

**SAINT MARIA GORETTI PARISH, LYNNFIELD, MA**



- Saturday, January 7**  
4:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Amy Kirkwood, Memorial
- Sunday, January 8**  
9:00 am Sara and Joseph Powers, Memorial  
11:00 am Lawrence Ebbs, Sr., 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Monday, January 9**  
7:00 am James H. Dunphy, Jr., Memorial
- Tuesday, January 10**  
7:00 am Intention of the Celebrant
- Wednesday, January 11**  
7:00 am Pro Popolo (intentions of our parishioners)
- Friday, January 13**  
7:00 am Ann G. Haggerty, Memorial
- Saturday, January 14**  
4:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Betty and Bob Roma, Mem'l
- Sunday, January 15**  
9:00 am Sanctuary Memorial Fund  
11:00 am Intention of the Celebrant

Those who endow a Memorial Mass are welcome to bring up the gifts. Please identify yourself to an usher.

**Liturgical Ministers - Weekend of January 7/8**

4:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
<b>Sacristans</b>		
Denis Ritchie	Beverly Merritt	Marie Bell
<b>Cantor/Choir</b>		
Adult Choir	Youth Choir	Cara Palmerino
<b>Lectors</b>		
Dora Morelli	Bethany Kilroy	Marie Bell
<b>E M H C</b>		
Patty Colby	Lisa Caswell	Denise Brandano
Michelle Cullinane	Bruce Dickey	Carl DeMarco
Henry DeSantis	Susan Dickey	Beverly Merritt
Jim McGovern	Donna Hegan	Anne Patriquin
Denis Ritchie	Beverly Merritt	Denise Savage
<b>Altar Servers</b>		
Nicholas Alphen	Barbara Dickey	Chris Flannery
Francis LaRovere	Emily LaRovere	Michael Romano

**Liturgical Ministers - Weekend of January 14/15**

4:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
<b>Sacristans</b>		
Joyce Calogero	Hope Nutter	Mary Anderson
<b>Cantor/Choir</b>		
Cara Palmerino	Paula Black	Adult Choir
<b>Lectors</b>		
Tom O'Shea	David Donohoe	Mary Anderson
<b>E M H C</b>		
Joyce Calogero	Judy Barry	Beverly Anderson
Jim Fagan	Pat Donohoe	Linda Beaver
Marianne Hegan	Jean Goguen	Sue Cullen
Carol O'Shea	Jim McGovern	Jim McGovern
Val Rondeau	Hope Nutter	Alberta McMahan
<b>Altar Servers</b>		
Michael McNamara	Emily MacIntyre	Anne Welch
Cameron Rondeau	Olivia Skelley	

FYI

**From Father Powers**

Before calendars were used, people did not know the significant dates for the upcoming liturgical year. In parish churches, the date of Easter was announced on the Feast of the Epiphany. Various celebrations of the church year depend on the date of Easter. For example, the number of Sundays that follow Epiphany, the date of Ash Wednesday, and the number of Sundays that follow Pentecost are all computed in relation to Easter.

The *Epiphany Proclamation* recalls the centrality of the Christ's Resurrection in the passage of time this year. It also emphasizes great mysteries of faith which are celebrated throughout each year.

**The Proclamation of the Date of Easter on Epiphany  
2012**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return. Through the rhythms of times and seasons, let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation. Let us recall the year's culmination, the **Easter Triduum** of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising celebrated between the evening of the fifth day of April and the evening of the sixth day of April, **Easter Sunday** being on the eighth day of April.

Each Easter - as on each Sunday - the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has forever conquered sin and death. From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy.

**Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of Lent, will occur on the twenty-second day of February. **The Ascension** of the Lord will be commemorated on the seventeenth day of May. **Pentecost**, joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on the twenty-seventh day of May. This year, the **First Sunday of Advent** will be on the second day of December.

Likewise, the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of the Holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed.

To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever. Amen.

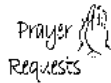
God bless you with a good and holy week!

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**JANUARY**

<b>8 Sun.</b>	Family Mass/Baptisms	9:00 AM	Church
<b>8 Sun.</b>	Faith Formation #7	6:00 PM	Hall
<b>10 Tue.</b>	A A Meeting	7:30 PM	Hall
<b>12 Thu.</b>	Youth Choir Rehearsal	5:00 PM	Church
<b>12 Thu.</b>	Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM	Church
<b>16 Mon.</b>	Parish Business Office Closed		
<b>17 Tue.</b>	Finance Council Meeting	7:40 AM	PC
<b>17 Tue.</b>	A A Meeting	7:30 PM	Hall
<b>19 Thu.</b>	Youth Choir Rehearsal	5:00 PM	Church
<b>19 Thu.</b>	Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM	Church



Kindly remember in your prayers the deceased members of our parish, all who have asked for our prayers and for those who have no one to pray for them by name.

**In Your Charity Pray For**

Jeannette Angeletti  
Marina Beasley  
Thomas Briggs  
Carmen Wilbur

Daniel Barraford  
Robert Beasley  
Francis Sousa



**ST. MARIA GORETTI PARISH  
SANCTUARY MEMORIAL FUND**

Contributions to this fund are used to refurbish and maintain sanctuary appointments, liturgical space, Mass vestments and altar server vesture. A monthly Mass is offered for all those enrolled in this fund and a memorial card can be sent at the time of your gift. For more information, please call Janine in the parish office at (781) 334-2367.

**Those Recently Enrolled:**

**Piasecki Family**                      **Norman Goguen**



**Baked Goods for My Brothers Table, Lynn  
Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

Anyone willing to provide two dozen cookies or brownies (no nuts please) should drop them off at the SMG Parish Office from **8:30 am until 12 noon on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**. Please include your name on the items. We thank you in advance for your donations and generosity. Any questions, please contact Nadine Ritchie at 781-334-5096.



**ADDITIONS TO CHRISTMAS FLOWER  
MEMORIALS**

**Donation by:**

Rose & Scott Astrofsky  
Henry & Peggy DeSantis

**In Memory Of:**

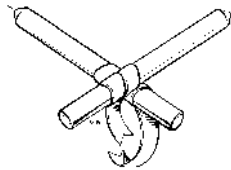
Lucy and Edward Bois  
Henry and Teresa DeSantis,  
Angelo Cardello and  
Connie Giordano  
Mary E. Doherty  
Joe Furbush  
Thomas Terranova

Tom & Nancy Doherty  
Ed & Kelly Furbush  
Tom & Sylvie Terranova, Jr.

**Donations:**

Anonymous  
Ettore & Olga Polli  
David & Janice Solomon

**BLESSING OF THROATS**



In memory of St. Blaise, whose memorial takes place on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, the blessing of the throats will be available after each Mass the weekend of **January 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>**.

**BLESSING OF CANDLES**

On the weekend of **January 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>** we will have the annual Blessing of the Candles that are used during the Masses for our liturgical celebrations. We will also bless votive candles which will be given out to all parishioners.



**Your Christmas  
Offering**

On behalf of my fellow members of the clergy in the Archdiocese of Boston, I wish to thank you for your generous support of the Clergy Funds through this year's Christmas collection. Your investment in the health and wellbeing of my fellow brothers in Christ is a testament to your faith in God and in our Church, and I am deeply grateful for your support. To date, we collected **\$14,935**. If you were out of town and wish to make a gift to the Clergy Funds, you may donate online at [www.careforseniorpriest.org](http://www.careforseniorpriest.org) or at Mass. Through the generosity of parishioners like you, we can help ensure the wellness of the priests in our Archdiocese for many years to come.

# Welcome!

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish registration forms are available in the vestibule (lobby) of the Church in the rack next to the restroom. Please tell us about yourself and your family. You can return the form to the parish business office or mail it using the envelopes provided. Any updates to your family email or physical address should be sent to [office@stmaria.org](mailto:office@stmaria.org)



Religious Education Telephone 781.334.6443  
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**Lisa Trainor, Religious Education Director**  
**Gina Distefano, Catechetical Associate**

### Religious Education Advisory Board

Fr. Tom Powers, Matthew Alphen, Terry Cox,  
Michael DiSilvio, Gina Distefano, Camille Dunn,  
Peggy Flannery, Patricia Glennon-Colby, Valerie Palermo,  
Walter Radulski, Maria Terris and Lisa Trainor



Our Men and Women in the Service

Our parish prays for those currently serving in the military

Alexander J. Bailey, USMC  
Derek Cataldo, USMC  
Tom Hathaway, USMC  
Sharon Messina, US Air Force  
James Papagni, US Army  
Stephen Welch, National Guard

Please call the parish office to add a loved one to this list or email Janine [office@stmaria.org](mailto:office@stmaria.org)

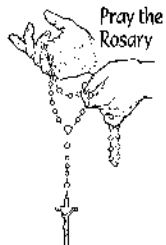


**New Year's Resolution to Give Back?**  
Volunteers Needed!

### Are You A "Natural Teacher?"

Volunteer as an English Language Tutor  
Saint Patrick's, West Lynn

Help eager individuals and small groups of students develop their English skills to improve upon the career opportunity and social aspect of their lives. Teaching experience helpful, but NOT necessary as we will provide training with lesson plans to follow. Tues or Weds evenings, 6:15pm - 8:00pm. St. Patrick's Center, West Lynn. Parking available; not handicap accessible.



### THE LIVING ROSARY PILGRIMAGE

The next Living Rosary Pilgrimage will be on **January 15<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM at Holy Family Church, 21 Bessom Street, Lynn.** This pilgrimage will be a Holy Hour. All are welcome to attend.

### Women's Ministry

**Inviting All Women.....Save the Date!**

St. Rose of Lima Parish in Topsfield is hosting a ladies luncheon on **Saturday, January 21 at 11:30 am** in the parish hall, 12 Park St. Topsfield. The featured speaker will be our very own parishioner, **Jaymie Stuart Wolfe**. Jaymie is the mother of eight, author of several published works, columnist for the Pilot, associate children's editor at Pauline Books and Media, and musician. Jaymie will speak on the subject..... *Here and Now: Living Your Faith Where You Are*. Reservations should be made by January 15<sup>th</sup> to Corinne Roberts [corinnemry@aol.com](mailto:corinnemry@aol.com) 978-887-3020. A free will offering will be taken up to cover expenses.

### Do You Enjoy Greeting Visitors and Answering Phones?

Volunteer 4 hours/wk as a Receptionist  
Catholic Charities Office, Lynn

Our front desk is either usually quite busy (and, at times, a bit hectic) -- or the opposite -- quite quiet; enough so that you can read a book, magazine, or do your crossword puzzles. You will announce visitors and direct callers using an easy-to-learn switchboard system; training provided. Two shifts are available: morning from 9am-1pm. or afternoon from 1pm - 5pm; and we usually ask volunteers to commit to only 1 shift (4 hours) each week; although some of our volunteers cover more than one shift (optional, but appreciated!).

To volunteer please contact Paul Woods  
(781) 593-2312 x237 or [paul\\_woods@ccab.org](mailto:paul_woods@ccab.org)  
Thank you!