

## St. Mary of the Assumption

Brookline, Massachusetts

### We Remember in Prayer

Your prayers are requested for Eva Margarita Abraham, Clifford Ackerman, Norman & Rose Bell, Jack Boland, Robert Connors, Tim Corcoran, Joseph Costello, Dot Critchley, Gerald Dean, Gisa Delgado, Pat Devine, Jim Dewire, Elaine Doherty, Colleen Donahue, Terry Dooley, Jimmy Duggan, Emma Jane Fair, Joe Fremont-Smith, Glenn Galusha, Michelle Gibson, Lori Kennedy Gillis, Jose Gomez, Jack Kirrane, Frances Kilcline, Ann Larkin, Soo Jin Lee, Dr. Anthony Maiella, Mrs. Charles McInnis, Lorette Mello, Zarek Merza, Michael Mullarkey, Ann Mulligan, Janice Murphy Sweeney, Mary Jane Nelson, Shirley Pollard, Kathleen Quinn, Marianne Rathslag, Christine Reti, Rebecca Rosado, Bob Sachetti, Virginia Solomon, Joseph Spinner, Paul Stathos, Serena Suglia, Gene Townsend, Bernard W., Brady Wein, Lance West, Jennifer Winton, Sister Doris Wiswell, the faithful departed, including John K. Leary, Marjorie A. Carney, and those for whom prayers have been requested.

#### Saturday, December 4

4:00 p.m. Annie & Herbert Lyons,  
Theresa & Daniel MacKenzie,  
Nancy & James Clement, Anniversary

#### Sunday, December 5

8:00 a.m. Joao Gregory Ramos, Anniversary  
9:00 a.m. Ray & Patricia Chasse, Anniversary  
9:30 a.m. John Cafferty, Anniversary  
11:30 a.m. Richard and Lillian Chmielinski,  
Anniversary

#### Monday, December 6

12:10 p.m. Catherine Neafsey, Anniversary

#### Tuesday, December 7

12:10 p.m. Michael Ward, Month's Mind

#### Wednesday, December 8

7:30 a.m. Marie McDonald Crowley, Anniversary  
12:10 p.m. Barbara and Andrew Zabnienski,  
Anniversary

#### Friday, December 10

7:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

#### Saturday, December 11

8:00 a.m. Sanctity of Life  
4:00 p.m. Daniel Nolan, Anniversary

#### Sunday, December 12

9:30 a.m. Helen M. Witcher Thompson,  
Memorial  
11:30 a.m. Raymond MacFarlane, Anniversary

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

December 12 following the 9:00 & 11:30 am Masses

### DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

#### Holyday of Obligation

4:00 p.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday at St. Lawrence-Anglican Use  
7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. Wednesday at St. Mary's  
7:00 p.m. Wednesday at St. Lawrence

### ST. MARY'S PRAYER ROSARY GROUP

December 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the lower church

### SUNDAY MORNING ROSARY GROUP

Every Sunday following the 11:30 a.m. Mass

### SAINT MARY'S BOOK CLUB

Our December meeting will be held on Monday, December 27 at 7:00 p.m. Our selection will be "A Jesuit Off-Broadway" by Father James Martin, SJ.

### NOVENA TO ST. ANTHONY FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

Tuesdays following the 12:10 pm Mass

### COMMUNITY AFGHAN GROUP

We will meet next on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. New members are urgently needed to come join with us.

### FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

As is the custom at St. Mary's, money may be given for *FLOWERS* in memory of a deceased loved one or in gratitude for someone who is still living. The envelopes for this are available at the doors of the Churches. These names will be printed in a bulletin insert during the Christmas season.

### YOU ARE INVITED CONCERT SERIES AT ST. THOMAS, JP

On Sunday, December 12 at 3:00 p.m. A Choral Celebration of Advent and Christmas Songs by the Children's Choir of St. Elizabeth's Acton. Handicapped accessible. Reception to follow. Donations benefit 1854 historic pipe organ. All welcome. For information: 617-739-1340.

### SOCIAL JUSTICE FORUM

Sunday, December 5 at 7:30 pm at Sacred Heart Church, 1321 Centre Street in Newton Center. Admission is free and the forum is open to the public. Speaker will be Rev. David Couturier. Refreshments will follow in the Lower Church.

## Second Sunday of Advent

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

#### ST. MARY'S CAMPUS

**Sunday, December 5:** Class.

**Sunday, December 12:** Class, Grade 7 participates in the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

**Sunday, December 19:** Christmas Pageant @ 10:30 a.m. in the school auditorium.

#### ST. LAWRENCE CAMPUS

**December 5:** CCD Class.

**December 12:** CCD Class.

**December 19:** Christmas Pageant.

#### RCIA

We will celebrate the **Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens** today, December 5<sup>th</sup> at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. This is the first of the public rites celebrated in the RCIA. During this important ritual the inquirers will publicly declare their intention to continue their journey toward full initiation in the Catholic Church. As a parish community we will accept them and offer support during their journey.

#### CHRISTMAS OUTREACH PROGRAM

Christmas gifts will be given to local families and to families living in a local shelter.

**St. Mary's Outreach:** Gift slips will be given out this weekend with unwrapped gifts brought back by December 19<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to assist with putting all the gifts together on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> after the 11:30 Mass, please call Susan at 617-734-0444 or email [scrapo1351@yahoo.com](mailto:scrapo1351@yahoo.com).

**St. Lawrence Giving Tree:** Gift requests will be available this weekend with unwrapped gifts brought back to the church by December 19<sup>th</sup>. We will be providing gifts for about 50 people in Fr. Jack's parishes in Dorchester and also local families.

**Also,** if you are unable to shop and would like to help, just place some money in an envelope and give it to any of the priests or Susan Crapo at St. Mary's or Jackie Corcoran at St. Lawrence.

**Please return gifts unwrapped with gift tag attached or in bag with item.**

**Your help is needed and very much appreciated**

#### THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

This Advent, on Wednesday December 15 and Wednesday December 22, from 6:30-8:00 p.m., the priests of the Archdiocese of Boston are going to be opening EVERY church and chapel to welcome back Catholics to the sacrament of confession. We will be

participating by making this opportunity available at both St. Mary's and St. Lawrence Churches.

**December 4/5, 2010**

#### FROM THE PASTOR:

I am very pleased to announce that Richard Moriarty and Bill Scott from our parish have been named recipients of the Cheverus Award of the Archdiocese of Boston. This award is given in grateful appreciation of the "unsung heroes" of our archdiocese. Congratulations to both of them.

#### THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

I wish to extend a special "Thank You" for everyone's generosity in providing turkeys and other food items for the Thanksgiving Baskets. We were able to give out more than 60 baskets to local families and also to provide assistance to Fr. Jack to help more needy families in his parishes. A special thank you is extended to Sandy Maloney who organized the extraordinary outreach at the St. Lawrence Campus. An added word of gratitude is sent to the eighth graders at the Parish school who put together the other baskets and to the dedicated group of volunteers, especially Susan Crapo, Chuck and Lyn Heintz, Charlie Hougham and Adrian Milik who helped organize and give out the baskets. Lastly, a personal thanks to *Stop & Shop* on Harvard Street for making this outreach possible. Their continued generosity to the community is appreciated.

*Fr. Brian*

#### WELCOME

Welcome to Father Christian Ohazulme, Catholic Priest Chaplain at Beth Israel Hospital, who has moved into our parish this week. "Fr. Chris" has been involved in this ministry for several years and will add to the priestly fraternity of the rectory. His duties at the hospital prevent him from regular parish sacramental and pastoral duty but you may see him from time to time covering for the assigned priests of the parish. Please keep him and all those who aid the sick in their needs in your prayers.

#### BOSTON BOY CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sundays, December 12 and 19, at St. Paul's Church in Harvard Square, Cambridge. The Choir School will perform its 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Concert. Reserved seat tickets in advance or at the door are \$10, \$15 and \$25. Call 617-868-8658 or purchase on line at [www.bostonboychoir.org](http://www.bostonboychoir.org).