

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



*April 15th, 2012 in the Year of Grace
Mercy Sunday*

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ON THE PARISH CALENDAR....

MERCY SUNDAY, April 15th:

No religious education classes at 8:30 a.m. or
 4:15 p.m.

Divine Mercy Devotion, 2:45 p.m., Main Church
 Lay Dominicans, 1:00 p.m.
 (lower rectory conference room)

Friday, April 20th:

Boston-Metrowest Catholic Homeschool
 Association, monthly meeting, 1:30-4:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 22nd:

Religious Education Classes, K-Grade 5, 8:30 a.m.
 (lower church hall)
 Latin Mass Children's Catechism, 9:30-10:25 a.m.
 (lower rectory conference room)
 Wilder Family Christening, 1:00 p.m.
 Malley Family Christening, 1:30 p.m.
 Pre-Confirmation Class, Grades 6-8,
 4:15-6:15 p.m.
 (lower church hall)

Sunday, May 6th:

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, 9:00a.m. Mass,
 followed by May Procession

Sunday, May 13th:

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, 10:30 a.m. Mass,
 followed by May Procession

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE SUPPORT OF
 OUR PARISH

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



**EASTER COLLECTION FOR
 THE SICK AND RETIRED
 PRIESTS OF THE
 ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON =
\$6,971.00**

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE
 SHRINES IN THE HOLY LAND:
\$2,207.00**



**SUNDAY OF THE DIVINE
 MERCY
TODAY, APRIL 15th**

**Meditation: 2:45 p.m
 Moment of Silence: 3:00 p.m.
 Recitation of the Chaplet of
 Divine Mercy**

**EASTER FLOWER envelopes are placed in the
 pews and at the entrance tables to the church.
 Donations to help defray the extra costs of our
 Easter decorations are gratefully accepted and may
 be placed in the collection basket at Offertory time
 or dropped off at the rectory office. If you wish
 to make your gift in memory of loved ones, please
 write their names on the envelope. They will be
 remembered at all our parish Masses during the
 Easter Season. The names of our Easter
 Memorials will be published in the bulletin on the
 Sunday after Ascension, May 20th, 2012.**



Pastor's Note



(Front Cover: The beginning of this year's Paschal Vigil, April 7th, 2012—Deacon Blazek holds the Easter Candle as Fr. Higgins traces the inscription and places the five grains of incense to mark the glorified wounds of Christ. The words of the inscription are: "Christ yesterday and today, the Beginning and the End, Alpha and Omega. His are the times and ages. To Him be glory and dominion through all ages of eternity. Amen. May the light of Christ in glory rising again dispel the darkness of heart and mind." Photo by Paul Eldridge.)

CHRIST'S RESURRECTION AND OURS

With the celebration of the Vigil and Mass on Easter Eve, we began the "Great Day", as St. Augustine called the Easter Feast. For fifty days we can rest in the atmosphere of the superabundant joy of Jesus Christ's Resurrection from the dead. St. Augustine also points out that the period of rejoicing, 50 days, is greater than the period of penance, 40 days, in order to indicate both the superior value of Easter and its place as the fulfillment of all things.

It is important to highlight also that the celebration of the miracle of Jesus Christ's rising from the dead is inextricably linked to the confidence of faith in our own resurrection.

With Christ we too have "passed over" from death to life—from the death of sin to the life of grace, from the darkness of error to the light of Christ. Our "Passover" is the receiving of the Sacrament of Baptism. To live in this world in the state of sanctifying grace is already to begin to live the life of Heaven, a life which we can only fully realize after we have finished the term of our earthly probation. Therefore, we find in the liturgies of the Easter Season that the themes of Christ's Resurrection and Baptism are always found together.

The interweaving of the mysteries of Resurrection, Baptism, and the company of saved human souls rejoicing with Christ in Heaven is beautifully portrayed in the Easter Hymn: *Ad regias Agni dapes.*

At the Lamb's royal banquet, clothed in white robes and with the journey through the Red Sea behind us, let us sing to Christ our King.

His divine love gives us His sacred Blood to drink and His love, priest-like, offers us His loving Body as our sacrificial food.

The destroying Angel left alone houses that were marked with blood; the sea divided and fled to either bank; the enemy are drowned by the returning waters.

But now our Passover is Christ. He is both the paschal victim and the pure unleavened bread of sincerity for souls that are pure.

In very truth You are a victim from Heaven, for You vanquished Hell, unloosed death's bonds and regained for man life's rewards.

Now triumphant Christ displays the spoils of His victory over Hell, opens the gates of Heaven and drags the king of darkness at His chariot's tail.

Free from sin's foul death those who have been born again unto life and so, Jesus, may You be our soul's unending Paschal joy.

Glory be to God the Father, and to the Son who rose from the dead, and to the Paraclete forever and ever. Amen.

(Fr. Higgins)

**LATIN MASS TEXTS Traditional Propers
LOW SUNDAY**

Vestments: White

INTROIT: 1 Peter 2: 2 As newborn babes, alleluia, desire the rational milk without guile, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Psalm 80: 2* Rejoice to God our helper: sing aloud to the God of Jacob. *V.* Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that we who have celebrated the Pascal solemnity, may by Thy bounty show forth its effects in our life and conversation. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: 1 John 5: 4-10 Dearly beloved: Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory, which overcometh the world, our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? This is He that came by water and blood, Jesus Christ: not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit which testifieth that Christ is the truth. And there are three who give testimony in heaven: the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that give testimony on earth: the Spirit and the water and the blood: and these three are one. If we receive the testimony of men the testimony of God is greater: for this is the testimony of God, which is greater, because He hath testified of His Son. He that believeth in the Son of God hath the testimony of God in himself.

FIRST ALLELUIA: Matthew 28: 7 Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* On the day of My resurrection, saith the Lord, I will go before you into Galilee.

SECOND ALLELUIA: John 20: 26 Alleluia. *V.* After eight days, the doors being shut, Jesus stood in the midst of His disciples, and said: Peace be to you. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 20: 19-31 At that time, when it was late that same day, the first of the week, and the doors were shut, where the disciples were gathered together for fear of the Jews, Jesus came, and stood in the midst and said to them: Peace be to you. And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. The disciples therefore were glad, when they saw the Lord. He said therefore to them again: Peace be to you. As the Father hath sent Me, I also send you. When He had said this, He breathed on them, and He said to them: Receive ye the Holy Ghost: whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them: and whose sins you shall retain, they are

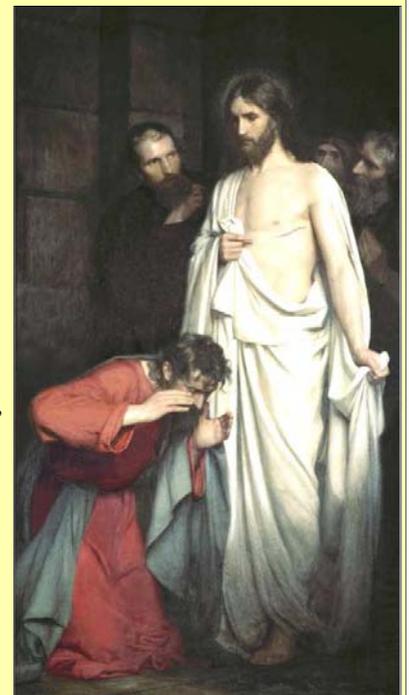
retained. Now Thomas, one of the twelve, who is called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him: We have seen the Lord. But he said to them: Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe. And after eight days, again His disciples were within, and Thomas with them. Jesus cometh, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said: Peace be to you. Then He saith to Thomas: Put in thy finger hither, and see My hands, and bring hither thy hand, and put it into my side; and be not faithless, but believing. Thomas answered and said to Him: My Lord and my God. Jesus saith to him: Because thou hast seen Me, Thomas, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and have believed. Many other signs also did Jesus in the sight of His disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God; and that, believing, you may have life in His name.

OFFERTORY: Matthew 28: 2, 5, 6 An angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and said to the women: He whom you seek is risen, as He said, alleluia.

SECRET Receive, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the gifts of Thy rejoicing Church, and grant that she to whom Thou has given cause for so great joy, may obtain also the fruit of perpetual gladness. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION: John 20: 27 Put in thy hand, and know the place of the nails, alleluia; and be not faithless, but believing, alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION
We beseech Thee, O Lord our God, to make the most holy mysteries, which Thou hast given to ensure our regeneration, a remedy for us both now and for all time to come. Through our Lord.



Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

April 15th, A.D. 2012, Saturday vigil, 4 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 and 9:00 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Introit: 1 Peter 2:2

"As newborn babes, alleluia, long for pure spiritual milk, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia."

Kyrie – Missa De Angelis

(Parish Hymnal No. 162)

Gloria – Missa De Angelis (English)

Responsorial Psalm

Gospel Acclamation:

Credo I: (extra sheet)

Offertory: Matthew 28:1-2,5-6

"The Angel of the Lord came down from heaven and said to the women: "The One whom you seek has risen, as he said he would, alleluia."

Mass Setting: Mass VIII Missa De Angelis

Sanctus(English)

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

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

Communion: John 20:27

"Stretch forth your hand, and feel the place where the nails were, alleluia; and be not doubtful but believing, alleluia, alleluia."

Post Communion Hymn

Regina Caeli

Recessional Hymn:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

(Today's Missal, No. 76)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

April 15th, A.D. 2012, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Dominica in Albis (Low Sunday)

Processional Hymn: Ad Regias Agni Dapes

(Gregorian Chant)

Vidi Aquam: Chant

Introit: Psalm 104:43,1

"Quasi modo geniti infantes alleluia: rationabiles, sine dolo lac concupiscite, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.(Psalm) Exultate Deo adjutori nostro: jubilate Deo Jacob."

Ordinary Prayers:

Mass of St. Cecilia

J. Egbert Turner (1853)

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

Paschal Alleluia: Matthew 28:7; John 20:26

"Alleluia, alleluia. In die resurrectionis meae, dicit Dominus, praecedam vos in Galilaeam. Alleluia. Post dies octo, januis clausis, stetit Jesus in medio discipulorum suorum, et dixit: Pax vobis. Alleluia."

Offertory Verse: : Matthew 28:2, 5, 6

"Angelus Domini descendit de Caelo, et dixit mulieribus: Quem quaeritis, surrexit sicut dixit, alleluia."

Offertory Hymn: Regina Coeli

(Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina d.1594)

Communion Hymn: Panis Angelicus

(Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina d.1594)

Communion Verse: John 20:27

"Mitte manum tuam, et cognosce loca clavorum, alleluia: et noli esse incredulus, sed fidelis, alleluia, alleluia."

Recessional Hymn:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise

(Parish Hymnal No.61)

Regina Caeli (Chant)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAILY LATIN MASS

April 16th-21st, A.D. 2012

Monday, April 16th: 12:30 p.m.

Ferial Day

Tuesday, April 17th: 5:30 p.m.

Ferial Day

Wednesday, April 18th: 12:30 p.m.

Ferial Day

Thursday, April 19th: 5:30 p.m.

Ferial Day

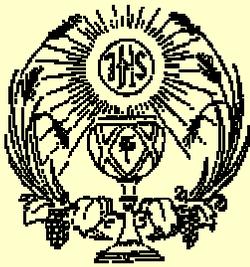
Friday, April 20th: 12:30 p.m.

Ferial Day

Saturday, April 21st: 9:00 a.m.

*St. Anselm, Bishop, Confessor and
Doctor of the Church*

EASTERTIDE



**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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All are invited

*Some photos of Holy Week, A.D. 2012
(photos by Paul Eldridge)*



*(Top) Children's Procession at the 9:00 Mass; (Center) At
the outdoor Procession, some of our parish children, in
costume, playing the roles of the Hebrew Children who
greeted Christ; (Bottom) The Altar of Repose during the
Solemn Adoration of Holy Thursday.*

“REDISCOVER CATHOLICISM”, by Matthew Kelly:

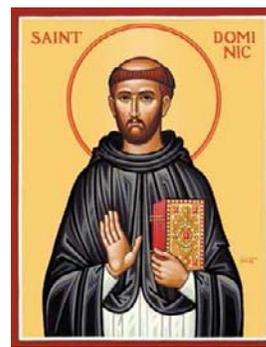
Free copies of the book “Rediscover Catholicism” are still available in the front vestibule of the main church. The books are a gift from one of our parishioners as an encouragement to spiritual reading and our ongoing faith formation as Catholics.

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**.



The Good Samaritan is YOU

Many thanks to the Fr. Hugh P. Smyth Archive Society of Sacred Heart Parish, Weymouth for a generous contribution to help with the maintenance of our historic pipe organ. We were able to repair our organ in time for Holy Week this year, hearing once again its majestic sound as the Procession of Palms returned to the church on Palm Sunday.



Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic:
Greater Boston Pro-Chapter
 The Lay Dominicans will meet in the lower rectory conference room TODAY, Sunday, April 15th, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. Inquirers are welcome to attend. For more information, please call:

617-472-4446

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... Warren Yee, Betty Chrishi, Marie Rapazzini, Mary Trombetta, 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 Uilaoghaire, 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



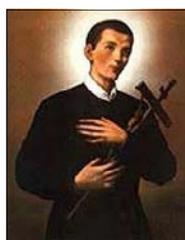
PRAYER LINE OF THE POOR CLARE COLLETTINE SISTERS

Hawarden, Wales



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*The Easter decorations for
the sanctuary of the church.*



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.

Spring Visitor weekend at the College of Saint Mary Magdalen - April 19-22, 2012.

All High school students and recent graduates are invited to attend our Spring Visitor Weekend. Visitors will have the opportunity to attend classes, meet one on one with faculty and admissions representatives, stay in the student residence, attend Mass and participate in spiritual life on campus, and tour our campus. **Reserve your place today!** Contact the Admissions Office at admissions@magdalen.edu or call toll free: 877.498.1723

Calendar of Masses

SATURDAY April 14th	4:00 p.m.	Phero Ba Van Nguyen	Memorial	Loanne Nguyen
SUNDAY April 15th: Mercy Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Pro Populo		
	9:00 a.m.	Norman Farrington	Memorial	Paul & Cindy Goguen
	10:30 a.m.	John Doogan Ann Murphy Dave Dalay Audrey & Walter Kaspar Erin Marie Fell James Tovani	1st Anniversary Memorial Memorial Memorial Special Birthday Intention Health of the Sick	Davulis Family Paul & Betsy Eldridge Frye Family William Kaspar Dick Fell James & Helen McCloskey Joanne Meegan Maria Centofanti
		5:30 p.m.	Teresa Cashman Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows	Health of the Sick
MONDAY April 16th	7:30 a.m.	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish		
	12:30 p.m.	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed		
TUESDAY April 17th	7:30 a.m.	Lina Alessandri	Memorial	Livia Lencioni
	5:30 p.m.	Mary Elizabeth Reilly	Special Intention	Tony & Tricia Reilly
WEDNESDAY April 18th	7:30 a.m.	J.J. Cleary, Martin Cleary, E. Cleary and J. Cleary	Memorial	Francis & Peg McNary
	12:30 p.m.	Agnes Ruth Murphy	33rd Anniversary	Davulis Family
THURSDAY April 19th	7:30 a.m.	Karina Montañez Coronel	Special Birthday Intention	Irlanda Nuñez
	5:30 p.m.	Corcoran and Mazzarella Families		
FRIDAY April 20th	7:30 a.m.	John Barry	Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Ambrose
	<i>Health of the Sick</i>	Deceased Members of the Kwash, Rulnick, Steinkrauss and Rizzo Families		
	12:30 p.m.		Memorial	Kwash Family
SATURDAY April 21st	9:00 a.m.	Josephine LeBlanc	Special Birthday Intention	Tony & Tricia Reilly
		Susan Goeller	Special Intention	Maria Centofanti Irlanda Nuñez
	4:00 p.m.	Maria Thi Nguyen	Memorial	Loane Nguyen

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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Parish Staff

PASTOR: FATHER CHARLES JEREMIAH HIGGINS

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PATTI STROM (LATIN MASS CHILDREN'S CATECHISM)

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: MRS. BOBBIE HOFFMANN

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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.

April 15th, A.D. 2012

Mercy 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)