

THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE – February 28, 2010

Sunday, February 28

Noon – 3 p.m.

7-10 p.m.

Monday, March 1

7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 2

9:30-11 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

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

7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3

9-11:30 a.m.

3:30 p.m.

7 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 4

10:15 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:15 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

Friday, March 5 (First Friday)

9-11:30 a.m.

After 9 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m.

12 noon

4 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

5-8 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 6

All Masses

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6:30 p.m.

LOCATION:

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| 1. Church | 5. Parish Center/Safeplace |
| 2. 38 Church Hill Road | 6. St. Rose School |
| 3. Gathering Hall | 7. Chapel |
| 4. Science Room | 8. Msgr. Conroy Room |

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION – Friday, March 5

“There is no greater love given to Catholics than Christ present in the Eucharist.” Pope John Paul II
COME AND ADORE Jesus here in St. Rose of Lima Church

The Lord is exposed after 9 o'clock Mass, the Rosary Group prays a rosary at 9:30, and then silent adoration follows until 4 p.m. From 4 p.m. to Benediction at 5 p.m., we will pray The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Evening Prayers. “Come to me all you who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will give you rest.”

BETHANY MASS

Our parish family will always remember in our hearts and minds those parishioners who have gone on to the heavenly banquet. This Saturday, February 27th, at the 5:30 PM Mass, we celebrate in a special way, Helen Hoffmann, Louis Belcolore, and Donald Ferris who have died since our last Bethany Mass. Although we miss their physical presence among us, we rejoice that they are with the Lord. We also want their families and friends to know that we are here to support them. Please continue to pray for all our deceased parishioners, their families, and their friends.

Deacon Don and Stephania Naiman Coordinators (748-7976)

CRHP Reunion (3)

Men's CRHP (2)

Pro-Life Meeting (rectory)

WEBS (2)

Job Network Support Group 2

Al-Anon (2)

Lenten Confessions (1)

Teach Me to Pray...Play (2)

Divine Mercy Cenacle (7)

Folk Choir (1)

Social Concerns Meeting (2)

Cub Scouts (2)

Spiritual Journey (2)

Adult Choir (1)

Boy Scouts (5)

K of C Meeting (8)

RCIA (2)

Prayer Group (2)

Teach Me to Pray...Play (2)

Eucharistic Adoration (1)

Friday Bible Study (2)

Stations of the Cross (1)

Divine Mercy Chaplet (7)

Benediction (1)

K of C Fish Fry (3)

Stations of the Cross (1)

Mission Retreat (1)

Baby Bottle Drive Begins (1)

AA Meeting (2)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 1

6:45 Monika Hamilton

Dr. Marietta Sonido

9:00 Lucie Dattila

Religious Ed. Staff

Tuesday, March 2

6:45 Alfred Penovi

Marsha Gallagher

9:00 Eileen Fitzhenry

Tom Fitzhenry

7-9 p.m. Lenten Confessions

Wednesday, March 3

6:45 Frank & Anthony Russo &

Marie Esposito

Frank Cirillo

Clare Gentile

9:00 Elizabeth Poggenburg

Thursday, March 4

6:45 Monika Hamilton Carol & Dan Amaral & Family

9:00 Mary Victor & Ann Mulcahy Pat & Ed Matthews

Friday, March 5 (First Friday)

6:45 Marie Lillian Gaulin Gaulin-McKenzie Family

9:00 Mary Adrian Sutton Kevin & Mary Maloney

12 Noon & 7:30 P.M. Stations of the Cross

5:00 Benediction

Saturday, March 6

8:00 Anthony Melita The Cottingham Family

4:00 Roseanne Pavia Schriefer Family

5:30 Edward T. Urban, Sr. Stan & Barbara Urban

Sunday, March 7

7:30 Bob Santore St. Rose Religious Ed. Staff

9:00 Louis & Mary Stompore LaVerne Burzynski

10:30 Christian Hopco Family

12:00 Joseph LaCava Anthony & Lisa Cascone

7:00 Parish Mission



IN REMEMBRANCE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week for the intentions of Dr. Janet Burke as requested by Patrick.

Thank you for your support!	
Collection for February 21, 2010	\$18,994.00
Children's Collection	12.75
Collection for February 22, 2009	\$17,737.00
QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE strosechurch.com FOR YOUR REVIEW.	

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH (CRHP) CORNER MEN: A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR LENT

We invite you to a special Lenten Men's Retreat on March 20-21. This is a unique opportunity to reflect on your faith, reconnect with your family and become refreshed during this time of Lent. SPACE IS LIMITED.

Sign up now by contacting Richard @richardallaire@sbcglobal.net or John @john.oleary@gartner.com for any questions and information.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH ALUMNI

Does your faith journey need a boost? Join us on February 28th for a few hours of enrichment—planned just for you, the Christ Renews His Parish community. The day starts with noon Mass followed by a potluck lunch and then two special Witnesses and reflection. Come renew that faith that you rekindled back on your Christ Renews His Parish weekend.

Date: February 28, 2010

Time: Noon Mass – 4 p.m.

Location: Mass at St. Rose Church followed by potluck, fellowship & enrichment in the Hall. Please bring: Entrée, side, or dessert to the hall prior to Mass.

RSVP: John Barry, crhp@strosechp.com

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB

February is our shortest month in our calendar, but where did it go? We are all so busy and often so overextended that time goes far too quickly! As we begin this second week in Lent, we are encouraged to put the "brakes" on our lives and take some time for ourselves to pray, reflect and realize the depth of God's love and the power of the message of Jesus Christ. Take time to respond to God's invitation to Abram to "look up at the sky and count the stars". In doing so, we can capture the magnificence of nature given to us by God and at the same time recognize the love that He has for us. In the moment of Transfiguration recorded for us in the Gospel, the disciples become abundantly clear that Jesus is truly God. By taking time away and ascending the mountain with Jesus, they witness for themselves the intimacy that God wants to share with us. As they fell in silence during this overwhelming experience, so too must we enter into silence to reflect on our relationship with God. Use well these days of Lent for prayer, sacrifice, good works and growth in faith. If we do not take the time, it will pass by too quickly and be lost forever.

Next weekend, we will begin our LENTEN PARISH MISSION. We welcome Fr. Kenan Peters, a member of the Passionist community. Fr. Peters is from Richmond Hill, New York and was ordained as a Passionist priest in 1960. He has been leading parish missions and retreats for 32 years. Fr. Peters will speak at all the Masses next weekend to introduce the mission theme: "OUR JOURNEY TO GOD". The schedule for the mission week is as follows:

- MISSION MASS DAILY AT 9:00 A.M.
- CONFESSIONS FROM 4:00 UNTIL 5:00 P.M.
- MISSION SERVICE AT 7:00 P.M.

The themes for the mission include:

- MONDAY: LIVING WHERE GOD IS: THE PRESENT
- TUESDAY: OUR JOURNEY AS ONE OF DEEPENING AWARENESS OF GOD, LIFE AND OURSELVES
- WEDNESDAY: OUR NEED FOR AFFIRMATION ON OUR JOURNEY

PLEASE try to attend as much of the mission as your schedule allows. It is a wonderful opportunity to prepare for Easter and to deepen your spirituality.

The Gospel this weekend reminds us to have conversation with God through prayer. Conversing with God in this way changes us. It widens our vision, and with God's grace it often makes us experience the transcendent. Jesus wants His disciples to be people of prayer. Prayer is something we must do regularly to discover its meaning and value. Only by listening in prayer can we hear God's voice speaking to us. A special form of prayer is an examination of conscience. We encourage you this Lent to take time to look more deeply into your souls, be honest with yourself and then come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The diocesan Lenten Confession Campaign is held in every parish of the diocese each Tuesday of Lent from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Why stay away from the greatest source of peace Jesus gave to us? Come and be reconciled with yourself, each other and with God.

This weekend I am attending my high school "The Class of '64 turns 64" reunion in Orlando, Florida. I thought February went by quickly; where did all these years go?



ATTENTION ST ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL

GRADUATES! St. Rose School now has a Facebook page for all graduates of St. Rose School to join. Simply visit the site and click on "Become a Fan"
<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#/pages/Newtown-CT/St-Rose-of-Lima-School/229298151889?ref=mf>

"Campbell's Cubs" -- Labels for Education:

The St. Rose Pack 570 Cub Scouts are coordinating The Campbell's Labels for Education fundraising program for the St. Rose School. By saving and redeeming Campbell product proofs of purchase from eligible brands, St. Rose will earn FREE educational merchandise, such as computers, software, sports equipment, musical instruments, library books and much more. You can help by clipping UPC symbols from Campbell products and placing them into the "Campbell's Cubs" collection jars which are located near the secretarial bay in the St. Rose Main School and in the church vestibule. To be sure if a product is eligible, look for the Labels for Education logo on the label, near the UPC symbol. St. Rose will redeem the points collected for free merchandise from the Campbell's Labels for Education catalog. If you have any questions regarding the "Campbell's Cubs" program, please contact Michelle DePinto who is listed in the St. Rose school directory.



SCOUT MASS – 3/13/2010

Scouts (girls and boys) of all ages are invited and encouraged to attend St. Rose Church's Scout Mass on Saturday, 3/13/ at 5:30 p.m. All scouts should come in their scout uniform. Girl scouts may like to wear pearls in honor of Juliette Low.

Girl Scout Religious Awards

Girl scouts in Grade 2 through Grade 12 are eligible to work on the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM) Girl Scout Religious workbooks and Bridgeport Diocese Girl Scout Madonna Award workbooks. Contact Michelle DePinto, Newtown Service Unit Catholic Girl Scouts Awards Coordinator, to find out more information. Completed workbooks are due in to Michelle by 3/1/10. Girls who have completed all of the requirements will receive their religious medals from Bishop Lori at an Awards Ceremony at Saint Theresa's in Trumbull on Friday, 6/4/10. Please contact Michelle DePinto at 203-364-1229 if you have any questions.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – March 27 from 8-12:45 at the Reed School, sponsored by Quota International of Candlewood Valley. Call Cathy Donnelly 426-7707 or Ginny Chion 426-0851 to set up an appointment.



**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION NEWS**

Our Transfiguration

In today's Gospel, we hear about Peter, James, and John as they witness the very life and love of God, which exists within the person of Jesus. The same "divinity" is part of our nature – we were all made good -- in the image of God; we were made by God for God's glory. The Apostles are graced with a marvelous vision – of what we are called to be because of God. It was not about what they were doing for God, it was about what God was willing to do for them – and for us. The transfiguration comes during Lent – at a time when, like the apostles, we are wakened from our spiritual complacency. We are prodded during Lent to raise ourselves above the ordinary – and to be transfigured by the light of Christ within us – and taking that light to everyone in our path.

Reflection Questions: How does the transfiguration influence your life? In what ways have you been "transfigured" by the light of Christ within you?

Reflection Activity: Make a list of times when your family has seen Christ in one another. Conclude by thanking Christ for the gift of Himself.

What's Your Catholic IQ?: *Catechism* n. 1407 teaches us that "The Eucharist is the _____ and the _____ of the Church's life." (a) heart and summit; (b) alpha and omega; (c) bread and butter; (d) heart and soul.

Make-Up Date:

Respect All Life Prayer Service for Seventh Graders and Their Parents On **Monday, March 15 from 7:00-8:30**

p.m. we will meet in the Church, where we will hear from three guest speakers about the value of our lives and those around us. NYC Detective McDonald is one of the speakers - his life was drastically changed as the result of a gunshot wound; he speaks about how God has continually been present to him and helped him through his life. A father and son will also give a witness story about how life can be affected by addiction, and how wholeness is made possible through God. The evening concludes with a prayer service for all life issues. Detective McDonald does not accept an honorarium; however we take a free-will collection for his charity of choice: American Special Children's Pilgrimage Group.

Next Weekend Begins St. Rose Lenten Parish Mission

It has been a few years since we celebrated a Lenten Parish Mission, which is a time set aside to encourage spiritual growth. This year we have invited Fr. Kenan Peters from the Passionist Preaching Ministry to join us for all Masses the weekend of **March 6-7, and then on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, March 8, 9, 10** he will speak **after the 9:00 Mass as well as from 7:00-8:00 in the evening.** He will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation after the services. On **Sunday evening at 6:00, he will speak to all high school students.** Please save the dates and deepen your relationship with God this Lent.

Parents of Children in 2nd, 7th, and 8th Grade

On Monday evening on March 8th from 7:00-8:00, all parents of children involved in sacramental preparation will gather in the Church to meet with Fr. Kenan Peters, the parish retreat director.

Religious Education Lenten Activities

This Lent, the children are collecting money for Catholic Charities "Morning Glory Breakfast Wagon for the Homeless" and for Catholic Relief Services. The students learned about the need for irrigation systems for Ethiopia – helping people to help themselves in their farming. The worldwide statistic is that 1.8 million children die each year because of lack of clean water (and many more live with health problems). Be mindful of water – remind your children to thank God for this valuable resource each time they turn on the faucet. The students also learned about Catholic Social Teaching: that all people have the four basic rights to: life, water, food, and shelter, and we are called to share with those who are lacking these basic rights. Each week during Lent, the catechists will be collecting the students' donations. Thank you for your generosity.

Children's Liturgy

The next children's liturgy is on **Saturday, March 13 at 5:30.** At this Mass, all Scouts will be recognized and will help with the planning of the liturgy. All scouts please attend this Mass dressed in your uniform.

CHANGE IN DATE FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please note for your summer vacation plans
And tell your friends as well!

VBS WILL BE HELD FROM JULY 19-23

(This is one week earlier than the original calendar date)

Spiritual Journey

On March 4, from 10:15-11:15, we welcome Donna Fletcher, SFO as our guest speaker at Spiritual Journey. Donna will speak on her work as a Social Worker and the impact people have had on her Spiritual Journey. All are welcome to this lecture at 38 Church Hill Road – consider opening yourself to new spiritual insights this Lent.

SEDER: Our sixth grade classes will be attending a **Seder** during class times within the next few weeks. In sixth grade our students learn about the Old Testament and this is a wonderful way for them to learn about our Jewish roots and the significance of the Seder, and get to taste and experience the symbolic foods served during the Passover meal.

During this Second Week of Lent we celebrate St. Katharine Drexel (March 3), St. Casimir (March 4), as well as First Friday (March 5). We have Eucharistic Adoration all Day on First Fridays – please stop in to adore the Lord and sit in silent contemplation.

Catholic IQ Answer: (a) In referring to the Eucharist as the "heart and summit of the Church's life," the *Catechism* is reminding us that the Eucharist is the most perfect way that we encounter Christ himself.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NOTES

Social Concerns Committee Meeting: Wednesday, March 3, 7:30 p.m., in 38 Church Hill Rd. New members are always welcome.

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

Available: Blue denim sofa.

Needed: For the WIN Easter basket project: Baskets and small very-gently-used stuffed animals.

For information 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** We meet on Fridays 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. at 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.

WEBS – (Women's Enrichment Book Study) – will meet on Tuesday mornings at 38 Church Hill Road from 9:30-11 a.m. Please call Kristen Renzi at 270-6915 if you are interested in joining.

Bereavement Ministry

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP is a meeting for those who wish to find support through prayer, scripture and sharing of personal experience while grieving a loss. The next meeting will be Sunday, March 21, 2010 from 7-8 p.m. in the conference room on the main floor of 38 Church Hill Rd. The group meets monthly on every 3rd Sunday. For more info, contact Suzanne Vitiello at 203-364-9796.



The St. Rose Catholic Forum presents: *The Role of the Laity in the 21st Century*, Sunday March 21 - 4 p.m. mass, followed by presentation and discussion at 5 in the Gathering Hall. Come hear Roger Duncan, PhD, professor of theology and expert on Vatican II, discuss the radical role laymen are envisioned to play in society in the 21st century. You will be surprised by what you hear!

PASTORAL OUTREACH MINISTRY

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, please leave a voice message and she will get back to you.

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY

KRISTEN VELSMID, COORDINATOR- 426-2573

Parish Nurses welcome new members. Please call 426-2573.

Health Tip

How to heat up your cold weather walks: Walking in a winter wonderland these days? Make your lungs happy with this small equipment addition: a scarf. Tina Vindum, author of Outdoor Fitness, recommends covering your mouth and nose with a scarf before heading out for cold-weather exercise. This simple piece of gear helps warm and moisturize air before it hits your tender lungs. **Cold-Weather Cardio:** Besides being a shock to the system, cold, arid air can dry out and irritate bronchial passages. But if you wear a scarf or facemask over your mouth and nose, heat and water will be trapped in the material every time you breathe out. A good thing, because then that moisture and heat are available to warm and humidify your next breath on the way in. And that's much easier on your respiratory bits. **Winter Workout Wear:** Healthy cold-weather exercise requires some attention to wardrobe, too. The key, Vindum says, is layering. On your bottom-most layer, use lightweight, breathable fabrics that wick sweat and keep you dry. Your next layer should provide insulation – leggings and a fleece top usually do the trick. On top, your coat or jacket should offer protection against wind, rain, and snow. To keep feet dry, choose socks made of a moisture-wicking material like wool or polypropylene. **By: Real Age**

ST. JOSEPH PROJECT

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

FREE MINISTRY FOR TRAVELING CATHOLICS IF YOU ARE TRAVELING AND NEED TO FIND THE NEAREST CATHOLIC CHURCH, CHECK THE INTERNET WWW.MASSTIMES.ORG AND CLICK ON "CHURCH LOOKUP OR CALL 1-800-MASSTIMES.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



BABY BOTTLE DRIVE FOR MOMS IN CRISIS: The Pro-Life/Pro-Family Committee of St. Rose will distribute baby bottles the weekend of **March 6 & 7**. Take the bottle home, and fill it with spare change. The bottles will be collected the weekend after Easter, **April 10 & 11**. Bottles also can be dropped at **any time** in the secure bottle drop below the Pro-Life/Pro-Family bulletin board in the vestibule. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to the center of your choice: **EMC Frontline Pregnancy Centers** or **Carolyn's Place**. Thank you!

The **BABY BOTTLE DRIVE** benefits **Expectant Mother Care (EMC)**, which has 12 fixed locations and 2 mobile clinics in New York City. They serve 8,000 girls and women a year and save over 200 babies from abortion each month. EMC provides prenatal care, sonograms, counseling, housing, adoption referrals, and free mother and baby supplies.

and

Carolyn's Place is a pregnancy resource center in Waterbury. They have assisted young mothers with the births of over 1,000 babies, and conducted nearly 700 hundred educational presentations in schools and clubs, including a presentation to parents of 7th and 8th grade religious education students here at St. Rose. They have logged over 140,000 hours on the 24hr/7days a week hot line. They spent hundreds of hours in their "Earn while you learn" program, an eight week program for young mothers and fathers on birthing and parenting skills.

CAROLYN'S PLACE is also in need of car seats and cribs for infants and toddlers. Please contact Helga at 203-426-6030 if you have something to donate.

Get the long-standing teachings of the church and the latest updates on healthcare reform. Visit www.usccb.org/healthcare.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, March 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory

ROSARY FOR LIFE: Saturday, March 27 after the 8 A.M. mass and on the last Saturday of each month

SIDEWALK PRAYER: every Tuesday and Saturday from 9 to 11 AM at 27 Hospital Ave. in Danbury

Does your Lenten faith journey need a boost? New **INSPIRATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL CDs** are available in the vestibule. Suggested donation: \$3.

Slavery is repulsive because it treats human beings as property to be disposed of at the will of another. It was morally absurd in the 1800's to say: "I am personally opposed to owning slaves and would never own any myself, but I can't force my moral views on others." Today people use the same argument regarding abortion. Slavery was wrong then and abortion is wrong now.

The **"Do-Gooders"** will meet on Wednesday, March 3rd from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. in the Safeplace. We will plan our upcoming service projects for March and April. All high school students are welcome to join us. We have our dates for our Service Trip to Albany, NY. We will leave on Sunday, July 11th and return on Saturday, July 17th. At this time there are a few spots available. Please call Joe DeMaida @203-270-9133 or Eileen Dunseith @203-270-1419 if you are interested.

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

102nd Infantry
Capt. Andra Allison
Capt. Robert A. Bassett, DO.
SSG. Anthony T. D'Aquila
Capt. Kathryn Devonshire
Sgt. Daniel Dobbs
SSG. Michael Dobbs
2nd Lt. Thomas K. Dyer
Major William Gottmeier
Cpl. Marc Hellig
1st Lt. Rachel (Askue) Hoffman
Capt. Tucker Hughes
Major David A. Johnson
Capt. Matthew A. LaRocco
CWO Joseph Letourneau
Sgt. John Martus
Lt. Col. Mary Sara Moore
Capt. Stefania Naiman, DVM
Lt. Eric O'Donnell
Capt. Sean Pond
Major Benjamin Wallen

United States Air Force

SMS Thomas Daniels
Airman Kurt Kling
Airman Travis Mueller
1st Lt. Donald B. Naiman
MSgt. James Rebman
Capt. Gregory Zencey
2nd Lt. Jessica Zencey
2nd Lt. Phillip Zencey

United States Navy

Airman Michael Carter
Seaman Elizabeth Daniels
RPSN Philip DeMayo
CEI Daniel J. Kearns, Sr.
MIDN Allison Kirk
ENS Daniel Kirk
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
Pfc. Louis Enriquez
Sgt. Thomas Monckton
United States Marines
Gy. Sgt. James A. Allen
WO Michael Costello
1st 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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS www.kofc185.com

The next meeting is Thursday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Msgr. Conroy Room. Doors open at 7 p.m. Family Rosary night is Thursday, March 4 at 6:45 in the chapel.

The Friday Knight Fish Fries are back for their 6th year. Join us on March 5th for our final fish fry for this Lenten season. We look forward to serving you.

The Irish Cabaret will be in full swing again this year on Saturday, March 13th. For ticket information, contact Tim Reilly at trederbros@aol.com or Jud Doyle at doylejc@charter.net.

Anybody need community hours? Help us at the Fish Fry. Contact Brian Liotta at 203-270-3314.

A reminder to all parishioners that the K of C toy closet remains open through the year. If you need to pick up a gift for your child's birthday, as a gift for someone else, or to make a donation of any new unwrapped toys or gift certificates, please contact Markus Balas at markus@yankeeautographs.com or 203-449-7190.



www.youthgroup.com

5/6 & 7/8 Youth Group: Check calendar for next event.

Senior Youth Group: The next meeting is Sunday, February 28 from 6-8:30 in the Safeplace

AROUND THE DIOCESE

PASTORAL PLAN

The Gospel reminds us to have conversations in prayer to God. Conversing with God in prayer changes us. It widens our vision and with God's grace it often makes us experience the transcendent. Jesus wants his disciples to be people of prayer. Prayer is something we must do regularly to find out its meaning. Only by listening will we hear God's voice. A good form of prayer is an examination of conscience. Take time this Lent to do that and then receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of the Lenten Confession Campaign. Resources are in Church or can be found at www.bridgeportdiocese.com, including Bishop Lori's Pastoral Letter. The website also contains resources on how to make a good confession. Confession is available every Tuesday at every parish from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

NAZARETH SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER
1428 Monroe Turnpike, Monroe, CT 06468

LENTEN JOURNEY

Reflections from the Gospel of John "The Father is the source of life." Tuesday mornings – 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

March 2, 23 and 30, 2010 – Directed by: Sister Jude Carroll, CSFN. Morning reflections utilize the work of Father Michael Himes. Father is a priest of the Diocese of Brooklyn and professor of theology at Boston College. In this program Father Himes draws insights from the Sunday liturgical readings and in particular the stories of water, light and life from the Gospel of John. While the sessions are related, they are not dependent on one another. Feel free to join us for one or any session as your schedule allows.

Free-will offering would be appreciated.

For information contact Sister Jude at 203-268-6540 or Sister Bernice at 203-993-9316.

MASONICARE AT NEWTOWN

A free lunch and learn for the community entitled, "Overview of Diabetes" will be held on Tuesday, March 16 in the Lodge Room at Masonicare at Newtown. John Lujanac, APRN, will present the program. The program will begin at 12 p.m. with a complimentary lunch. There is no fee for the program, but seating is limited. If you would like to attend, please call the Masonicare HelpLine at 1-888-679-9997 to make your reservation.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED OF NEWTOWN
HUMAN RIGHTS CELEBRATION

The Human Rights Celebration is an annual event that unites women and men of all faiths in a common worship experience. The theme of this year's program is:

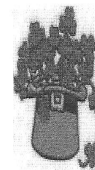
"Living the Challenges, Differently Enables, Uniquely Called" and will have an emphasis on health for those individuals who are faced with inadequate policies and support programs.

In addition to the worship program we will be offering a panel of people who have lived with challenges, or have been caregivers, and professionals in the field who advocate on behalf of the disabled.

We invite you to join us on Sunday, March 7, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the Booth Library. Light refreshments will be served following the presentation.

St. Rose Irish Cabaret

Saturday, March 13, 2010



7:30

St. Rose Gathering Hall
42 Church Hill Rd
Newtown, Ct. 06470

Music by *Keltic Kick*

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Virgilius Council 185

\$25 per person (includes entertainment, coffee, & Irish soda bread)

BYOB and Snacks

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Mission Theme: Our Journey to God

Sunday: "Youth Night" (6:00-8:30pm)

Monday: "Living Where God Is: The Present"

Tuesday: "Our Journey as One of Deepening Awareness of God, Life and Ourselves"

Wednesday: "Our Need for Affirmation on Our Journey"



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