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Newton/Needham, Massachusetts

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September 16th, 2012 in the Year of Grace
The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost and
the Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year

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ON THE PARISH CALENDAR...

Sunday, September 16th:

Holy Name Parish Men's Group meeting in the rectory at 12:15 p.m.

Lay Dominicans, 1:00 p.m., lower rectory conference room

Confirmation Candidates, afternoon retreat, lower church hall. (The retreat will conclude with the 5:30 p.m. Mass)

Sunday, September 23rd:

VIRTUS training program, 12:15 p.m., lower rectory conference room.

Virgilio Family Christening, 1:00 p.m., main church

Tuesday, September 25th:

Benedictum Book Club, 10:30 a.m.-12 Noon, lower church hall

Saturday, September 29th:

Aufiero Family Christening, 2:00 p.m.

Confirmation Mass Rehearsal, Candidates and Sponsors, 5:15 p.m.

Sunday, September 30th:

MASS OF CONFIRMATION, 5:30 p.m.

Bishop Edyvean will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation according to the 1970 Missal.

A Reception will follow in the downstairs hall after Mass.

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SECOND COLLECTION FOR TODAY: SOS (DOCTORS) MISSIONARY APPEAL CO-OPERATIVE



Today's bulletin shows scenes from this year's end-of-summer all-parish picnic. (Photo by Paul Eldridge.)



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

SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS



(Front Cover: The beginning of our parish picnic last Sunday, September 9th, 2012. PHOTO by Warren Yee.)

ELEVEN YEARS AFTER “9/11”

This past Tuesday, September 11th, we marked the 11th Anniversary of the event we call “9/11”, as well as the 10th anniversary of marking the anniversary. How quickly the march of time has made this cataclysmic event yet another historical event, with its causes and consequences, all of its pieces mooted and picked apart in an effort to define what it meant for our country and the world-at-large.

On that day, four teams of Islamist commandoes hijacked four commercial planes

filled with passengers in order to use the jets as guided missiles. They succeeded in striking the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City and the seat of the U.S. military command at the Pentagon building in Washington, D.C. On the fourth plane the passengers fought back, realizing what was in store for them, and that plane crashed without any survivors in a field in Pennsylvania.

It was a spectacularly awful success, although the loss of life—great as it was—was far less than what the fanatics had hoped to inflict on the American people. Who of us old enough to remember that day can ever forget the shock, followed by an awareness of just how vulnerable the nation was to further attacks?

The immediate aftermath of “9/11” was an experience of national unity such as I can never recall in my lifetime, before or since. Older generations compared it to the way things were after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor in 1941. People seemed to set aside their differences. There was no mass panic. Outside of a few isolated incidents, Muslims living in America were not scapegoated. There was a seriousness of purpose in our people. Churches were fuller than they had been in years.

Eleven years later, it is hard to believe there was such unity at that moment in the United States, so divided and factionalized does it appear we’ve become. In the days after “9/11”, you thought: “This has changed us. Things can never be the same again.” There was an expression used to censure people who showed a self-centered, oblivious attitude in the wake of the cataclysm: “*That is so ‘9/10!’*”

Now, eleven years later, Osama Bin Laden, the mastermind behind the “9/11” attack, is dead, cornered and killed in his hideout by our brave Navy SEALs after a decade-long manhunt. We went to war first in Afghanistan and then in Iraq in an effort to destroy the terrorist bases. We

discovered that fanatical groups of Islamists, who believe they are justified in making war on all non-Muslims as well as on those Muslims who don't submit to them, are like the monstrous Hydra of Greek mythology. In mythology, the Hydra was a huge sea serpent with nine heads. As soon as one was cut off, two more grew, unless the severed head could be immediately cauterized. Finally, the monster was slain by Hercules, but the multi-headed Hydra remains the image to us of an evil which not only cannot be killed off by direct attack, but multiplies and gains strength just from such a direct attack.

We have been at war now for more than a decade: our enemies have been damaged, but far from beaten. Indeed, the popular uprisings against the Arab despotisms we have followed in the news this year have given militant Islam renewed potency. On this year's anniversary of 9/11 we saw Islamist mobs destroy a consulate in Libya, murdering our ambassador, and storm our embassy in Cairo.

The kind of mass-casualty attack of 9/11 has not been repeated over these eleven years, but there have been close calls and of those that we know about, many have been thwarted by providential accident (God's divine protection!) rather than by any great effectiveness of our security-state measures.

The military campaigns unleashed in 2001-2003 in order to deal out retribution to our attackers and neutralize them against any future terror-strike turned into prolonged, open-ended counter-insurgency operations, which no amount of political "spin" could pass off as "Victory". More than 6,000 American military lost their lives in Iraq, more than 2,000 have died in Afghanistan. The severely wounded number in the tens of thousands. Our returning veterans have to contend with many of their countrymen who would just as soon forget the whole thing. And the populations of Iraq and Afghanistan, caught in the cross-fire, are not saying "thank you" to us for all the blood and treasure we expended on their behalf.

For those on the receiving end, war undertaken for humanitarian purposes is just as lethal and destructive as any other war.

As Catholic believers, conscious of our duty to our nation, we need to let the supernatural perspective of our faith continually inform our response to these times. Foremost is the response of prayer. I go back to those first weeks after 9/11 and the well-attended churches. Biblical religion has always seen calamitous events as a time of the Lord's "visitation", a time to turn to the Lord with all our hearts, repenting our sins, and seeking to live our lives with greater fidelity to His commandments, come what may.

(Fr. Higgins)

MILITARY SERVICE PRAYER LIST:

We remember all of our military servicemen and women, especially ... *Sgt. Dennis Geary, U.S. Army (Afghanistan), 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.



Calendar of Masses

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

SATURDAY September 15th	4:00 p.m.	Earl Smith	Special Intention	Margie Bibbo
SUNDAY September 16th The 16th	7:30 a.m.	Pro Populo		
Sunday after Pentecost and the 24th Sunday of the Year	9:00 a.m.	Len McCormick	Memorial	DeMatteo Family
	10:30 a.m.	Richard Dolan Louis Post Deceased Members of the Battaglia Family Elsie Battaglia	Special Intention Memorial Memorial 1st Anniversary	Catherine E. Dinon Post Family William & Karen Provencher William & Karen Provencher Sodality Pappin Family Bennett Family
				
	5:30 p.m.	Maureen Nyhen Albert Marcello Stephen Pacano	Special Intention Memorial Memorial	
	5:30 p.m.	Ludmila Dostalova	Memorial	Lida Reed
MONDAY September 17th	7:30 a.m.	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish	Memorial	
	12:30 p.m.	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed	Memorial	
TUESDAY September 18th	7:30 a.m.	Richard Battista	Memorial	DeMatteo Family
	5:30 p.m.	James A. Donovan	Memorial	Frances, Teresa, Elizabeth and Martha
WEDNESDAY September 19th	7:30 a.m.	<i>Intention of the Celebrant</i>		
	12:30 p.m.	Jerome Brassil	Memorial	Claire Brassil
THURSDAY September 20th	7:30 a.m.	Stanley Mastaj	Memorial	Catherine Mastaj
	5:30 p.m.	Liliane Petit	Special Intention	
FRIDAY September 21st	7:30 a.m.	My Grandchildren	Special Intention	Catherine Mastaj
	<i>Health of the Sick</i>			
	12:30 p.m.	Pro Life		Annie Procopio
SATURDAY September 22nd	9:00 a.m.	Denise McNamara Julia MacKenzie Jack Kirk David R. Jones Jr.	Memorial Birthday Intention Memorial Special Intention	Jim McNamara MacKenzie Family Bennett Family Jean Jones
	4:00 p.m.	Joyce Higgins	Special Intention	Marie Danca



HEALTH OF THE SICK

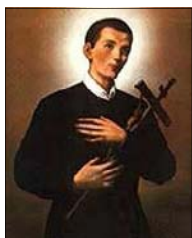
“In every man there is Jesus, but in the sick we see Jesus twice.”

—Padre Pio

For all those on our parish prayer list, especially for... Louis Komuves, Sr. Catherine Grandfield, Mary Adams, Helen Panella, 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, Brenda Winegarner, Jean Johnson, Lois Ludwig, Paula Apothacary, Jeanne Ciocca, Sam Adams III, Altair da Silva, Christina Kwash, Kitty Ward, Missy Ochsner, 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, Bill McIlheny, Sheila Whittle, Michelle Fay, Bobbie Hoffmann, Beverly Balconi, Martial Rainey, Dennis McCarthy, Edward Crestitelli, Sharon Kopchik, Erin Marie Fell, Dominic Cantillo, Theresa Higgins, Lita Uilaoghair, 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, Joe Bellino, Lucia LoPresti, Polly Sullivan, Fred Strom.



“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



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.

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Deborah Curtis, aged 92
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Sister Mary Elizabeth Corbett,
C.S.J., aged 93 (parishioner who was over 70 years in religious life)



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MISSIONARY CO-OPERATIVE APPEAL TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th

The Catholic Church is world-wide, and much of it is served by missionaries in developing countries. To help us better understand the universality of the Church and to give us an opportunity to assist missionaries in their effort to proclaim the Good News of Jesus, Fr. Evan Villanueva, MI, will speak on behalf of SOS DRS (SOS Doctors) at all the Masses this Sunday. SOS DRS is the international disaster relief organization of the Ministers of the Infirm (Order of St. Camillus) that serves the medical, pastoral and humanitarian needs of people affected by man-made and natural disasters. Fr. Villanueva will be asking for our prayers and financial support for the mission of SOS DRS (www.sosdrs.org). Please be generous.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR:

Religious Education Classes for Kindergarten-Grade 5 will begin next **Sunday, September 23rd**. Classes will meet in the downstairs church hall, from 8:30-10:00 a.m. (The children will participate in the 9 a.m. parish Mass in the main church after they have had a Children's Liturgy of the Word downstairs.)

Classes for Grades 6-8 (Pre-Confirmation) will start on **October 14th**, from 4:15-6:30 p.m. in the downstairs church hall. Class includes fulfilling the Sunday Mass obligation by attendance at the parish 5:30 p.m. Mass.

Registration will take place on the first day of class. New students are always welcome.

LATIN MASS TEXTS

Traditional Propers

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Vestments: Green

INTROIT: Psalm 85: 3, 5. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I have cried to Thee all the day; for Thou, O Lord, art sweet and mild, and plenteous in mercy to all that call upon Thee. *Psalm 85:1* Bow down Thy ear to me, O Lord, and hear me; for I am needy and poor. *V.* Glory be to the Father...

COLLECT: O Lord, we pray Thee that Thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually intent upon all good works. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: Ephesians 3:13-31 Brethren: I pray you not to faint at my tribulations for you, which are your glory. For this cause I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom all paternity in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened by His Spirit with might unto the inward man. That Christ may dwell by faith in your hearts; that being rooted and founded in charity, you may be able to comprehend with all the saints, what is the breadth and length, and height, and depth. To know also the charity of Christ, which surpasseth all knowledge; that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do all things more abundantly than we desire or understand, according to the power that worketh in us: to Him be glory in the Church, and in Christ Jesus, unto all generations, world without end. Amen.

GRADUAL: Psalm 101: 16-17 The Gentiles shall fear Thy name, O Lord, and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. *V.* For the Lord hath built up Sion, and He shall be seen in His majesty.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle, because the Lord hath done wonderful things. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 14: 1-11 At that time, when Jesus went into the house of one of the chief of the Pharisees on the Sabbath-day to eat bread, they watched Him. And behold, there was a certain man before Him that had dropsy: and Jesus answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying: Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath-day? But they held their peace: but He taking him, healed him, and sent him away. And answering them, He said: Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fall into a pit, and will not immediately draw him out on the Sabbath-day? And they could not answer Him these things. And He spoke a parable also to them that were invited, marking how they chose the first seats at the table, saying to them: When thou art invited to a wedding, sit not down in the first place, lest perhaps one more honorable than thou be invited by him; and he that invited thee and him, come and say to thee: Give this man place; and then thou begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when thou art invited, go, sit down at the lowest place: that when he who invited thee cometh, he may say to thee: Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have glory before them that sit at table with thee: because every one that exalteth himself shall be humbled, and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

OFFERTORY: Psalm 39: 14, 15 Look down, O Lord, to help me; let them be confounded and ashamed that seek after my soul to take it away; look down, O Lord, to help me.

SECRET Cleanse our hearts, we beseech Thee, O Lord, through the effects of this sacrifice: and in Thy mercy make us worthy to partake thereof. Through our Lord.

Preface of the Holy Trinity

COMMUNION: Psalm 70: 16-17, 18 O Lord, I will be mindful of Thy justice alone: Thou hast taught me, O God, from my youth, and unto old age and grey hairs, O God, forsake me not.

POSTCOMMUNION In Thy loving kindness, O Lord, purify our souls, we beseech Thee: and quicken us to a new life by Thy sacrament, that in both the present and future, even our bodies therein may find relief. Through our Lord.

Music Programs for this Sunday's Masses

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

September 16th, A.D. 2012, Saturday vigil, 4 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 and 9:00 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.

Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year

Introit: Sir 36:18 **Da Pacem**

"Grant peace to those who are waiting for you, O Lord, so that Your prophets may be proved trustworthy; hear the prayers of Your servant and of Your people Israel."

Kyrie – Chant

Gloria – Missa De Angelis (English)

Responsorial Psalm

Gospel Acclamation

Credo I: (extra sheet)

Offertory: Cf. Ex 24:4,5 **Sanctificavit**

"Moses consecrated an altar to the Lord, and presented thereupon burnt offerings and sacrificial victims; he made an evening sacrifice as a fragrant offering to the Lord, in the presence of the sons of Israel."

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: Mt 16:24 **Qui vult venire**

"If a man wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me."

Post Communion Hymn

Anima Christi

(Parish Hymnal No.108)

Recessional Hymn:

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

(Parish Hymnal No.62)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

September 16th, A.D. 2012, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Processional Hymn

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

(Felix Mendelssohn, c.1833)

Asperges: Chant

Introit: Ps. 85:3,5,1

"Miserere mihi, Domine, quoniam ad te clamavi tota die: quia tu, Domine, suavis ac mitis es, et copiosus in misericordia omnibus invocantibus te. (Psalm) Inclina, Domine, auram tuam mihi, et exaudi me: quoniam inops, et pauper sum ego."

Ordinary Prayers: "St. Cecilia Mass"

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

Gradual: Ps. 101:16-17

"Timebunt gentes nomen tuum, Domine, et omnes reges terrae gloriam tuam. Quoniam aedificavit Dominus Sion: et videbitur in majestate sua." **Alleluia:** Ps. 97:1

"Alleluja, alleluja. Cantate Domino canticum novum: quia mirabilia fecit Dominus. Alleluja."

Offertory Verse: Ps. 39:14,15

"Domine, in auxilium meum respice: confundantur et vereantur, qui quaerunt animam meam, ut auferant eam: Domine, in auxilium meum respice."

Offertory Hymn: Ave Maria

(Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina d.1594)

Communion Hymn: Sicut Cervus

(Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina d.1594)

Communion Verse: Ps. 70:16,17,18

"Domine, memorabor justitiae tuae solius: Deus, docuisti me a juventute mea, et usque in senectam et senium: Deus, ne derelinquas me."

Recessional Hymn

Laudate Dominum

(George Frideric Handel d.1759)

Noon Angelus (Chant)

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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, 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), 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.

Holy Days: if Mon-Fri., 7:30 AM., 12:30, 5:30 &
7:30 PM.; if on Saturday, 9 AM & 12:30 PM

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.



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)

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