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October 20th, 2013 in the Year of Grace
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost and
the Twenty-ninth of the Year
World Mission Sunday

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Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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INC.

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Guardian Staff on-site for service hours Mon.-Fri.,
9 AM—3 PM, April through November.
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: <u>781-235-1841</u>

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 4:00 PM (Saturday Vigil), 7:30 AM 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM (Traditional Latin), 5:30 PM

Weekdays: Monday—Friday 7:30 AM

Traditional Latin Low Mass:

Mon., Wed. & Fri., 12:30 PM; Tues. & Thurs., 5:30 PM, Sat. 9:00 AM.

<u>Holy Days:</u> 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.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



Pastor's Note

PRO-LIFE AND CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

The issues surrounding the defense of human life receive particular attention in our parish churches during this month of October. The most important issue in the whole Pro-Life Movement is the defense of the dignity of the lives of unborn children in the face of the widespread practice of abortion. Other issues of "pro-life" are related to the Church's championing of the cause of the unborn: euthanasia, for example, the deliberate killing of the sick and disabled, or embryonic stem-cell research. More and more, you see opposition to capital

on the Pro-Life list, as if were just one more instance of the Church's opposition to the taking of human life. This is, to say the least, problematic.

Abortion is wrong because the willful taking of innocent human life is always and everywhere gravely evil. It is homicide. And an unborn child in its mother's womb is certainly innocent. Capital punishment, however, correctly understood, is an exercise of justice by the competent public authority (the state) in order to punish criminals for serious crimes. It is not an act of revenge. It is not "state murder". The moral legitimacy of capital punishment has always been recognized by the Catholic Church. St. Paul in Romans, Chapter 13, sees in the civil authority the power to punish malefactors "with the sword". St. Thomas Aquinas in his Summa Theologica treats capital punishment under the question "Is it lawful to kill sinners?" and answers in the affirmative. In more recent times Pope Pius XII vindicated the continued right of public authority to punish serious crimes with the death penalty. So, opposition to abortion and opposition to capital punishment are not to be equated because "killing is killing". A principled Catholic rejection of capital punishment in the present day is better to be found on practical grounds: the death penalty is too often unjustly applied, particularly by governments which trample on the rights of their people, the potentially deterrent effect of the death penalty is cancelled out when capital punishment is rarely used and inflicted only after long delay, and so forth. But this does not mean that capital punishment in itself is morally wrong.

So, there is no inconsistency on the part of a faithful Catholic who is 100% pro-life on the question of abortion but more favorable to the state's right to exercise the death penalty. The inconsistency lies with those who are 100% opposed to any criminal being punished with execution, yet have no conscience when it comes to the execution of unborn children through abortion.

(Fr. Higgins)

KNOW YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH





GOSPEL OF SAINT LUKE BIBLE STUDY Luke 3:21-22

These two verses describing the events conjoined with Jesus' Baptism reveal some of the most fantastic things to us about our relationship with God. It is worth noting that St. Luke does not actually describe Jesus' Baptism itself. Instead, the

construction of the Greek original makes it clear that St. Luke wants to focus the reader's attention on what happens to Jesus as He is praying, after the Baptism. As many commentators have noted, the original text clearly leads the reader to focus on three particular actions. It is as Jesus is praying, that (1) the heavens open, (2) the Spirit descends, and (3) the Father declares that Jesus is His beloved Son. For St. Luke, these three things are most important. The Baptism itself, while inextricably united to these theophanies (revelations of God), is ultimately subservient to them. Nevertheless, these three theophanies in the context of Jesus' prayer explain to us exactly who Jesus is, and consequently, what our own baptism and confirmation are really all about.

The emphasis on prayer is a uniquely Lucan theme, and highlights the intimacy Christ has with the Father, an intimacy into which He invites us and integrates us through our baptism. In our baptism

we are put into relationship/communion with God (the technical expression for this is that we are given "sanctifying grace"). We are given a "direct line" to God, because our sins have been forgiven, and we have become His adopted children through grace.

For ancient Jews, it is crucial to note that they maintained deep reverence in their personal prayer and synagogue liturgy. This linked them to the Temple in Jerusalem, which was the earthly portal to heaven, and thus, the truest participation in the worship of heaven. For more on this subject, as well as the following points, see Ratzinger's The Spirit of the Liturgy. My liturgy professor explained the Baptism of Jesus in the following way: Jesus was experiencing, in His human nature, what for Jews could take place most fully at the Temple alone. In other words, His prayer became the definitive portal (greater than the Temple) through which He participated in the worship of His Father in heaven. As Ratzinger also explains, Jesus' Body became the new Temple in and through which worship would be rendered by all people to God the Father (cf. John 3:19-22). The opening of the heavens confirms the potency of Jesus' prayer. More importantly, the words of God the Father confirm Jesus' pre-eternal identity as God the Son: "You are my beloved Son" (v. 22). Jesus is no mere man, but God Himself, who alone is capable of bringing man back to the heaven.

For those of us who are baptized, this reality is ours, too. Joined in the depth of our very being to Christ in Baptism, we have access to heaven through the Temple of Jesus' risen and glorified Body. We can converse with God with a unimaginable degree of intimacy. When we pray a simple "Our Father," we are truly in the divine throne room. Heaven opens, and we are in the presence of the One who calls us His beloved sons and daughters! It's easy to mumble off this prayer without realizing the full import of what we're doing, because we pray it so often (praying it often is a good thing, of course). But we should try to become increasingly conscious of the power that accompanies the words "Our Father," the same power that was manifested after Jesus' Baptism.

The descent of the Spirit confirms Jesus' identity as the Messiah, the "Anointed One," who was prophesied to bring salvation, healing, and redemption to all people (not just the Jews). Jesus is quite conscious of His role in this regard, for He reads one of the most moving passages from Isaiah

on this very theme later on in the synagogue at Nazareth. Having read the passage, He explains to the people that He has come to fulfill the prophecy in His own Person (cf. Luke 4:16-21). Like Christ, we who have been confirmed have been given an "anointing" (cf. 1 John 2:20), which enables us to know and love God more fully, and participate more closely in His plan to draw all people to himself (cf. *Catechism of the Catholic Church* no. 1303). Truly, we become "little Christs," or little anointed ones, by being Jesus' ambassadors: bringing the healing and transforming love of God to others by our words and actions.

(David Allen)

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WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY: "THE GOSPEL OF LUKE"

David Allen, our Pastoral Associate, hosts a weekly Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke every Friday morning at 8:20 AM (after the 7:30 Parish Mass). The Bible Study meets in the Lower Rectory Conference Room (in rectory basement). It is an open group and all are welcome to attend.

Refreshments provided. Please bring your Bible.

PARISH FELLOWSHIP



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

Adult Education

FAITH FORMATION

A survey course on the Catholic Faith led by David Allen on **Sundays from mid-September through mid-May**, from 12:15-1:15 PM. This class is particularly appropriate for any inquirers who might be seeking to learn more about the Faith, or might desire to be baptized and/or confirmed, as well as for those who are already Catholic, and who wish to have a deeper knowledge of their Faith.

The two texts for the class are the *Catechism* of the Catholic Church, as well as Peter Kreeft's excellent book Catholic Christianity, both of which will be provided at the class for a suggested donation to the parish of \$25.00.

Where? Rectory sun porch (on first floor; please enter rectory at front door)

When? Sundays, 12:15-1:15 PM
This is an open class and new participants are invited to join at any time during the course-year.



FOOD DRIVE to help the Newton Food Pantry

The Religious Education Program is organizing a Food Drive from the parish to give to the Newton Food Pantry.

Non-perishable grocery items may be left in the front vestibule of the main church between October 13th-November 3rd. Items particularly needed are: flour, sugar, cooking oil, grocery store gift cards, and canned goods.

Religious Education

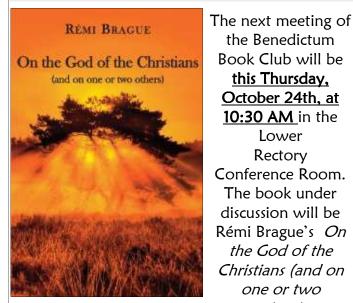


Sunday, October 20th: Grades K-5, 8:30-10:00 AM Grades 6-8 (Pre-Confirmation), 4:15-6:30 PM

Classes meet in the Lower Church Hall.

FAITH & CULTURE

BENEDICTUM BOOK CLUB



the Benedictum Book Club will be this Thursday, October 24th, at 10:30 AM in the Lower Rectory Conference Room. The book under discussion will be Rémi Brague's On the God of the Christians (and on one or two others).

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

Mark Your Catendar

DOMINICAN SISTERS CHARITY BAKE-SALE. November 2nd-3rd, 2013 **Medical Mission to the Lepers** (post-poned from Oct. 26th-27th at the Sisters' Request)

STEWARDSHIP



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WEEK OF OCTOBER 13th, A.D. 2013: **SUNDAY OFFERTORY \$3,803.00 + \$1,646.00** (other offerings) = \$5,449.00



SPECIAL PARISH **COLLECTION FOR AIR CONDITIONING** (as of October 13th): \$4,465.00

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SECOND COLLECTION FOR TODAY, OCTOBER 20th: WORLD MISSION SUNDAY—SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH



LATIN MASS TEXTS: Traditional Propers for the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

INTROIT: Psalm 129: 3-4 If Thou shalt observe iniquities, O Lord, Lord, who shall endure it? for with Thee is propitiation, O God of Israel. Psalm 129: 1-2 From the depths I have cried to Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. V. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; hear, we pray Thee, the devout prayers of Thy Church, and grant that what we ask confidently we may obtain effectually. Through Our Lord.

EPISTLE: Philippians I: 6-11 Brethren, we are confident in the Lord Jesus, that He who hath begun a good work in you, will perfect it unto the day of Christ Jesus. As it is meet for me to think this for you all, for that I have you in my heart; and that, in my bands and in the defence and confirmation of the Gospel, you are all partakers of my joy. For God is my witness, how I long after you all in the depths of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your charity may more and more abound in knowledge and in all understanding; that you may approve the better things; that you may be sincere and without offense unto the day of Christ; filled with the fruit of justice, through Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

GRADUAL: Psalm 132: 1-2 Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. *V.* It is like the precious ointment on the head, that ran down upon the beard, the beard of Aaron. ALLELUIA: Psalm 113: 11 Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* They that fear the Lord, let them hope in Him; He is their helper and protector. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22: 15-21 **A**t that time, the Pharisees went and consulted among themselves, how to ensnare Jesus in His speech. And they sent to Him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying: Master, we know that Thou art a true speaker, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest Thou for any man, for Thou dost not regard the person of men. Tell us therefore, what dost Thou think? Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar, or not? But Jesus knowing their wickedness, said: Why do you tempt Me, ye hypocrites? Show me the coin of the tribute. And they offered Him a penny. And Jesus saith to them: Whose image and superscription is this? They say to Him: Caesar's. Then He saith to them: Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's; and to God the things that are God's.

OFFERTORY: Esther 14: 12, 13 Remember me, O Lord, Thou who rulest above all power; and give a well-ordered speech in my mouth, that my words may be pleasing in the sight of the prince.

SECRET Grant us, O merciful God, that this saving oblation may unceasingly cleanse us from our faults and keep us from all harm. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION: Psalm 16: 6 I have cried, for Thou, O God, hast heard me: O incline Thy ear unto me, and hear my words.

POSTCOMMUNION We have received, O Lord, the gifts of Thy sacred mysteries; and most humbly pray, that what Thou hast commanded us to do in memory of Thee, may be a help in our weakness. Thou Who livest.

Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

Saturday Vigil 4 PM Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM & 5:30 PM

Twenty Ninth Sunday of the Year

Introit: Ps 17:6,8 Ego clamavi

"I have called out because You answer me, O God; Incline Your ear and hear my words; keep me, O Lord, like the apple of Your eye; protect me under the shadow of Your wings."

Kyrie – Chant

Gloria – Missa De Angelis (English) Responsorial Psalm Gospel Acclamation

Credo I: (extra sheet)

Offertory: Ps 119:47,48 Meditabor

"I shall meditate upon Your commandments which I grealy love; I will extend my hands towards Your commandments which I love."

Mass Setting: Mass VIII Missa De Angelis

Sanctus(English)

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

Lord's Prayer Agnus Dei

Communion: Ps 8:2ab Domine, Dominus noster

"O Lord our governor, how admirable is Your name in all the earth!"

Post Communion Hymn

Ave Maria

Op. 67, No. 2

(Gabriel Fauré +1894)

Recessional Hymn:

O Gladsome Light, O Grace (Worship II Hymnal **No.197**)



Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

Sunday, 10:30 AM

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Processional Hymn

O God Our Help in Ages Past (Charles-François Gounod d.1893)

Asperges: Chant

Introit: Ps. 129:3,4,1

"Si iniquitátes observáveris, Dómine, Dómine, quis sustinébit? quía apud te propitátio est, Deus Israël. (Psalm) De profúndis clamávi ad te, Dómine: Dómine, exáudì vocem meam."

Ordinary Prayers: Missa Surge Propera

(Tomás Luis de Victoria d.1611)

Gradual: Ps. 132:1-2

"Ecce quam bonum, et quam jucúndum habitáre fratres in unum! Sicut ungúentum in cápite, quod descéndit in barbam, barbam Aaron." Alleluia: Ps. 113:11 "Allelúja, allelúja. Qui timent Dóminum, sperent in eo adjútor at protéctor eórum est. Allelúja."

Offertory Verse: Esther 14:12,13

"Recordáre mei, Dómine, omni potentátui dóminans: et da sermónem rectum in os meum, ut pláceant verba mea in conspéctu príncipis."

Offertory Hymn: Ave Maris Stella (Tomás Luis de Victoria, d.1611)

Communion Hymn: Panis Angelicus (Louis Lambillotte d.1855)

Communion Verse: Ps. 16:6

"Ego clamávi quóniam exaudísti me, Deus: inclína aurem tuam, et exáudi verba mea."

Recessional Hymn

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring 10th movement of the cantata ""Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben""

BWV 147

(Johann Sebastian Bach d. 1750)

Noon Angelus (Chant)

Calendar of Masses

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

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SATURDAY October 19th	4:00 PM	Edward Hinds	6th Anniversary	Hinds Family & Raschel
SUNDAY October 20th Twenty-ninth Sunday of the Year	7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Pro Populo Marilyn Sabroski Ralph, Rose & Vincent Mazzarella Elizabeth Marie-Anne	Memorial Memorial	Walter Sabroski
& the Twenty- second after		Juhasz Laura Harvey	Special Intention Birthday Intention	Provencher Family
WORLD MISSI N SUNDAY	Ŋ	Abell Family (Liv/Dec) Julia MacKenzie Alison MacKenzie Mrs. Concannon Theresa Buckley	47th Anniversary Special Intention Special Intention Memorial	Laura Harvey MacKenzie Family Juhasz Family Bennett Family
	5:30 PM	Gloria Brackett Margaret A. Black	Memorial Memorial	MacKenzie Family
MONDAY October 21st Feria	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish	Memorial	
	12:30 PM	Commemoration of the Faithful Departed	Memorial	\mathbb{X}
TUESDAY October 22nd	7:30 AM	Rosemary Krawczyk	Special Intention	
Feria	5:30 PM	Denise McNamara	4th Anniversary	James McNamara
WEDNESDAY	7:30 AM	James McSwiney	Memorial	Jean Johnson
October 23rd St. John of Capistrano/ St. Antony Mary Claret	12:30 PM	Susan DiMascio	Birthday Intention	Maria Centofanti
THURSDAY October 24th	7:30 AM	Julia Centofanti	Birthday Intention	Maria Centofanti
St. Anthony Mary Claret/St. Raphael Archangel	5:30 PM	Rizzo/Kwash/Rulnick/ Steinkrauss Family	Memorial	Kwash Family
FRIDAY October 25th Feria/St. Isidore the Husbandman	7:30 AM Health of the Sick	Intention of the Celebrant		
	12:30 p.m.	Robert Goeller	Special Intention	Susan Goeller
SATURDAY October 26th Saturday of Our Lady	9:00 a.m.	Philip Monica Mary Clare MacKenzie	Special Intention Special Intention	Laura Harvey MacKenzie Family
	4:00 p.m.	Nicholas & Lyla Larach	Memorial	Rosa Larach

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... Mary Blaisdell, Peter Simak, Anna Maria Simakova, Emka Simakova, Jacub Simak, Margaret Cutler, Andrew Mahowald, Emily Kwash, John DiMartinos, Lily Langway, Linden Yee, Gerry Mazzarella, Rocco Sozio, Sr. Giuseppina Cecilia Sozio, Iolanda Imperiale, Pat Madden,



Evelyn Rice, Jane Dippo, Tom Fell, Cynthia Adkins, Norman Sabbey, James McCloskey, Dotty Hayes, Wendy Watts, Joseph F. Fresolo Sr., George Jay, 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, Janet Pino, Fr. Carney Gavin, Irene Campana, Maureen Nyhen, Francis McNary, Warren Yee, Betty Chrishi, Marie Rappazzini, Mary Trombetta, Helen Reid, Lois Ludwig, Paula Apothacary, 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, 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, Erin Marie Fell, Dominic Cantillo, Theresa Higgins, Lita Uilaoghaire, Norman Alibrandi, Karen Starbird, Jack Buckley, Edward Fahey, Nancy Daly, Marie Schroter, Dorothy Alibrandi, Annie Procopio, Marie Danca, David Kase, Thaddeus Davulis, Andrew McCloskey, Barbara Sullivan, 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 (Afghanistan), Mark Gaudet, Army Special Forces, Pierre K. Ripert, USN, Matthew Simard, 1st Lt., USMC (Afghanistan), Michael Simard, PFC, USMC, 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; 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: Christopher Raymond, 82nd Airborne has safely returned from Afghanistan





Requiescant in Pace

Pray for the resurrection of:

John DiSabato, aged 84 Thomas Kenney Tony Palladino



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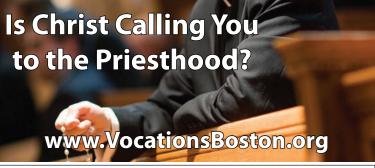
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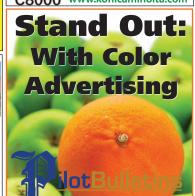
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