

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Our Mission Statement

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is a Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition. We are committed to journey together to God in prayer, community awareness and service. As a parish, we foster spiritual formation, ministry to those in need and active love for all
"Together to God"

Parish Staff

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| Pastor | Rev. Francis J. Cloherty |
| Religious Education | Sr. Marie Madigan M.H.S.H |
| Program Assistant | Jeanne Lafond |
| Music Director | Richard Cesarini |
| Secretary | Karen Danahy |
| Bookkeeper | Janice Loonie |

Senior Priest in Residence Fr. Francis Goss

Weekend Mass Schedule - Saturday 4:00pm,
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, & 12:00pm
Daily Masses – Monday, Wed, Thurs, Fri, & Sat 9:00am
Daily Rosary after 9:00am Mass
Novena in Honor of Our Lady is after 9:00am Mass on Wednesdays

Sacrament of Baptism: Please phone the rectory for information and registration. Pre-Baptismal Instruction for parents and godparents. Attendance is a requirement

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:00pm-3:30pm and by appointment

Sacrament of Matrimony: Six months notice is required and attendance at Pre-Marital Classes is part of the preparation. Please call the Rectory for appointment to see a Priest



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):
If you are an adult interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation into the Church through Confirmation, please call the rectory

Religious Education Class Schedule

Due to the reconstruction of our hall, there are changes in our Religious Education classes

| <u>Grade</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Time</u> |
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| Grade 1 | Sunday | 8:45am -9:45am |
| Grade 2 | Mon, & Wed | 4:00pm – 5:00pm |
| Grade 4 | Tues & Thurs | 4:00pm – 5:00pm |
| Grade 3,5,6,7,8,& 9 | home school during renovations | |
| Grade 10 | Monday, or Wednesday | 6:00pm -7:00pm |

For more information on Religious Education Classes, please call Sr. Marie at the Religious Education Office, Mon – Fri 508-588-1484

Prayer for Vocations with Fr. Goss are held on the first Thursday of each month from 1:00pm – 1:30pm in the church. All are welcome

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound:
Please notify us if someone you know would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, or if someone is unable to come to Mass on account of illness we will make sure they receive Holy Communion regularly.

New Parishioners:
Welcome! If you are new in the Parish, please introduce yourself after Mass and fill out yellow registration card found on the windowsills of the church. We have a Coffee Hour once each month after an 8:00am and 10:00am Mass and would enjoy meeting you.



MASS INTENTIONS



PARISH CALENDAR



Saturday, June 20

4:00pm – Emerentia Dinga – “the Lord is my shepherd.”
Thanksgiving Mass

Sunday, June 21

8:00am – For the people of this parish
10:00am – James J. Snow – 1st anniversary
12:00pm – Juvinal & Aris Goncalves – remembrance

Saturday, May 27

9:00am – Katherine & John Butler - Anniversary
4:00pm – John Adams – 1st anniversary

Saturday/Sunday, June 20 & 21

2nd Collection for parish unpaid bills
Sign up to help the with parish parking for the Brockton Fair
Sign up to volunteer for *Brockton After Dark*
Speaker from Trinity Catholic Academy
at the 4 pm & 10am Masses

Sunday, June 21

10:00am – Ryan and Kyle Farmer Baptism
Blessing of the Prayer Shawls & Baptismal Blankets

Monday, June 22

3:00pm – construction committee (rectory upstairs)
6:00pm – BIC / LOC Potluck supper (rectory upstairs)

Wednesday, June 24

7:00pm – Brockton Collaborative Steering Committee at
Christ the King Parish

Thursday, June 25

7:00pm – Religious Education Task Force (rectory upstairs)

Friday, June 26

5:00pm – Altar Server’s bowl at Westgate Lanes & Pizza

Saturday, June 27

8:30am – Parish Building Committee (rectory)
10:00am – Key Club Car Wash
4:00pm – Parish Baptisms

Sunday, June 28

1:30pm – Class for parents & godparents preparing to
baptize and infant.
4:00pm – CAP Committee (rectory upstairs)

Dates to save

Monday, July 13

7:00pm – An evening to explain *Church Marriage*.
Annulments at Christ the King Parish (church basement)

Saturday, July 18

11:00am – 3:00pm Parish Picnic, (rain date July 19)

Sunday, July 19

Hot Dog Sunday after the 12:00 noon Mass.

Sunday, July 26

5:00pm – Parish Day at the Rox Baseball Game

Please remember in your prayers

For: Ryan & Kyle Farmer and Abigail Clark who will be baptized here this weekend
For Shaun Bellao and Lauren Barnes who will be married here this weekend.
For : Brady Poz (Chris Poz’s nephew) 12months old with liver Cancer & Gerry Coughlin, (Sr. Marie’s sister) who is seriously ill,
For: Those who are homebound and ill especially:, Helen Bath, Joseph Ameri, Jay Balsavich, Catherine Butler, Mary Webby, James Conley, Manuel Jancinto, Francis Gibbs, Marilyn Castillo , Catherine Farmer, Mario Cesarini, Emma Keene, John Hardy, Elaine Sullivan, Fontaine Metta, Judy Wallen, Rita Ritucci & Phyllis Swan,sister of Joseph Swan, seriously ill
For: Jeannine Krikorian, & Irene Adams whose funerals were celebrated here last week, may they rest in peace.
For: All civilians, peace workers, relief workers, & military in areas of conflict and war, that they be protected from all harm.
That the recent incidents of domestic violence may serve as an alert to family members and helping professions for the need to get people help before people are hurt.
For: All those working for peace and justice in Pakistan, Israel, Burma, Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan, Darfur, and the eastern part of the Congo.
For: The young people and others in our city who have been murdered and for a greater commitment from the community to address the seed beds of this violence

Thoughts from

Our Spiritual Development Committee



To all fathers and to those who are fatherly to others Happy Father’s Day! The world today is in dire need of good men who provide love, guidance, and inspiration to others, May the Sacred Heart of Jesus guide these men in their important role. These faithful caring men make our lives richer!

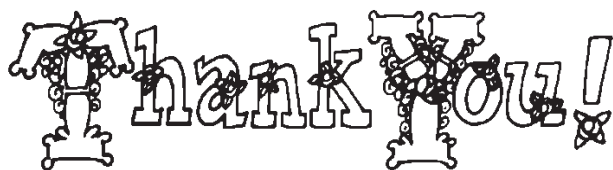
Presiders

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| Saturday, June 27 | 4:00pm | Fr. Smith |
| Sunday, June 28 | 8:00am | Fr Goss |
| | 10:00am | Fr. Flynn |
| | 12:00pm | Fr. Visbisky |

Volunteers needed to bring Holy Communion to residents of Baypointe Nursing Home once a month, beginning in July. Other Ministers are needed for our homebound. For more information, contact Jeanne Lafond at the rectory. Call 508-586-4715

Readings for the Week

Monday – Gn 12: 1-9
Tuesday – Gn 13: 2, 5-18 Mt 7: 6,12-14 (372)
Wednesday Jer 1: 4-10 1pt1: 8-12/Lk1:5-17(586) Day: Is 49:1-6/Acts13: 22-26 Lk1: 57-66, 80(587)
Thursday, Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or16:6b-12, 15-16 Mt7:21-29(374)
Friday Gn 17: 1, 9-10, 15-22 Mt8: 1-4 (375)
Saturday Gn 18: 1-15 Mt8: 5-17(376)
Sunday Wis1:13-15, 2:23-24,2Cor8: 7,9,13-15Mk 5: 21-43 or 5: 21-24, 35b-43 (98)



*For your presence at the special party Sunday, June 7,
and for the many cards and gifts.*

It was a wonderful day!

-Sr. Marie

Important Notice:

Handicap Parking, Front of the Church - Those who need to park in the handicap parking spaces in the front driveway of the church are asked to do so in such a way as not to block entry and exit from the driveway for other parishioners and/or emergency vehicles. If you need assistance with proper parking, please speak to one of the ushers at the Mass that you attend.

BROCKTON AFTER DARK

For the past three years, 30+ volunteers from Our Lady of Lourdes Church served young people ages 13-20 in healthy summer activities. This year the program will be held 6:00pm – 10:00pm, June 29 – August 21. Last year 1400 young people participated and made Brockton a safer happier place. Please consider signing up next week.

My Brother's Keeper has begun a way to help families with infants at a time of great economic pressure by collecting diapers and baby wipes. They will be distributed free of charge through their food assistance program to families in Brockton and Easton. A box for your donations is next to the piano. Thank you for your help.

Please Note:

The Mass for Vocations with Fr. Goss has been cancelled for July and August. It will resume in September.

Thank you

To all who contributed to the second collection last weekend to support the retirement, medical and financial needs of the priests of the Archdiocese. If you did not have a change to contribute and wish to do so, place your donations in an envelope and mark it, *for retired and disabled priests* and place it in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity.

Offertory

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| Weekly expenses | \$6600 |
| May 30/31 – Offertory | \$5082 |
| Clergy Benefit Trust | \$2519 |
| Weekly deficit | -\$1518 |

If every adult gave \$3.00 more per week, we would not have a deficit. Average amount given in offertory envelopes = \$18.00
Average amount given by people who do not use envelopes = \$7.00
Please remember the parish in your will. A gift for future generations

From Fr. Cloherty

Dear Friend,

To date we have been able to pay \$228,661 toward the reconstruction of our parish hall. We are also \$21,000 ahead of schedule with parishioner pledges. At a time when the state of our national economy is having a direct effect on some of us and has the rest of us edgy, this is a huge positive statement about the commitment of so many to our parish.

All who have pledged toward this important parish work and have spread payments over a three-year period should know that negotiations have begun with the Archdiocese for a \$200,000 bridge loan. Interest on the loan will be 5 percent, or \$15,790.46.

The need for the loan was foreseen and planned for from the start. The final payment on pledges will not be due until December 2010 and construction will be finished by this September. We will need the loan on or before August 1.

Work will begin this week on the handicap bathroom. The dirt pile in the parking lot will lessen as it is placed around the newly constructed elevator shaft. As we move toward September, two other things will occur:

1. In July, an independent contractor will be constructing two classrooms at the east end of the hall for our religious education program. This will provide six spaces in the hall for classes; two other spaces in the rectory will have classroom potential as well.
2. Bob James, Peg Reiche, and Bob Wegener have volunteered to come up with a color scheme for painting the hall. They will also organize paint parties throughout August.

I will be sharing more information in the days ahead, but I wanted everyone to have this information before some of us scatter for the summer.

Items

- **The Parish Picnic was postponed until July 18 due to the weather predicted** for this weekend. If you bought a ticket and would like a refund, please call the rectory or use the ticket for July 18th. We still have tickets on sale at the rectory if you are interested in coming & volunteers are still needed.
- We still need volunteers for *Brockton After Dark* (see the article) and for our parish fundraiser – *Parking cars in our lot for the Brockton Fair*. Tables are at the front of the church.