

THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE – Sunday, April 18, 2010

Sunday, April 18

NO RELIGIOUS ED – SPRING BREAK

All masses Rel. Articles Sale/Cares Box 1
2 p.m. Vianney – (3)

Monday, April 19

NO RELIGIOUS ED

7-9 p.m. Matthew Kelly Series (2)

Tuesday, April 20

NO RELIGIOUS ED

9:30-11 a.m. WEBS (2)
10:00 a.m. Job Network Support Group 2
7-8 & 8-9:30 p.m. Al-Anon (2)
7:15-8:15 Lay Missionaries of Charity 7

Wednesday, April 21

NO RELIGIOUS ED

9-11:30 a.m. Teach Me to Pray...Play (2)
3:30 – 5 p.m. Divine Mercy Cenacle (7)
7:00 p.m. Folk Choir (1)
7-9 p.m. Wednesday Book Club (2)

Thursday, April 22

3-4 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (7)
7 p.m. Adult Choir (1)
7:15 p.m. Boy Scouts (5)
7:30 p.m. RCIA (2)
8:00 p.m. Prayer Group (2)

Friday, April 23

7:15 a.m. Men's CRHP Prayer (2)
10:30 a.m. Friday Bible Study (2)
3-4 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (7)
Anonymous Apostles of Divine Mercy
Natural Family Planning (2)

Saturday, April 24

6:30 p.m. AA Meeting (2)

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 |

COLLECTION FOR BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS

Next Sunday, our parish will take up the annual Collection for Black and Indian Missions. Your financial contribution helps to support Catholic communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. Your donation funds evangelization programs to strengthen the faith, continue the legacy and share the mission with children and adults here in the United States. For more information, go to www.blackandindianmission.org. Please be generous.

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 Seminar:

St. Edward the Confessor, New Fairfield 4/25/10@1 p.m.
St. Rose of Lima Newtown 6/7/2010 at 6 p.m. 38 Church Hill Rd.

Register online at 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). Questions, contact Doreen Morrissey at 203-426-2572 ext. 27. Please bring your paperwork and a copy of your card to St. Rose if you take the class elsewhere.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 19

6:45 Marie DeMarco Donna DeMarco
9:00 Edward Malinowski A friend

Tuesday, April 20

6:45 Sister Ethel MacIlvain (L) Mary & Kevin Maloney
9:00 Ellen C. LaPak Husband

Wednesday, April 21

6:45 Thomas Travers Sally & Joe Ratyna
9:00 Richard Wesselbrand DeCanio Family

Thursday, April 22

6:45 Eleanor Accomondo McCarthy Family
9:00 Monika Hamilton Marshall & Martie Williams

Friday, April 23

6:45 Ethel Burkle Judy & Kerry O'Donoghue & DeMeglio family
9:00 Mr. & Mrs. Thiruchelvam Luxkaranayagam's

Saturday, April 24

8:00 Stella Marcinauskis Deacon Dan O'Connor & family
4:00 Rudolph Bestany Carol Bistany
5:30 Bethany Mass

Sunday, April 25

7:30 Richard Palo Palo Family
9:00 Dec'd members of Travers & Moran Families Dennen Family
10:30 Joseph Cavanaugh Family
12:00 Susan Mino Rosemarie Abric

IN REMEMBRANCE



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

Thank you for your generosity!

Collection for April 11 \$18,587.00
Children's Collection 12.45
Collection for April 12, 2009 \$14,753.00

QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE STROSECHURCH.COM FOR YOUR REVIEW

The Catholic Forum at St. Rose and the Knights of Columbus Council 185 present a Celebration of the Priesthood Dinner on Sunday, May 23rd. The evening will include a reception at 5:30 pm 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, PO Box 830, Newtown, CT 06470. Any questions, please call 203-270-4664.

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”.

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2010! As you can see from the cover of this weekend's bulletin, we are once again blessed with wonderful young men and women who in the presence of God, their families and friends committed themselves to the Catholic faith through the Sacrament of Confirmation. We are very proud of each of them. For the past two years they have prepared themselves for this celebration by study, prayer, service hours and reflection so as to know and live their faith. I thank the many catechists who helped these young people in their faith formation with very special thanks to Janice Lindsay (Confirmation Coordinator), Terri and Marcus Balas (Grade Level Coordinators) and Pam Arsenault (Parish Director of Religious Education) and her staff. I have had the opportunity to spend time with these newly confirmed, and each of them demonstrated a true desire to live a life that reflects the Gospel truth. I also want to thank their parents for taking their responsibility so seriously by bringing their children to this moment in their lives. Now that I am in my eleventh year as pastor, I have watched these young people grow and mature in their religious formation from Kindergarten through to this day. My fervent prayer is that they stay close to the heart of Christ and keep their trust and hope in Him as they enter adulthood and take responsibility for their faith development. Please join with me in that prayer! Welcome Bishop Lori and thanks for celebrating with us.

Thanks for your wonderful support of Fr. Eusebio Martinez and his parish of Holy Family in Texas. He is a very dedicated and faith-filled young priest who every day is faced with incredible challenges in helping the poorest of the poor find hope. We were able to send him home with a check for \$7500. from your generosity. He was most grateful for the warm welcome and kindness shown to him.

This Sunday, we are happy to host the one-man play VIANNEY, based on the life of Saint John Vianney. Universally known as the Cure of Ars, St. John Vianney was ordained a priest in 1815. Three years later he was assigned as the parish priest in the remote French hamlet of Ars where his reputation as a confessor made him known throughout the area. His life was one of extreme mortification. Oftentimes, he spent up to 16 hours a day hearing confessions and yet made time to perform many acts of kindness and charity. He truly possessed the heart of Christ. His biography is well worth reading, and this play reflecting his life is well worth attending! No advance tickets are required. The doors of the Gathering Hall will open at 1:30 for the 2:00 p.m. performance.

We are in the process of making a few adaptations in the sanctuary. You may have noticed that we removed the platform that was in the right hand corner. We plan to make some adjustments to the platforms on which the tabernacle and altar are placed to make more room and better facilitate the liturgy. We will also make some repairs to the carpet which has been worn out by use and other alterations that were made in recent times. In time we will do more as circumstances allow!

HAPPY SPRING VACATION! This week, the Newtown schools are closed for vacation. To all those who are traveling, we wish a safe trip and healthy time. Make it a good week whatever you choose to do!

JUST A FEW REMINDERS OF UPCOMING EVENTS.....

- Saturday, April 24 – EARTH DAY! Do something special for Mother Earth.
- Saturday, May 1 and 8 – First Communion Celebrations at 10:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, May 6 – National Day of Prayer
- Saturday, May 8 & Sunday, May 9 - MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND
- Saturday, May 15 – LUKE SUAREZ'S ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE at 10:00 a.m. in our church. This is the first ordination ever held in our parish, so please try to attend and support this young man on his journey to priesthood.
- Sunday, May 16 at 9:00 a.m. – Journey of Faith First Communion Mass
- Sunday, May 23 at 5:30 p.m. – Dinner for Year for Priests
- Friday, May 28 – Fr. Amal arrives from India for visit
- Tuesday, June 1 – Saint Rose Golf Tournament (Information in the vestibule)
- Friday, June 4 at 7:30 p.m. – Catholic Scout Awards Ceremony
- TUESDAY, JUNE 22 – SATURDAY, JUNE 26 – PARISH CARNIVAL! This earlier date for the carnival is a real help in having parishioners available to volunteer. This is one of the parish's primary fundraising events, and we really need many of you to volunteer to make it a great success. RIGHT NOW, WE NEED SOME VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH THE RAFFLE, FOOD BOOTH COORDINATION AND THE WEEKLY COLLECTION OF DONATIONS. IF YOU CAN HELP US WITH THESE, PLEASE GIVE US A CALL!

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CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING – Essential

Principles for Living the Faith in the 21st Century

Rev. Joseph Koterski, SJ, Fordham University

Wednesday, April 21, 2010

9:30 a.m. – noon

Charleston Room at St. Philip Parish

25 France St., Norwalk, CT

The Forum will conclude with a 12:15 Mass celebrated by Fr. Koterski.

Register now! Contact Priscilla Toumey at epsctprogram@trinitydc.edu or 203-847-2363.



Spiritual Integration

As we read through the scriptures, we notice that Christ brings faith into every realm of life (he does not confine His teaching to the synagogue). Today, we listen to the story of the fisherman disciples. He connects their livelihood of fishing with the Kingdom of God – Christ meets them where they are – in their workplace – a boat. “*Listen* to me, and you will catch fish!” Spirituality is not something set aside for Sunday or for Religion class or for a Church building. Rather, *we are the Church* – and therefore the *Church* is *wherever* we are – in the grocery store, at our place of business, in school, and at home – as part of the Body of Christ -- as “Church” – we are “Christ bearers.” In the first reading, Peter reminds His friends that they must listen to God rather than to men. Listening to Christ and following His will wherever we are makes us whole – it integrates everything into our spiritual lives – it makes sense because we are *living* who we are – children of God.

Reflection Activity: Today’s Gospel stresses the importance of family mealtime ritual. We put everything else aside and we sit with Him. Make some decisions as a family that will reinforce the sacredness of family mealtime; e.g., savor the food, the conversation, the love, and His presence in your midst.

What’s Your Catholic IQ?: Liturgical catechesis that aims to further initiate the baptized into the Paschal Mystery is known as: a) missiology; b) mythology; c) mystagogy; d) mycology.

Confirmation Congratulations!

St. Rose Parish is filled with the joy of celebrating 204 newly confirmed Catholics. These young men and women have freely expressed the desire to be active disciples of Jesus Christ in the world. We are blessed as a parish family, and the world is blessed as well.

First Communion Rehearsals

Rehearsals begin the week of April 26th (for the May 1 ceremony) and the week of May 3 (for the May 8 ceremony). If you are not sure of your specific rehearsal date, please check the parish website at strosechurch.com, and go to the education page where you will find a direct link to the First Communion schedule.

Registration for Religious Education!

There is registration for Religious Education on **May 2** in upstairs room of the Religious Education Office. **Please register on time to avoid late registration fees!** First grade attendance is a pre-requisite for First Communion in second grade. Each subsequent year is necessary for continuity of curriculum.

Ecumenical Vacation Church School

This year, St. Rose is hosting the Ecumenical Vacation Church School on July 19 – 23rd. This event combines the efforts of four Christian churches in town; Congregational, Trinity, United Methodist and St. Rose to provide a fun week of song, crafts, recreation, learning and fellowship. EVCS is open to children who are 4 years old by 12/31/10 who have completed one year of preschool through those entering the 6th grade. **Child and youth helper registration forms will be available April 18th at all participating churches and at St. Rose Religious Education Office.** Many adult and youth volunteers are needed to make this event a success. It is a great way for you and your children to meet new people so please consider volunteering this year. Nursery services are available for volunteer’s younger children. For more information contact the Directors, Michele Buzzi at 426-2374, mbuzzijr@att.net or Dot Perpignand at 270-7828, dot.perpignand@sbcglobal.net.

Need Some Time With The Lord?

On Friday June 18 at 4:00 until Saturday, June 19 at 4:00, you are invited to participate in a 24-hour mini-retreat sponsored by St. Rose Adult Formation. Dick and Dorothy Lambert, Dea Herring, and Pam Arsenault will facilitate. The theme is “Enriching Your Spiritual Journey.” The Lamberts will lead the following four discussions: “*Letting Go*” of Concerns: *Experience Christ’s Peace*; 2. *Wake Up to Life*; 3. *Wisdom’s Way*; and 4. *Living Jesus – Moving Beyond Minimal Catholicism to the Fullness of Our Faith*. The retreat will take place at Wisdom House in Litchfield, Conn. Carpooling will be available. The cost of \$110 includes a room and all meals. Financial assistance is available. Please call the Religious Education Office for more information or to register. We are limited to 25 reservations, so please call early.

Spiritual Journey

Spiritual Journey adult formation group will not meet this Thursday because of school vacation. However they will resume on Thursday, April 29 with Sr. Frances as the guest speaker. All are welcome to attend from 10:15-11:15 at the Religious Education Office at 38 Church Hill Road.

This week we celebrate the life of St. Anselm (April 21), St. George & St. Adalbert (April 23), and St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen (April 24).

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

Answer to Catholic IQ: c) Mystagogy, on one level, refers to the period of catechesis for the neophytes (newly baptized) following Easter. On another level, mystagogy refers to the catechesis in which all of the baptized engage: a liturgical catechesis that aims at drawing us more deeply into the Paschal Mystery so that we can grow in commitment to the Lord and our faith community.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NOTES

This weekend: After each Mass, religious articles are available for purchase in the vestibule.

Also this weekend: The St. Rose Cares box is in the front of the church, near the St. Rose statue. Your contributions go directly to our neighbors in need. Thank you

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

Available: Mini (3’ x 4’ wide) trampoline for exercise.

Available: Frigidaire stacked front loading washer and dryer

Available: High chair and changing table with 2 shelves.

Available: Baseball bat, glove and other sports equipment.

Available: Highchair and playpen.

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, old style hats. Items are needed for upcoming fairytale theatre programs.

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 25, 2010 (note date change)** 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.

SPECIAL MOMS PRAYER GROUP–April 28 (Date Change)
Special Moms is an ecumenical prayer group for women of Newtown who have a special needs child of any age in their life. We meet to read scripture, prayer for our families and encourage each other. Social time starts at 7 p.m. followed by our prayer meeting at 7:30 p.m. Come feel God’s love through these special women who gather to support one another! For more info call Anne Marie at 270-7344 or email riehaves@snet.net.

WE ARE LAY ROMAN CATHOLICS – A MOVEMENT OF CONSECRATED PERSONS WITH A SPECIFIC VOCATION AND MISSION: Missionaries of Charity following the charisma of Mother Teresa; missionaries of love, doing small things with a great Love-with Jesus’ love. We meet every third Tuesday of the month in the Chapel. We pray Night Prayer and the Rosary in front of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. We will conclude our Holy Hour with a reflection on Mother Teresa’s words.

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

HEALTH TIP

Want a creamy, buttery party dip that you can serve without guilt at your backyard barbeque? Try some cancer-fighting guacamole. The bright green avocados that make up this south-of-the-border-inspired treat are not only low in saturated fat and sodium but also loaded with nutrients that may protect against breast, oral, and colorectal cancers. **A Look at the Research** A review of several studies shows that compounds in avocados may inhibit the growth of – or even kill – certain types of cancerous and precancerous cells. And the really good news? These compounds from avocados may be able to target cancer cells without harming normal, healthy cells. **Tasty Versatility** The other cool thing about avocados? You can toss them in your salad, spread them on your bread, or turn them into drinks. **Stuffed Avocados** – Ingredients: 2 medium avocados, halved and pits removed and 1 cup prepared seafood, tuna or chicken salad. Directions: 1. Top each avocado half with ¼ cup of the salad. Nutritional Bonus—protein, fiber, vitamin C, vitamin A, and potassium.

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



Thank you for your donation to our Easter Basket project. We were able to give over 160 baskets to those in need-- Interfaith Ministry, Healing Hearts, Harmony House and Social Services. How blessed are we to have so many give from their hearts. **Mandy Monaco, WIN**

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

We need your BABY BOTTLES!!! Bottles 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. Please return all bottles, even if they are empty, as they are reused for fundraising at other times. Thank you!

CAROLYN'S PLACE is 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, May 4 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.

Even though a child resides in the mother's womb for nine months, the unborn child is a genetically unique and biologically separate individual. Why should it be "legal" to kill that baby? Do your part to help stop abortion now.

ARE YOU A CANCER SURVIVOR OR A CAREGIVER?

Newtown's Relay for Life Committee invites you to St. Rose of Lima Gathering Hall on Friday, June 4th for a free reception honoring cancer survivors and their caregivers, from 7-9 p.m. for complementary appetizers, dessert, and dancing to the sound of "Shoo Fly Blues Band". To submit your name to receive an invitation, please go to our website: www.relayforlife.org/newtownct, or email relayforlifeofnewtown@gmail.com We look forward to embracing your survivorship at this year's Relay for Life Survivor/Caregiver Reception.

"COME REST AWHILE WITH THE LORD"

St. Jude Prayer Lay Ministry announces a Morning of Reflection with Fr. Bill McCarthy

When: Saturday, May 8, 2010

Where: St. Jude Social Hall - 707 Monroe Tpke., Monroe

Time: 8:30 a.m. - registration, fellowship & refreshments

9:00 a.m. - Retreat begins

11:00 a.m. - Healing Mass

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

Members of the St. Jude Prayer Lay Ministry will be available after Mass for individual prayer.

Please register by May 4

Ginny Jessup - 203-459-1862

Or email: prayerday58@gmail.com

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

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.



Youth Group

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: The next meeting is Sunday, April 18 from 6-8 p.m. in the Safeplace.

Registration for Steubenville East Conference is open for July this summer. All information is available on the Youth Group website.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

PASTORAL PLAN

In today's Scripture readings we have examples of traditions which may help to console those who are grieving. We have these traditions in Scripture to help make us more aware of the significance of the risen Lord in our lives. The disciples experienced the Lord's death on the cross. This death was not a defeat but a victory. His message was for a better future. The Psalm has Jesus thanking his Father for his resurrection. We could make prayerful use of these words to thank God for rescuing us with Christ and insuring that we will not be "going down into the pit."

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.

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 location:

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.

Info: 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

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Music and Prayer for the Easter Season

Holy Family Passionist Retreat center in West Hartford will offer a concert celebrating the beauty and joy of the Easter season on April 24 at 7:30 p.m. The concert features an adult choir, chamber choir, instrumentalists, hand bell choir, soloists and children's choir. A reception follows. The offering is \$30.00. Those who wish to attend can register online at www.holyfamilyretreat.org or send offering and names of attendees to Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford, CT 06107. Information is available at 860-521-0440.

IMMACULATE HIGH SCHOOL will present **The Wedding Singer** – the musical comedy, on Thursday, May 6, Friday, May 7 @ 7pm, and Saturday, May 8th @ 2pm & 7pm. Ticket prices are \$15/Adults and \$12 Seniors/Students. Also, please join us for a benefit dinner by **OUTBACK** in the IHS cafeteria on Saturday, May 8th from 4:30- 6pm. Dinner tickets are \$10. All tickets can be ordered on the Immaculate H.S. website www.immaculatehs.org or by calling 203-744-1510.

NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL – SIXTH & SEVENTH GRADE "PREVIEW DAY"

Contact Chris Cipriano (372-6521 ext. 34) for more information. Sunday, April 25 at 2 p.m. – Notre Dame High School in Fairfield will be hosting an Open House for 6th & 7th graders and their families. Current 7th grade students are invited to shadow a N.D. freshman from April 20-May 27. Call Admissions at 372-6521.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

DISCOVER LAURALTON

The Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, LAURALTON HALL, an all-girls Catholic college preparatory school in Milford, will host Discover Lauralton on Sunday, April 25 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Register at www.lauraltonhall.org by Monday, April 19. For further information, please call (203) 877-2786 extension 144.

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**

SUMMER PROGRAMS AND ADVENTURES IN NEW ENGLAND

The Thomas More College of Liberal Arts, located one hour north of Boston, has an array of summer programs for students and adults alike. The Collegiate Program for High School Students offers a challenging introduction to the liberal arts, the history of New England and the Catholic tradition. Offering three college credits, The Catholic Leadership Institute examines inspirational leaders while also providing a means to develop your own leadership skills in the great outdoors and through a service project. Lastly, The Way of Beauty Atelier offers art programs for those of all ages in Iconography and Naturalistic Drawing. Come spend time in beautiful New England this summer!

For more information, please visit: www.thomasmorecollege.edu/summer or contact Mark Schwerdt in the Admissions office at (800) 880-8308.

MIGRAINES AND HEADACHES: Diagnosis, Treatment and Prevention

Topic of April 20 Lunch & Learn at Masonicare at Newtown A free lunch and learn for the community entitled, "Migraines and Headaches: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Prevention" will be held on Tuesday, April 20 at Masonicare at Newtown. Dr. David Marks, Medical Director of Masonicare at Newtown, will present the program. The program will begin at 12 p.m. with a complimentary lunch. Dr. Marks will discuss an overview of migraines and other headaches, cause and treatments, and provide information about prevention. Dr. Marks 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 to make your reservation.

THE NEWTOWN MEETING HOUSE IS NOW HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE.

Please join us as we celebrate with a **FREE SPRING Concert** at Newtown Meeting House, 31 Main Street, Newtown, CT. Sunday May 2, 2010 at 2 p.m. featuring Margarita Nuller, concert pianist, Eric Trudell, concert pianist, Richard Busch, concert pianist/baritone, Ann Martindale, mezzo soprano, Elizabeth Norton, lyric soprano, Gwynne Wittmann, dramatic soprano, Susan A. Klein, accompanist, Brianne Chasanoff, accompanist. **FREE ADMISSION, LIMITED SEATING.** Reservations are suggested. 203-270-8293 nmh1792@hotmail.com.



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A Celebration of the Priesthood

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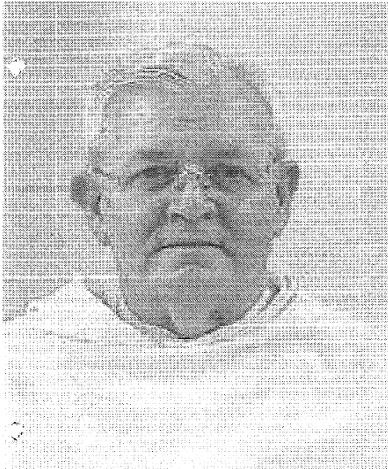
Fr. Gabriel O'Donnell, O.P.

Sunday, May 23rd, 2010

5:30pm Hors D'oeuvres

6:30pm Dinner

After dinner, Fr O'Donnell, vice postulator for the sainthood of Fr. Michael McGivney, will be speaking about the example of Fr. McGivney as a model priest for our times. Fr. Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, is the first American priest to be considered for canonization. This evening will be a wonderful opportunity to say, "Thank You," to all those men who have given of themselves, in service to Our Lord, to guide us, to teach us, and lead us to eternal life.



Tickets for this event are \$40.00.

Tickets will be available after Masses the weekend of April 17th and 18th.

Tickets can also be purchased or more information can be obtained by contacting Richard Dunseith at 203-270-4664 or the St Rose Catholic Forum at www.catholicforum.us email to strosecatholicforum@gmail.com

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