

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

Rev. David J. Barnes, Pastor

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



HYMNS & READINGS

PRO: 588—"Love Divine, All Loves"

READ: 854

COMM: 604—"Ubi Caritas"

REC: 467—"Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

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Rectory Telephone Number: 978-922-0113

St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish Website: www.stmarystar.org

St. Mary Star of the Sea School Website: www.stmarystarschool.org

Principal, St. Mary's School

Pre K through 8th Grade

Mr. Kevin Cushman—978-927-3259

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Mr. Neil Yetts—978-922-0113

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Mrs. Anna Bertini—978-998-6848

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Mrs. Diane Macedo—978-922-0113

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, May 17 ~

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 / Ps 98:1-4 / Jn 4:7-10

Jn 15:9-17

Monday, May 18 ~

Acts 16:11-15 / Ps 149:1-6a,9b / Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday, May 19 ~

Acts 16:22-34 / Ps 138:1-3,7c-8 / Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday, May 20 ~

Acts 17:15,22-18:1 / Ps 148:1-2,11-14 / Jn 16:12-15

Thursday, May 21 ~

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Acts 1:1-11 / Ps 47:2-3,6-9 / Eph 1:17-23

Mk 16:15-20

Friday, May 22 ~

Acts 18:9-18 / Ps 47:2-7 / Jn 16:20-23a

Saturday, May 23 ~

Acts 18:23-28 / Ps 47:2-3,8-10 / Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday, May 22 ~

Acts 1:15-17,20a,20c-26 / Ps 103:1-2,11-12,19-20

Jn 4:11-16 / Jn 17:11b-19

LEGION OF MARY

Is a world-wide organization of Catholics, men and women, who offer their services to the Church to aid her in performing spiritual works in the parish. This is done by placing themselves under the banner of Mary so that with her help they may develop greater holiness in their own lives as well as spread a deeper devotion to her among others.

The Legion of Mary meets at St. Mary's Rectory, Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM

Parish Calendar

SUNDAY

SECOND COLLECTION:
 CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS
 9:15 AM Bible Discussion Group
 Lower Church
 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal—Main Church
 11:30 AM Baptisms

MONDAY

7:00 PM Baptismal Catechesis—Rectory

WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM Legion of Mary—Rectory

THURSDAY

COLLECTION: ASCENSION

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
 7:00 AM / 9:00 AM / 7:00 PM**

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Men's Group—Lower Church

Mass Intentions

**Months Mind Mass
 10:30 AM Sunday, May 17:**
 Evelyn Ames

Monday, May 18:
 John A. Casali
 Joseph Casali
 Maria & Antonio Casali

Tuesday, May 19:
 Domenica Eramo
 Luigi Ascì

Friday, May 22:
 Michael DiFlauro

Saturday, May 23:
 June A. Lang

**Months Mind Mass
 10:20AM Sunday, May 24:**
 Adrienne Louiselle

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:
JOHN MORSE who recently passed away.

WEEKLY NEED:

\$9,200.00

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:

\$8,047.00

PLUS THOSE CONTRIBUTING THROUGH PARISH PAY:

\$964.00

Sanctuary Light Donated
 in Memory of:
 Robert A. Mercier

CATHOLIC APPEAL

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE, RENEWING OUR CHURCH

Thank you to all supporters of the 2009 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$37,679.00 from 253 households, reaching 76.1% percent of our parish goal of \$49,500.00. If you have not yet pledged, please consider a gift today and help us meet our goal. Remember, our parish will receive 25 percent of all funds we raise above our goal. Please remember to make your pledge now even if you plan on fulfilling that pledge towards the end of the year. You can pick up information packets in the back of the Church with pledge forms to be mailed in, or for more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Every gift matters.
 Thank You.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Congratulations To:

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| Robert Adams | Tucker Adams |
| Declan Alexander | Brooke Baekey |
| Mark Bedetti | Madeline Boyd |
| Claudia Brock | Jordan Butters |
| Maxwell Calitri | Lily Cameron |
| Brennan Carlson | Elizabeth Carpenter |
| Anjali Chanda | Finola Corcoran |
| Brendan Crichton | Zacharie Curry |
| Meghan Curtin | Emily DePiero |
| David DiRuzza | Jack DuFresne |
| Conor Dunleavy | Anna Edson |
| Emily Fanning | Zoe Fisher |
| Rylee Folger | Natalia Fronduto |
| Sean Gavin | McKenna Gelsomini |
| Collin Gillis | Christopher Glynn |
| Oliver Hennigan | Angelika Hillios |
| Thomas Leighton | William Locke |
| Maxwell Lucas | Travis MacPhail |
| Joseph Martin | Jacob McLean |
| Nicholas Morrissey | Katherine Mulligan |
| Catherine O'Connor | Joseph Parisella |
| Colton Petrosino | Macy Pierce |
| Matthew Pietrini | Emily Pratt |
| Benjamin Reinwald | Sandra Rich |
| Christopher Ryan | Natalie Samson |
| Cameron Schlegel | Andrew Shea |
| Justin Smith | Trinity Stanton |
| Shelby Stavis | Harrison Stott |
| Emily Tanzella | Colby Tassinari |
| Nicolette Tetrault | Grace VanKirk |
| Michael Williams | |

In the spirit of love and joy we congratulate those who have received the gift of the Holy Eucharist.

REGISTRATION ~ PLEASE TAKE NOTE

There will be a change in the registration process. Registration will take place in September. Date and time to be announced later.

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 978-922-8502.

Saturday, May 16 ~ The Church and the Public Square

Speaker: Rob Aufiero

Saturday, May 23 ~ Legal Protection for Traditional Marriage

Speaker: Jonathan Nauman

Saturday, May 30 ~ St. Paul (Part II)

Speaker: Ferde Rombola

Saturday, June 6 ~ Archibald Hart
"Thrilled to Death"

Speaker: Doug McDougal

Banns of



Marriage

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

III—Michael Nadeau & Erin Dexter

II—Ken Aimone & Jennifer Murphy

REED CHRISTOPHER MUNGOVAN S.D.S.

Reed has been a parishioner at St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish since 1983 with his parents Marilyn and Christopher, and his sister, Margo.

He is a graduate of St. John's Prep, and Gordon College.

In 2002 Reed joined the Society of the Divine Savior, also known as the Salvatorians, in Milwaukee, WI and was ordained a Deacon in 2008. Many parishioners may have seen or met Deacon Reed at some of the Christmas services last year where he assisted Fr. Barnes.

He graduated from Sacred Heart Seminary in Hale's Corner, WI on May 1, 2009.

Reed will be ordained a priest, receiving the sacrament of Holy Orders in Milwaukee on June 26, 2009 along with one other Salvatorian Deacon.

In accordance with custom, Fr. Reed will celebrate his First Mass of Thanksgiving at his home parish of St. Mary Star of the Sea on July 12, 2009 at the 10:30 Mass.

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

KUDOS to our students who wrote and participated in a play entitled "*The Lie*," and earned a Bronze Medal in the recently-held Massachusetts High School Drama Guild Festival. Special congratulations to **William McAuliffe** (grade 8) and **Alex Walsh** (grade 6) who each earned individual acting awards. Many thanks to **Mr. David Greenberg** for his direction and guidance.

SPOTLIGHT ON GRADE 3 – Third graders are busy studying the traits of rocks and minerals in Science, adverbs, punctuation, and capitalization in English, and learning to pray a decade of the Rosary each day in Religion. In Math, students are learning how to divide two digit numbers by one digit numbers, learning how to measure standard and metric capacities, weight and mass, geometry, fractions, probability and decimals. Social Studies finds them studying the New England region as a trip to Salem's Peabody Essex Museum is planned. Thank you 3rd grade teacher, **Ms. Julie Weston!** The following is a "cinquain" poem by **Logan Stevens**, grade 3:

Jesus (subject noun)
Holy (describing adjective) **Honorable** (describing adjective)
Lead the disciples (3-word action phrase)
Rose from the dead (four-word phrase about subject)
Holy Spirit (summary)

SPECIAL PERSON'S DAY was a huge success at St. Mary's School, as many grandparents, aunts & uncles, parents and siblings visited our classrooms, enjoyed special treats, and experienced the artistic wonder of **Rob Surette**. Mr. Surette, using both his fingertips and brushes, skillfully painted the Face of Jesus. Pre-school, grades K – 8, and our special guests were all mesmerized by the production.

LYNCH SCHOLARSHIP – We are currently seeking nominations for the 2009/2010 Lynch Scholarship. The Lynch Scholarship, established in memory of William A Lynch, offers scholarship money to young parishioners who have graduated from St. Mary Star of the Sea School, and are furthering their education at a college or university. To qualify, students must have been a St. Mary's graduate, contributed to the church and community, and excelled academically. Please contact Anna Bertini in the Development Office of St. Mary's School for further information. – 978 998-6848.

Henry's Market, 588 Cabot St in Beverly, is offering St. Mary's School a donation program and we need your help! A donation of 7 ½% of your pre-tax purchases made at Henry's will be given to SMS during May 18th – June 30th, excluding holidays. You must pick up a voucher at St. Mary's School and present it to the cashier prior to check-out, and then submit the voucher to the Development Office. You may also call for a voucher to be mailed to you: 978 998-6848. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE – Monday, **June 8th**, and join us for the **2nd Annual Mary Moulton Golf Tournament** to benefit St. Mary's School. Registration begins at noon with a Florida-style scramble at 1:00 PM at the Beverly Golf & Tennis Club. Cost is \$135 and includes green fees, cart, player gifts, catered dinner and prizes. Or join us for a fun Dinner only for \$30. We are currently looking for HOLE SPONSORS and GIFT PRIZES – please call **Rick Kelley** at 978 922-1966 or r-kelley@comcast.net, or SMS Development Office at 978 998-6848 or bertini@stmarystarschool.org.

SMS WEBSITE – have you visited the St. Mary's School website? For the latest in information, go to www.stmarystarschool.org

Dear Friends in Christ,

Recently, a friend of mine wrote an article for an Italian newspaper in which he discussed the ongoing debates in American politics concerning the issues of abortion and torture. In it, he mentioned that on the political spectrum, often conservative politicians (most Republicans and conservative Democrats) vehemently oppose abortion but allow for torture. And on the opposite side of the spectrum, liberal politicians led by President Obama vehemently oppose torture, but rabidly support abortion rights. My friend rightly points out the inconsistency. He argues that the only coherent position in the debate about both issues is that of the Catholic Church.

Those who oppose abortion under all circumstances will argue that there are circumstances which would allow for the torture of a human being. Those who oppose torture under all circumstances would argue that there are times when abortion is acceptable. Those who attack the Church for its opposition to abortion and who accuse the Church of being "absolutist" in its position will gladly accept the Church's "absolutist" position when it comes to opposing torture. Those who stand by the Church in its total opposition to abortion will on the other hand argue that in some circumstances torture is permissible.

The Church stands on the side of the dignity of every human life. Both torture and abortion are never morally permissible because both attack the inherent dignity of the human person. Those political figures who oppose one but not the other are inconsistent in their moral reasoning. We who live both as Catholics and as Americans ought to be very cautious that our positions be shaped by the Gospel of Life rather than by the talking points of political parties or mere emotion. The point of departure in our moral reasoning regarding issues of human life always must be, "Every human life is sacred." If this is our starting point, then we can never conclude that abortion or torture is morally permissible. That's consistency.

In connection with this topic, I wish to comment upon something that I have up to now not mentioned in the bulletin. But, since the event occurs today, it is worthwhile mentioning. Today, President Barak Obama is giving the commencement address at Notre Dame University and is receiving there an honorary degree. In inviting him to speak and in honoring him, Notre Dame has shamed itself.

There is a standing policy issued by the Bishops of the United States that Catholic institutions should not honor nor give a platform to those who oppose the Church in its most fundamental moral beliefs. In inviting Mr. Obama to be its speaker and in awarding him an honorary degree, Notre Dame defied that policy. They have argued that this is a way of "engaging in dialogue." This argument is disingenuous. If they wanted to engage in dialogue, then they should have invited the President to a debate—not award him an honor.

Mr. Obama has been relentless and aggressive in his attempts to advance abortion. It is entirely inappropriate for a Catholic University to honor him. It is a betrayal of Notre Dame's Catholic identity. It matters not to what political party one belongs. The principle is the same. Advancing and promoting the direct killing of innocent human life is always and everywhere morally reprehensible. This is not something a Catholic university should honor. In honoring Mr. Obama, Notre Dame dishonored itself and has done an enormous disservice to the Church and to its country.

On the frontlines of this debate is Bishop John D'Arcy who is the Bishop of Fort Wayne South Bend where Notre Dame is located. Bishop D'Arcy (who was once a beloved priest in this parish) has been a true shepherd in calling Notre Dame to task. Bishop D'Arcy doesn't have the resources, public relations firms, or alumnae organizations to back him up like Notre Dame does. But, Bishop D'Arcy has something on his side that is undefeatable. He has the Truth.

Your Brother in Christ,

Fr. David Barnes

