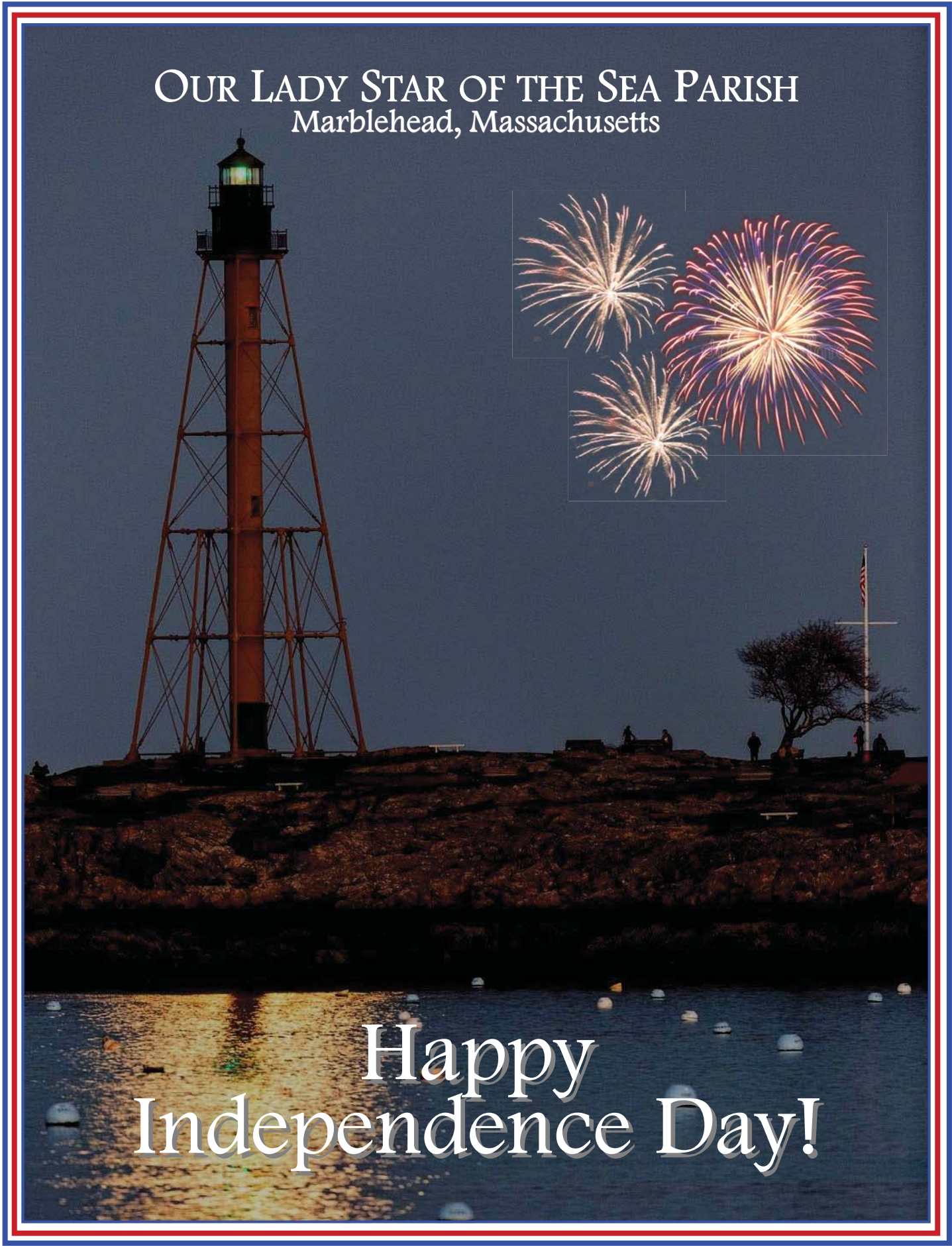


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SICK & SHUT-INS: Priests are available to bring Holy Communion to the home. Please contact the Rectory.

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.



Thank you for your generous support of the 2023 Catholic Appeal at Our Lady Star of the Sea. To date, your pledges amount to **\$40,612.00**, (**61%** of our Parish Goal of **\$66,401.00**). If you have not already had the opportunity to do so, we invite you to pick up a pledge envelope located at the back of the Church, fill it out, then drop it off at the Rectory or into the regular Offertory collection.

You can also give online today by visiting bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate/. *Thank you so much!*



Hot Dog Sunday



Independence Day Weekend

Today!

Sunday, July 2, 2023

12:00 Noon—1:30 PM



MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>July 1</u>
9:00 AM	Intentions of Michael & Alicia Canniffe
2:30 PM	Nuptials: Jessica Scaramuzzo and Justin Torname
4:00 PM	Carl Pierce, 12th Anniversary
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>July 2</u>
7:30 AM	<i>Pro populo</i>
9:00 AM	Christina Rondinelli
11:00 AM	David Kennedy, Birthday Remembrance
<u>Monday</u>	<u>July 3</u>
9:00 AM	Frank Murphy
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>July 4</u>
9:00 AM	Rose Doran
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>July 5</u>
9:00 AM	Richard Russell
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>July 6</u>
9:00 AM	Patricia & Donald Watterworth
<u>Friday</u>	<u>July 7</u>
9:00 AM	Sean P. Crowley, Birthday Remembrance
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>July 8</u>
9:00 AM	David DeGiorgi
4:00 PM	Nicole Louise Marcellino
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>July 9</u>
7:30 AM	Cathy McDermott
9:00 AM	<i>Pro populo</i>
11:00 AM	Peter Conner, 2nd Anniversary

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASSES

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>July 8</u>
4:00 PM	Msgr. Moran
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>July 9</u>
7:30 AM	To be announced
9:00 AM	Msgr. Moran
11:00 AM	Fr. Kelleher



Religious Education



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). Please contact the Office of Religious Education at 781-631-8340 or email:

sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org.

Confirmation 2023



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

If you have questions about Religious Education, please contact the Religious Education Office at 781-631-8340 or email sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org.

June 25

Pray that religious student groups would be free to be faithful to their distinctive missions.

Religious Freedom Week
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The Pope's Monthly Intentions 2023

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the monthly intention.



July

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

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July 2, 2023

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea,

Our Gospel passage from Matthew that we pray this weekend comes from the teaching of Jesus to his disciples as he sends them out on mission. The passage is often referred to as the “Mission Discourse” by biblical commentators. It is a good one for us to pray this weekend as we consider our mission as Catholic believers in the context of our country this coming Fourth of July Holiday and the mission of our country in the context of the wider world.

Jesus says: “Whoever finds his life will lose it and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it (see Mt 10:37-42). The saying holds both a warning and a promise. The warning concerns those who are out to serve themselves and their own interests. That sense of finding merely one’s own way in life leads to a losing of perspective, direction and one’s ultimate destiny in God. Rather, those who truly find their place in life in and through the words and example of Jesus’ Gospel are ready to “lose” their life by making a gift of themselves in love for the sake of the other and, so, come to find their way to happiness and the fullness of life in heaven. Such is the way of the cross to which we are called as disciples of the Lord on mission.

Saint, John Paul II, in a visit to the United States some thirty-three years ago, addressed our nation in these words:

your deepest identity and truest character as a nation is revealed in the position you take towards the human person. *The ultimate test of your greatness is in the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless ones...*

- feeding the poor and welcoming refugees;
- reinforcing the social fabric of this nation;
- promoting the true advancement of women;
- securing the rights of minorities;
- pursuing disarmament, while guaranteeing legitimate defense;

all this will succeed only if respect for life and its protection by the law is granted to every human being *from conception until natural death*.

Every human person – no matter how vulnerable or helpless, no matter how young or how old, no matter how healthy, handicapped or sick, no matter how useful or productive for society – is a being of inestimable worth created in the image and likeness of God.

You and I bear the mission of the Gospel. That Gospel says “Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink... will surely not lose his reward.” We are first to live genuinely, and then call others to a way of life that reaches out in love to those most in need because of and to the measure of God’s own love. Such is a wonderful way of life. Such is the greatness of our calling to liberty in Christ. Such is the way which you and I should help to make happiness real in our nation and in our world.

Asking God’s blessing on our country this Independence Day holiday, on our families and on our Parish family, I am

Yours in the Lord’s service,

Msgr. Timothy J. Moran

Summer's Here Garden Party



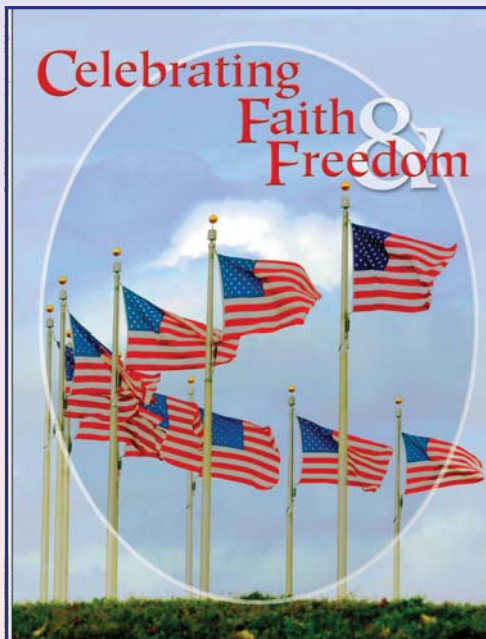
Sunday, June 25

Offertory Collection

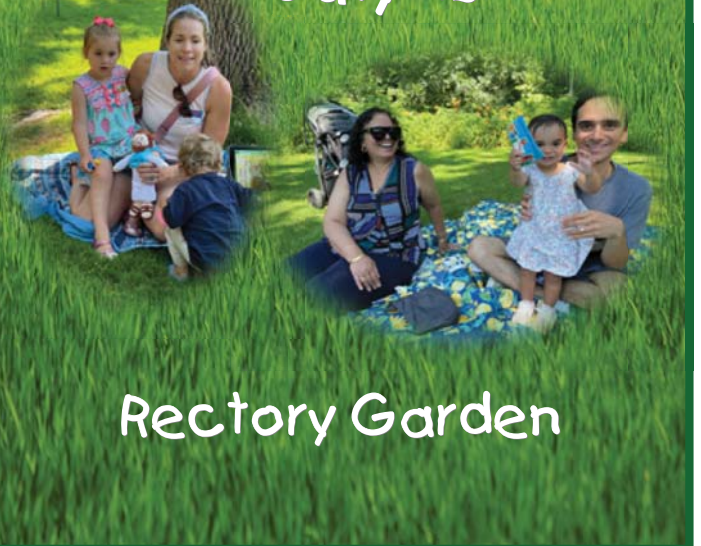
(Collected/Mailed: \$4,465.00 • Online: \$2,344.00)

Offertory Total: \$6,809.00

**We Pray for God's Blessings
on our
Nation this Independence Day, July 4th**



**Faith and Play
July 13th**



Rectory Garden

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.

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)



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IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America.

Comments from Deacon Joe

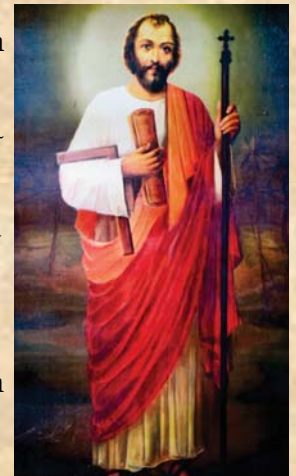
The Glorious Fourth “All men are created equal”

This phrase from the Declaration of Independence is very important, as is the following line: “they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights.” Our country is based on these principles. There is a creator, who gives everyone rights which are theirs simply as humans, rights which no person, no government can take away but which all must respect. In the Church we speak of God’s universal, unconditional love, freedom of conscience, and our duty to love our neighbor as ourselves. The Declaration of Independence, in its wording, is consistent with our belief about the relationship of every person to God and to all other people. Although the Founders didn’t apply these principles consistently, especially with regard to slavery, as a nation we have certainly made progress. We can celebrate the Fourth of July because our founding set us in a good direction. We should rededicate ourselves to recognize the equality of all people before God and in society.

Summer Vacation I attended Star of the Sea School from 1949 through 1956. At the end of every school year, as summer vacation was about to begin, the Sisters would remind us, “There is no vacation from God.” We should not stop going to Sunday Mass just because we’re on vacation. Of course, if circumstances make us unable to attend Mass — for example, if we’re on a cruise ship in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean — we are excused, just as we would be at any other time of the year. But there are sites such as [masstimes.org](https://www.masstimes.org) (As an experiment, I

typed in Cardiff, Wales, and it gave me a listing of seven Masses in Cardiff, and four across the river in Bristol, England, along with a map showing the location of the churches.) <https://www.masstimes.org> So wherever you may travel, you can see if there’s a Mass within striking distance.

This week we celebrate the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle on July 3. He brought the gospel to India, establishing the St. Thomas Christians in Kerala on the southwestern coast of the country. He had refused to believe the other apostles when they said Jesus had appeared to them after his resurrection, but when the Lord appeared to him, he expressed his faith in the exclamation, “My Lord and my God,” which we can pray silently at the elevation of the host and the chalice during Mass. This is why those words are inscribed in Latin (Dominus meus et Deus meus) on the top step of our altar. His faith reinforces our faith. His missionary zeal should inspire us. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas_the_Apostle



*Enjoy the Summer!
Have a good week.*

~Deacon Joe Whipple
July 2, 2023

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