

**THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE – July 19, 2009**

Natural Family Planning Week – July 19-26

**Sunday, July 19**

All Masses	Cares Box (1)
4 p.m.	Catholic Forum Mass (1)
5 p.m.	Catholic ForumTalk Library
7-8 p.m.	Bereavement Support (2)
7-10 p.m.	Men's CRHP (2)

**Monday, July 20 Vacation Bible School Week**

6:30-9:30 p.m. Women's CRHP (2)

**Tuesday, July 21**

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

**Wednesday, July 22**

6-8:30 p.m. Sr. Youth Group

**Thursday, July 23**

3-4 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (7)

**Friday, July 24**

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

**Saturday, July 25**

after 8:00 a.m. Mass Rosary for Life (1)  
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       |



**Banns I Suzanne Brown & Albert Vitiello, III**

**ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS**

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

Upcoming seminars are:

**St. Jude Parish, Monroe, August 8, at 9:00 a.m.**

**St. Rose Parish, Newtown, August 11 at 9:00 a.m.**

**St. Rose Parish, Newtown, September 24, 6:30 p.m.**

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

**Our Holy Father's Monthly Intentions**

**Christians in the Middle East.** That Christians in the Middle East may live their faith in complete freedom and become instruments of reconciliation and peace.

**Humanity Reconciled.** Through the witness of the faithful, may the Church be the seed and soil of a humanity reconciled to be God's one true family on earth.



**Monday, July 20**

6:45 Melissa Rodriguez, 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary Mom & Dad  
9:00 Pat Stroud Ken Stroud

**Tuesday, July 21**

6:45 Elizabeth Taylor Bernie & Mary Curran  
9:00 Anna Coppola Connie & Lou Scigliampaglia

**Wednesday, July 22**

6:45 Joseph P. Murphy Jack & Mary Obre  
9:00 Angelo Esposito Tony & Connie Esposito

**Thursday, July 23**

6:45 Thomas S. Weiss John Weiss  
9:00 Salvatore Attianese Lynn Kuhn

**Friday, July 24**

6:45 Jeff White Ellen Klaus  
9:00 Nicholas DeLeo Don & Stephanie Naiman

**Saturday, July 25**

8:00 Angela M. Sequenzia Frank & TJ Sequenzia  
4:00 Helen Baiad Peggy & Tony Baiad  
5:30 William Doherty Jack & Mary Obre

**Sunday, July 26**

7:30 Fran Reilly Bob & Agnes Reilly  
9:00 Anthony Juliano Dolores & Rodman Pruefer  
10:30 Elizabeth Ingalls The Wefer Family  
12:00 Mary Mazuroski Family

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of James P. Maguire, Jr. as requested by family.

The Chapel Candle will be lit this week in memory of Jeff White as requested by the Rodriguez family.

**Thank you for your support!**

Collection for July 12, 2009	\$16,825.00
Children's Collection	19.43
Collection, July 13, 2008	18,324.00

QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com) FOR YOUR REVIEW.

**ST. ROSE MEMORIAL FUND**

The St. Rose Memorial Fund has graciously been chosen by the following benefactors in memory of **Joseph Murphy**. We appreciate their generosity.

**Gift of: Sally & Joe Ratyna**

- Jacqui Agius
- Cathy & Jack Hickey-Williams
- Mr. & Mrs. Robert Farrell
- "The Gang" at Chintz N Prints
- Flip & Knettie Archard
- Shirley & Neil Johnson
- Walter & Sandra Motyka

PHOTOS FROM FR. JOHN'S MASS AND RECEPTION CAN BE FOUND AT [www.designsbymarkus.com](http://www.designsbymarkus.com)

**NEEDED: ALTAR ANGEL FOR TEAM 5 – SATURDAY AM.** Please call the parish office if you would like to volunteer in this ministry. Fran – 426-1014.

## A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB

**WELCOME CAMPERS TO VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT SAINT ROSE!** This week, our campus will be changed into a campground of fun, faith and laughter as 140 children participate in the 2009 Vacation Bible School, **SONROCK**. The theme of this year's program is based on the life of the apostle Peter. As you know from Scripture, Peter had a very special relationship with Jesus. Even though Peter denied knowing Jesus at one of the most significant moments in Christ's life, Jesus still saw in him a man of faith and character. Peter became the "rock" on which our Church was founded. As our first Pope, Peter had to build a church based on the teachings of Jesus that would bring great change and many challenges. He paid the ultimate price for following Jesus by being a martyr. The five days of our VBS will be filled with stories and activities that will help our children understand the importance of following Jesus and building their lives on a solid foundation in Christ. Thanks go to Michelle Buzzi and Dot Perpignand for coordinating this year's program and to the 20 adult and 60 youth volunteers who will be on hand each day. Have a great week ahead!

We also welcome **FR. ANAND ISUKALLA** from the Diocese of Cuddapha, India who is our mission speaker this weekend. The work of clergy and religious in our missions is one of the key aspects of the Gospel when Jesus commissioned us to go out to all the world and tell the good news. Missionaries today face many challenges, especially their own personal safety and well-being. Many governments of the areas in which they minister are against the teachings of the Church and punish and often imprison the missionaries. I am sure that you have heard many stories about the missions in India which are so often attacked by right wing Hindu radicals leading to the burning of churches, physical attacks on clergy and religious and the persecution of those who are converting to Christianity. We are grateful that there are men and women like our guest today who are willing to stand in the truth of the Gospel. The monies collected in the parishes throughout the diocese today will be sent to the Diocese of Bridgeport for equal distribution to each of the missions invited to be represented in this year's appeal. This is always one of our most generous collections, and your support is greatly needed. Thank you for your generosity and welcome to Fr. Anand!

Thanks to the members of our Senior Youth Group for the witness they gave this past week during their mission trip to Albany. This group of 15 high schoolers did volunteer work at the Ronald McDonald House, Albany Boys and Girls Club, the JC Club and the Emmaus House. Special thanks to Joe DeMaida, Eileen Dunseith and Jenn Dunseith for coordinating and chaperoning this experience for our teens. We are certainly blessed in the opportunities we are able to offer to our youth for service to others. Between this experience and our involvement in the ecumenical Workcamp, our teens are being shown what it is to live the Gospel for the good of others. Thanks to their parents for encouraging their teens to be involved. Now, we are off to Steubenville the weekend of July 24-26 and getting ready for Fan The Fire on August 14-15!

I hope that you are enjoying these summer days! It seems that there is more stress than ever in our midst due to the economy, unemployment and politics. The stress on family and marriage is particularly high right now, so please use these days for some time with one another and for some positive activities and reinforcement of relationships. If we cannot rely on one another, who can we rely on? These times are also taking a toll on the physical and psychological well-being of many. Try taking advantage of some simple pleasures in life...a walk, a nap, a good book, time with friends, even a long bath can be a very relaxing experience. These times will past, and if we use them to our advantage, as stressful as they are, we will all come out of this better and stronger people. Sacrifice is not easy when things get tough, but sacrifice is what makes love work. Let us pray for one another and do our best to extend ourselves in charity and concern.



### POSITION(S) AVAILABLE:

Seeking energetic, spirit filled person(s) that enjoys spending time with children, weekday afternoons at the St. Rose School After School Program. Hours are from 2:45 to 5:30. Interested candidates should contact the Director, Megan Tessitore at [Mtessitore@gmail.com](mailto:Mtessitore@gmail.com). Please include your contact information as well as your current resume or job history. Also, please indicate if you are VIRTUS trained. High school students 16 and older are eligible to apply.

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### **A EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2009**

All the faithful are invited to attend a Eucharistic Congress on September 11-12, 2009 in Washington, DC at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Congress, entitled Sacrifice of Enduring Love, is sponsored by the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious (CMSWR). There will be no charge for admission to the two-day event that will consist of: celebration of the Liturgy, conferences and catechesis, Eucharistic adoration and procession, and other activities focusing on the Eucharist. Within the universal call to holiness in which all the baptized share, three ways of life will be explored in-depth—the Priesthood, Religious Life, and Marriage—each of which is characterized by: an irrevocable commitment, an identification with Christ in his obedience to the Father, and a complete gift of self in love. His Eminence Cardinal Justin Rigali, Episcopal Liaison for the CMSWR, will preside and offer the homily at the opening Mass. All are encouraged to intercede for the success of the Congress, joining the hundreds of contemplative communities of men and women united to us in prayer. For more info about the Congress and to register, visit our website or write us at [www.cmswr.org](http://www.cmswr.org), CMSWR, PO Box 4467, Washington, DC 20017.

### **LOOKING FOR SUMMER GARDEN ANGELS!**

We need volunteers to water plants, deadhead blooms, and weed. Some of our angels will be away through July 29. We would like the volunteers to help the church gardens look their best for Saturday & Sunday Masses. Any help is appreciated.

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## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Pam Arsenault, DRE – 426-2333

#### Leadership and Rest

In today's readings, we explore the meaning of good leadership and the need for rest and relaxation. The apostles have come back from their ministerial work and Jesus invites them to rest. He knows that in order to keep up the stamina, they will need to rest their bodies, their minds, and their spirits. However, the crowds follow them, and Jesus resumes teaching. Jesus is giving us permission to rest so that we can create space in our lives for Him. He knows we need some space to look at life from *His* perspective, instead of reacting (sometimes in anger, fear, impatience, and frustration) to the pressures of life. There are so many demands on our family life, and *it is up to us* to create the balance for the benefit of our body and our soul.

**Reflection Question:** Do you find yourself “getting through each day” or “enjoying each day” that God has given you?

**Reflection Activity:** Look at your calendar and reflect on the activities; then put in time for rest and relaxation as a priority. During those times and/or days, spend some of the time alone allowing God to fill the space with the Spirit of Christ.

#### Good Opportunity To Relax...

This summer, why not treat yourself to six sessions of well-spent time learning how to “*Live Every Day with Passion and Purpose.*” This will take place every Tuesday for six weeks beginning July 28<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00p.m. at the Msgr. Conroy Room of the School. It is based on a series of 6 DVD presentations featuring Matthew Kelly and followed by a workbook study. Even if you are unable to attend every session, consider registering for these positive life-changing presentations! For more information, call the religious education office at 426-2333 or e-mail [askjoanne@gmail.com](mailto:askjoanne@gmail.com). The cost is \$10 for the workbook, and there are still some openings.

**Enriching My Catholic IQ:** Mary Magdalene, whose feast day we celebrate this week, (a) stood at the foot of the cross of Jesus with His mother; (b) was a victim of mistaken identity for almost 20 centuries; (c) was one of the many who assisted Jesus and the apostles; (d) was given the privilege of being chosen for the first awareness of the Resurrection.

**Thank you to Sue Lehmann, who has donated the funds to pay for two book shelves for children's books at the library of the Religious Ed. Office.** By the end of the summer, we will be setting up these book shelves as a resource for parents to borrow books that will influence their children's lives. Thanks, Sue!

#### Needs for Catechists

Thank you to the many catechists who signed up once again to bring the joy of Christ to the children of St. Rose each week. We are blessed that most of our catechists (about two thirds) come back each year because of their desire to share their faith with others – and this is the ability to change the life of a child! We have a few needs (41!) for this coming September. Please call the Religious Ed. Office at 426-2333 if you would like more info:

#### Catechists needed

##### Sunday 9:15

Grade 2 – (1)

Grade 6 – (1)

Grade 7 – (2)

##### Sunday 10:45

Grade 2 – (1)

Grade 2 – (1) Co-Catechist

##### Monday 4:15

Grade 1 – (1)

Grade 1 – (2) Co-Catechists

Grade 2 – (2)

Grade 3 – (2)

Grade 3 – (1) Co-Catechist

Grade 4 – (1)

Grade 5 – (1)

#### Catechists needed

##### Monday 7PM

Grade 7 – (5)

Grade 8 – (2)

##### Tuesday 4:15

Grade K – (1)

Grade 2 – (2)

Grade 4 – (3)

Grade 6 – (2)

##### Wednesday 4:15

Grade 1 – (2)

Grade 2 – (1) Co-Catechist

Grade 3 – (1) Co-Catechist

Grade 4 – (1)

Grade 5 – (2)

Grade 6 – (2)

##### Tuesday 7PM

Grade 7 – (1)

#### Next Year's Confirmation Candidates:

Next year's Confirmation dates have been set: April 16 and April 17, 2010. Since these dates fall at the beginning of Spring break, please note this for any vacation plans you may have!

#### First Communion DVD

For all who ordered First Communion DVDs of the May 2 or 9 First Communion ceremonies, and those who ordered DVDs from previous years, your DVDs are now available in the Religious Education office. If you still wish to order a DVD of any session, for years 2004 through 2009, e-mail: [freddwyer@charter.net](mailto:freddwyer@charter.net) or call Fred at 426-9337.

#### First Communion Photos Available for Viewing and Ordering

On-Line at: [www.lensphotography.photorelect.com](http://www.lensphotography.photorelect.com)

Books of the photos will be available in the Church soon.

#### Catechists – Mark your calendars: New Catechist Meeting

(Sept. 3 at 7:00 p.m.), Meeting for all catechists (September 12 from 8:00-11:00 a.m.), and Beginning of classes (Sept. 20-23)

Please encourage your friends to register their children for Religious Education. We are in the process of forming classes and late registrants make it difficult to plan.

#### Adult Formation

Are you a Catholic who is ready to take the next step in your spiritual development? Do you have lots of questions about your faith, but not enough answers? Don't put it off any longer! For 30 years, Education • Parish • Service (EPS) has been educating adult Catholics to understand, live and share their faith through courses in Scripture, theology and practical application of the faith. Evening classes are held at St. Philip Parish, 25 France St., Norwalk. To learn about upcoming courses, <http://eps.trinity.edu> or contact Priscilla Toumey at [EPSCTProgram@trinitydc.edu](mailto:EPSCTProgram@trinitydc.edu) or call 203.847.2363. EPS relies solely on donations.

#### Registration for Religious Education

If you have not yet registered your children for religious education classes for the coming school year, please do so as soon as possible. Sessions are filling up fast; the earlier you register, the better your chances of getting the session you want. You will also be helping us avoid a late summer registration crunch in the busy weeks just before school starts. We offer classes for grades PK-8.

First grade is a pre-requisite for First Communion (received in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade). We are available for registration from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon. – Friday. If you have any questions or need to arrange a different time to register, please call us at 426-2333.

This week we celebrate the lives of St. Apollinaris (July 20), St. Lawrence of Brindisi (July 21), St. Mary Magdalene (July 22), St. Bridget of Sweden (July 23), St. Sharbel Makhlef (July 24), St. James (July 25).

**Answer to Catholic IQ:** All of the above

**SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NOTES**

**Please Note:** From now until our October clothing drive, we have no client organizations which can accept clothing. Please do not contribute clothing until our October clothing drive (and only cold weather wear at that time). Thank you for your continuing generosity.

**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.

**Religious article sales:** Will resume on the third whole weekend of each month beginning in September. Please enjoy a happy, healthy and holy Summer season.

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

**Available:** Large L shaped wooden desk.

**Available:** Two tall black & green halogen lamps; White night stand, chest of drawers, and desk; Doll cradle, dolls, baby gate, and youth bed safety rail.

**Needed:** Light weight upholstered chair with arms.

**Needed:** Cordless telephone with caller ID.

**Needed:** Dorm. size refrigerator.

**Needed:** Stand-up portable air conditioner suitable to cool 2,000 square feet.

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



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

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

**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 group will have its next meeting on July 19th, 2009 from 7-8 p.m. in the conference room on the main floor of 38 Church Hill Rd. Meetings will take place monthly every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday from 7-8 p.m. For info call Suzanne Brown (203) 364-9796.

**WE ARE LAY ROMAN CATHOLICS**—a MOVEMENT OF CONSECRATED PERSONS WITH A SPECIFIC VOCATION AND MISSION. July 21 at 7:15 p.m. in the Chapel. Missionaries of Charity following the charisms 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 conclude our Holy Hour with a reflection on Mother Teresa's words.

**PASTORAL OUTREACH**

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

**PARISH NURSE MINISTRY**

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

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

There will be no blood pressure screening in July, & August. Screenings will resume in September. Please call the parish nurse office if you would like your blood pressure checked!

**Health Tip:**

The drink that beats high blood pressure! Blood pressure numbers creeping up, up, up? You might be able to beat 'em back down with beet juice. Sounds strange. But one small study found that a serving of beet juice helped lower blood pressure in healthy people. Fast and Lasting: Before you go overboard on beet juice, keep in mind that it was a small study with lots of caveats—and lots more research will be needed to confirm the results. But the initial take was promising. Compared with the people in the study who drank water, those who drank a serving of beet juice had a drop in blood pressure just 1 hour later. Twenty-four hours later, systolic blood pressure was still several points lower in the beet juice drinkers than in the water drinkers. A Beet Juice Caveat: Though beet juice may be grand, keep this in mind: Researchers think that the juice's high concentration of nitrates—little compounds found in lots of different fruits and veggies as well as in processed meat and sometimes in groundwater—may be the reason for the blood pressure benefits. But getting too many nitrates may be a health hazard. The comforting thing about getting nitrates from fruits and veggies is that produce has antioxidants that help keep nitrates in check. So cut back on processed meats, but don't hold back on produce.

**ST. JOSEPH PROJECT**

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

**Available:** 2 rooms with utilities, refrigerator & microwave  
Female only and no pets

**Available:** Large 2<sup>nd</sup> floor 1 BR apartment—utilities incl.

**Available:** 1 bedroom apartment in Danbury

**Available:** Efficiency apartment

**Available:** House-share with separate entrance

**Needed:** Parishioners with three small children are in need of a 2-3 bedroom house

**Mature woman parishioner available to house sit—long or short term.**

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Pro-Life/Pro-Family Corner

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

#### **Novena to Saints Anne and Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, whose Feast day is July 26:**

Good parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, grandparents of our Savior, Jesus Christ,

When life seems barren, help us to trust in God's mercy.

When we are confused, help us to find the way to God.

When we are lost in the desert, lead us to those whom God has called us to love.

When our marriage seems lifeless, show us the eternal youth of the Lord.

When we are selfish, teach us to cling only to that which lasts.

When we are afraid, help us to trust in God.

When we are ashamed, remind us that we are God's children.

When we sin, lead us to do God's will.

You who know God's will for husband and wife, help us to live chastely.

You who know God's will for the family, keep all families close to you.

You who suffered without children, intercede for all infertile couples.

You who trusted in God's will, help us to respect God's gift of fertility.

You who gave birth to the Blessed Mother, inspire couples to be co-creators with God.

You who taught the Mother of God, teach us to nurture children in holy instruction.

You whose hearts trusted in God, hear our prayers for...*(mention your requests here)*

Pray with us for the ministry of Catholic family life.

Pray with us for the ministry of Natural Family Planning.

Pray with us for all who give their time, talent, and treasure to do this good work.

*Hail Mary.... Our Father... Glory be to the Father...*

God of our fathers, you gave Saints Anne and Joachim the privilege of being the parents of Mary, the mother of your incarnate Son.

May their prayers help us to attain the salvation you have promised to your people.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK is JULY 19 - 25:**

**Watch for events and information in this bulletin and around the church:**

**Catholic Forum event - Human Sexuality, A Divine Design** - see information elsewhere in this bulletin

**Annual Diocesan NFP mass with Father Ian Jeremiah** - see information elsewhere in this bulletin

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

**ROSARY FOR LIFE: Saturday, July 25 after the 8 A.M. mass and on the last Saturday of each month**

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

What liberation is there in the destruction of one's own baby? What victory for women's rights has been wrought doing such violence in the womb? What kind of 'choice' is it when a woman's life-giving, procreative power is betrayed for the cost of an abortion? Pray for all who have had abortions.

#### **REMEMBERING THOSE WHO ARE SERVING US**

May God keep special watch over these men and women serving in the United States Military

##### **United States Army**

Capt. Andra Allison  
SSG. Anthony T. D'Aquila  
Capt. Kathryn Devonshire  
Sgt. Daniel Dobbs  
SSG. Michael Dobbs  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Thomas K. Dyer  
Major William Gottmeier  
Cpl. Marc Hellig  
1<sup>st</sup> 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**

Capt. Christopher J. Calero  
Airman Kurt Kling  
Airman Travis Mueller  
1st Lt. Donald B. Naiman  
MSgt. James Rebman  
Capt. Gregory Zencey  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Jessica Zencey  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Phillip Zencey

##### **United States Navy**

Aman Michael Carter  
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  
**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**

The Knights would like to remind everybody that the Toy Closet remains open all year long. Whether you need a toy for someone or would like to donate for someone in need, contact either Bob Buchanan at 426-6195 or Mike Salvatore at 426-5181.

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](mailto:kirk.babyak@charter.net)



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

**5/6 & 7/8 Youth Group: See you in September! Have a nice summer.**

**Senior Youth Group:** The next meeting is Wednesday, July 22 from 6-8:30 p.m. in the Church.

#### **STEUBENVILLE EAST- "ADOPT-A-YOUTH"**

Please consider making a donation to the Steubenville East Retreat fund. Steubenville East Retreat is a life-changing event for our teens. The weekend offers wonderful opportunities for the teens to deepen their faith life and gather with other Catholic teens from around the country where they are invited to open their hearts to the Holy Spirit. We have several students who are attending this year who are in need of financial assistance. Fund raising events are planned, but further assistance is needed. The cost for one student to attend is \$263.00.

If you are able to help, please mail your donations to Attn: Rodd Blessey St. Rose of Lima Parish, 46 Church Hill Rd., CT 06470 or you can drop it by the Rectory Office. Thank you in advance for your help!

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**PASTORAL PLAN**

This week's readings have the familiar wordage of the Shepherd and His flock. They emphasize the necessity of a real person-to-person care, which everyone needs. Jeremiah in the first reading foresees an ideal king to come. He will be a righteous shoot of David. He shall govern wisely and do what is just and right in the land. The early Church too saw this vision untimely fulfilled in God's ideal ruler or deputy, the Lord Jesus, a shepherd who really cares.

This first reading parallels the Gospel. The image of shepherd entails the idea of ruling, but also of feeding and providing. The Lord shepherds us by teaching his word during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Jesus has compassion for any vast crowd that is like sheep without a shepherd.

Reflect this week on how you can make visitors and newcomers feel more welcomed and at home in your parish.

**THE CATHOLIC FORUM PRESENTS:**

**Human Sexuality: A Divine Design.** All couples, parents and grandparents...come and discover the church's beautiful teaching...and the role of Natural Family Planning...so you can pass this knowledge on to your children and their children. This is information everyone needs to know and fully understand. Featuring Al and Adrienne Keogler, certified Natural Family Planning instructors. Sunday, July 19 – 4 p.m. Mass, celebrated by Father Peter Towsley, followed by the presentation in the school **library**—please join us! Find out about God's beautiful design for the human body. Learn about the gift of your fertility. Come and bring the questions you have always wanted to ask, but were afraid to, in an informal setting. NFP is knowledge. NFP is amazing for the body and soul. NFP is a place where science and theology meet. NFP is extremely healthy and "green".

**THE CATHOLIC FORUM PRESENTS:**

**Ecology: A Doorway to the Mystery** with Pablo Martinez, Ph.D. Dr. Martinez is a world-renowned ecological economist working on three continents to bring harmony between nature and development. His work includes an online university for poor rural villages connecting 30 countries in Spanish and English, and fighting to solve chronic hunger in Sierra Leone. His new book, **Environmental Solidarity: Ecology as if God is Happening** describes the latest ideas in world development and the need for a relationship with a loving creator as the key to solving the world's great human and natural crises. His talk will touch on these themes and inspire all who attend with a hope for the future of mankind and the planet. Please join us, **Sunday, August 2 at 7 p.m.** in the Monsignor Conroy Room. A pizza dinner will be served!

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING MASS CELEBRATION with Father Ian**

**Jeremiah, celebrant.** Friday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 50 Fairmont Place, Shelton. Featuring Revelation 12 Music Ministry, refreshments to follow. All are invited! For more information, contact the Family Life Office at the Diocese of Bridgeport (203) 416-1442.

**GEORGETOWN U. STUDENT LOOKING TO DO ODD JOBS THIS SUMMER. YARD WORK. PAINTING. GENERAL LABOR. CALL DAVE AT 313-4849.**

**AROUND THE COMMUNITY**

**CALAVERAS IN CONCERT – NEW AMERICAN FOLK MUSIC**

**SUNDAY, JULY 26 AT 7:30 P.M.**

**IN THE SANCTUARY OF NEWTOWN**

**CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 14 West St. Newtown CT**

This award winning New Folk trio from California combines folk, jazz, blues, and country into an incredible mix that is both fresh and timeless. Their songs have captured the prestigious Kerrville New Folk prize, grand prize in the West Coast Songwriters International song contest as well as first place in two additional categories, the Napa Valley Emerging Songwriter award, West Coast songwriter's Association Song of the Year honors, and have appeared in TV shows and movies. Their songs have been recorded by other artists and their performance of "Ready to Fly" is on a compilation CD that features such well-known artists as Joan Baez and Cheryl Wheeler.

Their live show is a mix of Victoria's soaring, ethereal vocals and hauntingly beautiful fiddle on pure folk ballads and sultry jazz-fusion torch songs, Greg's energetic and insightful musical treatment of birth, death and everything in between, and Dave's constantly creative lead-guitar commentary.

Their third album, Green Girl went into rotation on Americana and Folk radio in May. Green Girl runs the gamut from emotionally soaring ballads that will make your parents cry to acoustic Americana that will make your kids dance. Proceeds from this Concert will support the Community Ministries of Newtown Congregational Church, UCC.

Tickets: \$12.00 for Adults- Children 10 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the church office 203-426-9024.

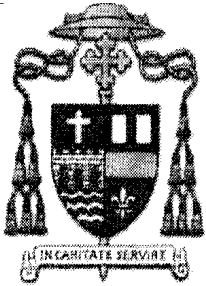
**Sabrina's Encore Productions, LLC:** Summer Musicals

There are many familiar faces to so many of us performing on the stage both here at Newtown's Edmond Town Hall and also at the Ives Concert Park in Danbury. **Into the Woods** at the Ives Concert Park will be performed for two consecutive weekends: July 17 & 18<sup>th</sup> and July 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.

Taylor Varga, who has played many local roles and warmed our hearts with his angelic voice, will be playing Jack for one of the weekends. **The Producers** will be performed at the Edmond Town Hall July 29-August 2 and will feature Tyler von Oy as Franz. Many other familiar names and faces will appear in this cast including Andrew Nichols and Lyn Nagel. The younger cast and our future thespians will be performing a matinee of **101 Dalmations** on August 1. Sean Runkle is amongst the cast of 40 first through sixth graders blessing us with their talents. Please come and join us in support of our talented performers. They have all worked so hard and we want to show them as much support for their efforts as possible!

**FAN THE FIRE YOUTH RALLY3**

**The fourth annual "Fan the Fire" Youth Rally** is a day-long event that brings together teens from around the Diocese for awesome talks and music, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass with Bishop William Lori, and so much more! Sean Forrest, Chris Padgett and more will be on the grounds of St. Rose of Lima Parish, Newtown, on Saturday, August 15. Registration is ongoing and information can be found at [www.fanthefireally.com](http://www.fanthefireally.com). Our second annual "Night of Praise" for young adults, youth ministers and catechists featuring Bishop Lori and Chris Padgett will take place on Friday, August 14, in the St. Rose of Lima Parish Hall. Spread the word: "Praise is Rising!"



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July 18 & 19, 2009

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Missionaries from every continent will visit parishes on Cooperative Mission Weekend, July 18-19, to speak of the love God has for the poorest and most forgotten of his children. As they have every year, each parish in the Diocese of Bridgeport will have the opportunity to hear directly from the missions through these speakers, who are all representatives from a religious order involved in missionary activities or a mission diocese. As they share their experiences, we will see the way they strive to bring an awareness of God's love to the people they serve.

The missionaries work both in mission dioceses in foreign lands and in very poor sections of our own country. They will be asking for prayers and financial support, but they bring you a great gift. Through their testimony, they give you an opportunity to share in God's love for all his children.

In conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells his disciples "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations." Only a few of us will ever have the opportunity to actually go to mission lands, but on Cooperative Mission Weekend we can join in the call to spread God's word. Please be as generous as you can, and remember all the works of the missions in your prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend William E. Lori  
Bishop of Bridgeport

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