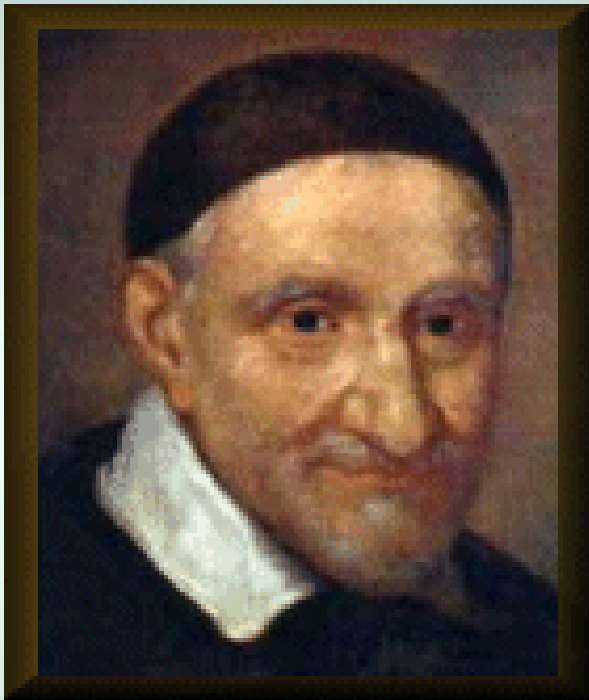


St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish
253 Cabot Street ~ Beverly, Massachusetts

The Year for Priests



"The poor are hungry not only for food, they are hungry to be recognized as human beings. They are hungry for dignity and to be treated as we are treated. They are hungry for our love."

-Mother Teresa

HYMNS & READINGS

OPENING: **675**— "When Morning Gilds The Skies"

READING: **796**

COMM: **700**— "'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here (10:30)"

CLOSING: **414**— "Attende Domine"

Rev. David J. Barnes, Pastor
Kwang Lee, Seminarian

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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 28 ~

Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 15:5-12,17-18 / Ps 27:1,7-9,13-14
Phil 3:17-4:1 / Lk 9:28b-36

Monday, March 1 ~

Dn 9:4b-10 / Ps 79:8-9,11,13 / Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 2 ~

Is 1:10,16-20 / Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 3 ~

Jer 18:18-20 / Ps 31:5-6,14-16 / Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 4 ~

Jer 17:5-10 / Ps 1:1-4,6 / Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 5 ~

Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a / Ps 105:16-21
Mt 21:33-43,45-46

Saturday, March 6 ~

Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Ps 103:1-4,9-12 / Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Sunday, March 7 ~

Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a,13-15/Ps 103:1-4,68-,11/Cor 10:1-6,10-12

INCREASED OFFERTORY APPEAL A SUCCESS!

We would like to thank all parishioners who have supported our Increased Offertory Appeal. The results to date are very encouraging. 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.

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.

Parish Calendar

SUNDAY

SECOND COLLECTION:
 THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT dePAUL
 9:15 AM Bible Discussion Group
 9:20 AM RCIA
 9:20 AM Religious Education—K-8
 St. Mary's School
 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal—Main Church
 5:00 PM Chant Mass

MONDAY

7:00 PM Confirmation Class
 St. Mary's School
 7:00 PM Mass—Main Church
 7:15 PM St. Vincent dePaul

TUESDAY

7:00 PM Legion of Mary—Rectory
 7:00 PM Mass—Main Church

WEDNESDAY

3:30 PM Religious Education—Grds.1-6
 St. Mary's School
 6:30-6:45 PM—Confessions
 Main Church Sacristy
 7:00 PM Mass—Main Church
 7:30-8:00 PM—Confessions
 Main Church Sacristy

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Mass In The Extraordinary Form
 Main Church

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Men's Group—Lower Church
 10:30 AM First Reconciliation
 Main Church
 2:30 PM Confessions—Lower Church

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 1:
 Paul Catania

Friday, March 5:
 Carmine Marchegiani

Saturday, March 6:
 Marilyn "Molly" Coffey

Months Mind Mass
10:30AM ~ Sunday, March 7:
 Mary LeComte

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.

SATURDAY MORNING ~ MEN'S GROUP

St. Mary's Men's Group meets at 8:00 AM Saturday mornings in the Lower Church. Coffee and refreshments are provided, with talks on selected topics by members. Any questions or topic ideas please call: Ferde Rombola at 978-302-5218.

Saturday, February 27 ~ Calvinism
Speaker: Jonathan Nauman

Saturday, March 6 ~ Bible Study Quiz Show
Speaker: Brian Whelan

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER
Saturday, March 13 ~ My Path to the Ancient Church
Speaker: Dr. Thomas Howard

Raised in an Evangelical home, Dr. Howard was a distinguished professor of English literature at Gordon College until the mid-1980s, when he converted to Catholicism and began teaching at St. John's Seminary. He is the author of many books, including *Evangelical is Not Enough*, *On Being Catholic*, and *Lead, Kindly Light*, the story of his pilgrimage to the Church. Visit his website at: <http://ignatiusinsight.com/authors/thomashoward.asp>.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:
\$10,281.00
PLUS THOSE CONTRIBUTING
THROUGH PARISH PAY:
\$1,216.00

FREDERIC OZANAM ~~

Founder

ST. VINCENT dePAUL SOCIETY



Frederic Ozanam was born in 1813 and grew up in Lyon, France. While still very young he went to study law at the University of Paris. He found that some of his professors were hostile to Catholic teaching and Frederick took them on defending the Church at every opportunity. His faith meant everything to him and it held top priority in his life. At the age of 20 he longed to affirm his faith in other ways than with the spoken and written word. With a few friends Frederic decided to put his faith into practice and help the poor and underprivileged. These young people made the acquaintance of Sister Rosalie Rendu, D.C a Daughter of Charity living in Paris, who led them to visit the poor of the visiting neighborhood. What took precedence for them were personal relationships, that will break the cycle of solitude and isolation that contributed to the misery of the poor. This project, under the patronage of Saint Vincent dePaul to whom Frederic had a great devotion, gave rise to the Society of St. Vincent dePaul.

Today the Society of St. Vincent dePaul is the largest Catholic lay association of charity in the world. Frederic proves that to be Vincentian is not about the clothes you wear or the title before your name, it is about serving the poor in the footsteps of Jesus Christ. Throughout his life, Ozanam's simple hope was to "become better and to do a little good". The society's work has since spread around the world, but almost 170 years later, it has not forgotten that it owes its origin to the powerful impulse of an inspired young student.

**THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR THIS
WEEK—FEBRUARY 27 & 28
WILL BE TAKEN UP FOR
THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT dePAUL**

Mass Schedules in the surrounding area:

St. Mary Star of the Sea, Beverly:

Weekday Mass 7:00 AM Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat.
Evening Mass—7:00PM Monday thru Friday

Thursday 7PM will be in the Extraordinary Form

Stations of The Cross, Friday's, 6:30 PM.

Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00
PM *March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. Margaret's Parish, Beverly Farms:

Weekday Mass 8:45AM Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.

Stations of The Cross, Friday's, 3:00 PM / Rectory

Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00
PM *March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. John the Evangelist Parish, North Beverly:

Weekday Mass 9:00AM Mon. Tues, Thurs, Friday

Communion Service 9:00 AM Wednesday

Stations of the Cross, Friday's, 3:00 PM

Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00
PM *March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

Immaculate Conception Parish, Salem:

Weekday Mass 9:00 AM Tuesday thru Saturday

Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00
PM *March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. James Parish, Salem:

Weekday Mass 12:05 PM Mon. thru Friday

9:00 AM Saturday's

Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00
PM *March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

St. Mary of The Annunciation, Danvers:

Stations of the Cross, Friday's, 7:00 PM

Weekday Mass 6:45 AM & 9:00 AM Mon. thru Sat.

Lenten Series Speaker: 7:30 PM- March 3, 10, 24

Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00
PM *March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

Carmelite Chapel:

Weekday Mass 8:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 3:00 PM

Monday thru Friday

Confessions Wednesday Evenings 6:30 PM—8:00
PM *March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON ~~ 2010 CATHOLIC APPEAL

Next weekend, March 6-7, will be Catholic Appeal weekend here at St. Mary Star of The Sea Parish. Cardinal Sean is asking every Catholic household to participate. The Appeal is to our Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish, so your participation and support are critical. Because of the economic downturn, support of the Catholic Appeal is more urgent this year. We will be showing a video message from Cardinal Sean. Those of you that gave to the Appeal last year should be receiving a letter from him this week. We invite all others to take home an information packet from Mass this weekend. Please bring your completed pledge card and pledge envelopes with you to St. Mary's next week to place in the collection basket.

Thank You!

SAINT MARY SCHOOL NEWS

OPEN HOUSE

Open house at St. Mary Star of the Sea School happens every Thursday from 9:00 – 11:00 AM – Call Principal **Kevin Cushman** at 978 927-3259 and check out our web-site at www.stmarystarschool.org.

“Knowledge is something that we know is true. Faith is something that we firmly believe is true. In St. Mary’s School we are taught many different things, such as Mathematics, Science, Spelling, English, Reading and the best ways to study. All of these things increase our knowledge about the world around us. St. Mary’s School also teaches us about our faith every day. Faith is the power that God gives us to help us believe the things He has revealed.

Graduate ‘05

**WE WANT YOU TO MEET OUR SCHOOL AND OUR PRINCIPAL.
WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT YOU WILL BE IMPRESSED.**

LEGACY GALA & WINE TASTING EXPO – come congratulate our honorees as we pay tribute to the following individuals who will receive the St. Mary’s Star Award, recognizing their contributions to our school, parish, and community:

**Mr. Paul Guanci
Dr. & Mrs. Donald McAuliffe
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Williams (of Dick & June’s)
Mrs. Gail O’Donnell**

Tickets are \$65 and include an elegant Wine-Tasting, full-course meal, and award presentations. Reserve your table now, or join other parishioners at the St. Mary Star of the Sea church tables.

Yes, I (we) will attend the Legacy Gala
I would like to purchase tickets to the Gala at \$65 each. Enclosed is \$
Names attending: _____

Please seat me with: _____

Dinner choice: Roast Beef Seafood Casserole

No, I cannot attend but would like to help. Please make checks payable to St. Mary’s School, 13 Chapman St., Beverly, MA 01915 Attn: Development Office.

Lenten Supper ~ ~ Children’s Stations of the Cross!

Friday, March 19, 2010

Lenten Supper at School 5:00-6:00pm

Stations of the Cross for children begins at approx. 6:15; Mass to follow at 7:00.

Free will offering/donations will be made to *PENNIES FOR HAITI*

PLEASE Contact Sarah Thomas (978) 922-8008 if you can bring soup (HOT please) or other non-meat meal choice. Pancakes will be served for the children.

Dear Friends in Christ,

During the Season of Lent, the Church's Liturgy often implores God to sustain us and keep us faithful to the Lenten disciplines that we have begun. In this way, the Liturgy acknowledges our human sluggishness and our lack of fortitude. It also is a good reminder that Lent isn't simply about will power. It is about drawing near to Christ and relying upon His strength and grace.

There is also something else that should encourage us to remain faithful to the discipline of Lent; our love for each other. While our disciplines of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving are intended to strengthen us individually by turning us away from sin and drawing us closer to Jesus, these disciplines also strengthen us as a communion of believers. Our fidelity to our Lenten disciplines is a way of loving each other. When we pray, fast, and do works of mercy, we bear witness to the presence of Christ among us.

The other night at evening Mass, there were several husbands and wives at Mass together. Is there any doubt that those marriages will be strengthened by those spouses coming to worship God together during Lent? Think of the example those spouses are providing to their children about what marriage truly is. The presence of mothers with their children at daily Mass cannot but help strengthen the bonds of family life. When somebody arrives for confession and finds others waiting in line too, it provides an assurance that we are all in this together. We are all trying to grow in grace and holiness together. We are not alone. Thus, the person who comes to confess his or her sins becomes a witness to the next person who arrives. Just by being there, we provide to the next person the comfort of knowing that "we all need God's grace." The presence of so many young adults at the morning and evening Mass suggests that God is renewing the Church in a profoundly beautiful way. We ought to be grateful for these signs of his grace and favor. The other morning, I was really touched to look out at the morning Mass. There were those who have made the daily Mass part of their life for decades. And next to them were many young adults who are coming to daily Mass for Lent. I suspect that the young adults must look to their seniors and be encouraged to imitate them. And I suspect that the older folks must look to these young adults and have a renewed sense of hope. I can assure you that your pastor looks to all of you and is confirmed in the knowledge that our Heavenly Father is doing something unique and beautiful in our midst.

This year, while I was debating what I would do for Lent, a friend of mine mentioned something that he was doing. I was encouraged by his example and was moved to imitate him. Our Lenten disciplines are not simply a private self-improvement program. They become a way of all of us advancing together toward heaven. These disciplines strengthen our communion with one another.

Additionally, we never quite know how our prayer and sacrifices strengthen others. When we are perhaps tempted to abandon our disciplines or become lax in them, let us offer them as works of love for others. There are many persons who could benefit by our works of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Whenever I stop down in the adoration chapel and find two, three, five, eight persons praying there, it strengthens me and encourages me. It makes clear that God is working in our midst. I know that these individuals are not there for the specific purpose of being seen, but God takes their quiet fidelity of prayer and uses it to strengthen others. So, even if you are there in that chapel all alone for an hour, please know that God is using that time not only to deepen your own life with Him, but also as a way of drawing others closer to Him.

Very simply, I just wanted to encourage those of you who have begun these Lenten disciplines. God is using them not only to perfect you, but also to draw this whole community closer to Himself. Don't underestimate the eternal value of the great endeavor upon which you have embarked. May God who has begun these good works in you, bring them to fulfillment.

Your Brother in Christ,

Fr. David Barnes