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# Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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## 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.

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# **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 Iragi/Arab Catholic Community: Our Lady of Mesopotamia

SPECIAL INTENTION: For all the expectant mothers of our parish family. "St. Gerard Majella, pray for us"

Prayer for Motherhood: O good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before God and Wonderworker of our day, I call upon thee and seek thy aid. Thou who on this earth didst always fulfil God's designs, help me to do the Holy Will of God. Beseech the Master of Life, from Whom all paternity proceedeth, to render me fruitful in offspring, that I may raise up children to God in this life and heirs to the Kingdom of His Glory in the world to come. Amen.

#### CATHOLIC EXTENSION CALENDARS FOR 2017

We are very grateful to one of our bulletin sponsors, GEORGE F. DOHERTY FUNERAL HOMES, for also sponsoring the parish's 2017 Catholic liturgical Calendar.

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FRONT COVER The Lady Altar decorated for Christmas Eve, 2016. (PHOTO by Paul Eldridge.)

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## JANUARY IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Scenes from our Christmas Eve Mass with the Children's Nativity Pageant. (PHOTOS by Paul Eldridge)











Children's Nativity: Mary—Jael LeFevre, Joseph— Ronan Tennis, Magi Kings—Amaya LeFevre, Matthew Sierra, Killian Tennis, the Angel Host— Angeline and Christine Nicoloro.





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# SCRIPTURE STUDY

### THE COLLECTS OF THE ROMAN MISSAL: OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY/ MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

For this week's meditation on the Collects of the Roman Missal, we consider the principal Collect for the Octave Day of the Nativity, which is identical in both forms of the Mass, even as each form has a differing designation for today's feast (MR 1962- the Octave of the Nativity/Feast of the Circumcision, and MR 1970- the Feast of Mary, Mother of God). Below is the official ICEL translation of this Collect in the third typical edition of the Roman Missal (2010):

> "O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary bestowed on the human race the grace of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we may experience the intercession of her, through whom we were found worthy to receive the author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen."

Broken down into its five-part structure, the Collect looks like this:

#### 1. O God (address),

 who bestowed on the human race the grace of eternal salvation through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary (acclamation of God's work),
 grant, we pray, that we may experience the intercession of this same Blessed Mary (petition),
 she, through whom we were found worthy to receive the author of life, Jesus Christ, your Son (motive for the petition),

5. who lives and reigns, etc. (concluding doxological formula)

Re-fashioned into a syllogism, we may interpret the Collect like this:

A) If God saved man by Mary's virginity and maternity ("*fruitful* virginity" implies maternity),
B) And if Mary was made worthy to become the Mother of God on our behalf (in other words, "we were found worthy" to receive Jesus only because she, in fact, *was* worthy to bear Him due to her Immaculate Conception),

C) Then we can hope to experience Mary's efficacious intercession in all of its fruitfulness, maternal love, and meritorious power. The argument here is fairly straightforward. The Collect praises God for the miracle of Mary's divine maternity, which ultimately points us back to the grace of her Immaculate Conception. God made her worthy from the moment of her conception to become the Mother of His Son, and so, by extension, humanity was thereby made worthy *through her* to receive Christ. If this is true (and indeed it is!), then the merits of Our Lady are the surety for every other grace we can hope to receive from her powerful and loving intercession. What a marvelous gift!

The Collect explicitly notes God's action in bringing "the grace of eternal salvation" to us through Mary. In the petition, it indicates that her role is not limited by the Nativity. Indeed, as the entirety of the Church's Tradition shows, Mary continues to be our chief intercessor in heaven. This teaching is especially clear and robust in the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, Lumen Gentium nos. 61-62: "[Mary] cooperated in a very special way in the work of the savior...towards the restoration of the supernatural life of souls. For this reason she has become our mother on the order of grace. This motherhood of Mary in the economy of grace goes on without interruption....she has not put aside this saving role, rather she continues by her many prayers of intercession to obtain for us gifts of eternal salvation."

Thus, it is not accidental that we have a statue of Our Lady of Grace above the baptismal font here at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes parish. As St. John Paul II explains, "she continually brings to birth children for the mystical Body of her Son" (cf. Rosarium Virginis Mariae, no. 15; cf. Lumen Gentium no. 53). Through Mary, mankind receives Christ the "Author of life" both in history at the Nativity and sacramentally in Baptism.

St. John Paul II also teaches us that "*the role she assumed at Cana in some way accompanies Christ throughout his ministry*," namely, her tender solicitude and intercession (*RVM* no. 21). We may apply this truth to our lives, as well: Mary indeed accompanies us throughout life, interceding for and helping us (cf. *RVM* nos. 15-16, 21). May the beauty of today's feast spur us to approach her with greater trust in her merits and prayers.

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# **STEWARDSHIP**



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CHRISTMAS FLOWCR 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. The Flower Offering Envelopes with the memorial names will be placed upon the altar at all of our parish Masses during the Christmas Season.

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2016-2017 PARISH SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS & EPIPHANYTIDE

CHRISTMAS MASSES: <u>Holy Night—Christmas Eve,</u> <u>Saturday, December 24th</u>: 4:00 PM—Family Mass with Children's Pageant 7:00 PM: Iraqi/Arab Catholic Mass 12 Midnight—Traditional Latin Mass

<u>Christmas Day, Sunday, December</u>
 <u>25th</u>: Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30
 AM (Traditional Latin Mass)
 <u>N.B. NO 5:30 PM MASS</u>

Octave Day of Christmas, Sunday, January 1st, Mary the Mother of God: Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM (Traditional Latin Mass), 5:30 PM.

<u>The Epiphany of the Lord, Friday,</u> <u>January 6th</u>: Traditional Latin Masses at 12:30 PM and Sung Mass at 7:30 PM ("Three Kings" Reception at the rectory after the 7:30 PM Mass)

<u>Sunday, January 8th:</u> Mass of the Epiphany, 4:00 PM (Sat), 7:30 & 9 AM, 5:30 PM Mass of the Holy Family, 10:30 AM Open House at the Rectory from 8:30 AM-2:30 PM

<u>Candlemas Day, Thursday, February</u> <u>2nd</u>: Blessing of Candles and Procession, Mass of the Purification, 7:30 PM (Traditional Latin)

Candlemas is the last Feast of the Christmas Cycle

# PARISH **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



PARISH **OPEN** HOUSE AT THE RECTORY NEXT SUNDAY. JANUARY 8th, 2017, from 8:30 AM until 2:30 PM.

Please join us, as we

continue to celebrate the Christmas Season in Epiphanytide!

**PHOTO** Archive: Interior of the original parish church of St. Mary's, 1870, located on Chestnut Street, Newton Upper Falls. (The church building no longer exists.)



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## **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 for the sick, especially for:

Richard Farrell, Helen "Sunny" McCloskey, Paul Eldridge, Mary Downey, Joseph Gamache, Kathy Quinn, Ellen Balkus, Lena Strom, Kay Mullen, Barbara Nyhen, Maureen yhen, Christina Kwash, Nick & Janet Pino, Ed Donovan, Marie Schroter, Marie Danca, Mary Duhaime...

"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



\_\_\_\_\_ Nursing Home Masses in the Parish for the month  $\parallel$ of JANUARY: Π Thursday, Thurday, January 5th: Π STONE INSTITUTE Π Thursday, January 12th: Π WINGATE MANOR Π (Masses are at 2:00 PM) Π

> **Requiescant in Pace** Please pray for the resurrection of :

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Betsy Eldridge, 70th Birthday Memorial Sally Kerr, 102nd Birthday Memorial



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# Music Programs for this Sunday's Mass

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

#### Mary the Mother of God

#### **Entrance Antiphon:**

(Saint Meinrad, page 11) "Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth forever."

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

#### Offertory Antipon: Is.9:1,5

"Today a light will shine upon us, for the Lord is born for us; and He will be calledWondrous God, Prince of peace, Father of future ages: and His reign will be without end."

**Communion:** Heb.13:8 "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

### Post Communion Hymn

Ave Maria (Franz Schubert, 1797~1828)

#### **Recessional Hymn:** Joy To The World (Parish Hymnal **No.38**)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal) 10:30 AM

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Prelude: Domine Deus (Antonio Vivaldi) Processional Hymn Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (Parish Hymnal No.122)

> Asperges: Chant Introit: Is. 9:6, Ps. 97:1

"Puer natus est nobis, et filius datus est nobis: cujus imperium super humerum ejus: et vocabitur nomen ejus, magni consilii Angelus. (Psalm) Cantate Domino canticum novum: quia mirabilia fecit."

Ordinary Prayers: Missa De Angelis (Parish Hymnal No.162) (Kyrie, Gloria, Credo I, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei)

Gradual:Ps. 97:3,4,2, "Viderunt omnes fines terrae salutare Dei nostri: jubilate Deo, omnes terra. Notum fecit Dominus salutare suum: ante conspectum gentium revelavit justitiam suam." Alleluia:Heb 1:1-2, "Alleluia, alleluia. Multifarie olim Deus loquens patribus in prophetis, novissime diebus istis locutus est nobis in Filio. Alleluia"

#### Offertory Verse: Ps. 88:12,15

"Tui sunt coeli, et tua est terra, orbem terrarum et plenitudinum ejus tu fundasti: justitia et judicium praeparatio sedis tuae."

**Offertory Hymn:** Puer Natus In Bethlehem (Chant)

**Communion Verse**:Ps. 97:3 "Viderunt omnes fines terae salutare Dei nostri."

> Communion Hymn: Sancta Nox, Placida Nox! Ave Maria (Franz Schubert, 1797~1828)

> > **Recessional Hymn:** Joy To The World (Parish Hymnal **No.38**)

Noon Angelus (Chant)

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### LATIN MASS PROPERS: OCTAVE DAY OF CHRISTMAS

**INTROIT:** Psalm 97:1 A Child is born to us, and a Son is given to us: whose government is upon His shoul- der: and His name shall be called, the Angel of great counsel. Ps. Sing to the Lord a new canticle: because He hath done wondrous things.

COLLECT O God, who through the fruitful virginity of blessed Mary didst secure for mankind the reward of eternal salvation; grant, we beseech Thee, that we may experience her intercession for us, through whom we have been made worthy to receive the Author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son

**EPISTLE:** Titus 2: 11-15 Dearly beloved: The grace of God our Saviour hath appeared to all men, instructing us, that, denying ungodliness and worldly desires, we should live soberly and justly and godly in this world, looking for the blessed hope and coming of the glory of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ: Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and might cleanse to Himself a people acceptable, a pursuer of good works. These things speak and exhort: in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**GRADUAL:** Psalm 97: 2-4 All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: sing joyfully to God, all the earth.  $\cancel{V}$ . The Lord hath made known His salvation: He hath revealed His justice in the sight of the nations. ALLELUIA: Hebrews 1: 1-2 Alleluia, alleluia.  $\cancel{V}$ . God, who in divers manners spoke in times past to the fathers by the prophets, last of all in these days hath spoken to us by His Son. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 2: 21 **A**t that time, after eight days were accomplished, that the Child should be circumcised: His Name was called Jesus which was called by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

**OFFERTORY: Psalm 88: 12,15** Thine are the heavens, and Thine is the earth, the world and the fulness thereof Thou hast found-ed: justice and judgment are the preparation of Thy throne.

**SECRET: Psalm 97: 3** Receive, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our offerings and prayers, cleansing us by these heavenly mysteries, and mercifully hearing us. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION: Psalm 97: 3 All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

**POSTCOMMUNION** May this communion, O Lord, cleanse us from all sin, and by the intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, make us partakers of the heavenly remedy. Through the same our Lord.

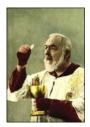


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#### Calendar of Masses

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

SUNDAY January 1st OCTAVE DAY OF CHRISTMAS (SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD)	4:00 PM (Sat) 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 5:30 PM	In Thanksgiving for All Favors Received During 2016 Pro Populo Intention for the New Year Jason Pascucci & Molly Bloomer Jim Witmer William "Bobby" Ryan Jeff & Kelly Bernard Donna Angelucci Ralph, Rose & Vincent Mazzarella Corcoran/Mazzarella Fam. Intention of the Celebrant		Kelly & Jill Donahue David Lang Paul & Annette White Anthony & Victoria Angelucci
MONDAY January 2nd SS. Basil & Gregory/ Most Holy Name of Jesus	7:30 AM 12:30 PM	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Intention of the Celebrant	Memorial	
TUESDAY January 3rd Most Holy Name of Jesus	7:30 AM	Intention of the Donor		Francis McNary
WEDNESDAY January 4th St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	12:30 PM	Francis McCarthy	Memorial	Mary McCarthy
THURSDAY January 5th St. John Neumann	7:30 AM 5:30 PM	Christy O'Sullivan Intention of the Donor	Memorial	Mary Mulhern & Family
FRIDAY January 6th EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD	7:30 AM Health of the Sick 12:30 PM 7:30 PM	Charles J. Higgins	35th Anniversary	
		Mary Desmond Pro Populo	Special Intention	Mary McCarthy
SATURDAY January 7th Mass of Our Lady in	9:00 AM	All Souls Carolyn Doucette Pro-life	Memorial Special Intention	Maria Centofanti Mary McCarthy Annie Procopio
Christmastide	4:00 PM	Frank Wayne Spates	Month's Mind	Geoff & Meg Wade



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"It would be easier for the earth to carry on without the sun than without the Holy Mass."—Padre Pio





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