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Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

270 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02464

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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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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

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
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THE POPE'S EVANGELIZATION INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER,

2017: “PARISHES: *That our
parishes, animated by a*

*missionary spirit, may be places where faith is
communicated and charity seen.” (PHOTO: Pope Francis
bestows a kiss on the forehead of Clement Pappin, son of
parishioners Gladden and Jeannette Pappin, St. Peter's Square,
2015.)*



*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.*

FRONT COVER:

The Madonna of Sorrows. The seven swords piercing Mary's Heart represent the seven distinct Dolours or Sorrows of Mary. In her hands she holds the nails and the Crown of Thorns.

*“The wounds which were scattered over the Body of Our
Lord were all united in the single Heart of Mary”
—St. Bonaventure, O.F.M., Bishop, Confessor
Doctor of the Church (+1274)*

SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Pastor's Note



PALESTRINA'S "MISSA AETERNA CHRISTI MUNERA"

Our Latin Mass Choir under the direction of Mrs. Bobbie Hoffmann will be singing a polyphonic Mass today entitled the *Missa Aeterna Christi Munera* by the

Renaissance Italian composer Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1514?-1594). The title of the Mass is taken from a 4th century hymn by St. Ambrose and may be translated as "*Christ's Eternal Gifts*".

Palestrina merits the designation: "*the greatest composer of liturgical music of all time.*" According to a manuscript in the Vatican archives, when Giovanni Pierluigi was a boy, he sang in the streets of Rome while offering for sale the products from his parents' farm. On one occasion he was heard by the choir-master of St. Mary Major. So impressed was he by the boy's beautiful voice and musical talent that he took him under his wing to educate him musically.

The name of this particular choir master who is supposed to have trained the youth Giovanni Pierluigi from the city of Palestrina is unknown. We do know, however, of another man who powerfully influenced the future composer. That man was St. Philip Neri.

"It is not known at what period of his career Palestrina came under the influence of St. Philip Neri, but there is every reason to believe it was in early youth. As the saint's penitent and spiritual disciple, he gained the insight into the spirit of the liturgy, which enabled him to set it forth in polyphonic music as it had never before been done. It was his spiritual formation even more than his artistic maturity, which fitted him for the providential part he played in the reform of church music."

("Palestrina", Catholic Encyclopedia, A.D. 1911)

His career in Rome as a choir master and composer spanned four decades. As a married layman he was in an awkward position in the clericalist world of church music. Pope Julius set aside the rule which required those who held membership in the papal choir to be in Holy Orders just for him.

Palestrina also became the protégé of Charles Cardinal Borromeo (St. Charles Borromeo), who was the nephew of Pope Pius IV. Cardinal Borromeo encouraged him in his efforts to compose a church music that would meet the demands of the Council of Trent's calls for reform. There were two important principles of this Tridentine Reform: 1) that the church music be purified of themes and resemblances to secular music, 2) that the liturgical texts be clearly heard. Of Palestrina's accomplishment in this regard:

"Palestrina perfected the art of musical counterpoint and placed it in the service of the Church. He worked during a period of Catholic Church history called the Counter Reformation, when the Church struggled to justify itself against the threat of the northern European reformist churches. Catholic leaders demanded clear musical textures and purity in polyphony so that sacred texts could be understandable. Palestrina's genius lay in his ability to combine textural clarity with a sensual melodic style and an evenly flowing rhythmic pulse that fulfilled the Church's needs while making the sound of the music satisfying and beautiful. To the present day Palestrina's compositional style is considered the classic model for contrapuntal music, the perfect musical offering to God." (www.musicforthe listener.org/unit2/chapter5.php)

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina died at Rome on February 2nd, Candlemas Day, in 1594.

(Fr. Higgins)

SCRIPTURE STUDY

THE COLLECTS OF THE ROMAN MISSAL: SEPTEMBER 17th, 2017 OUR LADY OF SORROWS

For this week's meditation on the Collects of the Roman Missal, we consider the Collect for the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows (MR '70), celebrated on September 15. Below is the Collect's official ICEL translation in the third typical edition of the *Roman Missal* (2010):

"O God, who willed that, when Your Son was lifted high on the Cross, His Mother should stand close by and share His suffering, grant that Your Church, participating with the Virgin Mary in the Passion of Christ, may merit a share in His Resurrection. Who lives and reigns, etc."

Broken down into its five-part structure, the Collect looks like this:

1. O God (address),
2. Who willed that, when your Son was lifted high on the Cross, his Mother should stand close by and share his suffering (ascription),
3. Grant that Your Church may merit a share in His Resurrection (petition),
4. Participating with the Virgin Mary in the Passion of Christ (motive for the petition),
5. Who lives and reigns, etc. (concluding doxological formula).

Re-fashioned into a syllogism, we may interpret the Collect like this:

- A) If God willed for Mary to share in Christ's Passion in a singular way,
- B) And if the Church is united with Mary's Immaculate Heart in her martyrdom,
- C) She (the Church) will gain a share in the Resurrection.

The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows commemorates Mary's steadfast suffering with Jesus at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday. The Church's liturgy celebrates Our Lady's white martyrdom, in accord with Simeon's prophecy to Mary: "*and a sword will pierce through your own soul also*" (cf. Lk. 2:35, RSV, and *Collect for the feast*, MR 1962). She is the only saint

whose martyrdom, i.e., whose share in the Passion, occurred separately from physical death.

The ascription clause of our Collect references the first line of the classic Sequence hymn for the Feast, the *Stabat Mater*, which itself is an extended meditation on St. John's eye-witness account of the

crucifixion: "*standing by the cross of Jesus were His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene*" (cf. Jn. 19:25, RSV). Here are the first two stanzas of this great hymn: "*At the cross her station keeping stood the mournful Mother weeping, close to Jesus to the last; through her heart, His sorrow sharing, all His bitter anguish bearing, now at length the sword had passed.*"

This feast takes on special significance this year as we continue to celebrate the centenary of Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima. We recall the "*third secret*" of Fatima, in which Mary revealed a Calvary-like hill covered with martyrs, with a Cross at the top. This is the persecuted Church of the twentieth century, with its incomparably large sum of martyrs. These rest where Mary stood and continues to stand, sharing in Jesus' on-going Passion in His Mystical Body.

Our Collect picks up on this union of Mary and the persecuted Church. The motive clause sets the Church in parallel relation to Mary, standing resolutely with her at the foot of the Cross. Thus, we see a deeper ecclesiological sense in the Sequence hymn: "*through her heart His sorrow sharing...close to Jesus to the last.*" We may say that persecuted Church is most especially united and consecrated to Mary's pierced Immaculate Heart. By suffering in union with Jesus and Mary, the Church merits a share in His Resurrection (the petition). Our Lady's encouraging words at Fatima find special fulfillment in the Church's martyrs and the hope of the Resurrection: "*In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph.*"



(David Allen)

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To everyone who
contributed to
making our
parish picnic
last Sunday such
a wonderful and
memorable time.
Special thanks
to Margie Bibbo,

Jean Johnson, and Patti
Strom; and also to Neal
MacKenzie, Neil
Steinkrauss and their
sons for all of their work
on the barbecue grills.
(Paul Eldridge’s pictures
will appear in next Sunday’s bulletin.)



SCRIPTURE STUDY



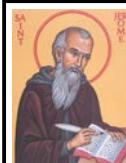
WEEKLY THURSDAY
MORNING BIBLE STUDY:
Led by David Allen, THURSDAY
mornings at 8:20 AM (after the
7:30 AM Parish Mass.) Lower
Rectorry Conference Room.

This is an open group and all are invited to attend
at any time.

CURRENT STUDY:
“MORNING & EVENING
PRAYER: Meditations &
Catechesis on the Psalms &
Canticles”—Pope St. John Paul
II and Pope Benedict XVI



NOTE CHANGE IN DAY OF THE WEEK



“Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance
of Christ.”

—St. Jerome, Doctor of the Church

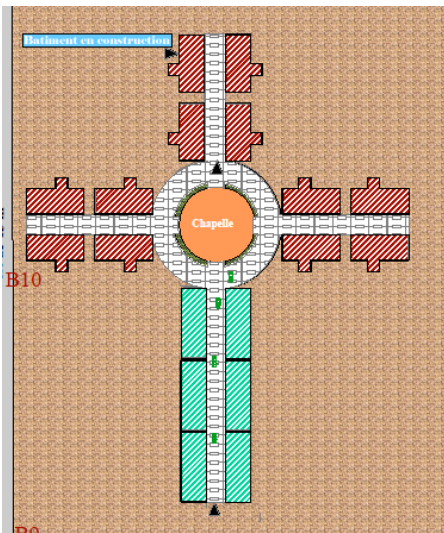


DIAGRAM OF PLAN FOR THE NEW S.M.A. SEMINARY IN BENIN WHICH IS PARTIALLY COMPLETED.

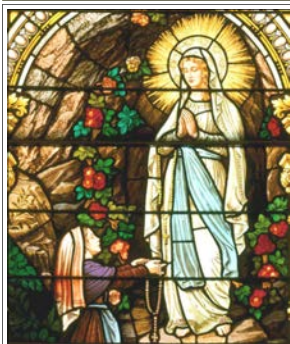
The plan for the S.M.A. Seminary in Benin is in the shape of the Cross, with the Chapel (La Chapelle) in the center. The Chapel will be dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



WE APPEAL TO YOUR GENEROSITY FOR TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION: CLERGY HEALTH AND RETIREMENT TRUST

(For the support of the sick and retired priests of the Archdiocese of Boston.)

**"Each Mass has an infinite, immense value that we can never fully understand."
—St. John Marie Baptiste Vianney, Curé d'Ars**



HEALTH OF THE SICK

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

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

Barbara Carco, Richard Anzivino, Mary Rogers, Kathy Quinn, Ellen Balkus, Lena Strom, Kay Mullen, Barbara Nyhen, Maureen Nyhen, Christina Kwash, Nick & Janet Pino, Ed Donovan, Marie Schroter, 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



BARBARA CARCO—recently diagnosed with late-stage lung cancer

Catholic Appeal

Living Our Faith Together

OUR 2017 PARISH GOAL IS \$27,690.00

As of September 11th, the Catholic Appeal Office has received \$26,934.00 in pledges from our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes. This places us at 97% of our parish goal.

PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A SACRIFICIAL GIFT TO THE ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC APPEAL 2017. OUR PARISH NUMBER IS: 294

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the resurrection of:

Carolyn Ward, (mother and mother-in-law of parishioners Elizabeth & William Hobbib)

Michele Lencioni, aged 94

Leo Costa. Aged 65

Josephine Ambrose, aged 95



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-fourth Sunday of the Year

Prelude: Our Lady of Sorrows
(Mainz, 1628)

Entrance Antiphon: Sirach 36:18
(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 76)

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for You, that Your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Ordinary Prayers: English Chant
(Kyrie, Gloria, Creed, Sanctus-Benedictus and Agnus Dei)

Offertory Antiphon: Ps. 35:8

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 76)

How precious is Your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of Your wings."

Communion Antiphon: 1 Cor. 10:16
(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 77)

The chalice of blessing that we bless is a communion in the Blood of Christ; and the bread that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.

Post Communion Hymn:
Salve Mater Misericordiae (chant)

Recessional Hymn:
At the Name of Jesus
(Worship II Hymnal, No.30)



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

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: Via Crucis
(Franz Liszt)

The Asperges: the Sprinkling of Holy Water

Processional Hymn: Vexilla Regis
(Extra Sheet)

Introit: Psalm 85. 1, 2, 3. *INCLÍNA, Dómine, aurem tuam ad me, et exáudi me: salvum, fac servum tuum, Deus meus, sperántem in te: miserére mihi, Dómine, quóniam ad te clamávi tota die. Psalm. Lætífica ánimam servi tui: quia ad te, Dómine, ánimam meam levávi. V. Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spiritúi Sancto. Sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculórum. R. Amen. — Inclína, Dómine ...*

Ordinary Prayers: Missa Aeterna Christi Munera
(Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrin, Published 1590, Missarum Liber Quintus)

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

Gradual: Ps. 91. 2-3. *BONUM est confitéri Domino: et psállere nómini tuo, Altíssime. V. Ad annuntiándum mane misericórdiam tuam, et veritátem tuam per noctem.*

Alleluia: Psalm 94:3. *Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Quóniam Deus magnus Dóminus, et Rex magnus super omnem terram. Alleluia.*

Offertory: Ps. 39. 2, 3, 4. *EXSPÉCTANS expectávi Dóminum, et respéxit me: et exaudivit deprecationem meam: et immísit in os meum cánticum novum, hymnum Deo nostro.*

Communion: John 6. 52. *PANIS quem ego dédero, caro mea est pro saeculi vita.*

Communion Hymn: Ave Maria
(Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, Published 1593)

Recessional Hymn:
At the Name of Jesus
(Worship II Hymnal, No.30)

Postlude (instrumental)

Noon Angelus (Chant)

LATIN MASS PROPERS: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

INTROIT: Psalm 85. 1, 2, 3. **INCLINE** Thine ear, O Lord, to me and hear me: save Thy servant, O my God, that trusteth in Thee: have mercy on me, O Lord, for I have cried to Thee all the day. *Ps. ibid.* 4. Give joy to the soul of Thy Servant; for to Thee, O Lord, I have lifted up my soul. *Ÿ.* 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. —
Incline Thine ear, O Lord ...

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 Galatians, 5. 25-26; 6. 1-10. **BRETHREN:** If we live in the spirit, let us also walk in the spirit. Let us not be made desirous of vainglory, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, and if a man be overtaken in any fault, you, who are spiritual, instruct such a one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so you shall fulfill the law of Christ. For if any man think himself to be something, whereas he is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let everyone prove his own work, and so he shall have glory in himself only, and not in another. For every one shall bear his own burden. And let him that is instructed in the word, Communicate to him that instructeth him, in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for what things a man shall sow, those also shall he reap. For he that soweth in his flesh, of the flesh also shall reap corruption: but he that soweth in the spirit, of the spirit shall reap life everlasting. And in doing good, let us not fail; for in due time we shall reap, not failing. Therefore, whilst we have time, let us work good to all men, but especially to those who are of the household of the faith.

GRADUAL: Psalm 91. 2-3. IT is good to give praise to the Lord; and to sing to Thy Name, O most High. To show forth Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth in the night. **ALLELUIA:** Psalm 94. 3. Alleluia, Alleluia. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King over all the earth. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Luke, 7. 11-16. **AT THAT TIME,** Jesus went into a city called Naim: and there went with Him His disciples, and a great multitude. And when He came nigh to the gate of the city, behold a dead man was carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a great multitude of the city was with her. Whom when the Lord had seen, being moved with mercy towards her, He said to her: Weep not. And He came near and touched the bier. And they that carried it stood still. And He said: Young man, I say to thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And He gave him to his mother. And there came a fear on them all: and they glorified God, saying: a great Prophet is risen up amongst us, and God hath visited His people.

OFFERTORY: Psalm 39. 2, 3, 4. **WITH** expectation I have waited for the Lord, and He had regard to me; and He heard my prayer, and He put a new canticle into my mouth, a song to our God.

SECRET: MAY Thy Sacraments, O Lord, safeguard us, and ever defend us against the assaults of the devil. Through our Lord ...

COMMUNION: John 6. 52. THE bread that I will give is My Flesh for the life of the world.

POSTCOMMUNION: MAY the efficacy of the heavenly Gift, we beseech Thee, O Lord, possess our minds and bodies: so that its effects, and not our own impulses, may ever prevail in us. Through our Lord ...

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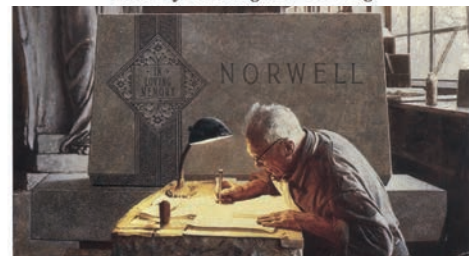
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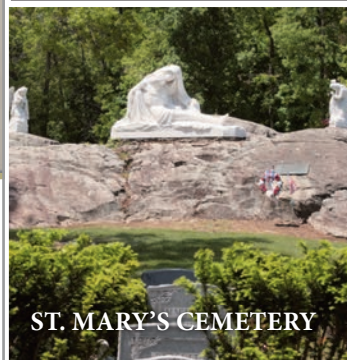
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