fr. Peter. In our Fr. Cip Clips series Fr. Peter 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.

### Immaculate High School Fall Open House

Sunday, October 19 from 2:00 - 4:00pm Discover what makes Immaculate the #1 Catholic, Co-Ed Day School in CT (Niche 2025), as this event welcomes students and parents to meet with faculty, administrators, athletic staff, and current students, as well as tour the classrooms, newly renovated science labs, business center, dining hall, Chapel, and Fitness Center. You will learn about our athletic, fine arts, spiritual life, and extracurricular offerings. We invite interested students and their families to register at immaculatehs.org/visit We can't wait to welcome you to IHS!



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

### Health Ministry.

- The Health Council supports health-related special events and services.
- 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 second Tuesday, September to November and February to May, in Holy Innocents Building 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 11:30AM in Hóly 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: Know\_someone who Please household furniture? Robinlynann@aol.com or call the rectory. Families that are moving or downsizing have furnishings to offer!

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 a directory of all

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











Beginning of Year Masses for Students - Oct 20-21 Our Monday and Tuesday classes will have their Beginning of the Year Masses on Oct 20 & 21 at 4:30 pm in the church. Parents/Guardians are welcome to join us for our Eucharistic celebrations. Students will sit with their catechist and class. Attendance will be taken.

2nd Grade Instructional Workshop - Oct 25 Students who will be receiving First Communion this Spring, along with their parents and guardians, are asked to attend this workshop "What's In God's House" at 9:30 am in the church. Attendance will be taken at this workshop. For questions, please contact Laura DeFelice (203) 426-2333, Ext. 4

Special Monthly Collection for November The monthly collection for November is dedicated to the needs of the Religious Education program. Please be as generous as you can to support the students and programs that we provide. Some of the students would not be able to attend classes if it weren't for financial assistance from the parish. As we all know the cost of supplies and services have risen a lot in recent months. Therefore, your contributions are deeply appreciated. Thank you!

Don't Forget Nov 1 - All Saints Day; Nov 2 - All Souls Day; Nov 2 -Daylight Savings Time ends - Turn clocks back one hour.

Confirmation Mass - Nov 2 All of our Confirmation students and parents/guardians are asked to join us for the Confirmation Mass at 6:30 pm in the church. Father Peter Cipriani will lead our Eucharistic celebration as our Confirmation students prepare for their Confirmation in the Spring. Confirmation sponsors are welcome to join us too! This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.

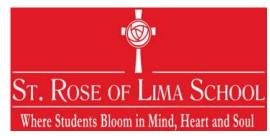
No School - Election Day As a reminder, there will be no classes on Election Day, Nov 4, as we follow the Newtown Public Schools

Grade 6 Saints Workshop - Nov 8 All grade 6 students in Religious Education, including our Homeschool students, should attend a workshop on the Saints with presenter David Plaue, the creator of the Saints Sticker Book. Students will take a "walk through the ages" to learn about many saints - some well known and some who are not. The workshop will begin at 9 am in Holy Innocents. Attendance will be taken.

Veterans Day Classes in Session - Nov 11 Please note that Newtown Public Schools are in session on Veterans Day, Nov 11. Therefore, our Religious Education classes will be in session. As a reminder, Religious Education classes follow the Newtown Public School calendar for days off and snow days. Please see our calendar on the website for more details.

Confirmation Retreat with Chris Padgett - Nov 15 Details will be sent to Confirmation students and their families regarding this retreat which is a prerequisite for Confirmation.

Grade 5, 6 and OCIA Instructional Mass - Nov 16 Please join us as our students and OCIA adults learn about the Mass with Father Peter Cipriani. Students should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Attendance will be taken. This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation.



### St. Rose School Highlights

### Pumpkin Bowl - Thursday

Before the Pumpkin Bowl, all students decorated sugar pumpkins and had their faces painted to get game-ready! Our 8th graders then faced off in our beloved flag football tradition—Team Starbucks vs. Team Dunkin'—showcasing great fun and sportsmanship. The whole school, dressed in green or orange, cheered on our leaders, and the 7th graders delivered an incredible halftime show. Thank you to everyone who came out to support this tradition and cheered!

### **Gratitude & Shout-Outs**

A huge thank you to the Ellis family for donating 250+ sugar pumpkins so every student could decorate one—what a gift to our community!

We're also grateful to the amazing volunteers who donated supplies and time for pumpkins and face painting: Maggie Anderson, Emily Brady, Shelly Brewer-Bissell, Jessica Cardinal, Chantel Comerford, Jessica Cardinal, Danielle Dahlgren, Lilly DeBlasio, Isabel Fappiano, Carrie Hawli, ToniAnn Manuele, Keiko Mathewson, Lori Ohlson, Karen O'Leary, Jenn Perry, Eileen Rodriguez, Jen Singer, Mary Talmadge, Julia Timmel, Teresa Timper, and Karen Walauskas.

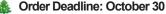
### Altar Server Training – Wednesday, October 15

Mrs. Locke and Sister Thaddeus held altar server training for our St, Rose Students. We were blessed with 25+ new altar serverspraise God!

### Feast Day - Friday, October 17

We celebrated the Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr. His letters reminded us of the early Church's faith and courage.

**Baptism – Friday, October 17**We prayed for RJ Harrington, who was baptized after 9:00 a.m. Mass. May God continue to bless RJ and his family.



Pick-Up: On or around December 3 at the St. Rose School Field

### Scan to complete your purchase!

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for Catholic education at St. Rose of Lima!

For more information about attending St. Rose School, visit www.stroseschool.com or call 203-426-5102.

### Support Our Mission!

If Holiday Greenery doesn't meet your needs, we invite you to prayerfully consider supporting the BLOOMS Fund, which helps bridge the tuition gap and provides vital resources to ensure that every St. Rose student continues to "bloom in mind,

heart, and soul." Your generosity allows us to keep Catholic education vibrant for our children today and for generations to come.









## St. Rose of Lima Newtown Connecticut

### JOIN US FOR OCIA (was RCIA)

OCIA - the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults begins October 16, 2025. We encourage any adult who has questions about Catholicism to join us.

### Who is OCIA for?

- · Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith
- Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism, or if already baptized, through a Profession of Faith
- Those who were baptized Catholic as a child but never received religious education, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

We invite you to join our OCIA program. Fall session will meet weekly and consist of educational information and faith-sharing discussions.

Please contact Donna Locke at 203 513 0822, or <a href="RCIA@strosechurch.co">RCIA@strosechurch.co</a> if you are interested in attending or would like information.



This high-energy, 2-hour event with internationally acclaimed speaker Chris Stefanick will awaken your faith, reignite your joy, and equip you with tools to live the life God created you for: A life of JOY!

It will help you rediscover the JOY you were created for, and is perfect for everyone... even friends, family, and children (12+) who may not be actively practicing their faith.



### Don't Miss Out!

HTTPS://BUYTICKETS.AT/REALLIFECATHOLIC/1758244

Wednesday, January 14, 2026 7:00 - 9:00 PM

St. Rose of Lima Church 46 Church Hill Road, Newtown, CT 06470



### Northern Fairfield Professionals Meeting

5:30 - 8 pm, November 11 Knights of Columbus building **Speakers:** Deb Lundstrom and Lexi Lopiano **Topic:** Mock Interview Session: Sharpen Your Skills, Strengthen Your Story

Welcome to the Mock Interview Workshop designed to help you refine your interview skills, build confidence, and get real-time feedback to support your job search journey. Whether you're actively interviewing or preparing to re-enter the market, this session is an opportunity to practice articulating your experience, strengths, and goals in a supportive, professional setting. If you are going to attend, please email johnbarryitech@gmail.com and he will email you more

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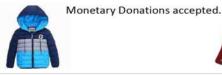
COUNCIL 185 ANNUAL COAT DRIVE



WHEN: October 11, 2025 thru October 28, 2025
COLLECTION BOXES WILL BE AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH

We will accept new or gently used coats (adult and children's),

as well as gloves, hats, scarfs, and NEW socks.





### **Parish Families:**

Anticipating our Veterans' Day Observance Mass on Sun., Nov. 9th, please submit to the Rectory Office the names of Family Member Veterans living and deceased.





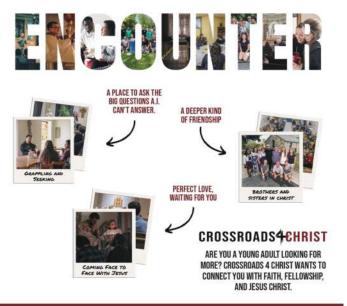




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Sunday, October 19 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.

Join us to hear from Our Rescue's CEO Derek Benner as he shares about sex trafficking and child exploitation, what Our Rescue is doing to combat it, and how each of us can Join the Fight™



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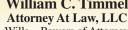
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