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December 9th, 2012 in the Year of Grace The Second Sunday of the Advent of the Lord

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



OFFERTORY FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2nd: \$4,428.00 + \$5,981.00 (OTHER OFFERINGS) = <u>\$10,409.00</u>

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION DECEMBER 24th-25th: SUPPORT FOR SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON

Mass Schedule

Sunday:4:00 PM (Saturday Vigil), 7:30 AM9:00 AM, 10:30 AM (Traditional Latin), 5:30 PM

<u>Weekdays:</u> Monday—Friday 7:30 AM Traditional Latin Low Mass: Mon., Wed. & Fri., 12:30 PM; Tues. & 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

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, 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.

DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE DIVINE INFANCY



(Front Cover: Stained glass window of the *Immaculate* Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary inside our parish church of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes. This window was donated in loving memory of RICHARD T. SULLIVAN. Photo of window taken by Paul Eldridge.)

THE SERVANT-KING

A swe follow the liturgy of Advent we notice how the announcement of the Great King's arrival moves along an unexpected

path. In the days before His royal entrance into the world He humbles Himself and takes the form of a slave by taking on our human nature. When at last we see Him come into the world it is as a poor Babe in Bethlehem. No glory. No outward sign of His divine power.

How different it might have been. We would have expected, from the prophecies, that the Great Messiah would come in an overpowering way, righting all the injustices of the world, slaughtering enemies, demanding submission. In the event, however, it was the very opposite. In a recent book entitled <u>Stranger to History: A</u> <u>Son's Journey Through Islamic Lands</u> by Aatish Tasheer, the author—whose mother was an Indian Sikh and father a Pakistani Muslim treats the contemporary issues of resurgent Islam clashing with secular modernity through the prism of his own travel-experience in Islamic lands. The root problem, he concludes, is the efforts at *"the violent imposition of religious perfection on the modern world*, *driven to illogic."*

Historically we can find parallels in Christianity to this practice-the attempt to impose by violence religious perfection on a larger society which doesn't want it-very close to home: the New England colonies of Puritans first at Plymouth and then at Masschusetts Bay in Boston. At Plymouth, without the guiding hand of their original minister John Robinson who had died in Holland before he could come to them in the New World, "the passion and fervor that had enabled [the Pilgrims] to survive those first grim years threatened to darken into a mean-spirited fanaticism." (Nathaniel Philbrick: Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community and War, A.D. 2006.) Their fellow settlers in the colony who were not Puritans complained against them for being, "contentious, cruel and hard hearted, among your neighbors, and towards such as in all points both civil and religious, jump not with you." Zeal had become zealotry.

Christ came as our Savior without wielding any sword, in utter meekness. In so many ways His Messiahship was a discontinuity with the national-religious heroes of Israel's past, which is why so many Jews of His own generation could not accept Him. He does not impose Himself on us against our will. The gentle rule of His Social Kingship is not to be confused with the clumsy attempts of moral-order police states to correct the ills of their societies by main force. We must think deeply on the Mystery of the Servant-King and what its implications are. *(Fr. Higgins)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH CHRISTMAS & CPIPHANY SCHCDULC 2012-2013

<u>Holy Night—Christmas Eve,</u> <u>Monday, December 24th</u>: 4:00 PM—Family Mass with Children's Pageant 12 Midnight—Traditional Latin Mass (Our Parish Latin Mass Choir will sing the *Missa Aeterna Christi Munera* by Giovanni da Palestrina, 1590.)



<u>Christmas Day,</u> <u>Tuesday, December</u> <u>25th</u>: Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM (The 10:30 Mass will be a Traditional Latin Mass)

Octave Day of Christmas, Tuesday, January 1st, Mary the Mother of God: Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM (The 10:30 Mass will be a Traditional Latin Mass. January 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation.)

The Epiphany of the Lord, Sunday,

<u>January 6th</u>: Open House at the Rectory from 8:30 AM-4:00 PM

<u>Candlemas Day,</u> <u>Saturday,</u> <u>February 2nd</u>: Blessing of Candles,



Procession and Mass (Traditional Latin) at 9:00 AM Candlemas is the last Feast of the Christmas Cycle

CHRISTMAS "GIVING TREE" PROJECT FOR 2012:

Many thanks to all who have so generously contributed to our Christmas Giving Tree Project this year. Today, SUNDAY,

DECEMBER 9th, is the day when the wrapped gifts should be returned to the church. They may be left under the giving tree table in the front vestibule.

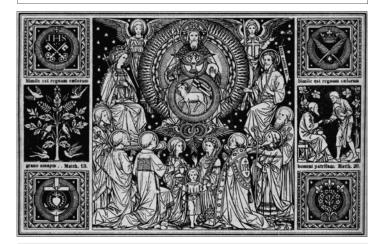




CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Christmas Flower envelopes are in your

pews and also at the entrance tables of the church. Donations to help defray the extra costs of our Christmas Flower decorations are gratefully accepted. If you would like your donation to be a memorial gift, there are spaces for the names of loved ones on the envelopes. Christmas Flower envelopes may be placed in the basket at Offertory time or dropped off at the parish office in the rectory.



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

Religious Education

Sunday, December 9th: 8:30-10:00 a.m., Grades K-5

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT INVITATION

All the children of the parish are invited to join the children who attend Religious Education Classes in our annual Christmas Eve Pageant, held at the 4 p.m. Mass on December 24th. The children will be part of the Procession and at the end of Mass will lead the congregation in singing "Away in a Manger". (During the Mass the children may sit with their families or in a group with the other children.)

If your child (or children) is interested in participating, please contact our Religious Education co-ordinator Jean Johnson or leave your name and number at the rectory. We will meet in the lower church hall before Mass on December 24th at 3:30 p.m.

(Learning the words to 'Away in a Manger' would be a help.)



The Parish Holy Name Men's Group will lead us in the singing of the Holy Name Hymn and the praying of the Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus before the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please join us in this devotion to the Holy Name.

"DEVOTION GAINS MUCH MORE INFLUENCE WHEN IT IS PRACTICED BY THE MEN." —ST. JOHN VIANNEY, CURÉ OF ARS

BENEDICTUM BOOK CLUB: MONDAY, DECEMBER 17th

PARISH ACTIVITIES

The Benedictum Book Club will meet next on Monday, December 17th, from 10:30 AM-12Noon, in the lower rectory conference room. The book under discussion will be Joseph Kelly's <u>The Origins</u> of <u>Christmas</u>. All are welcome.

For more information contact Tina McCormick: <u>TinaM@post.harvard.edu</u> or 617-970-1448





Blessed Margaret of Castello Prayer Group:

Two of our parishioners, Mrs. Terina Davulis and her daughter Julianna are trying to organize a monthly prayer group for handicapped individuals here at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes on the 2nd Wednesdays, beginning with the 12:30 p.m. Mass and continuing with a meeting in the lower rectory

conference room. The group is under the patronage of Blessed Margaret of Castello (1287-1320 A.D.), patroness of the unwanted and the handicapped. A

severely handicapped person herself, she was abandoned by her parents as a child. She was cared

for by various families of the city and later became a thirdorder Dominican. In 1558, 238 years after her death, it was discovered that her body was miraculously incorrupt. We welcome this new group to our parish, working in collaboration with our Lay Dominicans. The December monthly meeting coincides with the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12th.



"For my father and my mother have left me: but the Lord hath taken me up"—Psalm 26:10

Calendar of Masses

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

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|---|------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| SATURDAY December 8th | 4:00 p.m. | Earl Smith | | Kim Smith |
| SUNDAY | 7:30 a.m. | Pro Populo | | |
| December 9th Second Sunday of | 9:00 a.m. | Ludmila Dostalova | | Lida Reed |
| Advent | 10:30 a.m. | Joe Bellino | Memorial | William & Karen Provencher |
| | | Edmund Hannigan | Memorial | Brendan & Christina Hannigan |
| | | Mazzarella & Corcoran Family | Memorial | manngan |
| | | Katie Higgins | Memorial | Bennett Family |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Edmund Yates | Memorial | Brian Yates |
| MONDAY December 10th Ferial Day of Advent | 7:30 a.m. | Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish | Memorial | 12-2 |
| | 12:30 p.m. | Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed | Memorial | |
| TUESDAY | 7:30 a.m. | Intention of the Celebrant | | |
| December 11th Ferial Day of Advent/ St. Damasus, Pope & Confessor | 5:30 p.m. | Tony, Tricia, Patrick, Mary & Christopher Reilly | | Reilly Family |
| WEDNESDAY | 7:30 a.m. | Dr. Missy Ochsner | Memorial | Shawn Adams |
| December 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe | 12:30 p.m. | Pro-Life | | Annie Procopio |
| THURSDAY | 7:30 a.m. | Hannah Rita Hickey | 4th Anniversary Memorial | Judy Spaulding |
| December 13th St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr | 5:30 p.m. | Barbara Nyhen | Special Intention | Sodality |
| FRIDAY | 7:30 a.m. | Health of the Sick | | |
| December 14th St. John of the Cross, Confessor and Doctor/ Ferial Day of Advent | 12:30 p.m. | Carol Miller | Special Intention | Elisa Covino |
| SATURDAY December 15th Ferial Day of Advent | 9:00 a.m. | Thomas McCormack Marion Taurasi | Memorial Memorial | Bennett Family William & Karen Provencher |
| | | In Honor of St. Joseph | | Susan Goeller |
| | 4:00 p.m. | Joanie Kingsley | Birthday Intention | Doug Kingsley |

December 9th, A.D. 2012

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes, Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

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... Dotty Hayes, Wendy Watts, Joseph F. Fresolo Sr., George Jay, Joseph Nolan, Barbara Nyhen, Rev. Walter Cuenin, Ronald Orlando, Dominic Gundrum, Louis



Komuves, Sr. Catherine Granfield, Mary Adams, Hugh Doyle, Lorraine Orlando, Rob Quagan, Paul Wenger, Nathan Johnston, Frank Downey, Janet Pino, Fr. Carney Gavin, Irene Campana, Gerry Mazzarella, Maureen Nyhen, Francis McNary, Warren Yee, Betty Chrishi, Marie Rappazzini, Mary Trombetta, Helen Reid, BrendaWinegarner, Jean Johnson, Lois Ludwig, Paula Apothacary, Jeanne Ciocca, Sam Adams III, Altair da Silva, Christina Kwash, Kitty Ward, Spagnuolo Family, Katie O'Connell, Janet Bourgeois, Judy Sartell, Lana Tomchik, Matthew Banks, Patrick Rainey, Judy Pederson, Ed Donovan, Danny O'Brien, Evelyn Donovan, Helen Donnelly, Priscilla Brossard, Mary Sims, Billy Hickey, Lee-Anne Ketchum, Arthur Nauss, Rod MacLeod, Monica Wellenstein, Teresa Tambunan, Mary Platt, Sean Monaghan, Sheila Whittle, Michelle Fay,

Bobbie Hoffmann, Beverly Balconi, Martial Rainey, Dennis McCarthy, Edward Crestitelli, Sharon Kopchik, Erin Marie Fell, Dominic Cantillo, Theresa Higgins, Lita Uilaoghaire, Norman Alibrandi, Joyce Higgins, Karen Starbird, Jack Buckley, Edward Fahey, Nancy Daly, Mary Hoffmann, Marie Schroter, Dorothy Alibrandi, Annie Procopio, Marie Danca, David Kase, Thaddeus Davulis, Andrew McCloskey, Barbara Sullivan, Wanda Lempitski, Thomas Corcoran, Tony Palladino, Lucia LoPresti, Polly Sullivan.

"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



MILITARY SERVICE PRAYER LIST:

We remember all of our military servicemen and women, especially ... Sgt.
Troy Stemen, U.S. Army (Afghanistant), Mark Gaudet, Army Special Forces, Pierre K. Ripert, USN, Matthew Simard, 1st Lt., USMC (Afghanistan), Michael Simard, PFC, USMC, Christopher Raymond, 82nd Airborne (Afghanistan), Lance Cpl. Alex Tomchik, USMC, Brian Rainey, US Army (Afghanistan), Joseph Rainey, US Army, Sgt. Kevin James Howard, USMC (Afghanistan), Sgt. Brian Joseph Howard, USMC Afghanistan), Sgt. William J. Duggan, U.S. Army, 342nd Military Police Detachment, deployed to Afghanistan March, 2010; 2nd Lt. Richard S. Pluta, deployed to Iraq; Sgt. 1st Class David Garduque; ;Sgt. Jeffrey R. Quinn, USMC; (Please let us know if you would like someone on active duty prayed for by name.)

Pray for Tommy Holcum, severely wounded in a Taliban ambush in Afghanistan. Pray for Pfc Bowe Bergdahl, captured by the Taliban in Afghanistan.



IN THANKSGIVING: Sgt. Dennis Geary and his unit have returned safely from Afghanistan.



Requiescat in Pace

Santino Nicasatro, aged 88 (Godfather of Antoinette Steinkrauss)



SAINT JOHN'S SEMINARY SCHOLA & GUESTS: "Advent Festival of Lessons & Carols" St. John's Seminary Chapel Dec. 8th: 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9th: 3:00 p.m. Concerts are free and open to the public

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, ye 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 Advent

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

<u>Mass of Pope Paul VI</u> (1970 Missal)

December 9th, A.D. 2012, Saturday vigil, 4 p.m. Sunday 7:30 and 9:00 a.m.

Second Sunday of Advent

Introit: Psalm 80

"People of Zion behold, the Lord is coming to save all nations: and the Lord shall cause you to hear His majestic voice for the joy of Your heart."

> Kyrie: Mass XVII Adventus (Parish Hymnal No.152) Responsorial Psalm Gospel Acclamation Credo I: (extra sheet)

Offertory: Ps 85 (84): 7-8 "You will turn toward us, O God, and restore our life again, and Your people will rejoice in You. Show us, Lord, Your mercy and grant us Your salvation."

<u>Mass Setting: Mass XVII Adventus</u>

Sanctus "Mortem tuam annuntiamus, Domine, et tuam resurrectionem confitemur, donec venias" Lord's Prayer Agnus Dei

Communion: Psalm 147

"Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high; and behold the joy that shall come to you from Your God."

Post Communion Hymn Isaias 45.8 Rorate caeli desuper, et nubes pluant justum "Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the Just One." (Gregorian Chant, Mode I)

Recessional Hymn: O Come, Divine Messiah (Parish Hymnal **No.14**) Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal) December 9th, A.D. 2012, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

> Second Sunday of Advent Processional Hymn: Isaias 45.8 Rorate Caeli (Gregorian Chant, Mode I)

Asperges: Chant <u>Introit</u>: Is. 30:30; Ps. 79:2 "Populus Sion, ecce Dominus veniet ad salvandas gentes: et auditam faciet Dominus gloriam vocis suae in laetitiae cordis vestri. (Psalm) Qui regis Israel intende: qui deducis, velut ovem, Ioseph."

Ordinary Prayers: Mass XVII Adventus (Kyrie, Credo I, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei)

<u>Gradual Ps. 49:2,3,5</u> "Ex Sion species decoris eius: Deus manifeste veniet. Congregate illi sanctos eius, qui ordinaverunt testamentum eius super sacrificia." <u>Alleluia</u>: Ps. 121:1 "Alleluia, alleluia. Laetatus sum in his quae dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domine ibimus. Alleluia."

<u>Offertory</u>: Ps. 84:7,8 "Deus, tu conversus vivificabis nos, et plebs tua laetabitur in te: ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam, et salutare tuum da nobis."

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

Communion Hymn: Panis Angelicus (Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, d.1594)

<u>Communion Verse</u>: Ps. 84:7,8 "Ierusalem, surge, et sta in excelso, et vide iucunditatem, quae veniet tibi a Deo tuo."

Recessional Hymn: O Come, Divine Messiah (Parish Hymnal **No.14**)

Noon Angelus (Chant)



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