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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.

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

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rectory on 270 Elliot St, Newton Upper Falls and is
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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.**

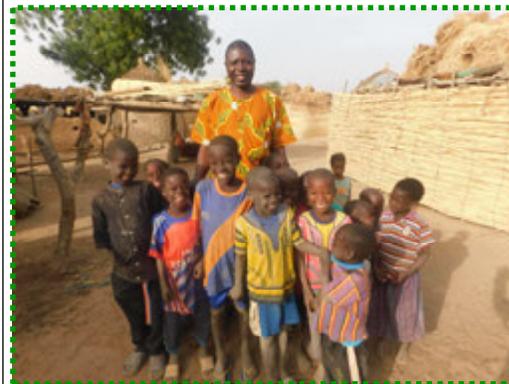
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**THE POPE'S
UNIVERSAL INTENTION
FOR THE MONTH OF
SEPTEMBER, 2018:**

"YOUNG PEOPLE IN AFRICA:

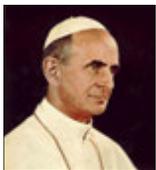
*That young people in Africa may
have access to education and work in their own
countries."*

(PHOTO: (above) Pope Francis bestows a kiss on the
forehead of Clement Pappin, son of parishioners Gladden and
Jeannette Pappin, St. Peter's Square, 2015,



(left) Fr. Salako
with children at
one of the
S.M.A. Missions
in Niger)

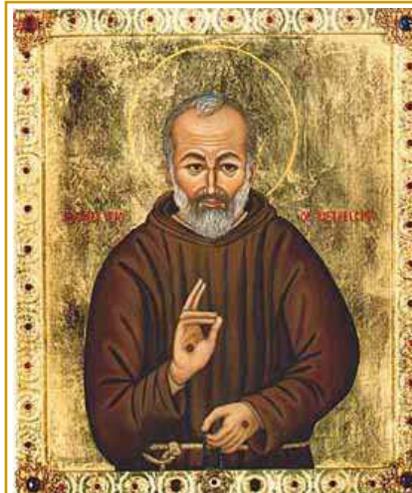
Parish Mission Statement



"What then is a parish? It is the smallest section of the one universal flock which has been entrusted to Peter by the Lord.

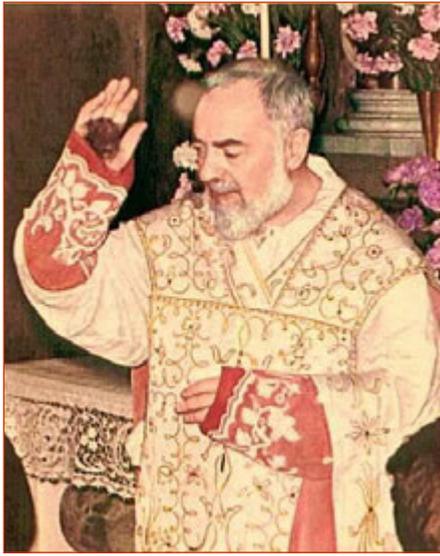
Under the authority of a responsible priest who has received the care of souls from his bishop, the parish is, within the Church of Jesus Christ, the first community of Christian life; it is a community cut to human dimensions, in which the shepherd can know his flock and the flock can know their shepherd ... 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:
Icon of Padre Pio of
Pietrelcina. This Sunday
is the 50th Anniversary
of his death: September
23rd, 1968. For fifty
years, from 1918-
1968, Padre Pio was a
"living crucifix",
wonderfully bearing the
wounds of Christ on his
hands, feet and side.)

Pastor's Note



**VIVA!
PADRE PIO
50th
Anniversary:
September
23rd, 1968**

These past few months have seen a great deal of commentary on the 50th Anniversaries of events from the watershed

year 1968: the Tet Offensive in the Vietnam War, the Soviet Invasion of Czechoslovakia, the Assassinations of Martin Luther King and Robert F. Kennedy, the “May Events” of revolutionary protest in France which brought that country to a standstill, the Chicago Riots at the Democratic National Convention. One such 50th Anniversary which stands out as a sign of contradiction to the spirit of the “Sixties” is the heavenly birthday of Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, who died on this day in history, September 23rd.

Padre Pio was an ordinary Capuchin Franciscan Friar whom God used as an extraordinary vessel of divine power in the midst of a rapidly secularizing world which both disbelieved the central claims of Christianity and smugly dismissed its historic miracles.

The reported miracles of the past, according to this line of thinking, belonged to the “naïve” phase of human development. It was before we had real science. What naïve religious people of old took for miracles were either natural phenomena they did not understand or clever hoaxes. Either way, it could not be admitted that the Catholic miraculous had any basis in reality.

In Padre Pio, who in spite of the great gifts

he received was otherwise an ordinary man of his time and led an ordinary monastic life, God confounded the wisdom of human pride.

The most extraordinary of the extraordinary prodigies around Padre Pio was the stigmata which he received from God, and which became visible from 1918 until his death in 1968. St. Francis of Assisi received the marks of the Stigmata in 1224, two years before his death, and St. Francis was only a deacon—he was never ordained a priest. Padre Pio, a priest, was a “living crucifix” for 50 years. His wounds were subjected to every kind of scientific scrutiny in that time. All attempts to disprove the authenticity of his wounds either as a hoax or as some kind of pathological auto-suggestion failed. No medical treatment was able to heal them. Whenever Padre Pio said Mass, these wounds of the stigmata bled copiously. The relic of Padre Pio which we have on our high altar (a gift to the parish from Nick & Janet Pino) is a piece of one of Padre Pio’s blood stained bandages from one of these Masses.

The stigmata were impressed upon Padre Pio on August 5th, 1918 (his side) and on September 20th (his hands and feet). At this time the World War was in its last awful phase and the deadly Spanish flu at its peak. On September 20th, when Padre Pio was alone making his after-Mass thanksgiving, he went into ecstatic prayer. In a letter to his superior he described how the crucifix in the choir transformed itself “into a great Exalted Being, all blood, from whom there came forth beams of light with shafts of flame that wounded me in the hands and feet. My side had already been wounded on the fifth of August the same year.”

The impression of the stigmata left him unable to rise from the floor. He had to drag himself down the corridor to his monastic cell. Seeing the wounds, “he wept and sang hymns of thanksgiving.” Thus began Padre Pio’s half-century as a victim-soul and *alter Christus*, a sign of the reality and power of Christ’s saving Cross to a stubbornly unbelieving world.

(Fr. Higgins)

SCRIPTURE STUDY

COLLECTS OF THE ROMAN MISSAL
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2018:
25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(*Missale Romanum 1970*)

For our weekly meditation on the Collects of the Roman Missal, we consider the Collect for the feast of St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), which falls on Sunday this year (9/23). The following is the official ICEL translation of this Collect in the MR'70:

“Almighty ever-living God, who, by a singular grace, gave the Priest Saint Pius a share in the Cross of Your Son and, by means of his ministry, renewed the wonders of Your mercy, grant that through his intercession we may be united constantly to the sufferings of Christ, and so brought happily to the glory of the resurrection. Through our Lord, etc. Amen.”

This excellent composition highlights the chief elements of Padre Pio’s miraculous life. The “*singular grace*” of sharing in Christ’s Cross refers to the wounds of the Stigmata (the mysterious, un-healed, and ongoing appearance of the wounds of Christ’s crucifixion), which he bore for many years up until his death. A living icon of Christ, the Priest-Victim, Padre Pio carried “*on [his] body the marks of Jesus*” (cf. Gal. 6:17, RSV).

His “*ministry*” which “*renewed the wonders of [God’s] mercy*” refers especially to his primary priestly work of offering the Holy Sacrifice and of absolving sins in Confession. It is very well-documented that he did both of these things with a supernatural level of prayerfulness, spiritual sensitivity to and knowledge of suffering souls, and a Christ-like charity for all. He joins a long list of saints and blessed whose devotion to Christ and his Body the Church was manifested so gloriously in their administration of these two great Sacraments. For us, he stands as an ensign of the Church’s continual emphasis in her teaching on the importance of our partaking of these two chief means of divine mercy.

In this time of great scandal and division, Padre Pio can provide a model of holiness and penance we do well to imitate. The Collect’s petition begs God to associate us with Padre Pio in his suffering for

Christ and the Church. This means, in light of the two ascription clauses, that we ourselves must cleave to Christ crucified in the Holy Sacrifice more firmly and lovingly than ever before, and love the Church for which He died. It also means that we ourselves must be converted even more deeply, and to be sure that we frequent the confessional. Let us not frantically hurl stones at others while we ourselves fail to repent of our own sins, regardless of whether or not they are as egregious as the sins of others (cf. Jn. 8:7).

In light of the Church’s current situation, and in order better to imitate our dear Padre Pio, here are a few things we would be wise to *refrain* from doing:

- (1) Instigating or perpetuating various forms of media or internet controversy, adding to the confusion and division (this is never Christ-like),
- (2) Obsessively reading Church news (this is never productive for the spiritual life- we do far better to be reading the Scriptures and the spiritual writings of the saints),
- (3) Participating in calumny and/or detraction (these two “*offenses against truth*” are condemned in *Catechism* nos. 2477-2479). Calumny is defined as the baseless slander of an individual, resulting in grave damage to their reputation. Detraction is the unwarranted revelation of true, but bad things about an individual that gravely harms their reputation and causes unnecessary scandal.

Padre Pio did none of these above-mentioned things, even though one may argue that he had every right to do so, given the things he suffered “*even from Church authorities,*” as the biographical note in the CTS New Daily Missal aptly indicates. Like our dear saint, let us apply ourselves more courageously to prayer and penance for ourselves and our fellow-members of Christ’s Body.

(*David Allen*)



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

STEWARDSHIP



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

SUNDAY OFFERTORY FOR September 16th, 2018, \$5,288.00 + \$1,135.00 (OTHER OFFERINGS) = **\$6,423.00**

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URGENT PRAYER PETITION:

Fr. Salako has had to travel to Niger because one of his missionary priests has been kidnapped by Islamist jihadists. He has asked for the support of our prayers.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Religious Education

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR BEGIN NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th, 2018:

WHEN: Sunday, September 30th, 2018

WHERE: All classes will be held in the Lower Church Hall.

WHO: Children from Grades K-10.

TIME: 8:30 - 10:10 AM

ALL STUDENTS SHOULD REPORT AT THIS TIME NEXT SUNDAY FOR REGISTRATION.

The Latin Mass Children's Catechism Class will meet 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*



**Padre Pio Prayer Group
Monthly Meeting today in the
Lower Rectory Conference
Room, 12:30 PM**

Nick and Janet Pino

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the resurrection of:

Roderick MacLeod, aged 102
(our oldest parishioner)
Noreen Galvin, aged 91





ANNUAL END-OF-SUMMER ALL-PARISH PICNIC

Many thanks to all those who participated this year's parish picnic. Special thanks to Margie Bibbo, Jean Johnson, and Patti Strom for making all of the preparations and much of the set-up. Special thanks also to the extended family of Neil & Antoinette Steinkrauss for their hard-work, especially on the barbecue grills! Here are some photos of the day taken by parishioner Rod Phillips.



LATIN MASS PROPERS: EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

INTROIT: Ecclesiastes 36. 18. Give peace, O Lord, to them that patiently wait for Thee, that Thy prophets may be found faithful: hear the prayers of Thy servant, and of Thy people Israel. *Ps. 121. 1.* I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: we shall go into the house of the Lord. *V.* 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. — Give peace

COLLECT LET Thy continual pity, O Lord, cleanse and defend Thy Church: and because it cannot continue in safety without Thee, may it ever be governed by Thy goodness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

EPISTLE: From the Letter of Blessed Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians, 1. 4-8. Brethren: I give thanks to my God always for you, for the grace of God that is given you in Jesus Christ, that in all things you are made rich in Him in all utterance and in all knowledge, as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you; so that nothing is wanting to you in any grace, waiting for the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Who also will confirm you unto the end without crime, in the day of the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL: Psalm 127. 1, 7. I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: We shall go into the house of our Lord. Let peace be in thy strength, and abundance in Thy towers. **ALLELUIA:** Psalm 94. 3. Alleluia, Alleluia. The Gentiles shall fear Thy Name, O Lord: and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. Alleluia.

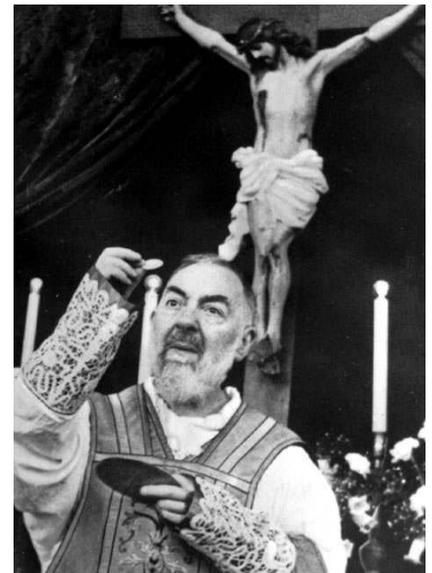
GOSPEL: Continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, 9. 1-8. At that time Jesus, entering into a boat, passed over the water and came into His own city. And behold they brought Him one sick of the palsy lying in a bed; and Jesus seeing their faith, said to the man sick of the palsy: Be of good heart, son, thy sins are forgiven thee. And behold some of the scribes said within themselves: He blasphemeth. And Jesus seeing their thoughts, said: Why do you think evil in your hearts? whether is easier to say: Thy sins are forgiven thee; or to say: Arise and walk? But that you may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins (then said He to the man sick of the palsy): Arise, take up thy bed, and go into thy house. And he arose, and went into his house. And the multitude seeing it feared and glorified God who had given such power to men. —

OFFERTORY: Exodus 24. 4, 5. MOSES consecrated an altar to the Lord, offering upon it holocausts, and sacrificing victims: he made an evening sacrifice to the Lord God for an odor of sweetness, in the sight of the children of Israel.

SECRET: O GOD, who, by Thy venerable intercourse with us in this Sacrifice dost make us partakers of the one Supreme Godhead: grant, we beseech Thee, that as we know Thy truth, so we may follow it by worthy lives. Through our Lord ...

COMMUNION: Psalm 95. 8-9. BRING up sacrifices, and come into His courts: adore ye the Lord in His holy court.

POSTCOMMUNION: WE have been renewed, O Lord, by Thy sacred Gift, and thank Thee, beseeching Thee in Thy mercy to make us worthy partakers in It. 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

Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year

Prelude: Mother Of Christ

(N. Montani)

Entrance Antiphon:

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 77)

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to Me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord forever.

Ordinary Prayers: Mass IX "Cum Jubilo"

Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus, Agnus Dei:

Parish Book of Chant, no. 69ff./pp. 85~87

Credo III (*Music Issue*, No. 941)

Offertory: Psalm 118(119): 4-5

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 78)

You have laid down Your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping Your statutes.

Communion Antiphon: John 10:14

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 78)

I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; I know My sheep, and mine know Me.

Communion Meditation:

Ave Maria

(Gaetano Donizetti, 1797~1848)

Recessional Hymn:

Maiden, Yet A Mother (*extra photocopy sheet*)

(Traditional French Melody)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

10:30 AM

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: Lauda Mater Ecclesia

(Orlando di Lasso, Published 1582)

Asperges me (*Parish Book of Chant*, pg. 34)

Processional: Ave Maris Stella

(*Parish Book of Chant*, no. 219/pg. 220)

Introit: Eccclus 36. 18 *DA PACEM, Domine, sustinentibus te, ut propheta tui fideles inveniantur: exaudi preces servi tui, et plebis tua Israel. (Ps. 121:1) Laetatus sum in his, qua dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.*

Ordinary Prayers: Mass IX "Cum Jubilo"

Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus, Agnus Dei:

Parish Book of Chant, no. 69ff./pp. 85~87

Credo IV: Parish Book of Chant, no. 120/pg. 117

Gradual: Psalm 121. 1, 7 *LAETATUS sum in his qua dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus. Fiat pax in virtute tua: et abundantia in turribus tuis. ALLELUIA: Psalm 101. 16* *Alleluia, Alleluia. Timebunt gentes nomen tuum, Domine: et omnes reges terra gloriam tuam. Alleluia.*

Offertory: Exodus 24. 4, 5 *SANCTIFICAVIT Moyses altare Domino, offerens super illud holocausta, et immolans victimas: fecit sacrificium vespertinum in odorem suavitatis Domino Deo, in conspectus filiorum Israel.*

Communion: Psalm 95. 8-9 *TOLLITE hostias, et introite in atria ejus: adorate Dominum in aula sancta ejus.*

Communion Meditation:

Ave Maria (Orlando di Lasso, Published 1604)

Recessional Hymn:

Maiden, Yet A Mother (*extra photocopy sheet*)

(Traditional French Melody)

Postlude: Mother Of Christ

(N. Montani)

Noon Angelus (*Chant*)

Calendar of Masses

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

SUNDAY September 23rd <i>(18th SUNDAY</i> <i>AFTER</i> <i>PENTECOST / 25th</i> <i>SUNDAY PER</i> <i>ANNUM)</i>	4:00 PM <i>(Sat)</i>	Jack Connolly	Health of the Sick	Mary Bennett
	7:30 AM	Pro Populo		
	9:00 AM	Jack Connolly	Health of the Sick	Mary Bennett
	10:30 AM	In Honor of Padre Pio		Maria Centofanti
		Jerome Brassil	33rd Anniversary	Claire Brassil
		Centofanti Family	Special Intention	Maureen & Barbara Nyhen
		Doris Procopio	Memorial	Mike & Annie Procopio
		Doug and Nic Choy	In Thanksgiving	Choy Family
		Rose Dinon	Memorial	Catherine E. Dinon
		John Marra	Memorial	Proia Family
	5:30 PM	Robert & Margaret Hood	50th Wedding Ann.	Anthony & Victoria Angelucci
		Martin Joseph Angelucci	Special Intention	Anthony & Victoria Angelucci
		Jarlath Whalen	Memorial	Rusnack Family
		Bro. Savio McNeice, S.A.	Memorial	Rusnack Family
		Sean Locke	Memorial	Rusnack Family
		Michael & Margaret Trayers	Special Intention	Mary McLoughlin
MONDAY September 24th <i>Feria/ Our</i> <i>Lady of Ransom</i>	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes	Memorial	
	12:30 PM	Katherine Allen	Health of the Sick	Maureen & Barbara Nyhen
TUESDAY September 25th <i>Feria</i>	7:30 AM	Mary Higginson	Health of the Sick	Mary McLoughlin
WEDNESDAY September 26th <i>North</i> <i>American Martyrs</i>	12:30 PM	Robert Wright	Memorial	David Wright
THURSDAY September 27th <i>St. Vincent de</i> <i>Paul/ SS. Cosmas &</i> <i>Damian</i>	7:30 AM	Fr. Salako & the S.M.A Province of Benin/Niger	Special Intention	
	5:30 PM	Daniel McCarthy	Birthday Intention	Mary McCarthy
FRIDAY September 28th <i>St. Wenceslaus</i>	7:30 AM	For the Captive and Afflicted	Special Intention	
	12:30 PM	Monte Ferris Jr.	Birthday Intention	
SATURDAY September 29th MICHAELMAS	9:00 AM	All Souls	Memorial	Susan Goeller
		Kwash/Rulnick/Rizzo/Steinkrauss Family	Memorial	Kwash Family
		Ralph/Rose/Vincent Mazzarella	Memorial	Gerry Mazzarella
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"He has risen."
Matt 28:6

"Be a Servant"
Matthew 20:26

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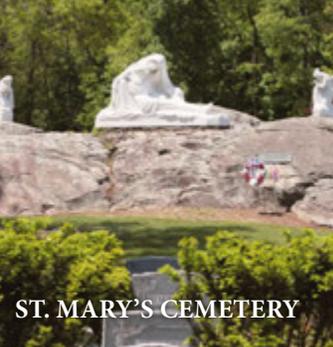


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ST. MARY'S CEMETERY

St Mary's Cemetery in Needham, founded in the 1870's, is the parish cemetery of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes. The Cemetery is a reverent resting place for those awaiting reunion with the Risen Lord. The decision to pre-plan and purchase interment rights is a responsible and thoughtful gesture, sparing loved ones the stress of making difficult decisions during a time of grief and loss.

For information, call the cemetery staff at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Church at **781-235-1841**.
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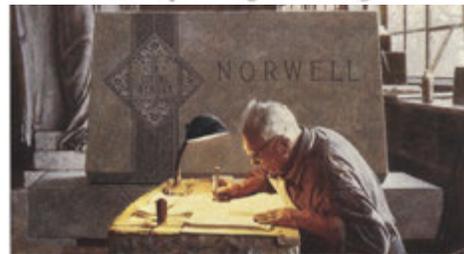
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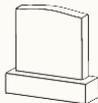
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