

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH

Marblehead, Massachusetts

*Those who were in the boat did
him homage, saying, "Truly, you are
the Son of God." Matthew 14:33*

August 13, 2023, 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH



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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Saturday August 12
 9:00 AM Robert Russell
 4:00 PM Ralph Luscinski
Sunday August 13
 7:30 AM Tadeusz Urban
 9:00 AM *Pro populo*
 11:00 AM Peggy Duggan, Month's Mind
Monday August 14
 9:00 AM Mary McGreevy
Tuesday August 15 *The Assumption of Mary*
 9:00 AM Rev. Donald P. Clifford
 7:00 PM Helen Rogers
Wednesday August 16
 9:00 AM William McGovern
Thursday August 17
 9:00 AM Elizabeth Powers
Friday August 18
 9:00 AM Irene and Paul Nagle
Saturday August 19
 9:00 AM Rev. Aidan J. Walsh
 4:00 PM Dorothy Lane
Sunday August 20
 7:30 AM *Pro populo*
 9:00 AM Jean Awiszus, 1st Anniversary
 11:00 AM Jacqueline Celli, 17th Anniversary

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday August 19
 4:00 PM Msgr. Moran
Sunday August 20
 7:30 AM Msgr. Moran
 9:00 AM Msgr. Moran
 11:00 AM Father Kelleher

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Sunday's Coffee and Donuts



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Confirmation 2023

Save the Date! Our Lady Star of the Sea
 celebrates the Sacrament of Confirmation on
Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 2:00pm.

Parochial School Students

If you have a rising 11th 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).

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Summer Reading

There's still time!



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OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH

Marblehead, Massachusetts

August 13, 2023
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea,

“Truly, you are the Son of God.” These words of faith are taken from today’s Gospel (see Matthew 14:22-33). They were spoken by frightened disciples who were losing the fight of their lives against contrary winds and waves miles from shore. The Lord had earlier “made” or ordered the disciples to leave, while he dismissed the crowds who had just been miraculously fed. The disciples did not want to make the crossing. The fishermen among them were all too familiar with the Sea of Galilee and its terrible upheavals of stormy and windy nights. Even today, it is difficult to find someone willing to take you across that sea at night, so sudden and deadly are the many storms. In order to satisfy Jesus who insisted strongly that they should go, the disciples had to face their well-founded fear and set off.

The worst of their fears are realized and in the dark of night the boat is tossed about by waves and wind, they struggling against all odds far into the night. Shortly before dawn, in the midst of their travails, Jesus approaches, walking on the water. He meets the disciples deliberately in the midst of their worst fears. Peter is invited to leave the failing boat and to walk the waves. Focused on Jesus, he overcomes sinking fear and is able to move forward. But then, distracted anew by the fright of the realities storming around, he sinks. Only the Lord’s outstretched hand is able to draw him up and safely back to the boat. Peter and the disciples then witness the wind die down and calm ensue. Having encountered Jesus’ strength at the center of their fears, Peter and the disciples begin to recognize who Jesus truly is and what he is truly capable of.

Indeed, the Lord had resolved earlier that same night in his prayer to face down the fearsome enemies of sin and death by accepting on his own innocent shoulders the burden of all sin of all time. He had resolved to accept the full reality of our human mortality in an excruciatingly painful death. And he knew he would be victorious over both by returning forgiving love rather than hurtful revenge. The full fury of human life at its evil worst was to be trodden beneath his feet by the power of forgiving love pouring from his heart, over his toes, upon an otherwise powerless world. And having resolved to face humanity’s worst enemies, he had also resolved to call his followers to do the same in communion of life and love with him.

For you and me, we too are asked to face the realities, oft frightful, of a stormy, fitful and frequently unfair experience of life in this fallen world. We face with recently new awareness the implications of world-wide public health crises and their ability to undermine the purposes of home, work, education, economy and community. We fear the tumult of political discourse in complete upheaval. We witness the senseless violence of war in Europe and in many places around our world. We are besieged by currents of power able to bowl over the strongest among us. Jesus insists even more strongly that we should go into the fray. He stands near, in person: “It is I.”

Jesus reaches out with his hand and with his Word of life. We stand with Christ securely in the virtue of love (charity) and on the truth of his word (see Romans 9:1-5). Speaking the truth in Christ is the means by which the disciple conquers all fear. We walk the waves of tumultuous, passing times and make our way against the resisting headwinds. Know Jesus and trust him more than your fears. He offers the secure means by which we rise above the fray and are able to offer assuring hands to any brother or sister who calls out: “Lord, save me!”

This coming Tuesday is August 15th, the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. It is a day of precept. The Holy Day Masses at Our Lady Star of the Sea are at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Asking God’s blessing on you and yours, I am

Yours in the Lord’s service,

Msgr. Timothy J. Moran

Jesus
is Calling Us
Deeper



He Promises
to Restore and Renew
His People

Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Why Now?

Because the Church needs healing,
and the world needs the Church and her witness.

Scandal, division, disease, doubt. The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. Our response in this moment is pivotal.

In the midst of these roaring waves, Jesus is present, reminding us that he is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew, and unify the Church and the world.

How will he do it? By uniting us once again around the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation.

National Eucharistic Revival

This three-year initiative launched in 2022 on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, or Corpus Christi. Renewal began at the diocesan level, inviting diocesan staff, bishops, and priests to what Pope Francis has described as “a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ”—particularly the transforming power and mercy of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

After this fruitful year of preparation, the Year of Parish Revival began on June 11, 2023—also on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. The year has been marked by historic initiatives, such as the first-ever **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage**. Grassroots creativity is springing up all over the country as love and devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist blossoms in the pews!

Then, on July 17, 2024, America will gather for the first time in 83 years for a **National Eucharistic Congress**. This historic moment will launch the United States into a Year of Mission, sending on-fire Catholics out to share Christ’s love “for the life of the world.” We will continue to spread the Revival movement throughout the Church’s 2025 Jubilee Year and beyond.

More on the Revival effort in the weeks ahead.....

Sunday, August 6, 2023

Offertory Collection

(Collected/Mailed: 7,084.00 • Online: \$5,261.83)

Offertory Total: \$12,345.83

Missionary Cooperative Appeal

The Benedict XVI Institute for Africa
\$2,798.30

**Your kind support of
our Parish is gratefully received!**

The Pope's Monthly Intentions 2023

You are invited by the Holy Father, Francis,
to join with people worldwide
praying for each month's intention:



August

For World Youth Day at Lisbon and Fatima.

Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) - EYM (popesprayer.va)

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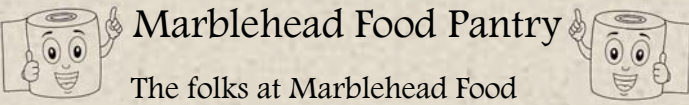
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Marblehead Food Pantry

The folks at Marblehead Food Pantry, of which our Parish is such a part, have indicated

a pressing need for paper goods, especially toilet paper.

Given the need, the parish responded right away with the gift of a case of toilet paper, which was gratefully received.

The need continues, so if you wish to assist, please leave your gifts of paper goods, especially toilet paper, on the back porch of the rectory or, during hours, at the Parish Center.

Thanks!

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.

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Comments from Deacon Joe

Assumption

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven was defined as a dogma by Pope Pius XII in 1950. It was already the belief of the Church, as evidenced by our beautiful stained glass window in the northeast transept of our church. Pius defined the dogma as the belief “that the immaculate Mother of God, Mary ever virgin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven.” This is one of the four dogmas about the Blessed Virgin which the Catholic Church holds; the others are that she is Mother of God (since her son is God), that she was always a virgin, and that she was conceived free from original sin (Immaculate Conception). The dogma of the Assumption does not define whether Mary died before being assumed into heaven (similar to Jesus, who died before his resurrection and ascension) or whether she never died at all (like the prophet Elijah, who was taken up to heaven in a whirlwind while still alive). Catholics can hold either opinion. Either way, this is an extraordinary privilege, fitting for the holy Mother of God; but it also foreshadows our coming body and soul into heaven at the end of time, at the resurrection of the dead. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Assumption_of_Mary Because of the importance of this solemnity, it is a holy day of obligation. We will have Masses on Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



Crickets I like hearing crickets. They’ve been chirping since early August. But there is an element of sadness for me when I hear them, because they emerge as the second half of summer begins. In other words, summer, my favorite season, is about half over, and we’re gradually approaching the colder seasons. Let’s savor the summer while it lasts.



This week the Memorial of St. Maximilian Kolbe, O.F.M. Conv. is on August 14. He was a Polish Franciscan who had great devotion to the Immaculate Virgin Mary. He served for a number of years as a missionary in Japan. When he returned to Poland in 1936 he was appointed Guardian of a monastery he had founded. When the Germans invaded Poland in 1939, he was briefly arrested, but in 1941 the Nazis arrested him again and on May 28 he was sent to Auschwitz. There, he took the place of a prisoner who was one of ten men selected to die as punishment for another prisoner’s escape. He was killed by a lethal injection on August 14, 1941, and canonized by St. John Paul



II in 1982. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maximilian_Kolbe.

*Enjoy the Summer!
Have a good week.*

*~Deacon Joe Whipple
August 13, 2023*

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