

*Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish
Newton/Needham, Massachusetts*



*March 18th, 2012 in the Year of Grace
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
Laetare Sunday*

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ON THE PARISH CALENDAR....

Sunday, March 18th:
 Religious Education Classes, K-5, 8:30 a.m.
 (lower church hall)

Latin Mass Children's Catechism,
 9:30-10:25 a.m.
 (lower rectory conference room)

Lay Dominicans, 1:00 p.m.
 (lower rectory conference room)

Religious Education Classes, Grades 6-8
 (lower church hall)

Wednesday, March 21st:
 "The Light Is on for You" Lenten Season
 Confessions, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 (Main Church)

Friday, March 23rd:
 Stations of the Cross Lenten Devotion,
 7:30-8:30 p.m.
 (Main Church)

Sunday, March 25th:
 Religious Education Classes, K-5, 8:30 a.m.
 (lower church hall)
 Latin Mass Children's Catechism,
 9:30-10:25 a.m.
 (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?"*



**OFFERTORY FOR SUNDAY,
 MARCH 11th, 2012: \$4,364.00 +
 \$813.00 (OTHER OFFERINGS)
 = \$5,177.00**

**FOR THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO
 SUBSCRIBE TO ENVELOPES: THERE ARE
 TWO MISTAKES IN THE LATEST MAILING.
 THERE IS NO HEATING/FUEL SECOND
 COLLECTION FOR MARCH 25th AND ON
 EASTER SUNDAY THE ONLY COLLECTION
 TAKEN UP IS FOR THE CLERGY FUND.
 PLEASE DISCARD THE ERRONEOUS
 ENVELOPES. WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE
 CONFUSION.**

Requiescant in Pace



**Mary Penzo, age 79
 Audrey Gaumont, Month's Mind
 Frank Fay, Month's Mind
 Barbara Proia, Month's Mind**



**Wednesday Nights during Lent,
from 6:30-8:00 p.m.,
 the church will be open and a priest will be
 available in one of the
 Confessionals for the Sacrament of
 Penance.**

MARCH IS THE MONTH OF SAINT JOSEPH

Pastor's Note



(Front Cover: The stained-glass window in our parish church which shows the Easter Sunday meeting of St. Patrick, Apostle of Ireland, and the High King Laoghaire at Tara. On that occasion St. Patrick used the three-leafed shamrock to help illustrate the Mystery of the Holy Trinity—God is Three and God is One. The St. Patrick window is the first window by the side altar of Our Lady. It is most beautifully lit up by the morning sun.)

SPIRITUAL READING

Recently one of our parishioner's came across a book for spiritual reading entitled: **Rediscover Catholicism: A Spiritual Guide to Living with Passion and Purpose**, by Matthew Kelly. This parishioner liked it so much that she made a donation of several hundred copies of the book to our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes. (I would have liked to acknowledge this parishioner by name for her generosity but she has asked to remain anonymous.)

The books are set up in the front vestibule of the church and are offered *gratis*. The only stipulation is that you take a copy with the intention of actually reading it or with the intention at least of passing it on to somebody who might benefit from it and who would not take it amiss. The book is written in an engaging popular style and is quite solid in its representation of the Catholic faith to our contemporary American society.

To give an example, I quote from the beginning of the chapter on Spiritual Reading:

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*Books change our lives. Most people can identify a book that has marked a life-changing period for them. It was probably a book that said just the right thing at just the right time. They may have been just words on a page, but they came to life for you and in you, and because of them you will never again be the same. Books really do change our lives, because what we read today walks and talks with us tomorrow. Earlier in our discussion of prayer and contemplation, we spoke of the cause-and-effect relationship between thought and action. Thought determines action, and one of the most powerful influences on thought is the material we choose to read. **Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body and prayer is to the soul...**The goal of spiritual reading is to ignite the soul with a desire to grow in virtue and thus become the best-version-of-oneself. Like all other spiritual exercises and activities, spiritual reading seeks to encourage us to live a life of holiness.*

Matthew Kelly is making a basic but important point. The habit of Spiritual Reading is one of the building blocks of the moral and spiritual life. It is something every Catholic over the age of 14 has to take responsibility for. We are **responsible both for what's in our minds—and for what's not in our minds, but should be.** We need to continually refresh our thinking and inform ourselves by good, solid reading material that helps us to think about God and the things of God, and that in turn helps us when we seek to pray to God. Ten to fifteen minutes a day is not too hard to find in even the busiest life. If you are making spiritual reading part of your Lenten observance, well and good. But make sure that it becomes a good habit to carry over in your every-day life once the Lenten Season is done.

(Fr. Higgins)

LATIN MASS TEXTS

Traditional Propers

Fourth Sunday In Lent—Laetare Sunday

Vestments: Rose

INTROIT: Isaias 66: 10, 11 Rejoice, O Jerusalem: and come together all you that love her: rejoice with joy, you that have been in sorrow: that you may exult, and be filled from the breasts of your consolation. Psalm 121: 2 I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: we shall go into the house of the Lord. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT Grant, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds justly deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: Galatians 4: 22-31 Brethren: It is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman and the other by a free woman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh: but he of the free woman was by promise: which things are said by an allegory. For these are the two testaments. The one from Mount Sina, engendering unto bondage: which is Agar: for Sina is a mountain in Arabia, which hath affinity to that Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But that Jerusalem which is above is free, which is our mother. For it is written: Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not: break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for many are the children of the desolate, more than of her that hath a husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born according to the flesh persecuted him that was after the spirit: so also it is now. But what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the free woman. So then, brethren, we are not the children of the bondwoman, but of the free: by the freedom wherewith Christ has made us free.

GRADUAL: Psalm 121: 1, 7 I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: we shall go into the house of the Lord. *V.* Let peace be in Thy strength: and abundance in Thy towers.

TRACT: Psalm 124: 1-2 They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Sion: he shall not be moved for ever that dwelleth in Jerusalem. *V.* Mountains are round about it: so the Lord is round about His people, from henceforth now and for ever.

GOSPEL: John 6: 1-15 At that time Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is that of Tiberias: and a great multitude followed Him, because they saw the miracles which He did on them that were diseased. Jesus therefore went up into a mountain: and there He sat with His disciples. Now the pasch, the festival day of the Jews, was near at hand. When Jesus therefore had lifted up His eyes, and seen that a very great multitude cometh to Him, He said to Philip: Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? And this He said to try him: for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him: Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, saith to Him: There is a boy here that hath five barley loaves and two fishes: but what are these among so many? Then Jesus said: Make the men sit down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed to them that were set down. Now there was much grass in the place. The men therefore sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed to them that were set down: in like manner also of the fishes, as much as they would. And when they were filled, He said to His disciples: Gather up the fragments that remain, lest they be lost. They gathered up therefore, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which remained over and above to them that had eaten. Now those men, when they had seen what a miracle Jesus had done, said: This is of a truth the prophet that is to come into the world. Jesus therefore when He knew that they would come to take Him by force and make Him king, fled again into the mountain, Himself alone.

OFFERTORY: Psalm 134: 3, 6 Praise ye the Lord, for He is good: sing ye to His name, for He is sweet: whatsoever He pleased, He hath done in heaven and in earth.

SECRET Look down mercifully upon These sacrifices, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that they may lead to our devotion and salvation. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION: Psalm 121: 3-4 Jerusalem, which is built as a city, which is compact together: for thither did the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise Thy name, O Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION Grant us, we beseech Thee, O merciful God, ever to celebrate with sincere worship, and receive with faithful hearts Thy holy mysteries, of which we continually partake. Through our Lord.

Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

March 18th, A.D. 2012

Saturday vigil, 4 p.m.

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

Laetare Sunday

Introit: Isaiah 66:10-11

“Rejoice, O Jerusalem; and gather round, all you who love her; rejoice in gladness, after having been in sorrow; exult and be replenished with the consolation flowing from her motherly bosom.”

Kyrie (B) Mass XVIII (Deus Genitor Alme)

Responsorial Psalm

Gospel Acclamation:

“Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.”

Credo I: (extra sheet)

Offertory: Psalm 135 (134): 3, 6

“Praise the Lord, for He is loving; sing in honor of His name, for He is gracious. He has accomplished whatever He resolved to do in heaven and on earth.”

Mass Setting: Mass XVIII

Sanctus

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

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

Communion: Psalm 122 (121): 3, 4

“Jerusalem, built as a city whose parts are bound firmly together! It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to give thanks unto your name, O Lord.”

Post Communion Hymn

Ave Regina Caelorum
(Solemn Tone)

Recessional Hymn:

The Crown of Roses
(Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky +1893)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

March 18th, A.D. 2012, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Laetare Sunday

Processional Hymn

Ecce Vidimus (Lodovico Viadana +1645)

Asperges: Chant

Introit: Isaiah 66:10-11

Laetare, Jerúsalem: et convéntum fácite, omnes qui dilígitis eam: gaudéte cum lætítia, qui in tristítia fuístis: ut exultétis, et satiémíni ab ubéribus consolatiónis vestræ. V. Lætátus sum in his, quæ dicta sunt mihi: in domum Dómini íbimus.

Ordinary Prayers: Mass XVIII

Deus Genitor Alme

(Parish Hymnal, No. 152)

(Kyrie (B), Credo I, Sanctus, Agnus Dei)

Gradual: Psalm 9:20,4

Lætátus sum in his, quæ dicta sunt mihi: in domum Dómini íbimus. Fiat pax in virtúte tua: et abundántia in túrribus tuis

Tract: Psalm 124:1-2

Ad te levavi oculos meos, qui habitas in coelis. Ecce sicut oculi servorum in manibus dominorum suorum. Et sicut oculi ancillae in manibus dominae suae : ita oculi nostri ad Dominum Deum nostrum, donec miseratur nostri : Miserere nobis, Domine, Miserere nobis.

Offertory Verse: Psalm 135 (134): 3, 6

Laudáte Dóminum, quia benígnus est: psállite nómini ejus, quóniam suávis est: ómnia quæcúmque vóluit, fecit in cælo et in terra.

Offertory Hymn:

“Eram quasi agnus innocens”

(Tomás Luis de Victoria d.1611)

Communion Hymn:

Panis Angelicus (César Franck +1890)

Communion Verse: Psalm 122 (121): 3, 4

Jerúsalem, quæ ædificátur ut civitas, cujus participátio ejus in idípsum; illuc enim ascenderunt tribus, tribus Dómini, ad confiténdum nómini tuo, Dómine.

Recessional Hymn: Laudate Dominum

(Giuseppe Pitoni d.1743)

Angelus (Chant)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAILY LATIN MASS

March 19th-24th, A.D. 2012

Monday, March 19th: 12:30 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday, March 20th: 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday of the Fourth Week in Lent

Wednesday, March 21st: 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday of the Fourth Week in Lent

Thursday, March 22nd: 5:30 p.m.

Thursday of the Fourth Week in Lent

Friday, March 23rd: 12:30 p.m.

Friday of the Fourth Week in Lent

Saturday, March 24th: 9:00 a.m.

Saturday of the Fourth Week in Lent



LENT

Religious Education

NOTICE FOR PARENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION AGE-CHILDREN:

The First Communion class children in our parish Religious Education program our being prepared to receive their First Holy Communion on either Sunday, May 6th (9:00 a.m.), or on Sunday, May 13th (10:30 a.m.). Parents who have a First

Communion-age child enrolled in a Catholic school or who are home-schooling for religious education, and who want their child to receive First Holy Communion at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes should speak to Fr. Higgins about it if they have not done so already

Students in the morning and evening religious education classes: Sacrament of Penance/ Reconciliation offered today, March 18th.

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS, PARISH LENTEN DEVOTION:



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

II. Sermon:

"The Catechism of Lourdes,
Part 5"

III. Holy Communion

IV. Exposition and
Benediction of the Most
Blessed Sacrament.

Please join us on Fridays of Lent
from 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Main Church



This Monday, March 19th,
is the Feast of Saint
Joseph, Spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary and
Patron of the
Universal Church.
(The obligation for

Lenten fast and penance is lifted on
St. Joseph's Day.)

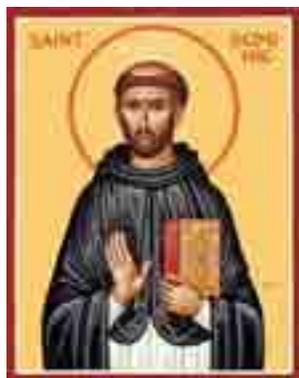
CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD SUNDAYS
BEFORE AND AFTER THE 10:30 LATIN
MASS

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



The Good Samaritan is YOU

ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC APPEAL 2012
Many thanks to all those parishioners who have already contributed to this year's campaign or made pledges. Our parish goal for 2012 is to raise at least **\$20,048**. Our parish number for Mary Immaculate of Lourdes is **294**.



Lay Fraternity of
St. Dominic:
Greater Boston Pro-Chapter

The Lay Dominicans will meet in the lower rectory conference room TODAY, Sunday, March 18th, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. Inquirers are welcome to attend. For more information, please call:

617-472-4446

PERMANENT DIACONATE: New Formation Location and Extended Application Period

The Permanent Diaconate Formation Program will consolidate its training site to a new location at the Theological Institute for the New Evangelization in Brighton, beginning September 2012. The application period for the new September class is being extended until April 15th. Interested Catholic men may contact Deacon Dan Burns for more information: deacondan_burns@rcab.org or 617-746-5649

VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT

A Day of Prayer and Conversation for Men and Women Interested in the Consecrated Religious Life will be held on Saturday, March 31st, 2012, from 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at the Fatima Shrine, 101 Summer St., Holliston, MA.

For more information or to register, please call or e-mail Sister Marian Batho, CSJ, @ 617-746-5637 or Sr_Marian_Batho@rcab.org

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), 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.)

IN THANKSGIVING...for the safe return of 1st Lt. Michael Mondello, 181st Infantry (Afghanistan)

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... Helen Reid, Brenda Winegarner, Jean Johnson, Lois Ludwig, Paula Apothacary, Jeanne Ciocca, Sam Adams III, Altair da Silva, Jack Shaughnessy, Christina Kwash, Kitty Ward, Missy Ochsner, Spagnuolo Family, 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, 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, Erin Marie Fell, 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.

“NONE MUST FEAR TO SUFFER FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS’ SAKE. NONE MUST DOUBT THAT GOD WILL FULFIL HIS PROMISES. FOR THROUGH TOIL COMES REST; THROUGH DEATH COMES LIFE. JESUS HAS TAKEN UPON HIS OWN SHOULDERS ALL THE WEAKNESS OF OUR HUMILITY. IF WE ARE STEADFAST IN OUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND LOVE OF HIM, IN HIM WE WIN THE VICTORY HE WON, AND RECEIVE THE REWARD THAT HE HAS PROMISED. TO HELP US DO WHAT HE ASKS AND ENDURE OUR TRIALS IN PATIENCE, WE MUST HAVE ALWAYS RINGING IN OUR EARS THESE WORDS OF THE FATHER, ‘THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, WITH WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED—LISTEN TO HIM.’ ”
—POPE ST. LEO THE GREAT +461 A.D.

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Calendar of Masses

SATURDAY March 17th	4:00 p.m.	Fredson Bowers	Memorial	Bowers Family
SUNDAY March 18th: Laetare Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Pro Populo		
	9:00 a.m.	Walter Kiuber	Memorial	Elaine & David Murray
	10:30 a.m.	Frank DeVirgilio Bob Ross Janice Oleksiab St. Therese	Memorial	Joanne Meegan Frye Family The Pappins Susan Goeller
	5:30 p.m.	Anne Polcari	Memorial	Mulhern Family
MONDAY March 19th St. Joseph's Day	7:30 a.m.	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish		
	12:30 p.m.	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed		
TUESDAY March 20th	7:30 a.m.	Sheila Heneghan	Memorial	Joseph & Mary Heneghan
	5:30 p.m.	Jane Liberman	Special Intention	Thomas Goodrum
WEDNESDAY March 21st	7:30 a.m.	Helen & Margaret Quirk		Francis & Peg McNary
	12:30 p.m.	Christina Kwash	Special Intention	McGrath Family
THURSDAY March 22nd	7:30 a.m.	Denise McNamara	Memorial	Jim McNamara
	5:30 p.m.	<i>Intention of the</i> <i>Celebrant</i>		
FRIDAY March 23rd	7:30 a.m.	Florence Rainville	Memorial	Mary Mulhern
		<i>Health of the Sick</i>		
	12:30 p.m.	Gratitude to Our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Good Success		Susan Goeller
SATURDAY March 24th	9:00 a.m.	Our Parish Benefactors		
	4:00 p.m.	Maria, Angelo, Virginia, Frank, John & Kevin Anzivino, Linda & David Mitchell & Louis Fucci	Memorial	Anzivino 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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617 244 0558

Parish Staff

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PATTI STROM (LATIN MASS CHILDREN'S CATECHISM)
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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.

March 18th, A.D. 2012

Laetare Sunday

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)