St. Rose of Lima Parish
Our Lady of the Snows Mission Church
Serving the towns of Littleton, Bethlehem, Franconia, Sugar Hill, Easton, Lyman & Dalton

St. Rose of Lima Parish
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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptism: By appointment
Marriage: Arrangements for the marriage preparation program must be made six months prior to the desired wedding date.
Anointing: The Sacrament of the Sick is available to anyone facing serious health issues. Please contact the office for a hospital, nursing home or home visit.
Confession: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is scheduled at St. Rose of Lima Church on Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Affiliated Agencies: NH Catholic Charities, Parish & Community Services
Office: 603-444-7727

St. Rose of Lima Church Location
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Our Lady of the Snows Mission Location
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Weekend & Weekday Mass Schedule
Saturday 4:00 pm St. Rose of Lima
6:00 pm Our Lady of the Snows
Sunday 8:00 am St. Rose of Lima
10:30 am St. Rose of Lima
Monday, Tuesday & Friday
8:30 am Mt Sacred Heart Convent
226 Grove St, Littleton, NH
Thursday 6:00 pm St. Rose of Lima

Holy Day Mass Schedule
Call the parish office or check the website
(changes according to what day it falls on)

Knights of Columbus
O'Neil Council 1835
Grand Knight - Adam Smith
603-616-8556

New to the area? Please come register at the parish office & introduce yourself.
We look forward to meeting you!
All Masses are at St. Rose of Lima Church except for the Saturday 6:00 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Snows and the Monday, Tuesday, and Friday 8:30 a.m. Masses at Mount Sacred Heart Convent.

Saturday, June 23rd
4:00 p.m.  t Andrew W. Cryans, Sr., 9th anniversary, by the family
6:00 p.m.  Mass for the people

Sunday, June 24th
8:00 a.m.  t Trevor Champagne, 2nd anniversary, by Reva Champagne & family
10:30 a.m.  t Lorraine Palmerchuck by Jim & Sharon Palmerchuck

Saturday, June 30th
4:00 p.m.  t Frank Porfido, Sr. by Frank & Julie Porfido, Jr.
6:00 p.m.  t Rita Mimnaugh Woodruff by Toni & Frank Woodruff

Sunday, July 1st
8:00 a.m.  Mass for the people
10:30 a.m.  t Linda Dalglish by Luci Pineault

t denotes deceased

If those who have requested a Mass would like to participate in bringing up the offertory gifts, please see an usher before Mass.

Confessions: Saturday, 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima and other times by appointment.

Pastor’s Notes

- I will be away for vacation from Monday, June 25th until Friday, June 29th. I’ll be visiting friends in Maine and Massachusetts. Both Fr. Sebastian in Woodsville and Fr. Matthew Schultz in Lancaster will be around and cover for me. If I don’t take this time off, I will lose it.

- July 1st marks the 25th anniversary of the death of G. G. Allin who is buried in St. Rose of Lima Cemetery. Mr. Allin was a rock singer and after his death has continued to have a following of some undesirable people. For that reason, Glenwood Cemetery personnel and the Littleton Police Department will be monitoring the cemetery that weekend. Our cemetery may have to be closed to vehicular traffic if the situation warrants it. I apologize in advance for any inconveniences you may encounter during this time.

- Don’t forget our parish picnic which is coming up on Sunday, August 19th from 11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on the rectory lawn, rain or shine. Bishop Libasci will be joining us that day.

- During the week of July 2nd, our daily Mass schedule will be altered to Monday through Thursday. All Masses will be at 8:30 a.m. at Mount Sacred Heart Convent. That Thursday and Friday I will be in Bethel, Maine celebrating a wedding for one of our parishioners.

Scholarship Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus O’Neil Council 1835 of Littleton is offering a $500.00 scholarship to a high school or home schooled senior who is a registered parishioner of either St. Rose of Lima Church in Littleton, Our Lady of the Snows in Franconia, St. Catherine’s in Lisbon, or St. Joseph’s in Woodsville and who will be continuing their education by attending college or a vocational school. To request an application, please email Kevin Hastings at tempusfugit603@gmail.com.

Ultreya

North Country Ultreya will meet this Monday, June 25th from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Snows Church in Franconia. Any questions, contact Rick and Mary Pat Simmons at 444-5247 or by email at sim7@roadrunner.com.
Parish Support
June 16 & 17

Offertory 3683.00
Mass Intentions 40.00
Candles 58.00
Funeral 100.00

Thank you very much!

Let Us Remember Our Sick in Prayer

Pray that they may find comfort and healing in Christ, especially: Carmela Quail, Ned Johnson, Alma Patricia Guardado, Bailey Culver, Tina Weeks, Christina Bogat (Names will be listed for eight weeks. No name will be placed on the list without that individual’s permission.)

Missionary Cooperation Plan

Every year each parish in our diocese is required to welcome a missionary sometime during the summer months. We welcome Rev. Joseph Domfeh from the Diocese of Sunyani in Ghana this weekend. The Catholic Diocese of Sunyani, Ghana was established in 1973. Most of it is situated in poor rural areas where the people are farmers. The average annual income of most of the people in this area is $500.00. Fortunately, response to the faith is tremendously encouraging. There are over 300,000 baptized in the diocese. The major sources of income to minister to their parishioners is available through missionary activities, especially our Missionary Cooperation Plan, other generous donors, and a subsidy they receive from the Holy See. There will be baskets located at the entrances of the churches for your donations to the Mission Cooperation Plan. Thank you!

Mount Sacred Heart (MSH) Garden Project

The MSH Garden Project is “growing and blooming” by leaps and bounds this time of the year and you are invited to join in making it continue to happen. Volunteers are needed for many varied tasks—not all involve dealing with dirt and bugs! Every week food is harvested, packed, and delivered to two local food pantries, all done by volunteers. Please consider making the MSH Garden Project a family event once or twice during the summer or as a weekly activity. Contact Sr. Monique for more details or to add your name to the regular email group news notes.

Community Yard Sale

The annual Community Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, July 7th at Our Lady of the Snows in Franconia. Please consider helping out with this important fundraiser for the Good Neighbor Food Pantry located in Franconia. Many hands make for light work, plus those who volunteer have a lot of fun and there’s loads of warm fuzzies to boot. For more information contact either Cindy Burnell at 991-8403 or by email at cburnell@completemedicalists.com or Tammy Hastings at 991-3564 or at thehastingsflock1@gmail.com.

Connect with Our Seminarian

If you would like to reach out to our seminarian Benjamin Gorewitz please call the parish office and leave your contact information and Ben will call you back.

Second Collection

Next weekend, June 30th and July 1st, there will be baskets located at the entrances of the churches for your donations to our monthly Fuel collection. These funds go toward paying the costs of heating all of our parish facilities. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Meals on Wheels

The Littleton Area Senior Center is asking all of the area churches to donate bottles of salad dressing to be distributed to individuals receiving Meals on Wheels. There are baskets located in the back of the churches for your help with this request. Thank you!
Religious Education

Registration forms for the next school year are available in the back rack at St. Rose of Lima Church and on the back bulletin board at Our Lady of the Snows Church as well as in the parish office. Please fill out the form on both sides, sign, place in an envelope marked ‘Religious Ed’ with a check or cash and drop into any weekend Mass collection basket. Pre-registration fee of $40.00 per family ends on June 30th. After that date, the fee will be $50.00 per family. Fees are waived for those families whose parents or grandparents volunteer to help out in the program.

Thank You!

Catholic Charities would like to thank all parishioners who purchased items for “Blessing Bags.” We were able to put together twenty-nine bags for homeless individuals. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

CASA Stop & Learn

CASA of New Hampshire (Court Appointed Special Advocates) has scheduled their next training to begin on September 4th in Littleton. They are in desperate need of volunteers who are willing to advocate out of the Berlin, Lancaster and Littleton courts. Would you know of anyone who may have ten to fifteen hours per month to volunteer as a CASA advocate for the abused and neglected children located in the North Country? CASA is hosting a ‘Stop & Learn’ about CASA at the Polish Princess Bakery on Wednesday, June 27th from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. The bakery is located at 73 Main Street in Lancaster. This presentation is open to the public for anyone wanting to learn more about a CASA advocate. For more information contact Lucie Remillard at lremillard@casa.org or at 752-9670. Together we can help every child!

June 24 celebrates the feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. How was that date chosen and why?

The date set for John the Baptist’s birth only came into existence once the date to celebrate Jesus’ birth was set. Evidence shows that by the middle of the fourth century Christians were celebrating the birth of Jesus around December 25. No one at that time knew when Jesus was born, but the date seemed to be selected to counter the Roman festival to the sun god.

Once December 25 had been selected for the birth of Jesus, a number of other dates could be set, using the biblical evidence at hand. When the angel appeared to Mary and she conceived, her cousin, Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, was in her sixth month. If Jesus was born on December 25, then he had to be conceived nine months before, on March 25. If Elizabeth was then in her sixth month, then John the Baptist was due three months later on June 25.

Then why June 24? A rather convincing reason stems from John’s witness in John’s Gospel. There John the Baptist says that Jesus must increase and he, John, must decrease. The other Gospels also have John point to Jesus and not himself as the chosen One of God. In making John’s birth a day less than Jesus’ full nine months the Christian community communicated this Gospel reality in its liturgical calendar. Thus the Christian community continues to highlight John’s mission and ministry. Maybe we could strive toward that same mission in our own lives.
When the time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child she gave birth to a son. When they came on the eighth day to circumcise the child, they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother said in reply, "No. He will be called John." - Lk 1:57, 59-60

Readings for the Week of June 24

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40 [33a]/Mt 7:15-20
Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:6-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29
Friday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17
Nxt Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Observances for the Week

Sunday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Wednesday: St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Thursday: St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr
Friday: Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles
Saturday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Nxt Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time