

# SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

### MARRIAGE

Couples planning to get married should contact the parish office at least one year in advance to be sure of adequate preparation for the Sacrament.

### BAPTISM

Parents need to participate in baptism instruction and schedule a baptism date with the parish office.

### PENANCE

By appointment or on Saturday afternoons, 4:00-4:30 PM.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please introduce yourselves and register in order to become a member of this community of believers. We are happy to affirm and welcome your gifts and presence in our midst.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Become an official member of the Catholic Church.

Unbaptized adults who wish to become Catholics

Adults baptized in other faiths who wish to join the Catholic church

Baptized Catholics who have not yet received Eucharist and/or Confirmation

Interested? Call the parish office for more information.

### VISIT AND/OR COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Please call the parish office if you or a member of your family is hospitalized or confined to home because of illness. A member of the parish staff or a Eucharistic Minister will be happy to visit and bring Communion.

### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Remember that bulletin announcements must be received in writing no later than 9:00 AM Monday two weeks prior to publication date.

### LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00, 10:00 & 11:30 AM

### DAILY MASS

Monday 9:00 AM

Tuesday-Wednesday 8:30 AM

Communion Service

Thursday-Friday 8:30 AM

### HOLY DAYS

8:30 AM & 7:00 PM

### PENANCE

Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM

or by appointment

### MAILING ADDRESS

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### PARISH OFFICE

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### THRIFT SHOPPE

Tuesday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

September-June

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# EASTER SUNDAY

“Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.” —Mt 28:5b-6

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



All Parish events, activities and Masses are cancelled until further notice. Please continue to check the bulletin for updated information.



STEWARDSHIP
A Disciple's Way of Life



If you have a Mass scheduled for a loved one, please be assured that we will be rescheduling as soon as Masses resume. Please contact the office once the suspension is lifted. Thank you for your understanding. (508-393-2413)

Stewardship Consider On-Line Giving
Give Online with WeShare
Are you aware that you can give online through your checking, debit or credit card accounts? It is a simple and efficient way to fulfill your stewardship commitment. It also benefits St. Rose by knowing what regular income to expect each weekend, so that we can meet our financial obligations. To enroll in online giving, go to www.saintroseoflima.com and click on the top right tab that says "Give."
During this trying time, while Masses are suspended, we hope that you will continue to support our parish by on-line giving or by mailing your offering envelopes directly to the parish office (PO Box 685, Northboro, MA 01532).
Thank you!



From the Pastor...
Easter 2020! COVID-19

Welcome! I am so pleased to reach out to you and all in your home in order to wish you a Blessed and a Happy Easter! Despite the hardships for so many of our fellow citizens and the loss of brothers and sisters, it helps us to recall the Easter message-

He is alive and has risen!!

The Bible story telling us about the Resurrection, reminds us that before Jesus' death on the cross, God was hidden. God once barred all men and now He is open to show us what God is like. God gave the life of his only son out of love for all human kind.

After the Resurrection, early Easter Sunday morning, the risen Jesus meets with his disciples and he assures them of three things:

- a) He gave them power. Nothing was outside the power of him who had died and conquered death. Now they were servants of a master whose authority upon earth and in heaven was beyond all question.
b) He gave them a commission. He sent them out to make all the world his disciples. The commission of Jesus is to introduce all people to the love of God. Questions we should ask ourselves. How are we doing with that? You?
c) He promised them a presence. We who have been sent have the greatest presence in the world, Jesus and His Holy Spirit. Let us all pray for one another, be kind to all in need and ask For Gods help to cure all who suffer.

I have one special request; I have been asked to invite all people to pray for all recent young doctor's who graduated last week-early, so they could be deployed to help with the pandemic. These young doctors have volunteered to work at a time when we need them the most. Please pray for them and their mentors.

Fr. Jim

Stewardship of Treasure
\$ 3,737.00 April 5, 2020 (47 env)
\$ 0.00 Loose
\$ 7,454.30 Online (101)
\$11,191.30 Total
Thank you !
"Your light must shine before all so that they may see goodness in your acts." (Matthew 5:16)

Encounter Lent - CRS Rice Bowl
Join our faith community- and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States- in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl.
Hold onto your rice bowls and we will collect them at a later date to be announced.

Happy Easter !

We prayed, fasted and gave alms - and now we celebrate the Risen Lord! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we begin the Easter season to share what we have with our global family.

Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

### *From the Bishop...*

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It has been called the “unseen enemy.” The coronavirus has brought illness and death to the afflicted; fear, isolation and disruption to us all.

On Easter Sunday, Jesus’ first followers saw the remedy for their fears. Days before, beginning with the arrest of Jesus in Gethsemane and His Crucifixion on Calvary, they had experienced fear and seen death. Indeed, the threat of death caused not only fear but isolation and disruption as they ran from Jesus in the garden and nearly all abandoned Him at the Cross.

But on Easter Sunday, He was there again, in their midst, back from the dead, bringing them together and reassuring them with His words, “peace be with you.” Today he says the same to us. He is present to us. We do not see Him with our eyes. But with faith we know Him to be among us, risen and triumphant. He is the unseen ally, always present, always able to help us against all enemies, seen and unseen.

The presence of the coronavirus has and will shape our lives for a time. Even more so, may the presence of the Risen Christ at all times shape our lives, our outlook and our confidence.

Scientists work to develop a vaccine to prevent further infections of our bodies from viruses around us. We pray for those Scientists and heed their sound advice. Jesus Christ is the complementary antidote for our souls to strengthen us spiritually against all the inevitable things in life that we face and fear - sickness, isolation, sin, uncertainty and even death.

While this is a very different Easter, in its essence it is the same. *How* we celebrate differs but *what* we celebrate and its meaning for us remain the same. May the Triumph of the Risen Christ give you and your loved one’s peace, hope and confidence. I pray that God will protect you and your loved ones along with all who strive to maintain public health, order, and the necessities of life. May it be God’s will that before this Easter Season is over, we will be through the worst of this pandemic so that we can gather again, stronger in faith, united in Christ, to give joyful thanks to God around the altar in the Eucharist.

With prayerful best wish for a joyous Easter, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus  
Bishop of Worcester

### **What do we do when we can’t go to Mass?**

Watch or listen to a broadcast of the Mass, pray, and engage in spiritual reading.

#### **Prayer of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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### *Easter Sunday Of the Resurrection of the Lord*



*Mary Magdalene was the first to discover that the tomb where Jesus was buried was empty. Peter and John later realized, too, that Jesus is Risen! Easter lasts fifty days. How will you celebrate it for that length of time?*

*-Family Faith on the Go*

*All religious education programs are canceled until further notice.*

### **Sacrament of Confirmation Date to be determined**



### **Suggested reading for children/families**

**The Miracle of Easter  
By Jean M. Malone**

**The Easter Story  
By Carol Heyer**

### **Prayer for Children**

God made you and God made me,  
He made the world for us to see.  
God loves you and long ago,  
He sent his Son to tell us so.

Jesus showed us many things,  
To love and share and dance and sing.  
To learn and pray, to help and care,  
He promised he'd always be there.

He died but then came back to life,  
Let's celebrate for he's alive!

Amen.



## flocknotes

Keep up to date with the latest at St. Rose of Lima.  
Join Flocknotes today!

Receive email notifications about important parish events via Flocknotes. Simply go to the home page of the parish website ([www.saintroseoflima.com](http://www.saintroseoflima.com)) and sign up by either clicking on the small blue sheep in the upper right menu bar or scroll down the welcome page to locate the Flocknote sign-up on the right side.

You can also join by texting 84576 and use the keyword: stroseoflima.

Stay “in the know” through Flocknotes!

### [Spiritual Readings](#) [Updated April 5, 2020](#)

There are many great spiritual books to help you journey deeper this Lent, a few suggestions, all can be found online:

- \* The Shadow of the Galilean-Gerd Theissen
- \* Riding the Dragon: 10 Lessons for Inner Strength in Challenging Times-Robert J. Wicks
- \* The Shattered Lantern: Rediscovering a Felt Presence of God- Ronald Rolheiser
- \* In God’s Holy Light: Wisdom from the Desert Monastics -Joan Chittister
- \* Between Heaven and Mirth: Why Joy, and Laughter are at the Heart of Spiritual Life- James Martin, S.J.
- \* Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship-Gregory Boyle
- \* Where There is Love, There is God- Mother Teresa (Her Path to Closer Union with God and Greater Love for Others)

### [Stay connected to the Mass:](#)

Go to the St. Rose of Lima website:  
[www.saintroseoflima.com](http://www.saintroseoflima.com)  
click on Online Mass.

Masses also on Northborough Cable  
Verizon channel 31  
Charter channel 191

Sunday Masses: 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

### Holy Week

- \* Palm Sunday- 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM
- \* Holy Thursday - 7:00 PM
- \* Good Friday - 7:00 PM
- \* Holy Saturday - 7:30 PM
- \* Easter Sunday - 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

*Blessings*  
*Father Jim*



Youth Ministry

### Youth Group Meetings

The Middle School and High School Youth Group is an opportunity for pre-teens and teenagers of the parish to join together in faith for various social, spiritual and service programs. Anyone in grades 6-12 is encouraged to join us for Youth Group meetings and events.

*All Youth Events are postponed until further notice.*

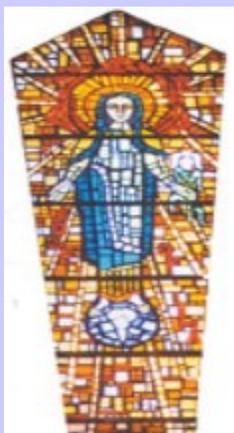


### Youth Group goes Virtual....

Join us every Monday evening at 7:00 PM as all high school students are invited to attend. Students

lkshould check their email for meeting details.

Contact Stephen Lavoie at [stroseyouthministry@verizon.net](mailto:stroseyouthministry@verizon.net)



### *Prayer for Saint Rose*

Lord, we are your people,  
the community of St. Rose.

Grace us to heal those who are  
wounded,  
touch those who are in pain,  
feed those who are hungry,  
warm those who are cold.

Help us to know the Father’s love  
through You, Jesus, and through  
the Spirit.

Grace us to lift up that love and shower it on all who you  
send into our midst.

Help us to build love on justice and justice on love.  
Grace us to believe mightily, to hope joyfully,  
to love divinely.

Oh Lord, help us each day to love one another as You have  
loved us so as to become the family you long for us to be.