

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes

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

Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

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Syriac-Rite Catholic Community: Our Lady of Mesopotamia

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes

May 10th, 2015 in the Year of Grace

Fifth Sunday after Easter

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Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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Guardian Staff on-site for service hours Mon.-Fri.,
9 AM—3 PM, April through November.

The Cemetery Office is located at the parish
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.

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)



FRONT COVER: The May Procession led by the First Holy Communion Children of Mary's Court after the 9 AM Mass last Sunday, May 3rd. Luisa DeMatteo crowned the Blessed Mother Statue in the parish gardens. (PHOTO by Paul Eldridge.)



MAY IS THE MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Pastor's Note



“ ‘TIS THE MONTH OF OUR MOTHER”

“In dangers, in doubts, in difficulties, think of Mary, call upon Mary. Let not her name depart from your lips, never suffer it to leave your heart.”
—*Saint Bernard of Clairvaux*

On this Mother's Day Sunday it is only fitting that we direct our considerations to our Blessed Mother Mary, and the love and the gratitude which are due her.

Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman (1801

-1890) composed a series of meditations for each day of the month of May, based upon her titles and privileges in the Litany of Loretto (*“Meditations on the Litany of Loretto for the Month of May”*). Each daily meditation illuminates an aspect of Christ's Redemption through Mary's correspondence to the Mystery.

For example, his first meditation poses the question: *“Why is May chosen as the month in which we exercise a special devotion to the Blessed Virgin? The first reason is because it is the time when the earth bursts forth into its fresh foliage and its green grass after the stern frost of snow and winter, and the raw atmosphere and the wild wind and rain of the early spring. It is because the blossoms are upon the trees and the flowers are in the gardens. It is because the days have got long,*

and the sun rises early and sets late. For such gladness and joyousness of external Nature is a fit attendant on our devotion to her who is the Mystical Rose and the House of Gold.”

Cardinal Newman then makes reference to the damp climate of Britain and the often disappointing weather of a British spring, and goes on to draw an analogy between the “*promise and hope*” of May and the promise and hope for the coming of the Redeemer:

May then is the month, if not of fulfillment, at least of promise, and is not this the very aspect in which we most suitably regard the Blessed Virgin, Holy Mary, to whom this month is dedicated?

The Prophet [Isaias] says, “There shall come forth a rod out of the root of Jesse, and a flower shall rise out of his root.” Who is the flower but our Blessed Lord? Who is the rod or beautiful stalk or stem or plant out of which the flower grows, but Mary, the Mother of our Lord, Mother of God?

It was prophesied that God should come upon earth. When the time was now full, how was it announced? It was announced by the Angel coming to Mary. “Hail, full of grace,” said Gabriel, “the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women.” She then was the sure promise of the coming Saviour, and therefore May is by a special title her month.

Mary has no other office but to bring us to Christ and to show forth Christ. As Cardinal Newman concludes in his May 31st Meditation:

Lastly it is Mary's prerogative to be the Morning Star, which heralds in the sun. She does not shine for herself, or from herself, but she is the reflection of her and our Redeemer, and she glorifies Him. When she appears in the darkness, we know that He is close at hand.

(Fr. Higgins)

SCRIPTURE STUDY



ST. LUKE CHAPTER 19:1-10

The story of Zacchaeus from St. Luke 19 is a memorable one, because St. Luke notes that Zacchaeus was a "short" man (v. 3), for which reason he climbs into a tree in order to see Our Lord (v. 4). St. Luke also tells us that Zacchaeus "was a chief tax collector" and "wealthy" (v. 2). He

does not tell us Zacchaeus' motive for trying to see Jesus. At the very least, Zacchaeus might have been curious, and at best, he might have been sincerely seeking Jesus in faith and repentance. Perhaps he had heard about Jesus' outreach to tax collectors and sinners (cf. 5:27-32, 15:1-32). Whatever his motive, he wanted to see Jesus badly enough to do something extraordinary.

Jesus spots him immediately in the tree, and invites himself over to his house for a meal: "*Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house*" (v. 5). We are not to see this as an imposition, since Zacchaeus was the one who wanted to see Jesus in the first place. Jesus recognizes Zacchaeus' efforts in trying to see Him, and He goes above and beyond his initial expectations. Thus, Jesus' own promise is fulfilled: "*Seek and you will find*" (cf. 11:9). Not only does Zacchaeus get to see Jesus, but he even has the privilege of talking with Him, and hosting Him as an honored guest. St. Luke tells us that Zacchaeus "*received him with joy*" (v. 6).

Jesus makes such an impression on him, that he makes the following declaration at the dinner: "*Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over*" (v. 8). This proposal of generosity and restitution confirms the reason for the crowd's grumbling earlier: "*He [Jesus] has gone to stay at the house of a sinner*" (v. 7). In other words, the people

disapproved of Jesus having any association with a known extortionist. Jesus does not associate with Zacchaeus in order to confirm him in his sin, however, but to invite him to repentance and restoration. As Jesus says at the end of the passage, "*Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendent of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost*" (vv. 9-10). The story begins with Zacchaeus seeking Jesus, but it ends with Jesus explaining that He was already in search of Zacchaeus, echoing the parable of the lost sheep (cf. 15:1-7).

Zacchaeus' financial restitution went far beyond the extent of his corruption. His generosity, however, contains a lesson for all of us, because he recognized a truth that we often find difficult to admit, namely, that Jesus is the Lord of our finances. All his life, Zacchaeus had been exerting tight control over his assets. Upon encountering the love of Jesus, however, he gave over half his assets to wronged citizens and to the poor! None of us is required to give half of our goods to the poor. Many of us, however, could consider putting more in the collection basket. The pastoral norm is 10% of gross income. The Church's precept of stewardship is not meant to be imposition. Rather, it challenges us to imitate Zacchaeus, and to make joyful thanksgiving to God for the graces he gives us in our parish life. Such an attitude toward our money is absolutely freeing, because it protects us from compartmentalizing our lives into areas that we submit to God, and other areas that we don't. In order to maintain and to strengthen our parish life, your sustained and increased giving is mission-critical. Please consider increasing your weekly offering in consideration of Zacchaeus' joyful encounter with Jesus.

(David Allen)

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.





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 currently studying 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.

Refreshments provided. Please bring your Bible.



STEWARDSHIP



SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH AND THE WIDER CHURCH MISSION

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

WEEK OF MAY 3rd, A.D. 2015: SUNDAY OFFERTORY, \$5,605.00 + \$638.00 (other offerings) = **\$6,243.00**

HEATING FUEL COLLECTION: **\$6,113.00**



SECOND COLLECTION FOR TODAY, SUNDAY, MAY 10th:
EMERGENCY COLLECTION FOR THE EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS IN NEPAL

SECOND COLLECTION FOR NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 17th: CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD:

Thursday, May 14th, 2015: Holy Day of Obligation

This Thursday we will observe Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes will follow the Holy Day Schedule:

- 7:30 AM: (English)
- 12:30 PM: (Latin Low Mass)
- 5:30 PM: (English Sung Mass)
- 7:30 PM: (Latin High Mass)

Don't Forget

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the children (and their families) who are making their First Holy Communion today at the 10:30 AM Mass:

Laetitia Aurélie du Halgouët
Angcia Altina Pierré
Laurent Gabriel Valentin



Following the May Procession we invite you to join us in the lower church hall for a reception with the First Holy Communicants.



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!

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

Thursday, May 7th:
STONE INSTITUTE
Thursday, May 21st:
WINGATE MANOR
(Masses are at 2:00 PM)

PARISH CEMETERY OF ST. MARY'S



We will hold our annual outdoor Memorial Day Mass at our parish cemetery of St. Mary's at 10 o'clock in the morning. All are welcome to attend.

**Monday, May 25th, 2015:
St. Mary's Cemetery Mass,
10 o'clock**





Blessed Margaret of Castello
Prayer Group:
Monthly Meeting this Wednesday,
May 13th (2nd Wednesdays of the
month), beginning with the 12:30 p.m.
Mass and continuing with a meeting in
the lower rectory conference room.
Blessed Margaret of Castello (1287-1320
A.D.), is patroness of the
unwanted and the handicapped.

A severely handicapped person herself, she was
abandoned by her parents as a child. She was cared
for by various families of the city and later became a
third-order Dominican. In 1558, 238 years after her
death, it was discovered that her body was
miraculously incorrupt.

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



**Easter Flower
Memorial
Offerings**

*The following
names have*

*been placed on the altar at Mass
during the Easter Season:*

**Sally MacDonald Kerr,
Roderick J. MacDonald**



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children under 7 years of age is
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Fr. Higgins directly or call the Parish Office
during the week: 617-244-0558

**HARVARD PRO-MUSICA CHORUS with the
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Schubert, Mozart and other composers.
The concert will be held on May 16th-17th.**

**Saturday, May 16th:
First Church of Christ, Lancaster, MA
Admission \$20
Sunday, May 17th:
St. John the Evangelist Church, Clinton, MA
(Donations gratefully accepted)**

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*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.*

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:

**Marie Herson, aged 105
Anthony Centore**



MARY IMMACULATE OF LOURDES: PARISH PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

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

A partial list of the souls enrolled, including the most recent additions:

Maurice de Grasse Ford, Anthony Centore, Nancy Trecartin Marvel, Robert Luby Sr., Elumina Maria Lopez, Carol Hassman, Harry Wilkinson, James Cerwinski, OFM, Owen Gallagher, John O'Malley, Charles Crowley, Elaine Goffredo, Peter Ventola, Harry Gonzalez, Walter & Kathleen Burke, Rev. William Joyce, WoePyong Son (Anthony), Philomena Concannon

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

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



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



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:
Betsy Eldridge, Gabriella*

Zunino (Alice Drew's baby great granddaughter), Ellen Balkus, Lena Strom, 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*



Prayers for:

BARBARA STRUZENSKI (cancer diagnosis, sister of Betty Whitney)

LORETTA PIZZELLA (recent stroke, cousin of parishioner Betty Whitney)

JAN PAUL VON WENDT

RUSS HOFFMANN (husband of Bobbie Hoffmann, recovering from surgery.)

JANET PINO (recent stroke)

MARY SIMS



WINIFRED LUCILLE KEOUGH, baby daughter of parishioners Nick & Laura Keough, re-hospitalized.



First Holy Communion

**First Holy Communion and May Procession:
Sunday, May 3rd, 2015.
(PHOTOS by Paul Eldridge)**





May 10th, A.D. 2015

Fifth Sunday after Easter
Mary Immaculate of Lourdes, Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

4:00 PM (Vigil), 7:30 & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Introit: Cf. Is 48: 20, *Vocem iucunditatis*

"Spread the news with a voice of joy; let it be heard, alleluia; speak it out to the very ends of the earth; the Lord has liberated His people, alleluia, alleluia."

Kyrie – Chant

Gloria – Missa De Angelis (English)

9:00AM

Mass In Honor of Our Lady of Lourdes

(W.Marsh)

Responsorial Psalm

Gospel Acclamation

Offertory: Ps 66 (65): 8, 9, 20, *Benedicite gentes*

"O nations, bless the Lord our God, let the voice of His praise resound; He has restored my soul to life and He has not suffered my feet to stumble; blessed be the Lord who has neither rejected my prayer nor turned His mercy away from me, 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: Jn 15:16

"I have chosen you from the world, in order that you might go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should last, Alleluia."

Post Communion Hymn:

Ave Maria

(Franz Schubert d.1828)

Recessional Hymn:

'Tis the Month of Our Mother

(Parish Hymnal, No. 99)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

Sunday, 10:30 AM

Fifth Sunday after Easter

Processional Hymn:

On This Day, O Beautiful Mother
(Fr Louis Lambillotte, S.J. (1796-1855))

Vidi Aquam: Chant

Introit: Is. 48:20; Ps. 65:1,2

"Vocem iucunditatis annuntiáte, et audiátur, allelúja: annuntiáte usque ad extrémum terræ: liberávit, Dóminus pópulum suum. Allelúja, allelúja. V. Jubilate Deo omnis terra: psalmum dicite nómini ejus, date glónam laudi ejus."

Ordinary Prayers:

Mass In Honor of Our Lady of Lourdes

(W.Marsh)

Paschal Alleluia: John 16:28

"Allelúja, allelúja. Surrexit Christus, et illúxit nobis, quos redémit sáanguine suo. Alleluia. V. Exivi a Patre, et veni in mundum: iterum relinquomundum, et vado ad Patrem. Alleluia."

Offertory Verse: Ps. 65:8,9,20

"Benedicite, gentes, Dóminum Deum nostrum, et obaudite vocem laudis ejus: qui púsuit ánimam meam ad vitam, et non dedit commoveri pedes meos. Benedictus Dóminus, qui non amóvit deprecationem meam, et misericórdiam suam a me, alleluia."

Offertory Hymn: Concordi Laetitia

(Gregorian Chant)

Communion Hymn: Pange Lingua

(Gregorian Chant)

Communion Verse: Ps. 95:2

"Cantáte Dómino, allelúja, cantáte Dómino, et benedicite nomen ejus: bene nuntiáte de die in diem salutáre ejus. Alleluja, alleluia."

Recessional Hymn: MAY PROCESSION

Noon Regina Caeli (Chant)

LATIN MASS PROPERS: FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

INTROIT: *Isaias 48: 20* Declare it with the voice of joy, and make it known, alleluia: declare it even to the ends of the earth: The Lord hath delivered His people, alleluia, alleluia. *Psalm 65: 1-2* Shout with joy to God, all the earth, sing ye a psalm to His name: give glory to His praise. V. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT O God, from whom all good things do proceed, grant unto Thy humble servants, that by Thy holy inspiration, we may think those things that are right, and under Thy guidance may perform the same. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: *James 1: 22-27* Dearly beloved, be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if a man be a hearer of the word and not a doer, he shall be compared to a man beholding his own countenance in a glass: for he beheld himself and went his way, and presently forgot what manner of man he was. But he that hath looked into perfect law of liberty and hath continued therein, not becoming a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work: this man shall be blessed in his deed. And if any man think himself to be religious, not bridling his tongue but deceiving his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Religion pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their tribulation and to keep one's self unspotted from this world.

FIRST ALLELUIA Alleluia, alleluia. V. Christ is risen, and hath shone upon us, whom He redeemed with His blood. **SECOND ALLELUIA:** *John 16: 28* Alleluia. V. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world and I go to the Father. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: *John 16: 23-30* At that time Jesus saith to His disciples: Amen, amen, I say to you: If you ask the Father any thing in My name, He will give it you. Hitherto you have not asked any thing in My name: Ask, and you shall receive, that your joy may be full. These things I have spoken to you in proverbs. The hour cometh when I will no more speak to you in proverbs, but will show you plainly of the Father. In that day you shall ask in My name: and I say not to you that I will ask the Father for you: for the Father Himself loveth you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father and am come into the world: again I leave the world and I go to the Father. His disciples say to Him: Behold now Thou speakest plainly and speakest no proverb. Now we know that Thou knowest all things and Thou needest not that any man should ask Thee: by this we believe that Thou camest forth from God.

OFFERTORY: *Psalm 65: 8-9, 20* O bless the Lord our God, ye peoples, and make the voice of His praise to be heard: who hath set my soul to live, and hath not suffered my feet to be moved. Blessed be the Lord, who hath not turned away my prayer, nor His mercy from me, alleluia.

SECRET Receive, O Lord, the prayers and sacrifices of the faithful, that by these offices of loving devotion we may attain to heavenly glory. Through our Lord.

Preface of Easter

COMMUNION: *Psalm 95: 2* Sing unto the Lord, alleluia, sing unto the Lord, and bless His name: show forth His salvation from day to day, alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION Grant us, O Lord, who have been nourished and strengthened at the heavenly table, both to desire that which is right, and to gain that which we desire. Through our Lord.

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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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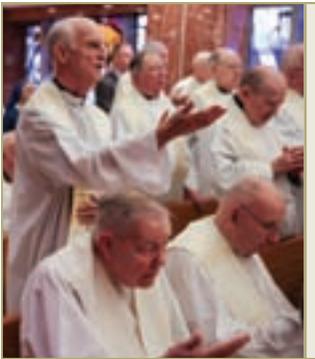
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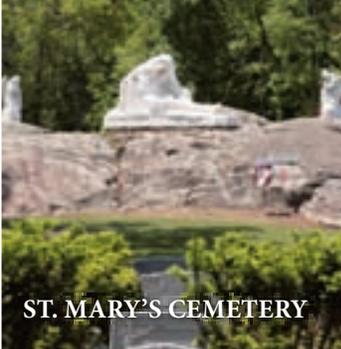
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