

ST. ROSE OF LIMA

THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE – Sunday, April 4, 2010

Sunday, April 4-(Easter Sunday)

No Religious Education

Monday, April 5

4:00-8:00 p.m.

Religious Ed. Registration (3)
Pro-Life Meeting (Rectory)

Tuesday, April 6

9:30-11 a.m.

WEBS (2)

10:00 a.m.

Job Network Support Group 2

4-8 p.m.

Religious Ed. Registration (3)

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

Al-Anon (2)

Wednesday, April 7

9-11:30 a.m.

Teach Me to Pray...Play (2)

4-5:30 p.m.

Religious Ed. Registration (3)

7:00 p.m.

Folk Choir (1)

7:30 p.m.

Do-Gooders Meeting (5)

7:30 p.m.

Social Concerns Meeting (2)

7:30 p.m.

Cub Scouts (2)

Thursday, April 8

10:15 a.m.

Spiritual Journey (2)

3-4 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration (7)

3:45-4:45 p.m.

First Communion Rehearsal

7 p.m.

Adult Choir (1)

7:15 p.m.

Boy Scouts (5)

7:30 p.m.

K of C Monthly Meeting (8)

7:30 p.m.

RCIA (2)

8:00 p.m.

Prayer Group (2)

Friday, April 9

7:15 a.m.

Men's CRHP Prayer (2)

9-11:30 a.m.

Teach Me to Pray...Play (2)

10:30 a.m.

Friday Bible Study (2)

Saturday, April 10 (Butterfly Weekend)

5:30 p.m.

Children's Liturgy (1)

6:30 p.m.

AA Meeting (2)

7-10 p.m.

Marriage Enrichment Night 3

LOCATION:

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



We warmly welcome into our parish family those who were baptized during the month of March, 2010.

Michael Richard Belanger, Jr.
Julian Michael Bello
Finn O'Connell Brooks
Mary-Grace Josephine Cavanaugh
Piper Olivia Feli
Olivia Nicole Ferdinand
Charles Matthew Haddad
Rylan Avery Kennedy
Connor David Viau

2011 MASS BOOK OPENING

The 2011 Mass Book will be opening on Tuesday, April 13 at 9:30 a.m. in the rectory. Please bring your mass requests for the year, listing alternate dates in case any dates you request are unavailable. Please consider putting more than one family member on for a Mass in order that we may accommodate our parishioners throughout the year. Your cooperation is most appreciated.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 5

6:45 Joe Murphy

Jack & Mary Obre

9:00 Don Ferris

Dave & Ginny Jess

Tuesday, April 6

6:45 Mary Jane Ingalls

Julie Birch

9:00 Helen T. Kenneally

Trinity Day School Staff

Wednesday, April 7

6:45 Josephine Byrnes

Denise & Al Huggins

9:00 Blanche & Walter Bartnicki

Ginny & Dave Jess

Thursday, April 8

6:45 Alfred Penovi

Wendy & Chris Swift

9:00 Agnes Curran

Margie & Tom Cassin

Friday, April 9

6:45 Luigia Montagnese- Anniv.

Marie Esposito

9:00 Sandra Burger-Verner

The Curry Family

Saturday, April 10

8:00 Deceased K of C Members of Council 185

4:00 Anthony Baiad, Sr.

Peggy & Tony Baiad

5:30 Paul, Angela & Adam Morgera

Family

Sunday, April 11 (Divine Mercy Sunday)

7:30 Theresa Cross

Adams Hill Lane Friends

9:00 Irene & Bernard Zugehar

LaVerne Burzynski

10:30 Brenda Schlesinger

Marg LaPierre

12:00 Martocci & Sabatinello Families

Family

3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Mass-Pro-Life Committee

IN REMEMBRANCE



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

Thank you for your support!

Collection for March 28, 2010	\$19,154.00
Capital Improvement	7,241.00
Children's Collection	19.25
Collection for March 29, 2009	\$20,414.00

QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE strosechurch.com FOR YOUR REVIEW.



Wedding Banns

III Robin Currier & Scott LaBianco

The Catholic Forum at St. Rose and the Knights of Columbus Council 185 present a Celebration of the Priesthood Dinner. The evening will include a reception at 5:30 with hors d'oeuvres and cash bar, followed by dinner at 6:30. Special guest speaker: **Father Gabriel O'Donnell, vice-postulator for the cause of Father Michael J. McGivney.** Tickets for this event are \$40.00. Contact Catholic Forum Committee, c/o Richard Dunseith, P.O.Box 830, Newtown, CT 06470. Any questions please call 203-270-4664.

Dear Altar servers,

The schedule for altar servers for Holy Week has already been scheduled. Please let me know in advance if you would like to serve for special feasts so that we can put you in the schedule. I will not be using sign-up sheets anymore. Thank you for all your help in serving Masses. Happy Easter! **Fr. Ignacio** 🙏

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB

HOLY AND BLESSED EASTER! As we gather this weekend, we are reminded of the incredible love that God holds for each of us. As a parent, you can imagine how painful and difficult it would be to witness the intense suffering that God allowed His Son to endure. The sense of abandonment, the false accusations, the betrayals and the humiliation that were cast upon Jesus would make any parent sick to the point of death if it were their child. Yet our God is willing to allow this to happen for our redemption. This past week we have walked together through the suffering of Christ and now we come to this day of rejoicing and resurrection. We are all gifted by the glory of this day, and when we reflect on what the Lord asks of each of us, it is almost insignificant when we compare it to what He does for us each and every day. I know there are times when it feels as if God is not with us or that He is not listening to us, especially when we are stressed by these economically challenging times in our country or dealing with an illness or the breakup of a marriage or struggling with an addiction or any of the other issues that make life difficult...BUT, HE IS ALWAYS THERE! If you doubt, take some time and gaze at the crucifix. Suffering leads to glory and growth, which is exactly what we celebrate this Easter Day! My prayers this Easter are prayers of gratitude for the faith that binds us together as a parish community and for the incredible generosity of so many who truly keep the Gospel message alive. May this day be one of holiness, promise and peace for each of you and for your families.

Monsignor Bob Weiss

“Jesus Christ has died for us and is risen from the dead. He is our saving Lord; he is joy for all ages”. Happy Easter.

Fr. Milan

Easter is a time to rejoice and be glad, for our Lord has truly risen. There should be no room for sadness in our hearts as we see the tomb of our Lord empty. This message of hope is for each and every one of us, reminding us that Christ has conquered sin and death. If we grasp the true meaning of redemption in our lives, then the tomb of our lives vanishes. “Jesus is risen!” Happy Easter. **Fr. Ignacio**

May the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ fill your hearts and minds with the knowledge of how much God loves us and wants us to spend eternity with Him.

Deacon Don Naiman

Happy Easter, Lent is over, yippee!

If you are like me, you are happy that the struggle of the sacrifices we made for Lent is behind us. With the arrival of Easter, we can go back to our more normal and comfortable lives; for me, Starbucks coffee in the morning and a glass of wine with family meals.

It is also important that we remember that for some of our brothers and sisters in our parish family the struggle continues: those who are looking for work, suffering financial, health or family challenges. Their distress and sacrifice continue even now in this season of rejoicing.

May we all be called to celebrate the joyful season of Easter by sharing generously of our time, talent and treasure with our St. Rose Parish family to help them through the challenging times in which we live.

Choose someone: a person you know, a friend, a family in the parish, and then find some way to help them! A kind word, lunch, a part-time job, a few dollars, or whatever you can offer as an Easter sacrifice for them.

You can be assured that if you do so, you will find the true joy of Easter. God bless, **Deacon Dan**

As the Easter Season dawns, we celebrate a great “Alleluia” when we hear the words, “Christ is Risen”. With joy and amazement we reflect on Jesus’ Resurrection. I wish all the families at St. Rose the blessings and graces that God desires to shower upon you today and always. A Blessed and Happy Easter!

Sister Thaddeus Rajca, CSFN

May the Blessed Miracle of His gracious love bring you peace and joy during this sacred season of hope and renewal. May the Risen Christ fill you with every grace and blessing during this Easter Season and always. **Sister Mary Ellen Genova, CSFN**

To Our Dear Parishioners,

On this day of celebrating the Lord’s glorious Resurrection, may the Spirit of the Risen Christ always “Easter” within you, and may you always have the gift of Love, the blessing of Hope, and the promise of Peace.

With our Love,

St. Rose Religious Education Staff



Easter is a Time for Joyful Renewal. As we reflect upon Jesus’ ultimate loving gift of suffering, death and forgiveness for all, may this Easter celebration remind us to appreciate completely the inner peace, endurance, hope, and profound joy He warmly bestows upon each of us. May we find always the courage and confidence to continue our faithful journey with the risen Lord and seek to renew our daily lives and the lives of those around us.

Mary R. Maloney, Faculty and Staff

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 & 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.

ST. ROSE MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

MARRIED AND LOVING IT (most of the time) – April 10th, 2010 @ 7-10 p.m. – St. Rose Parish Hall. Enjoy a fun, free date night out with your spouse & enrich your marriage at the same time! Please join us for this encore presentation. Deacon Dan O’Connor is one of the four presenters. All ages & stages of marriage are welcome! Refreshments will be served—there is no cost for the program. Call with any questions. John & Bev Maley 203-364-0836.



Leaven in the Dough: Setting Things in Motion

“Easter” can also be a verb, meaning “something we think, something we feel, something we do.” All of the readings show us that for “Easter” to occur, something needs to set things in motion. Once you clear out the old yeast and put in the new, the dough rises; once Mary Magdala came to the tomb, she saw, she ran, and she went to tell the others – she allowed Christ to “Easter” within her. Christ dwells within us, and we are called to set things in motion – a change for the better. A good place to begin is right where we are – within our families, our neighborhoods, our work places, our schools, and our church. Mary responded and “told the others.” We also “go and tell others” by our willingness to put Christ at the center of our words and our actions. Our living faith has the ability to change the world, but we need to put away our own fears of changing habits and routine, and set in motion a new way of acting and speaking – one that shows the Spirit of the Risen Christ within us.

Reflection Prayer: “‘Easter’ in us, O Risen Christ, that your resurrection may become a way of living, a way of loving, a way of seeing and hearing and understanding. Let us ‘do’ Easter every day by illuminating our lives with the light of your compassion, justice, and peace. Amen”

Reflection Activity: Reflect on one attitude that you can change in order to allow Christ to “Easter” within you.

What’s Your Catholic IQ? Which feast in the liturgical year is considered the “Feast of feasts?” (a) Christmas; (b) Pentecost; (c) Easter; (d) Assumption of Mary

This Week -- Registration for Religious Education!

Registration for Religious Education is **April 5-6** from 4:00-8:00 during class time, **April 7** from (4:00-5:30) and Sundays: **April 11 and May 2** from 8:30 – 1:30. Except for May 2, registrations will take place in the **parish hall**. May 2 will be in upstairs room of the Religious Education Office. **Please register on time to avoid late registration fees!**

Confirmation Rehearsals

Rehearsals for Confirmation are held on April 12, 13, & 14. If you are unsure of the date of your specific rehearsal, please check the St. Rose website at **strosecurch.com**. Rehearsals begin **promptly at 6:45 in the gathering hall**. A sponsor or parent **MUST** accompany the confirmand.

Children’s Liturgy

The next children’s Liturgy will be held on Saturday, April 10 at 5:30 Mass. This is “butterfly weekend,” as all First Communicants will bring their butterfly banners to all weekend Masses.

EDUCATING THE ENERGETIC STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS WORKSHOP

On Tuesday, April 6 from 7:00-9:00, St. Rose will sponsor a diocesan workshop in the Msgr. Conroy Room of the school. Dr. Marita Repole will lead a workshop on strategies to address behaviors that interfere with your religious education class. She is a school psychologist for the Danbury School System and has conducted various in-service trainings and teacher consultations. She also worked as a clinical coordinator in New York to support academic functioning, school-hospital communication, and crisis intervention. Please R.S.V.P. to Michelle Grieco: **By March 31st** at (203) 416-1502 or mgrieco@diobpt.org. Sponsored by The Ministry for People with Disabilities, Diocese of Bridgeport. You may also call St. Rose Religious Education Office at 426-2333.

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)

What Are You Going to Do This Spring That Will Change Your Life Forever?

Join us for a six-week series of presentations based on Matthew Kelly’s *Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose*. The series begins **Monday, April 12 and runs through to May 24 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Religious Education Office**. The cost of the workbook is \$10. To learn more about this study group and to sign up by April 5, please e-mail askjoanne@gmail.com or call Joanne Marcinek at (203) 482-6803.

Spiritual Journey

Spiritual Journey adult formation group will meet on Thursday, April 8 from 10:15-11:15. Jack Hickey-Williams will lead a discussion and explanation on the upcoming Sunday readings. All are welcome to this lecture at 38 Church Hill Road.

Easter Season Children’s Books at Parish Library

Among the wonderful children’s books located upstairs at 38 Church Hill Road, you can find Easter season books to read with your children, including:

- Picture Books such as *Little Colt’s Palm Sunday*, *First Easter*, and *The Tale of Three Trees*
- Bible stories on Good Friday, Palm Sunday, and Easter.

Share the joyful events of the Easter season with your child through books!

Please note: There are no classes during Spring Break from April 18-21. Classes resume on Sunday, April 25.

Catholic IQ Answer: (c) Easter is at the very heart and center of the Church’s liturgical calendar (Catechism, n. 1169).

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NOTES

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

Available: Highchair.

Available: Matching sofa, chair and ottoman.

Needed: Any broken or no longer needed costume jewelry of any kind (especially with rhinestones). Any trims, belts etc. that have sequins, gold, silver, or sparkle. Also, old gloves, and old style hats. Items are needed for upcoming fairytale theatre programs.

Needed: Queen size mattress

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

MEETINGS

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 would like to join us.

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, April 18, 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.

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.

Available: Basement studio with private bath and entrance.

Needed: Apartment with garage or storage, for April.

FREE MINISTRY FOR TRAVELING CATHOLICS

IF YOU ARE TRAVELING AND NEED TO KNOW WHERE THE NEAREST CATHOLIC CHURCH IS, CHECK THE INTERNET AT WWW.MASSTIMES.ORG. and then click on “Church Look Up”.

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

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

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

Health Tip

Have a little fat you’d like to lose? Maybe now is a good time to turn on the kettle and pour yourself a cup of this: white tea. Made from the buds and early leaves of the same plants used to make green and black teas, white tea may have special fat-thwarting powers, a new study suggests.

Fat-Blasting Brew Fat cells increase or decrease in size, according to your weight. And in a lab study, human fat cells treated with white tea extract accumulated significantly less fat. In fact, the white tea is less processed than green or black tea; it has more of certain active compounds, like epigallocatechin-3-gallate (an antioxidant) and methylxanthines (theobromine and caffeine). And researchers suspect that these compounds influence fat-cell metabolism by acting on the expression of certain genes.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH (CRHP) CORNER

We are going to switch to a yearly retreat in 2011. The men’s retreat is scheduled for Lent 2011. If you are interested in finding out more about Christ Renews His Parish, please contact Patrick Burke (marine.burke@gmail.com) or Chris Kirkman at Christopher.kirkman@yahoo.com.

COLLEGE STUDENT AVAILABLE TO BABYSIT THIS SUMMER. Please call 203-470-8243.



He is Risen!

EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Upcoming events:

Divine Mercy Novena continues to April 11; Novena pamphlets are available at the doors of the church

Saturday and Sunday, April 10 & 11 - fundraiser for Moms in Crisis **baby bottles collected at all masses**

Divine Mercy Sunday celebration - April 11, 3 p.m. in the church, mass, Adoration, Divine Mercy Novena

The Biblical Truth About America's Death Penalty with Deacon Dale Recinella, chaplain of death row in Florida- Sunday, April 25 at 1 p.m. in the Gathering Hall

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE FOR MOMS IN CRISIS continues:

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** for **infants** and cribs for infants *and* toddlers. Please contact Helga at 203-426-6030 if you have something to donate.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory

ROSARY FOR LIFE: Saturday, April 24 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

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

In our nation alone, over 1,300,000 babies are killed every year and we remain silent. Why? Why should a death from abortion be less of a disaster than a death from a hurricane or earthquake? Each abortion costs one human life. The unborn child is not a "potential human being" but is a "human being with potential".

The **"Do-Gooders"** will meet on Wednesday, April 7th from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Safeplace. All high school students are welcome to join us. The dates for our Service Trip to Albany, NY, are Sunday, July 11th to 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



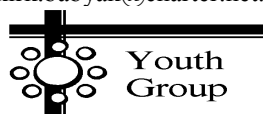
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS www.kofc185.com

The next monthly meeting will be on Thursday, April 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Msgr. Conroy Room. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Sister Theresa Tremblay of the Daughters of Charity in Bridgeport is in great need of beds and dressers for the poor. If you have either in good condition and would like to donate them please call Tim Reilly at 270-1838 and we will arrange to pick them up.

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, 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.

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



stroseyouthgroup.com

ST. ROSE YOUTH GROUP www.stroseyouthgroup.com
5/6 & 7/8 Youth Group: April 30 – Spring Surprise. This is going to be a Blast! We are going to have a field day. There will be races, egg toss, balloon games and more. There will be a cookout and refreshments. Cost: \$5.00. Indoor games if it rains.
Note date changed from April 9 to April 30.

Senior Youth Group: NO SENIOR YOUTH GROUP APRIL 4. Enjoy Easter with your family. See you next week, April 11. Registration for Steubenville East Conference is open for July this summer. All information is available on the Youth Group website.

AROUND THE DIOCESE
DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE
ANNIVERSARIES

Bishop William Edward Lori, S.T.D., will celebrate a Mass, in which the commemoration of significant marriage anniversaries will occur, at Saint Theresa Church, Trumbull, on **Sunday, April 25, 2010, at 3:00 p.m.** Bishop Lori will be the homilist and will administer both the renewal of marriage vows and the presentation of commemorative certificates.

Couples who have or will be celebrating (during the months of January-June) one of the following wedding anniversaries—**15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, and 50 PLUS YEARS**—are invited to participate with family and friends. Interested couples should register with one's own parish office as soon as possible. The **deadline** for registration is **Monday, April 12, 2010.**

VIANNEY, the new live production performed by Leonardo DeFilippis, the director and star of the feature film **THERESE**, will be presented in the Diocese of Bridgeport at the following locations:

Tues. April 13 – St. Thomas Aquinas Church Hall, Fairfield, 7pm.

Thurs. April 15 – Trinity Catholic High School Auditorium, Stamford – 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 18 – St. Rose of Lima Church – Gathering Hall, Newtown – 2 p.m.

Admission: Free-Will Offering at the door. No tickets or reservations are needed.

Information: Carol Pinard, cpinard@diobpt.org – 203-814-2493

Sponsored by: Diocese of Bridgeport
Come experience the gripping story of the remarkable priest who battled the devil to save souls. This performance is suitable for ages 12 and up. Visit www.vianneydrama.com for details.

RETRouvaille OF CONNECTICUT

If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring or cold and distant, even if you are divorced or separated but you want to try again, then the Retrouvaille program can help you. The next Retrouvaille Weekend will take place April 23 through 25, 2010. Call 1-800-470-2230.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE RETREAT

For all who are divorced, widowed, or separated—there is a special heartache in finding oneself alone again. **DIVORCED, SEPARATED AND WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN** of all ages are encouraged to attend a **Beginning Experience** weekend designed for those who wish to resolve the pain and grief of losing the marriage relationship and create a more peace-filled future.

The **Beginning Experience** weekend will be held **April 9-11 at Our Lady of Calvary in Farmington, CT.**

The weekend begins Friday evening, April 9 and continues through Sunday afternoon, April 11, concluding with Mass. The weekend fee is \$225/person, which includes the program and materials, all meals on Saturday and Sunday and two nights' stay. For more information and an application for yourself or for a friend, please call Ray at 860-741-3050 or Yvonne at 860-693-1913.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT FOR HEALING
AFTER ABORTION

If there is an abortion in your past that you need to make peace with, The Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Bridgeport offers **Rachel's Vineyard Retreats**. The next retreat weekend is **April 16-18, 2010** in Fairfield County. For more information call the retreat director at 203-218-0291 or e-mail her at Jeremiah31v17@aol.com. Visit our website at www.rachelsvineyardbpt.com. All inquiries are kept in the strictest of confidence.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY
WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is like Spring-time. It can be the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. Invest in each other and give your sacrament the attention it deserves and make your marriage more special than it already is. Upcoming dates are April 23-25, and July 23-25, 2010. To register call Joe & Jane at **(860) 644-7260** or meweekend@gmail.com or visit www.wme.org.

SEMI-SILENT WOMEN'S RETREAT

"Divine Mercy Weekend, an Experience of Pure Love"
April 9, 10, 11, 2010 – Directed by Fran Karpiej
St. Faustina's message of Divine Mercy is to see God as pure love poured out for us; and to come to understand the power of God's Love, Forgiveness, Healing, Grace and Mercy through the power of Prayer in the Name of Jesus. Call Sr. Bernice 203-993-9316.
Nazareth Spiritual Life Center, 1428 Monroe Turnpike
Monroe, CT 06468

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR & SENIOR

BOYS: Consider adding St. John Fisher Seminary to your list of college visits. It seems to be such a mystery what life is like in a house of discernment. We are offering the opportunity to live the schedule and life of the house for 24 hours. For information and to schedule your visit, call Fr. Robert Kinnally 203-416-1513, or e-mail vocations@HearTheCall.org.

WOMEN AND HEART DISEASE

Topic of April 8 Evening Program at Masonicare at Newtown. A free evening program for the community entitled "Women and Heart Disease" will be held on Thursday, April 8 at Masonicare at Newtown. Harvey M. Kramer, M.D., will present the program which begins at 5 p.m. with a complimentary dinner. Dr. Kramer will also be available to answer questions. There is no fee for the program, but seating is limited. To attend, please call the Masonicare HelpLine at 1-888-679-9997.

HOLY FAMILY RETREAT CENTER

Retreat Day of Mindfulness and Self-Care For Women
Saturday, April 10, (10 a.m. - 5 p.m., includes lunch)
Presenter: Cheryl Jones-Reardon
Join us for a day of reflection and rejuvenation where we explore mindfulness and self-care practices. The retreat will include time for meditation, prayer, gentle movement, journaling, and group discussion.
Program Offering: \$60
Send name, address and offering to:
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Diocese of Bridgeport Tour

April 13, **St. Thomas Aquinas Church Hall**, Fairfield - 7:00 P.M.
April 15, **Trinity Catholic High School Auditorium**, Stamford - 7:00 P.M.
April 18, **St. Rose of Lima Church - Gathering Hall**, Newtown - 2:00 P.M.

Admission: Free-Will Offering - *Suitable for Ages 12 & Up*

Information: Carol Pinard, cpinard@diobpt.org - 203.814.2493

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