

***Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ July 12, 2020***

***Readings: Isaiah 55:10-11 + Romans 8:18-23 + Matthew 13:1-23***

***STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK***

Jul 11 – Saturday	4:00 PM Richard Fugere by Jo Geissler
Jul 12 – Sunday	7:30 AM Terry Tetreault by Gaytan & Monique Spooner
15 <sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM P.J. Pelletier by Donald Demers & Lucille Peltier-Morin 11:00 AM Frank J. Stec (30 <sup>th</sup> Ann) by his children and grandchildren 4:00 PM Eamonn Gallagher (10 <sup>th</sup> Ann) by his parents
Jul 13 – Monday	7:00 AM Simone Roux (B'day) by Normand & Denise
Jul 14 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Umberto Manno by the family
Jul 15 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Janet Bergeron by her husband & children (Re-sked from 4/2/2020)
Jul 16 – Thursday	7:00 AM Trish Belisle by Rob Jolly
Jul 17- Friday	7:00 AM Normand Leclair (20 <sup>th</sup> Ann) by his wife, Pat & family
Jul 18- Saturday	4:00 PM Maria & Lawrence LeClair by the family (Re-sked from 4/3/2020)
Jul 19 – Sunday	7:30 AM Gloria DeJordy by the family
16 <sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Leo Paul Delude by his family 11:00 AM Donald Banville (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann) by Bill & Gail Boone 4:00 PM Shirley Pelland by Julie Dupuis

***PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 7/05/2020 \$12,451.06 ~~ Thank you for your support!***

***JULY MEMORIALS: Hosts: In Loving Memory of Frank J. Stec by the family  
Sanctuary Lamp: In Loving Memory of Trish Belisle by Rob Jolly***

***SJA BOOSTER CLUB Weekly drawing: 7/05/20 #125 Dolores Lucey***

***The current Booster Club ends July 12, 2020. The Grand Prize Drawing will take place at the Pastoral Center with Center staff in attendance. Winners' names will be announced in the bulletin printed on the Ste. Rose website.***

***This is the final Booster Club until a new Manager comes forward. The SJA Booster Club is a valuable and necessary fundraiser towards the operation of our beloved SJA. Please consider this position and give Fr. Bill a call. Thank you!***

***A sincere and heartfelt thanks to Peg & Gerry for having maintained the Booster Club for over 17 years. Their efforts have made a big financial difference for St. Joan of Arc School. We wish them a "Happy Retirement"! Thank you!***

***Fr. Bill's 17<sup>th</sup> Letter***

***Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,  
Sacrificial Offering***

***The Sacrificial Offering for Sunday, July 4, 2020 was \$12,451.06. Thank you for your generous hearts!***

### **2020 Annual Catholic Appeal**

As of July 2, 2020, the ACA has realized from 410 Ste. Rose de Lima parishioners \$48,740.00. Thank you for your generous response to this year's appeal during this time of pandemic. Contributions both large and small are always accepted. You may contribute by either sending in the ACA materials or by going on-line to [www.diospringfield.org](http://www.diospringfield.org) and click on the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary banner. Be sure to credit Ste. Rose de Lima for your contribution which will add to the total number of contributors and the total amount donated.

### **The Annual Parish Picnic**

As you most probably presumed, the annual parish picnic is cancelled for 2020. The pandemic has shut down so many festive activities. The annual picnic has been for the benefit of St. Joan of Arc School. A "raffle" has always been part of the annual picnic. The raffle; however, will be conducted this year. SJA School will strategically depend on the profit from the raffle in as much as BINGO has been suspended due to the pandemic. It takes an entire parish effort to financially maintain a parish Catholic School. In advance, your participation in this year's raffle will be appreciated. The prize structure will be announced very soon. The thought is to expand the prizes as an incentive for greater participation.

### **Mass Attendance**

Each weekend since the reopening of "places of worship", Ste. Rose has seen a gradual increase of people celebrating the Eucharist. The parish is doing all that it can to assure the church building is safe to enter. After each Mass, volunteers clean the pews that were used. Please remember to leave the kneeler in the DOWN POSITION which will indicate the pews that need to be disinfected. Together we will get through this pandemic. As the number of cases of COVID 19 "sky-rocket," may your vigilance to maintain protocols be your incentive to avoid unnecessary risk from infection of COVID 19. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is among the few states that is experiencing "containment" of the coronavirus. The wearing of a mask, frequent hand-washing, and social distancing are proven to be effective in containing the virus.

### **Internet Mass**

The parish will continue to record Sunday Mass for those who choose to remain at home. Many statements of appreciation have been written by those watching the Mass. The parish is grateful to "the team" who make the Mass recording a reality. The recorded Mass is available on the parish website, Facebook, and You Tube. Thank you one and all!

***And finally,***

*The way public Mass is now celebrated is a temporary one. I miss greeting you in the foyer prior to and after Mass. As you know, there are no longer “processions” in and out of Mass. There are no music books and missals with the scripture readings; there are no printed materials distributed at Mass; there is no coffee and doughnuts on Sunday morning after the 9:00 AM Mass; no parish meetings...etc. Parish life has been fundamentally altered by this pandemic. Through all the systemic changes, however, we remain a resilient people. Our faith assists each of us to work through the new experiences of being isolated from family and friends. Our faith reminds us that “with God all things are possible” and we will live through this unprecedented time in our personal history. At the end of the day, when this pandemic will be defeated, I believe that each of us will have a new-found appreciation for the many things we previously took for granted. Please persevere with courage and trust during this pandemic. Though our summer of 2020 will be significantly different, enjoy the quiet days of summer and reflect upon the many blessings we have and continue to experience.*

*Peace & Love,*

***Fr Bill***

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***Other Bulletin news:***

**MASS INTENTIONS** that were missed due to the pandemic have been re-scheduled. Private Masses were not being celebrated during the complete shutdown phase. Continue to read the “on-line” bulletin below for details and please check the Mass schedule on the website to learn the Mass Intentions for the week.

**2020 and 2021 MASS BOOKS** Because of COVID-19 and the closing of Churches, scheduled and paid for Masses went unsaid from Saturday, 3/14/20 to Tuesday 5/26/20. That’s a lot of Masses!! As you will notice in the coming “year” Re-scheduled Masses will be announced as (Re-sked and the date the original Mass was booked)

**Weekday Masses** were rescheduled in an “as need” fill in the 2020 book. Wherever there was an extra available open slot, a rescheduled Mass has been put in that place. Watch the on-line bulletin to see when these Weekday Masses are being said.

**Weekend Masses** on Saturdays and Sundays were harder to reschedule, as weekends were already filled. With Fr. Bill’s permission, we have transferred them to the

**same weekends from 2020 to 2021.** We had to make an exception for Easter which is not the same weekend next year, and that schedule is different.

Unpaid Masses were not rescheduled.

We hope most of you will be happy with this decision and we thank you for your understanding.

***The 2021 Book is now available.*** The rescheduled Masses have taken precedence. They're probably Masses you would have booked for those dates anyhow. So check with us.

The offering for: Mass is \$10.00.

Also available:

Sanctuary Lamp for the month \$25.00 Hosts for the month \$35.00.

**Bottled Water** St. Joan of Arc School is in need of bottled water for the 2020-2021 school year. Due to school re-opening guidelines, students will not be able to use the school's water fountains. If you can donate a case of water, please make an appointment for drop-off. Call the SJA School office 533-1475. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

**Santa's Workshop** At this time, St. Joan of Arc School will **not** be collecting gently used or good condition items for the School's Annual Santa's Workshop. Please donate your items to the SAVERS FUNDrive to be held in the Trilby St. School yard on September 19, 2020. Thank you!

**Remember the SAVERS FUNDrive?** Well, it's back on and scheduled now for Saturday, September 19, 2020. So please hold on to all the items you were planning on donating for just a little bit longer. September will be here before you know it.