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Parish Directory Information



# Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

270 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02464

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#### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

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Traditional Latin High Mass: 10:30 AM

Weekdays: Mon.-Tues., Thurs.-Fri. 7:30 AM Traditional Latin Mass: Mon-Wed-Fri: 12:30

PM; Thu: 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, 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

Christmas Eve: 4:00 PM & 12 Midnight Christmas Day: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM January 1st: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

#### **SACRAMENTS**

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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

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February 2nd, A.D. 2020

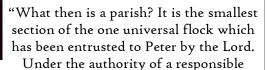
# **ABOUT OUR PARISH**

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. We are always glad to welcome Sunday visitors here to our beautiful, historic church. We look forward to your coming again.

> PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO FILL OUT A PARISH REGISTRATION FORM.





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 Saint Paul VI, reigned 1964-1978)
Raised to the Altars October 14th, 2018

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# THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2020:

"LISTENING TO THE MIGRANTS' CRIES: That the

cries of our migrant
brothers and sisters,
victims of criminal
trafficking, may be heard
and considered."
(PHOTOS: (1) Pope
Francis bestows a kiss on the
forehead of Clement Pappin,
son of parishioners Gladden



and Jeannette
Pappin, St.
Peter's Square,
2015. (2)
Clement Pappin,
summer of 2019,
aged 6. (3) Fr.
Salako's
audience with
Pope Francis,

2019.)



"IF YOU ARE WILLING TO SERENELY BEAR THE TRIAL OF BEING DISPLEASING TO YOURSELF, THEN YOU WILL BE FOR JESUS A PLEASANT PLACE OF SHELTER."—ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX (+1897)

# + FEBRUARY IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY FAMILY+

# Photo Album of Christmas and Epiphanytide 2019-2020

**Midnight Mass** (PHOTOS by Rod Phillips)









February 2nd, A.D. 2020

Candlemas Day





February 2nd, A.D. 2020 Candlemas Day
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# Sunday after Epiphany, Open House at the Rectory (PHOTOS by Rod Phillips)







# February 2nd, A.D. 2020

## COLLECTS OF THE ROMAN MISSAL



# David Allen CANDLEMAS PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

(Missale Romanum 1970)

"**M**ay the offering made with exultation by your Church be pleasing to You, O Lord, we pray, for You willed that Your Only Begotten Son be offered to You for the life of the world as the Lamb without blemish. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen."

For today's column, we turn to Blessed Columba Marmion, OSB, a twentieth century master of liturgical catechesis, who speaks so incisively to one of the most marvelous aspects of this feast on p. 186 of his classic work, *Christ in His Mysteries*:

"He [that is, the Infant Christ] renewed here, in the Temple, the oblation of Himself He had made at the moment of the Incarnation; He offered himself to His Father to be 'His thing,' belonging fully to Him as of right: 'He shall be called holy to the Lord.' It was like the offertory of the Sacrifice which was to be consummated on Calvary." [emphasis mine]

According to Marmion, Jesus' Presentation expresses the *resolute and loving sacrifice of His human will*, which He exercised both freely and actively from the moment of His Incarnation in the womb of Mary. Yes, that's right- as a baby, Christ already possessed a fully developed human will and thus, *actively* willed, both in His human nature as well as His divine, to be our satisfaction, our perfect expiatory sacrifice for sin (cf. 1 Jn. 2:2; Marmion pp. 88-95). Furthermore, this willing on the part of Christ was infinitely meritorious, and continues to be exercised efficaciously in every Mass (Marmion, *Christ in His Mysteries*, 26-31, 101-105, 297-302).

Marmion bases these aforementioned teachings on St. Paul's exegesis of Ps. 40 (39) in Hebrews 10,

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which describes the Messiah's expression of willing sacrifice vis-a-vis the Incarnation (he regularly references these texts). He also relies upon St. Thomas Aquinas' teaching on the human will of Christ in questions 33-4 of the *tertia pars* of the *Summa Theologica*. These passages are well-worth reading on their own (Aquinas can be found online at NewAdvent.org).

The following selected quotes from *Christ in His Mysteries* further articulate explain this teaching on Christ's active human will beginning at His Incarnation:

"...it was by his Incarnation itself that Jesus was consecrated High Priest, and He began His Sacrifice at His very entry into the world" (p. 88).

"...With His whole will, Christ accepted that sum of sorrows which began with the humility of the manger and was completed only by the ignominy of the cross. From His very entry here below, Christ offered Himself as a victim: the first action of His life was a priestly action" (p. 93)

"It is consummated!' This final cry of the Divine Victim on the cross corresponds to His 'Here I am' at His Incarnation in the womb of the Virgin" (p. 95)

Thus, as we see in all these excerpts, the Presentation is precisely one of the singular events which shows that Jesus is both the *Offerer* and the *Offered*, by virtue of the Incarnation. These excerpts also explain why, in His treatment on this feast, Marmion likens it to the *offertory* of the Mass. The offertory rite signifies the *intention*, that is, the *will* of the priest and the people regarding their imminent sacrifice. In our Prayer over the Offerings, then, we explicitly note the will of the Father, but we also implicitly recognize therein Christ's human will which is in total harmony with His divine will. And it is with this *perfect human will* of Christ- totally in concert with the divine will of His one divine Person - that we desire to unite our wills.





THUS CONSCIENCE IS A
CONNECTING PRINCIPLE
BETWEEN THE CREATURE
AND HIS CREATOR; AND THE
FIRMEST HOLD OF
THEOLOGICAL TRUTHS IS
GAINED BY HABITS OF
PERSONAL RELIGION...THEN
THEY ARE BROUGHT INTO
HIS PRESENCE AS THAT OF A

LIVING PERSON, AND ARE ABLE TO CONVERSE WITH HIM, AND THAT WITH A DIRECTNESS AND SIMPLICITY, WITH A CONFIDENCE AND INTIMACY...SO THAT IT IS DOUBTFUL WHETHER WE REALIZE THE COMPANY OF OUR FELLOW-MEN WITH GREATER KEENNESS THAN THESE FAVOURED MINDS ARE ABLE TO CONTEMPLATE AND ADORE THE UNSEEN, INCOMPREHENSIBLE CREATOR."

—SAINT JOHN HENRY CARDINAL NEWMAN (+1890)

RAISED TO THE ALTARS, OCTOBER 13TH, 2019

### LATIN MASS PROPERS: THE PURIFICATION OF OUR LADY (CANDLEMAS)

The Blessing of the Candles:

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

**H**oly Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God, who hast created all things out of nothing, and by Thy command hast caused his liquid to become perfect wax by the labour of bees: and who, on this day didst fulfil the petition of the righteous man, Simeon: we humbly entreat Thee, that by the invocation of Thy most holy Name

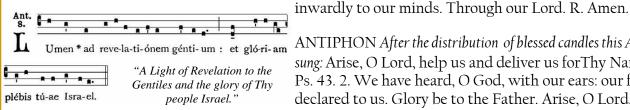
and through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin whose feast is today devoutly observed, and by the prayers of all Thy Saints, Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless and sanctify these candles for the service of men and for the health of their bodies and souls, whether on land or on sea: and that Thou wouldst hear from Thy holy heaven, and from the throne of Thy Majesty the voices of this Thy people, who desire to carry them in their hands with honour, and to sing Your praises; and that You would look with favour on all who call upon You, whom You have redeemed ith the precious blood of Your Son, who being God, lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Ghost, world without end. R. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who on this day didst present Thine only-begotten Son in Thy holy temple to be received in the arms of holy Simeon: we humbly entreat Thy clemency, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless and sanctify and to kindle with the light of Thy heavenly benediction these candles, which we, Thy servants, desire to receive and to bear lighted in the honour of Thy Name: that, by offering them to Thee our Lord God, being worthily inflamed with the holy fire of Thy most sweet charity, we may deserve to be presented in the holy temple of Thy glory. Through the same our Lord. R. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, the true Light who enlightenest every man that cometh into this world: pour forth Thy blessing upon these candles, and sanctify them with the light of Thy grace, and mercifully grant, that as these lights enkindled with visible fire dispel the darkness of night, so our hearts illumined by invisible fire, that is, by the splendour of the Holy Spirit, may be free from the blindness of all vice, that the eye of our mind being cleansed, we may be able to discern what is pleasing to Thee and profitable to our salvation; so that after the perilous darkness of this life we may deserve to attain to never-failing light: through Thee, O Christ Jesus, Saviour of the world, who in the perfect Trinity, livest and reignest. R. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, who appearing on this day among men in the substance of our flesh, wast presented by Thy parents in the temple: whom the venerable and aged Simeon, illuminated by the light of Thy Spirit, recognized, received into his arms, and blessed: mercifully grant that, enlightened and taught by the grace of the same Holy Ghost, we may truly acknowledge Thee and faithfully love Thee; Who with God the Father. R.

Almighty and everlasting God, who by Thy servant Moses didst command the purest oil to be prepared for lamps to burn continuously before Thee: vouchsafe to pour forth the grace of Thy blessing upon these candles: that they may so afford us light outwardly that by Thy gift, the gift of Thy Spirit may never be wanting



Umen \* ad reve-la-ti-ónem génti-um : et gló-ri-am ANTIPHON After the distribution of blessed candles this Antiphon is sung: Arise, O Lord, help us and deliver us for Thy Name's sake. Ps. 43. 2. We have heard, O God, with our ears: our fathers have declared to us. Glory be to the Father. Arise, O Lord.

COLLECT: We beseech Thee, O Lord, hearken unto Thy people, and grant that by the light of Thy grace, we may inwardly attain to those things which Thou grantest us outwardly to venerate by this yearly observance. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

#### THE PROCESSION WITH LIGHTED CANDLES

Adorn thy bridal-chamber, O Sion, and welcome Christ the King: with loving embrace greet Mary who is the very gate of heaven; for she bringeth to thee the glorious King of the new light: remaining ever a Virgin yet she bearest in her arms the Son begotten before the day-star: even the Child, whom Simeon taking into his arms, declared to the peoples to be the Lord of life and death, and the Saviour of the world.

Someon received an answer from the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord; and when they brought the Child into the temple, he took Him into His arms, and blessed God, and said: Now dost Thou dismiss Thy servant, O Lord, in peace. When His parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, he took Him in his arms.

They offered for Him to the Lord a pair of turtle doves, or two young pigeons: \* As it is written in the Law of the Lord. After the days of the purification of Mary, according to the law of Moses, were fulfilled, they carried Jesus to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord. \* As it is written in the Law of the Lord. Glory be to the Father. \* As it is written in the Law of the Lord.

#### PROPER of the MASS

INTROIT: We have received Thy mercy, O God, in the midst of Thy temple; according to Thy name, O God, so also is Thy praise unto the ends of the earth: Thy right hand is full of justice. Ps. Great is the Lord, and exceedingly to be praised, in the city of God, in His holy mountain. V. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT: Almighty and everlasting God, we humbly beseech Thy majesty; that as Thine only begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so too Thou wouldst grant us to be presented unto Thee with purified souls. Through the same Lord.

EPISTLE: Thus saith the Lord God: Behold I send My Angel, and he shall prepare the way before My face; and presently the Lord, whom you seek, and the Angel of the Testament, whom you desire, shall come to His temple. Behold He cometh, saith the Lord of Hosts; and who shall be able to think of the day of His coming? and who shall stand to see Him? For He is like a refining fire, and like the fuller's herb; and He shall sit refining and cleansing the silver, and He shall purify the sons of Levi, and shall refine them as gold, and as silver, and they shall offer sacrifices to the Lord in justice. And the sacrifice of Juda and of Jerusalem shall please the Lord, as in the days of old, and in the ancient years; saith the Lord almighty. (*Malachy 3:1-4*) GRADUAL: We have received Thy mercy, O God, in the midst of Thy temple: according to Thy name, O God, so also is Thy praise unto the ends of the earth. V. As we have heard, so have we seen, in the city of our God, and in His holy mountain. ALLELUIA: Alleluia, alleluia. V. The old man carried the Child: but the Child governed the old man. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON: At that time, after the days of Mary's purification, according to the law of Moses, were accomplished, they carried Jesus to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord; as it is written in the law of the Lord: Every male opening the womb shall be called holy to the Lord; and to offer a sacrifice, according as it is written in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtle doves or two young pigeons. And behold there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Ghost was in him: and he had received an answer from the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. And he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when His parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, he also took Him into his arms, and blessed God, and said: Now Thou dost dismiss Thy servant, O Lord, according to Thy word in peace; because my eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples; a light to the revelation of the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. (Luke 2:22-32)

OFFERTORY: Grace is poured abroad in thy lips: therefore hath God blessed thee for ever, and for ages and ages.

SECRET: Graciously hear our prayers, O Lord; and that the gifts we offer in the sight of Thy majesty may be found worthy, extend to us the help of Thy mercy. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION: Simeon received an answer from the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, until he had seen the Christ of the Lord.

**POST COMMUNION:** We beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that by the intercession of blessed Mary ever Virgin, Thou wouldst make the most holy mysteries, which Thou hast conferred upon us for the preservation of our spiritual life, both a present and future remedy. Through our Lord.

# Music Programs for this Sunday's Mass

#### Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

4:00 PM (Vigil), 7:30 & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

#### **Candlemas**

**Prelude:** Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee (John B. Dykes 1866)

#### **Entrance Antiphon:**

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 97)

"Sion, adorn your bridal chamber and welcome Christ the King; take Mary in your arms, who is the gate of heaven, for she herself is carrying the King of glory and new light. A Virgin she remains, though bringing in her hands the Son before the morning star begotten, whom Simeon, taking in his arms announced to the peoples as Lord of life and death and Savior of the world."

#### Psalm 47(48):10-11

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 98)

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

#### Ordinary Prayers: Mass II "Kyrie Fons Bonitatis"

(Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus and Agnus Dei) Parish Book of Chant, nos.34-39/pp. 63~66 **Credo I** (Laminated long-sheet sheet in pews)

#### Offertory Antiphon: Psalm 47(48):10-11

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 98)

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

#### Communion: Luke 2:30-31

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 98)

My eyes have seen your salvation, which You prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

#### **Communion Meditation:**

Magnificat (Chant)

(9:00 AM) Ave Maria

(Gaetano Donizetti 1797~1848)

#### **Recessional Hymn:**

Faithful Vigil Ended (Nunc Dimittis) (Extra Photocopy sheet)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

10:30 AM

#### **Candlemas**

**Prelude:** When to the Temple Mary Went (Maria Wallt Zum Heiligtum)

(Johannes Eccard, Published 1642 in Erster Theil der preussisuchen Fest-Lieder)

Asperges me (Parish Book of Chant, pg. 34)

#### **Distribution of Candles:**

Lumen Ad Revelationem Gentium (Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525~1594)

#### **Procession**

<u>Introit</u>: Psalm 47:10-11,2 Suscepimus, Deus, misericordiam tuam in medio templi tui: secundum nomen tuum, Deus, ita et laus tua in fines terrae: justitia plena est dextera tua. (Psalm) Magnus Dominus, et laudabilis nimis: in civitate Dei nostri, in monte sancto ejus.

#### Ordinary Prayers: Mass II "Kyrie Fons Bonitatis"

(Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus and Agnus Dei) Parish Book of Chant, nos.34-39/pp. 63~66

Credo IV: Parish Book of Chant, no. 120/pg. 117-119

Gradual: Psalm 47:10-11,9 Suscepimus, Deus,

misericordiam tuam in medio templi tui: secundum nomen tuum, Deus, ita et laus tua in fines terrae. Sicut audivimus, ita et vidimus, in civitate Dei nostri, in monte sancto ejus. <u>Alleluia</u>: Alleluia. Senex puerum portabat: puer autem senem regebat.

<u>Offertory</u>: Psalm 44:3 Diffusa est gratia in labiis tuis: propterea benedixit te Deus in aeternum, et in saeculum saeculi.

<u>Communion</u>: Luke 2:26 Responsum accepit Simeon a Spiritu Sancto, non visurum se mortem, nisi videret Christum Domini.

**Communion Meditation:** Exaltabo Te Domine a 6

(Orlando di Lasso, Published 1594 in Cantiones sacrae) Ave Maria

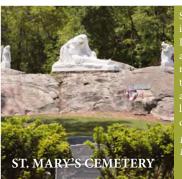
(Gaetano Donizetti 1797~1848)

#### **Recessional Hymn:**

Faithful Vigil Ended (Nunc Dimittis) (Extra Photocopy sheet)

**Postlude:** Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee (John B. Dykes 1866)

Angelus (Chant)



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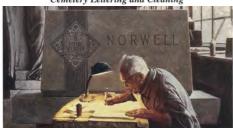
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