

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ August 16, 2020
Readings: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 + Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 + Matthew 15:21-28

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Aug 15- Saturday	4:00 PM Gerard Leblond (9th Ann) by Joanne Leblond
Aug 16 – Sunday	7:30 AM Francis & Lorraine Fimbel (75th Wdg Ann rem) by Sandy & Joe Chessey
20th Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Aime Breault (20th Ann) by his family
	11:00 AM Theresa Boissonnault (23rd Ann) by her family
	4:00 PM George J. Bissonnette, Jr. by his family
Aug 17– Monday	7:00 AM Doris Lamothe (4th Ann) by the family
Aug 18 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Helen Osetek by Louise & Edward Osetek
Aug 19 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Robert Beaulieu (B'day rem) by the children
Aug 20– Thursday	7:00 AM Tadeusz Osetek by Louise & Edward Osetek
Aug 21- Friday	7:00 AM Gladys Beaudry by her husband, Richard
	5:00 PM Wedding: Travis Lelievre-Mattie Rousseau
Aug 22 – Saturday	4:00 PM Louis Dugre by his family
Aug 23 – Sunday	7:30 AM Ida & Wilfred Fournier by Jeff & Janice Daly (Re-sked from 5/3/20)
21st Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Ivan Trombley (3rd Ann) by his family
	11:00 AM Denise Roy by Helen Carrier
	4:00 PM Phyllis Blanchard by Friends of the family

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 8/09/2020 \$7,614.00 ~~ Thank you for your support!
SJA BOOSTER CLUB Winner for 8/9/20 Week 2: #15 Connie Desmarais

AUGUST MEMORIALS: Hosts in Loving Memory of Henry E. & Beatrice M. Beaudry by their son, Richard.
Sanctuary Lamp in Loving Memory of Ivan Trombley by his family.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following souls who have, since the inception of the COVID 19 Virus, had their Funeral Mass, Funeral Home Prayer Service and Graveside Service through the Pastoral Ministry of Ste. Rose de Lima Parish. May they Rest in God's peace!!

March: William Kane, Conrad Desrochers, Jr, Donald Mercier, John Toth, Carol Provost, Richard D'Agostino, Beatrice Graham, Joan Moreau, Bernice Laurin, Cecile Desforges, Edna O'Connor, Clare Tetrault.

April: Matthew King, Jacqueline Breault, Janice Blanchard, Barbara MacClure, Robert Marowski, Joyce Kelty, Eleanor Raleigh, Nicole Ayotte, Denise St. George, John Murowski, Georgia Carleton, Stephanie Chaisson, Gina Groom, Dorothy Topor, John Herring, Theodore Chmura, Jr, Helen "Kay" Kennedy, Lorraine Jamrog, Ronald Guerin.

May: Mary Connors, Barbara Ryan, Rosemary Riley, Irene Hambley, Jeannette Roy, Normand LaFontaine, Doris Demanche, Guy Collette, Philip Louraine, Kathleen Collins, Bernadette Ross. Helen Mekal, Patricia Kearns, Richard Elmer, Stephen Pietras, Barbara Burger, Rita Arbour, Napoleon “Nap” Rougeau, Albert Morin, William Shaw, Simone Couture.

June: Evangeline Roy, Mary Jane Hemsworth, John Nietupski, Elaine Talbot, Edmund Rogalski, Yvette Guyette, Sueanne Fitzherbert, Joseph Hallee, Helen Tadeo, Theresa Cardano, Dorothy Colapinto, Joyce Burris, George Pouliot.

July: Valerie Zywar; Eleanor Rusinowski; Charles Bouse, Joyce Stefanik, Robert Hebert, Marilyn Goggin, Judy Godin, Jeannette Smith, Curtis Lee Gendreau, Paul E. Samson, James Lindsay, Gerard Bewsee, Daniel Scheeser, William Murray, Jr., Carolyn Ruta.

August: David Murphy, Paul Desrosiers, Viola Donze, Susie Beaudry, Rose Chouinard, Rachel Desrosiers, Mary Murray, Lionel Remillard, Julien Turgeon.

May their souls and the souls of all our faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in the peace. Amen.

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Fr. Bill's 22nd Letter

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

Sacrificial Offering August 9, 2020

The Sacrificial Offering for Sunday, August 9th was \$7,614.00. Thank you!

The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal

As of the last report, 419 contributors from Ste. Rose donated \$49,910.00 to this year's appeal. It is never too late, and no amount is too small to contribute to this year's ACA. You may log on to www.diospringfield.org and click on the 150th Banner to make your contribution. Be sure to designate Ste. Rose de Lima as your parish so that your contribution will be tallied for the parish.

The Annual Raffle

Many parishioners have sent in their returns for the Annual Raffle – Thank you! The proceeds for this fundraising event will support St Joan of Arc School. This year SJA needs all the financial assistance possible due to COVID 19. The virus has limited the student body numbers and bingo has been suspended. Lower enrollment and the lack of bingo receipts will result in a real financial challenge this year. Your support of this annual raffle is greatly appreciated.

Pastoral Ministry/Visitations & COVID 19

Pastoral Ministry is of great importance to the spiritual life of the parish. Again, due to the virus, its implementation is limited. Hospitals and nursing home visits to patients and residents are happening but in a limited capacity. Each health care facility has its own protocols in place. Prior to any pastoral visit, the facility is contacted to learn of their specific regulations. When allowed, if there is NO COVID, the visitation will be made. The Sacrament of the Sick (The Last Rites) will be administered if allowed by the health care facility. Home visitations are limited to a brief visit for the reception of Holy Communion and/or The Sacrament of the Sick. If a loved one is nearing death, please call the Pastoral Center. Please do not wait until the last minute to call.

The Liturgy of Christian Burial

Funeral Masses are being celebrated during this re-opening phase of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. There are limitations, however. Presently family members are not allowed to proclaim the scriptures, present the offertory gifts, or give a eulogy. Please do not request “an exception.” Due to the recent up-tick in COVID cases, the parish needs to exercise extreme caution that it is not traced as a source for the virus. Your cooperation and understanding are appreciated. All the local funeral directors are aware of these limitations and will be helpful in the planning of the Liturgy of Christian Burial for your deceased loved one.

COVID 19 & Mass attendance

For over 22 weeks many members of the parish have been fearful of attending Mass due to the fear of contracting the virus. Those who have underlying health issues ought to remain at home during this time of pandemic. The media reminds each of us every day how the virus is “ticking-up” and that each of us needs to follow the well-known protocols to assist in the war against the coronavirus. Simple things like face masks, social distancing, and frequent hand washing are extremely effective in combating this virus. As you are aware, but just as a reminder, all Catholics are exempted from Mass attendance by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops. Should you feel the need to remain at home you may avail yourself to *The Chalice of Salvation* on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM on channel 22 or cable channel 787. Also, the parish website is updated weekly with Sunday Mass recorded from Ste. Rose de Lima Church. Our weekly taped Mass is also available on Facebook and You Tube. At Communion time you may offer the following prayer:

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment 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.

Peace & Love,

Fr. Bill

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Other Bulletin news:

Hector Page who celebrated his 99th Birthday on August 9th called to thank all who remembered him and sent him Birthday Cards at the Holyoke Soldier's Home. He's thrilled to hear from you and promises to pray for you! Thank you very much!

THE 2020 STE. ROSE PARISH RAFFLE: By now, you've received your parish raffle tickets in the mail. Thank you to all those who have already responded. 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. When making your raffle returns, you may mail them to St. Rose de Lima Parish, 15 Chapel St., Chicopee, MA 01020 or drop them off at the Pastoral Center or place them in the Weekend collection basket at Mass in an envelope marked Picnic or Raffle. Also, **please make your check payable to St. Rose de Lima Church.** The Annual Parish Picnic is cancelled for this year due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Ste. Rose is in need of volunteers to assist with meal prep at *Lorraine's Soup Kitchen* on the third Thursday of each month. Hours are approximately from 1 to 4PM once a month. Masks and gloves will need to be worn at all times during meal prep. If you have an interest in helping or have any questions, please contact Louise King 413-313-3685. Thank you!.

SJA BOOSTER CLUB MEMBERSHIP: If you have not yet renewed your Club membership, and wish to continue in the club, please forward your \$100.00 dues (\$5.00 per week for 20 weeks), or any portion thereof (payable to St. Rose de Lima Church) to the Chesseys. If you do not wish to continue, please contact Joe or Sandy Chessey. This will free up your number for another player. Their mailing address is: 36 Stedman St., Chicopee, MA 01013. Their phone # 413-592-6256 and their email is schessey514@gmail.com. Thanks!

All proceeds from the Booster Club go to the support of SJA School.

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.