

# Mary Immaculate of Lourdes

(Formerly St. Mary's Parish, 1870-1910)

Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

Newton & Needham's Oldest Roman Catholic Parish



October 7th, 2012 in the Year of Grace

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost and  
the Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year

Our Lady of the Rosary

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# Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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**Parish Cemetery of Saint Mary's, Needham**  
**GUARDIAN ESTATE MANAGEMENT INC.**

**Mr. Ron Goguen, Superintendent**

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9a.m.-3 p.m., April through November**

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Bibbo at the Parish Office: 617-244-0558**

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,  
SEPTEMBER 30th: \$5,283.00 +  
\$2,039.00 (OTHER OFFERINGS)  
= \$7,322.00**

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR THIS SUNDAY,  
OCTOBER 7th: SPECIAL PARISH  
COLLECTION TO RECOVER THE EXTRA  
COSTS FOR AIR-CONDITIONING DURING  
THE HOT WEATHER MONTHS.**

### **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, 5:30 &  
7:30 PM.; if on Saturday, 9 AM & 12:30 PM

### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism:** Upon request. Please contact Father Higgins.

#### **Penance (Confession):**

Saturday 8:30-9:00 A.M. and 3:30-4:00 PM  
Sunday, before and after the 10:30 a.m. 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.

## OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



*(Front Cover: From last Sunday's Confirmation Mass, September 30th, 2012—the newly Confirmed receive Holy Communion from His Excellency Bishop Walter Edyvean. This photo and other photos of the Confirmation were taken by parishioner Paul Eldridge.)*

### THE YEAR OF FAITH 2012-2013

Thursday of this coming week, October 11th, 2012, marks the beginning of Pope Benedict's "Year of Faith" for the whole Catholic Church. The date October 11th is the 50th anniversary of the opening of the ecumenical council of the Church known as "Vatican II", held in Rome from 1962-1965. (The First Vatican Council, also held in Rome, from 1870-1871, defined the dogma of Papal Infallibility.) The Year of Faith then is something of a retrospective on an historical event which, at the time, seemed to be inaugurating a new era of growth and fervor for the Catholic Church. Ten years from the opening of the Council, however, in 1972, with the entire Church convulsed in upheaval, Pope Paul VI said publicly: "*The smoke of Satan has entered into the Church.*"

The commemoration of a joyful event then—the opening of the Second Vatican Council—cannot

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be separated from the "auto-destruction" (as some have called it) of the Catholic Church in the years that immediately followed. French Dominican Yves Congar, one of the theological advisers at the Council, likened the Second Vatican Council to the Church's "October Revolution". This is not a comforting analogy. The "October Revolution" was Lenin's Bolshevik Party takeover of Russia in the autumn of 1917 and the establishment of the new revolutionary order of Communism. The Russian "October Revolution" meant a complete (and violent) break with the past.

In his book *A Crisis of Saints* Fr. George Rutler (who will be speaking here at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes on Wednesday, October 17th, at 6 p.m.) comments on the inappropriateness of self-congratulation over the fruits of the Council given the actual state of the Church half-a-century later:

*Ours was to have been a time of renewal in the Church, but sometimes it seems to have been a baptism of tentative virtue and a confirmation of the fatuities of the Aquarian Age. Clerics of the 1960s who had not seen real flames talked of a New Pentecost which has not come. Some in their graying years keep scanning some horizon beyond the horizon and persist in speaking of the Second Vatican Council as The Council. As they age, they ache when they are called naïve. But naïve they have been. It was perhaps in view of this that the late Cardinal Siri of Genoa said that it would take centuries to undo the damage after Vatican II. He paid a price for saying that, exacted by banal optimists who would have confused the Holy Spirit with UNICEF or Eleanor Roosevelt. Siri did not challenge the authenticity of the Council, but he rejected a conciliar triumphalism which in its romance saw nothing blasphemous in treating Vatican II as if it were Pentecost II.*

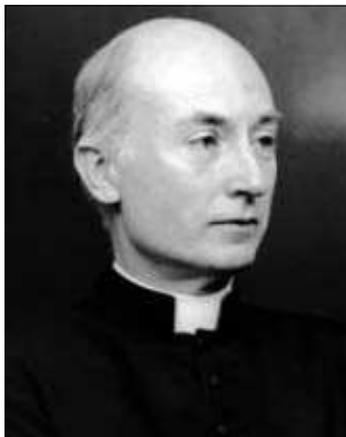
*(Fr. Higgins)*



**FR. GEORGE W. RUTLER**  
will speak on “CRISIS OF  
SAINTS—HOLINESS IN  
THE YEAR OF FAITH”

Wednesday, October 17th, A.D.  
2012, 6:00 p.m.,

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish Church,  
lower church hall



Father Rutler served as  
an Episcopalian priest  
for nine years before he  
was received into the  
Catholic Church in  
1979. He has authored  
15 books on theology,  
history, cultural issues  
and lives of the saints,  
including *The Curé of*

*Ars Today,*

*Coincidentally,* and *A Crisis of Saints*. He is the  
host of the EWTN program “*Christ in the City*”

where he discusses the possibilities of  
encountering Christ in fast-paced city life. Fr.

Rutler holds degrees from several colleges  
including Oxford University and the Gregorian  
and Angelicum Universities in Rome. He was

honored by the New York Council for his  
assistance to the dying at the World Trade  
Center on September 11th, 2001. Fr. Rutler has  
been pastor of the Church of Our Savior parish in  
New York City since 2001.

*“If ‘Roman Catholic’ was used in a diminishing  
way by anti-Catholics in times past, it has become  
a declaration of Catholics who want to be  
Catholics. Cardinal Vaughan said that Roman  
Catholic is a right term when it ‘insists that the  
central point of Catholicity is Roman, the Roman  
See of St. Peter.’ The Roman Catholic Church is  
not Catholic because of Rome; it is Catholic  
because of Peter, who shed his blood in Rome.  
Where Peter is, there is the Church. ‘Ubi Petrus,  
ibi ecclesia.’ A council, for instance, does not  
have to be in Rome to be ecumenical; it does need  
the approbation of Peter.”*

—Fr. Rutler “*A Crisis of Saints*”

**BRING A SAINT AND LUNCH**

A general invitation is extended to join an  
informal gathering of parishioners who want to  
learn more about the Lives of the Saints. The idea  
is to research the life of a canonized saint, pack a  
lunch, and then join fellow parishioners and  
interested visitors for a get-together in the lower  
church hall. A presentation should be no longer  
than 5-10 minutes. If you don’t want to make a  
presentation, please just come and be inspired by  
the Lives of the Saints as well as to enjoy some  
fellowship. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday,  
October 9th, 12 Noon in the lower church hall.  
For more information contact Tina McCormick:  
[TinaM@post.harvard.edu](mailto:TinaM@post.harvard.edu) or 617-970-1448

**MILITARY SERVICE PRAYER LIST:**

We remember all of our military servicemen and  
women, especially ... Sgt. Dennis Geary, U.S.  
Army (Afghanistan), Matthew Simard, 1st Lt.,  
USMC (Afghanistan), Michael Simard, PFC,  
USMC, Christopher Raymond, 82nd Airborne  
(Afghanistan), Lance Cpl. Alex Tomchik, USMC,  
Brian Rainey, US Army (Afghanistan), Joseph  
Rainey, US Army, Sgt. Kevin James Howard,  
USMC (Afghanistan), Sgt. Brian Joseph Howard,  
USMC Afghanistan), Sgt. William J. Duggan,  
U.S. Army, 342nd Military Police Detachment,  
deployed to Afghanistan March, 2010; 2nd Lt.  
Richard S. Pluta, deployed to Iraq; 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.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



Compassion  
to the  
terminally ill

**Rosary  
Novena  
(October  
3-11) to  
Prevent  
Assisted  
Suicide –**

Cardinal Seán O'Malley is inviting Catholic families to join him in praying a Rosary Novena from October 3-11 for the defeat of Question 2. As part of this Novena (9-day prayer), special rosaries will be aired on CatholicTV on 10/3 at 9pm and then on 10/4-10/11 at 3 am, 10am, 12pm, 6:30pm and 10pm.



**DEFEAT QUESTION 2,  
THE ASSISTED SUICIDE BALLOT  
QUESTION IN MA.**

Sign the Petition

Committee Against  
Physician Assisted Suicide

THE  
FOLLOWING  
LETTER TO THE  
EDITOR  
APPEARED IN  
THE BOSTON  
HERALD ON  
MONDAY,  
OCTOBER 1, 2012:

“Disabled and Dignified: Dr. Marcia Angell wishes her dying father had a more peaceful death (“Deserving of Dignity,” September 23rd). My father also committed suicide at age 92 by tossing himself out the window. He was deeply depressed and didn't want to bother his only living relative, his disabled daughter, born with spina bifida and a wheelchair user. I am the daughter. As Dr. Angell said, a lot of disabled people have to do without or give up autonomy when it comes to their physical care. Does that make us any less valuable as people?

I have chosen to stay alive despite lapses in my ‘dignity’—a word I find appalling in the context of determining the manner of how one actually dies. I plan to live in spite of society and if the time comes when I am near death, I hope palliative care will be around to assist me, rather than a doctor with a pill.

—Karen Schneiderman, Jamaica Plain”



Requiescant in Pace

Dr. Ralph Sozio, aged 75  
Helen Panella, aged 92  
(mother of parishioner Robert  
Panella)  
Antonio de Melo



CONGRATULATIONS...

To Mr. and Mrs. Luke and Heidi  
Aufiero on the christening of their  
daughter **ABIGAIL RUTH  
AUFIERO** at *Mary Immaculate of  
Lourdes* on *St. Michael's Day,*  
*September 29th, A.D. 2012.* Her godparents are  
*Matthew and Lindsay Grogan.*

## INVITATION TO SODALITY RETREAT

All ladies of the parish are invited to join the Sodality for its annual retreat. The retreat will be on Saturday, October 20th, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at St. Anne's convent, Still River, MA. A simple lunch will be provided. The Salesian spirituality of St. Francis de Sales will be specifically addressed to Catholic ladies. The Retreat Master will be Canon Jean-Marie Moreau, rector of St. Anthony of Padua Oratory in West Orange, NJ, and member of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. Please call or email Jeanette Pappin for further information:

RSVP by October 16th

[jeanette.pappin@gmail.com](mailto:jeanette.pappin@gmail.com) 781-964-4448

### “WINGS” (Women in God's Spirit)

All women of *Mary Immaculate of Lourdes* are warmly invited to attend.

Wednesday, October 10th: “Do Whatever He Tells You”: How does our Blessed Mother help us grow closer to Jesus? Susan Horne, Director of Religious Education at St. Joseph's, will reflect on the Wedding Feast at Cana and talk about how our relationship with Mary can help us in following Jesus. WINGS meets Wednesday mornings from 9:45-11:30 a.m. in the Linse Room at Saint Joseph's Parish, Needham.

For more details, please visit the parish website at [www.saintjoes.com](http://www.saintjoes.com) (Ministries and Prayer Ministries).

# Calendar of Masses

(Intention of the Mass—Special Remarks—Requested by:)

<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>October 6th</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Earl Smith</b>	Special Intention	<b>Shawn Adams</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>October 7th</b> The 19th Sunday after Pentecost and the 27th Sunday of the Year (Our Lady of the Rosary)	<b>7:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Pro Populo</b>		
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Ang &amp; Chic DiMella</b>	Memorial	<b>Betty Whitney</b>
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Thomas F. &amp; Eleanor Pollard Mazzarella &amp; Corcoran Family Jacinda Sanders William Provencher Elizabeth A. Baronie Karen Van Houten</b>	Memorial Memorial Special Intention Birthday Intention Memorial Memorial	<b>Stephen Pollard</b>  <b>Pappin Family</b> <b>Karen Provencher</b> <b>Kevin Miller</b> <b>Richard Fell</b>
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Helen Panella</b>	Memorial	<b>Robert Panella</b>
<b>MONDAY</b> <b>October 8th</b>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Ferial Day	<b>Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish</b>	Memorial	
	<b>12:30 p.m.</b> St. Bridget of Sweden, Widow	<b>Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed</b>	Memorial	
<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>October 9th</b>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> (Ferial)	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b> St. John Leonardi, Confessor	<b>Jacinda Sanders</b>	Special Intention	<b>Pappin Family</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>October 10th</b>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> (Ferial)	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
	<b>12:30 p.m.</b> St. Francis Borgia, Confessor	<b>Tony, Tricia, Patrick, Mary &amp; Christopher Reilly</b>	Special Intention	<b>Reilly Family</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>October 11th</b> *50th Anniversary of the Opening of Vatican Council II	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> (Ferial)	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b> Maternity of Our Lady	<b>Pro Life</b>		<b>Annie Procopio</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>October 12th</b> ( <i>Health of the Sick</i> )	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> (Ferial)	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
	<b>12:30 p.m.</b> (Ferial)	<b>Susan &amp; Carmen DiMascio</b>		<b>Maria Centofanti</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>October 13th</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> St. Edward, King and Confessor	<b>Dominic Davulis Edward Grokulsky Arline Covalli</b>	Birthday Intention Memorial	<b>Davulis Family</b> <b>Gloria Pazasis</b> <b>Susan Goeller</b>
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Joyce Higgins</b>	Special Intention	<b>Susan Goeller</b>

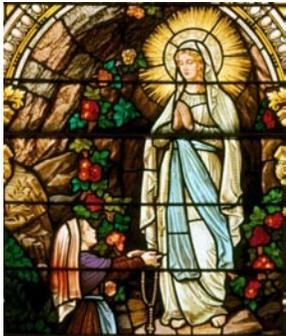


## HEALTH OF THE SICK

*“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...* Ronald Orlando, Dominic Gundrum, Louis Komuves, Sr. Catherine Grandfield, Mary Adams, Hugh Doyle, Lorraine Orlando, Rob Quagan, Paul Wenger, Nathan Johnston, Frank Downey, Janet Pino, Fr. Carney Gavin, Irene Campana, Gerry Mazzarella, Maureen Nyhen, Francis McNary, Warren Yee, Betty Chrishi, Marie Rappazzini, Mary Trombetta, Helen Reid, Brenda Winegarner, Jean Johnson, Lois Ludwig, Paula Apothacary, Jeanne Ciocca, Sam Adams III, Altair da Silva, 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, Evelyn Donovan, Helen Donnelly, Priscilla Brossard, Mary Sims, Billy Hickey, Lee-Anne Ketchum, Arthur Nauss, Rod MacLeod, Monica Wellenstein, Teresa Tambunan, Mary Platt, Sean Monaghan, Bill McIlheny, Sheila Whittle, Michelle Fay, Bobbie Hoffmann, Beverly Balconi, Martial Rainey, Dennis McCarthy, Edward Crestitelli, Sharon Kopchik, Erin Marie Fell, Dominic Cantillo, Theresa Higgins, Lita Uilaoghaire, Norman Alibrandi, Joyce Higgins, Karen Starbird, Jack Buckley, Edward Fahey, Nancy Daly, Mary Hoffmann, Marie Schroter, Dorothy Alibrandi, Annie Procopio, Marie Danca, David Kase, Thaddeus Davulis, Andrew McCloskey, Barbara Sullivan, Wanda Lempitski, Thomas Corcoran, Tony Palladino, 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.***

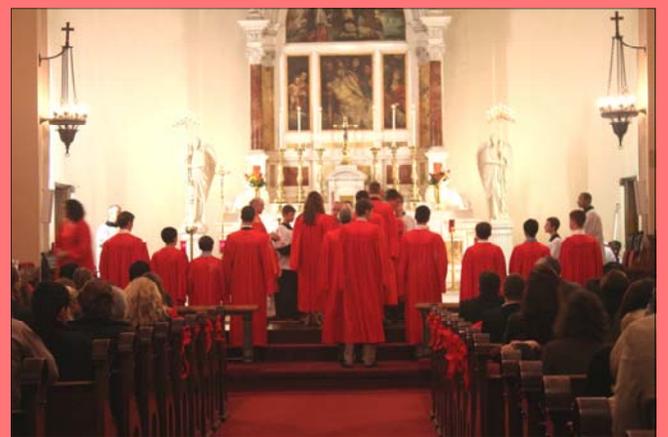
***Thou who on this earth didst always fulfil God’s designs, help me to do the Holy Will of God. Beseech the Master of Life, from Whom all paternity proceedeth, to render me fruitful in offspring, that I may raise up children to God in this life and heirs to the Kingdom of His Glory in the world to come. Amen.***

**PRAYER LINE OF THE  
POOR CLARE COLLETTINE  
SISTERS**

Hawarden, Wales

The website address is:

[www.poorclarestmd.org](http://www.poorclarestmd.org)



## LATIN MASS TEXTS

### Traditional Propers

### The Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Vestments: White

**INTROIT:** Let us all rejoice in the Lord, celebrating a festival-day in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, for whose solemn festival the Angels rejoice and give praise to the Son of God. *Psalm 44:2* My heart hath uttered a good word: I speak my works to the King *V.* Glory be to the Father...

**COLLECT:** O God, whose only-begotten Son by His Life and death and resurrection has won for us the rewards of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we who meditate on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise. Through our Lord.

**EPISTLE: Proverbs 8: 22-24, 32-35** The Lord possessed me in the beginning of His ways, before He made anything, from the beginning. I was set up from eternity, and of old, before the earth was made. The depths were not as yet, and I was already conceived. Now therefore, ye children, hear me: blessed are they that keep my ways. Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that heareth me, and that watcheth daily at my gates; and waiteth at the posts of my doors. He that shall find me, shall find life, and shall have salvation from the Lord.

**GRADUAL: Psalm 44:5, 11, 12** Because of truth, and meekness, and justice: and thy right hand shall conduct thee wonderfully. *V.* Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear, for the King hath greatly desired thy beauty.

**ALLELUIA:** Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* The solemn festival of the glorious Virgin Mary of the seed of Abraham, sprung from the tribe of Judah, of David's royal race. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL: Luke 1:26-38** At that time, the Angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the House of David: and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel being come

in, said unto her: Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. Who, having heard, was troubled at his saying and thought with herself what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said to her: Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found grace with God. Behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a Son: and thou shalt call His name Jesus. He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of David His Father: and He shall reign in the House of Jacob forever, and of His Kingdom there shall be no end. And Mary said to the angel: How shall this be done since I know not man? And the angel answering, said to her: The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee. And therefore also the Holy which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And behold thy cousin Elizabeth, she also hath conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her that is called barren; because no word shall be impossible with God. And Mary said: Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it done to me according to thy word.

**OFFERTORY: Eccclus. 24: 25; 39:17** In me is all grace of the way and of the truth; in me is all hope of life and of virtue. Like a rose planted on the rivers I have budded forth.

**SECRET** Make us worthy, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to offer Thee this sacrifice; and by means of the mysteries of the most holy Rosary may we so keep in mind the life, passion and glory of Thine only-begotten Son, that we may be made worthy of His promises. Who with Thee liveth.

### Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**COMMUNION: Eccclus. 39:19** Send forth flowers as the lily, and yield a smell, and bring forth leaves in grace, and praise with canticles, and bless the Lord in His works.

**POSTCOMMUNION** May we be helped, O Lord, we beseech Thee, by the prayers of Thy most holy Mother, whose Rosary we are celebrating, that we may draw strength from the mysteries which we reverence and obtain the effect of the sacrament which we have received. Who livest and reignest.

# Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

## Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

October 7th, A.D. 2012, Saturday vigil, 4 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30 and 9:00 a.m.

### Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year

**Introit:** Esther 13:9, 10, 11 **In voluntate tua**

*"All things are submitted to Your will, O Lord, and no one can resist Your decisions; You have made all things, heaven and earth, and all that is contained under the vault of the sky; You are the master of the universe."*

**Kyrie – Chant**

**Gloria – Missa De Angelis (English)**

Responsorial Psalm

Gospel Acclamation

**Credo I: (extra sheet)**

**Offertory:** Job 1, 2:7 **Vir erat**

*"There was a man in the land of Jus whose name was Job, a blameless, upright and God-fearing man; Satan asked to be allowed to tempt him, and the Lord gave him power over his possessions and his body; and so, he destroyed his possessions and his children, and he ravaged his flesh with horrible sores."*

### 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:** Ps 119:31,34,36 **In salutari tuo** *"My soul aspires after your salvation; I hope in your word; when will you judge those who persecute me? The wicked are persecuting me; come to my assistance, O Lord my God."*

**Post Communion Hymn**

Salve Mater Misericordiae (Gregorian Chant)

**Recessional Hymn:**

Immaculate Mary  
(Worship II Hymnal No.85)

## Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

October 7th, A.D. 2012, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

### The Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Prelude:** Ave Maria (Gregorian Chant)

**Processional Hymn:** Caelestis Aulae Nuntius  
(Gregorian Chant)

*Asperges: Chant*

**Introit:** *"Gaudeamus omnes in Domino, diem festum celebrantes sub honore Mariae Virginis; de cujus solemnitate gaudent Angeli, et collaudant Filium Dei. (Psalm) Eructavit cor meum verbum bonum; dico ego opera mea regi."*

**Ordinary Prayers:** Missa IX Cum Jubilo  
(Kyrie, Gloria, \*Creed, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei)

**Gradual:**

*"Propter veritatem, et mansuetudinem, et justitiam; et deducet te mirabiliter dextera tua. V. Audi filia, et vide, et inclina aurem tuam; quia concupivit rex speciem tuam."* **Alleluia:**  
*"Alleluia, V. Solemnitas gloriosae Virginis Mariae, ex semine Abrahae, ortae de tribu Juda, clara ex stirpe David."*

**Offertory Verse:**

*"In me gratia ominis viae et veritatis, in me ominis spes vitae et virtutis; ego quasi rosa plantata super rivos aquarum fructificavi."*

**Offertory Hymn:** Te Gestientem Gaudiis  
(Gregorian Chant)

**Communion Hymn:** Ave Verum Corpus  
(William Byrd d.1623)

**Communion Verse:**

*"Florete flores quasi liliun, et date odorem, et frondete in gratiam; collaudate canticum, et benedicite Dominum in operibus suis."*

**Recessional Hymn**

Thou Art the Star of Morning  
(Parish Hymnal No.98)

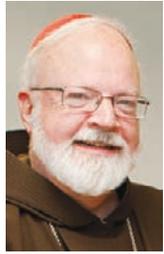
*Noon Angelus (Chant)*

# The Pilot

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## Better ways to care for the dying

Surely I shall never forget my first encounter with Mother Teresa of Calcutta. It was in November of 1970 and I was teaching at Catholic University. We had received notice that the uni-



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versity was awarding an honorary doctorate to a missionary nun in the Caldwell Auditorium. Realizing that few people would bother to attend, I decided "to make the sacrifice" in solidarity with a fellow religious. Only a handful of people showed up. Cardinal Patrick O'Boyle presided and Eileen Egan, an early follower of Dorothy Day who was at Catholic Relief Services (CRS) was charged with introducing the nun to the assembly. None of us had ever heard of Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Eileen Egan described her first meeting with Mother Teresa in the streets of the slums of Calcutta. She described seeing a wheelbarrow containing the filthy body of a dying man covered with open sores filled with maggots. She said that it seemed that the wheelbarrow moved on its own. Then she spied the diminutive nun pushing it. She learned that Mother and her sisters, for twenty years had been gathering the dying people abandoned in the streets, carrying them to an old former Hindu temple and taking care of them so that they could die surrounded by love.

I remember looking around the auditorium and seeing many people crying as Eileen Egan described Mother Teresa's ministry to the dying. Soon the world was to learn about this amazing religious

woman thanks to English journalist Malcolm Muggeridge's film and book, both called "Something Beautiful for God."

Mother Teresa is part of a long tradition of caring for the dying in our Church. In our own country we have the moving testimony of Rose Hawthorne, the daughter of Nathaniel Hawthorne from Massachusetts. Rose founded a religious order in the early 1900s to care for people dying of cancer. Here in the archdiocese, the Little Sisters of the Poor and the Carmelites Sisters for the Aged and Infirm are excellent current examples of the Church's tradition of loving care for the dying.

In our community the hospice movement is an extraordinary service to those at the end stages of life and their families. Hospice was founded by a nurse in England, Cicely Saunders. She had worked as a volunteer at St. Luke's Home for the Dying Poor. She founded hospice to deal with the "total pain" of those who are dying. This includes not just physical suffering but the psychological and spiritual suffering people experience at the end of life. In 1971, Florence Wald left her position as dean of the Yale School of Nursing, to bring hospice to the United States.

Hospice was one of the first programs to use modern pain management techniques to care compassionately for the dying. Today there are almost 5,000 hospice programs in the United States with an organized team approach to professional care giving and 1.4 million people are enrolled in hospice care each year.

Hospice is not a place, but a concept of care. Eighty percent of hospice care is provided in the patient's home, a family

member's home or a nursing home. Hospice cared for my Dad when he was dying. In my family, we are all grateful for the excellent care that hospice provided. The nurses and hospice workers truly ministered to the whole family.

Taking care of people at the end of their lives, giving palliative care to address the physical pain and bringing reassurance to people dealing with fear and frustration is truly doing something beautiful for God. How many times do we pray to our Blessed Mother, "Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death." At the hour of our death, we need prayers and support. In popular devotion, Saint Joseph is called the patron of a happy death because by tradition it is said that he died surrounded by the loving embrace of Jesus and Mary.

We all want what is best for our loved ones, especially at the end of life's journey. It is my hope that this series of reflections, to be posted on my blog and published in *The Pilot*, will demonstrate that physician assisted suicide is an assault on human dignity. It must never be seen as a viable alternative to hospice and palliative care that address not only people's pain but also their fears and frustration.

*The Archdiocese of Boston has developed an educational website on the Church's teachings on end of life issues, [www.SuicideIsAlwaysATragedy.org](http://www.SuicideIsAlwaysATragedy.org). The archdiocese is also part of a large coalition of groups from other faiths, from the medical community, and from disabilities rights groups that are advocating a No vote on Question 2. The coalition's website is [www.StopAssistedSuicide.org](http://www.StopAssistedSuicide.org).*

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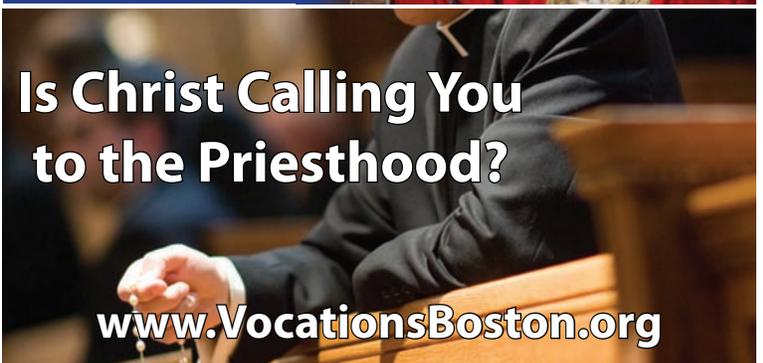
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