

December 6th, 2009 in the Year of Grace
The Second Sunday of Advent

# Calendar of Masses (Intention of the Mass–Special Remarks–Requested by:)

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SATURDAY December 5th	4:00 p.m.	Frank Crimlisk	Memorial	Janet Crimlisk
SUNDAY	8:00 a.m.	Pro Populo		
December 6th Second Sunday of Advent	10:30 a.m.	Anthony and Mary Danca	Memorial	Marie Danca
	12:00 Noon	Ralph, Rose and Vincent Mazzarella	Memorial	
	5:30 p.m.	Paul Lee	Special Intention	Juhasz Family
MONDAY December 7th	7:30 a.m.	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed		
	9:00 a.m.	Yna Dominique	Special Intention	Geraldine Jean-Pierre
TUESDAY December 8th	7:30 a.m.	Pro Populo		
Immaculate	12 Noon	Maureen Nyhen	Special Intention	
Conception of Our Lady	5:30 p.m.	Cynthia Dinon Dragoni	Special Intention	Catherine Dinon
	7:30 p.m.	Lita Uilaoghaire	Special Intention	
WEDNESDAY December 9th	7:30 a.m.	William and Dorothy Wilson	Memorial	
	12:30 p.m.	All Souls	Memorial	
THURSDAY December	7:30 a.m.	William and Dorothy Wilson	Memorial	
10th Our Lady of Loreto	5:30 p.m.	Corcoran Family		
FRIDAY December	7:30 a.m.	Eugene McCarthy		Tim Murphy
11th	12:30 p.m.	Sr. M. Joseph Theresa		<b>Catherine Dinon</b>
SATURDAY December 12th	7:30 a.m.	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish	Memorial	
Our Lady of Guadalupe	9:00 a.m.	Hannah Rita Hickey	Memorial	Judy Spaulding
	4:00 p.m.	Barbara Nyhen	Special Intention	Maureen Nyhen

### DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE DIVINE INFANCY

### **Pastor's Note**



(Front Cover: An illustration of St. Nicholas, Bishop and Confessor, bringing gifts for children. St. Nicholas, who lived in the 4th century, is the great saint of charity to the poor and the protector of children. His feast-day—St. Nicholas Day—is December the 6th.)

### THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ne of the Messianic titles of Our Lord is "Prince of Peace". Wherever Christ's spirit reigns there is an atmosphere of true peace. This should be especially true of an individual Christian's own inner state. No matter what his circumstances he finds himself with peace of heart.

Unfortunately, as we know, this is often not the case. A person can have faith and be staying out of mortal sin, and still be experiencing anxiety, sadness, and various other morbid preoccupations. Partly this is due to the weakness of our human nature. In other part it is aggravated by the inhumanly fast-paced, technology-driven life we lead.

In the "Providence of books" there is one book, in particular, I can highly recommend to people who are seeking to learn how to recover or maintain their peace of heart under adverse conditions. This book was written by a Spanish Jesuit priest, Fr. Narciso Irala, in 1944. Its title in English translation is: **Achieving Peace of Heart.** It has been recently reprinted by Roman Catholic Books in a hardcover edition and it is also readily available on the used books

market.

Fr. Irala himself had experienced a nervous breakdown in his youth and was helped back to mental health by the Jesuit psychologist Fr. Laburu. Not only did he personally benefit from Fr. Laburu's skill and insight, but he also developed a deep interest in how to devise methods for dealing with human problems. Later on in his life, he spent ten years as a Catholic missionary priest in China and gained an extensive knowledge of Oriental psychology.

One of his key insights is that so much of our mental stress problems come from an imbalance between our subjective inner world and the objective world of reality. The practice of simple, straightforward methods to direct our thoughts to concrete outer reality (for example, focusing the mind on what our senses are perceiving in our immediate environment) has a marvelous effect of relieving us of obsessive thoughts and that tearing-ourselves-apartinside. He writes:

Although intellectual error brings many to the precipice of evil and disgrace, wanton feelings and emotions are responsible for many more physical tragedies.

To my knowledge this is the best and most generally suitable self-help book that is out there for people who are striving to realize that peace which Christ promises in their personal emotional lives.

Your thoughts are the limit of your activities. No one takes a single step further than his convictions. If you imagine to yourself that you cannot do this or that, you will never do it. "Posse quia posse videntur," the old Romans used to say. "They can because they think they can." Aside from the times when you need the ministrations or advice of a professional physician, your six best doctors are sun, water, air, exercise, diet and joy. They are always there waiting for you. They cure your ills and do not cost you a cent. (Fr. Híggíns)

#### LATIN MASS TEXTS

# Traditional Propers Second Sunday of Advent

Vestments: Violet

**INTROIT:** Psalm 30: 30 People of Sion, behold the Lord shall come to save the nations: and the Lord shall make the glory of His voice to be heard, in the joy of your heart. *Psalm 79: 2* Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. Glory be to the Father.

**COLLECT** Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the ways of Thine only-begotten Son; that through His coming we may attain to serve Thee with purified minds. Who with Thee liveth and reigneth.

**EPISTLE: Romans 15: 4-13** Brethren, What things soever were written, were written for our learning: that, through patience and the comfort of the Scriptures, we might have hope. Now the God of patience and of comfort grant you to be of one mind one towards another, according to Jesus Christ; that with one mind and with one mouth you may glorify God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive one another, as Christ also hath received you unto the honour of God. For I say that Christ Jesus was minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers but that the Gentiles are to glorify God for His mercy, as it is written: Therefore will I confess to Thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles and will sing to Thy name. And again He saith: Rejoice, ve Gentiles, with His people. And again: Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and magnify Him, all ye people. And again, Isaias saith: There shall be a root of Jesse; and He that shall rise up to rule the Gentiles, in Him the Gentiles shall hope. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing: that you may abound in hope, and in the power of the Holy Ghost.

**GRADUAL: Psalm 49: 2-3, 5** Out of Sion the loveliness of His beauty: God shall come Manifestly. *V.* Gather ye together His saints to Him, who have set His covenant before sacrifices.

**ALLELUIA: Psalm 121: 1** Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: We shall go into the house of the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 11: 2-10 At that time, when John had heard in prison the works of Christ, sending two of his disciples, he said to Him: Art thou He that art to come, or look we for another? And Jesus making answer, said to them: Go and relate to John what you have heard and seen. The blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead rise again, the poor have the gospel preached to them: and blessed is he that shall not be scandalized in Me. And when they went their way, Jesus began to say to the multitudes concerning John: What went you out into the desert to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went you out to see? A man clothed in soft garments? Behold they that are clothed in soft garments are in the houses of kings. But what went you out to see? A prophet? Yea I tell you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written: Behold I send My angel before Thy face, who shall prepare Thy way before Thee.

**OFFERTORY: Psalm 84: 7-8** Thou wilt turn, O God, and bring us to life, and Thy people shall rejoice in Thee: show us, O Lord, Thy mercy, and grant us Thy salvation.

**SECRET** Be appeased, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the prayers and offerings of our humility: and where we have no merits to plead for us, do Thou help us with Thine aid. Through our Lord.

### **Preface of the Most Holy Trinity**

**COMMUNION:** Baruch 5: 5; 4: 36 Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high, and behold the joy that cometh to thee from thy God.

**POSTCOMMUNION** Filled with the food of this spiritual nourishment, we suppliantly entreat Thee, O Lord, that through our participation in this Mystery Thou wouldst teach us to despise earthly things and to love heavenly ones. Through our Lord.

### Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

### Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

Saturday vigil, 4 p.m. Sunday 8:00 and 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

### The Second Sunday of Advent

### **Processional Hymn:**

On Jordan's Bank (Today's Missal, No. 21)

### **Kyrie:**

(Music Book, No. 859)

Responsorial Psalm: (Today's Missal, pg. 24) Gospel Acclamation: (Today's Missal, pg. 25)

### **Offertory Hymn:**

Waiting In Silence (Today's Missal, No. 24)

### **Mass Setting: CHANT MAS**

Sanctus, (Music Book, No. 861) Memorial Acclamation:

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

Amen

Lord's Prayer: (No. 939) Agnus Dei: (No. 864)

### **Communion Hymn:**

I Am the Bread of Life (Music Book, No. 338)

### **Post-Communion Hymn:**

Salve Regina Caelitum (Parish Hymnal, No. 94)

### **Recessional Hymn:**

Immaculate Mary (Today's Missal, No. 138)

### Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

Sunday, 12 Noon

### The Second Sunday of Advent

Angelus (Chant)

### **Prelude:**

In Thy Mercy, Lord (Giuseppe Fortunino Francesco Verdi, d. 1901)

### **Processional Hymn:**

Come Thou Almighty King (Parish Hymnal, No. 151)

Asperges: Chant (Parish Hymnal, No. 151)

Introit: Populus Sion

Ordinary prayers:

### **Mass XVII Adventus**

(Kyrie, Credo III, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei)

<u>Gradual and Alleluia</u>: Ex Sion Species <u>Offertory Verse</u>: Deus tu convertens

### Offertory Hymn:

Alma Redemptoris Mater (Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, d. 1594)

### **Communion Hymn:**

Veni Jesu, Amor Mi (Parish Hymnal, No. 139)

Communion Verse: Jerusalem surge

#### Recessional

Come, Thou Redeemer of the Earth (Parish Hymnal, No. 114)

# **Latin Mass Community**

**Announcements** 

### **DAILY LATIN MASS**

December 7th-December 12th, A.D. 2009

Monday, December 7th: 9:00 a.m.

St. Ambrose, Bishop, Confessor and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday, December 8th: 5:30 p.m. (Low Mass); 7:30 p.m. (High Mass)

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY

Wednesday, December 9th: 12:30 p.m.

Mass of Second Sunday of Advent

Thursday, December 10th: 5:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Loreto

Friday, December 11th: 12:30 p.m.

St. Damasus, Pope and Confessor

Saturday, December 12th: 9:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas



Advent

## CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD SUNDAYS FROM 11:30 A.M.

Close to Mass time, if anyone is still in line, the priest will give general absolution under the usual conditions and return to the confessional after Mass is done.



Please join us for our regular
Coffee Hour downstairs directly

following the Latin Mass each Sunday.

## Don't Forget

This Tuesday, DECEMBER 8th, is the Feast of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be four Masses for the Holy Day at Mary Immaculate Tuesday, December 8th, A.D. 2009:

7:30 A.M.; 12:30 P.M., 5:30 P.M. (Latin Low Mass), 7:30 P.M. (Latin High Mass)



TRADITIONAL ROMAN
LITURGICAL CALENDARS FOR
2010 A.D.
ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN THE
LOWER CHURCH AFTER THE
12 NOON MASS:
THE COST OF A CALENDAR IS
\$7.00

Blessing of parishioners' food for the Thanksgiving table, Thanksgiving Day, November 26th, 2009



### GIVING TREE CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Thank you to all our donors who picked up a star from the

Giving Tree last Sunday: please don't forget to attach your ornament-label to the returned and wrapped gift.





### PARISH and GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## HELP FOR LITTLE BROTHERS OF SAINT FRANCIS MISSION

I have given one of our young parishioners, Earl Smith, permission to organize a donation-drive for the Little Brothers of Saint Francis Mission in Boston as he did last year. Earl serves Mass at Mary Immaculate weekly and is in his freshman year at Newton's Trinity Catholic High School. There are boxes at the entrances of the church designated for this collection. The Little Brothers try to reach out especially to the homeless. Items needed for this collection are: Hats, mittens, scarves, white socks, peanut butter and jelly, sandwich bags, hard candy, and cough drops. —Fr. Higgins

# ADVENT EVENING OF REFLECTION Sponsored by Corpus-Christi-St. Bernard Parish:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 2009 7:00 P.M. @ CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH, 45 ASH STREET, AUBURNDALE, MA

> Guest Presenter: Sister Meg Guider, OSF, from Boston College

Her topic will be: "Advent and Discipleship"

## CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB OF BOSTON INDOOR VOLLEYBALL

Join us for weekly volleyball games at the Newton Lower Falls Community Center at 545 Grove Street in Newton Lower Falls, (which is conveniently located ½ mile from Rte. 128 near the Mass. Pike exit). We will be playing on THURSDAY NIGHTS from 7:30-9:30 P.M., running throughout the Fall/Winter and Early Spring—except for holidays and snowstorms!

Players pay \$5 each to pay for court time. New players play for free their first time as a welcome from all of us. For any questions that you may have, please call Mary at 781-762-7065 or email at mth721@aol.com

### **Health of the Sick:**

**Edward Fahey** Louis Post Nancy Daly Rev. Robert Shaldone Michael O'Connor Charlie Ambrose David Kase Mary Hoffman James Nyhen Michael Curran Amy Eastman Marie Schroter Patrick Petronelli Dorothy Alibrandi Helen Krawiecki Annie Procopio Marie Danca Joe Bellino Polly Sullivan Thaddeus Davulis Andrew McCloskey Barbara Sullivan Wanda Lempitski **Thomas Corcoran** Tony Palladino Fred Strom Karen Bissan Lucia LoPresti Marie Goodwin

(And for all the names of the sick placed on our altar)

"I do not promise to make you happy in this life, but in the next" —Our Lady of Lourdes to St. Bernadette, February18th, 1858





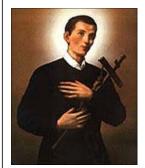
#### SPECIAL INTENTION:

For all our Military Servicemen and Women, especially in IRAQ and AFGHANISTAN

Sgt. 1st Class David Garduque

Sgt. Christopher Rooney
Ryan Davis, deployment date for Dec. 15th,
2009
Sgt. Justin Potts, 101 Engineers Battalion,
(deployed to Iraq, July, 2009)
Corporal Jeffrey R. Quinn, USMC
Sgt. David Hedrick, US Army (2nd Tour
of Duty in Afghanistan for January,

(Please let us know if you would like someone on active duty prayed for by name.)



SPECIAL INTENTION: For all the expectant mothers of our parish family.

"St. Gerard Majella, pray for us"

Requiescant in Pace
David Fitzpatrick
Eleanor Eaton



Writing in the "Michigan Law Review" about Oregon's assisted suicide law, two physicians stated that reasonable sounding safeguards, which proponents said were there to protect patients, do not appear to have achieved that purpose and are easily circumvented. "As a result, Oregon physicians appear to have been given great power without being in a position to exercise it responsibly." (NRL News, June, 2008)

### MASS SCHEDULE for THIS WEEKEND,

4:00 p.m. (Vigil) Fr. Higgins

8:00 a.m.

Fr. Higgins

10:30 a.m.

Fr. Taurasi

12Noon

Fr. Higgins

5:30 p.m.

Fr. Higgins

### MASS SCHEDULE for NEXT WEEKEND, December 12th-13th

4:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Fr. Silva

8:00 a.m.

Fr. Higgins

10:30 a.m.

Fr. Higgins

12Noon

Fr. Taurasi

5:30 p.m.

Fr. Higgins

### PRAYER LINE OF THE POOR CLARE COLLETINE SISTERS



Hawarden, Wales

The website address is: www.poorclarestmd.org

### CATECHETICAL CORNER



### ADVENT CUSTOMS: ST NICHOLAS DAY

(In 1926, Maria Kutschera, a postulant at Nonnberg Abbey in

Salzburg, Austria was sent to the home of a retired navy Captain Von Trapp, a widower with seven children—pictured here in the photo—to teach one of his daughters Maria, who was recuperating from an illness. Here Maria describes her first Advent at the Villa Trapp.)

Saint Nikolaus was a saintly bishop of the fourth century, and being always very kind and helpful to children and young people, God granted every year that on his feastday he might come down to the children. He comes dressed in bishop's vestments, with a mitre on his head and his bishop's staff in his hand...The excitement was great on [December] the fifth. Soon after dark we assembled in the hall, looking out through the large window into the driveway...Suddenly one could see the little flicker of candlelight through the bare bushes. A tall figure bearing a lantern and high staff turned into our driveway, followed by a little black fellow [the "Krampus"]. The heavy double-door opened wide, and in came the Holy Bishop, reverently greeted by young and old. The white beard which cascaded down below his waist showed his old age. Nobody could see that half an hour before, it had been plastered on Hans's face with the help of the white of a raw egg... After he had sat down, he gave the Captain his lantern to hold, and then he produced from under his white cloak a large package with a big golden Cross...In this magic book were written down all the many crimes, big and little, which had been committed by the children of this house. It was quite incredible how well-informed Saint Nikolaus was...Saint Nikolaus shook his finger and frowned at the sinners as they were called to his feet. They all felt very uncomfortable, and promised fervently to reform. The Holy Bishop rose and waved his hand towards the door; a big sack was pushed in, which Saint Nikolaus opened. There was a bag with fruit and candies for everybody...

(Maria Augusta Trapp: <u>The Story of the Trapp</u> Family Singers, A.D. 1949.)

### ON THE PARISH CALENDAR....

Sunday, December 6th: (St. Nicholas Day)
Religious Education Classes, K-5, 9:15-10:15 A.M.
Latin Mass Children's Catechism, 10:30-11:30 A.M.

Tuesday, December 8th: SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY, Holy Day of Obligation Masses at 7:30 A.M., 12:30, 5:30 and 7:30 P.M.

Wednesday, December 10th: WINGATE MANOR Mass, 2:00 P.M.

Saturday, December 12th: Latin Mass Choir Practice, 12:30-3:30 P.M.

Sunday, December 13th:
Religious Education Classes, 9:15-10:15 A.M.
Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation
Latin Mass Children's Catechism, 10:30-11:30 A.M.



SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR NOVEMBER 22nd, 2009:

OFFERTORY (\$3,497.00) + 0THER OFFERINGS (\$809.00) : = \$4,306.00

COLLECTION FOR RETIRED RELIGIOUS: \$1,813.00

# Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

270 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02464 617 244 0558

#### Parish Staff

PASTOR: FATHER CHARLES JEREMIAH HIGGINS

VISITING PRIESTS: FATHER DAVID TAURASI,

FATHER ALVARO SILVA

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: JEAN JOHNSON (DIRECTOR)
PATTI STROM (LATIN MASS CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

PROGRAM)

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: MRS. BOBBIE HOFFMAN

PARISH SECRETARY: MARGIE BIBBO

SACRISTAN: **BROTHER BENEDICT JOSEPH CONNELLY**SAINT MARY'S CEMETERY MANAGER: **SEAN WARD** 

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### Welcome New Parishioners and Sunday Visitors

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish is a regular territorial parish of the Archdiocese of Boston, which also encompasses the Traditional Latin Mass apostolate. Both the ordinary form of the Roman Rite (1970) 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, and we are always glad to welcome Sunday visitors here to our beautiful, historic church. We look forward to your coming again.

### **Mass Schedule**

Sunday: 4:00 PM (Saturday Vigil), 8:00 AM 10:30 AM, 12 Noon (Traditional Latin), 5:30 PM

Weekdays: Monday—Saturday 7:30 AM

**Traditional Latin Low Mass:** 

Mon.& Sat. 9:00 a.m.

Tues. & Thurs., 5:30 p.m.

Wed. & Fri., 12:30 p.m.

Holy Days: As Announced

### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism:** Upon request. Please contact Father Higgins

### Penance (Confession):

Saturday 8:30-9:00 A.M. and 3:30-4:00 P.M. Sunday, from 11:30 A.M., First Fridays (before the 12:30 p.m. Mass)

### 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.

#### 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 Paul VI)