

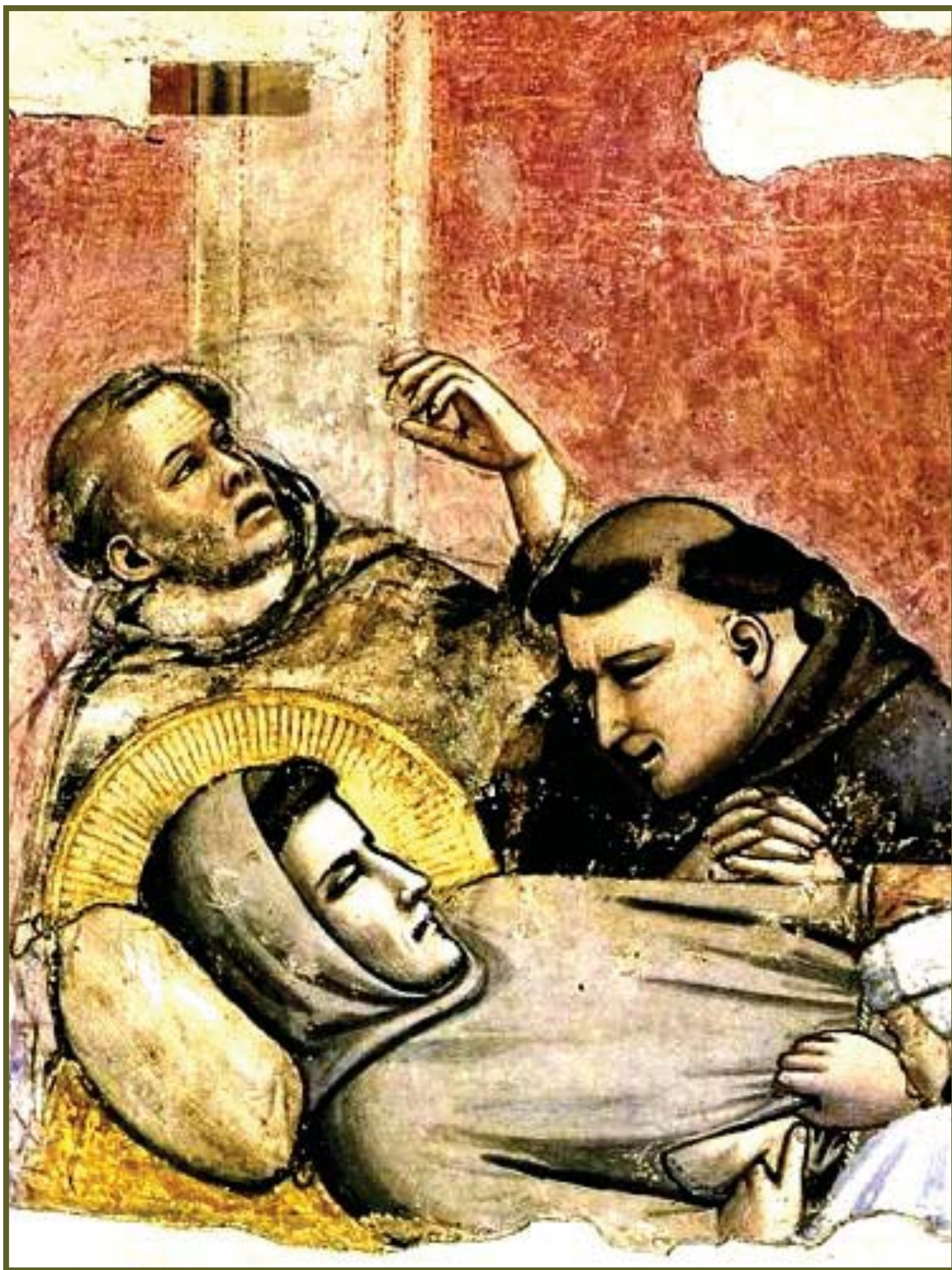




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Sunday:

Novus Ordo

Saturday 4:00 PM (*Anticipated Sunday Mass*),
7:30 & 9:00 AM

Traditional Latin

11:00 AM & 5:30 PM

Weekdays:

Novus Ordo

Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 7:30 AM

Traditional Latin

Mon-Wed-Fri 12:30 PM; Thu 5:30 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM

Holy Days

(Mass Timetables, as announced close before
the occurring Feast)

*December 8th, The Immaculate Conception of
Our Lady (Patronal Feast of the USA)*

December 24th/25th, Christmas

*January 1st, Octave Day of Christmas-Mary
the Mother of God*

Ascension Thursday (40 days after Easter)

August 15th, The Assumption of Our Lady

November 1st, All Saints

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 as a major part its parish mission, under the auspices of the 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.

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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 1963-1978)
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Mass offered according to the
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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.

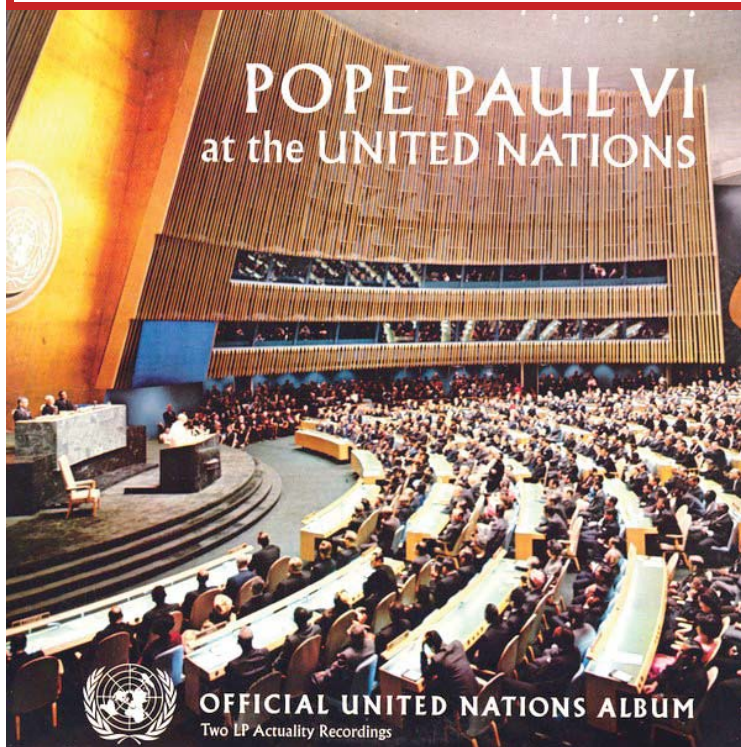
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+OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY+



the brink of nuclear war, the Pope's earnest plea for an end to all war was at the heart of his message: **"No more war: war never again."**

As we survey the world of October, 2025, we ought to make those words of Pope Paul 60 years ago a prayer on our lips: **"No more war: war never again."**



Pastor's Note



Fr. Higgins

POPE PAUL VI AT THE UNITED NATIONS: OCTOBER 4th, 1965

As we have been following the speeches of the world's leaders at the United Nations in the past two weeks we might do well to re-call this year's 60th Anniversary of Pope Paul VI's speech to the General Assembly on October 4th, 1965. Pope Paul's visit to New York October 4th-5th, 1965 was a much celebrated event. It was the first time a reigning Pope had visited the United States of America. The Pope celebrated an outdoor Mass at Yankee Stadium. It was also the first time a Pope had addressed what was then a very new institution: the United Nations. Twenty years after the founding of the UN and the end of that cataclysmic war history calls World War II, and only three years after the Cuban Missile Crisis which had brought the two super powers the U.S. and the Soviet Union to

FRONT COVER: The "Transitus", or passage, of St. Francis of Assisi, by Giotto di Bondone. St. Francis died on the night of October 3rd, 1226 A.D. (799 years ago). The Franciscan Order commemorates this passing on the Eve of St. Francis' feast day which is October 4th.

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Saturdays, 8:00-9:00 AM



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October 5th, 2025 A.D.

Rosary Sunday

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*“Glorify the Lord generously, and do not stint
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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*

LATIN MASS PROPERS: OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

INTROIT: Let us all rejoice in the Lord, celebrating a festival-day in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, for whose solemn festival the Angels rejoice and give praise to the Son of God. *Psalm 44:2* My heart hath uttered a good word: I speak my works to the King V. Glory be to the Father...

COLLECT: O God, whose only-begotten Son by His Life and death and resurrection has won for us the rewards of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we who meditate on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: *Proverbs 8: 22-24, 32-35* The Lord possessed me in the beginning of His ways, before He made anything, from the beginning. I was set up from eternity, and of old, before the earth was made. The depths were not as yet, and I was already conceived. Now therefore, ye children, hear me: blessed are they that keep my ways. Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that heareth me, and that watcheth daily at my gates; and waiteth at the posts of my doors. He that shall find me, shall find life, and shall have salvation from the Lord.

GRADUAL: *Psalm 44:5, 11, 12* Because of truth, and meekness, and justice: and thy right hand shall conduct thee wonderfully. V. Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear, for the King hath greatly desired thy beauty. **ALLELUIA:** Alleluia, alleluia. V. The solemn festival of the glorious Virgin Mary of the seed of Abraham, sprung from the tribe of Judah, of David's royal race. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: *Luke 1:26-38* At that time, the Angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the House of David: and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel being come in, said unto her: Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. Who, having heard, was troubled at his saying and thought with herself what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said to her: Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found grace with God. Behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a Son: and thou shalt call His name Jesus. He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of David His Father: and He shall reign in the House of Jacob forever, and of His Kingdom there shall be no end. And Mary said to the angel: How shall this be done since I know not man? And the angel answering, said to her: The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee. And therefore also the Holy which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And behold thy cousin Elizabeth, she also hath conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her that is called barren; because no word shall be impossible with God. And Mary said: Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it done to me according to thy word.

OFFERTORY: *Ecclus. 24: 25; 39:17* In me is all grace of the way and of the truth; in me is all hope of life and of virtue. Like a rose planted on the rivers I have budded forth.

SECRET Make us worthy, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to offer Thee this sacrifice; and by means of the mysteries of the most holy Rosary may we so keep in mind the life, passion and glory of Thine only-begotten Son, that we may be made worthy of His promises. Who with Thee liveth.

Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary

COMMUNION: *Ecclus. 39:19* Send forth flowers as the lily, and yield a fragrance, and bring forth leaves in grace, and praise with canticles, and bless the Lord in His works.

POSTCOMMUNION May we be helped, O Lord, we beseech Thee, by the prayers of Thy most holy Mother, whose Rosary we are celebrating, that we may draw strength from the mysteries which we reverence and obtain the effect of the sacrament which we have received. Who livest and reignest.



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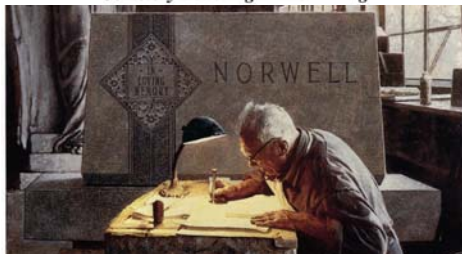
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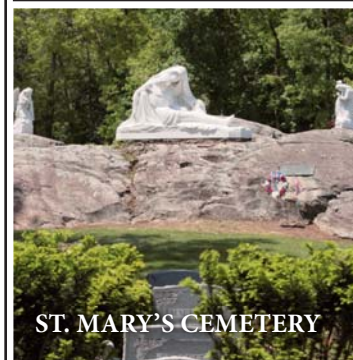


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For information, call the cemetery staff at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Church at **781-235-1841**.
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