



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH  
Marblehead, Massachusetts

April 14, 2024  
Third Sunday of Easter

"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day."

Luke 24:46



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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.

## PARISH STAFF

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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/](http://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): \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

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](http://www.sosmarblehead.org).

You may email us your information at [SOSRectory@verizon.net](mailto: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 13</u>
9:00 AM	Dolores Irene Jaques
4:00 PM	Carl Pierce, Birthday Remembrance
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>April 14</u>
7:30 AM	John T. Byrnes
9:00 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>
11:00 AM	Richard Marrs, Month's Mind
<u>Monday</u>	<u>April 15</u>
9:00 AM	Joan Whelan
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>April 16</u>
9:00 AM	Frank DiGiammarino
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>April 17</u>
9:00 AM	Liam Vertifeuille
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>April 18</u>
9:00 AM	Laurence Fell
<u>Friday</u>	<u>April 19</u>
9:00 AM	Ellen Carr
<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

★ **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  
**Builds** God's Children  
**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 [sosreligiused@staroftheseamarblehead.org](mailto:sosreligiused@staroftheseamarblehead.org).

Questions? call 781-631-8340 or email:

[sosreligiused@staroftheseamarblehead.org](mailto:sosreligiused@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](http://www.sosmarblehead.org) and click on the We Share  link to get started.

**Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, 2024**  
 Collected/mailed in: \$6,372.00 • Online: \$5,154.33  
**Offertory Total: \$11,526.33**  
**Easter Clergy Trust Fund: \$1,510.00**  
**Grand Annual: \$50.00**  
**St. Vincent de Paul: \$201.25**  
**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. Already as of April 2nd, we had raised \$32,564.00, 53% of this year's goal of \$61,700.00. Thank you for your generosity in faith, hope, and charity by making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Appeal.

**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 

"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 [bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate4](http://bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate4)



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Dear Parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea,

“Peace be with you!” The heart of our prayer this Third Sunday of the Easter Season is this Easter greeting of the Lord to the disciples (see Luke 24:35-48). That which the earliest followers of the Lord most remembered about that first Easter was this greeting of peace. The risen Lord spoke “Peace!” to them who had denied and abandoned him at his time of need. It was the greeting that he has first taught to them when he first sent them to preach and to heal, saying that they must make it their first word upon entering any home. Now as the Risen Lord comes into their presence he greets them with the peace that only his victory over all sin and death can give.

Indeed, the Gospel proclaims that “repentance, for the forgiveness of sins would be preached in his name.” In saying so, not only does the Lord prepare his disciples for their mission as “witnesses of these things,” he indicates the kind of thing about which they are to witness: our new life through forgiveness. None of the many stories of the disciples’ first encounters with the risen Lord actually describe the exit of Jesus from the enclosure of his tomb. They do describe his encounter with his own and his giving of peace, forgiveness, power and joy to each and every one of them. By contrast, all and each of the stories of the disciples’ first encounters with the risen Lord, describe *their exit from the tomb*. They exit the confusion of shame and guilt, that of ignorance and fear in which they were entombed. They are to describe your exit from the same sepulchral constraints.

Indeed, it is in the company of Jesus, and by the power of his word of peace that you step out and into the light. By the convincing bodily encounter with him in the sacraments you and I are led out of the tomb and begin to live. We are led out of murky confusion to the clarity of a new day. We are led out of the darkness of ignorance to the light of knowledge and understanding. We are led out of the constrictions of fear to the bright joy of new life in him. Easter begins in the bodily resurrection of Jesus, conqueror over sin and death. Easter continues in your bodily resurrection as you are called by the Lord as a living witness, speaking peace, forgiveness, power and joy to each and every one. Now. Bodily. Forever.

Peace. Certainly, this weekend we must renew our prayers to the risen Lord that he continue to bestow his gifts of peace on our world. We pray for the end of all recourse to violence, to today's weapons of great destruction or to any other means by which harm is indiscriminately visited upon others. We pray for restraint and good judgment by all parties throughout the disturbed areas of so many parts of our world today. Violence does not end violence. War does not end war. Only hearts renewed from on high and a sincere and definitive commitment of intellect and will to the service of the good can assure the peace that is so needed.

We must do all we can to come alive to God’s goodness in our own lives. We must be witnesses that the works of our common life as a society be kept free from the imprisoning darkness of sin, with all the ignorance, fear and confusion it engenders. We must let the words of the Risen One and the gifts of forgiveness and life he imparts to help us leave behind the old ways of the tomb and to reach out preferably for the things of heaven. Now. Bodily. Forever.

We pray for a happy and safe Spring vacation for all our students.

The date for our next Confirmation has been set for November 3, 2024.

Asking God’s continued blessings of Easter peace upon 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/sosreligioused-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

[sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org](mailto:sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org)

## Easter Reading

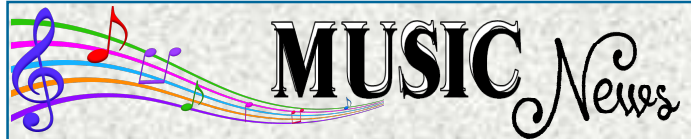
Nourish your new life in Christ Jesus by picking up some spiritual reading for your Easter Season. Browse and borrow from the many offerings in our Parish Free Library bookcase near the front doors of the Church, for learning, inspiration, motivation and life.



## 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

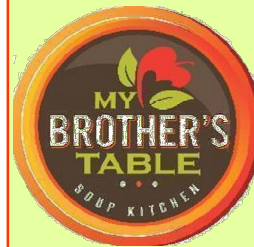


## Star of the Sea Concert Series

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](mailto:sosmusicdirector@aol.com).



Do you know  
the great feeling  
you get  
when you help someone?  
We praise God  
through caring for others.

You can do it right from your home! Could you make a batch of beef stew once every other month and deliver it to our Parish Center? Join in our parish tradition, now 40+ years old, and provide beef stew for My Brother's Table.

We lost a few cooks in 2023 and need to increase our Beef Stew Team. We all use the same recipe. Please call the Rectory 781-631-0086 if you can help. Thank you so much for your support!

## 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 Jaelyne Ainlay at [jaelyne.ainlay@gmail.com](mailto:jaelyne.ainlay@gmail.com) or Lynne Celli at [sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org](mailto:sosreligioused@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](mailto: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](http://popesprayer.va).

## Easter Flower Memorials

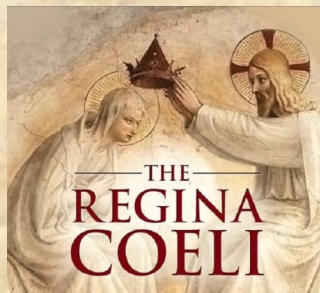
We are grateful for the donations towards our Easter decorations in memory of many loved ones. We continue to hold them in our prayer throughout the Easter Season.



## Comments from Deacon Joe

### Eastertide Continues

**Regina Coeli** Last week I was so wrapped up in telling about the Annunciation that it didn't occur to me that during Eastertide the "Regina Coeli" is traditionally prayed in place of the Angelus to celebrate the Resurrection. It goes as follows:



Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.  
The Son you merited to bear, alleluia,  
Has risen as he said, alleluia.  
Pray to God for us, alleluia.  
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.  
R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who have been pleased to gladden the world by the Resurrection of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we pray, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may receive the joys of everlasting life.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
R. Amen.

**Catholic Update** for April is now available in all the old familiar places (i.e., near the doors of the church and on the rectory's back porch). Titled "Why Be Catholic? Profiles of Those Who Chose the Church," it gives short quotes and brief accounts of nine individuals. Three of them lived into the last half of the 30th Century. A brief prayer follows each ac-



count. There is a further section called "Contemporary Conversions" which tells of five people of our time who became Catholics or returned to the faith. As the writer's introduction sums it up, this issue "features brief profiles of converts through the centuries and across the globe, illustrating different paths that led them to the Catholic Church." We just celebrated Easter, which is the traditional day for receiving converts into the Church. This Catholic Update thus seems particularly timely for Eastertide.



**The Red Sox** home opener on Tuesday was a bit of a disappointment, after they had won seven of their first ten games, but we can still hope for a successful season.  
**Go Sox!**

**This week** there are no solemnities, feasts, or memorials in the General Roman Calendar.

**Happy Eastertide from my budding home garden!**



~Deacon Joe Whipple  
April 14, 2024