OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

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781-631-0086 † website: www.sosmarblehead.org † email: sosrectory@verizon.net The Church is open daily from 7:00am - 7:00pm

> Sunday Mass: Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00am Daily Mass: 9:00am Monday - Saturday

> > Map 7, 2023



Fifth Bunday of Easter

Sn my Sather's house there are many dwelling places. Sf there were not, would S have told you that S am going to prepare a place for you? Sohn 14:2-3



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

Monsignor Timothy Moran, Pastor Senior Deacon John E. "Joe" Whipple Reverend Philip Des Rosiers, Weekend Assistant Reverend Timothy Kelleher, Weekend Assistant Robert "Mitch" Mitchell, Facilities Manager

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upon request, at any reasonable time. Please contact the Rectory Mon-Thu 9am-3pm. contact the Rectory to make an appointment. BAPTISM: For Baptism and Baptismal Catechesis, Communion to the home. Please contact the Rectory. please contact the Rectory Mon - Thu 9am-3pm.

priest, six to eight months prior to the date desired.



PARISH CENTER / RELIGIOUS ED. OFFICE:

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CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 2:30-3:30pm. Also FUNERALS: To make arrangements for a Funeral, please SICK & SHUT-INS: Priests are available to bring Holy NEW PARISHIONERS ARE MOST WELCOME: Please make WEDDINGS: By personal appointment with a yourself known to us at the Rectory. We want to know you. BULLETIN DEADLINE: In writing, at the Rectory by Mon 10am.



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS	
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>May 6</u>
4:00 PM	Marie L. Wall
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>May 7</u>
7:30 AM	Pro populo
9:00 AM	Sean Fenton
11:00 AM	Mark Tripodi
<u>Monday</u>	<u>May 8</u>
9:00 AM	Eleanor and John Ditzler
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>May 9</u>
9:00 AM	Catherine Kulevich Month's Mind
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u> May 10</u>
9:00 AM	Albert Irato
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>May 11</u>
9:00 AM	Anthony and Christine Corona
<u>Friday</u>	
9:00 AM	Alice Conlin
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>May 13</u>
9:00 AM	Travis Butler
10:30 AM	First Communion
12:30 PM	First Communion
4:00 PM	Keith Thayer
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>May 14</u>
7:30 AM	K. Mildred Dooling 20th Anniversary
9:00 AM	Pro populo
11:00 AM	Angelo Celli 8th Anniversary

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASSES

SaturdayMay 134:00 PMMsgr. Moran (Deacon Joe Preaching)SundayMay 147:30 AMTo be announced9:00 AMFr. Kelleher (Deacon Joe Preaching)11:00 AMMsgr. Moran

<u>COFFEE</u> We will be gathering in the Parish Center for Coffee & Donuts following the 9:00AM Mass in the Church.

Pastoral

All are invited!

Upcoming Meeting

There will be a Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Wednesday, May 17 at 7:00pm to 8:00pm in the Parish Center Conference Room.

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 10th 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 <u>sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org</u>.

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 <u>sosreligioused@staroftheseamarblehead.org</u>.



Anna E. Kelly Scholarship Fund

Next weekend, our <u>second collection</u> is for the Anna E. Kelly Scholarship Fund. This Youth Ministry scholarship is awarded to outstanding high school seniors in our Religious Education program who have served at least four years of Christian Service to our parish. This scholarship fund was established in 1995 by Anna E. Kelly, a dedicated, long-time parishioner of Star of the Sea. She was committed to promoting educational opportunities for the youth within our parish. Upon her death in 1995, she generously bequeathed a substantial sum of money to our parish to create this fund for deserving students. This fund provides high school seniors with \$1,000.00 upon graduation.

We ask that you prayerfully consider donating to this fund so that we can continue honoring future recipients with this gift.



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

Marblehead, Massachusetts

May 7, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Dear Parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea.

"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you." These words of Psalm 33 capture well the prayer of our Easter Season and this Fifth Sunday of our celebrations. We trust that God's mercy will be upon us to guide and to strengthen us on our life's journey. By the power of that mercy by which Jesus freed us from sin and death and called us to new life in him, we can be sure that any challenge, any difficulty can be absolved and overcome. That is the basis of our trust as we hear Jesus say: "Do not let your hearts be troubled" (see John 14:1-12). In Jesus we have courage! We have faith in God and in his Son, Jesus, who is "the way and the truth and the life." We trust that Jesus will be present to us and with us, leading us along his "Way."

When Jesus invited his disciples at the Last Supper not to be "troubled" in heart, however, he was not speaking in general terms about worry or anxiety. He had something specific in mind. He had just said: "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." That love in which Jesus lays down his life for our sake is the love we are to have with and for God and with and for one another. Can you love like that? Peter professes his readiness to lay down his life for Jesus. But Jesus warns him of his weakness and his impending triple denial. Alone he will fail. It is then that Jesus consoles: he does not want Peter or the disciples, or us, "troubled" in the realization of the weakness of our own love and life.

The "many dwelling places" in the Father's house are not a heavenly Condo Association of sorts. They refer to the many abiding dimensions of lasting love, the staggering breadth and depth of God's saving love. As Jesus "goes" to prepare these places for us he goes to his cross. He enters the heart of God's saving love, multiplied out for each and every sinful, fallen, mortal soul. Embracing that love, Jesus brings forgiveness and raises up all who are fallen, including me and you. Jesus offers an encouragement to Peter, to the disciples and to us: he will come back to take us with him. United with Jesus, following his way, we enter into the Father's love. With Jesus at our side, we dwell, abide in that love in which God sent his Son as our redeemer, the redeemer of all. We are enabled, then, to speak and to act thanks to his abiding presence and in our abiding faithfulness to his truth and to his life within us. With Peter, we learn the surety that Jesus' love does not condemn but saves and raises up.

We will schedule opportunities for general Parish meetings in the coming weeks, 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. Together we place our trust in the Lord.

Wishing one and all a happy continued celebration of Easter, and renewing our prayers of blessing over our Mothers, both living and deceased, I am

Yours in the Lord's service

Msgr. Timothy J. Moran

We offer this alternative to parishioners of Our Lady Star of the Sea. You have the option of making your weekly offering to our parish online. Simply visit our parish ILINE GIVING website at www.sosmarblehead.org and click on the We Share link to get started.

Spring Celebration Saturday, May 13, 2023

The Marblehead Chamber of Commerce and Discover Marblehead are hosting a town wide event called "Spring Celebration."

Our Lady Star of the Sea will be participating in this event. We will be giving tours of the Church from 2pm to 3:30pm. Tours will be offered in 30-minute increments, with the last tour beginning at 3:30pm. Lemonade and cookies will be provided right outside of the Church throughout the duration of the tours.

If you would like to volunteer to give tours or help with refreshments, please leave your contact information at the Rectory.



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. Please email your RSVP and any questions to Jaclyne Ainlay at jaclyne.ainlay@gmail.com.

St. Vincent de Paul Society—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 Society of Saint Vincent de Paul of Boston. Thank you for your generosity.

You are invited to join us next Sunday, May 14th

after the 9:00 a.m. Mass as we honor our Blessed Mother at the annual May Procession. Led by our First Communicants, we will process from the Church to the Blessed Mother in the Grotto for the crowning of Mary (weather permitting).

All are welcome to take part as we honor our Blessed Mother Mary.





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

New members are welcome.

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.

Our Lady Star of the Sea presents the 4th installment in our new

Concert Series

in the Church on Sunday, May 21, 2023 at 5:00pm featuring a talented Women's Ensemble. Details are forthcoming!

Faster Scripture Study

For those of you who wish to continue where we left off during our Lenten Scripture Study, Fxodus: Journey towards Freedom, Monsignor Moran invites you to continue the journey in our **Easter Scripture Study in the Parish Center on:** Tuesday evenings at 7 - 8pm or

Wednesday afternoons at 1 - 2pm.





Join us for a Family Rosary on Sunday, May 21 following the 11:00 AM Mass. We will gather in front of the Blessed Mother in the Grotto, next to the koi fish pond. Tea breads and coffee will be served in the Parish Center afterwards. All are invited!

The 31st Annual Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary Golf Tournament will be **Monday**, **May 15th** at The Weston Golf Club. This premier charity event benefits the educational program for the seminarians. Tuition covers only half the cost of educating a seminarian. The proceeds from this tournament help bridge that gap and keep the cost of educating them affordable. The \$250 player entry includes lunch at Weston Golf Club, 18 holes of golf with cart, and door prizes; followed by a social hour, silent auction and dinner for each golfer and a guest at the seminary. Space is limited to first 112 players. To register, contact Kate Folan at 781-899-5500 x110. or email her at kfolan@psjs.edu. You can also register online at www.psjs.edu, or by registering directly at https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=4b5c89.

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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.



May

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Sunday, April 30

Offertory Total: \$9,862.00 (Online: \$3,529 • Mailed-In/Collected: \$6,333)

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 Catholic / success so far. We have raised \$31,875.00 (which is 48% of our goal of \$66,401). If you have not Appeal 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 visit bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate/ to make your gift online today.

You Gre Most Cordially Invited

to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Ordination and Farewell for Father Tom Keyes

as he concludes his time as pastor of Our Lady of Hope Church on Sunday, May 28th at 11:00am Mass at 1 Pineswamp Road in Ipswich, MA. Reception to follow in church hall. Please RSVP at www.ipswichcatholics.org.

Comments from Deacon Joe Eastertide Continues

A short column Because I was at Town Meeting, I have had less time than usual to think about and write my column for this Sunday. It is still Eastertide and we continue to recognize Our Lord as the disciples at Emmaus did "in the breaking of the bread."

On Sunday I learned of the death of a college classmate. As I wrote to his cousin who had informed me, "when a loved one dies during Easter season, it reminds us that eternal life is the only thing really worth having and the most important thing we all look forward to at any time in our lives."

Congratulations to all the young parishioners who will be making their First Communion on Saturday. May they always remain close to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Town Meeting is heading for a third night as I write this. Jack Attridge seems to have prepared well for his first time as Moderator. Attendance thus far has been quite good, as citizens have done their duty.

This week there are no feasts or obligatory memorials, but there are several optional memorials.

May 10 has two optional memorials — St. John of Avila, a Sixteenth Century Spanish priest and mystic and Doctor of the Church https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John of Ávila

and St. Damien de Veuster, better known as Damien of Moloka'i, the missionary to the lepers on that island who died of the disease in 1889

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Father Damien

May 12 also has two optional memorials — Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Roman soldiers who were martyred around the year 100

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saints Nereus and Achilleus

and St. Pancras, martyred about 304 at the age of 14 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pancras of Rome

The option memorial of Our Lady of Fatima is on May 13, the anniversary of her first appearance in 1917 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Our Lady of Fátima

Christ is risen! ~Deacon Joe Whipple Happy Easter! Enjoy the Spring. May 7, 2023



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