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Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

270 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02464

Parish Staff

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NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS:

www.maryimmaculateoflourdes.org

To contact the parish by internet, please access this new website.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/miolnewton



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

Mr. Ron Goguen, Superintendent .

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.

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saintmaryscemetery.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

Traditional Latin High Mass: 10:30 AM

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

Traditional Latin Mass : Mon-Wed-Fri: 12:30
PM; Thu: 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 FORM.**

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)

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes
(Formerly St. Mary's Parish, 1870-1910)
Newton/Needham, Massachusetts
Newton & Needham's Oldest Roman
Catholic Parish
Iraqi Catholic Mission (Chaldean Rite)



**THE POPE'S
UNIVERSAL
INTENTION FOR THE
MONTH OF DECEMBER,
2017: "THE ELDERLY: That
the elderly, sustained by families
and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom
and experience to spreading the Faith and forming the
new generations." (PHOTO: Pope Francis bestows a kiss on
the forehead of Clement Pappin, son of parishioners Gladden and
Jeannette Pappin, St. Peter's Square, 2015.)**



FRONT COVER

The dome of the apse in the sanctuary of our parish church. Above the reredos with its painting of the Apparition of Our Lady at Lourdes is a triptych of the Annunciation, the Assumption and the Coronation of Our Lady Queen of Heaven. The center painting shown here is of the Mystery of Mary's Assumption. (PHOTO by Paul Eldridge.)



Pastor's Note

OUR LADY'S MAGNIFICAT

Writing in *The Church's Year of Grace: Advent to Candlemas (1957)*, Dr. Pius Parsch speaks of how central the figure of Mary is in understanding the spirit of Advent. "Since Advent means preparation for receiving God's grace, who could be a better model than she who bodily contained and sheltered Him and was privileged to be a true Mother to Him?"

The use of Our Lady's Magnificat (Luke 1:48-55) in the Church's liturgical prayer shows how every faithful Christian can be immersed in that spirit of closeness to God, expressed by Mary's inspired Canticle. If we do not yet know Our Lady's Magnificat by heart, I recommend its memorization as an Advent project for this year.

Here is my favorite translation (a version we sang once in the schola at the Seminary):

*My soul doth magnify the Lord,
And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior,
For He hath regarded the lowliness of His
handmaid, and, behold, henceforth all
generations shall call me blessed.
For He that is mighty hath magnified me, and
holy is His Name, and His mercy is on them
that fear Him throughout all generations.
He hath shown the strength of His arm;
He hath scattered the proud in the imagination
of their hearts;
He hath put down the mighty from their
thrones and exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things,
And the rich He hath sent empty away.
He remembering His mercy hath holpen His
servant Israel,
As He promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed forever.
(Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to
the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is
now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.)*

(Fr. Higgins)

2017-2018 PARISH SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS & EPIPHANYTIDE

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

Holy Night—Christmas Eve,

Sunday, December 24th:

4:00 PM—Family Mass with
Children's Pageant

8:00 PM: Chaldean-rite Mass

12 Midnight—Traditional Latin Mass

Christmas Day, Monday, December

25th: Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30

AM (Traditional Latin Mass)

N.B. NO 5:30 PM MASS

Sunday, December 31st

Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday in the Octave of Christmas

Octave Day of Christmas, Monday,

January 1st, Mary the Mother of

God: Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30

AM (Traditional Latin Mass).

The Epiphany of the Lord, Saturday,

January 6th: Traditional Latin Mass

at 9 AM.

Sunday, January 7th:

Mass of the Epiphany, 4:00 PM

(Sat), 7:30 & 9 AM, 5:30 PM

Mass of the Holy Family, 10:30 AM

Open House at the Rectory from

8:30 AM-2:30 PM

Candlemas Day, Friday, February

2nd: Blessing of Candles and

Procession, Mass of the Purification,

7:30 PM (Traditional Latin)

Candlemas is the last Feast of the

Christmas Cycle

SCRIPTURE STUDY

THE COLLECTS OF THE ROMAN
MISSAL: DECEMBER 10th, 2017
MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT
(*Missale Romanum* 1970)

For this week's meditation on the Collects of the Roman Missal, we consider one of the weekday Collects for Advent in the 1970 edition of the *Missale Romanum*. Below is the official ICEL translation of the Collect for Monday of the First Week of Advent in the third typical edition of the *Roman Missal* (2010):

"Keep us alert, we pray, O Lord our God, as we await the advent of Christ Your Son, so that, when He comes and knocks, He may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in His praise. Who lives and reigns, etc. Amen."

Our Collect under consideration today is an example of a wonderful new liturgical text redolent of Advent themes in Scripture. The first Gospel that comes to mind is the parable of the returning bridegroom and the servants in Lk. 12:35-40: *"Let your loins be girded and your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the marriage feast, so that they may open to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes.... You also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect."* (RSV) We can link this parable (and the Collect) to that of the wise and foolish virgins in Mt. 25:1-13, wherein vigilance is commended in view of Christ's final Advent.

Our Collect also evokes Jesus' words to the Church of Laodicea in Rev. 3:20: *"Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any one hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with Me"* (RSV).

Our Lord's *"knocking at the door of our heart,"* to quote a friend of mine, is central to the Advent season. Jesus seeks to dine with us in the Eucharist and the life of grace (the moral life), but we must cleanse our hearts to receive Him worthily, just as we clean our homes before accepting dinner guests.

In view of this, the hoped-for outcome clause of the Collect is so appropriate: *"so that, when He comes and knocks, He may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in His*

praise." Jesus is surely coming, but the issue is whether or not we will be prepared. The Collect suggests that the privileged way to keep alert for Jesus' coming and knocking is watchful prayer and exultant praise. These two things exemplify the simultaneously sober and joyful character of Advent. In light of the two parables mentioned above, we may say that watchful prayer speaks to the penitential character of Advent, and the need to scrutinize our conscience and purge it of sin through prayer and God's grace. Exultant praise speaks to the joyful character of Advent, since we eagerly anticipate Christ's two comings: at Bethlehem and as the awesome Judge.

When my wife and I were recently in London touring St. Paul's Cathedral, our docent showed us a world-famous painting in a side chapel by Holman Hunt of Christ knocking at the door, entitled "The Light of the World," inspired by Rev. 3:20. The docent tried to explain the significance of the painting (and the Bible verse, which she kind of butchered) in a very benign, typically liberal Church of England way (i.e., I perceived her to be implying that Jesus' message is for everyone, because it consists of a lowest-common-denominator set of values we can all agree on). Ironically, what I recall her actually saying, something to the effect of *"what Christ offers is for everyone,"* is exactly what we believe as Catholic Christians: Christ and his Church are the indispensable means of salvation for all! Jesus knocks on the door of every human heart, eliciting its conversion! May Advent afford us a renewed opportunity to conversion. Let us welcome Our Lord more fully into our hearts, and continue praying for all who don't know Him, that they, too, may hear Him knocking and open the door of their lives to Him.

(David Allen)



Mr. David Allen, M.T.S., is the lay Pastoral Associate for our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes.



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Donations may be left in the front vestibule of the main church through Sunday, December 10th. Items particularly needed are:

Ground coffee & tea, cooking oil, flour, sugar, toiletries (toothpaste & conditioner, deodorant, soap, hand & body lotions), canned or boxed meals, tuna & other protein, soups, fruits brushes, shampoo & vegetables.

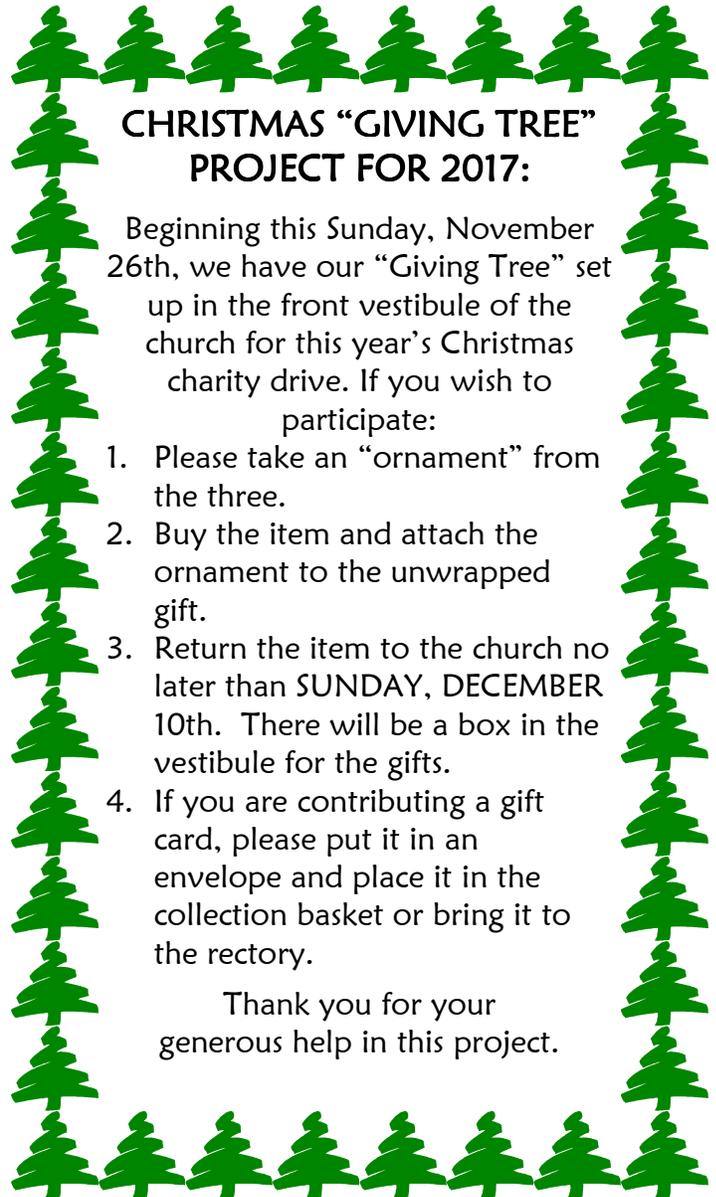
Please place any gift-cards in the collection basket at the Offertory.



**GAUDETE
SUNDAY Bake
Sale Planned for
next Sunday,
December 17th:**

**Next Sunday we are
planning to have a
Bake Sale for the
benefit of the Parish.**

**Could you please
help this effort by donating a baked item for
the Sale? If you can help, please bring your
donation on Saturday, December 16th or on
Sunday, the 17th. If you can help out with
pricing or selling, please call the rectory office
(617-244-0558) and leave your name and phone
number, or please speak directly with Patti
Strom or Jean Johnson. Thank you.
And please patronize the Bake Sale with your
purchase!**



**CHRISTMAS "GIVING TREE"
PROJECT FOR 2017:**

Beginning this Sunday, November 26th, we have our "Giving Tree" set up in the front vestibule of the church for this year's Christmas charity drive. If you wish to participate:

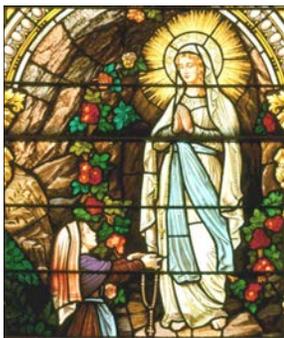
1. Please take an "ornament" from the three.
2. Buy the item and attach the ornament to the unwrapped gift.
3. Return the item to the church no later than SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th. There will be a box in the vestibule for the gifts.
4. If you are contributing a gift card, please put it in an envelope and place it in the collection basket or bring it to the rectory.

Thank you for your generous help in this project.



**CHRISTMAS FLOWER
DONATIONS**

Christmas Flower Donation envelopes are available to you as you come into church and at the table under the Grotto. Your gifts in the Flower envelopes help defray the extra costs of our Christmas Flower decorations. If you would like your donation to be a memorial gift, there are spaces for the names of loved ones on the envelopes. Christmas Flower envelopes may be placed in the basket at Offertory time or dropped off at the parish office in the rectory. The Flower Offering Envelopes with the Memorial names will be placed upon the altar at all of our parish Masses through Candlemas Day, February 2nd.



HEALTH OF THE SICK

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

Pio

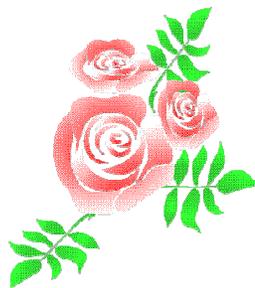
For all those on our parish prayer list, especially for:

Gloria Pazasis, Melissa Bachman, Jarlath Whalen, Barbara Carco, Richard Anzivino, Mary Rogers, Kathy Quinn, Ellen Balkus, Lena Strom, Kay Mullen, Barbara Nyhen, Maureen Nyhen, Christina Kwash, Nick & Janet Pino, Mary Duhaime, Paul Eldridge, Mary Downey, Bro. Michael Downey, O.P. .

“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



BOB KWASH (father and father-in-law of parishioners Dan & Christina Kwash), cancer diagnosis
IDA GOFFREDO, serious surgery & recovery
MELISSA BACHMAN (28 yrs. old—dire cancer diagnosis)



**Nursing Home Mass in the Parish for Thursday, December 14th:
WINGATE MANOR (2:00 PM)**

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the resurrection of:

Susan Hills, aged 68
William Powell (godfather of parishioner Bill Provencher)
Asimakis (Mike) Botsolis (father-in-law of parishioner Denise Botsolis)

Religious Education

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR TODAY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th:

Classes meet in the Lower Church Hall.
Grades K-5, 8:30 –10 AM, includes Sunday Mass.
Pre-Confirmation: 10:15-11:30 AM (10DEC17).

The Latin Mass Children’s Catechism Class meets Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Lower Rectory Conference Room.

New students are always welcome

Jean Johnson, Director
Patti Strom, Latin Mass Children’s Catechism



The Children of the parish are invited to participate in the Children’s Nativity at our Christmas Eve Family Mass, 4 PM, December 24th. Parents, please let Jean Johnson know if any of your children will be participating.

(Children in the Pageant should be in the Lower Church Hall at 3:30 PM on Christmas Eve.)

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY OF MARY IMMACULATE OF LOURDES PARISH:

(Recent Enrollments)

+James C. Ferrucci (Mary McCarthy)
+Asimakis Botsolis (Denise Botsolis)
+William S. Powell (Dorothy Fresolo)

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



LATIN MASS PROPERS: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

INTROIT: *Isaias 30, 30; Psalm 79.* 2 People of Sion, behold the Lord shall come to save the nations: and the Lord shall make the glory of His voice to be heard, in the joy of your heart. *Psalm.* Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. *℟.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. — People of Sion, behold ...

COLLECT: Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the ways of Thine only-begotten Son; that through His coming we may deserve to serve Thee with purified minds. Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

EPISTLE: From Blessed Paul the Apostle to the Romans, 15. 4-13 Brethren, What things soever were written, were written for our learning: that, through patience and the comfort of the Scriptures, we might have hope. Now the God of patience and of comfort grant you to be of one mind one towards another, according to Jesus Christ; that with one mind and with one mouth you may glorify God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive one another, as Christ also hath received you unto the honor of God. For I say that Christ Jesus was minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers: but that the Gentiles are to glorify God for His mercy, as it is written: Therefore will I confess to Thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles, and will sing to Thy Name. And again He saith: Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with His people. And again: Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles, and magnify Him, all ye people. And again, *Isaias* saith: There shall be a root of Jesse; and He that shall rise up to rule the Gentiles, in Him the Gentiles shall hope. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing: that you may abound in hope, and in the power of the Holy Ghost.

GRADUAL: *Psalm 49.* 2-3, 5 Out of Sion the loveliness of His beauty: God shall come manifestly. Gather ye together His saints to Him, who have set His covenant before sacrifices. **ALLELUIA** Alleluia, alleluia. *Psalm 121.* 1 I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: We shall go unto the house of the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew II. 2-10 At that time, when John had heard in prison the works of Christ, sending two of his disciples, he said to Him: Art Thou He that art to come, or look we for another? And Jesus making answer, said to them: Go and relate to John what you have heard and seen. The blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead rise again, the poor have the gospel preached to them: and blessed is he that shall not be scandalized in Me. And when they went their way, Jesus began to say to the multitudes concerning John: What went you out into the desert to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went you out to see? A man clothed in soft garments? Behold they that are clothed in soft garments are in the houses of kings. But what went you out to see? A prophet? Yea I tell you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written: Behold I send My angel before Thy face, who shall prepare Thy way before Thee.

OFFERTORY: *Psalm 84.* 7-8 Thou wilt turn, O God, and bring us to life, and Thy people shall rejoice in Thee: show us, O Lord, Thy mercy, and grant us Thy salvation.

SECRET: Be appeased, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the prayers and sacrifices of our humility: and where merits of ours to plead for us are lacking, do Thou by Thine aid assist us. Through our Lord Jesus Christ ...

COMMUNION: *Baruch 5.* 5; 4. 36 Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high, and behold the joy that cometh to thee from thy God.

POSTCOMMUNION: Filled with the food of spiritual nourishment, we humbly entreat Thee, O Lord, that by our partaking of this Mystery, Thou wouldst teach us to despise the things of earth, and to love those of Heaven. Through our Lord ...

Music Programs for this Sunday's Mass

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

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

Second Sunday of the Advent of the Lord

Prelude: Behold! Behold He Cometh
(S. Webbe)

Entrance Antiphon: Isaias 30: 19, 30
(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 5)

O People of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of His voice heard in the joy of your heart.

Ordinary Prayers: English Chant
(Kyrie from *Missa Adventus*, Parish Hymnal, No. 152, Creed, Sanctus-Benedictus and Agnus Dei)

Offertory:

Creator of The Stars of Night

Communion Antiphon: Baruch 5:5, 4:36
(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 5)

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Communion Meditation:

Mary, How Lovely the Light of Your Glory
(Worship II Hymnal, No.175)

Recessional Hymn:

O Come, Divine Messiah
(Parish Hymnal, No.14)



Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal) 10:30 AM

Second Sunday of the Advent of the Lord

Prelude: Behold! Behold He Cometh
(S. Webbe)

The Asperges: the Sprinkling of Holy Water

Processional Hymn: O Quam Glorifica
(*Extra Sheet*)

Introit: Isaias 30. 30, Psalm 79. 2 *Populus Sion, ecce Dominus veniet ad salvandas gentes: et auditam faciet Dominus gloriam vocis sua in latitia cordis vestri. Ps. ibid. Qui regis Israel, intende: qui deducis, velut ovem, Joseph. V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. R. Amen. — Populus Sion ...*

Ordinary Prayers: Missa XVII (Adventus)
(Kyrie, Credo I, Sanctus-Benedictus, Agnus Dei)

Gradual: Psalm 49. 2-3, 5 *Ex Sion species decoris ejus: Deus manifeste veniet. V. Congregate illi sanctos ejus, qui ordinaverunt testamentum ejus super sacrificia. Alleluia Psalm 121. 1: Alleluia, alleluia. Latatus sum in his, qua dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus. Alleluia.*

Offertory: Psalm 84. 7-8 *Deus, tu conversus vivificabis nos, et plebs tua latabitur in te: ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam, et salutare tuum da nobis.*

Communion: Baruch 5. 5; 4. 36 *Jerusalem, surge, et sta in excelso, et vide jucunditatem, qua veniet tibi a Deo tuo.*

Communion Meditation:

Magnificat
(Christopher Dalitz)

Recessional Hymn:

O Come, Divine Messiah
(Parish Hymnal, No.14)

Noon Angelus (Chant)

Calendar of Masses

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

<p>SUNDAY December 10th (SECOND SUNDAY OF THE ADVENT OF OUR LORD)</p>	<p>4:00 PM (Sat) 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Maureen O'Hara Pro Populo Marilyn & Ray Ruddy Richard Bishop Fr. Peter Phuong & Other Deceased Priests Christopher Norwood Henry Bambrick Sr. Julia & Maria Paula Frade Odiet Family (Jackson) Dorothy Gerhard Carmelina Villante Susan Goeller Sang-woo Lee Special Intention William Powell Uwe Reinhardt "Ricky" Hanscom Patrick McLoughlin</p>	<p>Memorial Golden Wed. Ann. Memorial Memorial 12th Anniversary 54th Anniversary Special Intention Special Intention Memorial Special Intention Special Intention Special Intention Memorial Memorial Memorial Memorial</p>	<p>Joan Concannon DeMatteo Family Angelo & Ida Goffredo Sister Ann Tran Rusnack Family Rusnack Family Juhasz Family Anthony & Victoria Angelucci Anthony & Victoria Angelucci Maria Centofanti Maria Centofanti Haley Lee Haley Lee Laura Harvey Laura Harvey Laura Harvey Mary McLoughlin</p>
<p>MONDAY December 11th <i>Pope St. Damasus</i></p>	<p>7:30 AM 12:30 PM</p>	<p>Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Barbara Nyhen</p>	<p>Memorial Special Intention</p>	<p>Maria Centofanti</p>
<p>TUESDAY December 12th <i>OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE</i></p>	<p>7:30 AM</p>	<p>Irene Botsolis</p>	<p>80th Birthday</p>	<p>Botsolis Family</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY December 13th <i>St. Lucy</i></p>	<p>12:30 PM</p>	<p>Lois Ludwig</p>	<p>Special Intention</p>	<p>MacKenzie Family</p>
<p>THURSDAY December 14th <i>St. John of the Cross/ Feria</i></p>	<p>7:30 AM 5:30 PM</p>	<p>Nini Barksdale Rev. Robert D. Smith</p>	<p>Memorial 16th Anniversary</p>	<p>DeMatteo Family</p>
<p>FRIDAY December 15th <i>Health of the Sick Advent Feria</i></p>	<p>7:30 AM 12:30 PM</p>	<p>Douglas Kingsley Bob Kwash</p>	<p>Special Intention Special Intention</p>	<p>Kingsley Family Botsolis Family</p>
<p>SATURDAY December 16th <i>Mass of Our Lady</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM 4:00 PM</p>	<p>All Souls Claire Donahue Tony & Tricia Reilly Fam. Jack Albertson</p>	<p>Memorial Special Intention Special Intention Memorial</p>	<p>Maria Centofanti Tony & Tricia Reilly DeMatteo Family</p>



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“He has risen.”
Matt 28:6

“Be a Servant”
Matthew 20:26

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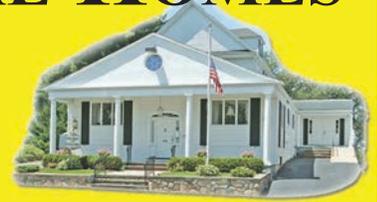
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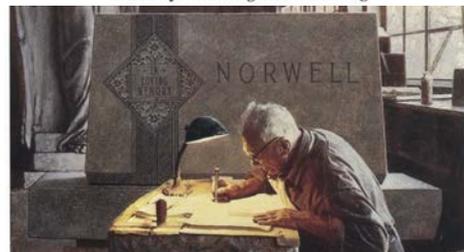


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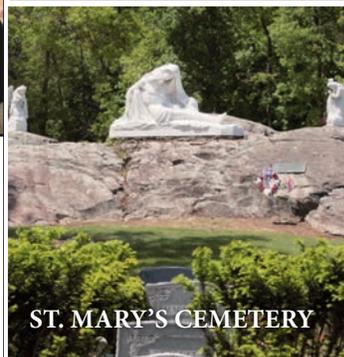
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