

THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE – Sunday, July 26, 2009

Sunday, July 26 7-10 p.m.	Men's CRHP Meeting (2)
Monday, July 27 6:30-9:30 p.m.	Women's CRHP Meeting 2
Tuesday, July 28 10:00 a.m. 7-8 & 8-9:30 p.m. 7-9 p.m.	Job Network Support Group Al-Anon (2) Matthew Kelly Program (2)
Wednesday, July 29 6-8:30 p.m.	Sr. Youth Group (1)
Thursday, July 30 3-4 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (7) Prayer Group (2)
Friday, July 31 7:15-8 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 3-4 p.m.	Men's CRHP Prayer (2) Friday Bible Study (2) Eucharistic Adoration (7) Anonymous Apostles of Divine Mercy
Saturday, August 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 |



Wedding Banns

Banns II Suzanne Brown & Albert Vitiello, III
I Patrick Thomas Dennen & Yohana Reuda

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 – 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.

ST. ROSE MEMORIAL FUND

The St. Rose Memorial Fund has been graciously chosen by the following families & benefactors. We are sincerely grateful for their generosity.

Gift of Beverly & Hank Kessler in memory of Patricia Russo

Gift of Rose West in memory of Patricia Russo

Gift of Ellin Patricia Llodra in memory of Joe Murphy

Gift of Mary Elizabeth Buxton in memory of Joseph Murphy

Gift of Ignazio J. & Catherine Acquisto in memory of Patricia Russo

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Monday, July 27	6:45 Jeff White	Tom & Ellen Curran
	9:00 Eileen & Kevin Comerford	Family
Tuesday, July 28	6:45 Joe Murphy	Audre & Gedi Campe
	9:00 Jeff White	Denise, Michelle & Bryan Shanahan
Wednesday, July 29	6:45 Ina Alves	Peggy & Tony Baiad
	9:00 Patricia Russo	Julia Allen, Friend
Thursday, July 30	6:45 Eileen Denzel	Mary & Norm Roos
	9:00 Lillian & Josefina Pascual	Family
Friday, July 31	6:45 Edward Morrissey	Family
	9:00 Peggy Dee	Nancy Kennedy
Saturday, August 1	8:00 Robert Kayfus	Rosemarie Cavanaugh
	4:00 John F. Howe	John & Anna Pendergast
	5:30 Bethany Mass	
Sunday, August 2	7:30 Amedeo Marotti	Kevin, Mary Maloney & Family
	9:00 Virginia Lee O'Brien	Robert Murray Family
	10:30 Joanne Cwikla	Sheila & Mary Green
	12:00 Gaetano Florio	The Santore Family

IN REMEMBRANCE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Kim O'Brien Levy as requested by Joan & Jim Clifford.

Thank you for your support!

Collection for July 19, 2009	\$14,688.00
Missions	7,463.00
Children's Collection	12.50
Collection, July 20, 2008	\$14,930.50

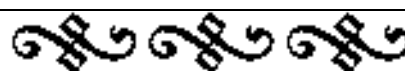
QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE strosechurch.com FOR YOUR REVIEW.

PHOTOS FROM FR. JOHN'S MASS AND RECEPTION CAN BE FOUND AT www.designsbymarkus.com

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.

CURRENCY ENGINEERS - THE NEW SCHEDULE HAS BEEN SENT OUT TO EVERYONE. IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED IT, PLEASE CONTACT KATHY MARUSA AT 203-426-3152 OR KATHYMARUSA1@HOTMAIL.COM.



A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB

CONSTRUCTION HAS BEGUN ON THE NEW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUILDING! For many years, our Knights of Columbus have been planning a new building for their growing council, the fastest growing Council in the State of Connecticut. For those of you familiar with our Council, the Knights once had a building on our property. It was located on the green area closest to the building located at 38 Church Hill Road. It was the victim of demolition. The Knights then constructed a new home on Route 6 which presently houses Grace Christian Fellowship. When they sold that building and property, they put the money they raised into a fund called At Our Gate. For many years, the money in that account was used for a variety of charitable causes, primarily the refurbishing of many homes in Newtown and neighboring communities. A portion of the funds was saved so that the Knights could build a new meeting place. After months of discussion and a series of approvals from the Diocese, the Knights were given permission to build on our property. The agreement is that the Knights will pay for the construction of the building, but the parish will own the structure. The monthly utility bills will be a shared expense between the parish and the Knights, percentages of which still need to be negotiated in a manner which is fair to both parties. It will be a two story building. The first floor will be a garage area for the storage of the Knights' fryers and other equipment they use for their events as well as a place where we can more easily conduct our annual food and clothing drives and their Toy Closet project. The second floor will be a meeting room for the Knights for both their council and soon to be established assembly for the Fourth Degree. The Knights have also agreed to allow some of the parish groups to use this space when they are not meeting. As those of you who are active in the parish know, we are in need of every bit of space that is available for our many ministries and groups. This building will be an added blessing to our campus. Michael Burton, who is a member of the Knights, is the general contractor for the project, and he is being more than generous in the use of his time and talent in making this building a reality. So if you have been wondering what is going on by the garage near the soccer field, you now know!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WAS A GREAT SUCCESS! Once again, my thanks to Michele Buzzi and Dot Perpignand and their corps of volunteers for providing an excellent faith and fun experience for our 140 campers! Based on the life of Saint Peter, we helped those involved to realize how accepted they are by Jesus, how protected they are by His love, how they have the hope of salvation because of his suffering and death, how forgiven they are when they sin and how they need to desire to live for Jesus and for Jesus only! Scriptures, crafts, singing, prayer, friendship and listening brought us together for a week of much happiness and celebration of our faith. Thanks again to all who participated!

Thanks to the families of Joseph Murphy and Patricia Russo for requesting memorial donations to the parish in memory of these two special people. We are always grateful when families remember us in this way. Thanks to the many parishioners and friends of Joe and Pat who made donations

to us. May they be at rest with the Lord to whom they were both so faithful.

Thanks also for your generosity to the annual Mission Weekend collection. I was very inspired by our visiting missionary, Fr. Anand from India. It was wonderful to meet a young man who found his vocation through the work of missionaries and whose education and formation was made available by the annual collection for the missions. Please keep him and all those who serve the poorest of the poor in your prayers.

This weekend several members of our Senior Youth Group are attending the Steubenville East Youth Conference in Rhode Island. This is a powerful faith experience for these teens, and I am grateful to Rodd Blessey and the other Youth Group leaders who make this available for them. This year, I am also attending. Please keep all of us in your prayers for a safe journey and a powerful renewal of faith.

FAN THE FIRE is coming soon! This annual event continues to grow each year as many of the parishes of the Diocese send more and more youth to spend a day in prayer and celebration of their faith. A number of our diocesan priests have made a commitment to be here for the day to hear confessions and counsel teens as well as Bishop Lori who will be the principal celebrant of the Mass. Thanks again to Rodd Blessey for his incredible enthusiasm in making this a reality for the youth of our diocese. If you want to be inspired and have your hope in the future of the Church renewed, just drive by the parish on August 15 and see for yourself! Information and permission slips for those in grades 8 through 12 who wish to attend are available at the entrances of the church.

I have been asked by many about the net proceeds from this year's carnival. I am very happy with the results in spite of the economy, the carnival taking place during the 4th of July holiday weekend and the daily threat of rain and bad weather which really did not affect us too much at all this year. We still have some outstanding bills to be paid, but it appears that we netted approximately \$61,000. for our ongoing parish needs. Once again, thanks to the numerous parishioners and friends of the parish who helped make this year's carnival and raffle a success!

Because Fr. Milan is still with his family in Slovenia and I am away at the youth conference, we have some visiting priests who are willing to cover for us this weekend. My personal thanks to them for helping us. Please extend a warm welcome to them after Mass.



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. 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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Pam Arsenault, DRE – 426-2333

God, the Provider

Every day during this past week, Vacation Bible School focused on one daily truth about who we are in Jesus: We are accepted by Him, He is our Protector, our Forgiver, our way to live, our savior, and we are His children. Today's Gospel focuses on Jesus, the Provider and trusting enough in His providence that we are willing to share what we have. Sometimes we forget two important things about God the Provider: 1. God's resources are unlimited; and 2. God knows what we need. The story of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes took place at the time of Passover, and Jesus used it to remind us that His Father does, indeed, provide for us and has always provided for us throughout history. When this fact is truly realized, then our response is that we too become providers for others, and we stop creating scenarios that cause division in our lives because of fear of lack of resources. Giving of ourselves is at the heart of our faith because we follow a Man who gave everything, including His life, for love for us.

Reflection Questions: How does this Gospel prefigure the Eucharist? In what way do you need to trust God right now?

Reflection Activity: Stretching our resources is a way to honor the Gospel. Sometimes we are forced to perform a miracle of our own in the kitchen. As a family, share a story of the "miracle of the loaves and the fishes" in your own lives.

Vacation Bible School was a wonderful experience for the children and for all the volunteers! Thank you to Michele Buzzi and Dot Perpignand, VBS coordinators, for the joy that they bring to this fun and spirit-filled camp each year. Their incredible organizational skills combined with their love and sensitivity for the needs of children, and their kindness with volunteers was a perfect combination for the love of Christ to shine through each day!

Good Opportunity To Relax and Have Some Fun...

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 28th from 7:00-9:00p.m. in the Msgr. Conroy Room of the School. It is based on a series of six 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. The cost is \$10 for the workbook, and there are still some openings.

Enriching My Catholic IQ: The first bishop of the United States was (a) George Mundelein; (b) James Gibbons; (c) John Neumann; (d) John Carroll

Sessions are Filling Up!

The earlier one registers their children for Religious Education, the better the chance to receive the session that is needed. You also help avoid the late summer crunch, which is costly in terms of human resources to process the registrations! First Grade is a prerequisite for First Communion. We are available for registration weekdays from 8:00 – 4:00. If you need to arrange a different time to register, please call 426-2333.

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 Education Office at 426-2333 if you would like more information:

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)

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 7 p.m.

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!

ANGELS NEEDED

The Religious Education Office is looking for a limited number of 7th, 8th and High School students needing community service hours on the following dates and times. If you are interested, and you are able to commit to some or all of the below dates, please contact the Religious Education office at 426-2333, ext. 4 (Janice) to sign up. We appreciate your help!

7/27, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Help collect and re-stock supply boxes for classrooms

8/5, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Help make copies, sorting, folding and stuffing letters to our catechists

Help prepare supply bags for distribution at weekend Masses

8/12 & 8/13 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Help make copies, sorting, folding and stuffing letters to our religious education parents

9/1, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Unpack, sort, number text books

Help sort and stuff grade level theme bags

9/10, 2:30 – 4:30 pm

Help copy, sort, stuff, and count catechist folders

10/1, 2:30 – 4:30 pm

Help label, sort, and stuff folder packets for 8th grade Commitment Mass

10/22, 2:30 – 4:30 pm

Help label, sort, and stuff folder packets for 2nd grade Instructional/Enrollment Mass

10/29 & 10/30, 2:30 – 4:30 pm

Help with All Saint's day project in Church, school and Rel. Ed. Office

Help label, sort, and stuff folder packets for 7th grade Instructional/Enrollment Mass

First Communion Photos Available for Viewing and Ordering

On-Line at: www.lensphotography.photorelect.com

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

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.

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

Available: Oak Finish entertainment center 49”wide, 14”deep; 41” high.

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: 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.

A graphic with the word "MEETINGS" in a bold, serif font, centered within a dark, horizontally-oriented oval shape with a textured, wood-grain-like background.

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 August 16, 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 3rd Sunday from 7-8 p.m. For info call Suzanne Brown (203) 364-9796.

☩ **St Rose Family Life Theatre** ☩ On **Saturday, August 8, 2009 at 7:00 pm** in the new St. Rose Hall with the new sound system, we will be showing the movie, **Pope John Paul II**, starring Academy Award- and Golden Globe-winning actor **John Voight** as the pope and **Cary Elwes** (*The Princess Bride, Glory*) as the younger Karol Wojtyla. This incredible portrayal of the extraordinary life of Pope John Paul II originally aired as a three-hour mini-series on CBS, but has never been released to theaters. Bring your family and friends! Copies of the DVD and other JP II materials will be available for sale. Don’t miss this opportunity to see **Pope John Paul II** for the first time ever on the “big screen”! **This movie was made in cooperation with the Vatican and received a blessing from Pope Benedict XVI. For more information contact: Bernhard Roegel 426-6030 or Lil Gustilo, 270-3644.**

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 and August. Screenings will resume in September. Please call the parish nurse office if you would like your blood pressure checked!

Health Tip:

Got a craving? Forget moderation! Just a tiny taste of a treat and you’ll be able to put the craving out of your head for good, right? Nope. Leave the ice cream carton in the freezer. Put the bag of mini chocolates down. Don’t even look at them. In a study, just one taste of a treat triggered more indulgences a mere 25 minutes later. **Appealing Picks:** Once people had a taste of an indulgence—such as a chocolate truffle—it awakened a need for more goodies. And things snowballed. They started craving things like ice cream, pizza, and potato chips. And only once the urge to indulge had been satisfied did the study participants focus once again on healthy foods like carrots, whole-wheat bread, low-fat yogurt, and pears. For Raging Cravings...Everyone craves comfort foods now and then. Just don’t act on those urges every time. Try these strategies for nipping a case of the munchies in the bud: Eat an egg breakfast. Not only are eggs a good protein source, but they may help you pass up junk food later in the day. Eat your three squares. When you skip meals, your taste buds will have a yen for the sweet and salty. Grab a bit of whole-wheat bread and olive oil. The fats in olive oil turn off your hunger.

PRAYER SHAWLS

are available for the sick, sad, lonely and dying members of our Parish family. Please call Kathleen Chrusciel-Desrosiers at 426-9922 or Sister Mary Ellen at 426-2572 ext. 11. A \$20 donation for the shawl is appreciated, as it helps us to continue our ministry. The Prayer Shawl ministry is on summer break. We meet again on September 26.



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pro-Life/Pro-Family Corner

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

Abortion, assisted suicide and euthanasia are being presented in our nation as part of necessary 'health care.' How can something be 'healthy' that always brings about a death? These practices should not be part of any civilized society.

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

ROSARY FOR LIFE: Saturday, August 29 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.

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!

What do you think an artist would feel if he were working on a masterpiece and someone came up and destroyed his artwork? Deliberate destruction of an art object expresses the lack of respect for both the artist and his art. The same attitude is expressed towards God when man indiscriminately destroys human babies that God is forming in the womb. For the love of God, we must end abortion.

The Church has a responsibility towards creation and she must assert this responsibility in the public sphere. In so doing, she must defend not only earth, water and air as gifts of creation that belong to everyone, but she must above all protect mankind from self-destruction. There is need for what might be called a human ecology, correctly understood. The deterioration of nature is in fact closely connected to the culture that shapes human coexistence: when "human ecology" is respected within society, environmental ecology also benefits. Just as human virtues are interrelated, such that the weakening of one places others at risk, so the ecological system is based on respect for a plan that affects both the health of society and its good relationship with nature.

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
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

Capt. Christopher J. Calero
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

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



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

Senior Youth Group: The next meeting is Wednesday, July 29 from 6-8:30 p.m. in the Church.

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 2nd 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.

AROUND THE DIOCESE
PASTORAL PLAN

“The eyes of all look hopefully to you O Lord, and you give them their food in due season; you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.” Part of today’s Psalm reminds us that eating together not only signifies togetherness, but also sustains and promotes it. It constitutes a beautiful means of communication. The first reading prefigures the miraculous feeding of the Gospel. The bread is multiplied to feed the poor. Our Lord, the new Moses, recreates that ancient desert wonder and feeds the crowds in the wilderness. Like Elisha in the first reading, Jesus does not have enough, but he organizes a meal anyway. He presides, as he does at our Eucharistic celebration, when we break Bread together.

We need to ask ourselves, does our participation in the Eucharistic Banquet really promote togetherness with fellow Christians? When we break bread with our Lord, we should remember those who go without food. “May all of us who share in the body and blood of Christ be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.”

EPS (Education- Parish – Service)

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, see <http://eps.trinitydc.edu> or contact Priscilla Tourmey at EPSCTProgram@trinitydc.edu or call 203-847-2363. EPS relies solely on donations.

ST. ROSE EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN

The Newtown Fire Marshal is concerned about the health and safety of our parishioners while we are worshipping together in church. Though unlikely, the Marshal makes the point that a violent storm could create an emergency situation during a mass and he would like us all to be aware and prepared. Notice the location of all church exits. Should an emergency occur please calmly proceed to the nearest exit. Over-reaction many times causes more injuries in a crowded situation than the event itself. So please exit in an orderly manner. At all masses please find a seat toward the middle of the pews so that people are not compelled to stand in the aisles or out in the front vestibule.

PARKING – Emergency vehicles must have access to the church building. Please do not park next to the rectory or on the road along the side of the church between the rectory and the rear parking lot. Remember there is additional parking at 52 Church Hill. The Fire Marshal is interested in our safety. Please try to respectfully practice these simple procedures.

FREE MINISTRY TO TRAVELING CATHOLICS.
FOR NATIONWIDE MASS TIMES AND LOCATIONS VISIT INTERNET www.Masstimes.org or call 1-410-676-6000.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY
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. 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!”

PRIESTS FOR LIFE ALERT

Congress is working on health care reform, but unless abortion funding is explicitly excluded, this bill could mean the biggest expansion of abortion in decades. Please call your Representative and Senators at 202-224-3121 and tell them that you do not want the health care reform bill to fund abortions. For more information online, visit www.priestsforlife.org/legislation. Thank you.

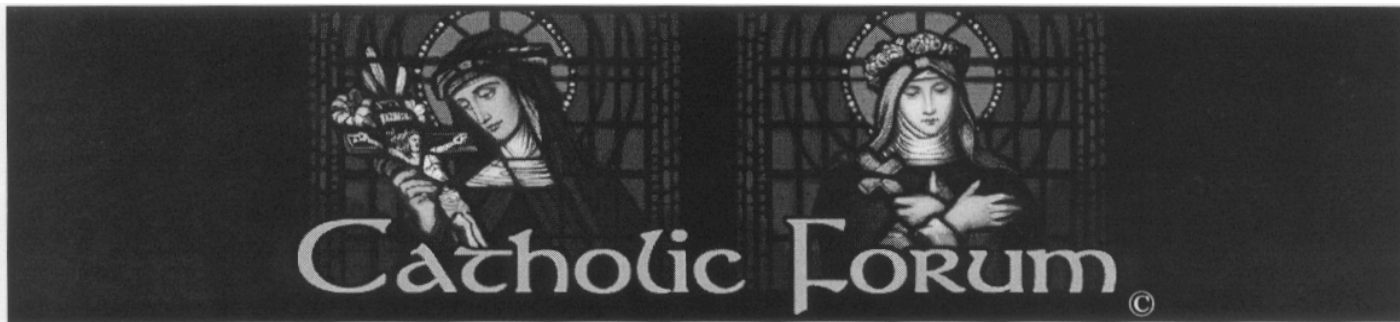
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All the faithful are invited to attend a Eucharistic Congress on September 11-12, 2009 in Washington, DC at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Congress, entitled Sacrifice of Enduring Love, is sponsored by the Council 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, CMSWR, PO Box 4467, Washington, DC 20017.





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