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Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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Mass Schedule

Sunday:

Novus Ordo

4:00 P. M. (*Saturday Vigil*), 7:30 & 9:00 A. M.

Traditional Latin

11:00 A.M. & 5:30 P.M.

Weekdays:

Novus Ordo

Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 7:30 A. M.

Traditional Latin

Mon-Wed-Fri 12:30 PM; Thu 5:30 P. M.

Sat 9:00 A. M.

Holy Days

*Ascension Thursday (40 days after Easter);
Assumption of Our Lady (August 15th); All
Saints Day (November 1st); December 8th
(Immaculate Conception of Our Lady)*

If falling on Mon-Fri—

Novus Ordo, 7:30 A. M. & 5:30 P. M.

Traditional Latin, 12:30 & 7:30 P. M.

If falling on Saturday—

Novus Ordo, 7:30 A.M.

Traditional Latin, 9:00 & 11:00 A. M.

(Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and
January 1st, as announced)

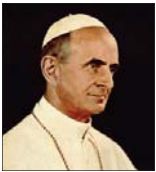
November 12th, A.D. Fifth (Resumed) Sunday after Epiphany/32nd Sunday of the Year
Mary Immaculate of Lourdes, Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

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 within its parish mission. The *Missale Romanum* of 1962 is 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, EITHER ON-LINE OR BY USING THE PAPER REGISTRATION FORM IN THE PAMPHLET RACK IN THE FRONT VESTIBULE OF THE MAIN CHURCH.



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.”

(Pope Saint Paul VI, reigned 1964-1978)
Raised to the Altars October 14th, 2018

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

**Immaculate Conception
Chaldean-Rite Mission**
at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Church:
Mass offered according to the
Chaldean-Rite on designated Sundays at
1:30 P.M.
Deacon Sermed Ashkouri

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism for infants and children under 7 years of age is scheduled upon request. Please contact the Parish Office (617-244-0558) to request a date.

PENANCE: Confessions regularly heard —
SUNDAY, 10:00-11:00 A.M., 5:00-5:30 P. M.
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY, before and
after the 12:30 P. M. Mass.
THURSDAY, before and after the 5:30 P.M.
Mass.

SATURDAY, 8:00-9:00 A. M./ 3:30-4:00 P. M.

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

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK, also known as
EXTREME UNCTION**

Communion of the Sick for the Homebound

Please contact Father Higgins at the Parish
Office (617-244-0558)

Pastor's Note



Fr. Higgins

PARISH STEWARDSHIP IN THE MOMENT OF THE "GREAT DE-CHURCHING"



FRONT COVER: *The Church bell-tower, viewed from Echo Bridge.*
PHOTO by Suzanne Szetela.

Recently a book has appeared about the contemporary social reality of American religion entitled: *The Great De-Churching: Who's Leaving? Why Are They Going? And What Will It Take To Bring Them Back?*, by Jim Davis and Michael Graham, with Ryan Burge. It argues that, across-the-board, Americans are presently falling away from the practice of church (and synagogue) going

religion in such numbers that it represents a reverse of the previous religious revival "Great Awakenings" of American history, hence the coining of the term: "The Great De-Churching".

It is a hard truth for any church congregation to face (of any religious denomination) and the existential challenges it presents to the maintenance of already well-established churches are obvious. In the midst of all of our particular challenges to keep the doors of this church of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes open, we also have to contend against these strong cultural headwinds which are outside of our control.

When it comes to parish stewardship and church support, I can only appeal to your own sense of faith and to your own sense of giving back to God that "Lord's portion" out of the total substance the Lord has provided for you.

PARISH ANNUAL REPORT FY2023

Photocopies of the Parish Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2023 (end-of-June) are available in the pamphlet rack of the church vestibule. I encourage you to take them in order to have a concrete idea of the parish/cemetery's financial state. There are some difficult numbers we are dealing with, particularly with regard to the sustaining of our parish church. Although we have been successful in keeping costs down (for those expenses under our control), these economies have been off-set by the declines in donor dollars. Thank you for all of the sacrifices you are making for the support of our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Weekly Holy Hours:

Fridays, 6:30-7:30 AM

11:30 AM-12:30 PM

Saturdays, 8:00-9:00 AM



"GRATITUDE IS THE THING THAT BRINGS US THE MOST GRACE...I HAVE LEARNT THIS FROM EXPERIENCE; TRY IT AND YOU WILL SEE.

I AM CONTENT WITH WHATEVER GOD GIVES ME, AND I SHOW HIM THIS IN A THOUSAND LITTLE WAYS."—ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX (+1897)

STEWARDSHIP



**THANKSGIVING DAY
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd, 2023**

**Parish Masses: 7:30 AM (Novus Ordo)
Mass of Thanksgiving Day**

9:00 AM (Traditional Latin Mass)

***Feast of the Dedication of Mary Immaculate of
Lourdes Church***

**(N.B.: There will be no 5:30 P.M. Mass on
Thanksgiving Day)**

**Blessing of Food for the
Thanksgiving Table**

**You are invited to bring food
for your Thanksgiving Table to
be blessed at the end of Mass.**



**SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE SUPPORT
OF OUR PARISH AND THE WIDER CHURCH MISSION**
*"What return can I make to the Lord for all His
kindness to Me?"*

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY for OCTOBER 29th,
2023, \$6,487.00 + ALL SOULS' OFFERINGS,
\$785.00 + OTHER OFFERINGS, \$1,210.00:
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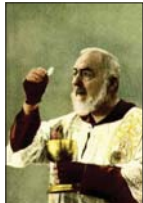
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SERENELY BEAR THE
TRIAL OF BEING
DISPLEASING TO
YOURSELF, THEN YOU
WILL BE FOR JESUS A
PLEASANT PLACE OF
SHELTER."—ST. THERESE
OF LISIEUX (+1897)**

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***"Glorify the Lord generously, and do not stint
the first fruits of your hands. With every gift
show a cheerful face, and dedicate your tithe
with gladness. Give to the Most High as He
has given, and as generously as your hand has
found. For the LORD is the One who repays,
and He will repay you sevenfold."—Sirach 35***

Calendar of Masses

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

<p>SUNDAY November 12th</p> <p><i>The</i> <i>5th (Resumed)</i> SUNDAY after PENTECOST & the THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (TEMPUS PER ANNUM)</p>	<p>4:00 PM <i>(Vigil)</i></p> <p>7:30 AM</p> <p>9:00 AM</p> <p>11:00 AM</p>	<p>All Veterans</p> <p>Pro Populo</p> <p>Maria Pia Sarikos</p> <p>For the Preservation of the Free Exercise of the Latin Mass in the Life of the Church</p> <p>Victoria Samonte Sarah Elizabeth Whitlock Catherine Blake Gay Sullivan Maria T. Djevalikian Christopher Restonile James Agostino, Sr. Elizabeth Wirth Mary Rose Belmonte Intention of the Donor All Souls Pino Family (Extended) Popes/Priests/Bishops Divine Will/Peace on Earth Bishops & Priests</p>	<p>Living/Deceased</p> <p>Special Intention</p> <p>  </p> <p>  </p> <p>  </p> <p>  </p> <p> “It would be easier for the earth to carry on without the sun than without the Holy Mass.” —Padre Pio </p>	<p>Robert Quinan</p> <p>Lita O’Laoghaire</p> <p>Samonte Family Donor</p> <p>Ken & Barbara Whitlock Seven Sisters Apostolate Kasper Family DiDuca Family DiDuca Family Anthony & Victoria Angelucci Stephen Miller Belmonte Family Stephanie Whiting Nick Pino Nick Pino MPA</p> <p>MPA Donor</p>
	<p>5:30 PM</p>	<p>Annie & Michael Procopio</p>	<p>Special Intention</p>	<p>Lita O’Laoghaire</p>

*Altar of Pope Leo the Great,
+461 A.D. (Leo Magnus):
Attila the Hun sees the Angels
standing over the Pope and so
he retreats before laying waste
to Rome.*

MONDAY November 13th <i>Mother Cabrini</i>	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes	Memorial	
	12:30 PM	Helena & Antoni Wysocki	Memorial	Barbara Opielowski
TUESDAY November 14th <i>Feria</i>	7:30 AM	Uldine Pomakas	Memorial	Janice F. Walsh
	12:30 PM	Francis McCarthy	Memorial	Mary McCarthy
WEDNESDAY November 15th <i>Albertus Magnus</i>	7:30 AM	Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese of Boston		
	5:30 PM	Mary Anne Kent	7th Day after Burial	
FRIDAY November 17th <i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary/ St. Gregory the Wonderworker</i>	7:30 AM	Isabelle Mooney Higgins	36th Anniv. Mem.	
	12:30 PM	Norman Hobbib	Memorial	Hobbib Family
SATURDAY November 18th <i>DEDICATION OF SS. PETER & PAUL</i>	9:00 AM	All Souls Jerry Higgins Eric Procopio & Sarah Carden Walter Krawczyk Intention of the Donor Popes/Priests/Bishops Divine Will/Peace on Earth Bishops & Priests	Memorial Birthday Memorial Special Intention Memorial Special Intention Special Intention Fidelity/Protection/ Courage	MTT Mike & Annie Procopio Rosemary Krawczyk Stephanie Whiting MPA MPA Donor
	4:00 PM:	Theodore Morin, Jr.	10th Anniv. Mem.	Peter & Karin Morin



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

Music Programs for this Sunday's Mass

Mass of Pope Paul VI (Novus Ordo)

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

The Thirty-second Sunday of the Year

Prelude: O Lord My God

(Samuel Sebastian Wesley, first published in 1853)

Introit: Psalm 37(38):22-23

Ne derelinquas

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

(TODAY'S MISSAL, pg. 6)

(7:30 AM & 9:00 AM)

Ordinary Prayers: Mass XI, Orbis Factor

Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus, Agnus Dei:

Parish Book of Chant, no. 78ff./pp. 91-93

Credo I (English)

Offertory: Psalm 15(16):11

Notas mihi

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in Your presence, O Lord.

(TODAY'S MISSAL, pg. 103)

Mysterium Fidei (The Mystery of Faith): Mortem tuam annuntiamus, Domine, et tuam Resurrectionem confitemur, donec venias.

("We proclaim Your death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection until You come again.")

Communion: John 6:58

Sicut misit

Just as the living Father sent Me and I have life because of the Father, so whoever feeds on Me shall have life because of Me, says the Lord.

(TODAY'S MISSAL, Page 103)

Communion Meditation: Ave Maris Stella

(Giovanni Matteo Asola, first published in 1575)

Recessional Hymn: For All The Saints

(Worship II, No. 80)

Postlude: Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake

(Richard Farrant, Lidley's Prayers, 1566)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (Traditional Latin)

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 AM (5:30 P.M.)

Prelude: O Lord My God

(Samuel Sebastian Wesley, first published in 1853)

(11:00 AM)

Choir Hymn (11:00 Mass): Languentibus in Purgatorio
(Chant)

Asperges Me, Parish Book of Chant, no. 22/pg. 34

Introit: Psalm 129:11, 12, 14. *Dicit Dóminus: Ego cógito cogitatiónes pacis, et non afflictiónis: invocábitis me, et ego exáudiam vos: et redúcam captivitátem vestram de cunctis locis.*

(Psalm 84: 2) Benedixísti, Dómine, terram tuam: avertísti captiv- itátem Jacob. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

Dicit Dóminus:

(11AM)

Ordinary Prayers: Mass XI, Orbis Factor

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

Parish Book of Chant, no. 78ff./pp. 91-93

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

Gradual: Psalm 43:8-9. *Liberásti nos, Dómine, ex affligéntibus nos: et eos, qui nos odérunt, confudísti. In Deo laudábimur tota die, et in nómine tuo confitébimur in sæcula.*

Alleluia: Psalm 129:1-2. *Allelúja, allelúja. De profúndis clamávi ad te, Dómine: Dómine, exáudi oratióne meam. Allelúja.*

Offertory: (11AM) Psalm 129:1-2. *De profúndis clamávi ad te, Dómine: Dómine, exáudi oratióne meam: de profúndis clamávi ad te, Dómine.*

Communion: Mark 11:24. *Amen dico vobis, quidquid orántes pétitis, créдите quia accipiétis, et fiet vobis.*

Communion Meditation: (11:00 AM)

Ave Maris Stella

(Giovanni Matteo Asola, first published in 1575)

Recessional Hymn: For All The Saints

(Worship II, No. 80)

Angelus

Postlude: (11:00 AM)

Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake

(Richard Farrant, Lidley's Prayers, 1566)

**PARISH CHRISTMAS GIVING-TREE
PROJECT FOR 2023:**

*For the benefit of St. Francis House and
Julie's Family Learning Center*

**Three Sundays: November 27th, December
3rd and December 10th**

Please join us in buying requested gift-donations
from the tags on our parish "Giving-Tree", which
will be set up on Sunday, November 27th.

*St. Francis House aims to provide comprehensive
care for the homeless, including meals, clothing,
showers and medical care. St. Francis House also
offers mental health counseling, substance-use
recovery support, case management services,
permanent housing, and workforce development.*

*Julie's Learning Center provides single mothers with
an education program to finish their High School
degree and thus earn them a space in the job
market. The Giving Tree will supply the mothers
with items they need for their families.*

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the resurrection of:

+Nicholas A. Giancioppo, aged 92
+Catherine Blake

+Sarah Elizabeth Whitlock Seifert
(Year's Mind)



*"It is therefore a holy and
wholesome thought to pray for the
dead, that they may be loosed from
sins."*

(II Machabees 12:46)

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes
**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
CLASSES IN SESSION:
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12th, 2023**

**SCRIPTURE
READINGS for the
THIRTY-SECOND
SUNDAY PER ANNUM
(YEAR A)**

(TODAY'S MISSAL, pp. (72-74))

Lesson (First Reading):

The Book of Wisdom 6:12-16

("Resplendent and unfading is Wisdom.")

Epistle (Second Reading):

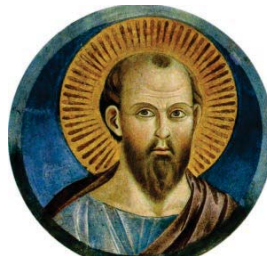
I Thessalonians 4:13-18

(Requiem Mass for the Day of Burial)

**Gospel Lesson: Christ is the Bridegroom
Who comes at the End of Time.**

Matthew 25:1-13

(1962 Missal: Mass for Holy Virgins)



*"We do not want you to be
unaware, brethren, about
those who have fallen asleep,
so that you may grieve like the
rest, who have no hope. For
if we believe that Jesus died
and rose, so too will God,
through Jesus, bring with*

*Him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell
you this on the word of the Lord, that we who are
alive, who are left until the Coming of the Lord,
will surely not precede those who have fallen
asleep, for the Lord Himself, with a word of
command, with the voice of an archangel, and with
the trumpet of God, will come down from Heaven.*



**"I REJOICE TO BE LITTLE,
BECAUSE ONLY CHILDREN
AND THOSE WHO ARE
LIKE THEM WILL BE
ADMITTED TO THE
HEAVENLY
BANQUET"—ST. THERESE
OF LISIEUX (+1897)**



Whence then hath it tares? And he said to them: An enemy hath done this.

LATIN MASS PROPERS: FIFTH RESUMED SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

INTROIT: *Jeremias 29: 11, 12, 14* The Lord saith: I think thoughts of peace, and not of affliction: you shall call Me, and I will hear you; and I will bring back your captivity from all places. *Psalms 84: 2* Lord, Thou hast blessed Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. *V.* Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT In Thine infinite goodness, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to watch over Thy household, that even as it relies solely upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace, so it may ever be defended by Thy protection. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: *Colossians 3: 12-17* Brethren: Put ye on as the elect of God, holy and beloved, the depths of mercy, benignity, humility, modesty, patience: bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if any have a complaint against another: even as the Lord hath forgiven you, so do you also. But above all these things have charity, which is the bond of perfection: and let the peace of Christ rejoice in your hearts, wherein also you are called in one body: and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you abundantly, in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, hymns and spiritual canticles, singing in grace in your hearts to God. All whatsoever you do in word or in work, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God and the Father by Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRADUAL: *Psalms 43: 8-9* Thou hast delivered us, O Lord, from them that afflict us: and hast put them to shame that hate us. *V.* In God we will glory all the day: and in Thy name we will give praise for ever.

ALLELUIA: *Psalms 129: 1-2* Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* From the depths I have cried to Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my prayer. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: *Matthew 13: 24-30* **At** that time Jesus spoke this parable to the multitudes: The kingdom of heaven is likened to a man that sowed good seed in his field. But while men were asleep, his enemy came and oversowed tares* among the wheat, and went his way. And when the blade was sprung up and had brought forth fruit, then appeared also the tares. And the servants of the good-man of the house coming, said to him: Sir, didst thou not sow good seed in thy field? Whence then hath it tares? And he said to them: An enemy hath done this. And the servants said to him: Wilt thou that we go and gather it up? And he said: No, lest perhaps, gathering up the tares, you root up the wheat also together with it. Suffer both to grow until the harvest, and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers: Gather up first the tares and bind it into bundles to burn, but the wheat gather ye into my barn.

OFFERTORY: *Psalms 129: 1-2* From the depths I have cried out to Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my prayer: from the depths I have cried out to Thee, O Lord.

SECRET We offer unto Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of propitiation, that Thou mayest of Thy mercy absolve us from our sins, and Thyself direct our inconstant hearts. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION: *Mark 11: 24* Amen I say to you, whatsoever you ask when you pray, believe that you shall receive, and it shall be done to you.

POSTCOMMUNION We beseech Thee, almighty God, that we may obtain the effect of that salvation, the pledge of which we have received in these mysteries. Through our Lord.

**tares: generally assumed to be darnel, a common weed of the grass family.*



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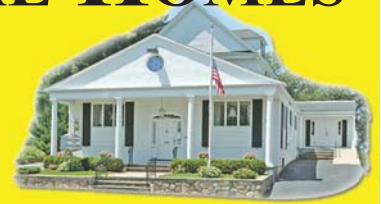
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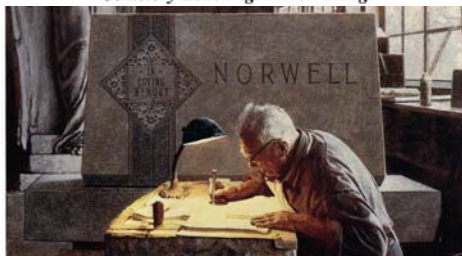
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