

St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish
253 Cabot Street ~ Beverly, Massachusetts

The Year for Priests



HYMNS & READINGS

OPENING: **617**— "Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation"

READING: **887**

COMM: **738**— "I Am The Bread of Life"

CLOSING: **445**— "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

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Baptism

Celebration on the Third Sunday of the Month
Baptismal Catechesis Required for First Time Parents ~ Third Monday of the Month at Rectory

Marriage

Engaged couples are advised to call the Rectory at least six months prior to their wedding date.
Participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is required.

Mass Schedule

Monday thru Saturday 7:00 AM (Except Thursday's)
Saturday 4:00 PM ~ Sunday / 8:15 AM / 10:30 AM / 5:00 PM

Holy Day Masses

See Parish Calendar for Mass Times

Confessions

Saturday ~ 2:30 PM ~ 3:15 PM Lower Church, or by Appointment

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 14 ~

Jer 17:5-8 / Ps 1:1-4,6 / Cor 15:12,16-20
Lk 6:17,20-26

Monday, February 15 ~

Jas 1:1-11 / Ps 119:67-68,71-72,75-76 / Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, February 16 ~

Jas 1:12-18 / Ps 94:12-13a,14-15,18-19/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 17 ~

Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18 / Ps 51:3-6b,12-14,17 / Cor 5:20-6:2
Mt 6:1-6,16-18

Thursday, February 18 ~

Dt 30:15-20 / Ps 1:1-4,6 / Lk 9:22-25

Friday, February 19 ~

Is 58:1-9a / PS 51:3-6b,18-19 / Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, February 20 ~

Is 58:9b-14 / Ps 86:1-6 / Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, February 21 ~

First Sunday of Lent

Dt 26:4-10 / Ps 91:1-2,10-15 / Rom 10:8-13
Lk 4:1-13

Our parish is greatly blessed by the presence of the St. Vincent dePaul Society. The presence of the Society in our parish enables us not only to care for the poor but to do so in a way that makes certain that donations are used wisely and fairly. We thank all parishioners who contribute to the work of the Society by placing donations in the St. Vincent dePaul box located in the back of the Church directly behind the statue of St. Alphon-sus. Please continue to help us to care for God's poor.

Parish Calendar

SUNDAY

SECOND COLLECTION: PETER'S PENCE
NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
9:15 AM Bible Discussion Group
9:20 AM RCIA
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal—Main Church

MONDAY

PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY
RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED
NO DAILY ADORATION
NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TUESDAY

7:00 PM Legion of Mary—Rectory

WEDNESDAY

ASH WEDNESDAY
7:00 AM / 12:05 PM / 7:00 PM
NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

FRIDAY

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM Mass—Main Church

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Mass—Extraordinary Form
Main Church

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Men's Group—Lower Church
2:30 PM Confessions—Lower Church

SUNDAY

11:30 AM Baptisms

Mass Intentions

Months Mind Mass
10:30 AM ~ Sunday, February 14:
Sally Arsenault
Louis Jacques

Monday, February 15:
Angelina Papa

Tuesday, February 16:
Patricia Carbone

Wednesday, February 17:
Bianca Lieb

Friday, February 19:
Frederick Silva

Saturday, February 20:
Arthur Sudak

Months Mind Mass
10:30AM ~ Sunday, February 21:
Arthur Sudak

PRAYERS

Kindly remember in your prayers the intentions in our PARISH PRAYER BOOK, the deceased members of our parish, all who have asked for our prayers and for those who have no one to pray for them.

Special prayers are requested for:
MARY LeCOMTE who recently passed away.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:
\$10,607.00
PLUS THOSE CONTRIBUTING
THROUGH PARISH PAY:
\$1,079.00

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2010

Ashes to be blessed during Mass at:

7:00 AM / 12:05 PM / 7:00 PM

Confessions Wednesday Evenings
6:30 PM—8:00 PM

February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

religious education

UP COMING DATES:

March 6: Reconciliation ~ 10:30AM
Main Church

March 27: Workshop for Second Grade Students
9:30-12noon ~ School Hall

April 11: Confirmation ~ 5:00PM
Main Church

ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE: Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligations of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used at all.

FAST: Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their sixtieth year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

"Let us witness to our love and imitation of Christ by special solicitude for the sick, the poor, the underprivileged, the imprisoned, the bed-ridden, the discouraged, the stranger, the lonely, and persons of other color, nationalities, or background than our own. (Bishops' Statement)

Mass Schedules in the surrounding area:

St. Mary Star of the Sea, Beverly:

Ash Wednesday 7:00 AM / 12:05 PM / 7:00 PM—Weekday Mass 7:00 AM Mon., Tues., Wed., Friday
 Evening Mass—7:00PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
 The Thursday 7PM will be in the Extraordinary Form.
 (Note that the only Mass on Thursdays will be in the evening).
 Stations of The Cross, Friday, 6:30 PM—Main Church
 Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00 PM *February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. Margaret's Parish, Beverly Farms:

Ash Wednesday 9:00 AM / 7:30PM—Weekday Mass 8:45AM Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
 Stations of The Cross, Friday, 3:00 PM in the Rectory
 Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00 PM *February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. John the Evangelist Parish, North Beverly:

Ash Wednesday 9:00 AM / 3:00 PM / 7:00 PM—Weekday Mass 9:00AM Mon. Tues, Thurs, Friday
 Communion Service 9:00 AM Wednesday - Stations of the Cross, Friday, 3:00 PM
 Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00 PM *February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

Immaculate Conception Parish, Salem:

Ash Wednesday 9:00 AM / 12:05 PM / 7:00 PM—Weekday Mass 9:00 AM Tuesday thru Saturday
 Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00 PM *February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. James Parish, Salem:

Ash Wednesday 9:00 AM / 6:00 PM—3:00 PM Service with Ashes
 Weekday Mass 12:05 PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday—9:00 AM Saturday
 Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00 PM *February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. Mary of The Annunciation, Danvers:

Ash Wednesday 7:00 AM/9:00 AM/7:00 PM—Weekday Mass 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM Monday thru Saturday
 Lenten Mass with Speaker: 7:30 PM—Feb. 24, March 3, March 24
 Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00 PM *February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

Carmelite Chapel:

Ash Wednesday 8:30 AM / 12:00 PM / 3:00 PM
 Weekday Mass 8:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 3:00 PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
 Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00 PM *February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

Increased Offertory Appeal

Increased Offertory Appeal a success!

Last weekend was “**Commitment Weekend**” for all parishioners of St. Mary Star Of The Sea Parish. As a response to the call for increased weekly offertory giving, we asked all of our parishioners to return their completed **Commitment Envelopes** by placing them in the collection basket.

The initial results are very encouraging with many families participating in the appeal. For the convenience of those who may have been away, there is a supply of additional materials in the back of the church. If you pick up these materials after Mass, please return them as soon as possible by mail or by placing them in the collection at Mass next weekend.

In order for our parish community to consider expanding ministries while continuing to meet our growing financial obligations, please consider a commitment plan from the brochure that is best suited to your own circumstances. This will allow St. Mary's to accurately plan for the future. Thank you for your generous support.

ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS ~ “A Spirited, Faith-filled Community”

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CULTURAMA WINNERS as judged by various dignitaries such as Mayor Scanlon, administrators from St. John's Prep & Bishop Fenwick, bank presidents, lawyers, doctors, engineers, scientists, teachers, etc.

7th Grade: 1st Place – **Mary Joens** – *Berlin Wall*

2nd Place – **Justin Fortini** – *The History of Legos*

3rd Place – **Megan Kelley** – *Salem Witch Trials*

Honorable Mentions: **Ryan Collins** – *WWII Dambusters*, **Hannah Silvestri**

Julia Child & Rachel Ray, **Micaela Thibault** – *Anterior Cruciate*

Ligament; **Max Wilder** – *9/11*

8th Grade: 1st Place – **Allegra Egizi** – *Entertainment in the Great Depression*

2nd Place – **Keely Higgins** – *Alzheimer's Disease*

3rd Place – **Natalie Harvey** – *Manatees*

Honorable Mentions: **Anna Dunbar** – *The 1914 Salem Fire*; **Micaela Forzese** –

Water Pollution; **Ryan Powers** – *Pearl Harbor*; **Kate Silvestri** – *Ellis Island*

SPOTLIGHT ON PRE-SCHOOL – 3-year old Pre-school learned about the 4 seasons, with concentration on winter as they discovered water freezing, created snow sculptures with ivory soap (fine motor activity), and snowball fishing. They further tuned their fine motor skills (which are pre-writing skills) with various art activities. In Science, 3-yr. olds are growing and shrinking objects, and continue their alphabet skills. Thank you to teacher **Mrs. Candy Grein** and aide **Sandy Silva**. The 4-year old Pre-School program worked on their numbers and alphabet letters, and built an igloo for their winter theme. The 4-yr. olds also joined Grade 6 with computer time and a friendship fruit salad, and had computer day with the 4th grade class. Thank you to teacher **Mrs. Ruth Costa** and aide **Angela Costa**.

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, March 21st at 4:00 PM, as we pay tribute to our St. Mary Star of the Sea School and Parish Legacy Gala honorees at Danversport Yacht Club. This year's Gala will include a **Wine-Tasting Expo!** Honorees will be announced next week.

Dear Friends in Christ,

Lent begins this Wednesday. Masses on Ash Wednesday will be at 7am, 12:05pm, and 7pm. (Please note that there is no 9am Mass on Ash Wednesday). I want to encourage you to attend Daily Mass during the season of Lent. Since I would like not only to encourage you to attend Daily Mass, but also to help you to do so, this will be our Daily Schedule during Lent:

Mondays: 7am, 7pm
Tuesdays: 7am, 7pm
Wednesdays: 7am, 7pm
Thursdays: 7pm in the Extraordinary Form.
(Note that the only Mass on Thursdays will be in the evening).
Fridays: 7am, 7pm.

In addition, there will be Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 6:30pm.

Every Wednesday night (except Ash Wednesday), there will be confessions in our church and in every church in the Archdiocese from 6:30-8pm. I will take a break from Confessions from 7-7:30 in order to offer the Mass and then will resume confessions until 8pm.

Whenever I have added a Mass in the past, inevitably somebody tells me that I should have made the Mass at a different time. So allow me to tell you my reasoning for adding an evening Mass as opposed to any other time. We currently have a 7am. All around us there are parishes that have later morning Masses. St. James in Salem and the Carmelite at the North Shore Mall both have Noontime Masses. To the best of my knowledge, there are no evening Masses in the area.

I am adding the additional Masses in the hopes that I am making it more convenient for you to go to daily Mass. There is no better way for you to live the season of Lent than for you to do so by attending Daily Mass. I hope that you take advantage of the opportunity that is being provided.

Thursday Evening Mass will be offered in the Extraordinary Form. This Mass is what is commonly referred to as the Tridentine Mass or "the Latin Mass." I have wanted to learn how to offer that Mass for my own interest and since we do not normally have Mass on Thursdays at St. Mary's, I thought that I could provide this as an opportunity for me to become more familiar with this Mass, for those who are interested to attend, and those who would like to get to Mass here on Thursdays during Lent to do so. As the very name suggests, this is not nor will it be the ordinary way of offering Mass here at St. Mary's. Since I am usually off on Thursdays, I saw this as an opportunity for me to be able to offer Mass and to extend an invitation for anyone who wishes to be there to come as well.

All of the Thursday evening Masses will be what is referred to as "Low Masses." While the form of the Mass is very similar to what we currently are used to, the manner in which it is offered is rather different. In addition to the Latin, there is a lot of silence during the Mass. I remember attending this form of the Mass once when I was in high school and wondering why it was so quiet. I say that not to dissuade anyone from coming, but to prepare you for what to expect. As I become more proficient (I hope) in the offering of this form of the Mass, then perhaps we will have a "Sung Mass" which involves, as the name suggests, a lot more music. I would say that if you plan on coming on Thursday evenings, you do so prepared for a considerable amount of silence. I also suggest that you perhaps read up on that form of the Mass so that you are more aware of what is happening. A good website that is helpful is www.sanctamissa.org

I hope that you take advantage of all of the opportunities being offered here during Lent. Perhaps, in this Year for Priests, we could make Lent a special opportunity to pray for priests and for more priestly vocations. In any event, let's all pray for each other during this Lent.

Your Brother in Christ,

Fr. David Barnes