

ST. ROSE OF LIMA

This week at St. Rose – Sunday, September 13, 2009

Sunday, September 13

All masses	Blood Pressure screening 1
6-8:30 p.m.	Sr. Youth Group (1)
7-10 p.m.	Men's CRHP Meeting (2)

Monday, September 14

6:30-9:30 p.m.	Women's CRHP Meeting 2
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Tuesday, September 15

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

Wednesday, September 16

3:30-5 p.m.	Divine Mercy Cenacle (7)
7:00 p.m.	Special Moms Meeting (2)
7:30-9 p.m.	Cub Scouts (2)

Thursday, September 17

10:15 a.m.	Spiritual Journey (2)
3-4 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (7)
6-7:30 p.m.	Curriculum Night (3)
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir (1)
8:00 p.m.	Prayer Group (2)

Friday, September 18

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
7-9:30 p.m.	Natural Family Planning 2

Saturday, September 19

all Masses	Rel. Articles & Cares Box 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 |

ATTENTION ST. ROSE SCHOOL ALTAR SERVERS

There will be altar server training for St. Rose School altar servers on Thursday, October 8 from 3-5 p.m. in the church.

If you would like to support **Father Amal's mission** in India, you can make a tax-deductible contribution to Pax in Terra Inc., a 501c3 charitable organization established by St. Rose parishioners to support Father Amal and other sustainable efforts around the world. You can send a check to Pax in Terra, Inc., P.O. Box 13, Newtown, CT 06470 or donate through the website at www.paxinterra.org.

The ST. ROSE MEMORIAL FUND has been graciously chosen by the following families and benefactors in memory of a loved one. We are sincerely grateful for their generosity.

Gift of Kent Road Homeowners in memory of Herman Rosa

 **Mass Intentions for the Week**

Monday, September 14

6:45	Douglas Ruffles, Sr.	Mary Ruffles
9:00	John & Craig Turgeon	Flip & Knettie Archard

Tuesday, September 15

6:45	Jaime Alcantara	Family
9:00	Anna Zitnay	Husband

Wednesday, September 16

6:45	Joseph Murphy	The O'Connor Family
9:00	Peter Setaro	The Mulrane Family

Thursday, September 17

6:45	Mr. & Mrs. Thiruchelvam	Luxkaranayagam Fam.
9:00	Nicole Ringas	Family

Friday, September 18

6:45	Helen Howryletz	Mona Lauricella
9:00	Andre Love	Brigitte Blais

Saturday, September 19

8:00	Rolf Lunde	Moulder Family
4:00	Michael Abric	Rosemarie Abric
5:30	Bruce Peaslee	Corinne Yakush

Sunday, September 20

7:30	Steven Schultz	The Marusa Family
9:00	Isabelle MacKenzie Murray	Murray Family
10:30	Brenda Schlesinger	St. Rose Choir
12:00	Stephen Mazuroski	Mazuroski Family
4:00	Catholic Forum Mass	

IN REMEMBRANCE

The Pro-Life & Family vigil candle will be lit this week in memory of Thor & Aileen Svega and Geralyn Dyer as requested by family.

Thank you for your support!	
Collection for September, 2009	\$16,278.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 6,919.00
Children's Collection	\$ 7.20
Collection Sept. 7, 2008	\$20,048.00
QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE strosechurch.com FOR YOUR REVIEW.	

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Today's second collection is for The Catholic University of America, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. Every dollar we give directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please be generous.



**Banns: II Maureen Flanagan & William Pendergast
II Kathleen Mooney & Philip Cardillo
I Paula Accomando & Andrew Szemiot
I Christina Salas & Eric Tanski**

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BOB

HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY! Although this is not an "official" holiday, it is a holiday that we need to celebrate in order to thank our grandparents for their many kindnesses to us. While many in this contemporary society do not live near their grandparents, we can be sure that there is a special bond that distance cannot break.

This weekend we take time not only to say thanks to grandparents, but also to reflect on the role of a grandparent in the life of a grandchild. Grandparents are truly a source of wisdom and encouragement. They have a wonderful story to tell and share. Catholic grandparents have a special role as they witness to the importance of their faith and teach how important it is to be close to God in prayer and worship. While we ask God's blessings on these men and women so important in the life of a family, let us also pray that they will be powerful examples in helping to mold their grandchildren in faith and all things good and holy. Let us be especially mindful of those grandparents who are raising their grandchildren, those grandparents who may be alienated from their grandchildren, and for those grandparents who are ill; may God bless them in a special way this weekend. If you are blessed to have a grandmother or grandfather, take time today to wish them much happiness!

This weekend, we are commissioning our catechists at all the Masses. We are truly blessed by the dedication of these men, women and youth who will teach our children about the Lord and His Church. Their faith is a gift to the children they will be instructing, and we are most grateful for their witness. As you all know by now, our program is one of the largest in the Diocese. The program requires many to volunteer in order to provide a solid faith based education. Please keep our catechists and all those involved in the religious formation of our parish children in your prayers.

Our Religious Education classes begin next week. If you have not yet registered your child, please do so as soon as possible. The Religious Education Office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

In observance of September 11, 2001, the Diocese is sponsoring the Annual Blue Mass to pray for and with police officers, firefighters and emergency personnel. We are grateful to these men and women for their willingness to serve our communities in Fairfield County and oftentimes to put their own lives on line to protect us. Please keep all who serve us in this capacity in your prayers. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Lori at Assumption Parish in Westport this Sunday at 12:00 noon. All are invited to attend.

Next weekend, we are happy to welcome Fr. Michael Lasky, a Franciscan priest, who is the Chaplain at Western Connecticut State University. The work of a chaplain on a college campus is a challenging vocation and one that deserves our attention and prayers. Fr. Lasky provides many opportunities for the university's students to worship, pray, develop fellowship and engage in service projects at home and abroad. Because many students from the parish are

presently attending colleges and universities, it is important for all of us to know what is available to them through campus ministry programs and the many challenges students deal with in these times.

Fr. Ignacio is home in the Philippines this week celebrating a family wedding. Please pray for his good health and safe return.

JOIN CUB SCOUTS

St. Rose Cub Scouts are holding their fall recruitment. We welcome boys in grades 1-5 to join us in our nationally recognized, award-winning Cub Scout program. Our first pack meeting is on September 30. Parents will meet on Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Msgr. Conroy Room at St. Rose School. We welcome any boy who attends St. Rose of Lima Church to join. For more information, call Donna Locke 426-9604, or e-mail d.locke@snet.net.

St. Rose Cub Scouts are quite active, with monthly meetings, regular den meetings and many special functions. We participate in camp-outs, Limerock racing and camp out, overnight museum trips (New England Air museum, Boston Science Museum, Mystic Aquarium, Battleship Cove, etc.) rocket launches, Pinewood Derby, Ashlar Christmas caroling, Halloween parties and Fright Night, hikes and much more. We have an active program in Catholic religious awards, Rosary patches, and have won the National Catholic Committee on Scouting Golden Medallion for the last two years.

PROJECT 2009

Thanks to the following parishioners for their support

Diane & Ray Baker
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David Gerics
Mildred Kilson
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Mr. & Mrs. John McNulty
Walter & Peggy Schweikert
The Sheluck Family
Michael Volpe

FREE LECTURE ON "PANDEMIC INFLUENZA"

GIVEN BY: Dr. William F. Vincent, Ph.D., clinical microbiologist (retired) with 40 years experience in the field. Senior Editor of Quest Diagnostics "Infectious Disease Update"

Geared to the layperson with good, solid explanations and straightforward answers.

WHERE: St. Joseph's Manor - Lourdes Hall, Basement Level, 6448 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611. 268-6204.

LIFE CHAIN

The annual Life Chain will take place on Main St., (corner of West St.) Danbury, on Sunday October 4, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. rain or shine. It is part of a nationwide prayerful witness to the sanctity of life held the first Sunday in October to promote the Pro-Life message. Signs will be available for all participants across from the Danbury Library. The Life Chain is legal, peaceful and nonpolitical. Please join us. For more information call 438-6123 or 748-2938.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Pam Arsenault, DRE – 426-2333

Prayers of the Faithful

Once I heard a talk about the prayers of the faithful, which are prayed during Mass every day. This is not a passive prayer – rather a very active prayer invoking Christ to work through us as *we* comfort the sorrowful, *we* work towards justice in our society, *we* stand up for what is right and good for the poor, the lonely, and the sick. The Letter of James in today's readings reminds us that we are not simply "dumping" all the world's problems on God; rather *we* are committed to do His will. As St. Teresa of Avila wrote: "Christ has no body now but yours; no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks with compassion on this world; yours are the feet with which He walks to do good; yours are the hands with which He blesses all the world. You are His eyes. You are His hands. You are His feet. You are His Body. Christ has no body now on earth...but yours." The secret of true happiness lies in losing ourselves in concern for the needs of others.

Reflection Question: Name a person you know who thinks of others first? What is the most challenging and demanding part of being a disciple of Christ?

Reflection Activity: At the dinner table this week, pray together as a family: "A little less of me and a little more of you; A little less of my ways and a little more of yours; A little less of my comfort and a little more of your love; just a little, Lord, day by day. Amen." Pray that the Lord tells you one way that you can respond to a culture that encourages selfish behavior.

Enriching My Catholic IQ: Which of the following saints said: Love bids love: (a) St. Francis DeSales; (b) St. Francis of Assisi; (c) St. Cecilia; (d) St. Martin dePorres

Parents: Next Sunday is the beginning of classes for Religious Education. There is a parent meeting during the first day of classes (Sunday through Wednesday) in the parish hall; together we will explore the many ways that we can reinforce the theme of catechesis this year.

Catechists: Thank you for attending the catechist meeting this weekend. Please call the children in your class to introduce yourself, give the location of your class, and invite all parents to the parent meeting during the first class. Parents will also have the opportunity to meet the catechists during the last 15 minutes of class.

Needs for Catechists

During the past week, two catechists have called and will not be able to teach because of circumstances beyond their control. One need will be for a fourth grade teacher on Mondays from 4:15-5:15; and the other is a need for an eighth grade teacher for Monday evening from 7:00-8:15. Please call the Religious Education Office at 426-2333 if you would like more information.

In addition, we still need a first grade teacher on Monday at 4:15, two seventh grade teachers on Monday at 7:00, a second grade teacher on Tuesday at 4:15, a grade three catechist for Tuesday, and a sixth grade teacher on Wednesday at 4:15. Also needed are catechist aides.

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!

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

Confirmation Service Hours

If you enjoy being outdoors working with nature, the Garden Angels need help either after school or on Saturday mornings during the fall – planting mums, raking flower beds, trimming bushes, and spreading mulch. Call Eileen Gallo at 426-8223, Garden Angel Coordinator.

Adult Formation

Spiritual Journey Please join us on Thursday, September 17 at 10:15-11:15 in the upstairs room at 38 Church Hill Road as Jack Hickey-Williams leads a discussion about "Festivals of Thanksgiving and Repentance." Your life will be enriched and blessed by the "spiritual journey."

Mass for People with Special Needs

On Sunday, Sept. 27 at 4:00 at St. Cecilia Parish in Stamford, Bishop Lori will celebrate a Mass for People with Special Needs. All are welcome to attend, and an educational fair will follow Mass. For more information, contact Michelle Grieco, Diocesan Director of Ministry for People with Disabilities at 416-1502 or e-mail her at mgrieco@diobpt.org.

Education Parish Service (EPS)

Are you ready to take the next step in your spiritual development? Do you have questions and not enough answers? Enroll in EPS by calling 847-2363 or contact Priscilla Toumey at EPSCTProgram@trinitydc.edu and find out the many classes that you are encouraged and invited to attend at St. Philip Parish in Norwalk from 7:15-9:20. We also have a list of classes in the Religious Ed Office at 38 Church Hill Road.

This week we celebrate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Sept. 14), Our Lady of Sorrows (Sept. 15), Pope Cornelius and St. Cyprian (Sept. 16) St. Robert Bellarmine (Sept. 17), and St. Januarius (Sept. 19).

Answer to Catholic IQ: (a) St. Francis DeSales said this in response to his discovery that when we lose our lives for the sake of love, we find divine happiness and find ourselves.

The first week of class is September 20-23. Welcome Home!

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NOTES

Next weekend: After each Mass, religious articles will be available for purchase in the vestibule.

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

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: Light green swivel/rocker arm chair. Newly upholstered.

Available in a month: Washer & dryer

Available in a month: Lovely canopy bed and dresser

Needed: Dorm. size refrigerator.

Needed: Two twin size bed frames

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** We meet on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. at 38 Church Hill Road. Experience God’s Word in Holy Scripture. All are welcome. If you have any questions please call Blanca Sheehan at 426-3253.

The **JOB NETWORKING GROUP** meets every Tuesday at 10 a.m. 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, September 20, 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 info, contact Suzanne Vitiello at 203-364-9796.

WEBS – (Women’s Enrichment Book Study) – will meet on Tuesday mornings beginning September 15 at 38 Church Hill Road from 9:30-11 a.m. Please call Kristen Renzi at 270-6915 if you are interested in joining.

SPECIAL MOMS is an ecumenical prayer group for women of Newtown who have a special needs child of any age in their life. Social time starts at 7 p.m. followed by our prayer meeting at 7:30 p.m. For more info call Anne Marie at 270-7344 or email riehaves@snet.net. Next meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 16 @ 38 Church Hill Road in the Loft.

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 be taken this weekend after all masses! They are done in the reconciliation room in the front of the church (near the organ). See you then!

Health Tip

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

SECOND ANNUAL CT CATHOLIC MEN’S CONFERENCE SAVE THE DATE:

The **Second Annual Connecticut Catholic Men’s Conference** is on Saturday, **Oct. 3, 2009** at the Chevrolet Theatre (formerly Oakdale Theatre) Wallingford, CT. Fun, exciting, and informative. CT Bishops will be in attendance. Speakers include **Father Larry Richards, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, and Michael Cumbie**. Tickets are available online at www.ctcatholicmen.org or contact Jim Tevnan at 240-7055.

Pro-Life/Pro-Family Corner

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

Welcome to the new spiritual director for the Pro-Life/Pro-Family Committee, **Father Ignacio!** We look forward to working with you!

October is Pro-Life month! Additional Pro-Life/ Pro-Family materials will be available during October. Look for them at all of the weekend masses, and watch this column for further information about upcoming Family Movie nights and Life Chain in Danbury.

ROSARY FOR LIFE: Saturday, September 26 after the 8 A.M. mass and on the last Saturday of each month

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, October 6 at 7:30 in the rectory

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

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

In the United States, surgical abortion stops a beating heart over 4000 times a day. In 30 days that would be equivalent to a city of 120,000 or twice the amount of Americans killed in the Vietnam War.

The **Christ Renews His Parish** weekend is a break from your busy schedule of personal, business and family obligations. This is an opportunity to refresh yourself spiritually in an informal and relaxed environment. The men's retreat is scheduled for September 26th & 27th at Marian Heights in Monroe. If you are searching for a deeper relationship with God and interested in meeting fellow parishioners, please consider attending. For more information, contact Mike Ronan at 203-733-9186 Michael (@jerichopartnership.org) or any of the following retreat coordinators: Chris Fish, Markus Balas, Kevin Barrett, Doug Olah, Jack Hickey-Williams, Brian Liotta, Mike Pindell. You can also pick up a brochure with additional details in the back of the church.

Women's CRHP retreat will be **Nov. 21-22**. Please call Sue Rocca if you wish to attend 270-1497 or Bev 270-8787.

ST. JOSEPH PROJECT

Can you help? Do you know of any affordable rentals? I 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

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

WE ARE LAY ROMAN CATHOLICS – a MOVEMENT OF CONSECRATED PERSONS WITH A SPECIFIC VOCATION AND MISSION: Missionaries of Charity following the charisma of Mother Teresa; missionaries of love, doing small things with a great Love – with Jesus' love. We meet every third Tuesday of the month in the **Chapel**. We pray Night Prayer and the Rosary in front of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. We conclude our Holy Hour with a reflection on Mother Teresa's words. The next meeting is Tuesday, **September 15** from 7:15-8:15 p.m.

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, DO.
SSG. Anthony T. D'Aquila
Capt. Kathryn Devonshire
Sgt. Daniel Dobbs
SSG. Michael Dobbs
2nd Lt. Thomas K. Dyer
Major William Gottmeier
Cpl. Marc Hellig
1st Lt. Rachel (Askue) Hoffman
Capt. Tucker Hughes
Major David A. Johnson
Capt. Matthew A. LaRocco
CWO Joseph Letourneau
Sgt. John Martus
Lt. Col. Mary Sara Moore
Capt. Stefania Naiman, DVM
Lt. Eric O'Donnell
Capt. Sean Pond
Major Benjamin Wallen

United States Air Force

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 Tootsie Roll drive will take place at all the masses at St. Rose the weekend of September 26-27. Your support is most appreciated.

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 Markus Balas at 449-7190 or email markus@designsbymarkus.com.

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: October 2, 2009 – Scavenger Hunt and Field Games. This night will be a lot of laughs. Prizes to go the winners. Snacks to be provided. Cost: \$3.00.

Senior Youth Group: Senior Youth Group meetings will return to Sunday nights. The next meeting is Sunday, September 13 from 6-8:30 p.m. in the church.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Diocesan Celebration of Marriage Anniversaries

Bishop William Edward Lori, STD, will celebrate a Mass, in which the commemoration of significant marriage anniversaries will occur, at **Saint Theresa Church, Trumbull, on Sunday, October 25, 2009, at 3:00 p.m.** Bishop Lori will be the homilist and will administer both the renewal of marriage vows and the presentation of commemorative certificates.

Couples who have or will be celebrating (during the months of July-December) one of the following wedding anniversaries—**15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, and 50 plus years**—are invited to participate with family and friends. **Interested couples should register with one's own parish office as soon as possible.** The deadline for registration is **Tuesday, October 13, 2009.**

MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS will be celebrated by Bishop William E. Lori on Sunday, Sept. 27, at 4:00 p.m. at Saint Cecilia Parish, 1184 Newfield Ave. Stamford. All are welcome to attend. An Educational Fair will follow Mass. For more info, contact Michelle Grieco, Diocesan Director of Ministry for People with Disabilities 203-416-1502 or email mgrieco@diobpt.org

MARRIED COUPLES – Your honeymoon was a special time. Wherever you went, the things you saw and did were secondary. Just being together was most important. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend has the same focus. The weekend centers entirely on your relationship. It is a positive, simple common sense, private experience between you and your spouse, that revitalizes marriage by helping you to see again those loving qualities in each other that you may be taking for granted. Upcoming weekends will be September 18-20 and November 6-8, 2009. For more info about Worldwide Marriage Encounter or to register for an upcoming weekend, please contact Joe and Jane Staszowski at (860) 644-7260 or meweekend@gmail.com.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

NEWTOWN/SANDY HOOK CROP WALK – 2009

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18TH AT 2:00 P.M. ON THE GROUNDS OF FAIRFIELD HILLS

Meeting Place: Cochran House on Mile Hill Road

The CROP WALK for Hunger is an annual cooperative event of the churches of Newtown. Through our 27 years of walking together, we have raised thousands of dollars for international hunger-fighting projects and also have supplied resources to our local food pantries. Funds raised by CROP walkers have made and continue to make a difference. For example: every \$150. raised by walkers can buy a hundred chicks and two wire chicken coops, providing two families with a reliable source of eggs, protein and income.

Any questions, call Pastor Greg Wismar, 426-6300.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL – SEEKING VENDORS

Saint Joseph Catholic School is seeking vendors for its annual Christmas Festival. This great family craft fair and bazaar will take place on Saturday and Sunday, December 5 and 6. Please call Nancy Arzano for more information (347)

262-6963. Reserve your spot early. Spaces sell out quickly for this very popular and established event!

OPEN HOUSE

OPEN HOUSE AT FAIRFIELD PREP: Fairfield Prep invites all 7th and 8th grade boys and their families to an OPEN HOUSE Sunday, October 4, 2009 from 2-4 p.m. Meet faculty, administrators, and students to learn more about Fairfield Prep's many offerings. For directions to Prep and to create your online Prep Admissions Account, visit the Fairfield Prep website at www.fairfieldprep.org and click on the Admissions page.

WORKCAMP 2010

The 2010 Workcamp Informational meeting will be in the Great Room of Newtown Congregational Church on Sunday, September 20th at 4:00 p.m. Next year's trip will be with Back Bay Mission to Biloxi, Mississippi to work on Hurricane Katrina Houses. The group will fly out on July 3rd and return July 11th. The cost of the trip is \$425 with fundraising participation mandatory. Details will be given at the meeting. Interested parents and students are encouraged to attend. Any questions please call either Terry Ferris at 270-1406 (tferris@sbcglobal.net) or Sue Mouchantat 426-2149.

TOWN OF MONROE WELLNESS FAIR – 9/26/09

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Masuk High School, 1014 Monroe Turnpike, Monroe, CT. Screenings: Sun facial screenings Reiki, Relexology, Zumba demo, mammography screening. Sponsored by St. Vincent's. Call 516-5500 for an appointment. CT child identification program- fingerprints, toothprints, cheek swab, packaged in purple pack and given to parents. Fire extinguisher training. Blood pressure screenings & much more. Stop by!

Also, Monroe Lions Eye Health Free Eye Screening

ST. THERESA TAG SALE

On Saturday, October 10, St. Theresa Confraternity will be sponsoring a Tag Sale from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the school gym. Anyone interested in renting a table for a registration fee of \$25.00 (non-refundable) may reserve one table. Please contact co-chairpersons: Call Dolly Crowley at 268-0827, or Lisa Casola at 459-2512 from 12:30 - 6 p.m.

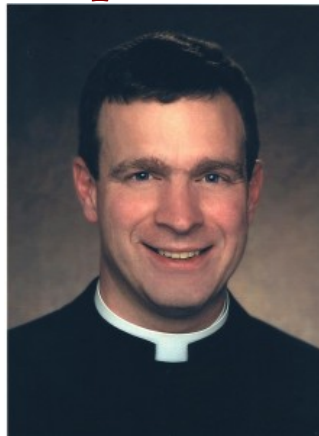
DANBURY EMMAUS is planning a retreat for November 13-15, 2009 for high school aged students (ages 14-18) at the Seton-Neumann Center in Danbury, CT. Here, you receive an opportunity to meet and become friends with Catholics, create relationships based on Christ's love, and share time in reflection and fellowship with Jesus Christ while having fun! For more info, please do not hesitate to call Patrick Corbett @ (203) 286-8581 or Erica Venezia @ (203) 791-2330.

FALL FAIR AT CHRIST THE KING – The annual Fall Fair & Tag Sale of Christ the King Lutheran Church in Newtown will be held on Saturday, September 26th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Craft items, baked goods and a variety of gift baskets will be offered for sale as well as food items to be eaten "on sight" or taken home. The church is located at 85 Mt. Pleasant Road, (Rte. 25 near I-84 exit 9). For more info call the church at 203-426-6300.

The St. Rose of Lima Catholic Forum

Presents
*Celebrating Marriage
and the Family*

*With Father John Waiss
Sunday, September 20, 2009*



Fr. Waiss is the chaplain of the Overlook Study Center and Vancourt in New Rochelle, New York. His book, "Couples in Love - Straight Talk on Dating, Respect, Commitment, Marriage, and Sexuality", discusses the Catholic truths about love, marriage and family.

*Mass at 4 pm in the Church with Fr. Waiss
Followed at 5 by the presentation in the gathering hall*

[For more information visit www.catholicforum.us](http://www.catholicforum.us)

Upcoming Catholic Forum events:

October 25, 2009 *"Celebrating the Faith" luncheon and book signing with Dr. Peter Kreeft, distinguished professor at Boston College*

November 22, 2009 - Father Reggie Norman - *From Computer Guru to Priest: One Man's Tale of Listening to the Still, Small Voice*

December 13, 2009 - Deacon Don Naiman - *Preparing for the Son of God: What the Incarnation Means to All of Us*

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