

THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE – Sunday, February 8, 2009

**Sunday, February 8**

All masses  
7-10 p.m.

**Monday, February 9**

9-11:30 a.m.  
7-10 p.m.  
7 p.m.

**Tuesday, February 10**

9:30 a.m.  
10 a.m.  
7-8 & 8-9:30 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 11**

9-11:30 a.m.  
4:10 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, February 12**

10:15 a.m.  
3-4 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.  
7:15 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.  
8:00 p.m.

**Friday, February 13**

7:15 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.  
3-4 p.m.

**Saturday, February 14**

6:30 p.m.

Grocery/Gift Card Sale (1)  
Men's CRHP (2)

Teach Me to Pray..Play (2)  
Women's CRHP (2)  
Parish Nurse Meeting (5)

WEBS (2)  
Job Network Support Group  
Al-Anon (2)  
Pro-Life Meeting-Rectory

Teach Me to Pray..Play (2)  
Cenacle (2)  
Women's Club Conroy Rm.  
Folk Choir (1)

Spiritual Journey  
Adoration (7)  
Adult Choir (1)  
Boy Scouts (5)  
RCIA (2)  
Prayer Group (2)

Men's CRHP Prayer (2)  
Friday Bible Study (2)  
Stations & Adoration (7)

AA Meeting (2)

**LOCATION:**

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|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Church              | 5. Parish Center/Safepace |
| 2. 38 Church Hill Road | 6. St. Rose School        |
| 3. New Hall            | 7. Chapel                 |
| 4. Science Room        |                           |

**GROCERY & GIFT CARDS FOR SALE**

Representatives from Saint Rose School will be at church today selling gift cards after the **Sunday** masses. This is an ongoing fundraiser for St. Rose. We purchase cards in bulk, and get the discount up front. It's a win-win! When you buy the cards from us, you get the **full value** of the card, and help us raise money for St. Rose. Thank you for your support.

**ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS**

The Diocese of Bridgeport requires that all volunteers attend a Protecting God's Children seminar, read and acknowledge both the Diocesan Policy against Abuse and Code of Conduct, and authorize a background check.

Upcoming seminars are:

**St. Edward the Confessor, New Fairfield, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.**

**St. Jude Parish, Monroe, Feb. 21, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m.**

Register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) – click on the registration tab, select Bridgeport, CT and follow the prompts. For the question regarding your title, please enter "volunteer" followed by what you volunteer for (carnival, lector, school, etc.). If you don't have Internet access or have any questions, contact Doreen Morrissey, 426-2572 ext. 27. Please bring all your paperwork and a copy of your card to St. Rose if you take the class elsewhere.



**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, February 9**

6:45	Evelyn Oakley	Alice & Ed Walsh
9:00	Winifred Sekulo	Judy Sampson

**Tuesday, February 10**

6:45	Katherine Nelson	The Ramsey Family
9:00	Brennan Merrick	The Rowe Family

**Wednesday, February 11**

6:45	Bob Obre	Family
9:00	Francis & Lynn Liepertz (L)	Joan & Orm Sava

**Thursday, February 12**

6:45	Angelina Yannatos	Stan Frystak
9:00	Shirleyann Hancock	Brewster Family

**Friday, February 13**

6:45	Anne DiVito	John & Michele Dutsar
9:00	Chester Shepanek	Cunningham Family

**Saturday, February 14**

8:00	Douglas Ruffles, Sr. & Martha Meerback	Mary Ruffles Family
4:00	Lillian Pascual	Family
5:30	Ellen C. LaPak	Family

**Sunday, February 15**

7:30	Joanne Cwikla	Joan & David Rogers
9:00	Augie Riva	Blanca & Gary Sheehan
10:30	Marie O'Brien	Kevin & Mary Maloney
12:00	Anne M. Defelice	Terry & Markus Balas

**Thanks for your support!**

Collection for February 1, 2009	\$17,435.00
Capital Improvement	7,036.00
Children's Collection	31.70
Collection for February 3, 2008	17,448.00

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Helen Mok as requested by the Sugarman family.



**BANNS II Melissa DeFriesse & Steven Platt**

**ST. ROSE MEMORIAL FUND**

St. Rose Memorial Fund has graciously been chosen by the following families and benefactors in memory of a loved one. We are most grateful for their generosity.

**Gift of Marshall Zitnay in memory of Helen Urban**

**QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: [StRoseChurch.com](http://StRoseChurch.com) for your review.**

**PROJECT 2008**

**Thanks to the following parishioners for their support!**  
**James & Carol Rodriguez**

**A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB**

This weekend, we celebrate WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE. Pope John Paul II initiated this day of prayer in the Church as an opportunity to thank God for the gift of consecrated life, to promote knowledge of the life, to invite consecrated people to celebrate the Lord's accomplishment in them and to acquire more awareness of their mission in the Church and in the world. Consecrated life is a vocation, a call from God, to conform one's life to Jesus Christ through living as He did in poverty, chastity and obedience, dedicating oneself to God for service to the Church and for the salvation of the world. Within that general description, there are many variations on exactly how that is carried out in a practical sense both individually and communally.

The most well known form of consecrated life, and that which is the prototype for the other forms, is RELIGIOUS LIFE. In this form, men and women pronounce publicly the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience and live in community sharing a common apostolate. Women in religious life are called "sisters" and men in religious life are referred to as "order priests and brothers".

Within religious life, there are two general forms of living: active or apostolic and contemplative. While all religious have prayer as their first and foremost duty, "apostolic institutes" are actively involved in the works of the Church – education, health care, serving the poor or assisting in various ways in parishes and various Church-related ministries. "Contemplative religious" spend a major part of their day offering their prayer and sacrifices for the needs of the Church and the world. They combine prayer with various types of work, often in farming, crafts or similar works. Contemplative women are called nuns, and the men are called monks.

Besides religious life, there are secular institutes and societies of apostolic life. Each type adopts some aspects of the components of religious life, while not practicing others. In addition to the members of these institutes, there are consecrated virgins and hermits.

The Diocese of Bridgeport is served by many religious communities of men and women, including:  
**RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES OF MEN:**  
Congregation of Holy Cross (C.S.C.)  
Society of Jesus, the Jesuits (S.J.)  
**RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES OF WOMEN**  
Congregation de Notre Dame (C.N.D.)  
Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and Mary Immaculate (M.S.S.M.I.)  
Sisters of the Company of the Savior (C.S.)  
Daughters of Charity of the Most Precious Blood (D.C.P.B.)  
Daughters of the Holy Spirit (D.H.S.)  
Institute Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara (S.S.V.M.)  
Lovers of the Holy Cross (S.L.C.)  
Missionaries of Charity (M.C.)  
Sisters Minor of Mary Immaculate (S.M.M.I.)  
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas (R.S.M.)  
The Little Workers of the Sacred Heart (P.O.S.C.)  
Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement (S.A.)  
Religious of the Sacred Heart (R.S.C.J.)

Our parish has been blessed through the years by a number of religious women who have served us and continue to serve us. We are most grateful to the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur (S.N.D.), the Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth (S.C.), the Sisters of St. Joseph (C.S.J.) and to the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth (C.S.F.N.) who presently serve us in the persons of Sr. Thaddeus and Sr. Mary Ellen. We are also blessed with a number of parishioners who are members of secular institutes:

Mary Ruffles and Betty Doty, Carmelites  
June Carpenter, Franciscan  
Queta and Kevin Donovan, Missionaries of Charity  
Mary and Mike Taylor, Dominicans

If you would like more information about religious life, I am sure that any of the above would be more than willing to discuss their call with you.

This weekend let us honor in a special way the women and men, past and present, who are committed to the consecrated life. We join them in their gratitude to God for this blessing in their lives, and we thank them for their service to us and to the Church. We pray for them and support their ministries and encourage others to consider a vocation to the consecrated life.

The TENTH ANNUAL CATHOLIC AWARENESS DAY will be held in Hartford on Monday, February 9 at the State Capitol from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. This is a day to learn and understand the Catholic viewpoint on important issues facing our State, to learn about the legislative process and meet with our local legislators. Workshops on the issues of immigration, life, health care reform and challenges to Catholic education will be conducted. If you would like to join our group from Saint Rose, please contact the rectory office at 426-1014. I hope that many of you will take some time for this annual event to make our Catholic voice heard in Hartford!

Thanks to Fr. John and to the 23 parishioners who traveled to Washington D.C. for the annual March for Life on January 22. It was a cold and long day, but the commitment of this group and the thousands of Americans who joined them is a testimony to their faith and desire to protect life from conception to natural death. Thanks also to the hundreds of you who participated in our postcard campaign regarding the Freedom of Choice Act which our new president has publicly said he would sign into law. It is important for all of us to stand together on this issue and do all we can for life in our country.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ANDREW ST. JOHN WHO RECEIVED HIS EAGLE SCOUT.** Andrew built eight benches to be used near our shrine on the soccer field. I hope that by spring we will have some access to that area once again. This will give people an opportunity to pause and pray by that shrine and reflect on the beauty of God's nature and the power of the cross. We are all very proud of these young men who achieve this highest rank in scouting.

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!** I am most grateful to all of you who have made up your envelopes and contributions from the weekends you were either away or not able to attend Mass due to the weather. To date, we have had 4 stormy weekends since December which has greatly impacted our budget. These storms have cost us a great deal in plowing and sanding as well as additional heat when the temperatures dipped below freezing! Anything any of you can do to help with these expenses will be greatly appreciated.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE CHILDREN OF OUR PARISH WHO RECEIVED THEIR FIRST PENANCE THIS YEAR!** These children are a wonderful example to all of us as they received forgiveness and experienced God's peace. May we all follow their example and find reconciliation with our God, one another and ourselves in this wonderful sacrament.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR SCOUTS WHO WILL RECEIVE THEIR ROSARY PATCH AT THE 10:30 MASS THIS WEEKEND.** I met with these young scouts in December to discuss the Luminous Mysteries which were added to the rosary by Pope John Paul II. The Luminous Mysteries (used on Thursdays) include:

The Baptism of Christ  
The Wedding at Cana, the First Miracle  
The Preaching of Christ on the Kingdom,  
Reconciliation & Conversion  
The Transfiguration  
The Last Supper and Institution of the Eucharist

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**Pam Arsenault, DRE – 426-2333**

**Reaching Out During Misery**

Today's readings help us to reflect on our own behavior when we are caught up in our own misery – regardless of the cause of the misery. We can throw a "pity party," but we usually find that acceptances to this invitation are few! Or we can seek a scriptural solution... A few weeks ago, a parishioner recently shared her story of finding out that her cancer had recurred. She turned to God in prayer and decided to visit the grave of another parishioner. It was there that she focused on someone else and decided to do something about it. The spirit of Christ in her and in the communion of saints – living and dead – helped her to reach out of herself, and in so doing, her spirits were raised. We hear about Job complaining about his hardships, until God asks him to reflect on the "bigger picture." We also hear about Peter's mother-in-law, who is healed by Jesus and immediately begins to serve Jesus. When we are in a time of gloom, scripture teaches us that it is time to refocus: pray and reach out a hand to help others.

**Reflection Question:** Where do you turn when you are caught up in your own misery? What do you do when you need to be alone with God?

**Enriching My Catholic IQ:** During tough economic times, people can ask for the intercession of \_\_\_\_\_, the patron saint of bankers and money managers. (A) Zacchaeus; (b) Philip Neri; (c) Matthew; (d) Mary Magdalene.

**Visiting Classes** We thank Msgr. Bob for visiting all the eighth grade students this week. We are blessed to have a pastor who desires to meet with all the students who will be confirmed this year.

**Children's Liturgy**

The next Children's Liturgy is on March 7 at the 5:30 Mass.

**Please remember to hand in paperwork that is due for children who will be celebrating Sacraments this year!**

**Seventh Grade Social Justice and Forgiveness**

Because of the snow on Tuesday, we postponed Detective Stephen McDonald's talk on forgiveness and social justice. The make-up date is Tuesday, February 24 at 7 p.m. in the church.

**Meeting for Home-Tutored Students**

Students who are now attending class each week and are "making up" a year that they have missed in their Religious Education, will meet at 4:00 on Thursday Feb. 12 in the Religious Education Office at 38 Church Hill Road. The students will have time to speak to their peers about their faith and they will also take an assessment of the material that they have been studying. Parents are asked to be present for this meeting. We look forward to seeing you!

**St. Rose School Mentor Program**

During the months before Confirmation, St. Rose School eighth graders have the opportunity to meet with mentors, who are parishioners who witness to the power of their faith in their lives. If you wish to be a mentor, please call the Religious Education office at 426-2333 for a schedule of the dates – the next session is Feb. 11. Mentors meet with the students on Wed. mornings from 9:40-10:20 – a total of five sessions.

**Adult Formation**

**Confirmation Classes for Adults**

If you are an adult and have not yet been confirmed in the Catholic faith, there are classes beginning on Feb. 26 and extending each week until April 2, which you are invited to attend so that you will be confirmed April 3 or 4 at St. Rose. Please call the Religious Education Office at 426-2333 to sign up for the classes.

**Spiritual Journey – Instruments of God**

God has surprises planned for us every day – our job is to be open to these experiences. Perhaps your surprise is this Thursday morning, Feb. 12 from 10:15-11:15, at the adult formation group, Spiritual Journey. Fr. Milan will lead this week's session, which will be held at the Religious Education Office at 38 Church Hill Road. Refreshments are served, and all are welcome. We look forward to seeing you.

**Lenten Day of Reflection**

On March 5 from 9:00-3:00, Spiritual Journey is sponsoring a day to reflect on "The Healing and Hope of the Holy Spirit." Jean Kechejian, former director of Adult Formation for Diocese of Bpt., will be the facilitator of the Day, which will be held in the Msgr. Conroy Room of the school. For more information or to RSVP, please call Margaret Malone at 270-1817, June Carpenter at 364-1154, or the Religious Education Office at 426-2333. All are welcome!

**Is Your Marriage Tearing You Apart?**

Are you looking for a lifeline for your troubled marriage? Do you and your spouse wish to put the past behind you and look for a way beyond the hurt and pain in order to rediscover each other in a new and positive way? There is encouragement in a weekend experience called Retrouvaille—a time to re-establish communication and to gain new insights as individuals and as a couple. You are not asked to share your problems with anyone else. Hope is a phone call away: call 1-800-470-2230 or visit the web site: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

**St. Cyril of Jerusalem Classes for Adults**

The Diocese of Bpt. offers classes for adults, both on-site and on-line. For a list of classes and for registration please visit the Diocesan website at: <http://www.bridgeportdiocese.com/ps-stcyril.asp>

**This week we celebrate St. Scholastica (Feb. 10), Our Lady of Lourdes (Feb. 11), and Sts. Cyril and Methodius (Feb. 14). Happy Valentine's Day!**

**Answer to Catholic IQ:** (c) St. Matthew was a tax collector before becoming one of Jesus' Apostles.

**There will be no religious education classes from Sunday, Feb. 15 through Feb. 18. Classes resume on Sunday, Feb. 22.**

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**WORKCAMP**

Workcamp members will be speaking about their experience after mass this weekend. Campers are youth and their adult chaperones from St. Rose, Newtown Congregational Church, Newtown United Methodist Church and other area churches. We will be traveling to Oakland, Maryland this June to repair homes for those in need. Thank you for your support!

**SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NOTES**

**Parishioner to Parishioner:** (*"Available" items are offered without charge; just make arrangements to pick them up*)

**Available:** Recliner with slipcover.

**For information** regarding any listed item, please call: Joan Dwyer, 426-9337, weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**MEETINGS**

The **Friday Morning Bible Study Group** meets at 10:30 a.m. at 38 Church Hill Road. Experience God's Word in Holy Scripture. All are welcome. If you have any questions please call Blanca Sheehan at 426-3253.

The **JOB NETWORKING GROUP** meets every Tuesday at 10 a.m. on the second floor of 38 Church Hill Road. We offer positive support, counsel, advice, and networking ideas to those looking to get back into the job market or seeking to make a career change. Contact Harry Dieck 426-3386 or Michael Ronan at 733-9186 for information.

**ST. ROSE WOMEN'S CLUB**

All the women of the parish are invited to attend our next meeting of the St. Rose Women's Club on Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Msgr. Conroy Room. Our evening will begin with a brief business meeting followed by our guest speaker, Jill McKean, Professional Organizer. Jill will help us "Pare Down & Simplify". We hope you can join us.

**SAVE THE DATE**

The St. Rose Women's Club will sponsor a family Bingo night from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 28 in the Parish Hall.

**CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH (CRHP) CORNER**

Monthly CRHP mass gathering will take place March 1 at the 7:30 a.m. Mass. A reception will follow the mass in the parish hall. We gather together to pray for our parish and the renewal of all our parishioners. Wear your crosses, so we can greet one another.

**PASTORAL OUTREACH**

The Outreach Ministry Office is seeking your help in identifying those parishioners who are home-bound or in Nursing Homes, and those recuperating from surgery or serious illness and cannot come to church but would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit. Also, many times a parishioner is in the hospital and we at St. Rose are unaware of this. Weekly visits are made to parishioners in Danbury Hospital who list themselves during their admission process as St. Rose parishioners. Parishioners in other hospitals can be visited if a family member calls the parish and requests a visit. If you have a family member in any of the above situations and would like someone to visit, please call Sister Mary Ellen at the Outreach Office 426-2572, ext. 11. If Sister is out visiting parishioners, leave a voice message and she will get back to you.

**PARISH NURSE MINISTRY**

**KRISTEN VELSMID, COORDINATOR- 426-2573**

Parish nurses always welcome new members. Please call 426-2573 for more information.

The next parish nurse meeting will be on Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the parish center nursing office.

Blood pressure screenings will take place next weekend after all masses.

**HEALTH TIP**

Controlling the chemistry of emotional eating. Our ancestors ate to survive. Us? We eat because we're angry, bored, stressed, frustrated, depressed, watching movies, too busy, not busy enough, getting together with friends, or ticked off because the Lions lost. And when eating is the result of an emotional reaction—where we substitute chocolate for a conversation, ice cream for a relaxing bath, or chips for a punching bag—it isn't as much about character as it is about chemistry. Brain chemicals not only influence your emotions but also provide the foundation for why you eat at certain times. Here are a few examples: Norepinephrine: This is the caveman fight-or-flight chemical. It's what tells you to tangle with a saber-toothed tiger or hightail it to the safety of your hut. Serotonin: A neurotransmitter. It makes you feel good and is a major target of antidepressants. Dopamine: It's a pleasure and reward system and is particularly sensitive to addictions. It's also the one that helps you feel no pain. GABA (gammaaminobutyric acid): An amino acid. It makes you feel like a zombie and is one of the ways that anesthesia may work to reduce your responsiveness to the outside world. Nitric oxide: It helps calm you. This powerful neuropeptide is usually a very short-lived gas that also relaxes the blood vessels of the body. Now, the real question is what do all these chemicals have to do with whether you snack on a Hershey bar or a plum? Read on: The Brain Chemical/Food Relationship: As an example of this relationship. You have millions of neurotransmitters that are sending messages to and from one another. When your serotonin transmitters fire the signals, they send the message throughout your brain that you feel good. When cells in the brain take the serotonin and break it down), that love-the-world feeling you've just been experiencing is lost. So what does your brain want to do? For many of us, we reach for foods that naturally and quickly make us feel good and counteract the drop in serotonin that we're feeling. An example? Sugar. Sugar stimulates the release of serotonin. Insulin stimulates serotonin production in the brain, which, in turn, boosts your mood, makes you feel better, or masks the stress, pain, boredom, anger, or frustration that you may be feeling. Knowing how your emotions can steer your desire to eat will help you resist your cravings and, ideally, avoid them altogether. Your goal: Keep your feel good hormones level, so you're in a steady state of satisfaction and never experience huge hormonal highs and lows that make you search for good-for-your-brain but bad-for-your-waist foods. Here are three tricks to try: Use foods to your advantage. Choose turkey to cut carb cravings. Turkey contains tryptophan, which increases serotonin to improve your mood and combat depression and helps you resist cravings for simple carbs. Choose salmon to curb blue moods. Omega-3 fatty acids, which are found in certain fish (including salmon, canned tuna, halibut, and mahimahi), have long been known as brain boosters and cholesterol clearers, but they've also convincingly been shown to help with depression in pregnant women. Depression contributes to hedonistic and emotional eating. Savor the flavor. We suggest taking a piece of dark (70% cocoa) chocolate and meditating—as a healthy stress reliever and as a way to reward yourself with something sweet. Go to sleep. Getting enough sleep can help with appetite control. That's because when your body doesn't get the 7 to 8 hours of sleep it needs every night to get rejuvenated, it has to find ways to compensate for neurons not secreting the normal amounts of serotonin or dopamine. It typically does that by craving sugary foods that will give you an immediate release of serotonin and dopamine.

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Pro-Life/Pro-Family Corner**

Sponsored by St. Rose Pro-Life/Pro-Family Committee

**Meeting rescheduled** for Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory.

**SIDEWALK PRAYER:** Saturday, February 21, and the third Saturday of each month.

**ROSARY FOR LIFE:** Saturday, February 28 after the 8 a.m. mass and on the last Saturday of each month.

**PRO-LIFE BRACELETS** are available in the back of the church. Suggested donation: \$2.

**INSPIRATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL CDs** and **BROCHURES** are available in the vestibule. Suggested donation: \$3.

Thank you to all who participated in the postcard campaign to oppose FOCA. Special thanks to the Oemcke and Keogler families for their help with labeling and stamping the postcards.

“It behooves us then to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins and pray for clemency and forgiveness.” Abraham Lincoln, 1863. Abortion and euthanasia have become our national sin. Like slavery, abortion, too, must end.

**ST. JOSEPH PROJECT**

Can you help? Do you know of any affordable rentals? If so, please call 426-2153. God bless you.

**Needed:** One room with bath and private entrance for woman parishioner.

**Available:** Efficiency with utilities

**Available:** 1 bedroom condo with utilities

**Available:** 2 rooms with utilities

**Available:** 1 bedroom with utilities

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**AROUND THE COMMUNITY**

**DANBURY EMMAUS WEEKEND**

Danbury Emmaus has been conducting Catholic retreats for H.S. teens for over 20 years. The 65th Emmaus Weekend is being headed by Blanca & Gary Sheehan on February 20-22 at the Retreat Center at Immaculate H.S. This is a wonderful experience that will touch their hearts. For more information please call them at: 426-3253.

**MAGIC GARDEN DONATES TO ST. ROSE**

The Magic Garden will donate 15% of your entire communion purchase to St. Rose Church.

For the girls...

dresses, veils, sweaters and shoes!

For the boys...

suits blazers, slacks, shirts and ties

Thank you for your support.

**I.H.S. \$100,000 TUITION RAFFLE.** The raffle drawing is March 8, 2009. Tickets cost \$100 each and only 3,000 tickets will be sold. The winner can choose to use the raffle proceeds to pay tuition at any accredited school in the country. Contact John Brosz – 203-744-1510 ext 144.

**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**

- Capt. Andra Allison
- SSG. Anthony T. D'Aquila
- Sgt. Daniel Dobbs
- SSG. Michael Dobbs
- Major William Gottmeier
- Cpl. Marc Hellig
- 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Rachel (Askue) Hoffman
- Lt. Kathryn Hughes
- 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Tucker Hughes
- Major David A. Johnson
- Capt. Matthew A. LaRocco
- CWO Joseph Letourneau
- Sgt. John Martus
- Lt. Col. Mary Sara Moore
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Stefania Naiman
- Lt. Eric O'Donnell
- Capt. Sean Pond
- Major Benjamin Wallen

**United States Navy**

- Aman Michael Carter
- CEI Daniel J. Kearns, Sr.
- Lt. Cmdr Timothy Krippendorf
- Lt. Commander John Porado
- PO Christopher Szabo
- Army National Guard**
- CSM Al Almeida
- Spc. Carl Bergquist
- Pfc. Matthew Bergquist
- Major Todd Bookless
- United States Marines**
- Gy. Sgt. James A. Allen
- WO Michael Costello
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Christopher J. DiNoto
- Cpl. Robert W. Hoyt, Jr.
- Major David G. Irving
- Major Benjamin Krippendorf
- Lance Cpl. Rylan McCollum
- Pfc Luke T. Miller
- PFC Ian Montgomery
- Col. Will F. L. Rodgers
- Lance Cpl. John Tamborino

**United States Air Force**

- Capt. Christopher J. Calero
- Airman Kurt Kling
- Airman Travis Mueller
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Donald B. Naiman
- Capt. Gregory Zencey
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Phillip Zencey



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Friday “Knight” Fish Fry events are back. The three events this year are Friday Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, Friday Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>, and Friday Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child, and a \$30 family package, which is described as parents and children.

The Irish Cabaret is on Saturday, March 14, 2009 at 7:30 in the St. Rose School Hall  
Music by Keltic Kick. Cost is \$20 per person - BYOB and snacks. We expect tickets to sell out quickly as always! Please call to reserve your table today. Contacts are Tim & Debbie Reilly (270-1838) or Jud & Marilyn Doyle (426-1696).

Are there any 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> graders out there that still need community service hours? The Fish Fry events are a great way to complete those hours. Contact Brian Liotta at 270-3314 or by email at [bdliotta@yahoo.com](mailto:bdliotta@yahoo.com).

Ever thought of becoming a Knight? For more information, contact Kirk Babyak by phone at 270-6265 or email at [kirk.babyak@charter.net](mailto:kirk.babyak@charter.net).



[stroseyouthgroup.com](http://stroseyouthgroup.com)

**5/6 & 7/8 Youth Group: February 13 - Valentine Bingo**  
This is a great night with prizes and giveaways - held in the parish hall.

**Senior Youth Group:** The next meeting is Sunday, February 8 from 6-8:30 p.m. in the Safeplace.



# St. Rose's Annual Friday Knight Fish Fry

**Saint Rose Parish Hall, Newtown CT**

*5 PM - 8 PM*



**Friday, February 27th  
Friday, March 6th  
Friday, March 13th**



\$10.00 for Adults  
\$5.00 for Children  
\$30.00 Max. per family (eat in only)

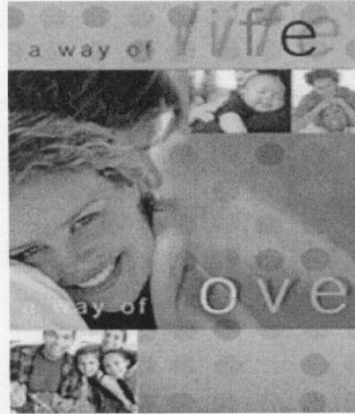
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