

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

## The Year for Priests



### HYMNS & READINGS

**OPENING: 806**

**PROCESSION: 428**— “All Glory, Laud and Honor”

**READING: 811**

**CLOSING:** “Ride On! Ride On in Majesty”  
(found on inside back cover of hymnal)



## Remember your first Holy Week?

This Easter, remember the priests who have played a significant role in your spiritual life, as well as the spiritual lives of your loved ones.

*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:*

*This Easter we will celebrate the resurrection of Christ with so many of our Catholic brothers and sisters. If you have been away from the church, please know that we are especially glad you are with us today.*

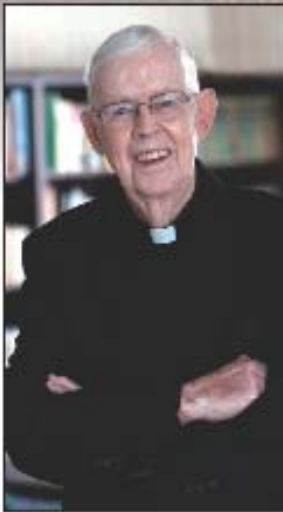
*During all Easter Masses, the collection will be in support of the Clergy Funds. The Clergy Funds supports the programs that provide for the retirement, medical care, and financial needs of the priests throughout the Archdiocese. The revitalization of these funds is one of the most important issues we face as an Archdiocese today.*

*I ask you to prayerfully consider giving generously to the Clergy Funds during the Easter Masses next weekend.*

*Sincerely yours in Christ,*

*+ Seán, OFM Cap.*

*Cardinal Seán P. O'Malley*



Above photo: Father Jim Curtin, ordained in 1951, has been serving the church for almost 60 years. His first parish was St. Joseph in Woburn, below photo.



## Parish Calendar

### SUNDAY

SECOND COLLECTION: EASTER FLOWERS

- 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

### TUESDAY

- 5:30 PM Altar Server Rehearsal for  
Holy Thursday
- 7:00 PM Pax Christi—St. Mary's Convent
- 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

COLLECTION: POOR OF THE PARISH  
*(No envelope provided)*

NO DAILY ADORATION

- 7:00 PM Holy Thursday  
Mass of The Lord's Supper

### FRIDAY

COLLECTION: HOLY LAND  
NO DAILY ADORATION

- 2:00 PM Altar Server Rehearsal  
Good Friday
- 3:00 PM Good Friday of The Lord's Passion
- 6:00 PM Altar Server Rehearsal  
Good Friday
- 7:00 PM Good Friday of The Lord's Passion

### SATURDAY

COLLECTION: EASTER

**NO CONFESSIONS / NO 4:00 PM MASS**

- 11:00 AM Altar Server Rehearsal
- 8:00 PM Easter Vigil

### SUNDAY

COLLECTION: EASTER

- 8:15 AM Easter – Resurrection of The Lord
  - 10:30 AM Easter - Resurrection of The Lord
- NO 5:00 PM MASS**

## Mass Intentions

### Months Mind Mass

**10:30AM ~ Sunday, March 28:**

Nicholas Furnari

**Monday, March 29:**

Sabina & Carol Rigione

**Tuesday, March 30:**

Attilio Matticoli

**Wednesday, March 31:**

Gabriele Marchegiani

### 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:

**ANTHONY R. GARRY** and **MICHELINA DiRUZZA**  
who recently passed away.

### 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.

This past week a reminder letter was sent out to those in the parish who may not have given or responded to our last mailing. If you have already participated in this appeal or sent in your response, please disregard this letter knowing that we deeply appreciate your kindness and responses to our request.

In order for our parish to consider the expansion of ministries and meet our financial obligations, please consider a commitment plan that is best suited to your own circumstances. This will allow St Mary's to accurately plan for the future.

Thank you for your support.

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:**

**\$10,718.00**

**PLUS THOSE CONTRIBUTING  
THROUGH PARISH PAY:**

**\$1,216.00**

religious education

UP COMING DATES:

- April 5: Confirmation Rehearsal 7:00-8:00PM  
Meet In Upper Church
- April 11: Confirmation ~ 5:00PM - Main Church



We congratulate the following couple who will soon be married and assure them of the prayers of our Parish Family.

II - Christopher O'Neil & Mary



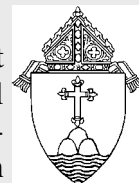
From the Desk of: SR. JULIE KANE, SN.D.

The next meeting of the St. Mary Star of the Sea Pax Christi group is scheduled for Tuesday, March 30 at 7:00 PM at the St. Mary's Convent, 15 Chapman Street, Beverly.

This meeting will be held to work on the Easter Project for the River Street Shelter.

EASTER COLLECTION:

The upcoming Easter collection support the retirement, medical care, and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. We ask that you give generously on behalf of the priests that have devoted their lives to faithfully serve God and the good work of the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity.



PENNIES FOR HAITI

The Friday evening Lenten and Pancake Supper to benefit Pennies for Haiti is very much appreciated. A big thank you to Sarah Thomas and her able chefs who produced delicious looking pancakes and scrumptious soups. The results of your efforts are adding to a growing fund to help Pere Jacques' orphaned/abandoned boys rebuild their lives which have been dealt an unkindly blow and interrupted the progress of many years.

Pere Jacques was in Belgium raising money for them when the earthquake struck. Because no international aid had (or has) reached the boys, \$200.00 of Pennies for Haiti money was sent by Western Union directly to the boys so that they could buy water and some food until Pere Jacques arrived. The plan to truck them out of Port-au-Prince fell through; the truck rentals money was used to buy them a tent in which they are all living during the rainy season. Pere Jacques has forfeited a bed at the distant rectory so that he could stay with the boys and try, among meeting other human needs, to find a way to resume their education—their schools were destroyed along with their living quarters and the Church. Before the earthquake, the devastation and poverty for the majority of the people in Haiti was inhumane. Now it is even more unfathomable. I see hope for a more just and better Haiti because the world has become aware and there are a number of qualified people involved who won't let the world forget as the dramatic news dies out. My focus is on helping the Haitians in any way I can. Thank you again for helping the cause you perhaps have not seen, but your hearts have heard.

Marion Higgins

Catechetical Certificate of Saint John's Seminary

Do you want to learn more about your faith?

Come and see the program that students are calling "amazing" and "life-changing."

The Catechetical Certificate program offered by Saint John's Seminary is holding a "Come and See" on Saturday, April 10. Guests are welcome at either 10 am or at 1:30 pm. The program is held at the Master of Arts in Ministry building on 149 Washington Street in Brighton (the former St. Gabriel's School). Parking is available along the front of the building and in the lot in the back; the entrance is in the back. Go to www.CatecheticalCertificate.org for more information on this year's course. Clergy and all interested laity are welcome to visit.



## SAINT MARY SCHOOL NEWS

**GALA SUCCESS** – Thank you to all who attended and supported our St. Mary's Gala - a wonderful time was had by all. Many thanks to the Development Committee of: **Amy Fowler, Julie Corcoran, Linda Fortini, Paul Speidel, Paula Pobiedzinski & Nancy Sullivan** for a job well done! Thank you to **Amy Fowler, Joan Guay & Michael Joens** for photography, **Eileen Mulligan** for playing the harp, **Juanita Gordon** for donating honoree gifts, and SMS **Student Council** for babysitting. A Big Thank You to **Merchants Liquors of Danvers** for a fun Wine-Tasting, **Peter Barter Florist**, and **Danversport Yacht Club**. Also, thank you to our distinguished Honorees, **Paul Guanci, Lyne & Don McAuliffe, Dick & June Williams**, and **Gail O'Donnell**, our generous sponsors and guests, SMS staff, and students who created a sensational power point!

**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 website at [www.stmarystarschool.org](http://www.stmarystarschool.org). In addition to our challenging curriculum, Saint Mary's offers after-school 3-week mini courses such as Girl's Science, Rockets, Cooking, Computer Animation and others. Come see the difference a Saint Mary's School education can make for your child!

### **YOU'RE INVITED to our Annual SMS Great Lasagna Bake-Off and Pasta Dinner!**

Join us on Saturday, **Marcy 27<sup>th</sup>** at Saint Mary's School for dinner at 5 – 6:30 PM with Bake-Off judging at 5:15 – winner announced at 6:15 PM. Dinner includes salad, pasta with meatballs, bread, drinks & dessert. Cost is \$4.00 pp or \$10 max per family.

Bake-Off Rules: Please bring your 11x13 pan of lasagna to the school hall kitchen by 5:15 PM to be included in the judging. Prizes are awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners. Volunteers will be needed to judge the best lasagnas. Anyone is welcome to enter a lasagna in the contest. **GOOD LUCK!**

**SPOTLIGHT ON 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCIENCE** – for the past month, the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders have been working on an "Engineering is Elementary" curriculum unit from the Museum of Science. Both classes have read a story called "Despina Makes a Splash: An Ocean Engineering Story." The kids have learned what engineers do, and specifically the jobs that ocean engineers may hold. To reinforce these concepts, we've done a mock survey of the ocean floor, and we've also done a lab on sinking and floating to understand the concept of density and its importance in designing submersibles. We will soon design our own submersibles! The 6<sup>th</sup> graders are also dissecting squid as a segue into their ocean engineering project.

**VOLUNTEERS** – thanks to **Kathy Speidel** for assisting with 2<sup>nd</sup> grade lab as the students experimented with solids, liquids, & gas, and got to eat their results – ice cream!



The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul thank you for your generous donations of almost \$5,700 to the February collection for the benefit of the society. All of these funds go directly to Beverly residents experiencing financial emergencies and are used for basic expenses such as rent, utilities and food. The need has been great in these difficult economic times. Your generous support of this work through the annual collection and the poor box are very greatly appreciated.

### **ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON ~~ 2010 CATHOLIC APPEAL**

"What shall I return to the Lord for all the Lord has given to me?" Christian stewards recognize Christ as the source of all good things. God calls us to share what we have to help others. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for Christ and for one another. The Catholic Appeal is one way to use our gifts for the Church. We have received \$12,350 from 77 households, reaching 24.9% of our parish goal of \$49,500. Remember, our parish will receive 25 percent of all funds we raise above our goal. For more information, please visit [www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com](http://www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com) or call 617-779-3700.

Thank you!

**BLESSED PALMS**

As we near the end of Lent, we celebrate Passion (Palm) Sunday. At the beginning of the liturgy, we receive palms in memory of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. As a symbol of triumph, the palms point us toward Christ's resurrection and might remind us of the saints in heaven "wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands" (Rev. 7:9). The white robes remind us of baptismal garments, and the palms suggest their triumph over sin and death through the waters of Baptism.

*This Thursday we begin the Sacred Triduum (The Sacred Three Days) with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. In doing so, we recall with gratitude the three gifts that Jesus gave to his Church on this night; the Eucharist, the Priesthood, and Charity.*

**TRIDUUM RITUALS**

Lent comes to an end before the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. That liturgy begins the Triduum, the great Three Days that celebrate the central mystery of our faith. Triduum rituals invite us all to baptismal renewal, par excellence. Here are some examples.

**Washing of Feet:** After the homily on Holy Thursday, we imitate our master in the washing of feet. This ritual reminds us that our baptismal commitment means we are to be servants of one another. In the time of St. Ambrose in Milan, those who were baptized also had their feet washed, because of Jesus' words to Peter: "Whoever has bathed has no need except to have his feet washed" (Jn 13:10). Many scholars have seen a baptismal reference in those words.

**Veneration of the Cross:** As part of our observance of Good Friday, we venerate the cross on which Christ died. The veneration challenges us to be willing to accept the cross, too, for it is the only way to resurrection. Through Baptism, we shared in Christ's death that we might come to new life. Every year we are called to deepen our identification with his cross and resurrection.

**Waters of Baptism:** The core of our celebration of the Easter Vigil is the Baptism of the elect. As we share in their joy on this holy night, we are all called to renew our own baptismal promises, to live in the joy of life in the Risen One. Lent comes to its fulfillment around the waters of the font.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK****Sunday, March 28 ~****Palm Sunday of The Lord's Passion**

Lk 19:28-40 / Is 50:4-7 / Ps 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,  
23-24 / Phil 2:6-11 / Lk 22:14-23:56

**Monday, March 29 ~**

Is 42:1-7 / Ps 27:1-3,13-14 / Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday, March 30 ~**

Is 49:1-6 / Ps 71:1-4a,5ab-6b,15,17  
Jn 13:21-33,36-38

**Wednesday, March 31 ~**

Is 50:4-9a / Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31,33-34/Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday, April 1 ~****Holy Thursday-Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Ex 12:1-8,11-14 / Ps 116:12-13,15-16bc,17-18  
Cor 11:23-26 / Jn 13:1-15

**Friday, April 2 ~****Good Friday of the Lord's Passion**

Is 52:13-53:12 / Ps 31:2,6,12-13,15-17,25  
Heb 4:14-16;5:7-9 / Jn 18:1-19:42

**Saturday, April 3 ~****Holy Saturday**

Gn 1:1-2:2 / Ps 104:1-2,5-6,10,12-14,24,35  
Gn 22:1-18 / Ps 16:5,8-11 / Ex 14:15-15:1 / Ex 15:1  
-6,17-18 / Is 54:5-14 / Ps 30:2,4-6,11-12,13 / Is  
55:1-11 / Is 12:2-3,4-6 / Bar 3:9-15,32-4:4 / Ps  
19:8-11 / Ez 36:16-17a,18-28 / Pss 42:3,5;43:3-4 /  
Is 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6 / Rom 6:3-11 / Ps 118:1-2,16-  
17,22-23 / Lk 24:1-12

**Sunday, April 4 ~****Easter Sunday - The Resurrection of The Lord**

Acts 10:34a,37-43 / Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23  
Col 3:1-4 / Jn 20:1-9 / Lk 24:13-35