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to God, who
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trust Him
unreservedly."
—St. Patrick
"Confessio"

CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

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Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

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

Baptism: Upon request. Please contact Father Higgins.

Penance (Confession):

Saturday 8:30-9:00 A.M. and 3:30-4:00 PM Sunday, before and after the 10:30 a.m. AM Mass, Weekdays, before and after the Latin daily Masses

Matrimony:

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

Anointing of the Sick (for those who are gravely ill or facing serious surgery); **Communion of the Sick for** the Homebound: Please contact Father Higgins.

April 12th, A.D. 2020

Easter Sunday

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.

> > Parish Mission Statement



"What then is a parish? It is the smallest section of the one universal flock which has been entrusted to Peter by the Lord. Under the authority of a responsible

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

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes (Formerly St. Mary's Parish, 1870-1910) Newton/Needham, Massachusetts Newton & Needham's Oldest Roman Catholic Parish



THE POPE'S INTENTION
FOR THE MONTH OF
APRIL, 2020: "FREEDOM
FROM ADDICTION: That those
suffering from addiction may be
helped and accompanied."

(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)

+ APRIL IS THE MONTH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT+

Pastor's Note



Fr. Higgins

UNRESERVED TRUST IN GOD

The Saint Patrick window of our parish church by the Lady Altar and Baptistery shows an

important historic scene in the life of the Saint. It shows Patrick's first preaching to the heathen High King of Ireland on Easter Sunday, when he used the three-leafed shamrock as an image of the Mystery of the God the Holy Trinity. The year was 433 A.D., a Jubilee Year, the 400th Anniversary of the Redemption.

What Patrick later writes in his *Confessio* about the course of his apostolic mission to the Irish: "Whether I receive good or ill, I return thanks equally to God, who taught me always to trust Him unreservedly"; are words we might appropriate for ourselves as a prayer-word during these days of a world-wide pestilence. One lesson certainly being brought home to us is how utterly helpless we are before the larger forces (of nature) over us. If we did not have recourse to God then our situation would indeed be hopeless. But we do have recourse to God and His Divine Pity, and so we do have the confidence to "to trust Him unreservedly" in these events.

For a Christian, a time of mortality and pestilence ought to awaken a heightened sense of the contrast between this transitory life and the life of the world-to-come. Our lives on earth are contingent and subject to many hardships. Paradise-on-earth is not the Christian message. The eternal life which Jesus Christ Our Lord has won for us by His Cross and Resurrection is the real life we should be concerned about. Hand-washing and social distancing might help us avoid contracting the COVID-19, but they won't help us save our souls. Only being converted to God can do that.

The palm branch we are accustomed to receive on Palm Sunday is symbolic of the victory of life over death. It represents our individual sharing in Christ's Resurrection.

The custom of taking our palms home each year and placing them behind a home crucifix is much to be encouraged. As one spiritual writer explains its meaning:

"And at the end of [the Palm Sunday Mass] we take our palms home, and reverently place them behind our crucifix; and we would do well to use the palms of all the members of our family, placing them in the living room, the kitchen, the bedrooms, the garden—in any place where we pass our time—that they may remain there throughout the year. Why should we do that? Because at the end of [the Palm Sunday] Procession the priest says this prayer: 'Lord Jesus Christ, our King and Redeemer, we have carried these branches and sung solemn praises in Thy honor. Graciously let Thy grace and blessing rest wherever these branches are brought; with the powers of Thy right hand defeat every evil influence and deception of the devil while granting Thy protection to those whom Thou hast redeemed; who art living and reigning with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God forever and ever.'

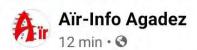
The palms are not instruments of magic; they are not superstitious amulets supposed to possess power or virtue of their own; but they are visible signs of the power of the prayer of God's Church which calls down the blessing of God upon all the places where they are put. We who have faith in the Church should have faith in her prayers, and make use of their power to our sanctification and protection."

(From <u>Preparing for Easter</u> by Father Howell, quoted in Pius Parsch's <u>The Church's Year of</u> Grace)

FATHER SALAKO

Father Desiré Salako, S.M.A., sends us his Easter Greetings from Benin. The Coronavirus has reached them in West Africa and they are under lockdowns and curfew which causes a great deal more hardship under their social conditions than similar measures do to us.

On March 24th, the kidnappers of Fr. Pierluigi Maccalli, S.M.A., one of Fr. Salako's missionaries in Niger, released a short video of him and another Italian hostage. It is the first evidence since Fr. Maccalli's kidnapping in September 2018 that he is still alive.



Sur une vidéo récente dont copie est parvenue à la rédaction de Aïr Info, on voit deux italiens, fatigués à première vue décliner face caméra leur identité, leur nationalité, et la date de la prise de vue. D'après nos recherches, il s'agit bien du prêtre PierLuigi Maccalli, enlevé le 18 septembre 2018, dans sa paroisse de Bomoanga, située à 150 km au sud-ouest de Niamey, à la frontière du Niger avec le Burkina. [64 more words] https://airinfoagadez.com/2020/04/06/urgent-sahel-deux-otages-italiens-detenus-au-nord-mali-donnent-signe-de-vie/



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COLLECTS OF THE ROMAN MISSAL

David Allen EASTER SATURDAY

(Missale Romanum 1970)

"**Z**ook with kindness upon Your people, O Lord, and grant, we pray, that those You were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries may attain in their flesh the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. Amen."

Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen! The Church prays this Post-Communion Collect on Saturday of the Easter Octave, capping off an entire week of prolonged celebration. While it refers especially to the newly baptized and confirmed, it nevertheless includes the whole of the faithful. The eight festal days of the Lord's Resurrection renew the faith of *all* the baptized.

This prayer contains a wonderful allusion to St. Peter's teaching on the resurrection, both Christ's and ours:

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy hath regenerated us unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, unto an inheritance *incorruptible*, and undefiled, and that cannot fade, reserved in heaven for you" (cf. 1 Pet. 1:3-4, Douay-Rheims, emphasis mine).

We who are united to Christ in baptism and in faith, hope, and charity, can <u>expect</u> to share in His own incorruptibility in the resurrection of the body, as we also hear in St. Paul's letter to the Philippians:

"But our commonwealth is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will change our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power which enables Him even to subject all things to Himself" (cf. Phil. 3:20-21, RSV-CE, emphasis mine).

These are wonderful and powerful scriptures for us to read and re-read, especially when we seek

consolation in times of suffering, uncertainty, or grief.

Faith and hope in the risen Christ inspired by such scriptures enable us to apprehend Him, that is, to have real and living contact with him (cf. Kreeft, *Catholic Christianity*, pp .35-6). Such contact, such *union* with Christ, is fulfilled for us most especially in His greatest gift to us, *His very self in the Holy Eucharist*, which we hear about most clearly in St. John's Gospel:

"I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is My flesh...Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you; he who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day" (cf. Jn. 6:51-54, RSV-CE).

Our Collect above conveys what Jesus Himself teaches in this passage, namely, that our union with Him in Holy Communion is the down-payment of His future work in us of bodily resurrection. What the Collect means, then, is that it is Christ Himself in the Eucharist who is the "eternal mystery," and who renews His faithful ones in the seven "mysteries." He is working mightily for our "transformation" through these seven differentiated means of grace we call Sacraments, and especially the Eucharist (cf. Catechism no. 1074; Sacrosanctum Concilium no. 10). All of these flow from His living Sacred Heart, which retains the wound of the spear-thrust from the Cross. The Fathers of the Church and the Magisterium have long interpreted St. John's focus on the wound in Christ's side as the deepest meaning of the Easter mystery: Christ's love for the Church, dispensed lavishly in His mysteries, especially Baptism and the Holy Eucharist.

> Mr. David Allen, M.T.S., is the lay Pastoral Associate for our parish of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes.



"THE GUIDE OF LIFE, IMPLANTED IN OUR NATURE, **DISCRIMINATING RIGHT** FROM WRONG, AND INVESTING RIGHT WITH **AUTHORITY AND SWAY, IS OUR CONSCIENCE, WHICH REVELATION DOES BUT ENLIGHTEN, STRENGTHEN** AND REFINE. COMING FROM

ONE AND THE SAME AUTHOR, THESE INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL MONITORS OF COURSE RECOGNIZE AND BEAR WITNESS TO **EACH OTHER"**

—SAINT JOHN HENRY CARDINAL NEWMAN (+1890)

RAISED TO THE ALTARS, OCTOBER 13TH, 2019





"GRATITUDE IS THE THING THAT BRINGS US THE MOST GRACE...I HAVE LEARNT THIS FROM EXPERIENCE; TRY IT AND YOU WILL SEE. I AM **CONTENT WITH WHATEVER** GOD GIVES ME, AND I SHOW HIM THIS IN A THOUSAND LITTLE WAYS."—ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX (+1897)



HEALTH OF THE **SICK**

"In every man there is Jesus, but in the sick we see Jesus twice."—Padre Pio

For all those on our parish prayer list for the sick, especially for:

Richard Lempitski, Jerome Rusnack, Hannah Strom, Erika da Silva, William Leavey, Ophelia Tobio, Tanguy du Halgouët, Margie Bibbo, Maria & John Centofanti, Teresa Lee, Catherine Kwash, Alexander Louis Post, Bob Quinn, Sunny McCloskey, Shirley Bibbo, Katharine Allen, Dorothy Fresolo, Lita O'Laoghaire, Mary Downey, Joseph Gamache, Kathy Quinn, Nick & Janet Pino, Mary Duhaime...

"I do not promise to make you happy in this life, but in the next"—Our Lady of Lourdes to St. Bernadette, February 18th, 1858





PHOTO above: the Lourdes spring as it comes out of the Massabielle. This is how pilgrims to the Shrine today can view it.

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the resurrection of:

+Dorothy DeMichele +Lucille Jarvis, aged 101



LATIN MASS PROPERS: EASTER SUNDAY

COLLECT: O God, Who, on this day, through Thine only-begotten Son, hast conquered death, and thrown open to us the gate of everlasting life, give effect by Thine aid to our desires, which Thou dost anticipate and inspire. Through the same ...

EPISTLE: From First Epistle of Blessed Paul to the Corinthians (I Cor 5. 7-8) Brethren: purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new paste, as you are unleavened: for Christ our Pasch is sacrificed. Therefore let us feast, not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

GRADUAL: Psalm 117. 24, 1 This is the day which the Lord hath made: let us rejoice and be glad in it. Give praise unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth for ever. ALLELUIA I Cor. 5. 7 Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ our Pasch is sacrificed.

EASTER SEQUENCE: Christians! to the Paschal Victim offer your thankful praises. The Lamb the sheep redeemeth: Christ, who only is sinless, reconcileth sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that conflict stupendous: the Prince of Life, who died, deathless reigneth. Speak, Mary, declaring what thou sawest wayfaring. "The tomb of Christ who now liveth: and likewise the glory of the Risen. Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting. Yea, Christ my hope is arisen: to Galilee He goeth before you." We know that Christ is risen, henceforth ever living: Have mercy, Victor King, pardon giving. Amen. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Mark 16. 1-7 At that time, Mary Magdalen, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought sweet spices, that coming they might anoint Jesus. And very early in the morning, the first day of the week, they came to the sepulchre, the sun being now risen. And they said one to another: Who shall roll us back the stone from the door of the sepulchre? And looking, they saw the stone rolled back. For it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed with a white robe, and they were astonished. Who saith to them: Be not affrighted; ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: He is risen, He is not here; behold the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples, and Peter, that He goeth before you into Galilee; there you shall see Him, as He told you.

OFFERTORY: Psalm 75. 9-10 The earth trembled and was still when God arose in judgment, alleluia.

SECRET: We beseech Thee, O Lord, accept the prayers of Thy people together with the Sacrifice they offer, that what has been begun by the Paschal Mysteries, may by Thy arrangement result in our eternal healing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ ...

COMMUNION: I Corinthians 5, 7-8 Christ our Pasch is sacrificed, alleluia: therefore let us feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION: Pour forth upon us, O Lord, the spirit of Thy love, that those whose hunger Thou has satisfied with the Sacraments of Easter may in Thy kindness be one in heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ ...

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 Easter Sunday

Prelude: Lapis Revolutus Est (Parish Book of Chant No.259, Page 279)

(9 AM)
"Hallelujah Chorus"
Messiah, HWV 56
George Frideric Handel

Entrance Antiphon: Psalm 138 (139): 18, 5-6 (SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 30)

I have risen, and I am with you still alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Ordinary Prayers: Mass I "Lux et Origo"
Parish Book of Chant, no.28ff./pp. 60~62
(Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus and Agnus Dei)
Credo III

Offertory Antiphon: Luke 24:34. cf. Rev. 1:6 (SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 31)

The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To Him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, Alleluia, Alleluia

Communion: I Corinthians 4:7-8

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 31)

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia.

Communion Meditation:

Regina Caeli (Chant)

(9 AM)

Laudate Dominum **K.339** (Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart)

Recessional Hymn:

Christ the Lord is Risen Today (Parish Hymnal, **No. 64**)

Postlude

Exultate, Jubilate K.165

IV.Alleluja

(Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart d.1791)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal) 10:30 AM

Easter Sunday

Prelude: Christ the Lord is Risen Today **"Hallelujah Chorus"** Messiah, **HWV 56**George Frideric Handel

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

Processional: Exsultemus et Laetemur (Parish Book of Chant, pg. 277)

Introit: Psalm 138. 18, 5-6, 1-2 Resurrexi, et adhuc tecum sum, alleluia: posuisti super me manum tuam, alleluia: mirabilis facta est scientia tua, alleluia, alleluia. Ps. ibid. 2. Domine, probasti me, et cognovisti me: tu cognovisti sessionem meam, et resurrectionem meam. N. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.— Resurrexi, et adhuc tecum ...

Ordinary Prayers: Mass I "Lux et Origo" Parish Book of Chant, no.28ff./pp. 60~62

(Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei)

Credo III Parish Book of Chant, no.119/pp. 114

Gradual: Psalm 117. 24, 1 Haec dies, quam fecit Dominus; exsultemus, et latemur in ea. N. Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus: quoniam in saculum misericordia ejus. Alleluia: I Corinthians 5, 7 Allelúia, allelúia. N. Pascha nostrum immolates est Christus.

<u>Offertory</u>: Psalm 75, 9-10 Terra tremuit, et quievit, dum resurgeret in judicio Deus, alleluia.

<u>Communion</u>: I Corinthians 5, 7-8 Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus, alleluia: itaque epulemur in azymis sinceritatis et veritatis, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Communion Meditation:

Laudate Dominum K.339

(Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart)

Exultate, Jubilate K.165

IV. Alleluja

(Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart d.1791)

Recessional Hymn: "Worthy Is the Lamb & Amen" Messiah, HWV 56

(George Frideric Handel, composed in 1741)

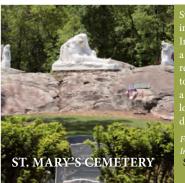
Regina Caeli (Chant)

Calendar of Masses

(Intention of the Mass—Special Remarks—Requested by)

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SUNDAY April 12th	8:00 PM (Paschal Vigil) 7:30 AM	NOT SCHEDULED Pro Populo		
EASTER SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION of	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Rita & William Kisil Marlan & Katharine Allen Frs. Salako & Maccalli, S.M.A.	Memorial Special Intention Special Intention	Slifka Family David & Ellen Allen David & Ellen Allen
the LORD		Michael Ferris Louis & Rita Post,	Memorial Memorial Memorial	David & Elich Tillen
		Bro. John Post, William Grant Darlene Rezender Margaret Richardson Raymundo/O'Laoghaire	Memorial Memorial Special Intention	Post Family Bennett Family Bennett Family
la de la companya de	5:30 PM	Family NOT SCHEDULED	Special Intention	Lita O'Laoghaire
MONDAY April 13th Easter Monday	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes	Memorial	
Luster Menally	12:30 PM	Joyce Marie Higgins	7th Anniversary	Anne Kent
TUESDAY April 14th Easter Tuesday	7:30 AM	Intention of the Donor		
WEDNESDAY April 15th Easter Wednesday	12:30 PM	John Doogan	Memorial	Rod & Martha Phillips
THURSDAY April 16th	7:30 AM	Thomas & Beverly Battaglia	Special Intention	Provencher Family
Easter Thursday	5:30 PM	Joseph M. Beard	Memorial	Catherine E. Dinon
FRIDAY April 17th	7:30 AM Health of the Sick	Richard Anderson	Memorial	Anne Kent
Easter Friday	12:30 PM	Carolyn Ward	Memorial	Hobbib Family
SATURDAY April 18th Easter Saturday	9:00 AM	All Souls (21) Lauren Ferris Darlene Rezender	Memorial Special Intention Memorial	Donor Bennett Family
Zaotoi Guturuuy	4:00 PM	Yale Hicks	Special Intention	Rose Amrhein

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—St. John Marie Baptiste Vianney, Curé d'Ars



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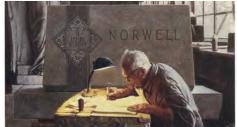
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