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### WE WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please introduce yourself to Fr. John or Linda and register at St. Mary of the Assumption or Our Lady of Grace! We want to get to know you and hope you become part of our community.

#### Confessions

Saturday, 3:15-3:45 pm at St. Mary's  
or by appointment.

#### Faith Formation

Call Donna DiGregorio at 781-284-5252

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Our Lady's: 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:30 pm.  
St. Mary's: 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm.  
Prep for Parents and Godparents is the previous  
Saturday at 11 am. Register three weeks in advance.

#### Care of the Sick

Please let us know of parishioners who are sick or in the hospital, that we may pray for, and when possible, visit them. Anyone who is unable to celebrate Mass with us in church is urged to let us know, that we might bring them Communion at home. Please call us!

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples considering marriage must contact Fr. John at least **six months** in advance. Participation in a marriage prep program is mandatory.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, Dec. 15

9 AM SMA

4 PM SMA Angela & John Rossi & Phyllis  
Frischia & Friscia & McCarthy families by Phyllis

### Sunday, Dec. 16 3rd Sunday in Advent

8 AM OLG All the People of the Parish

9:30 AM SMA Alfred (Sonny) Tigges (35th ann)  
by family  
Anthony & Sal Vaccaro & Ann Molina  
by Toni Ann

11 AM OLG William Celeste

12:30 PM OLG

### Monday, Dec. 17

9 AM SMA Anna & Pasquale Marotta  
by Maryann

### Thursday, Dec. 20

9 AM SMA Paul Conti Birthday Rem. by  
Mom & Dad

### Friday, Dec. 21

9 AM SMA Helen Dunn by Daughters

### Saturday, Dec. 22

9 AM SMA

4 PM SMA Bob, Italo & Family  
by wife & mother

### Sunday, Dec. 23 4th Sunday in Advent

8 AM OLG Benny & Benedetta Gallo

9:30 AM SMA Guiseeppe Salvaggio by  
Vincenza Salvaggio  
Laura Surdo by Loving Family

11 AM OLG

12:30 PM OLG

### A Request on Christmas Eve

At the 4 pm Family Mass at OLG and  
the 6 pm Family Mass at SMA,  
I ask that every family bring the Christ  
child from their family creche,  
or manger scene to be blessed.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### THE CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The priests in the Archdiocese of Boston are here for us each day throughout the year. Every Christmas, we hold a special collection for the health and well-being of 580 active and senior priests in good standing. Amid these difficult times for our Church, these priests need your support now more than ever.

Please take this opportunity to say thank you to all the priests, including our senior priests, who have devoted their lives to our Church... and to all of us. To donate online, please visit [clergytrust.org](http://clergytrust.org) or text the word **PRIEST25 to 20222** to donate \$25. Msg. and data rates may apply. Visit [clergyfunds.org](http://clergyfunds.org) for a heartwarming testimony from a family about our priests.

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Thanks to Maria and Linda who led an intrepid group of carolers through the halls of the Solders' Home in Chelsea last Saturday bringing joy and fun to those who've given so much. Thank you so much!

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My sister Cathy volunteers at a very special place for women in crisis in Boston—**Healthcare without Walls**— we're hoping find ways we can help these generous people reach out and bring some comfort and care to those in need— all year long. More to come.

### SMA Memorial Society

John McGrath, Josephine Curcio,  
Fannie & John Cammarata,  
Betty & Michael Mercurio,  
Charlie Perullo, Mary & Benny Abbene,  
Nicholas DiMauro, Alice Fucci, Adolfo &  
Adelina Cillo, Michael & Inez DeFronzo,  
Jack Caprio, Ronald Piasecki,  
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## Morning Star Catholic Collaborative

Office Hours in Chelsea/Everett & Revere

Mon, Wed & Fri, 9 am- Noon

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### Holy Name

2nd Sundays, @ 10:30 am @ SMA Hall

### Boy Scouts

Tuesdays, 6 pm @ OLG Hall

### Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesdays, 7 pm @ OLG Hall

### My Brother's Table

4th Wednesdays, 4 pm

### St. Vincent de Paul

Thursdays, 10 am @ SMA Hall

### Women's Club

1st Thursdays, 7 pm @ SMA Hall

### St. Mary's Bingo

Fridays, 6:45 pm @ SMA Hall

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Saturdays, 10 am @ OLG Hall

## The Holy Name Society

As Sunday we celebrate our Christmas Party, a big thanks to the SMA Holy Name Society

for their very generous donation,

as well as their support of the parish.

We are very blessed by these very generous

benefactors of our parish!

## Marking the season:

### A Reverse Advent Calendar

A beautiful way to live Advent's season of giving is to place an item or two everyday in a basket in your house and to drop the basket off at

OLG or SMA at Christmastime—

half will go to our St. Vincent de Paul and half will go to our sister parish in Haiti!

### Suggested supplies:

canned vegetables, fruit, soup, cereal,

instant potatoes, pasta and sauce,

pancake mix, biscuit or baking mixes,

canned meats (tuna, chicken, beef stew)

peanut butter and jelly, macaroni & cheese,

boxed meals, instant oatmeal, granola bars,

deodorant, body wash, soap bars,

toothbrushes, toothpaste, shaving supplies,

shampoo, conditioner, diapers, baby wipes,

toilet paper, sanitary items, laundry soap,

new underwear, undershirts & socks

## LAUDATO SI

### Seeing manual labor as spiritually meaningful proved revolutionary

Let us take a moment to look at the great tradition of monasticism. Originally, it was a kind of flight from the world, an escape from the decadence of cities.

The monks sought the desert, convinced that it was the best place for encountering the presence of God. Later, Saint Benedict of Norcia proposed that his monks live in community, combining prayer and spiritual reading with manual labor. Personal growth and sanctification came to be sought in the interplay of recollection and work.

This way of experiencing work makes us more protective and respectful of the environment, it bathes our relationship to the world with a healthy dignity or common sense.....#126

## **SMA Women's Club**

Christmas Calendars are now on sale!!  
Please see a Women's Club member  
after Mass on Saturdays  
and on Sundays at coffee hour at SMA.

## **St. Mary's Coffee Hour**

Thank you to Linda DeAngelo for hosting last  
week's Coffee Hour. If you'd like to host,  
please call us at 781-284-5252!

## **A New Light**

Our new logo was designed by the very gifted  
graphic artist Paul Ferraro- he donated his  
talents, and we are grateful. We also thank  
Jeanne Conte for helping bring this about!

This represents what we do together-  
it doesn't supersede the parishes in any way-  
in fact, I'd like to see each parish develop its  
own logo. Thanks again, Paul,  
for your beautiful work!

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Gerry Foster	Marie Ienello
Linda DeCicco	Barbara Heinle
Paula Zattoni	Anne Ciampa
George Daus	Anne Cerere
Kathy Irons	Kevin D'Amelio
Ann McCarthy	Bob Bourque
Virginia Resca	Barbara Ostler
Sheila Laliberte	Debbie Curcuro
Beth Ann Fisher	Andres Frias
Larry Heise	George Ostler, Sr.
Elizabeth Raneli	Nathan DeRoache
Dorothy Irons	Francis Condon
John Carroll	Rosario Cirmia
Diane Janvrin	Salvatore Cirmia
Linda Carafa	Mario Cirmia



### Coming in January: The Legion of Mary

Our Blessed Mother leads us to her Son, where we find peace and hope resting in Him. The Legion of Mary- a Catholic organization dedicated to our Blessed Mother almost a century old- brings us closer to her.

Soon, folks in our community will be hosting here an Informational Social about the Legion - hear heart-warming stories from current members. **Watch this space!**

## JOIN OUR CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS!

We are currently rehearsing  
for Christmas Eve Masses

(4 PM at OLG and 6 PM at SMA)!

We are rehearsing in Our Lady of Grace

Rectory beginning at 12:30 pm

on these Sundays: Dec. 16 and 23

All are welcome!

### Regional Advent Penance Service

Wednesday, Dec. 19 @ 7 pm

@ St. Anthony, Revere

### Christmas Mass Schedule

#### Christmas Eve

4 pm @ OLG

6 pm @ SMA

8 pm @ OLG-Creole

#### Christmas Day

8 am @ OLG

9:30 am @ SMA

11 am @ OLG

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