

SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

508-393-2413

Fax: 508-393-4922

Email: saintrose1@verizon.net

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8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

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Monday-Thursday

Closed Fridays

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THRIFT SHOPPE

Tuesday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

September-June

Handicapped Accessible

*Happy
Mother's
Day*





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

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)



A Prayer in Time of Pandemic

O God,
whose Only Begotten Son
bore the weight of human suffering
for our salvation,
hear the prayers of your Church
for our sick brothers and sisters
and deliver us from this time of trial.

Open our ears and our hearts
to the voice of your Son:
Be not afraid, for I am with you always.

Bless all doctors and nurses,
researchers and public servants;
give us the wisdom to do what is right
and the faith to endure this hour,
that we might gather once again
to praise your name in the heart of your Church,
delivered from all distress
and confident in your mercy.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Pray the Rosary...

Daily recitation of the Rosary will help you get to know your Mother better. By getting to know Mary better, you will in turn get to know Jesus better. When you look at each mystery of the Rosary, you reflect upon different aspects of Jesus' life through the eyes of His mother. Mothers know and see their children much differently than others do.



Because the Rosary was given to us by Mary, it has great power. There have been many miracles associated with praying the Rosary. Our Lady of Fatima mentioned that the main reason for the loss of souls is that no one is praying for them. When you pray, you can offer up your Rosary for a particular intention, whether it be for the conversion of souls or for an end to the pandemic.

The Rosary will make virtue and good works flourish, and will obtain for souls the most abundant divine mercies.

Pray the rosary along with others on YouTube. In the search bar, put in *pray the rosary* and then just click on your choice.



**Stewardship
Consider On-Line Giving**

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!

Stewardship of Treasure

\$ 6,265.00	May 3 2020 (50 env)
\$ 2.00	Loose
\$ 7,062.35	Online (103)
\$ 13,329.35	Total

Thank you !

"Let him with two coats give to him who has none."
(Luke 16:10)

Simple Steps to Sign-up for Online Giving...

- ⇒ Go to the St. Rose of Lima website www.saintroseoflima.com
- ⇒ Top right, click on Give
- ⇒ Scroll down, click on Give Online with WeShare
- ⇒ Click on "Make a Donation," in the Offertory Collection box on the top left
- ⇒ Click on Recurring Donation or One Time Donation
- ⇒ And then, just fill in your personal information to set up your account

It's that easy!

Note: If you sign-up for online giving and would prefer **not** to receive envelopes, just call the office and let us know (508-393-2413).

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St. Rose Challenge– Week 3

Ready to put your faith into action!

Put your faith into action!

This week's challenge is to pray the rosary. Pope Francis in a letter to the faithful has said; during the month of May it is a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.

For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities.

We are also still accepting cards for essential workers, those in nursing homes and the homebound. Cards or pictures can be dropped off at the box located outside of the family life center where they will be quarantined before distribution. These cards can be ones of gratitude for the workers, include words of encouragement, or a springtime message for the homebound or those in nursing homes. We encourage all ages to participate! Make sure to take photos of you or your family members and their creations and email them to Susan McGoldrick at: smcgoldrickred@verizon.net so we can show the community how Saint Rose of Lima puts their faith into action. These weekly challenges will be included as part of the Saturday Flocknote.

Mask Makers!

Many thanks to each of you for continuing to support the Mask Makers project! The donations are impressive. To date, we have given away **546 face masks!!** These have been sent to Beaumont, Visitation House, MetroWest Hospital, Crescent Manor Nursing Home and the Northborough Food Pantry.

If you would like to participate in this wonderful project, please contact Lisa Gillingham at: stgillygirl@gmail.com

If you need a mask or know someone in need of a mask, please email Lisa at email above or Theresa Foster at: fostertrsa@aol.com



Stay connected to the Mass:

Go to the St. Rose of Lima website:
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

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Fifth Sunday of Easter



This Gospel passage occurs during the Last Supper as Jesus tells his apostles he is going to prepare a place for them. They do not understand because they do not yet know that Jesus is the way.

Jesus tries to explain that he and the Father are one.

Jesus says we can do what he did. How will you make your world a better place this week?

-Family Faith on the Go

All religious education programs are canceled until further notice.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Date to be determined



Mary and the Month of May

Pope St. John Paul II taught us that through Mary and the Rosary, we come to know Jesus better. Pray the rosary this week as a family.

For the next few weeks this column will focus on one of the Corporal Works of Mercy (of mommy and daddy).

Clothe the Naked

Finding the grace to be patient while dealing with a toddler who only wants to wear the blue shirt or helping a teen dress attractively yet modestly isn't just an exercise in patience; it's an opportunity to help your children remember their worth in God's eyes!



Congratulations College Graduates

We want to “*celebrate*” your achievements and success.

We will be publishing names of parishioners who graduated from college in 2020. Please email information to: saintrose1@verizon.net by June 7th and be sure to include the name of your college and degree.

Wishing you all the best!

New: Online Faith Sharing Groups

Have you been happy to connect to the Saint Rose Mass but miss the community? Would you like to take the next step and explore, in community, how the Sunday scripture can help us to navigate our lives during these days of crisis and isolation?

Saint Rose of Lima invites you to join us as we take our faith sharing experience online. Whether you’ve experienced one of our faith sharing groups in the past or whether this is completely new to you, we encourage you to give it a try. This is an opportunity to connect with others in our faith community, grow deeper and wider in your faith and consider the current challenges in our lives through the lens of faith.

The virtual small faith community groups will meet Thursday evenings from 7-8:00 pm. for six weeks, beginning May 14th. Each session will begin with an opportunity to connect and catch up with the group. We will then seek to dive deeper into the previous Sunday’s gospel (and Fr. Jim’s homily), reflecting on its meaning for our lives today.

Come for all 6 weeks or join us for as many as you are able. Zoom video conferencing will be used for these sessions. All that is needed is access to an iPad, iPhone, laptop, or desktop computer, an open mind and Spirit. We are also starting a women’s only faith sharing group, meeting date TBD. For more information, or to join either group, please email Theresa Fugardi at t.fugardi@aol.com.

Share your stories with our parish community....

What activities are you doing with your family during this time of confinement?

Have you developed any outreach projects? We would love to hear all about it to share with our parish community.

Please send your story and pictures to:

saintrose1@verizon.net

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 should check their email for meeting details.

Contact Stephen Lavoie at stroseyouthministry@verizon.net with any questions.



Calling all High School Seniors

During this time of much uncertainty for our HS Seniors, the staff at St. Rose of Lima would like to celebrate and recognize the accomplishments and achievements of our seniors.

We are asking all our St. Rose seniors to submit a senior year photo and their post-graduation plans by May 21st. Please send the photo and information to Stephen Lavoie: stroseyouthministry@verizon.net.

All seniors that submit a photo and post-graduation plans, will be recognized at an upcoming recorded Mass in June.

All HS Seniors should be on the lookout in the coming weeks for an announcement regarding the 2020 St. Rose of Lima College Scholarship.



Diocesan Volleyball League Canceled

Due to ongoing concerns with the coronavirus, this year’s Diocesan Summer Volleyball League will be canceled. Information for the 2021 season will become available next spring.

Young Neighbors in Action Update...

Over the past weeks, St. Rose has been in close contact with YNIA regarding our upcoming summer mission trips. Sadly, but not surprising, all YNIA trips for summer 2020 have been canceled.

Please note that this is not the end of YNIA at St. Rose for 2020. Be on the lookout for more announcements in the coming weeks.

Thank you to all parishioners for your continuous support of our YNIA program.

*Stephen Lavoie
Youth Minister*