SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

THE BAPTISM 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 AM & 10:00 AM

HOLY DAYS
8:30 AM & 7:00 PM

DAILY MASS
Monday 9:00 AM
Wednesday 8:30 AM

PENANCE
Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or
by appointment

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Fax: 508-393-4922
Email: saintrose1@verizon.net

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8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

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THRIFT SHOPPE
Closed until further notice

Unless otherwise specified, parish events and activities are suspended until further notice.

Weekend Masses are being held on Saturday at 5:00 PM (also live streaming on the St. Rose Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stroseoflimaparish)

Sunday at 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

The obligation to attend Mass has been suspended until February 21, 2021

If you are part of the vulnerable population, not feeling well or just don't feel safe returning to Mass just yet, we encourage you to remain home and celebrate with us online. There are many ways you can celebrate the Mass with us each week:

Facebook: Saturday at 5:00 PM
Celebrate with us in real-time as we live-stream the Mass on our Saint Rose of Lima Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stroseoflimaparish

Saint Rose of Lima Website: Sunday at 10:00 AM
saintroseoflima.com/mass-online
Our pre-recorded Mass remains available on-demand through out the week.

Northborough Cable: Tuesdays at 11:00 AM
Verizon - Channel 31 and Charter - Channel 191

Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People

Our parish follows the guidelines of the national Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a Church employee or volunteer in the past, please contact, Victim Services Coordinator for our diocese at 508-929-4363 (direct line and confidential voice mail). If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.

Baptism Preparation

Attending a Baptismal Preparation class is required before your child can be baptized. The next scheduled class will be held on **Wednesday, March 3 at 7:00 PM** in the Family Life Center. You need to attend only one class. Expectant parents are encouraged to participate in the program while awaiting the birth of their child. Call the parish office to register (508-393-2413). Classes are held every other month.

Question of the Week

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Question for Children: *When do you feel most loved?*

Question for Adult: *Do you ever feel that you are a beloved child of God and God is well-pleased with you?*

MASS INTENTIONS

If you scheduled a Mass Intention and the Mass was cancelled due to Covid-19, please call the office at 508-393-2413 to reschedule.

Monday January 11
9:00 AM

Wednesday January 13
8:30 AM

Saturday January 16 Vigil Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM Ruth Libby (Thrift Shop Members)

Sunday January 17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Margaret Casali (Carolyn Hays)
10:00 AM Dan Griffin (Paul and Rose Duquette)

Monday January 18
9:00 AM

Wednesday January 20
8:30 AM

Saturday January 23 Vigil Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM Mary and Brian Rogan (Paul and Rose Duquette)

Sunday January 24 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Frank Mulazzi Family (Carolyn Hays)
10:00 AM Robert Creasy (Luann and Dana Hanna)

Stewardship of Treasure

January 3, 2021

$ 7,302.00	(48 env)
$ 59.00	Loose
$ 3,606.65	Online (72)
$10,967.65	Total (120)

December 27th donations $13,259.63
Christmas $10,479.69

As we begin a new year, let us take time to plan and make stewardship of time and talent a part of our lifestyle and stewardship of treasure a part of our budget.

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Year End Contributions

Anyone wishing to receive a statement of contributions, please contact the parish office at 508-393-2413 or email: saintrose1@verizon.net to request one. They will be mailed out the week of January 20, 2020.

Community Meals Curbside Pick Up

Every Wednesday
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Trinity Church
23 Main Street, Northborough
Parking Lot

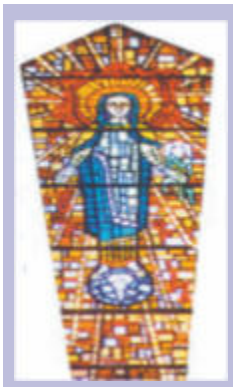
Community meals are available for curbside pickup. Please drive up and park. We will deliver your to-go meal to your car. Please remain in your car, wear your mask and respect social distancing guidelines.

If you would like to donate to the purchase of meals, please make your checks out to "Helping Hands Association" with "Community Meal" on the memo line and mail the check to:
Northborough Helping Hands P.O. Box 383
Northborough, MA 01532

Volunteer Opportunities:

Donate cases of water, two dozen individually wrapped desserts or your time and help deliver the meals to the guests in their parked cars. Sign up here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c49aba822a1f58-summer



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.

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The Baptism of the Lord

Jesus is baptized. We hear this Gospel reading at Mass on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord.
John was preaching to the people. He said, "Someone is coming. He is so much more important than me that I'm not even worthy to untie his sandal!" Then Jesus came, and John baptized him in the Jordan River. The Holy Spirit came down in the form of a dove and landed on Jesus. Then, a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, whom I love. I'm very happy with you." *Our Sunday Visitor Kids*

Elementary Sessions
Week of January 10: Unit 3 How do we live what we believe?
The Faith Lived Lesson 11 – How do we know God loves us?

Middle School Sessions
Sessions resume January 11th and 12th
Module 5 – The Trinity (via Zoom) 6:30 PM

High School (9th and 10th Grade) Sessions
Next session: Sunday, January 10 (via Zoom) 6:30 PM

Confirmation Class (11th Grade) Sessions
Module 5 – Guides Along the Way - Due January 10

BAPTISM
At our baptism, we share in Jesus' life and become children of God.

WATER - Holy water is poured over us, washing away original sin. We are baptized in the name of the Father, and the son and the Holy Spirit.

SACRED CHASIM - Our heads are anointed with a scented oil called "chrism." This shows us how special we are as children of God.

WHITE GARMENT - After we are baptized, we are given something white to wear. This is a sign of our new life in Christ.

BAPTISMAL CANDLE – A candle is lit from the Easter candle to remind us that we need to share the light of Christ with all people.

Don't fall for the Gift Card Scam!

Sadly the holidays are an opportunity for scams. At least two pastors have experienced a scam email claiming they needed gift cards. This is a reminder that the parish would only use normal and ordinary means to communicate any requests, particularly involving donations. If an email request looks odd, hit DELETE!

Prayer Shawl Ministry…..

The ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry have been faithfully knitting/crocheting in their homes, creating beautiful prayer shawls, during this time of isolation. Once again, I want to thank them for their generosity and spirit of love.

Right now, our cabinet is full of various colors and sizes of prayer shawls that are ready to be given to anyone you believe would enjoy or benefit from receiving one.

So many people right now have Covid fatigue. If you know someone that might appreciate a "God," hug during this time, please call the parish office (508-393-2413) or Lee Zawacki (508-393-9253) and we will be happy to help you find just the shawl that may bring a smile to a worried face or fill someone with a feeling of hope during Advent.

Lee Zawacki, Chair, Prayer Shawl Ministry

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

Youth Group Meetings

The Middle School and High School Youth Group are opportunities 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.

Stephen Lavoie, Youth Minister

Diocesan Basketball League Canceled…

Due to the ongoing pandemic, this year's Diocesan Basketball League will be canceled. Information for 2022 season will be available at a future date..

Announcing our 2020 Scholarship Recipients…

St. Rose of Lima is pleased to announce that on Sunday, January 24th at the 10am Mass, we will be recognizing our 2020 scholarship recipients. All past and current catechists along with parents are invited to attend this wonderful celebration.

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) 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.

January 22-National Day of Prayer

Did you know that in Dioceses throughout the United States, January 22nd is designated as a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Human Life? As Catholics, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms, in a way similar to our Lenten practices. Learn more about how you can participate at: https://worcesterdiocese.org/jan-22-day-of-prayer.

Volunteer Opportunities in Worcester

Urban Missionaries of Our Lady of Hope is a Catholic Social Action Ministry in the Diocese of Worcester. In these difficult economic times, they are in need of volunteers who are willing to donate their time and talents to help support our day to day operations in the "helping the least, the last and the left out." If you have time and would like to help us make a difference, please contact them by email at: mailbox@urbanmissionaries.com or by phone 508-831-7455.

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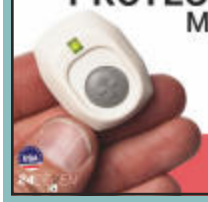

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