

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish
Newton/Needham, Massachusetts



February 26th, 2012 in the Year of Grace
The First Sunday in Lent

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ON THE PARISH CALENDAR...

Sunday, February 26th:

Religious Education Classes, K-5, 8:30 a.m.
 (Lower Church Hall)
 Latin Mass Children's Catechism,
 9:30-10:25 a.m.

Thursday, March 1st:

STONE INSTITUTE Mass, 2:00 p.m.

Friday, March 2nd:

FIRST FRIDAY

Confessions before the 12:30 p.m. Mass
 Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most
 Blessed Sacrament, 7:30 p.m.
 Main Church

Saturday, March 3rd:

FIRST SATURDAY

Fatima Devotions after the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Sunday, March 4th:

Religious Education Classes, Grades K-5, 8:30 a.m.
 (lower church hall)
 Latin Mass Children's Catechism, 9:30 a.m.
 (lower rectory conference room)
 Sodality of Our Lady, Monthly Meeting after the
 10:30 a.m. Mass,
 (lower rectory conference room)

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE SUPPORT OF
 OUR PARISH

*"What return can I make to the Lord for all His
 kindness to Me?"*



**NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 4th,
 IS THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC
 APPEAL SUNDAY FOR OUR
 ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON.**

**THE THEME FOR THIS YEAR'S APPEAL IS:
 "THE GOOD SAMARITAN IS YOU."**

Requiescant in Pace



David F. Quinn,
 (brother of
 parishioner **Bob
 Quinn)**
Frank Fay, age 80



Barbara Proia, age 93
Walter Kiuber, age 95
 (father of parishioner
Elaine Murray)

In Loving Memory of
Richard "Frank" Fay
 February 27, 1931
 February 12, 2012



Wednesday Nights during Lent, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**A priest will be available in the Main Church
 for the Sacrament of Penance.**

"Pamphlets to Inspire"

**Parishioners Nick and Janet Pino have put
 together a website to download the many religious
 pamphlets they have been putting together:**

www.pamphletstoinspire.com

FEBRUARY IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Pastor's Note



(Front Cover: "Healing at the Pool of Bethesda", by the Danish painter, Carl Bloch, A.D. 1883. This depicts the Scriptural scene of Christ healing a man who had been in a state of paralysis for 38 years, and was lying helplessly by the pool which had the power to heal him. Christ heals him by His word of command. This is the Gospel lesson from Ember Friday in Lent, John 5:1-15, in the Tridentine Roman Missal. In 1858, during the apparitions to Bernadette at Lourdes, Ember Friday fell on February 26th. This was the day on which the Lourdes spring—which Our Lady had revealed to Bernadette the day before—began gushing forth water, also with its power to relieve the sick.)

LOURDES AND LENT

The Eighteen Apparitions which make up the wondrous event of the Blessed Virgin Mary's appearance to Bernadette Soubirous in 1858 were spread out in a seemingly haphazard manner. The first Apparition was on February 11th, the second on February 14th, the third on February 18th. Then there followed a fortnight of Apparitions between February 19th-March 4th, except for February 22nd and February 26th. After the 15th Apparition on March 4th, Bernadette did not have a visitation until March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation, when the Vision revealed her name: "I am the Immaculate Conception." The next to last

Apparition was on April 7th, and the final one months later, on July 16th.

The haphazardness of the Apparitions, however, seems less so once we connect them to the time of year in which they occurred. The first Apparition occurred on Thursday of Sexagesima Week, the Second on Sunday in Shrovetide, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday, the Third on the Thursday after Ash Wednesday. The "Fortnight" of Apparitions between February 19th-March 4th encompassed the First Sunday in Lent, the Lenten Ember Days, the Second Sunday in Lent, and the Second Week of Lent through Friday. If we look at the Catholic Liturgy for those days, in the Mass and in the Divine Office as it was at that time, we find some startling correspondence between the Apparitions and the content of faith.

For example, Our Lady directed Bernadette to dig and uncover the spring of water on Thursday, February 25th, 1858. The next day, February 26th, was Ember Friday in Lent. By then the spring water was gushing forth from the Massabielle into the River Gave. The Gospel Lesson for Mass was from John 5:1-15, which relates how Jesus healed a paralyzed man who was lying helplessly by the healing Pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem. The water of Lourdes points us to consider the Pool of Bethesda in the Gospel, which in turn symbolizes the waters of Baptism. Christ's miracles of healing for physical sickness in the Gospel are given as a sign of His greater divine power to heal the soul of its sickness to sin. Just so, the healing miracles to come through the Lourdes spring are but the outward sign of the inward grace at work in bringing sanctifying grace to human souls. Significantly, Our Lady inexplicably did not appear to Bernadette on the 26th—the day when the spring's power was made so manifest. It was as if she had stepped back to draw attention to the work of her Divine Son Jesus.

(Fr. Higgins)

LATIN MASS TEXTS

Traditional Propers

First Sunday In Lent

Vestments: Violet

INTROIT: Psalm 90: 15-16 He shall cry to me, and I will hear him: I will deliver him, and I will glorify him: I will fill him with length of days. *Psalm 90:1* He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High shall abide under the protection of the God of Heaven. *V.* Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT O God, who dost purify Thy Church by the yearly observance of forty days; grant to Thy household that what we strive to obtain from Thee by self denial, we may secure by good works. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 6: 1-10 Brethren: We exhort you that you receive not the grace of God in vain. For He saith: In an accepted time have I heard thee, and in the day of salvation have I helped thee. Behold, now is the acceptable time, behold now is the day of salvation. Giving no offence to any man that our ministry be not blamed: but in all things let us exhibit ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in tribulation, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in prisons, in seditions, in labours, in watchings, in fastings, in chastity, in knowledge, in longsuffering, in sweetness, in the Holy Ghost, in charity unfeigned, in the word of truth, in the power of God: by the armour of justice on the right hand and on the left: by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers and yet true, as unknown and yet known: as dying, and behold we live: as chastised and not killed: as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing: as needy, yet enriching many: as having nothing and possessing all things.

GRADUAL: Psalm 90: 11-12 God hath given His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. In their hands they shall bear thee up, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

TRACT: Psalm 90: 1-7, 11-16 He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High, shall abide under the protection of the God of heaven. *V.* He shall say to the Lord: Thou art my protector and my refuge: my God, in Him will I trust. *V.* For He hath delivered me from the scare of the hunters, and from the sharp word. *V.* He will overshadow thee with His shoulders, and under His wings thou shalt trust. *V.* His truth shall compass thee with a shield: thou shalt not be afraid of the terror of the night. *V.* Of the arrow that flieth in the day, of the business that walketh about in the dark, of invasion or of the noonday devil. *V.* A thousand shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy

right hand: but it shall not come nigh thee. *V.* For He hath given His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. *V.* In their hands they shall bear thee up, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. *V.* Thou shalt walk upon the asp and the basilisk, and thou shalt trample under foot the lion and the dragon. *V.* Because he hoped in Me I will deliver him: I will protect him, because he hath known My name. *V.* He shall cry to Me, and I will hear him: I am with him in tribulation. *V.* I will deliver him, and I will glorify him: I will fill him with length of days, and I will show him My salvation.

GOSPEL: Matthew 4: 1-11 At time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert, to be tempted by the devil. And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterwards He was hungry. And the tempter coming said to Him: If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. Who answered and said: It is written: Not in bread alone doth man live, but in every word that proceedeth from the mouth of God. Then the devil took Him up into the holy city and set Him upon the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him: If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down. For it is written: That He hath given His angels charge over Thee, and in their hands shall they bear Thee up, lest perhaps Thou dash Thy foot against a stone. Jesus said to him: It is written again: Thou shalt not tempt the Lord Thy God. Again the devil took Him up into a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them, and said to Him: All these will I give Thee, if falling down Thou wilt adore me. Then Jesus saith to him: Be gone, Satan! For it is written: The Lord thy God shalt thou adore, and Him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil left Him: and behold angels came, and ministered to Him.

OFFERTORY: Psalm 90: 4-5 The Lord will overshadow thee with His shoulders, and under His wings thou shalt trust: His truth shall compass thee with a shield.

SECRET We solemnly offer Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of the beginning of Lent, beseeching Thee, that by refraining from flesh at our meals, we may learn also to avoid sinful pleasures. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION: Psalm 90: 4-5 The Lord will overshadow thee with His shoulders, and under His wings thou shalt trust: His truth shall compass thee with a shield.

POSTCOMMUNION May the holy partaking of Thy sacrament, restore us, O Lord, and cleansing us from our old life, make us to pass into the fellowship of the mystery of salvation. Through our Lord.

Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

February 26th, A.D. 2012

Saturday vigil, 4 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 and 9:00 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.

The First Sunday in Lent

Introit: Psalm 91 (90): 15,16

"When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will rescue him and honor him; with long life I will satisfy him."

Kyrie: (B) Mass XVIII (Deus Genitor Alme)

Responsorial Psalm

Alleluia:

Credo I: (extra sheet)

Offertory: Psalm 91 (90): 4-5

"The Lord will overshadow you with his pinions, and you will find refuge under His wings. His faithfulness will encompass you with a shield."

Mass Setting: MASS XVIII

Sanctus

Acclamation *after the consecration*

"Mortem tuam annuntiamus, Domine, et tuam resurrectionem confitemur, donec venias."

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

Communion: Psalm 91 (90): 4-5

"The Lord will overshadow you with his pinions, and you will find refuge under His wings. His faithfulness will encompass you with a shield."

Post-Communion Hymn:

Ave Regina Caelorum (Parish Hymnal, No. 77)

Recessional Hymn:

Attende, Domine

(Today's Missal, No. 105)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

February 26th, A.D. 2012

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday in Lent

Processional Hymn:

Attende, Domine (Parish Hymnal, No. 53)

Asperges (Chant)

Introit: Psalm 90: 15, 16, 1

Invocabit me, et ego exaudium eum eripiam eum, et glorificabo eum: longitudine dierum adimplebo eum."

Ordinary prayers:

Mass XVIII, Deus Genitor Alme

(Kyrie, Credo I, Sanctus, Benedictus, and Agnus Dei)

Gradual: Psalm 90: 11, 12

Angelis suis Deus madavit de te, ut custodian te in omnibus viis tuis. In minibus portabunt te, ne umquam offendas ad lapidem pedem tuam.

Tract: Psalm 90:1-7, 11-16

Qui habitat in adiutorium Altissimi, in protection Dei coeli commorabitur. Dicit Domino: susceptor meus es tu, et refugium meum...

Offertory Verse: Psalm 90:4-5

Scapulis suis obumbrabit tibi Dominus, et sub pennies eius serabis: scuto circumdabi te veritas eius.

Offertory Hymn:

Amicus Meus (Tomás Luis de Victoria, 1611)

Communion Hymn:

Ave Verum (William Byrd, d. 1623)

Communion Verse: Psalm 90:4-5

Scapulis suis obumbrabit tibi Dominus, et sub pennies eius serabis: scuto circumdabi te veritas eius.

Recessional Hymn:

Miserere Mei (Tomás Luis de Victoria, d. 1611)

Angelus (Chant)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAILY LATIN MASS

February 27th-March 3rd, A.D. 2012

Monday, February 27th: 12:30 p.m.

Monday of the First week in Lent

Tuesday, February 28th: 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday of the First week in Lent

Wednesday, February 29th: 12:30 p.m.

Ember Wednesday

Thursday, March 1st: 5:30 p.m.

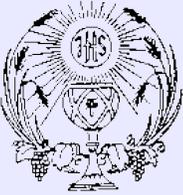
Thursday of the First week in Lent

Friday, March 2nd: 12:30 p.m.

Ember Friday

Saturday, March 3rd: 9:00 a.m.

Ember Saturday



LENT

**CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD SUNDAYS
BEFORE AND AFTER THE 10:30 LATIN
MASS**



**WE INVITE
EVERYONE TO JOIN
US FOR
COFFEE HOUR
DOWNSTAIRS EACH SUNDAY
AFTER THE 10:30 LATIN MASS.**

This week's bulletin sponsored through the
generosity of
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FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS, PARISH LENTEN DEVOTION:

On every Friday evening during Lent, February 24th-March 30th, from 7:30-8:30 p.m., we will have the Stations of the Cross, the "Via Crucis", followed by a Sermon, Holy Communion outside of Mass, and Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.



This is a Lenten spiritual exercise for the whole parish— young and old, Latin Mass parishioners and regular Mass parishioners. As pastor, I encourage all of you to make the time for this parish Lenten devotion, on every Friday or at least on as many Fridays as you can.

—Fr. Higgins

**I. Way of the Cross: Meditations of
St. Alphonsus Liguori**

II. Sermon: "The Catechism of Lourdes"

III. Holy Communion

**IV. Exposition and Benediction of the Most
Blessed Sacrament.**



*Suicide Is Always a Tragedy:
Archdiocesan Initiative against Doctor-Assisted
Suicide*

website: www.suicideisalwaysatragedy.org

MARY IMMACULATE OF LOURDES: PARISH PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

By this Purgatorial Society, the names of our dead friends and relatives may be enrolled (either as individuals or in aggregate), and prayed for especially in the 52 Masses that will be offered in the parish each year for the intention of the Purgatorial Society. The requested offering for a perpetual enrollment is \$20.00. (White leatherette enrollment envelopes are available in the vestibule of the rectory.) The prayers we have offered at Mass for the souls of the faithful departed are both an expression of our belief in individual survival after the event of bodily death and of a charity towards our neighbor which reaches beyond the grave.

The following names have been added recently to the enrollments of the Purgatorial Society:

Barbara Poke, Mark Joseph Comeau, Richard (Frank) Fay, Edward A. Costa

(New members' names will be printed in the parish bulletin at the end of each month. Please let us know if any names have been transcribed incorrectly or if you think your enrollment may have been overlooked.)



*"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins."
(II Machabees 12:46)*

*"If a compassionate charity towards all that are in any distress, even towards the most undeserving, be an essential ingredient of a Christian spirit, and one in which the very soul of religion and piety towards God consists, how much more should we exert our charity for those in spiritual need, no longer able to help themselves, and perhaps bound to us by ties of blood or friendship?"
—Fr. Herbert Thurston, S.J.*

SAINT MARY'S CEMETERY POST-CHRISTMAS CLEAN UP



Beginning March 8th, our Cemetery Service will start an early spring cleaning.

Owners of cemetery plots are asked to kindly remove any

Christmas season memorials decorating your graves before then.

MILITARY SERVICE PRAYER LIST:

We remember all of our military servicemen and women, especially ... *SPC Dennis Geary, US Army, Afghanistan, Matthew Simard, 1st Lt., USMC (Afghanistan), Michael Simard, PFC, USMC, Christopher Raymond, 82nd Airborne (Afghanistan), Command Sgt. Major Gregory Widberg and his 1-182 Infantry Regiment, deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, Lance-corporal Alex Tomchik, USMC, Brian Rainey, US Army (Afghanistan), Joseph Rainey, US Army (Iraq), John Constantino, Infantry (Afghanistan), 1st Lt. Michael Mondello, 181st Infantry (Afghanistan), Sgt. Kevin James Howard, USMC (Afghanistan), Sgt. Brian Joseph Howard, USMC (Afghanistan), Sgt. 1st Class David Garduque; ;Sgt. Jeffrey R. Quinn, USMC.*

(Please let us know if you would like someone on active duty prayed for by name.)

Pray for Tommy Holcum, severely wounded in a Taliban ambush in Afghanistan.

Pray for Pfc Bowe Bergdahl, captured by the Taliban in Afghanistan.



HEALTH OF THE SICK

“In every man there is Jesus, but in the sick we see Jesus twice.”

—Padre Pio

For all those on our parish prayer list, especially for... Brenda Winegarner, Jean Johnson, David Quinn, Lois Ludwig, Paula Apothacary, Jeanne Ciocca, Sam Adams III, Altair da Silva, Jack Shaughnessy, Molly Healy, Christina Kwash, Kitty Ward, Missy Ochsner, Spagnuolo Family, Barbara Proia, Katie O’Connell, Janet Bourgeois, Judy Sartell, Lana Tomchik, Matthew Banks, Patrick Rainey, Judy Pederson, Ed Donovan, Danny O’Brien, Helen Donnelly, Priscilla Brossard, Mary Sims, Bill Hickey, Lee-Anne Ketchum, Frank Fay, Arthur Nauss, Rod MacLeod, Monica Wellenstein, Teresa Tambunan, Mary Platt, Sean Monaghan, Sheila Whittle, Michelle Fay, Bobbie Hoffman, Beverly Balconi, Martial Rainey, Dennis McCarthy, Edward Crestitelli, Sharon Kopchik, Lee Fecteau, Fr. Edward McDonagh, Erin Marie Fell, Arthur Cutler, Dominic Cantillo, Theresa Higgins, Lita Uilaoghair, Norman Alibrandi, Joyce Higgins, Peggy Capasso, Karen Starbird, Jack Buckley, Edward Fahey, Nancy Daly, Mary Hoffman, Marie Schroter, Dorothy Alibrandi, Helen Krawiecki, Annie Procopio, Marie Danca, David Kase, Thaddeus Davulis, Andrew McCloskey, Barbara Sullivan, Wanda Lempitski, Thomas Corcoran, Tony Palladino, Marie Goodwin, Joe Bellino, Lucia LoPresti, Polly Sullivan, Fred Strom.



“I do not promise to make you happy in this life, but in the next”—Our Lady of Lourdes to St. Bernadette, February 18th, 1858



SPECIAL INTENTION: *For all the expectant mothers of our parish family.*

“St. Gerard Majella, pray for us”

Prayer for Motherhood:

O good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before God and Wonderworker of our day, I call upon thee and seek thy aid. Thou who on this earth didst always fulfil God’s designs, help me to do the Holy Will of God. Beseech the Master of Life, from Whom all paternity proceedeth, to render me fruitful in offspring, that I may raise up children to God in this life and heirs to the Kingdom of His Glory in the world to come. Amen.

CONGRATULATIONS... *to Mr. and Mrs. Gladden*



and Jeanette Pappin on the christening of their daughter MARIE-THERESE CHARLOTTE PAPPIN at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes on February 19th, 2012 A.D. Her godparents are FRANCIS ALTIERE and JACINDA SANDERS. Marie-Thérèse is their FIRST CHILD.

PRAYER LINE OF THE POOR CLARE COLLETINE SISTERS

Hawarden, Wales



The website address is:
www.poorclarestmd.org

FIRST SATURDAY FATIMA DEVOTIONS:

Recitation of the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Saturday Latin Mass

MASS INTENTIONS:

For the convenience of parishioners the vestibule of the rectory is left open daily and a table is set up with Mass cards for both the living and the dead to choose from, as well as enrollments for the Parish Purgatorial Society. Offerings may be placed in the designated envelopes and slid through the door slot.

Calendar of Masses

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| SATURDAY February 25th | 4:00 p.m. | Betty Whitney | Special Intention | Margie Bibbo & Laurie Spinelli |
| SUNDAY February 26th: First Sunday in Lent | 7:30 a.m. | Pro Populo | | |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Maria Emilia Gaviria | Memorial | Lazaro Pena Gaviria |
|  | 10:30 a.m. | Barbara Proia Kevin Mooney Hugh & Sylvia Pendleton | Memorial Birthday Intention Special Intention | William & Mary Grant MacKenzie Family Dick Fell |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Marion A. Taurasi | Special Intention | Sheila Brady |
| MONDAY February 27th | 7:30 a.m. | Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish | |  |
| | 12:30 p.m. | Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed | | |
| TUESDAY February 28th | 7:30 a.m. | Francis & Lillian McNary | Memorial | Francis & Peg McNary |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Clare Donohoe | Health of the sick | Catherine Dinon |
| WEDNESDAY February 29th | 7:30 a.m. | Anne Marie Cotter & Children Julie & John Patrick | Special Intention | Francis & Peg McNary |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Charles & Jerome Brassil | Memorial | Claire Brassil |
| THURSDAY March 1st | 7:30 a.m. | Richard "Frank" Fay | Memorial | Johnson Family |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Barbara Pascucci | 1 year Anniversary | Joseph & Jackie Pascucci |
| FRIDAY March 2nd First Friday | 7:30 a.m. <i>Health of the Sick</i> | Pat Petronelli | 6th month Memorial | Betty Whitney |
| | 12:30 p.m. | Catherine E. Dinon | Special Intention | Maria Centofanti |
| SATURDAY March 3rd First Saturday | 9:00 a.m. | Barbara & Maureen Nyhen | Special Intention | Maria Centofanti |
| | 4:00 p.m. | Richard, Harry & Agnes DeMichele | Memorial | DeMichele Family |

**"Each Mass has an infinite, immense value that we can never
fully understand."**

—St. Jean Marie Baptiste Vianney, Curé d'Ars

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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Parish Staff

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: JEAN JOHNSON (DIRECTOR)

PATTI STROM (LATIN MASS CHILDREN'S CATECHISM)

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PARISH SECRETARY: MARGIE BIBBO

FIRST SACRISTAN: MANNY GOGUEN

SACRISTANS: FRANCIS GALLAGHER, CAMERON MACKENZIE,

TOM GOGUEN, PETER GOGUEN, PATRICK GOGUEN

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Parish Cemetery of Saint Mary's, Needham

For all Cemetery business, please call Cemetery
Manager **Joseph Viel** at 978-208-0266

Welcome New Parishioners and Sunday Visitors

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish is a Canonically open parish of the Archdiocese of Boston, which has a Traditional Latin Mass apostolate. Both the ordinary form of the Roman Rite (1970 Missal) and the extraordinary form (1962 Missal) are celebrated here with the blessing of His Eminence Sean Cardinal O'Malley, Archbishop of Boston. We encourage new parishioners to please register in the parish and to introduce yourselves to the Pastor, and we are always glad to welcome Sunday visitors here to our beautiful, historic church. We look forward to your coming again.

February 26th, A.D. 2012

First Sunday in Lent

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes, Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 4:00 PM (Saturday Vigil), 7:30 AM
9:00 AM, 10:30 AM (Traditional Latin), 5:30 PM

Weekdays: Monday—Friday 7:30 AM

Traditional Latin Low Mass:

Mon., Wed. & Fri., 12:30 PM.; Tues. & Thurs.,
5:30 PM; Sat. 9:00 AM

Holy Days: If Mon-Fri., 7:30 AM, 12:30 (Latin),
5:30, 7:30 PM (Latin); if on Saturday, 9 AM
(Latin) & 12:30 PM

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Upon request. Please contact Father Higgins

Penance (Confession):

Saturday 8:30-9:00 AM and 3:30-4:00 PM
Sunday, before and after 10:30 AM Mass,
First Fridays (before the 12:30 p.m. Mass)

Matrimony:

Engaged couples should make arrangements with the parish church so as to allow for adequate sacramental preparation (six months), including a Pre-Cana program.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Anointing of the Sick (for those who are gravely ill or facing serious surgery); **Communion of the Sick for the Homebound:** Please contact Father Higgins.



Parish Mission Statement

“What then is a parish? It is the smallest section of the one universal flock which has been entrusted to Peter by the Lord.

Under the authority of a responsible priest who has received the care of souls from his bishop, the parish is, within the Church of Jesus Christ, the first community of Christian life; it is a community cut to human dimensions, in which the shepherd can know his flock and the flock can know their shepherd ... At the heart of this area, we find the parish church with its bell-tower, its baptistery, its confessional, its altar and tabernacle, a symbol of unity and the centre of community life.”

(Pope Paul VI)