

THE CHRIST INITIATIVE:

Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Topsfield

Saint Agnes Parish, Middleton

WELCOME! New to our parish or just visiting for the day? Thank you for joining us! Just before the end of Mass, we welcome visitors and new parishioners. We are eager to meet you. Welcome!

Mass Intentions Week of:

June 6, - June 14, 2015

Saturday: 5:30PM - (Fr. Cadin)

Thomas Hollow by His family

Sunday: 8:30AM - (Fr. Cadin)

Irma Feeney by Donald & Marie Riccardi

10:00AM - (Fr. Cadin)

Bill Woitowicz by The Boyle Family

11:30AM - (Fr. Cadin)

Joseph F. Sciora by The Sciora Family

Monday: 9:00AM

Mass for the People

Wednesday: 9:00AM

Mass for the People

Friday: 9:00AM

Mass for the People

Saturday:

5:30PM (Fr. Dlugos)

Mass for the People

Sunday:

8:30AM (Fr. Ren)

Mass for the People

10:00AM (Fr. Ren)

Sandra Marie Della Russo

by The Zamagni Family

11:30AM (Fr. Ren)

Mass for the People

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Reconciliation:

St. Rose of Lima: Wednesday,

June 17th 7:00PM - 8:00PM

Saint Agnes: Wednesday,

June 10th & 24th

7:00PM - 8:00PM.

Wedding Bann II

Christopher Davis & Abigail Sheehan



Last Weeks' Parish Support: \$7,191.98

Humble Pie: Most of you know I like pie. However, a slice of *Humble Pie* usually isn't welcomed or sought after by most of us. There is a difference between being forced to eat a slice of *Humble Pie* and choosing to take a slice. Jesus chose to take a slice. He humbled Himself to come among us, as one of us. Jesus left behind the glories and power of heaven to become our servant, our redeemer. Jesus continues to humble Himself by taking on the appearance of bread and wine. The Holy Eucharist is truly the Body and Blood of Jesus. Not made so by the power of any human being, but by the power of love. Love can change things. Love can change us; the love that someone has for us, or the love that we choose to have for another. I hope you have had that experience. Humility enables a person to look beyond differences that might separate one person from another, and to love. Humility allows us to see each other the way God sees us. Jesus' humility allows simple things - bread and wine - to become Divine realities. This weekend we celebrate the gift of Corpus Christi - the Body and Blood of Jesus. As we reflect upon Jesus' humble presence in Holy Communion, it is a good moment to ask how we foster humility in our lives and, importantly, in our relationships. Some questions: Do we live lives open to a wisdom beyond our own cleverness or understanding? While striving to grow each day, are we at peace with our own limitations and at peace with others? Do we foster anger in our hearts? A daily slice of *Humble Pie* can help us grow in answering those questions as Jesus did. (and there's no calories in *Humble Pie*.)
Fr Michael

Eucharistic Procession: In celebration of Corpus Christi on June 7, 2015 please join us for a Eucharistic procession, leaving St. Agnes at 1:00PM. We will walk to the Middleton Green on Route 114, where we will gather for prayer, reflection and Adoration for the Blessed Sacrament.

Message from Father Keith: As many of you might have noticed, I have had an issue with my ankle over the last several months. So, June 1st, at Mass General, I had surgery to reconstruct my ankle. As a result I will not be able to assist at Sunday Masses until the end of the summer. I ask for your prayers during the upcoming weeks. I will miss my weekly participation to be a presider at Masses in both Middleton and Topsfield. Thanks for your support and I look forward to seeing you later this summer. You also will be in my prayers. Fr. Keith

Blessings to Father Ren: Please join us on Sunday, June 14th, at the 11:30AM Mass to express our gratitude to Father Ren for his ministry with us, and to bid him blessings in his new assignment. A reception for Father Ren will take place following the Mass. We look forward to seeing you there!

Our Next Meeting: On Monday, June 15th, our next meeting of *Heart to Heart* will take place. Join us from either: 6:00PM - 7:00PM or 7:10PM - 8:10PM in Saint Rose church hall. In the last year and a half, many of our parishioners have experienced the heartache of a loved one passing from this world into the next. Our gatherings will be an opportunity to have an open, honest, and safe conversation about what is happening in your life, heart, family, and faith since your loved one passed into the hands of God. Over the course of the next six meetings, we will have the chance to support and give light to each other. Please join us. frmichael@thechristinitiative.org or 978.887.5505. Fr Michael

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

Our annual Summer Religious Education Program for students in Grades 6 through 8 will be held on June 25, June 26 and June 27. On Thursday, June 25 classes will be held from 2:30PM-6:00PM. On June 26 and June 27 classes will run from 8:00AM - 12Noon.

The Religious Education program can only run with the help and service of volunteers. Volunteers to serve as catechists (teachers) and aides are needed for the Grade 6-8 summer program. For more information on the summer session volunteer opportunities, please contact Deborah Charewicz at 978-774-1958 or at dcharewicz@thechristinitiative.org. The St. Rose Summer Catechists and Aide meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 17th @ 7:00PM in the St. Rose Parish Hall.

Flag Day: A flag raising ceremony will be held on June 14, 2015 after the 10:00AM Mass at St. Rose of Lima. If you wish to purchase a flag to be flown in honor of a family member who is a veteran, deceased or currently serving in our armed forces, please contact the Rectory office at 978-774-1958.

Vacation Bible School: Vacation Bible School is coming the week of July 27-31, 2015, at St. Agnes Hall for children entering grades K-5. The cost is \$30.00 per child and registration forms are available in the church foyers and online at thechristinitiative.org. For questions please contact Patsy Hemeon at hemeonp@gmail.com or call the parish office.

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