

ST. ROSE OF LIMA

THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE - Sunday, June 7, 2009

Sunday, June 7	
6 p.m.	Relay for Life Reception 3
7-10 p.m.	Men's CRHP (2)
Monday, June 8	
6:30-9:30 p.m.	Women's CRHP (2)
Tuesday, June 9	
9:30 a.m.	WEBS
10 a.m.	Job Network Support Group
7-8 & 8-9:30 p.m.	Al-Anon (2)
Wednesday, June 10	
6:30 p.m.	Women's Club-Mona Lisa
7:30 p.m.	Folk Choir (1)
Thursday, June 11	
10:15 a.m.	Spiritual Journey (2)
3-4 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (7)
8:00 p.m.	Prayer Group (2)
Friday, June 12	
7:15 a.m.	Men's CRHP Prayer (2)
10:30 a.m.	Friday Bible Study (2)
3-4 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (7)
	Anonymous Apostles of Divine Mercy
Saturday, June 13	
6:30 a.m.	AA Meeting (2)

LOCATION:

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| 1. Church | 5. Parish Center/Safeplace |
| 2. 38 Church Hill Rd. | 6. St Rose School |
| 3. Gathering Hall | 7. Chapel |
| 4. Science Room | 8. Msgr. Conroy Room |

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. Edward the Confessor, New Fairfield, June 17, 7 p.m.

St. Jude Parish, Monroe, July 11 9:00 a.m.

St. Edward the Confessor, New Fairfield, July 12, 1 p.m.

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

BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome to our parish family those who were baptized during the month of May, 2009.

Sara Kate Barresi
Keira Ann Campbell
Mia Tatiana Camputo
Benjamin Coccozza
James Proctor Cornett
Luke Michael Gagnon
Ava Lynn Geiger

Kiley Rose Harding
Ryan Patrick Hochstetler
Samuel Isaac Lindsay
William Thomas Lokey
Hayden Grace Murray-Smith
Harrison James Souza
Emma Catherine Strychalsky

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, June 8	
6:45	Edward Cashin (25 th Anniv.) The Brown Family
9:00	Mary Fedock Joan Liscinsky
Tuesday, June 9	
6:45	Peg & Frank Saidis Peggy & Tony Baiad
9:00	Francis Reilly Neil & Sheila Culligan
Wednesday, June 10	
6:45	Robert McMahon Anna McMahon
9:00	Prisca Correia Religious Education
Thursday, June 11	
6:45	Adelaide Behan The Rodriguez Family
9:00	Bill Honan Rosary Group
Friday, June 12	
6:45	Jennifer Coudrey Colleen Mahar
9:00	Mary Krompinger Tricia & Neil Curry
Saturday, June 13	
8:00	Deceased Members of K of C Council #185
4:00	In thanksgiving to St. Anthony & Marie Morgera St. Jude
5:30	David Ryan The O'Connor Family
Sunday, June 14	
7:30	Douglas Ruffles, Sr. Mary Ruffles
9:00	Fr. Justin Quinn The Dennen Family
10:30	Brennan Merrick The Brown Family
12:00	Robert Abric Rosemarie Abric

Thank you for your support!

Collection for May 31, 2009	\$18,775.88
Children's Offertory	\$ 14.90
Collection for June 1, 2008	\$17,559.00

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FATHER AMAL'S MISSION

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.

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

Gift of Matthew Matrullo in memory of Eugenia Matrullo

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. BOB

We gather this weekend to celebrate the FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, one of the great mysteries of our Church and yet our very foundation. We are a TRINITARIAN CHURCH rooted in the love of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. All that we are and all that we do as a community of faith is grounded in the mystical relationship of our Triune God. We acknowledge the fullness of God's divinity as revealed in the three persons of the Holy Trinity. They are for us the perfect model of the community to which Jesus calls us. How do you explain this relationship? It defies explanation because of the depth of love that it represents. It goes far beyond human imagining and understanding! The great commission given to by Jesus and recalled in this weekend's Gospel to go and make disciples of all nations and to baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit is the responsibility of each of us. How we accomplish that in our every day living is a unique task, yet we are given the grace and the gifts we need to be effective witnesses to the Gospel. The Father created us in His own image, the Son taught us to live and to love by the sacrifice of His own life, and the Spirit continues to guide and encourage us. We have all we need! So many of us are being easily influenced away from the Gospel truth by the values and morals that guide secular society. We have compromised the great commandments given to us by the hand of God the Father, we have softened our consciences as they were molded by the teachings of Christ, and we almost defy the presence of the Holy Spirit working among us by our lack of courage to stand for the truth. This weekend is a reminder to come home to what God has called us to be and to reflect to the world the true teachings of Jesus Christ. Even in our worst times, we are still blessed by the love of a Father, the selflessness of a Son and the grace of the Holy Spirit. Let us be as God calls us to be, a true model of community, all very unique and yet all working for the same good!

WELCOME FR. IGNACIO ORTIGAS! What a joy and a blessing for a parish to welcome a newly ordained priest. A priest's first assignment is a very important stepping stone, and I encourage each of you to welcome him and help make him feel at home. I am sure he will feel a bit overwhelmed at the beginning of his assignment, but I know that he is most anxious to be part of our parish community and serve in any capacity he can in helping us continue to grow in God's love. May Fr. Ignacio prosper in his priesthood during his time with our parish community.

Thanks to Tony and Jen Cirone for chairing our 9th Annual St. Rose School Golf Tournament on May 26. It was a great day and a great success thanks to their efforts and commitment. The Lord gave us a rain-free day, and the course in Oxford gave us a great venue and great food! Thanks to the many sponsors of the tournament and to all those who volunteered and participated.

This Wednesday, our Women's Club will gather for their final meeting and for the installation of officers. This group has been part of our parish for many years and have contributed in so many ways to the life of our community. I am grateful for our out-going officers and committee chairs and welcome our new slate of officers. Thanks from all of us for all you do!

This Friday, our Knights of Columbus will also hold the installation ceremony for their new leadership. As you know, the Knights are a vital part of our parish and contribute in so many ways to our parish spirit. You can always depend on the Knights when something needs to be accomplished! I am not sure how many parishioners are aware of the number of men of the parish who are members of the Knights of Columbus, but I know that our almost 250 members has made us one of the fastest growing

councils in the State. The Knights are also planning to establish a Fourth Degree Assembly as well as begin the construction of a new meeting facility on the parish grounds. We are truly blessed by these men and their families for all they do for us and so many.

This Friday several members of our parish scout troops will gather at the Cathedral with Bishop Lori for the annual Religious Awards ceremony. Congratulations to the following:

LIGHT OF CHRIST AWARD: Charles Asetta, Luke Sansonetti
AD ALTARE DEI AWARD: Mike Burton, Thomas Catalina,

Andrew Jensen, Rob Russo

FAMILY OF GOD AWARD: Madeline Ceci, Kristen Cirone,
Anna Johnston, Savannah
LaFerriere, Carolyn O'Keefe,
Gabrielle Reisert,
Catherine Rizk, Elizabeth Paige
Simms, Lin Marie Vitarbo

MARY THE FIRST DISCIPLE AWARD: Stephanie Colucci

I LIVE MY FAITH AWARD: Courtney DeMeglio, Diane
Kirkman, Victoria Kirkman,
Marina Renzi, Maria Ringes,
Katerina Ringes

PARVULI DEI AWARD: Zachary Hamar, Dominic Pagliaro,
Matthew St. John

Next weekend is the NEWTOWN RELAY FOR LIFE. Once again, I am very proud of our many parishioners who are involved in making this community event such a success. I will be celebrating a Mass for the Relay participants at 10:00 p.m. Saturday evening. If you are there, please feel free to join us under the tent!

On Saturday, June 13, our 25 St. Rose School 8th graders will graduate during a Mass at 10:00 a.m. We can be very proud of these young men and women for not only their many academic and other achievements, but also for the strong faith in which they have been formed. May God keep a special watch over all of them, the Class of 2009!

These are VERY busy days...please mark your calendars for:

Sunday, June 28 – Mass and reception to thank Fr. John for his six years of service to our parish. Mass will be at 12:00 noon followed by a reception from 1:00 until 3:00.

PARISH CARNIVAL June 30 through July 4

This weekend's donations: Paper towels, hot and cold cups (no styrofoam)

Next week's donations: Paper napkins, plastic utensils (knives, forks, spoons)

Every week's donations: Cans of soda (cola, diet cola, lemon-lime, orange, root beer), juice boxes, iced tea, water

REMINDERS: Return your raffle tickets

Sign up to volunteer

Pray for good weather

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ST. ROSE BUILDING FUND

Thanks to the following parishioners for their support!

Gift of Nancy Kost

NEXT WEEKEND: Caitlin, the young woman who gave a talk in January at St. Rose about her trip to Lourdes, will distribute the holy water and rosaries that she promised to bring back for all who asked her to. She will distribute them next weekend at all masses.

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MOST HOLY TRINITY

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Pam Arsenault, DRE – 426-2333

The Most Holy Trinity

One of the most frequently asked questions from catechists is how to explain the Trinity to children. Our faith is full of mysteries that are difficult to explain because God is not limited by human intelligence – and yet we struggle to understand how God is present in the world. A very simple explanation is that our Creator God set apart humans from the rest of His creation, and God has always desired closeness to us. He spoke to Moses, Abraham, and countless other prophets – and they spoke of the marvelous ways that God consistently acted in the lives of the chosen people, creating, redeeming and sanctifying them. This was then recorded in Hebrew Scripture. Our human nature forgets however – and we create other idols in our lives, so God decided to become one of us – to be physically present with us to show us exactly what God is all about. Once again, human nature “got in the way” of God’s love, and the second person in the Trinity, Jesus, was crucified. Death had no power over our Creator God, and He not only proved this through the Resurrection, but God also shared His Divine nature with us – as we celebrated last week on Pentecost Sunday. The third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, enables us to rise above our human nature and share in the healing, loving, creative power of God within us. Our human nature causes us to fear, to hate, to hold grudges – and yet this nature does not have to control us. Do we still forget? Do we still sink into the limitations of our humanity? Yes – but we do not need to stay there. The Divine nature is within us: “And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” An enduring prayer to the Trinity:

The Breastplate of St. Patrick

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ in breadth, Christ in length, Christ in height, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

Reflection Questions: What element of your human nature is holding you back from living God’s plan? Is it fear of the future, anger, regrets or hurts from the past, something more important than God (an idol) in our lives, or instability at the present time?

Reflection Activity: Ask the Holy Spirit’s presence within you to guide you to God’s plan to overcome what holds you back, and challenge yourself to come out of your comfort zone and respond with the Spirit.

Enriching My Catholic IQ: Which of the following lines is not found in the hymn “Come, Holy Ghost?” (a) and in our hearts take up they rest; (b) thou font of life and fire of love; (c) the gifts that from the Spirit flow; (d) God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

First Communion DVD

For all who ordered First Communion DVDs of the May 2 First Communion ceremonies, and those who ordered DVDs from previous years, your DVDs are now available in the Religious Education office. DVDs of the May 9 ceremonies will be available shortly. 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.

Help Needed with Children’s Liturgy

If you are interested in helping Eileen Vitarbo coordinate the children’s liturgies, please call Pam Arsenault at 426-2333 – on-the-ministry training is available! It is helpful if you have experience with the computer and e-mail.

Registration for Religious Education

Reminder that first grade is a pre-requisite for First Communion. We also have classes for Pre-K and K. Religious Education is a spiral curriculum – each year is necessary because it builds on the previous year, and there is a specific subject matter for each grade. We would not consider taking our children out of Math or English for one or two years; learning about our faith should be treated the same, if not better! Sometimes people wait to register until the children’s extracurricular activities have been worked out; why not show God what comes first in your child’s life and choose faith formation first? Together we can always work out scheduling conflicts if they arise later in the summer. Call 426-2333 if you need additional information.

Fax Machine Thanks

Last week we asked for a donation of a FAX machine, and Christ worked through the kindness of Debbie and Tim Reilly as one ‘appeared’ at 38 Church Hill. We celebrate and thank God for this wonderful parish family!

Looking for a faith-based response to unemployment?

Job Seekers meets every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. at the Religious Ed Office at 38 Church Hill Road. This active and spirit-filled group helps us to look at ourselves the way that God looks at us – seeing our unique gifts and talents so that we may present our “best self” as we seek employment. We welcome you to join us.

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

There are still a few spaces available for St. Rose VBS from July 20-24. We also participate in the Ecumenical VBS from Aug. 3-7, which is hosted this year by Trinity Episcopal Church. Registration forms can be found in the church or at the religious education office. Registration fees are: \$25 for the 1st child and \$20 each additional child. Details for both follow:

St. Rose Vacation Bible School will be held July 20th – 24th from 9:00 AM – 12:15 PM. Contact the Co-Directors with any questions: Michele Buzzi at 426-2374 mbuzzzi@att.net and Dot Perpignand 270-7828 dot.perpignand@sbcglobal.net

Ecumenical Vacation Church School will be held August 3rd – 7th from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church. Contact the Co-Directors with any questions: Jen Peterson & Sue Vogelman 203-426-9070 x16.

Volunteers are needed for both so come and join in these fun-filled, spiritual weeks!

Adult Formation

Spiritual Journey

June and Margaret would like to express their sincere thanks for all our great speakers and all who attended. Your desire to attend and speak made this year such a blessing to all!

Bereavement Books

The library at the Religious Education Office at 38 Church Hill has many new books on bereavement. For a listing of the books and a short description of each, please visit the “Ministries” page of the strosechurch.com website.

This week we celebrate the lives of St. Ephrem (June 9), St. Barnabas (June 11), and St. Anthony of Padua (June 13).

Answer to Catholic IQ: (d) The words “God in three Persons, blessed Trinity” are from the hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy.”

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: trampoline & portable basketball hoop

Available: Many office filing cabinets, 3 to 6 drawer:

3 upright cabinets with 5 shelves each: 8 nice chairs:

2 Formica topped desks: 3 lamps: Wooden bookcases.

Needed: Sewing Machine.

Needed: Laptop computer for Internet connection, needed by parishioner participating in job training program.

Needed: Broken or unwanted costume jewelry, especially rhinestones and pearls.

Also needed: Any kind of fabric trims, lace trims, metallic trims, batting (stuffing) and any kind of buttons in any quantity, for a children’s theater group.

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

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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 June 21st, 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.

NEW CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH TEAMS FOR UPCOMING FALL RETREATS

The Christ Renews His Parish Men and Women each have new teams forming for the upcoming fall retreats. If you have been on a CRHP retreat as a participant or a team member, please prayerfully consider joining the new teams.

We especially welcome those who have been participants but have not had the experience of being on team to think about enriching your faith life through the CRHP team formation process. Both the men’s and the women’s retreat will be held this fall (dates to be announced). The men’s team meets on Sunday evenings and the women’s team meets on Monday evenings. Please contact Kristen Renzi at 270-6915 for more information or to join a team. Additional CRHP information is also posted on the St. Rose Website.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT COURSES: St Joseph High School in Trumbull is running two programs in August for entering high school freshmen – Study Skills and Math Camp. These two week courses strengthen foundational skills, build confidence, and ease the transition to high school. See their website www.sjcadets.org for details.

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

HEALTH TIP:

Can workouts make you Wealthy? According to Drs. Mehmet Oz and Michael Roizen, the best way to keep your job might be to leave your desk. That’s right: The less time you spend sitting on your bottom the better it might be for you—and your company’s—bottom line. In a study of entrepreneurs, people who worked out regularly also had companies that performed well. In fact, those who ran regularly were better at meeting their personal goals, and their companies had better boosts in sales than those owned by non-runners. (The researchers didn’t ask about walkers). People who stuck to a strength-training regimen were also better at meeting their personal goals than people who don’t lift weights—but their businesses weren’t doing off-the-charts better. Researchers suspect that the lift in confidence and energy that people get from regular exercise may spill over into their careers, giving them an edge. Plus, getting into shape often means developing a mind-set that accepts and embraces hard work—a definite perk when it comes to moving a business through tough times and beyond. If your boss likes to see you in your chair and nowhere else, remind him or her that people who exercise have less anxiety, tension, and stress. And that means you can think clearly—and probably even talk nicely to the shrill-voiced client who calls 37 times before lunch. Ultimately, taking time to work out may actually help you get more done during the work day. The best time to work out? Whenever you’ll do it. But we recommend setting your alarm 30 to 60 minutes earlier than usual and getting moving first thing.

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ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS CHURCH, 138 Candlewood Lake Road, Brookfield is having a huge Tag Sale on Friday June 12 and Saturday, June 13 from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Something for everyone!

MOST HOLY TRINITY

Pro-Life/Pro-Family Corner

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

The "reduce the number of abortions" argument is virtually immeasurable. For example, suppose that abortions increase dramatically over the next five years. Then, two decades later the abortion rate decreases. Why? There were fewer females conceived two decades earlier to have the abortions two decades later. So, ironically, one way to decrease abortions is to increase abortions. On the other hand, suppose abortions decrease after [certain social programs] are instituted. How do we know that the decrease is not the consequence of fewer females conceived in the 1980s when abortion was at its peak? Also, how do we know that this approach just reinforces the idea that abortion is a right that should be exercised if the government does not provide assistance? So, ironically, the very programs that decrease abortions may help to nurture the very moral sentiments that produced the abortion mentality to begin with. Thus, reducing the number of abortions may have the unintended consequence of creating citizens who do not understand the real reason why abortion is wrong: **it unjustly kills an intrinsically valuable human person.**

Dr. Frances Beckwith, author of *Defending Life: A Moral and Legal Case Against Abortion Choice* (Cambridge University Press, 2007).

Mass for the **Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus** will be celebrated Friday, June 19 at 7 p.m. in the church. Please join us in praying for restitution for sins against human life.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER continues for Carolyn's Place and Expectant Mothercare - **Bottles can be dropped at any time** in the secure bottle drop below the Pro-Life/Pro-Family bulletin board in the vestibule. (If you are writing a check, please make it payable to the center of your choice: EMC Frontline Pregnancy Centers *or* Carolyn's Place). All of the baby bottles need to be returned, even if they are empty, because the organizations reuse them.

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

ROSARY FOR LIFE: Saturday, June 27 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.

Should we tell our children about abortion? Yes! The pro-life message will not harm our children. What will harm them, however, is the "pro-abortion" message, which will train them to think that human life is a disposable item and which, if unchallenged, may lead them to an abortion mill someday.

ST. JOSEPH PROJECT

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

Available: 1 large room with utilities, refig. & microwave

Available: 2 rooms with utilities, refrigerator & microwave

Available: Large 2nd floor 1 bedroom apartment- utilities included

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

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
Sgt. Daniel Dobbs
SSG. Michael Dobbs
2nd Lt. Thomas K. Dyer
Major William Gottmeier
Cpl. Marc Hellig
1st Lt. Rachel (Askue) Hoffman
Lt. Kathryn Hughes
1st Lt. 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. Phillip Zencey

United States Navy

Aman Michael Carter
CEI Daniel J. Kearns, Sr.
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
2nd 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 want to remind everybody that the second Saturday morning's Mass of every month is for the deceased members of our council #185.

Our next meeting is the Officer Installation ceremony for the upcoming fraternal year. It takes place in the Hall on Friday, June 12th, 2009 starting at 6:30. RSVP to the Grand Knight immediately if you have not already done so.

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: June 19 - Jell-O Slide & Dunk Tank – Cost: \$5.00. Please bring trays of Jell-O. No red. Bring a towel and change of clothes.

Senior Youth Group: The next meeting is 6-8:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 7 in the Safeplace.

AROUND THE DIOCESE
DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

Bishop William Edward Lori, S.T.D., will celebrate a Mass, in which the commemoration of significant marriage anniversaries will occur, at Saint Theresa Church, Trumbull, on Sunday, June 14, 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 January – June) 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 Monday, **June 1, 2009.**

PASTORAL PLAN

A Christian's life is marked "in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." The readings today speak of Father (as originator of all life related to creation), sending his Son or the Word (for our salvation), and communicating the Spirit (related to our rebirth from water and the Spirit). The revelation of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit tells us first of who God is for us, but this is still the mysterious unity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Old Testament did not know about the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; this is a New Testament revelation. However, there is a triple aspect in the experience of the message from the first reading. One, God in Himself, immanent ("on earth below") and transcendent ("in the heavens above"), two revealing Himself ("speaking from the midst of fire"), and three, creating a response in the hearts of the faithful ("keep his statutes").

Our knowledge of God should be an experience in which we are totally involved. Paul, in the second reading, expresses an experience of total involvement in the triune God. We are related to God as His adopted children. Our life should be an experience of the Responsorial Psalm "Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be His own."

Sequela Christi Summer Camp for Girls and Quo Vadis Summer Camp for Boys. Information available online!

Sequela Christi Camp for Girls will be held Sunday, June 21-Thursday, June 25. Quo Vadis Camp for Boys will be held Sunday, June 28-Thursday, July 2. The camps are open to boys and girls ages 13-18 and will be held at the Seton-Neumann Center on the campus of Immaculate High School in Danbury. Camp registration forms and information are available @ www.HearTheCall.org.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

MARRIED AND LOVING IT (most of the time!) – Enrichment Evening – June 20th – 7 p.m. Take time to be a couple without all the distractions of your busy lives. This is a special evening for couples of all ages to focus on the STRENGTHS in your marriage. Start off your spring with a fresh outlook on your relationship! There will be no cost to this evening and it will be held at Sacred Heart Church, Southbury, CT, exit 14 off I-84. For more information call Bev & John @ 364-0836 bjkmaley@aol.com or Becca & Steve @ 264-7568 rebeccataylor76@gmail.com

For further details and registration materials, contact Christine Ring, Director of Summer Programs at (203-877-2786, ext. 152 or by email at cring@lauraltonhall.org.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY continued

GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER to benefit NHS Ice Hockey Scheduled for Friday, June 26th Candlewood Valley Country Club – New Milford Great prizes including a Volvo Lease, 42" LCD Flat Screen TV, Yankee Tickets and More! \$550/Foursome; \$149 Per individual player – includes 18 holes of golf, cart, breakfast, dinner and gift bag. For more information and registration forms visit www.newtownhockey.com or contact Donna Solomons at 203-364-0321 or Donnasolomons@earthlink.net.

HISTORICAL TROLLEY TOUR OF LORDSHIP

SATURDAY, JUNE 13th-9 A.M. – 4 P.M.-Our Lady of Peace, Stratford, CT

Tickets are available at the Parish Office \$20 for a family or \$10 per person. The first 200 tickets sold will receive a special logo bag. Get your tickets early!

Checks are payable to Our Lady of Peace and can be directed to the Parish Office. Our Lady of Peace retains all proceeds of tickets sold here. Call 203-377-4863.

FUN IN THE SUN CAMP – July 6-10, 13-17

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. St. Mary School Grounds, Bethel

Cost is \$100 per child per week

This is the 11th year of our summer camp for children in grades K – 6 (for the 2008-09 school year). Amusements, Water Slides, Rock Wall, Games, T-shirts, Prizes, Bible and Saint Stories, Arts & Crafts, Songs, Prayer and much more!

Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Church, at the Parish office and also on our website at www.stmarybethel.org. Make checks payable to St. Mary Church and return forms and payment to the St. Mary Parish office. For more info or questions, call Kate Fitzgerald at 744-5777 or visit our website! Act now! Space is limited!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

The Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Waterbury and the **CT Right to Life Corp.** are sponsoring talks by Fr. Tom Euteneuer, President of Human Life International, Dr. Judy Mascolo, a Pro-Life doctor, and Mike Koelzer of the Pharmacists for Life on Friday evening, June 19 at the Father Michael McGivney Hall, Waterbury Green to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the raid on the illegal birth control center in Waterbury in 1939. A procession to the former clinic will take place after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday, followed by lunch at the Elks Club. For info call CRLC at 203-757-5213.

The **Connecticut Choral Society**, under the inspired direction of Eric Dale Knapp, will be presenting its spring concert, *Homage to Haydn*, on Saturday, June 6th, 8:00 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Danbury.

The 60-voice Connecticut Choral Society, joined by its sister group, the New Jersey Choral Society, will be singing Franz Josef Haydn's *Heiligmesse* and *Kleine Orgelmesse* (Little Organ Mass), Mendelssohn's *Helig* (for double choir) and a selection from Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Antiphon*. Members of both choral societies will be singing the *Heiligmeses* this summer at the International Haydn Festival in Vienna, Austria. Tickets may be purchased from our members, online at our website (www.ctchoralsociety.org) or at the door

CONNECTICUT IRISH FESTIVAL, FEIS AND AGRICULTURAL FAIR - JUNE 27TH AND JUNE 28TH, 2009

Two exciting days of family fun are planned for the Connecticut Irish Festival on Saturday, June 27 (10 a.m.-11 p.m.) and Sunday, June 28th (10:30 a.m.- 7 p.m.) at the North Haven Fairgrounds, Washington Avenue, North Haven (Exit 12, I-91). The events include Irish Musical entertainment, dancing, exhibits and Highland games, ethnic food, Irish shopping Village and a cultural tent. A 5k race will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday for ALS (Lou Gerig's disease) Artists appearing on Saturday are U2 Nation, Celtic Interlude and highlighting that day's entertainment will be the Wolfe Tones Group directly from Ireland, one of the most Irish folk groups in the world. On Sunday, the entertainment will be MCTALLA Mor Band (Back by special request) and the popular Connecticut Group, the Highland Rovers. Music and other entertainment will continue throughout the festival grounds. General admission is \$12.00, children under 16 are free. Advance ticket sales cost \$8.00. For these tickets, email CTIRISHFESTIVALTICKETS@GMAIL.COM or send checks to CT IRISH FESTIVAL, 14 Buckley Road, Branford, CT 06405. For more information, GO TO WWW.CTIRISHFESTIVAL.COM

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2009 Collegiate Summer Program for High School Students

The Thomas More College invites rising Juniors and Seniors to participate in the 34th Collegiate Summer Program. Students will study Literature, Philosophy, Political Science, and Apologetics as well as make day trips to Mt. Monadnock, York Beach, and Boston. There will also be Mass and daily rosary. Sessions run from July 12th – 25th and July 26th – August 8th. Call (800) 880-8308, e-mail admissions@thomasmorecollege.edu, or visit our website at www.thomasmorecollege.edu for more information.

IMMACULATE HIGH SCHOOL will be offering a summer enrichment experience (SEE) aimed at maintaining or improving academic proficiency over the summer. The programs are designed to enhance academic skills that are necessary to be successful in our college prep program. The Math Readiness and English Readiness classes are scheduled opposite each other so students can benefit from both. Additional readiness programs are being offered in Algebra, AP Calculus (AB), and Intro. to College Algebra/Math IV Trig. Enrichment classes are also being offered in specific areas of interest: Conversational Chinese, Oil Painting, College Essay Prep, and Animal Study. The Animal Study Program will be a fun and exciting adventure. The students will be introduced to lab work and observations, field study and web searching. FIND OUT MORE BY VISITING US AT www.ImmaculateHS.org. Registration ends June 12.

LAURALTON HALL is excited to present Summer @ Lauralton. Open to girls entering grades 6, 7 & 8, these weeklong enrichment workshops offer participants an opportunity to increase self-esteem, experience community and engage in diverse activities on the beautiful campus at Lauralton Hall. These two one-week enrichment workshops are offered from July 6 – July 10 and July 13-17. Individual workshops or full day (8:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.) options are available. Workshops include S.T.E.M G.E.M.S – Raging Robotics; Art Attack – Bedazzled Baskets; Ecology Crusaders I & II; Girl Power – Full of Ourselves; and Yoga Latté. The cost to attend is \$150 per individual 90-minute workshop or \$300 per individual 3-hour workshop. (Call for information on discounts for three or more workshops taken in one week). **The registration deadline is June 1.**

TAG SALE

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, 138 Candlewood Lake Road, Brookfield is having a huge Tag Sale on Friday June 12 and Saturday, June 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Something for everyone!

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