

# MORNING STAR CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE

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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.

## Feast of the Holy Family

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Dec. 29

9 AM SMA

4 PM SMA

Patricia Reeves by  
Albano family

Emily Ursino by Sister

Sunday, Dec. 30 Feast of the Holy Family

8 AM OLG All the People of the Parish

9:30 AM SMA A Special Intention

11 AM OLG All the People of the Parish

12:30 PM OLG

Monday, Dec. 31

9 AM SMA

4 PM SMA

Tuesday, Jan. 1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY

10 AM OLG

Thursday, Jan. 3

9 AM SMA

Friday, Jan. 4

9 AM SMA

Saturday, Jan. 5

9 AM SMA

4 PM SMA William & Josephine Shaw

Sunday, Jan. 6 EPIPHANY

8 AM OLG Gerald McDonald

9:30 AM SMA Pasquale Lochiatto &  
Joseph & Angela Bellofatto

11 AM OLG Shauna Gareasi

John Whalen

12:30 PM OLG

Second Collection @ OLG

This weekend:

Our sister parish in L'Asile, Haiti

### Please Note!

Tuesday, Jan. 1 is the Solemnity of  
Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses are 4 pm at SMA on Dec. 31  
and 10 am at OLG on Jan. 1.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I'd like to express my gratitude to everyone who helped make these Christmas days so joyful, especially Linda DeCristoforo, and our amazing Collaborative staff, Frs. Rob & Brian & Deacon Kieran and Bro. Nate and the many volunteers who sacrificed countless hours to the service of our parishes and collaborated seamlessly. We are very blessed, indeed.

Last week's special collection went towards the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust, an independent trust supporting the health and well-being of our Boston priests.

If you did not have the opportunity to participate and would like to do so, please visit [clergitrust.org](http://clergitrust.org). Thank you for your generosity and prayerful support of our priests in good standing.

"The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes. Unless a particular man made New Year resolutions, he would make no resolutions.

Unless a man starts afresh about things, he will certainly do nothing effective."

— G.K. Chesterton

### 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,

Steblecki Family, Carmella Bocelli,

David Lania, Emilio Federico

## Morning Star

### Catholic Collaborative

Office Hours in Chelsea/Everett & Revere

Mon, Wed & Fri, 9 am- Noon

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**Lee Meoli, Administrative Support**

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**Larry Lacroix, Support, SMA**

#### Holy Name Society

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

December 30, 2018

### Marking the season:

#### The Reverse Advent Calendar

A beautiful way to live this season of giving is to drop your basket off through Epiphany

At the Tree at OLG or SMA—  
half will go to our St. Vincent de Paul Society  
and half will go to our sister parish in Haiti!

## LAUDATO SI

### Work is part of the meaning of life on earth

We were created with a vocation to work. The goal should not be that technological progress increasingly replaces human work, for this would be detrimental to humanity. Work is a necessity and a path to growth, human development and personal fulfillment. Helping the poor financially must always be temporary solution in the face of pressing needs.

However the broader objective should always be to allow them a dignified life through work. The orientation of the economy has favored a kind of technological progress in which the costs of production are reduced by laying off workers and replacing them with machines. This is another way in which we can end up working against ourselves.

The loss of jobs also has a negative impact on the economy “through the progressive erosion of social capital: the network of relationships of trust, dependability, and respect for rules, all of which are indispensable for any form of coexistence.”

To stop investing in people, in order to gain greater short-term financial gain, is bad business for society. #128

## Happy New Year!

Please note that our Collaborative  
offices will be closed

Dec. 29- Jan. 1.

## St. Mary's Coffee Hour

Thank you to Louise, Dina, Ella & Mary for hosting last week's Coffee Hour.

This week's Coffee hour will be hosted by Linda DeAngelo. 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!

**If you are what you should be,  
you will set the whole world  
ablaze!**

-St. Catherine of Siena

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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



### **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.

On the weekend of January 11-12, we will have a speaker after communion and folks in our community will be hosting an Informational Social about the Legion- hear heart-warming stories from current members!

### **A Special Invitation**

Please join us Sunday, Jan. 20 at 11 am  
at Our Lady of Grace Church  
with Most Rev. Mark O'Connell,  
as we celebrate a Mass of thanksgiving  
of the Inauguration of the Morning  
Star Collaborative and the installation  
of Fr. John Sheridan as Pastor.  
A reception at St. Mary's Hall  
will follow. All are welcome!

“Christ be with me, Christ within me,  
Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ  
beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to com-  
fort me and restore me, Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in  
danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me,  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.”

-St. Patrick

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