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# Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

270 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02464

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Mr. Ron Goguen, Superintendent . 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> <u>saintmaryscemetery.org</u>

# Mass Schedule

<u>Saturday Vigil:</u> 4:00 PM <u>Sunday:</u> 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM <u>Traditional Latin High Mass:</u> 10:30 AM

Weekdays: Mon.-Tues., Thurs.-Fri. 7:30 AM Traditional Latin Low Mass: Mon., Wed. & Fri., 12:30 PM; 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 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.

# **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. Both the ordinary form of the Roman Rite (1970 Missal) 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. 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.



#### 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."

(Blessed Pope Paul VI, reigned 1964-1978)

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes (Formerly St. Mary's Parish, 1870-1910) Newton/Needham, Massachusetts Newton & Needham's Oldest Roman Catholic Parish Syriac-Rite Catholic Community: Our Lady of Mesopotamia



### **FRONT COVER**

The first All-Parish End-of-Summer Picnic we had for the reconfigured parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes in September, 2007. This year marks our 10th such picnic. The archive photos from several of our past picnics recalls some happy moments of Christian fellowship in the life of our parish. *(This photo taken by Patti Strom.)* 

# SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

# **Pastor's Note**



### THE "CALL" OF MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA: SEPTEMBER 10th, 1946

**#**Iother Teresa of Calcutta's canonization brought out renewed interest in her life and work. It also

stirred up some of the old slanders and detractions (Mother Teresa was a representative of Western-colonialism/imperialism, she was just trying to extend the power of her own religious order, she was a Catholic "fundamentalist" who opposed contraception and abortion, her hospices were too "primitive", etc.) In a peculiar twist of fault-finding the novelist Amit Chauduri offered this criticism: "She was on peaceable terms with everyone."

Needless to say, much of this criticism is just mean-spirited and smacks of "someone-has-hisown-agenda-here". But any fair assessment of Mother's Teresa's work in founding the Missionaries of Charity has to recognize the source. It was not a project that she thought out in order to improve the social conditions of the poor. Rather, it was a response to the "Call" of Jesus she had in a mystical experience on September 10th, 1946.

A Sister of Loreto, teaching in a girls' school in Calcutta for many years, she was on the train from Calcutta to Darjeeling for her annual spiritual retreat. There, she heard the "Voice" of Jesus. As she later revealed to her Missionary of Charity Sisters:

[It] was a calling within my vocation. It was a vocation to give up even Loreto where I was very happy and to go out into the streets to serve the poorest of the poor. It was in that train, I heard the call to give up all and follow Him into the slums—to serve Him in the poorest of the poor...I knew it was His will and that I had to follow Him. There is no doubt that it was going to be His work. (<u>Mother Teresa:</u> <u>Come Be My Light, The Private Writings of the</u> Saint of Calcutta, A.D. 2007, pg. 40)

Her charism then was not to organize a social movement (there is obviously nothing unworthy in that, but such was not Mother Teresa's Call). Rather, Mother Teresa's charism was to make God's love more immediately and effectively present to the poor in the desperate situations in which they found themselves in their daily lives.

In the words of the Postulator of her cause for canonization, Fr. Brian Kolodiejchuk, M.C.:

'The salvation and sanctification of the poorest of the poor' or 'the salvation of souls' thus meant for her an untiring effort to help everyone encounter God's infinite love, and having come to know Him, to love and serve Him in return thereby reaching the blessedness of heaven...Mother Teresa grasped the depth of Jesus' identification with each sufferer and understood the mystical connection between the sufferings of Christ and the sufferings of the poor. Through her humble service she endeavored to 'bring Souls to God—and God to Souls.' (ibid, pg. 43)"

On the day of Mother Teresa's canonization, a New York Times correspondent quoted this who worked in the Hindu Temple complex next to Mother Teresa's hospice in Calcutta:

One lone girl [he said]. Where did she come from? She chose India's soil. She left the entire big world and chose India. [He shook his head.] A hundred years from now, when people hear about her, they will be totally wonder-struck that she ever existed. (New York Times:

"Kolkata Testifies to the Grace of Mother Teresa", September 5th, 2016.)

In Loving Memory: Fr. Higgins with parishioner Betsy Eldridge at the Parish Picnic, 2013: PHOTO by her husband Paul.



# SCRIPTURE STUDY

### SUNDAY EPISTLES STUDY SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Ephesians 4:1-6

**T**oday's passage from Ephesians picks up right where we left off last week: "Now to Him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen." (3:20-21, RSV). St. Paul continues thus: "I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called" (4:1, RSV). The "therefore" in v. 1 links today's passage to the final verses of chapter 3. It is solely on the basis of God empowering us by His grace that we can hope to live our baptismal vocation worthily.

Note, too, that St. Paul mentions that he is "*a prisoner for the Lord*" in v. 1. We shouldn't pass over this without due consideration. St. Paul wrote this letter during his first imprisonment in Rome (circa 60-62 A.D.). When St. Paul gives us moral exhortation, he speaks with the authority not only of an apostle, but also of a martyr. Those who sacrifice everything for Jesus do not waste our time with fluffy theoretical maxims on the good life; they impart to us real spiritual doctrine that saves our souls.

St. Paul, who himself lived out his baptismal call in an extraordinary way (cf. 2 Cor. 11), rightly calls us to a high standard of Christian living, that is, "with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (vv. 2-3, RSV). Who can excuse himself from practicing these virtues? What family or parish would not want these verses to describe their communal life? In fact, Jesus teaches us in the Gospels, and particularly in the Beatitudes, to observe the exact same virtues St. Paul sets out here: humility, meekness, perseverance, patience, forgiveness, and love (cf. Mt. 5:3-12).

Unlike any kind of civic attempt at development or communal harmony, the unity of the Church rests fundamentally on the sacramental unity that she shares with Our Lord. St. Paul expounds upon this unity in today's passage in vv. 4-6: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all" (RSV). On some level, this should be encouraging, because the unity that we are called to cultivate *already exists* at a fundamental level in baptism. Each of us is loved by God equally in Christ, and made His adopted children. Hence, our love for each other as brothers and sisters is motivated by the prior and ever-greater love that God has for each of us. If God loves our brother, who are we *not* to love him?

It is our sin and lack of forgiveness that disturb "unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." In order to maintain this unity and peace, we need to keep our eyes fixed on heaven, where there is no sin, but only the fullness of life in the Spirit (cf. Rev. 21:3-5). Indeed, our love for our fellow Christians should be rooted in a desire for their salvation, as well as our own. As St. Paul explains in v. 4, there is "one hope that belongs to [our] call," namely the eternal life of heaven. The brother or sister who wrongs me is also called by God to eternal life, and therefore, my interaction with them must be geared to helping them achieve that end, especially by practicing those virtues listed in vv. 2-3. May St. Paul pray for us and accompany us as we seek to put these virtues into practice.

# (David Allen)

Mr. David Allen, M.T.S., is the lay Pastoral Associate for our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes.



# PARISH FELLOWSHIP



END OF SUMMER ALL-PARISH PICNIC: <u>TODAY, September</u> Ilth, 2016

Beginning at 12 Noon Come join us today for our annual All-Parish Picnic in the parish gardens, directly following the 10:30 AM Mass. Many thanks to our Parish Staff and our volunteers behind the scenes who have been making preparations, and many thanks to all those who have contributed something to the common buffet table.



Parishioner Neil Steinkrauss at the grill, Parish Picnic 2013





September 11th, A.D. 2016 17th Sunday after Pentecost/24th Sunday of the Year Mary Immaculate of Lourdes, Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

THIS YEAR MARKS OUR 10th PARISH PICNIC SINCE 2007, THE YEAR WHEN THE LATIN MASS COMMUNITY FROM HOLY TRINITY CHURCH JOINED TOGETHER WITH THE PARISH OF MARY IMMACULATE OF LOURDES:

Here are some more photographs from past years' picnics.

(PHOTOS, variously, by Patti Strom, Warren Yee and Paul Eldridge.)







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# Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal) 4:00 PM Sat.Vigil, 7:30 & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

### Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year

**Prelude: 9:00 AM** II. Cujus Animam, RV 621 (Antonio Lucio Vivaldi, d.1741)

Entrance Antiphon: Sir. 36:18 (Saint Meinrad, page 76) "Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for You, that Your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of Your servant, and of Your people Israel."

> Ordinary Prayers: English Chant (Kyrie, Gloria, Creed, Sanctus and Agnus Dei)

Offertory Antiphon: Ps. 36:8 (Saint Meinrad, page 76) "How precious is Your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of Your wings."

#### 9:00 AM

Slave Coelestis Pater (Franz Tunder, d.1667)

#### Communion Antiphon: Cor.10:16

(Saint Meinrad, page 77) "The chalice of blessing that we bless is a communion in the Blood of Christ; and the bread that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord."

#### 9:00 AM

Ad Te Levavi (Samuel Webbe, Published c.1850) "Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me. For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed. Show me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths."

> **Post Communion Hymn:** Salve Mater Misericordiae (chant) **9:00 AM**

Ave Maria (Giulio Caccini, d.1618**)** 

**Recessional Hymn:** We Rest On Thee (Words by E.Cherry, 1895, Music by Jean Sibelius) Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal) 10:30 AM

### Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: Lacrimosa: Requiem in D minor, K.626 (Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart)

> Processional Hymn How Oft, Instinct With Warmth Divine (Joseph Haydn, Published 1794)

> > Asperges: Chant

Introit: Ps. 118:137,124,1

"Justus es, Dómine, et rectum judícium tuum: fac cum servo secúndum misericórdiam tuam.(Psalm) Beáti immaculáti in via: qui ámbulant in lege Dómini."

Ordinary Prayers: Mass of St.Cecilia (J. Egbert Turner, 1853)

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

Gradual: Ps. 32:12,16

"Beáta gens, cujus est Dóminus Deus eórum: pópulus, quem elégit Dóminus in haereditátem sibi. Verbo Dómini caeli firmáti sunt: et spíritu oris ejus omnis virtus eórum." <u>Alleluia:</u> Ps. 101:2
"Allelúja, allelúja. Dómíne, exáudi oratiónem meam: et clamor meus ad te pervéniat. Allelúja."

Offertory Verse: Dan. 9:4,17-19

"Orávi Deum meum ego Daniel, dicens: Exáudi, Dómine, preces servi tui: illúmina fáciem tuam super sanctuárium tuum: et propítius inténde pópulum istum, super quem invocátum est nomen tuum, Deus."

> Offertory Hymn: \*\*Ave Maria, S.38 (Franz Liszt, Published 1870)

Communion Verse: Ps. 75:12-13

"Vovéte, et réddite Dómino Deo vestro omnes, qui in circúito ejus affértis múnera: terríbili et ei, qui aufert spíritum princípum: terríbili apud omnes reges terra."

> Communion Hymn: Miserere Mei, Deus (Gregorio Allegri, d.1652) Recessional Hymn

> We Rest On Thee (Words by E.Cherry, 1895, Music by Jean Sibelius)**)**

> > Noon Angelus (Chant)



### LATIN MASS PROPERS: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**INTROIT:** Psalm 118: 137, 124. Thou art just, O Lord, and Thy judgment is right; deal with Thy servant according to Thy mercy. *Psalm 118: 1* Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. *V*. Glory be to the Father...

**COLLECT:** Grant, O Lord, unto Thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil, and with pure minds follow Thee, the only God. Through our Lord.

**EPISTLE:** Ephesians 4:1-6 Brethren: I, a prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that you walk worthy of the vocation in which you are called. With all humility and mildness, with patience, supporting one another in charity, careful to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. One body and one spirit, as you are called in one hope of your calling. One Lord, one faith, one baptism. One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in us all, who is blessed for ever and ever. Amen.

**GRADUAL:** Psalm 32: 12, 6 Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord: the people whom He hath chosen for His inheritance. *V*. By the word of the Lord the heavens were established; and all the power of them by the spirit of His mouth. ALLELUIA: Alleluia, alleluia. *V*. O Lord, hear my prayer; and let my cry come to Thee. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-46 **A**t that time, the Pharisees came to Jesus, and one of them, a doctor of the Law, asked Him, tempting Him: which is the great commandment of the Law? Jesus said to him: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart, and with thy whole soul and with thy whole mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And the second is like to this: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments dependent the whole Law and the prophets. And the Pharisees being gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying: what think you of Christ, whose son is He? They say to Him: David's. He saith to them: How then doth David, in spirit, call Him Lord, saying: the Lord said to my Lord: Sit on my right hand until I make Thy enemies Thy footstool? If David then call Him Lord, how is He his son? And no man was able to answer Him a word; neither durst any man, from that day forth, ask Him any more questions.

**OFFERTORY:** Daniel 9: 9, 10, 18, 19 I, Daniel, prayed to my God, saying: Hear, O Lord, the prayers of Thy servant; show Thy face upon Thy sanctuary, and favourably look down upon this people, upon whom Thy name is invoked, O God.

**SECRET** We humbly implore Thy majesty, O Lord, that the holy mysteries we are celebrating, may free us both from past sins and future transgressions. Through our Lord.

# Preface of the Holy Trinity

**COMMUNION:** Psalm 75: 12-13 Vow ye, and pray to the Lord your God, all you that round about Him bring presents: to Him that is terrible, even to Him who taketh away the spirit of princes; to the terrible with all the kings of the earth.

**POSTCOMMUNION** By the grace of Thy sacraments, O almighty God, may our passions be subdued and our eternal salvation assured. Through our Lord.

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

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SATURDAY September 10th	4:00 PM	Guido DiVecchio	Memorial	Bob & Jane Brearley	
SUNDAY September IIth 17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST and the 24th IN ORDINARY TIME	7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Pro Populo Douglas & Joanie Kingsley Fr. Hugh O'Regan Brian McCormick Daniel Kwash Nyhen/Kumars/Fitzgerald/ O'Sullivan Family	30th Wedding Anniv. Memorial Anniversary Birthday Intention Living/Deceased	Cindy Fagrey Kwash Family Maureen & Barbara Nyhen	
		Robert & Margaret Hood Anne Marie Sullivan Joseph Schutzman Gene Fell Andrea Peter Johan Fr. Greg Staab, O.M.V.	Wedding Anniversary Special Intention Health of the Sick Birthday Intention Special Intention Special Intention	Anthony & Victora Angelucci Jeff & Kelly Bernard	
	5:30 PM	Ina Dominique Elizabeth Wade	Memorial Birthday Intention	Geraldine Jean-Pierre Wade Family	
MONDAY September 12th Most Holy Name of Mary	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes	Memorial		
	12:30 PM	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed	Memorial		
TUESDAY September 13th St. John Chrysostom	7:30 AM	William & Dorothy Memorial Wilson TRIUMPH OF THE HOLY CROSS			
WEDNESDAY September 14th	12:30 PM	Jerome Brassil	Memorial	Claire Brassil	
THURSDAY September 15th OUR LADY OF SORROWS	7:30 AM	Intention of the Donor		Blessed Margaret of Costello Prayer Group	
	5:30 PM	Hannah O'Laoghaire	Birthday Intention	Lita O'Laoghaire	
September	7:30 AM Health of the Sick 12:30 PM	Joan Sheehy	Memorial	McGrath Family	
		Kwash/Rulnick/Rizzo/ Steinkrauss Family	Memorial	Kwash Family	
SATURDAY September 17th	9:00 AM	Arline Covalli		Susan Goeller	
Mass of Our Lady	4:00 PM	Pro-Life		Mike & Annie Procopio	
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