

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



August 2nd, 2015 in the Year of Grace
The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost and the
Eighteenth of the Year

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Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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



FRONT COVER: The wedding ceremony of parishioners Mr. and Mrs. Dave & Carol (Meears) Welch at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes, May 9th, 2015.(PHOTO by Paul Eldridge.)



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)

PARISH FELLOWSHIP



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

CONGRATULATIONS to parishioners Mr. and Mrs. **KELLY & JILL (O'SULLIVAN) DONOHUE** who celebrated their wedding with a Nuptial Mass at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes on July 24th, A.D. 2015.

AUGUST IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Pastor's Note



SAINT ANNE

July 26th is the feast-day of St. Anne, the Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Grandmother of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It is from the Christian life of the Eastern Church that we have received the traditions surrounding

the life of Mary's parents Joachim and Anne. From these we build the story of two devout Israelites, faithful to one another in marriage, keepers of the Holy Law, living in expectation of the promised Messiah. Despite their exemplary good lives, however, this couple is childless, and in the harsh judgment of their religious society, such childlessness of a married couple could only mean some kind of divine punishment. Joachim and Anne therefore suffer under the reproach of their neighbors.

In answer to their prayers, especially the prayers of St. Anne, God gives them one child at long last. That child is Mary Immaculate, the most perfect beautiful human being ever fashioned by God for Mary is to become in the fullness of time the Mother of Christ the Savior.

This narrative tradition of St. Anne is very consistent with certain cases in Holy Scripture where a childless married woman is providentially granted a child, even when she is beyond child-bearing years. We see this, for example, in Sara, the wife of Abraham, who at the age of 90 bears a son Isaac: *"Abraham was 100 years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Sara said: God has given me cause for laughter, and whoever hears of it will laugh with me. Again she said: Who would have said to Abraham that Sara would nurse children? Yet I bore him a son in his old age."* (Genesis 21:5-7)

Another example is St. Anne's namesake

Anna (or Hannah) in the First Book of Samuel (otherwise known as the First Book of Kings). In grief and anguish, Anna begs a child of the Lord and vows that if she is granted a son that she will dedicate him to the service of the Lord. Her prayer is answered. Anna conceives and bears a son whom she names Samuel. He is destined to become a great and fearless Prophet-Judge in Israel. Fulfilling her vow she brings the boy as soon as he has been weaned to the High Priest Eli: *"I beseech thee, my lord, as thy soul liveth, my lord: I am that woman who stood before thee here praying to the Lord. For this child did I pray, and the Lord hath granted me my petition which I asked of Him. Therefore I also have lent him the Lord. All the days of his life he shall be lent to the Lord."* (I Kings 1:26-28)

The culminating example is the figure of St. Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, who will be Christ's Herald. As the Angel Gabriel reveals to Mary at the Annunciation: *"And behold Elizabeth thy kinswoman also has conceived a son in her old age, and she who was called barren is now in her sixth month: for nothing shall be impossible with God."* (Luke 1:36-37). If we consider that Mary was herself born of an elderly childless mother St. Anne by a special favor of God, then this message of the Angel regarding her kinswoman Elizabeth must have struck her soul with especial force. St. Luke tells us that Mary arose *"and went with haste"* to Elizabeth's home in the hill country of Judea. (Luke 1:39)

We do not know if St. Anne was still alive for the events of Christ's Sacred Infancy. We are free to imagine, however, that she did once hold the Christ Child in her arms as His grandmother. But we can be sure that many times she held her little daughter Mary in her arms. Catholic devotion has attached a phrase to the scene of St. Anne with her daughter Mary, instructing her: *Sic fingit tabernaculum Deo...Thus she frames a tabernacle for God.*

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Mary may indeed have been immaculate, conceived without any stain of Original Sin, but nonetheless she did not raise herself! God saw to it that she would have a mother and a very good mother at that. All of the tenderness and love that Mary gave her Son Jesus, all that she had first learned from her own mother St. Anne. And so we praise the glory of St. Anne in the words of the Psalmist: "Grace is poured abroad in thy lips: therefore hath God blessed thee forever and ever." (Psalm 44:3)

(Fr. Higgins)



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CAROLINENYAGA

**Nursing Home Masses in the Parish for the
Month of August:**

Thursday, August 6th:
STONE INSTITUTE
Thursday, August 13th:
WINGATE MANOR

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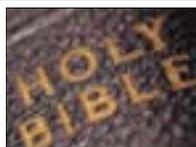
*"What return can I make to the Lord for all His
kindness to Me?"*

**WEEK OF JULY 26th, A.D. 2015: SUNDAY
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offerings) = \$6,291.00**

**HEATING FUEL COLLECTION as of July
20th : \$7,418.00**



**SECOND COLLECTION FOR TODAY,
AUGUST 2nd:
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**



**WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY:
EPISTLES OF ST.
PAUL—GALATIANS &
PHILEMON**

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 beginning its study of two of St. Paul's Epistles: Galatians & Philemon. 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.

SCRIPTURE STUDY



ST. LUKE CHAPTER 22: 7-13

St. Luke introduces his Last Supper account with Jesus' instructions to St. Peter and St. John regarding the Passover preparations (vv. 7-13). Jesus tells them to follow a man carrying a jar of water to a certain house (this would have stuck out in the crowd, because normally only women

carried water jars). Upon coming to the destination, they were to convey the following words of Jesus to the owner of the house: "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" (v. 11), after which they would be shown the Upper Room and be allowed to prepare the sacred dinner.

We can draw two points for spiritual meditation from this otherwise straightforward passage. Firstly, Jesus' foreknowledge of the logistics of planning the Passover meal reveals His divine intellect, which arranges all things in accordance with His providential wisdom. As we journey through life, we are sometimes struck by the wonderful way certain events have fallen into place, clearly indicating supernatural intervention. On the other hand, sometimes some events in life leave us confounded, and they highlight the mysterious aspects of God's plan which can be answered fully only in eternity.

Our Catholic faith is emphatic about God's intimate involvement in all the affairs of His creation, and especially in the life of man. At every moment, Jesus shares the joys and sorrows of every human person by means of His glorious Incarnation. For believers, this solidarity is increased to a preeminent degree in Baptism and the Holy Eucharist. Jesus is never absent from us, but knows what each day contains, for He is the Lord of each day's affairs. Would that we could be more present to Him, pausing from time to time in our frenetic

pace to acknowledge His infinite goodness, wisdom, and sovereignty.

The following Collect is especially dear to me, as it helps to articulate our need to pause and acknowledge God's providential care. It can be prayed at any time during the day, but especially before public worship or private prayer: "O God of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength; by the might of Thy Spirit, lift us, we pray Thee, to Thy Presence, where we may be still, and know that Thou art God. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen."

This prayer evokes several Scripture passages, and explicitly quotes v. 11 of Ps. 46, a psalm which exhorts man to have docile trust in God, even while the world is in chaos.

The second point for our spiritual meditation in today's passage is the allegorical interpretation of the pitcher of water. St. Bede appears to make a loose association between the pitcher of water, and the way in which Baptism replaces the atoning blood ritual of the Passover. St. Ambrose refers to the pitcher of water as a sacrament more generally, seemingly in reference to Jesus' washing of the disciples' feet in John 13.

It is good for us to recall from time to time how fortunate we are to be members of the New Covenant, and to celebrate rites that accomplish what they signify. The Church's liturgy reminds of this in the beloved hymn, *Tantum Ergo*, which we fittingly sing on Holy Thursday: "Down in adoration falling, Lo, the Sacred Host we hail, Lo, o'er ancient forms departing, Newer rites of grace prevail..." May our gratitude for the sacraments of the New Covenant increase more and more as we continue to meditate on St. Luke's Passion narrative.

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

(David Allen)



The Sacrament of Baptism for infants and children under 7 years of age is scheduled upon request. Please speak with Fr. Higgins directly or call the Parish Office during the week:
617-244-0558

Welcome to Father Desire Salako, S.M.A.

We welcome Fr. Desire Salako, S.M.A., from the Society of the African Mission Fathers, who will be offering summer assistance through the month of August here at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes. We are grateful to Fr. Salako and to his congregation for this support.

ON THE FOLLOWING DATES, IN FR. HIGGINS'S ABSENCE, FR. SALAKO WILL OFFER THE NOVUS ORDO MASS IN ENGLISH TO SUBSTITUTE FOR THE DAILY LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 12:30 PM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH, 12:30 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13TH, 5:30 PM
FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH, 12:30 PM**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 12:30PM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18TH, 12:30 PM**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 24TH, 12:30 PM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 12:30 PM**

On the weekend of August 29th-30th Father Salako will conduct a Mission Appeal here at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes on behalf of the SMA Fathers. He will preach at all the Sunday Masses and a special Second Collection will be taken up.

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the resurrection of:

Anna Sweet, aged 100



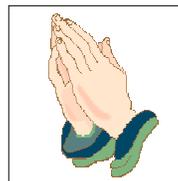
HEALTH OF THE SICK

“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:

Winnie Lu Keough, Betsy Eldridge, 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:

**FR. JEROME F. WEBER
MARY DUHAIME, recovering from major surgery
ROB QUAGAN, cancer treatment**



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.)



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

18th Sunday of the Year

Introit: Cf. Is 55:1 *Sitientes*

"All you who are thirsty, come to the waters, says the Lord, and you who have no money, come, drink in gladness."

Kyrie – Chant

Gloria

Credo I: (extra sheet)

Offertory: Ex. 32: *Precatus est Moyses*

"Moses prayed to the Lord his God, and said; Moses addressed this prayer to the Lord his God, and declared: "Why, O Lord, is Your anger enkindled against Your people? Let the wrath Your mind has conceived cease. Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to whom You swore to give a land flowing with milk and honey." And the Lord was dissuaded from accomplishing the evil which He had threatened to inflict upon His people."

Mass Setting: Mass VIII

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion: Prov 3: 9, 10 *Panem de caelo*

"You gave us bread from heaven, O Lord, having in it all that is delicious, and the sweetness of every taste."

Communion Hymn: 9:00a.m.

Ave Sanctissima Maria

Published: Milano, 1631

(Michelangelo Grancini, d.1669)

Post Communion Hymn

Ave Maris Stella (Chant)

Recessional Hymn:

Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace
(Worship II Hymnal No.170)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

Sunday, 10:30 AM

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Processional Hymn: O Sanctissima
(Parish Hymnal No.91)

Asperges: Chant

Introit: Ps. 54:17,18,20,23,2

"Cum clamarem ad Dóminum, exaudivit vocem meam, ab his qui appropinquant mihi: et humiliávit eos, qui ætérnum: jacta cogitátum tuum in ætérnum: jacta cogitátum tuum in Dómino, et ipse te enútriet. (Psalm) Exáudi, Deus, oratióne meam, et ne despéxeris deprecationem meam: intende mihi, et exaudi me."

Ordinary Prayers:

Mass in Honor of the Blessed Sacrament

James A. Korman (+1896)

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

Gradual: Ps. 16:8,2

*"Custódi me, Dómine, ut pupillam óculi: sub umbra alárum tuárum protége me. De vultu tuo júdicium meum pródeat: óculi tui vídeant æquitátem." **Alleluia:** Ps. 64:2*

"Allelúja, allelúja. Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion: et tibi reddétur votum in Jerúsalem. Allelúja."

Offertory Verse: Ps. 24:1-3

"Ad te, Dómine, levávi ánimam meam: Deus meus, in te confido, non erubéscam: neque irrédeant me inimíci mei: étenim univérsi qui te expéctant, non confundéntur."

Offertory Hymn: Salve Regina Coelitum
(Traditional Melody)

Communion Verse: Ps. 50:51,21

"Acceptábis sacrificium justítiae, oblatiões et holocáusta super altáre tuum, Dómine."

Communion Hymn: Panis Angelicus

(Louis Lambillotte d.1855)

**Ave Sanctissima Maria

Published: Milano, 1631

(Michelangelo Grancini, d.1669)

Recessional Hymn:

Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace
(Worship II Hymnal No.170)

Noon Angelus (Chant)

LATIN MASS PROPERS: TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

INTROIT: *Psalm 54: 17, 18, 20, 23* When I cried to the Lord He heard my voice, from them that draw near to me; and He humbled them, who is before all ages, and remains for ever: cast thy care upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee. *Psalm 54: 2* Hear, O God, my prayer, and despise not my supplication; be attentive to me and hear me. *V.* Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT O God, who dost manifest Thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity; increase Thy mercy towards us, that we, seeking the way of Thy promises, may be made partakers of Thy heavenly treasures. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: *1 Corinthians 12: 2-11* Brethren, you know that, when you were heathens, you went to dumb idols, according as you were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man, speaking by the Spirit of God, saith Anathema to Jesus; and no man can say: The Lord Jesus, but by the Holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of graces, but the same Spirit; and there are diversities of ministries, but the same Lord; and there are diversities of operations, but the same God, who worketh all in all. And the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man unto profit. To one indeed, by the Spirit, is given the word of wisdom; and to another, the word of knowledge, according to the same Spirit; to another the grace of healing in one Spirit; to another, the working of miracles; to another, prophecy; to another, the discerning of spirits; to another, divers kinds of tongues; to another, interpretation of speeches. But all these things one and the same Spirit worketh, dividing to every one according as He will.

GRADUAL: *Psalm 16: 8, 2* Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of Thy eye: protect me under the shadow of Thy wings. *V.* Let my judgment come forth from Thy countenance: let Thy eyes behold the things that are equitable. **ALLELUIA:** *Psalm 64: 2* Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* A hymn, O God, becometh Thee in Sion: and a vow shall be paid to Thee in Jerusalem. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: *Luke 18: 9-14* **At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves as just, and despised others. Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a Publican. The Pharisee standing prayed thus with himself: O God, I give Thee thanks that I am not as the rest of men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers; as also is this publican. I fast twice in the week; I give tithes of all that I possess. And the Publican standing afar off would not so much as lift up his eyes towards heaven, but struck his breast saying: O God, be merciful to me a sinner. I say to you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: because every one that exalteth himself shall be humbled, and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.**

OFFERTORY: *Psalm 24: 1-3* To Thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in Thee, O my God, I put my trust, let me not be ashamed: neither let my enemies laugh at me: for none of them that wait on Thee shall be confounded.

SECRET May these sacrifices, O Lord, which Thou hast appointed to be offered up to Thee for the glory of Thy name so be made holy, that they may become a remedy for all our ills. Through our Lord.

PREFACE OF THE HOLY TRINITY

COMMUNION: *Psalm 50: 21* Thou wilt accept the sacrifice of justice, oblations and holocausts, upon Thy altar, O Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION Grant, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that Thy gracious help may never be lacking to us whose strength Thou ceasest not to renew with Thy divine sacraments. Through our Lord.

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 Jeremiah 31:15-17

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