

THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE – August 16, 2009

Sunday, August 16	
7-9 p.m.	Bereavement Meeting (2)
7-10 p.m.	Men's CRHP Meeting (2)
Monday, August 17	
1-3 p.m.	Altar Server training (1)
6:30-9:30 p.m.	Women's CRHP Meeting 2
Tuesday, August 18	
10:00 a.m.	Job Network Support Group
7-9 p.m.	Matthew Kelly Program (8)
7-8 & 8-9:30 p.m.	Al-Anon (2)
7:15-8:15 p.m.	Lay Missionaries of Charity
Wednesday, August 19	
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Divine Mercy Cenacle (7)
Thursday, August 20	
1-3 p.m.	Altar Server Training (1)
3-4 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (7)
8:00 p.m.	Prayer Group (2)
Friday, August 21	
7:15 a.m.	Men's CRHP Prayer (2)
3-4 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (7)
	Anonymous Apostles of Divine Mercy
7-9:30 p.m.	Natural Family Planning 2
Saturday, August 22	
10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Workcamp Car Wash
6:30 p.m.	AA Meeting (2)
LOCATION:	
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

ST. ROSE MEMORIAL FUND

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

- Gift of Charles and Jean Leety in Memory of Patricia Russo
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- Gift of Laurie Murphy in Memory of Helen Howryletz
- Gift of Laurie Murphy in Memory of Sharon Llodra Barrows
- Gift of Judie Shivy in memory of Joseph Murphy

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. 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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 17	
6:45	Helen Sirotnik Cathie Mapen
9:00	Eileen & Kevin Comerford Family
7:00	Luisa Dimic
Tuesday, August 18	
6:45	Peg Saidis Peggy & Tony Baiad
9:00	Anna Meehan Tom & Margie Cassin
Wednesday, August 19	
6:45	Joseph Murphy Emma Rohde
9:00	Doris, Raul, Luis Cardenas Family
Thursday, August 20	
6:45	Jim & Helen Paryzek Flip & Knettie Archard
9:00	Jeff White Kevin & Mary Maloney & Family
Friday, August 21	
6:45	Jeff White Jim & Jeanne Walker
9:00	Gerry Kennedy Nancy Kennedy
Saturday, August 22	
8:00	Patricia Goldman Family
4:00	Herbert Bistany Ellen Klaus
5:30	Mario DiVito Family
Sunday, August 23	
7:30	Cavanaugh & Kilbride Families Family
9:00	James Patrick O'Connor The O'Connor Family
10:30	William Benzing Marie Jowdy
12:00	Thomas Gribbin Jim & Roseanne Loring

IN REMEMBRANCE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Jeff White, as requested by Rosemarie Cavanaugh

Thank you for your support!

Collection for August 9, 2009	\$15,033.00
Children's Collection	\$ 16.45
Collection August 10, 2008	\$16,733.00

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

Wedding Banns

Banns I: Kelly Dean & James Henry Bebrin III
Banns II Geoffrey Brennan & Andrea Rustine

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES: The new summer Natural Family Planning Classes will be held August 21 and September 18 from 7:00 until 9:30 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima Parish, Newtown, CT in the Religious Education Building. For more information, please contact Adrienne Keogler: adriennekeogler@att.net or 203270-9544.

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB

Thanks to all who helped make the fourth annual FAN THE FIRE YOUTH RALLY a great success. It is a privilege for our parish to be able to host this yearly event for the teens of the Diocese of Bridgeport. Bishop Lori's presence and support of this rally is a special blessing and makes the day even more wonderful. Very special thanks to our Youth Minister, Rodd Blessey, for the organization of this day as well as to the entire Youth Ministry Team of the parish. Our thanks also go to the Knights of Columbus for their presence and to the Parish Nurse Ministry for being on site throughout the day to help keep the teens healthy and safe. We are also blessed that so many priests of the diocese made themselves available throughout the day to provide the Sacrament of Penance and counseling to the participants. This rally is very much focused on the sacraments of Eucharist and Penance, and we could not make that happen without the support of our diocesan priests. Thanks also to the parents who encouraged their teens to join us for this rally and to all the teens who said "YES" to the Lord and their Church by attending. There is no doubt that the fire of faith in the hearts of the young who attended was fanned with a deeper love for the Lord! May that enthusiasm stay forever in their hearts.

Thanks also this week to our summer seminarian, PAUL ZALONSKI. Paul will be leaving us this week for a couple of weeks at home with his family before entering his theological studies. Paul has added a great deal to our parish since his arrival in April.

Because of his extensive knowledge of the Church, especially liturgy, he has been a great assistance to us. His theological background is an impressive one as evidenced by the many pamphlets he made available to us for which he was responsible while working at the Knights of Columbus. Paul has a strong desire to serve the Lord and the Church. His personality and ability to get along so well with people are great gifts which will be a blessing in his ministry. Paul has helped in so many ways, especially during the carnival as he once again assumed the seminarian's role as chief garbage collector! His assistance with Vacation Bible School, religious education and altar serving training as well as his many visits to the sick and homebound demonstrate his willingness to be Christ's presence to all he encounters. He has been a bright light in the rectory since his arrival in April. Please keep him in your prayers. If you want to stay in touch, here is his address:

MR. PAUL ZALONSKI
SAINT JOSEPH SEMINARY
201 SEMINARY AVENUE
YONKERS, NEW YORK 10704

Please keep the other members of our parish community who are in formation in your prayers as well. We are truly blessed by these men and women.

MICHAEL TAYLOR for the priesthood
QUI DONOVAN for religious life
RICHARD SCINTO for the permanent diaconate
PATRICK SHEVLIN for the permanent diaconate

Always pray for vocations in your daily prayers. We need men and women of strong faith to step up and willingly serve the Lord, especially in these times. Please do not be

afraid to talk with your sons and daughters about the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood and religious life or to encourage your spouse to pursue studies for the diaconate. There is great joy in serving the Lord!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF PROJECT 2009!

This annual summer collection is a real boost to our budget and a great help to me in keeping our buildings and campus in good condition. I have always believed that by repairing things as soon as they happen and providing ongoing maintenance is a great savings to the parish. This project collection also allows us to stay on our parish budget by providing extra funding for these mini-projects and repairs. Please consider what you might be able to do to help with this year's project. Every dollar will be a big help! YELLOW ENVELOPES for Project 2009 are at the doors of the church if you misplaced or did not receive one.

THANKS also to the many parishioners who have been making up their envelopes for the time you have been away on vacation. As you know, our weekly offertory takes a bit of a dip in the months of July and August. While I am grateful that the offertory has been strong throughout the summer months, I am especially grateful to those of you who have made the effort to make up your donations. We are blessed by your generosity in these very challenging economic times.

If you passed through the rectory office this past week, you may have noticed that it turned "pink" in celebration of Fran's first grandchild! Congratulations, Fran!

FYI...I will be heading to New York for the summer gift show on Monday and Tuesday for some last minute items we need for the Christmas Boutique. Only 109 shopping days until the Boutique opens!!!!



SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

POSITION OPEN – PART TIME MUSIC TEACHER \ St. Rose School. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Grades K-4. For further details contact Mary Maloney at principal@stroseschool.com.

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 Toumey at EPSCTProgram@trinitydc.edu or call 203.847-2363. EPS relies solely on donations.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Pam Arsenault, DRE – 426-2333

The Food Network of Scripture

It is easy to notice the constant reference to food within the readings this week and the Gospel readings of the previous weeks. Why food? Food is what keeps us alive. The readings speak of nourishment; however they are not primarily concerned about our bodies. Rather, they address the spiritual nourishment needed to keep us alive in our faith. We are preparing our families and ourselves for heaven – our time on earth is short. God seeks to nourish our souls. This year, Religious Education is focusing on the spiritual nourishment of adults. In September, parishioners will receive a calendar listing the spiritual “feedings” – speakers, seminars, and retreats for adults. Pray for the will of God and attend what God chooses for you.

Reflection Questions: When is the last time that you attended something that fed your soul?

Reflection Activity: This year, in addition to prayer and celebrating the Sacraments, make a resolution to attend one additional thing that nurtures your soul each month.

Enriching My Catholic IQ: Which mysteries of the rosary celebrate the Coronation of Mary, Queen of heaven: (a) Joyful mysteries; (b) Glorious mysteries; (c) Luminous mysteries; (d) all of the above.

Catechists: If you did not receive a letter and calendar in the mail two weeks ago, please call the Religious Education Office!

Catechists: Please 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)

CD Players needed to Accompany the New Textbooks for Religious Education!

This year, grades 1 through 4 will be using a new Loyola textbook series called “Finding God.” (Last year, grades 6, 7 & 8 started new textbooks.) These new textbooks use multi-sensory ways to help the children learn; one addition is the use of CDs. We currently have nine CD players, and we will need another nine! If you are able to donate a small CD player, please give us a call at 426-2333. Thank you!

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 pre-requisite 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 last weekend 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 still have a few needs (27!) for this coming September – so please ask God if it is His will that you teach. Call the Religious Education Office at 426-2333 if you would like more information:

Monday 4:15

Grade 1 – (1)
Grade 1 – (1) Co-Catechist
Grade 2 – (2)
Grade 3 – (1) Co-Catechist
Grade 4 – (1)

Tuesday 4:15

Grade K – (1)
Grade 2 – (1)
Grade 4 – (3)
Grade 5 – (1)
Grade 6 – (2)

Wednesday 4:15

Grade 1 – (1)
Grade 2 – (1) Co-Catechist
Grade 3 – (1) Co-Catechist
Grade 4 – (1)
Grade 5 – (1)
Grade 6 – (2)

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!

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 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 or call Fred at 426-9337.

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.

This week we celebrate the lives of St. John Eudes (Aug. 19), St. Bernard (August 20); St. Pius X (August 21), and the Queenship of Mary (August 22).

Answer to Catholic IQ: (b) The Coronation is the fifth Glorious Mystery of the Rosary. We celebrate the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday.

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: Over-sized sofa, good condition.

Available: Side-by-side refrigerators, stoves, microwave and hot & cold outdoor sink.

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

Needed: Washer and Dryer.

Needed: Light-weight upholstered chair with arms.

Needed: Dorm. size refrigerator.

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

Needed: Queen size mattress and box spring

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. The oval has a textured, slightly grainy appearance. The background of the page behind the graphic consists of horizontal lines.

The **Friday Morning Bible Study Group** will not be meeting during the month of August. We will resume after Labor Day 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. 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 next meeting will be Sunday, August 16, 2009 from 7-8 p.m. in the conference room on the main floor of 38 Church Hill Road. The group meets monthly on every 3rd Sunday. For more information, contact Suzanne Vitiello at 203-364-9796.

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.

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.

Blood pressure screenings will resume the weekend of September 12th. See you then!

Health Tip:

A Fruit That’s Got Your Back! Here’s a refreshing snack you should get to know if you want to keep your spine feeling fine: grapes. Chill ’em, and eat a handful every day. New research suggests there’s something in grapes that could help protect certain types of back cartilage. **It’s Gotta Be the Resveratrol:** Yep, it’s the resveratrol all right. This special anti-inflammatory compound found in grapes is already known to have heart-healthy benefits. Researchers now think that it might also have the ability to hinder degeneration of intervertebral disks, a part of the spine often associated with lower back pain. It’s too early to know for sure, but a cow-cell culture study showed that resveratrol helped with the creation and buildup of important connective tissue in the disk called proteoglycan. **Banish Back Pain** Of course, one of the most important things you can do to keep your back healthy is to exercise and keep your body strong.

WE ARE LAY ROMAN CATHOLICS – a MOVEMENT OF CONSECRATED PERSONS WITH A SPECIFIC VOCATION AND MISSION: Missionaries of Charity following the charisms of Mother Teresa; missionaries of love, doing small things with 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. Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 18th at 7:15 p.m.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pro-Life/Pro-Family Corner

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

FIRST MEETING OF THE "NEW YEAR" - Tuesday, September 8 at 7:30 in the rectory - please join us!

In his July 17 comments to Congress, Bishop of Rockville Centre, William Murphy, the chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Rights said the bishops looked forward to working with congressional leaders to reform health care "in a manner that offers accessible, affordable and quality health care that protects and respects the life and dignity of all people from conception until natural death."

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Pro-Life Secretariat has created a Health Care Reform Action Alert with more information and an e-mail form at <http://www.usccb.org/prolife>.

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.

Every baby saved from an abortion is a warm, breathing, human being loved by God, with its own individual destiny and name. We must stop offending God; we must end abortion. Join a pro-life group today.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

Men's Retreat – scheduled for September 26 & 27th at Marian Heights in Monroe. For more information, please contact Mike Ronan at 203-733-9186 or any of the following retreat coordinators: Chris Fish, Markus Balas, Kevin Barrett, Doug Olah, Jack Hickey-Williams, Brian Liotta or, Mike Pindell

Survey – In an effort to improve the Christ Renews His Parish Retreat experience, we recently sent out a web-survey to all past participants. If you did not receive the survey, please contact Joanne Marcinek at askjoanne@gmail.com to make sure we have an up-to-date email address for you. The survey link is also available at: www.strosecrhp.com.

FREE MINISTRY TO TRAVELING CATHOLICS
For nationwide Mass times and locations, check the Internet www.Masstimes.org.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU ARE MOVING (426-1014) SO THAT WE CAN KEEP OUR PARISH CENSUS UPDATED.

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
Capt. Robert A. Bassett, D.O.
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 of Columbus meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 3rd in the Msgr. Conroy Room. There is a social at 7 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

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



www.stroseyouthgroup.com

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

Senior Youth Group: Check the Youth Group calendar in the back of the church for upcoming events.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

PASTORAL PLAN

This week's readings explain the true meaning of transubstantiation. As Roman Catholics our belief is at the center and heart of the Mass in which we celebrate. When one starves for the Eucharist it is not due to the fact that one is craving for food, but for the actual attachment of Jesus Christ. When we partake in the Eucharist during Mass, we are nourishing our souls. Just as food nourishes our bodies, the Eucharist is food that nourishes our souls.

The first reading explains to us most evidently there are many different levels at which Wisdom exercises itself in our daily lives. It can be at a very practical, day-to-day level, informing all that we do and how we conduct ourselves in particular circumstances. However, Wisdom can also have more of a "bird's eye view" over our life. Essentially, it is seeing God as He chooses to reveal Himself, and seeing all reality in light of the Mystery of God.

The Second Reading has given us that knowledge to be one with the Holy Spirit who is our internal companion and guide. Our wisdom is such that it is received through the Holy Spirit in order that we may be united through it to additionally be unified with the Father and the Son. The "living bread" which is Jesus Christ, is present not only at Mass but as omnipresence, for the Mass never ends as we are called to live it and take it with us. Eternal life has been granted through the Eucharist which is Jesus Christ. "I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh."

THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN "BLUE MASS" will be celebrated by Bishop William E. Lori on Sunday, September 13 at 12 noon at Assumption Parish, 98 Riverside Drive, Westport. All are invited to attend this special Mass, honoring the daily service and sacrifice of Fire, Police, and EMS personnel in 21 towns and cities in Fairfield County, with special remembrance of those who gave their lives in service to others eight years ago on September 11, 2001. A reception will follow, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. For more information, contact Donna Schmidt: (203) 416-1457.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR & SENIOR

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

RETRouvaille OF CONNECTICUT: If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving 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 Sept. 18-20, 2009. For more info, please call our confidential number 1-800-470-2230 or email us at 3001@retrouvaille.org.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE RETREAT: For all who are divorced, widowed, or separated – there is a special heartache in finding oneself alone again. **DIVORCED, SEPARATED AND WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN** of all ages are encouraged to attend a Beginning Experience weekend designed for those who wish to resolve the pain and grief of losing the marriage relationship and create a more peace-filled future. The Beginning Experience weekend will be held **September 18 – 20** at **Montfort Spiritual Retreat Center in Litchfield, CT.** The weekend begins Friday evening, September 18 and continues through Sunday afternoon, September 20, concluding with Mass. The weekend fee is \$225/person, which includes the program and materials, all meals on Saturday and Sunday and two nights' stay. For more information and an application for yourself or for a friend, please call Yvonne at 860-693-1913.

LAY FRATERNITY OF ST. DOMINIC

Interested in learning about the Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic and Dominican Spirituality?

The members of the Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic, St. Mary's Chapter, invite all who are interested to an inquiry meeting on Sunday, September 13, 2009 at 1:15 p.m. at the Priory of St. Mary's Church, 5 Hillhouse Ave., New Haven, CT 06505

For info call: Karolyn Smith (203) 795-3386 or Linda Kelly (203) 389-8447 after 9 a.m.

NOTED LITURGICAL SCHOLAR FR. UEW

MICHAEL LANG will give a lecture on sacred art and architecture in the thought of Pope Benedict XVI on Wednesday, August 19th, in the parish hall of St. Mary Church, 669 West Avenue, Norwalk, CT. The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. with Solemn Mass for the Feast of St. John Eudes. Further information: <http://hughofcluny.blogspot.com>. All are welcome!

NUN RUN – SEPTEMBER 12-13, 2009

What is a "Nun Run"?

A *Nun Run* is a 24+ hour experience during which single women ages 18-45 are invited to visit different Sisters' houses (convents) to share life with us. You will have the opportunity to pray with us, eat with us, hear our stories and laugh with us. So fasten your seatbelts and plan to join us for a whirlwind weekend that will give you an inside look into Religious Life for women as a Sister! Transportation provided at no fee for the weekend. A Nun Run is scheduled for September 12th at 12:00pm to September 13th at 12:00pm. Call Sr. Maria Iannuccillo, SSND at 203-762-4152 or email miannuccillo@amsnd.org to receive a flyer and to register. Registration must be received by **September 7, 2009**. Sponsored by the Connecticut Vocation Council.

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 Representatives 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.

Celebrate with us

The Feast of our Patroness

“St. Rose of Lima” at

**Our Annual Outdoor Mass
and Picnic**

*The Third ANNIVERSARY of the
ST. JOSEPH PROJECT*

THE SAINT JOSEPH PROJECT exists to support the parish’s ministry to those in need with respect to housing issues. St. Joseph Project will work continuously to raise funds in support of its mission. - *St. Joseph Project Mission Statement*

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

- PLEASE bring a chair or blanket for the outdoor Mass at noon!
- FOOD, BEVERAGES AND DESSERT WILL BE SERVED AT NO COST!

Your FREE WILL OFFERING
WILL HELP The
St. Joseph Project:
Receive a Pink Rose in
Gratitude For your Kindness.

*“Contribute your change...
Your change can change lives”*

Sunday, August 30, 2009
St. Rose of Lima Church
Newtown, CT



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