

# Mary Immaculate of Lourdes

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

Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

Newton & Needham's Oldest Roman Catholic  
Parish

*Syriac-Rite Catholic Community: Our Lady of Mesopotamia*

February 8th, 2015 in the Year of Grace  
Sexagesima Sunday and the Fifth Sunday  
of the Year

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## Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

270 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02464

### Parish Staff

PASTOR: FATHER CHARLES JEREMIAH HIGGINS

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: JEAN JOHNSON (DIRECTOR)  
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## Parish Cemetery of Saint Mary's, Needham GUARDIAN ESTATE MANAGEMENT INC.

Mr. Ron Goguen, Superintendent .

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9 AM—3 PM, April through November.

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rectory on 270 Elliot St, Newton Upper Falls and is  
open Monday-Friday, 8 AM—5 PM.

Telephone: 781-235-1841

## Mass Schedule

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

**Weekdays:** Mon.-Tues., Thurs.-Fri. 7:30 AM

### **Traditional Latin Low Mass:**

Mon., Wed. & Fri., 12:30 PM; 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, 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

**Christmas Eve:** 4:00 PM & 12 Midnight

**Christmas Day:** 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

**January 1st:** 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

## 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,  
Weekdays, before and after the Latin daily Masses

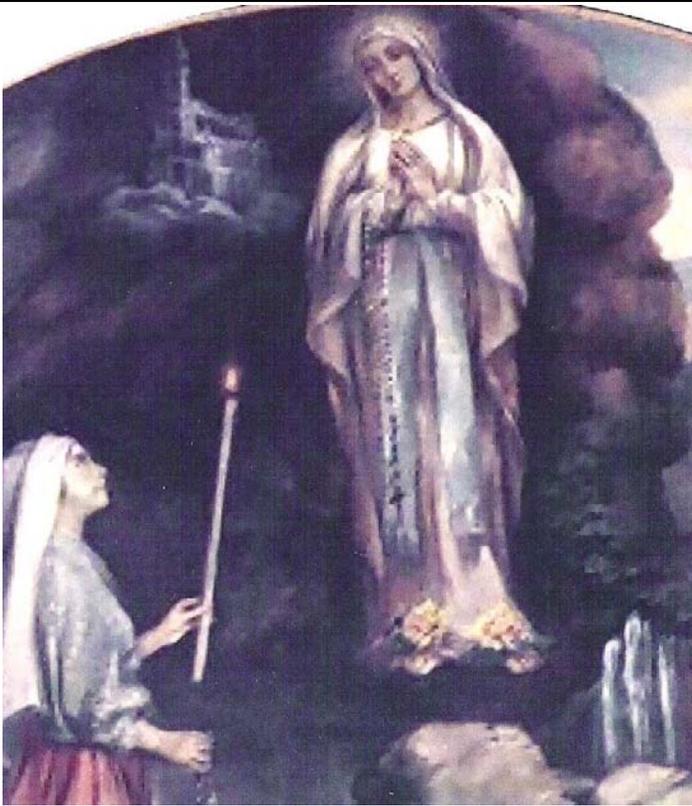
### **Matrimony:**

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.

## FEBRUARY IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY FAMILY



FRONT COVER: A close-up of the Gonippo Raggi painting on the reredos of our high altar which shows the Apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Bernadette Soubirous at Lourdes. To the lower right we see the spring water which came out of the rock at the 9th Apparition on February 25th, 1858 and provides the famous “Lourdes Water”. To the left is a vision of the basilica church which was to be built over the grotto. On March 2nd, the 13th Apparition, Our Lady told Bernadette: “Go and tell the priests that people should come here in procession and that a chapel should be built here.”

### Pastor’s Note

#### FEBRUARY 11th: PARISH FEAST DAY

Wednesday of this week, February 11th, is the feast of the Apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Lourdes, and the patronal feast day for our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes. A special traditional Latin High Mass is planned for the feast beginning at 7:30 PM.

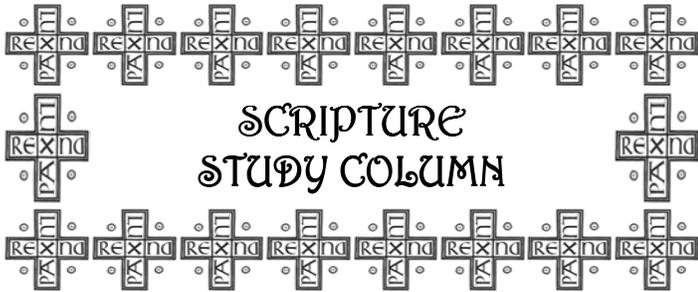
It is always an occasion for us, as a parish family, to give thanks to God for the blessings we have received in this parish church over the past year and to rededicate ourselves to living the faith of the Christian Gospel.

The visionary of Lourdes, Bernadette Soubirous, had just turned fourteen when these events occurred. (Bernadette’s birthday was January 7th: the first of the eighteen Apparitions took place on Thursday, February 11th, in Sexagesima Week (the Thursday before Ash Wednesday).

At the time Bernadette’s family had fallen into extreme poverty. They were reduced to living in a single room which had once been the town jail. On the occasion of the first Apparition, Bernadette, her younger sister, and another girl were looking for driftwood to bring home for the fireplace. The old stone rock they were headed for, the Massabielle (the “Old Hump”), was a rubbish area, where people had been accustomed to letting their pigs roam. Poor people were allowed to gather whatever they could in this trash-area along the river bank for their winter fuel.

Bernadette was sickly, small, and easily mistaken for a girl much younger than her age. When she described the mysterious female visitor she had seen inside the grotto within the Massabielle (she did not know who she was) she said she had seen another girl like herself. In religious art, including artistic depictions of Our Lady of Lourdes, Mary is never shown in this way. She is a regal adult lady. But it is good for us to recall that the marriageable age for a maiden in Mary’s time and culture was about fourteen—Bernadette’s age in 1858. Was Bernadette then privileged to see Our Lady as she was when the Angel Gabriel visited her in Nazareth and greeted her with “*Hail, full of grace.*”? It was, after all, just after the ringing of the Noon Angelus bells that Bernadette had her first Apparition: “*And the Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary...*” (Fr. Higgins)

# KNOW YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH



## SCRIPTURE STUDY COLUMN



### GOSPEL OF SAINT LUKE BIBLE STUDY (Luke 16:14-18)

Having just heard Jesus' admonition against greed, the Pharisees begin to mock Him, for they "loved money" (v. 14). Their behavior confirms a saying of Jesus in St. John's Gospel: "For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so

that his works might not be exposed." (cf. Jn. 3:20). Our sinful nature and the deception of the devil seek to prevent us from coming to the light, i.e., admitting the guilt of our sins. Divine mercy and human experience, however, lead us to conclude that sin (darkness) is hurtful to ourselves and others, whereas living in God's grace (light) accords with right reason and gives us peace.

Christ responds to the Pharisees' insults in v. 15 by calling them out quite explicitly: "You justify yourselves in the sight of others, but God knows your hearts; for what is of human esteem is an abomination in the sight of God." As He does in so many places throughout the Gospels, Jesus calls man not merely to an outward observance of the commandments, but also to inner purity of heart (cf. Mt. 5:8, 21-6:18). We do well to scrutinize our hearts in light of the Gospel: of the secular diet of values that runs counter to Christ's teachings, what parts have we ingested?

In v. 16, Jesus then says the following: "so with The law and the prophets lasted until John; but from then on the kingdom of God is proclaimed, and everyone who enters does so with violence." Jesus indicates that the entire Old Testament was a preparation for His coming. Now that He has arrived, there is a certain urgency regarding man's acceptance of the message of salvation so that He may enter the kingdom of God (heaven). If the law mattered as much as it did before Christ's coming, it matters even more in the age of its fulfillment in Him.

In v. 17, Jesus continues: "It is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for the smallest part of a letter of the law to become invalid." By use of the phrase, "the smallest part of a letter of the law," Jesus refers to the merest punctuation marks of the text. This does not mean that the Scriptures are to be interpreted in an exclusively literalist fashion. Rather, Jesus uses this phrase to underline the fact that *all* Scripture is divinely inspired, and thus, that none of it can be trifled with (cf. 2 Tim. 3:16).

Jesus fittingly follows this instruction with an incontestably clear teaching on the indissolubility of marriage in v. 18: "Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery, and the one who marries a woman divorced from her husband commits adultery." We all saw the world filled with chatter and confusion this past Fall as the synod fathers discussed pastoral issues of the family, including the issues of divorce, remarriage, and the reception of Holy Communion by civilly remarried Catholics who have not obtained a declaration of nullity for their previous marriage(s). Pastoral care is extremely important in these matters, and some strategies are good, while others are misleading/bad. Pastoral strategies aside, however, in light of Jesus' teaching about the eternal stability of the law in v. 17, a fundamental teaching such as that of v. 18 *cannot* change, ipso facto. The moral law finds its basis in the unchanging *nature* of God, in whom goodness and truth are inextricably one. It is not a question of "either/or." God's supreme goodness is manifest precisely in the fact that He "*can neither deceive, nor be deceived*," as we pray in the Act of Faith. This is good news, because God loves His children too much to allow them to be led into the error and darkness of sin.

*(David Allen)*



## WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY: THE BOOK OF EXODUS

David Allen, our Pastoral Associate, hosts a weekly Bible Study every Friday morning at 8:20 AM (after the 7:30 Parish Mass). The class is finishing with the Acts of the Apostles and will begin a new study on the Old Testament Book of Exodus. The Bible Study meets in the Lower Rectory Conference Room (in rectory basement). It is an open group and all are welcome to attend.

NO CLASS ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13th.

*\*Refreshments provided. Please bring your Bible.\**

*Mr. David Allen is the lay Pastoral Associate for our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes. He is currently working towards a Master's Degree in Theological Studies (MTS) at St. John's Seminary.*



## Religious Education

### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR 2014-2015

Grades K-5, 8:30-10:00 AM

Grades 6-10 (Pre-Confirmation)

4:15-6:30 PM

Classes are held in the Lower Church Hall.

*Director: Jean Johnson  
Latin Mass Children's  
Catechism: Patti Strom*



## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY

11th, A.D. 2015:

**APPARITION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AT LOURDES, Parish Patronal Feast Day**

We will have a special evening Mass (traditional Latin) on our parish feast day, this Wednesday, at 7:30 PM, in addition to our regularly scheduled 12:30 PM Mass.



Nursing Home Masses in the Parish for the Month of February:

Thursday, February 5th:  
STONE INSTITUTE

Thursday, February 12th:  
WINGATE MANOR

(Masses are at 2:00 PM)

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Mary's Mantle Prayer Shawl Ministry: Lower Rectory Conference Room, 2nd Sunday of each month after the 10:30 AM MASS.**

**Mary's Mantles will meet today. This is a group of wonderful members of our parish who knit and crochet prayer shawls, lap robes, etc. We present these items to the housebound and sick of our parish. Please join us!**

Blessed Margaret of Castello Prayer Group: Monthly Meeting, February 11th (2nd Wednesday of the month), Lower Rectory Conference Room, after the 12:30 PM Mass.

*"For my father and my mother have left me: but the Lord hath taken me up"—Psalm 26:10*



**CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. & Mrs. Dave and Karen Slifka who are celebrating their 40th Wedding Anniversary.**



**CONGRATULATIONS to parishioner Rod MacLeod on marking his 99th birthday on January 24th, 2015. Rod was at the 9 AM Mass with his daughters on January 25th, the 1st day of his 100th year!**

# PARISH FELLOWSHIP



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

## LATIN MASS PROPER: SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY

**INTROIT:** Ps. 43. 23-26 Arise, why sleepest Thou, O Lord? arise, and cast us not off to the end. Why turnest Thou Thy face away, and forgettest our trouble? our belly hath cleaved to the earth: arise, O Lord, help us and deliver us. *Psalm 43.2* We have heard, O God, with our ears: our fathers have declared to us. *V. Glory be to the Father.*

**COLLECT** O God, Who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do; mercifully grant that by the protection of the Doctor of the Gentiles we may be defended against all adversity. Through our Lord.

**EPISTLE:** 2 Corinthians 11. 19-33; 12. 1-9 Brethren: You gladly suffer the foolish: whereas yourselves are wise. For you suffer if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take from you, if a man be lifted up, if a man strike you on the face. I speak according to dishonour, as if we had been weak in this part. Wherein if any man dare (I speak foolishly), I dare also. They are Hebrews, so am I. They are Israelites, so am I. They are the seed of Abraham, so am I. They are the ministers of Christ (I speak as one less wise), I am more: in many more labours, in prisons more frequently, in stripes above measure, in deaths often. Of the Jews, five times did I receive forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once I was stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I was in the depth of the sea: in journeying often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils from my own nation, in perils from the Gentiles, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils from false brethren: in labour and painfulness, in much watching, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness; besides those things which are without, my daily instance, the solitude for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is scandalized, and I am not on fire? If I must needs glory, I will glory of things that concern my infirmity. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who is blessed forever, knoweth that I lie not. At Damascus the governor of the nation under Aretas the king guarded the city of the Damascenes, to apprehend me: and through a

## LATIN MASS PROPERS: SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY

window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and so escaped his hands. If I must glory (it is not expedient indeed) but I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ about fourteen years ago, whether in the body I know not, or out of the body I know not, God knoweth, such a one caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man, whether in the body or out of the body I know not, God knoweth: that he was caught up into paradise, and heard secret words which it is not granted man to utter. For such a one, I will glory: but for myself I will glory nothing but in my infirmities. For, though I have a mind to glory, I shall not be foolish: for I will say the truth: but I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth in me, or anything he heareth from me. And lest the greatness of the revelations should exalt me, there was given me a sting of my flesh, and angel of Satan, to buffet me. For which thing, thrice I besought the Lord that it might depart from me. And He said to me: My grace is sufficient for thee, for power is made perfect in infirmity. Gladly therefore will I glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

**GRADUAL:** Psalm 82. 19, 14 Let the Gentiles know that God is Thy name: Thou alone art the Most High over all the earth. V. O my God, make them like a wheel, and as stubble before the wind. **TRACT:** Psalm 59. 4, 6 Thou hast moved the earth, O Lord, and hast troubled it. V. Heal Thou the breaches thereof, for it has been moved. V. That they may flee before the bow: that Thine elect may be delivered.

**GOSPEL:** Luke 8. 4-15 **At** that time, when a very great multitude was gathered together and hastened out of the cities unto Jesus, He spoke by a similitude: The sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And other some fell upon a rock: and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And other some fell among thorns, and the thorns growing up with it choked it. And other some fell upon good ground: and being sprung up yielded fruit a hundredfold. Saying these things, He cried out: He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And His disciples asked Him what this parable might be. To whom He said: To you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables: that seeing they may not see, and hearing may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. And they by the way side are they that hear: then the devil cometh and taketh the word out of their heart, lest believing they should be saved. Now they upon the rock are they who, when they hear receive the word with joy; and these have no roots: for they believe for a while, and in time of temptation they fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they who have heard and, going their way, are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and yield no fruit. But that on the good ground are they who in a good and perfect heart, hearing the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit in patience.

**OFFERTORY:** Psalm 16: 5, 6-7 Perfect Thou my goings in Thy paths, that my footsteps be not moved: incline Thy ear, and hear my words: show forth Thy wonderful mercies, Thou who savest them that trust in Thee, O Lord.

### PREFACE OF THE HOLY TRINITY

**SECRET** May the sacrifice offered unto Thee, O Lord, ever quicken and protect us. Through our Lord.

**COMMUNION:** Psalm 42: 4 I will go in to the altar of God, to God who giveth joy to my youth.

**POSTCOMMUNION** We humbly beseech Thee, almighty God to grant that they whom Thou refreshest with Thy sacraments may serve Thee worthily by a life well pleasing unto Thee. Through our Lord.

# Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

Saturday Vigil, 4:00p.m.

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

## Fifth Sunday of the Year

**Introit:** Ps.95 Venite, adoremus

*"Come, let us worship God and bow down before the Lord: let us shed tears before the Lord who made us, for He is the Lord our God."*

**Kyrie** (Chant)

**Gloria** (English Chant)

Responsorial Psalm

Alleluia

**Credo I:** (extra sheet)

**Offertory:** Ps.17 Perfice gressus meos

*"Render secure my footsteps in your paths so that my feet do not slip; incline Your ear and hear my words; display Your wonderful mercies, O Lord, Savior of those who place their hope in You."*

## Mass Setting: ENGLISH CHANT MASS

Sanctus

Acclamation after the consecration

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

Amen

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

**Communion:** Lk 6:17,18,19

*"A multitude with diseases, and those who were troubled by unclean spirits, came unto Him, because a power emanated from Him which healed them all."*

**Post Communion Hymn:** Concordi Laetitia

(Gregorian Chant)

**Recessional Hymn:**

Immaculate Mary

(Parish Hymnal No. 85)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

Sunday, 10:30a.m.

## Sexagesima Sunday

**Processional Hymn:** Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us  
(Felix Mendelssohn C.1833)

*Asperges: Chant*

**Introit:** Ps. 43:23-26,2

*"Exsurge, quare obdormis, Domine? exsurge, et ne repellas in finem. Quare faviem tuam avertis, oblivisceris tribulationem nostram? adhaesit in terra venter noster: exsurge, Domine, adjuva nos, et libera nos. (Psalm) Deus, auribus nostris audivimus: patres nostris annuntiaverunt nobis."*

**Ordinary Prayers:**

**Mass In Honor of Our Lady of Lourdes**

William J. Marsh

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

**Gradual:** Ps. 82:19,14

*"Sciant gentes, quoniam nomen tibi Deus: tu solus Altissimus super omnem terram. Deus meus, pone illos ut rotam, et sicut stipulam ante faciem venti." Tract: Ps. 129:1-4*

*"Commovisti, Domine, terram, et conturbasti eam. Sana contritiones ejus, quia mota est. Ut fugiant a facie arcus: ut liberentur electi tui."*

**Offertory Verse** Ps. 16:5,6,7

*"Perfice gressus meos in semitis tuis, ut non moveantur vestigia mea: inclina aurem tuam, et exaudi verba mea: mirifica misericordias tuas, qui salvos facis sperantes in te, Domine."*

**Communion Verse:** Ps. 42:4

*"Introibo ad altare Dei, ad Deum qui laetificat juventutem meam."*

**Offertory Hymn:** Adoramus Te, Christe

(Francesco Rosselli, +1573)

**Communion Hymn:** Panis Angelicus

(Louis Lambillotte d.1855)

**Recessional Hymn:**

Immaculate Mary

(Parish Hymnal No. 85)

*Noon Angelus (Chant)*

## Calendar of Masses

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

SATURDAY February 7th	4:00 PM	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
SUNDAY February 8th <i>The Fifth Sunday of the Year and Sexagesima Sunday</i>	7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Pro Populo Malgorzata Pado-Kazadi Joseph & Dorothy Fagrey James Nyhen Kate Serafino Evan Randall	1st Anniversary Memorial Memorial Birthday Intention Special Intention	Joanna & Edward Lempitski Cindy Fagrey Maureen & Barbara Nyhen MacKenzie Family Geraldine Jean-Pierre
	5:30 PM	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
MONDAY February 9th <i>Feria/ St. Cyril of Alexandria</i>	7:30 AM  12:30 PM	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish  Commemoration of the Faithful Departed	Memorial  Memorial	
TUESDAY February 10th <i>St. Scholastica</i>	7:30 AM	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
WEDNESDAY February 11th <i>APPARITION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AT LOURDES</i>	12 :30 PM 7:30 PM	Arline Covalli  Pro Populo	Special Intention	Susan Goeller
THURSDAY February 12th <i>Feria/ Seven Holy Founders</i>	7:30 AM  5:30 PM	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>  Intention of the Donor		Schoeman Family
FRIDAY February 13th <i>Feria</i>	7:30 AM <i>Health of the Sick</i> 12:30 PM	Wanda Lempitski  Maureen Cox	Memorial  Memorial	Dick Lempitski  Ann Reardon
SATURDAY February 14th <i>St. Valentine</i>	9:00 AM  4:00 PM	Frederick Parsons  Carol Seycheco	Memorial  Memorial	Bennett Family  Joe Seycheco

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

**—St. John Marie Baptiste Vianney,  
Curé d’Ars**



## HEALTH OF THE SICK

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

*Pio*

*For all those on our parish prayer list, especially for:*

**Gabriella Zunino** (*Alice Drew’s baby great granddaughter*), **Ellen Balkus**, **Lena Strom**, **Harry Gonzalez**, **Kay Mullen**, **Marie Geraci**, **Dave Welch**, **Barbara Nyhen**, **Maureen Nyhen**, **Rob Quagan**, **Christina Kwash**, **Janet Pino**, **Ed Donovan**, **Marie Schroter**, **Marie Danca**, **Jane Dippo...**



*“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*

### MILITARY SERVICE PRAYER LIST:

We remember all of our military servicemen and women, especially for ...

*Joseph Fresolo, U.S. Army (Afghanistan), brother of parishioner Dottie Fresolo.*

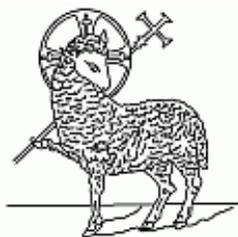
*(Please let us know if you would like someone deployed overseas prayed for by name.)*



### Requiescant in Pace

*Please pray for the resurrection of:*

**Mary Elizabeth (Lyons) Warren, aged 84**



## ABOUT OUR PARISH



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. We are always glad to welcome Sunday visitors here to our beautiful, historic church. We look forward to your coming again.

**PLEASE TAKE THE  
TIME TO FILL OUT A  
PARISH REGISTRATION**

### 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.”

**(Blessed Pope Paul VI, reigned 1964-1978)**

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Rachel mourns her children; She refuses to be consoled, because her children are no more. Thus says the Lord: "Cease from your cries of mourning. Wipe the tears from your eyes...There is hope for your future."  
Jeremiah 31:15-17

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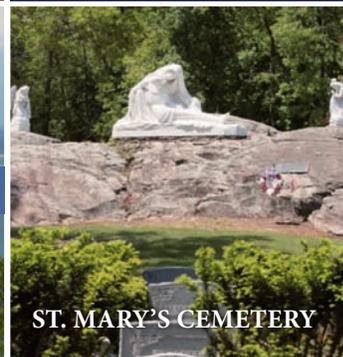
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