

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH

Marblehead, Massachusetts

April 21, 2024



Fourth Sunday of Easter

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

John 10:11

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We see our community as one moved by Faith, led by Hope and united in Charity, seeking, as a caring family, to walk in the footsteps of Jesus Christ by reaching out in welcome to all: the young, the old, the stranger, and the neighbor. We commit ourselves to helping and healing, to feeding the hungry, to visiting the sick, and to consoling the bereaved as Jesus commanded in the gospels.

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CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 2:30-3:30pm. Also upon request, at any reasonable time. Please contact the Rectory to make an appointment.

BAPTISM: For Baptism and Baptismal Catechesis, please contact the Rectory Mon - Thu 9am-3pm.

WEDDINGS: By personal appointment with a priest, six to eight months prior to the date desired.

FUNERALS: Contact the Rectory Mon-Thu 9am-3pm.
SICK & SHUT-INS: Priests are available to bring Holy Communion to the home. Please contact the Rectory.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE MOST WELCOME: Please make yourself known to us at the Rectory. We want to know you.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: In writing by Mon 10am.



We have officially launched the 2024 Catholic Appeal here in our parish and across the Archdiocese. One of the most meaningful ways that we witness the presence of Christ and deepen the impact of our Church's ministries is by supporting the Catholic Appeal. As your pastor, I strongly encourage you to join me in giving a gift to this year's appeal. Many of you have already done so and I am deeply grateful. As a parish, I am hoping for 100% participation! You can also give online today by visiting bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate/. **Thankful for YOUR HELP!**



Welcome!

Would you like to be a Registered Member of Our Lady, Star of the Sea Parish?
Would you like our mailings?

Family Name: _____

Husband: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Wife: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Children (please include date of birth): _____

Street: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Please Check: New Registration
 Change of Address
 Offertory Envelopes

To sign up for Electronic Giving,
please visit us at
www.sosmarblehead.org.

You may email us your information at SOSRectory@verizon.net,
or use this form returned to the collection box or mailed to:
Our Lady, Star of the Sea Parish, 85 Atlantic Avenue, Marblehead, MA 01945.

MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>April 20</u>
9:00 AM	Elwin & Kathleen Kelliher & Kevin Kelliher
4:00 PM	Carol Fletcher
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>April 21</u>
7:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>
9:00 AM	Rev. Joseph Appleyard, S.J.
11:00 AM	Marie Elaine DiPoli
<u>Monday</u>	<u>April 22</u>
9:00 AM	Kathleen Murphy & the Jasaitis Family
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>April 23</u>
9:00 AM	Jim and Jean Behnke & Family
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>April 24</u>
9:00 AM	Jenny Kinsella
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>April 25</u>
9:00 AM	Edna Belleau
<u>Friday</u>	<u>April 26</u>
9:00 AM	Ellen Carr
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>April 27</u>
9:00 AM	Ann Englehardt
4:00 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>April 28</u>
7:30 AM	Ginny O'Neil
9:00 AM	Thomas Targonski
11:00 AM	Richard Marrs

★ **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2023 - 2024** ★
Regular Classes Ended for the Year
First Communion Candidates

Parents should contact the Office to verify they have made up any missed lessons.

Important Dates:

First Communion Retreat is May 4th, 9:30a - 12:30p





First Communion is May 11th at 10:30a or 12:30p

May Procession is May 12th after the 9:00a Mass.

Fall Confirmation Date and Time

Our Fall date for Confirmation has been set for Sunday, November 3, 2024, at 2:00 in the afternoon.

Catholic/Private school Candidates should have contacted the office by now.

	VIRTUS®	Student Safety Program
	Excellence	Empowering God's Children
	Builds	
	Trust	


Together with Catholic parishes throughout the U.S. and assisted by the National Catholic Risk Retention Group's "Virtus" program which we already use to train all adult staffers and volunteers in safe environment practices, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish is partnering with our parents to present safe environment lessons to our youth. These lessons are an integral part of our Religious Education program, but are also available to all families of the Parish. As adults, we cherish every opportunity to protect children. Part of that protection is to teach children how to safely interact with others. This year our children will experience two of six recurrent lessons. This year's themes are: safe and unsafe interactions with others; and knowing who are the safe adults to whom they can turn for help if needed.

The hour-long lessons are age-appropriate for our various students and are scheduled for Tuesday, April 30th at either 3:00 in the afternoon or at 6:00 o'clock in the evening.

Please register which session your children will be attending by emailing the students' name and current grade to sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org.

Questions? call 781-631-8340 or email:

sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org.

We Share Online giving is an easy, secure option for your various offerings to our parish. Simply visit our parish webpage at www.sosmarblehead.org and click on the We Share  link to get started.

Third Sunday of Easter, April 14, 2024

Collected/mailed in: \$4,345.00 • Online: \$2,276.50

Offertory Total: \$6,621.50

Grand Annual: \$205.00

Many thanks for your generous assistance!

2024 Catholic Appeal: Forward in Faith

The Catholic Appeal is a way that we can fortify, sustain, and expand the many ministries and services that serve thousands across the Archdiocese. We are so grateful to all of you who have given. As of April 16th, we have raised \$39,334.00, 64% of this year's goal of \$61,700.00. Thank you for your generosity. By making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Appeal you help the mission of our Church.

Coffee and Donuts
Join Us
 in the Center Conference Room
 following 9:00 a.m. Mass




FORWARD in FAITH

SCAN HERE to
 make your gift
 or visit



bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate4

"Every gift to the Appeal, no matter the amount, has meaning and purpose, and every gift plays an integral part in the vital mission of the Archdiocese of Boston." – Cardinal Seán O'Malley

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Marblehead, Massachusetts

April 21, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday

Dear Parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea,

“There will be one flock, one shepherd” (see John 10:11-18). St. John presents Jesus’ promise as Good Shepherd to unite each of us to himself and to one another by the attractive workings of God’s own love. “I am the Good Shepherd.” It is a power of goodness that creates our communion with God and with one another in the Lord Jesus. When we pray in the Lord's Prayer: ""Thy will be done on earth..." we add the qualifier: "as it is in heaven." That is, heaven is the measure of the means and the content of our realization of God's will in our lives and among us as a community. It is a power of life and of love. It is a power that wins by attraction and assent, not by domination and constraint.

St. Peter proclaims (see Acts 4:8-12) “there is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved.” The Easter hope that this Sunday proclaims is that, beyond the resurrection of each of those who belong to Christ, our human race can, indeed, become one family: we can find a new and transformed life. St. John declares (see 1 John 3:1-2) “we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.” So, we who celebrate Jesus as our Good Shepherd shall become, in him, good shepherds of life also. We shall become like him and learn from him how to gather our loved ones, our family, our friends in a deeper, more authentic bond of love. We learn how to lead our world to that deeper unity and peace that only God can bestow. No amount of money, no predominance of power, no array of weapons can build that unity by which our human family truly becomes one, one in mind and heart and in life. Only the love of God bestowed by the Good Shepherd and passed on by you and me, apprentice Good Shepherds that we are called to be, builds towards the civilization of love for which we have been made.

In our own day the horrors of violence and hatred impress in so many places, overseas and in our own backyards. As the technical means of support, communication and travel bring the whole world to our doorstep, the urgency of proclaiming the Gospel of Christ is all the more evident. Our human family needs to learn to live and walk in the light of a love greater than ourselves, more just than our own needs and more embracing than our own self service. And you and I, risen with Christ, must be the ones to begin. Otherwise, we will be facing ever more dangerous expressions of dominance, opposition and strife.

By doing as Christ has done, you and I are the world’s best hope. May we take and live that mission more intentionally! We do so when we “know” ourselves and each other not by dint of our self-assertions but through the light of Christ’s Gospel. We do so when we learn to “lead” by making a gift of our lives in love as did Christ. We do so when we “take up” the life and mission of Christ and bring it forward in the context of the world, not fleeing from the threats of wolves in whatever garb or appearance they may present themselves. We do so when we live the “command” received from the Father, to love one another as we ourselves have been loved by Christ.

Asking the blessings of Christ our Good Shepherd on you, I am

Yours in the Lord’s service,

Msgr. Timothy J. Moran

Vacation Bible School 2024



Looking for “Oceans” of Fun? “SEA” YOU HERE!

When: June 24 – 28, 2024
9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Where: Our Lady Star of the Sea, Parish Center

Register online:

<https://vbspro.events/p/sosreligiously-used-staroftheseamarblehead-org>

\$75 – 1 child
\$125 – 2 children
\$150 – 3+ children

For more information, please call Lynne Celli,
Director of Faith Formation;
781-631-4083 or email

sosreligiouslyused@staroftheseamarblehead.org

Read for New Life

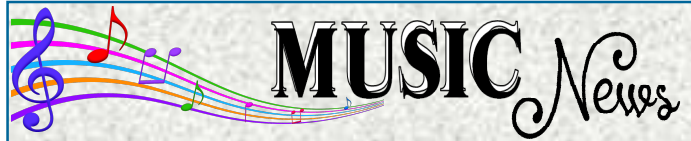
Nourish your new life in Christ Jesus by picking up some spiritual reading for your Easter Season. Browse and borrow from the many offerings in our Parish Free Library bookcase near the front doors of the Church, for learning, inspiration, motivation and life.



Prayer of Adoration

Adoration is the first attitude of man acknowledging that he is a creature before his Creator. It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Savior who sets us free from evil. Adoration is homage of the spirit to the "King of Glory," respectful silence in the presence of the "ever greater" God. Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives assurance to our supplications.

~Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2628



Star of the Sea Concert Series

Ensemble Lyrae

May 19th at 5:00 pm.

Our Adult Choir rehearsals have resumed in the organ loft Thursdays at 7:00pm.

Our Children's Choir rehearsals take place in the organ loft Sundays at 8:15am.

Interested in joining either choir? Please see our Music Director, Matt Arnold, following weekend Mass in the Church, or email him at sosmusicdirector@aol.com.

Memorial Gifts

We invite you to remember your loved ones with a Memorial Gift to one of three funds established at Our Lady, Star of the Sea Church. Please contact the Rectory.

† The Anna E. Kelly Scholarship Fund

(Awarded to outstanding high school seniors in our Religious Education program who have demonstrated service to their parish community during their four years of high school)

† The Restoration Fund

(Capital projects [beyond the Grand Annual Appeal] which maintain the magnificence of our Church).

† The Christian Service Fund

(Programs which reflect the Gospel of Jesus of Jesus in their care and outreach to those in spiritual and/or physical need, in a spirit of respect, for the dignity of all)

FAITH AND PLAY

Faith and Play is a time for our youngest parishioners to gather to grow in their faith. This group is perfect for parents with children ages Baby to 5 Years. Join us once a month for a time to play and to learn about our faith. Each session will include time for a story, activity, snack and play on Mondays 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. In nice weather we will meet in the garden next to the Church and then we will move indoors into the Parish Center. The dates this New Year will be:

Mondays:

January 8

February 12

March 25

April 8

May 13.



For questions about this group and to RSVP, please email Jaclyne Ainlay at jaclyne.ainlay@gmail.com or Lynne Celli at sosreligiouslyused@staroftheseamarblehead.org.

Exploring Ideas: Follow-up

Our Parish has reached out to explore a relationship with a Parish or school community in Fr. Stephen's home country of Nigeria. There is a warm reception to the idea. Those interested are welcome to meet Sunday, April 28th at 10 a.m. during Sunday Coffee and Donuts. Fr. Stephen has photos and ideas to share from his contact with the other pastor.

Contact Elaine Leahy: eleahy10@yahoo.com.

St. Vincent de Paul —Collection Boxes

Please remember that there are boxes at the doors of the Church for charitable donations for the benefit of persons in need who seek help from the Church.

Thank you so much for remembering those in need during the Easter Season.



The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions

You are invited to join with many people worldwide in praying for the monthly intention.

April - For the Role of Women



We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world. Consider joining Catholics around the world in the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (the Apostleship of Prayer). For further information please consult the Apostolate at: popesprayer.va.

Easter Flower Memorials

We are grateful for the donations towards our Easter decorations in memory of many loved ones. We continue to hold them in our prayer throughout the Easter Season.



Comments from Deacon Joe

Taking Another Point of View

Bishop Mark Seitz of El Paso, Texas on the border with Mexico, has an article in America in which he urges us as Catholics to view the situation at the border through the eyes of the immigrants and those seeking to enter our country. In other words, if I were trying to escape violence, if a woman is fleeing sexual exploitation of women and children, what do I or she hope for? What

would I hope the policy of the United States would be? Then he urges us to realize that the people with these motives and hopes are our fellow human beings whom we are commanded to love as we love ourselves. He calls us to reject all attempts to dehumanize or demonize all immigrants and would be immigrants at our border on the basis of the actions of a few. The Golden Rule applies here. There's more to the article, which is long but definitely worth reading <https://www.america>

https://www.america.com/magazine/faith/2024/04/15/bishop-seitz-border-immigration-247655utm_source=piano&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2928&pnespid=uathBj9CjbtAOPzGujW.GZSevR_hXpd5N7m3yPtstUBm839FXrIKCWdfw2HOPczOI2g8khCq.

Last Sunday we heard St. Peter's address to the people, in which he noted that in calling for the crucifixion of Jesus they acted in ignorance, which recalls Jesus' plea for his executioners, "Father, forgive them. They don't know what they are doing." Of course in both cases they knew they were killing Jesus. But they didn't know that he was Lord and God. It occurs to me that this a point we should have in mind when we think of people whom some others say shouldn't be in church or receiving Communion because they are sinners. The Church teaches that to be guilty of serious sin, one has to be fully aware that what one is doing is gravely wrong. That doesn't mean being aware that the church teaches that something is gravely sinful. It means believing that the teaching is correct but

disobeying it anyway. If people sincerely believe that what they are doing is not wrong, then even if it is wrong, "they know not what they do." Since we don't know what's in another's conscience, it's not for us to pretend we know the state of their soul.

This week (Today, April 21, would have been the optional memorial of **St. Anselm of Canterbury**, O.S.B., monk, Archbishop of Canterbury, theologian, Doctor of the Church, who died in 1109; but the memorial yields to the Sunday celebration.) <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Anselm-of-Canterbury/The-satisfaction-theory-of-redemption>.



The Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist, occurs on Thursday, April 25. The Gospel according to Mark is the shortest of the gospels, and it has no information about Jesus' birth and childhood; it covers his public ministry and death and resurrection. The Bible speaks of a cousin of Barnabas named Mark or John Mark, and one of the people with Paul and Peter is named John Mark. It is not certain whether they are all the same individual as the gospel writer, but it is possible. There is also a tradition that Mark went to Alexandria and was the first bishop of that city. This makes him the first patriarch of the Coptic Church. Although he was not one of the twelve apostles, he was certainly important in the early church, and we owe a lot to him. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mark_the_Evangelist.



Happy Eastertide!

~Deacon Joe Whipple
April 21, 2024