ST. ROSE OF LIMA Feast Day, August 23rd

The first canonized saint of the New World, Rose was born to parents of Spanish descent in Lima, Peru, at a time when South America was in its first century of evangelization. She seems to have taken Catherine of Siena as a model, in spite of the objections and ridicule of parents and friends.

The saints have so great a love of God that what seems bizarre to us, and is indeed sometimes imprudent, is simply a logical carrying out of a conviction that anything that might endanger a loving relationship with God must be rooted out. So, because her beauty was so often admired, Rose used to rub her face with pepper to produce disfiguring blotches.

When her parents fell into financial trouble, she worked in the garden all day and sewed at night. Ten years of struggle against her parents began when they tried to make Rose marry. They refused to let her enter a convent, and out of obedience she continued her life of penance and solitude at home as a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic. So deep was her desire to live the life of Christ that she spent most of her time at home in solitude.

During the last few years of her life, Rose set up a room in the house where she cared for homeless children, the elderly, and the sick. This was a beginning of social services in Peru. Though secluded in life and activity, she was brought to the attention of Inquisition interrogators, who could only say that she was influenced by grace.

What might have been a merely eccentric life was transfigured from the inside. If we remember some unusual penances, we should also remember the greatest thing about Rose: a love of God so ardent that it withstood ridicule from without, violent temptation, and lengthy periods of sickness. When she died at 31, the city turned out for her funeral. Prominent men took turns carrying her coffin.

Saint Rose of Lima is the Patron Saint of:

Americas, Florists, Latin America, Peru, Philippines, South America and a worship site belonging to Holy Spirit Parish!!

AFGHANISTAN

This past week we witnessed the atrocities of the Taliban invading and overtaking Afghanistan. The fallout from this invasion continues to reveal itself on a daily basis. Let us continue to pray for the people of Afghanistan and those democratic powers that will come to their aid.

Prayer for Afghanistan

For those who are fleeing: Sanctuary For those who are staying: Safety For those who are fighting: Peace For those whose hearts are breaking: Comfort For those who see no future: Hope

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH WOMEN'S SOCIETY

The Holy Spirit Women's Society will be starting back up monthly meetings beginning Tuesday September 28 at 630pm in the Rectory Hall. All women of both worship sites are welcome to attend. Also, if you want to keep up with what we are doing, find us on Facebook by searching Holy Spirit Women's Society.

Jill Robillard – Chairperson 757-8158

Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord..." Our prayers and condolences go out to the families of Allan Duplisea and Muriel Perro

Shaking hands at the "Sign of Peace"

Prior to the reception of Communion, the community is invited to show a SIGN of peace to those around them... "Let us offer each other the SIGN of peace."

Now that we have returned to the 'green phase' some have asked if they should refrain from shaking hands during the sign of peace at Mass. It is important to emphasize that the invitation to offer the sign of peace allows the individual parishioner to choose how that sign will be expressed. For example, some parishioners may choose to wave their hands or nod their heads as a sign of peace. While the norm in our culture is to shake hands... it is not obligatory, it is only one acceptable expression of the sign of peace. Consequently, I would encourage parishioners who are concerned about the safety of shaking hands at the sign of peace, could express peace in another manner.

CANDLES FOR PRAYER

Prior to the pandemic, the lighting of candles at St. Rose Worship Site was an important tradition. Now that we have entered the 'green phase' this practice may return. Therefore, you are invited to light candles prior to Mass or during your prayer time. Currently we are looking at starting this practice at St. Matthew's Worship Site... please stay tuned!

Jesus has chosen us to be his friends, intimate companions on the way, but he has also chosen us with a purpose in mind: "I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last..." He has chosen us in order to send us out, to represent him and his cause, to be partners in his mission.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE PEOPLE OF HAITI WHO ARE **RECOVERING FROM THE HURRIFIC EARTHQUAKE. AS WELL, LET US REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE PARISHED IN THIS NATURAL DISASTER**

Holy Hour of Adoration – Sunday, Aug 22, 2021 @ Holy Spirit Parish, St. Rose Worship Site from 1-2 pm

MISSION

MASS SCHEDULE 2021							
Aug 24, 2021	Tue	St. Matthews Worship Site	7pm	Andrea Limkilde Allan Duplisea			
Aug 26, 2021	Thu	St. Rose Worship Site	12:10pm	Mary Richards			
Aug 28, 2021	Sat	St. Rose Worship Site	4pm	Agnes & Paddy Addison			
Aug 29, 2021	Sun	St. Rose Worship Site	9am	Parishioners			
Aug 29, 2021	Sun	St. Matthews Worship Site	11am	John & Peter Leger			

****IMPORTANT****

Dear Parents!!

In anticipation of restarting Religious Education classes, we need volunteers. Sharing your Catholic experience with our youth is a wonderful ministry, and it's fun, too! You don't need to be a liturgical scholar; we have lots of resources, and mutual help! If you have experience with ZOOM, that could be a bonus, but at this point, it will only apply to the Confirmation class. If you're interested, or just want more information, please call Linda at 506-636-0677 or email at linspin@nbnet.nb.ca

COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Aug 15, 2021 – Regular \$2,054.00 Loose \$163.65 eTransfer - \$120.00 PAD Weekly Average - \$1,694.00 PAD BLDG - \$172.00

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO DROP OFF OR MAIL THEIR MONETARY DONATIONS. WITHOUT THIS EFFORT WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO MEET OUR EXPENSES.

Holy Spirit Women's Society

During the months of August & September, Holy Spirit Parish is holding a school supplies drive for Harbour View High School students in need. The items that have been requested are: pens, pencils (pre-sharpened if possible), erasers, duo tangs, scientific calculators, small binders (1" or 1.5"), backpacks suitable for high school, as well as nut-free pocket snacks (granola bars, etc). Please note that loose leaf is NOT needed at this time. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

NEW MINISTRY

Have you heard? We have a new ministry! We're looking for people who are interested in various forms of technology that we use to support Mass and Evangelization. No experience is necessary, only a willingness to learn about any (NOT ALL) of the following: sound system, blogging, social media, Zoom... If interested please contact Matthew Tingley at: mrtingley@blackcatsolutions.ca or 721-5722, or call the Parish Office.

Holy Spirit Parish St. Matthews & St. Rose of Lima Worship Sites August 22, 2021 lead others to Jesus. *** OFFICE HOURS*** **Tuesday - Thursday: 9 am to 4 pm** Office Number - 653-6850 Monday & Friday: both offices closed **CONTACT INFORMATION** Email: holyspiritparish@nb.aibn.com Pastor – Rev. David J. Martin www.holyspiritrcparish.ca **Civic Address: 45 Dollard Drive** www.holyspiritrcparish.ca **Civic Address: 541 Milford Road** St. Rose of Lima Worship Site

We are a welcoming community of growing disciples who share our faith, support one another, and Office Number - 738-2320 Mailing Address: 279 Nerepis Rd, Grand Bay-Westfield, NB E5K 2Z9 St. Matthew Worship Site - (506)738-2320 Fax: (506)653-6865 Website St. Rose of Lima Worship Site - (506)653-6850 Fax: (506)653-6865 Website **Confessions - The Sacrament of Reconciliation 3:15pm Saturdays at**

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS TUES (SMWS) 9AM – 4PM, WED & THUR (SRWS) – 9AM – 4PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONTACT INFORMATION Holy Spirit Parish –Please contact Linda Spinney at 636-0677 or email her at linspin@nbnet.nb.ca

PANDEMIC TEAM CHAIRPERSON Mark Palmer – 506-635-5742 or email him at markj@nbnet.nb.ca

Gentle Path – Counselling Services – Pathways to Hope

Gentle Path Counselling Services provides counselling at the 28 Richmond Street Office and is now scheduling appointments at Horizon's Market Place Wellness Centre in the Lower West Side

We offer counselling for:

Anxiety	Addictions	Grief & Loss	Domestic Violence
Couples Counselling	Sexual Assault Trauma	Self Esteem & Body Image	Sexual Identity & Orientation
PTSD	Parenting	Depression	First Nations
Kids & Teens	Blended Families	Anger Management	Work Related Issues

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