

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ July 19, 2020

Readings: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 + Romans 8:26-27 + Matthew 13:24-43

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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 th Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Leo Paul Delude by his family
	11:00 AM Donald Banville (1 st Ann) by Bill & Gail Boone
	4:00 PM Shirley Pelland by Julie Dupuis
Jul 20 – Monday	7:00 AM Alfie Dubois by Jeffrey & Molly Dubois (Re-sked from 4/3/2020 School Mass)
Jul 21 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Joseph Cote (B'day rem) by his family (Re-sked from 4/7/2020)
Jul 22 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Robert Touchette (16 th Ann) by his Mom, Elise (Re-sked from 4/6/2020)
Jul 23 – Thursday	7:00 AM Yvonne Desorcy by her family
Jul 24- Friday	7:00 AM Communion Service
Jul 25 – Saturday	4:00 PM Scott Justice (13 th Ann) by his mother, Lorraine and daughter, Jessica
Jul 26 – Sunday	7:30 AM Nicolas Pouliot by his wife & family
17 th Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Henry Therrien by Nancy Roy & family
	11:00 AM Lionel Morin & family by Mr & Mrs Levis Drapeau
	4:00 PM Deacon Joseph & Mildred Smith (B'day) by daughter, Sharon Smith

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 7/12/2020 \$10,115.00 ~~ Thank you for your support!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB Weekly drawing: 7/12/20 #81 Laurie Dawson

Congratulations to the Grand Prize Winners for this past Booster Club. They are: \$1,000 #16 Agnes Gore // \$800 #93 Leonard Chartier // \$600 #106 Connie Bourque // \$500 #42 In memory of Nap Rougeau // \$400 #44 Art & Rita Geoffroy // \$300 #105 Claire Gorski // \$200 #112 Lucille Morin // \$200 #18 Richard Beaudry // \$200 #75 Rene Fagnant // \$100 #136 Madeleine Korytko // \$100 #85 Edmond St Jean // \$100 #15 Connie Desmarais.

Thank you to all who participated in this club. All proceeds benefit SJA School. Thanks again to Gerry & Peg Girouard for chairing the Booster Club for over 17 years.

Fr. Bill's 18th Letter

Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,

Sacrificial Offering July 12, 2020

The Sacrificial Offering for the parish on Sunday, July 12, 2020 amounted to \$10,115.00. Thank you for your generosity especially during these most challenging days of the pandemic.

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal

As of July 9, 2020, parishioners of Ste. Rose (412) have contributed \$49,112.00 to this year's ACA! In the name of our Apostolic Administrator, Archbishop-elect Mitch Rozanski, I thank you for your support to this annual campaign. Due to the pandemic, more persons have reached out to the Diocese for assistance. The Diocese offers tuition assistance to families for Catholic Schools, responds to financial requests through the Catholic Charities Office, as well as many health and human services throughout the four counties of Western Massachusetts. Though the diocese has been under public scrutiny, it continues to assist those who seek assistance. The Diocese continues to do "good works" because of your generosity. Without your contribution many of these "good works" would not be possible. It is never too late to contribute to this year's campaign. You may either contribute through the materials received through the USPS or contribute on line to: www.diospringfield.org and click on the 150th Anniversary Banner. Be sure to list Ste. Rose de Lima as the reference to add to the parish's totals of contributors and receipts.

The 2020 Parish Picnic

As it is for so many fairs and social gatherings, due to the COVID 19 pandemic, the Annual Parish Picnic is cancelled for this year. The proceeds of the annual picnic are channeled 100% to St. Joan of Arc School. Those funds will be greatly missed as well as the receipts from Bingo. Bingo has not operated since the lock-down. However, the parish will conduct the Annual Raffle for the benefit of SJA. The prize structure for this year's raffle is "updated" from last year:

The Parish Raffle is awarding cash prizes totaling \$3,000.00

There will be One: \$1,000.00 prize donated by the St. Pierre-Phaneuf Aldenville Funeral Chapel.

Two \$500.00 prizes

Two \$200.00 prizes

and Five \$100.00 prizes

In addition, one prize of \$100.00 in Lottery Tickets (Donated by the Community Life Commission.)

The \$100.00 Seller's raffle will continue to be part of this year's benefit raffle.

The mailing will be arriving to your home soon. In advance, I thank you for your generous response to this benefit for St Joan of Arc School.

St Joan of Arc Booster Club

It is with great joy that I announce that the SJA Booster club during the past 17 years has contributed more than \$305,000.00 to SJA School. Without the dedication of 17 years of service by Gerry & Peg Girouard, this grand total would not have been a reality. So again, thank you Gerry & Peg! Gratefully, Joe and Sandy Chessey have graciously volunteered to run the SJA Booster Club as interim until a permanent successor comes forward – and there is an individual who has shown an interest! To all the members of the SJA Booster Club – Thank you! Merci Beaucoup!

This and That:

- 1. The Mass Pike Authority has finally repainted the bridges that crossover Granby Road and Grattan Streets. What an improvement for the aesthetics here in Aldenville!*
- 2. Mass attendance continues to “tick-up” as time progresses. The least attended Mass at this point is the 4:00 PM on Sunday. If you are wanting to attend the least attended Mass where there is most definitely lots of room, it is the Sunday afternoon Mass – now you know!*
- 3. Many parishioners who are watching Mass on the internet have offered so many wonderful comments included in their Sacrificial Offering mail. Thank you! It is greatly appreciated. “We” will continue to record Mass throughout this pandemic. The Mass is recorded on Wednesdays at 4:00 PM – most often. At times, it may need to be re-scheduled when a conflict arises in schedules. With social distancing in mind, that Mass is now open for general attendance.*
- 4. I thank you for the many prayers and good wishes for the recovery of my sister, Kathy Hoggan. Her health crisis was supposed to be a simple MOH procedure for Basal Cell Carcinoma; however, the MOH procedure could not achieve the needed results. She has been in the Sarasota, FL Medical Center for over three weeks. With many surgeries, two of them 13 hours and 11 hours respectively, and shorter surgeries in between, she has now entered the rehabilitation stage of her recovery. Again, thank you for all your prayers and good wishes.*
- 5. Since the advent of good weather, I have “resurrected” my bicycle as part of daily exercise. While I enjoy bicycling, I am saddened by how much litter there is around our beautiful City of Chicopee. Everything from “empty nips” to old masks, fast food carry-out paper/trays, etc. I encourage everyone to assist in our civic duty to not only “not litter ourselves” but to make our*

environment here in Chicopee as clean and free of rubbish along our streets by encouraging conversations about how do we help keep our city litter free. Civic pride goes a long way to attracting businesses and families to locate in our city. Oh, and don't forget: Share the Road with Bicyclists!

Peace & Love,

Fr Bill

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Other Bulletin news:

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS Ste. Rose de Lima parish will begin a new class for RCIA Candidates beginning this September 2020. Please contact Peggy Constant at 413-205-9323 or 413-536-4558 ext 218. All parishioners are welcome to refresh the knowledge of their faith. Date and time of initial class will be forthcoming. We will welcome you with open arms. Come and see and receive your Sacraments of Initiation.

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.