

## Lowell's 2025 Franco-American Festival Week begins Sunday, June 22!

- Sunday, June 22 12:00 pm Mass in French honoring St. Jean Baptiste. (French/English worship aid provided.) At Immaculate Conception Church, 144 E. Merrimack St., Lowell, MA. Light refreshments and naming of the Greater-Lowell Franco-American of the Year will follow in downstairs church hall. (Stair-free access on Fayette St. for upper-church handicap drop-off. Downstairs lift accessible from the church parking lot, using door closest to E. Merrimack St.)
- Monday, June 23: 6:00-9:00 pm Film Screening of "One Family, Three Women" at Coburn Hall, corner of Broadway & Wilder, on the UMass Lowell South Campus. The film views the story of Lowell's Franco-American community through the prism of one family's experience: that of mother, daughter, and granddaughter. A discussion will follow, along with updating from Prof. Mercédès Baillargeon on the UML/Franco-American Day Committee collaboration for preserving and promoting Lowell's Francohistory. Refreshments will be served.

- **Tuesday, June 24: 10:00 am Flag Raising at Lowell City Hall** followed by coffee and donuts. (Outdoors if weather is favorable; in City Hall if rainy.)
- **Tuesday, June 24: 6:30 pm Vesper Service honoring St. Jean Baptiste** at the Lourdes Grotto, 357 Pawtucket St., Lowell, behind the Franco Residences. *(Bring your own chair!)* **Wine and Cheese Social** to follow in the Community Room of the Franco Residences afterwards.
- Thursday, June 26: 6:30-8:30 pm Family Bingo in French and English, at St. Michael's Church Hall, 12 Sixth St, Lowell, MA. Bingo cards \$2 each or three for \$5. Cash prizes for each game! Free snacks and water!
- Saturday, June 28, 6:00-10:00 pm French Quadrilles and Contra Dances at the Mt. Pleasant Golf Club, 141 Staples St., Lowell, MA. Free admission! Live music from Don and Cindy Roy of Maine! No partner or experience needed! Free snacks and water! *Cash bar!*

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