

# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

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Sunday Mass: Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00am

Daily Mass: 9:00am Monday - Saturday

## Third Sunday of Easter



While Jesus was with them at table, He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized Him.

Luke 24:30-31

# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA



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:** To make arrangements for a Funeral, please 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, at the Rectory by Mon 10am.

## The Emergency Meals Program is now the 'Caring Meals Ministry'



After careful consideration, we have chosen a new name for our meal ministry. We introduced the 'Emergency Meals Program' in September 2022. Now, we introduce the new name:

### ♥ **Caring Meals Ministry** ♥

Volunteers sign up to cook and deliver meals to parishioners in crisis. Maybe you've had an illness, a death in the family, or you've just returned home after being hospitalized — our Caring Meals Ministry provides meals that are cooked and then delivered to you during your time of need. To volunteer or request meal assistance, **look for the new form**, located at Church entrances/exits. You can also find more information, including who to contact, on our Caring Meals Ministry webpage at [www.sosmarblehead.org/emergencymeals.html](http://www.sosmarblehead.org/emergencymeals.html).

2023 Vacation Bible School

**June 26-30**

Monday – Friday	1 child \$75
9:30a – 12:30p	2 children \$125
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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday April 22**

11:00 AM Baptism  
4:00 PM Carol Fletcher

**Sunday April 23**

7:30 AM Jane, Joyce, and Steven Hillmann  
9:00 AM Pro populo  
11:00 AM Harley M. Griffiths 34th Anniversary

**Monday April 24**

9:00 AM Ted Russo

**Tuesday April 25**

9:00 AM Edna Belleau

**Saturday April 29**

9:00 AM Colette Sullivan  
11:00 AM Wedding for John Thomas and  
Angela Anthony  
4:00 PM Mary Crowley Birthday Remembrance

**Sunday April 30**

7:30 AM Pro populo  
9:00 AM James Velleco  
11:00 AM Ellen Pero

**UPCOMING SUNDAY MASSES**

**Saturday April 29**

4:00 PM Monsignor Moran

**Sunday April 30**

7:30 AM To be announced  
9:00 AM Father Kelleher  
11:00 AM Monsignor Moran

**COFFEE**

We will be gathering in the Parish Center for  
Coffee & Donuts this Sunday following the  
9:00AM Mass in the Church.



*All are invited!*



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Our Lady, Star of the Sea Parish offers online giving through **WE SHARE** as an alternative to parishioners. Online giving is the easy, secure option for your weekly offering to our parish. Visit us online at [www.sosmarblehead.org](http://www.sosmarblehead.org) and click on the We Share link to get started.

**Religious Education**



**First Communion 2023**

**First Communion Retreat**

Saturday, May 6, 2023 at 9:30am—12:30pm

**First Communion Celebration**

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on:

Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 10:30am and 12:30pm.



**May Procession**

On Sunday, May 14, Mother's Day, all First Communion students will return for the May Procession (9:00 Mass) and the crowning of the Blessed Mother in the Grotto.

**Parochial School Students**

If you have a 10<sup>th</sup> grader who attends Catholic School, please make sure to register your child for Religious Education as soon as possible, to prepare them for their Confirmation in this Fall (2023). Please contact the Office of Religious Education at 781-631-8340 or email [sosreligiused@staroftheseamarblehead.org](mailto:sosreligiused@staroftheseamarblehead.org).

**Altar Server Training**

We have a training session for Altar Servers on:

**Monday, May 1 at 3:00pm**

This training session is for new and seasoned Altar Servers. We welcome all ages (grade 3+) into this ministry. Training will be held in the Church.

If you have any questions about serving, please contact Deacon Joe at [jewhipple@comcast.net](mailto:jewhipple@comcast.net).



**Rosary Group**



All are invited to join us in the Church to pray the Scriptural Rosary. The Rosary Group meets every Thursday morning in the Church following the 9:00am Mass. We meet at approximately 10:00am.

*This group is open to all.*

# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

Marblehead, Massachusetts

April 23, 2023  
Third Sunday of Easter

Dear Parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea,

Jesus “was with them at table.” St. Luke, in today’s Gospel reading (see Lk 24:13-35), shares with us the most heartwarming of the many remembrances of the disciples’ first encounters with the Risen Lord. “He was made known to them in the breaking of bread.”

That moment of recognition comes at the end of the story, not at its beginning. At first, the two disciples are moving out and away from the community. They had left behind the others and had left the city as well. And in their relative withdrawal are conversing and debating, looking downcast, hopes dashed. Being unable to see, foolish and slow of heart, they were, St. Luke tells us, unable to recognize Jesus. In their disabled state, Jesus initiates with them a real conversation. He “drew near and walked with them.” He asks about their argument. And after cajoling them for their inability to understand “the things that happened,” Jesus begins to speak genuinely to their hearts. He “interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures” in such a way that they would later recognize: “were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way?”

They had come alive in a new way through the power of the Scriptures interpreted by the Lord. He helped them read the Scriptures not just as a thing in itself (a story, a prayer, some history, a teaching) but as a word of conversation, heart to heart, that refers to Jesus and his heart, to their own confused, broken hearts and to his love, his care and concern for them. The “things that happened” were not really about the betrayal, denial, abandonment and loss that had consternated the wandering disciples. These “things” were really all about God’s victorious love. In that love, Jesus himself would be “with them at table.” With hearts moved by the word as Jesus “took bread, said the blessing broke it and gave it to them” the disciples were able to “recognize him in the breaking of bread.” They found themselves, anew, as well.

St. Peter challenges you to “Conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning” (see 1 Peter 1:17-21). Along the journey of these strange days and straining daze, we too can be unable to see or understand all the things that take place. It is then that the Lord, already present, seeks to open our hearts. He invites you to take up the Scriptures in a mode of conversation and to allow your heart to run more freely through its words. They are not about “things,” but about Jesus and about you and about us. They are about the victory of his love that calls you to new strength and hope. Jesus responds well to your invitation for him to enter in, to “stay with us.” Jesus himself, in his love, is “at table” with us as we gather at home with family, friends and loved ones. He is with us as we reach out to strangers and to the estranged sharing with them something of our blessings. He is with us here in the Eucharist as we break the bread in his name and at his word. Do you recognize him? Break the bread with him and for him and with and for one another. Let him help you recognize his presence. Let him help you find yourselves, too, anew.

During this coming May, I will schedule opportunities for general Parish meetings, now that our community has truly begun to come alive again after our Covid-19 and other challenges. Together we will look at our pastoral and financial state of health. Together will set our next priorities for our mission and for the care and strengthening of our families and community.

Wishing us all a happy continued Easter Season, I am

Yours in the Lord’s service,

Msgr. Timothy J. Moran



## Easter Scripture Study

For those of you who wish to continue where we left off during our Lenten Scripture Study titled

*Exodus: Journey towards Freedom,*

Monsignor Moran invites you to continue the journey in an Easter Scripture Study, held in the Parish Center on:

Tuesday evenings at 7 - 8pm

or

Wednesday afternoons at 1 - 2pm

*Continues this week!*



*A time to grow in faith through play for our youngest parishioners.*

**Ages: Parents & Children (Baby - 5 Years)**

**Date: Monday, May 8 at 3:15 - 4:00pm**

Our Faith & Play group meets once a month to give our youngest parishioners time to play while they learn about our faith. Each session includes time for a story, activity, snack, and play time.

Spring sessions are held in the Parish Center.

Email your RSVP and any questions you have about this group to Jaclyne Ainlay at [jaclyne.ainlay@gmail.com](mailto:jaclyne.ainlay@gmail.com).

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**Sunday, April 16**

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**This Sunday!**

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA CONCERT SERIES

Please join us in the Church this Sunday for the third installment in our new Star of the Sea Concert Series!

**AN EASTER MUSICAL OFFERING  
ON SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD  
AT 5:00 PM**

Featuring soprano, Holly Cameron, renowned Boston organist, Heinrich Christensen, Metropolitan Opera bass-baritone, James Demler, and our very own Music Director, Matthew Arnold. Using the readings for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter as inspiration, Ms. Cameron will be joined by Mr. Christensen in the virtuosic cantata, *The Way to Emmaus* by Jaromir Weinberger followed by selections from Act III of Richard Wagner's seminal masterpiece, Parsifal and select organ music of the season.

**Attendance is free for all.  
Free-will offerings are greatly appreciated.**

If you are interested in joining the 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).

Our Adult Choir meets for rehearsal in the organ loft at 7:00pm every Thursday. Our Children's Choir meets for rehearsal in the organ loft every at 8:15am every Sunday. *New members are welcome!*

### Traveling This Summer?

You can locate the Mass schedule of a Catholic Church near to where you are traveling throughout the world.

**Simply log onto  
[www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).**



## Faith in Action, It All Starts with You

We are so grateful to all of you who have helped us make the 2023 Catholic Appeal campaign a success. So far, we have raised **45% of our goal of \$66,400**. If you haven't had the chance to do so, please consider making your gift to the Appeal today by picking up an envelope at the back of the church, or by visiting [bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate/](http://bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate/) to give online.



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1. Online: Links at [www.healingshrine.org](http://www.healingshrine.org) or scan the QR Code.
2. A sign-up sheet in the lobby of the Shrine.



\*\*\*Sign-ups are not required but are helpful for planning. If you are unable to commit to an hour now, please stop by for prayer if you have time. Please keep our adorers in your prayers.

## **Comments from Deacon Joe Easter tide Continues**

**In *Desiderio Desideravi*** Pope Francis reminds us of the new-born Church in the upper room after they had received the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. They are a community because they are forgiven, alive in Christ, and guided by the Spirit of Truth, and this community overcomes "spiritual individualism." For this community, knowing that Jesus is alive and present in his word, breaking the bread in the Eucharist is the prime means of encounter with him, as it is for us. *"Only the Church of Pentecost can conceive of the human being as a person, open to a full relationship with God, with creation, and with one's brothers and sisters."*

The people of today need to understand the meaning of the texts and rituals of the Mass because it is the whole Church that offers the Eucharistic sacrifice, not just the priest. This understanding isn't something we ever acquire completely. Since the mystery of the Eucharist is beyond our ability to fully comprehend, there is always the possibility of growing in our understanding of it. (Perhaps the book Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist can be help to deepen our understanding. I'm happy that 200 copies have been taken by our parishioners.) Our learning about the Eucharist, our deepened understanding, should enable us to praise God better, thanking God "for the Passover of the Son whose

power reaches our lives." *"The full extent of our formation is our conformation to Christ. I repeat: it does not have to do with an abstract mental process, but with becoming Him. ... Leo the Great writes, 'Our participation in the Body and Blood of Christ has no other end than to make us become that which we eat.'"*

**On Monday I'll trek up** to St. Anselm College to be present at the awarding of the first John S. Whipple Scholarship in Eighteenth Century Studies. I decided to fund this small scholarship in memory of my father, and the topic is because he used to say that if he could live at some other time he'd choose the 18th Century because there was "a ferment of ideas."

**This week** the Feast of St. Mark is Tuesday, April 25. The Gospel of St. Mark is the second in the New Testament, although it may well have been the first actually written. Mark was a companion of Peter as he traveled to Rome and lived there. He may also be the John Mark who is mentioned in Acts as a cousin of Barnabas and may also have accompanied Paul on some of his missionary journeys. Later he went to Alexandria in Egypt, where he founded the church and was its first bishop. His symbol is a winged lion, from a vision in the Book of Ezekiel. He is patron saint of Egypt and Venice.

**Christ is risen! Happy Easter!  
Enjoy the Spring.**

*~Deacon Joe Whipple  
April 23, 2023*

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