



Immaculate Conception Church
Everett, Massachusetts

*I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.*

Luke 3:16

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Faith Formation & Confirmation 6-10

FAITH FORMATION

GRADES 1-5

Sundays 10:15AM-11:30AM In Our School
617-387-7009

Fran Foley, Co-Director Grades 1 and 2
Janine Keller, Co-Director Grades 3, 4, 5

SPANISH FAITH FORMATION

Sunday: 10:15AM-11:30AM In Our School

FAITH FORMATION GRADES 6-10

Thursdays 6:00-PM7:15PM In Our School

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday after 7:00AM Mass (Chapel)
Benediction 6:30PM

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Friday: 7:30PM In The Chapel

SODALITY

First Friday of the Month at 12:15PM

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: 3:00PM-3:45PM

BAPTISM

1st and 3rd Sundays at 2:00PM (Chapel)
Call Rectory to make arrangements

WEDDINGS

Call Rectory at least 6 Months prior for appointment

RECTORY HOURS

8:30AM-12PM and 12:30PM-3PM

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY

Monday-Saturday 7:00AM (Chapel)

SATURDAY

(Sunday Vigil) 4:00PM

SUNDAY

7:00AM; 9:00AM(Family); 11:00AM
12:15PM Spanish Community
4:00PM Haitian Community
5:30PM



THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15 (St. Mary DiRosa)

4:00PM....All my family & friends,
.....living and past.....Remembrance

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16 (St. Ado of Vienne)

9:00AM....Joe & Willia Keller.....Memorials
.....Chester Kwiatkowski.....Memorial
11:00AM...Bereavement Mass
5:30PM.....Hugo Gonzalez.....Memorial

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17 (St. Olympias)

7:00AM....Scott Curtis.....Birthday Memorial

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18 (St. Rufus)

7:00AM....Camela DeFlummeri.....Memorial

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19 (St. Nemesius)

7:00AM....Ronald Dwyer.....18th Anniversary

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20 (St. Dominic of Silos)

7:00AM....Margaret Cataldo.....Memorial

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21 (St. Peter Canisius)

7:00AM....Jean Baldsere.....Memorial

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22 (St. Chaeromon)

4:00PM....Joan Glynn.....2nd Anniversary

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23 (St. John of Kanty)

7:00AM....Louis Gerard Isaac.....Memorial
.....Erianth Petit Frere.....Memorial
9:00AM....Louis Staffieri.....3rd Anniversary
11:00AM...Viola and John Fortin.....Memorials
.....Jeanette Fortin.....Memorial
5:30PM....In Thanksgiving to Sacred Heart, Blessed
.....Mother, All the Angels and Saints.....

REMEMBER:

**JESUS IS THE REASON
FOR THE SEASON**

Let Us Pray for our sick and those we have been asked to remember:

Especially, Mary Agnes, Mark Amaral, Mary Ann Burley, Janet Burrige, Lorraine Callinan, J. Case, Robert DelRossi, Rose and Tom Douglas, Katherine Draper, Fr. Vinny's Mother, Michelle Fraser, Robert Freedom, Irene Hickey, Eddie King, Christopher Lever, Shirley Melanson, Harry Presti, Trixie Ricci, Peggy Riley, Laura Rumasuglia, Laura W.

Let Us Pray for the deceased of our Parish:

Especially, Mario A. Masella.



Let Us Pray that our men and women in the service might be safe in the days and weeks ahead. Especially those connected to our Parish as well as those unknown to us:

Mark Baldacchino, Kevin Caulfield, Jr, Anthony Cruciotti, Joseph Dang, Matthew Evans, John Fitzgerald, John Fitzpatrick, III, Joe Forte, Christopher Grace, David Grace, James Lally, John O'Rourke, Christina Racca, Alex Recuperero, Melissa Lynn Vizena .

We ask that you remember all those that have given so much for us: The Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard. Please bless them and their families.



The Altar Bread, Wine and Sanctuary Candle for the Weekend of December 16th are in memory of: SCOTT CURTIS.

Thank you and blessings!



"90 PLUS" God Bless those who are celebrating a birthday this month:

MARY DOWNING, CARMELA GROSSI, CECILIA MULRENNAN, PALMA NOLAN, HELEN THOMPSON.



50/50 Winner

Scripture for the week of December 16, 2012

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| 16 | SUN | Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18 |
| 17 | Mon | Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17 |
| 18 | Tue | Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25 |
| 19 | Wed | Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25 |
| 20 | Thurs | Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38 |
| 21 | Fri | Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Lk 1:39-45 |
| 22 | Sat | 1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56 |
| 23 | SUN | Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45 |

MIDWEEK REFRESHER

Read: Luke 3: 1-6

Reflect : Today's gospel deals with the Baptist, that herald of an extraordinary event. The evangelist reports John's cry raised in the desert. He describes his mission to us: to prepare the way, to make straight the road. After a long silence during which there have been no more signs or prophets, God speaks anew. The echo of his voice rumbles across the solitudes announcing a decisive turning point in the history of the world. In an ultimate intervention which fulfills and overflows the ancient hopes, God will come. But how? Will he show his presence like a meteor leaving a fiery trail across the lower reaches of the atmosphere before pursuing its course through the starry night? Will we only catch a glimpse, in the space of a flash of lightning, and then fall once again into the darkness which covers the world? No, for this Word which erupts into time changes all human history: **"All flesh shall see the salvation of God."** But to see Him we must first die to ourselves in conversion. That is John's message. It is in the midst of the discordant voices of history that God makes Himself heard. By its life of justice, the community of believers ceaselessly sounds forth the invitation or humanity's new exodus.

Pray: O Lord, I ask for the strength to stand my ground in defense of the faith I profess. Grant me the grace to be steadfast in my commitment to Christ, even if that may not be well received by the world around me.

Act: Be prepared to "bite the bullet", to not hedge in taking a position that is not popular but is nonetheless true to the teaching of Jesus.

Announcements

THANK YOU FOR YOUR



OFFETORY

\$5475

GRAND ANNUAL
\$21,250 Given by 159 Families

SODALITY: First Friday of each month but please note that this month has been moved to Friday, November 9th.

PRAYER MINISTRY: Sundays 10-10:45AM Meets at the St. Joseph's Altar.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: First Sunday of each month at the 11AM Mass.

SPARE CHANGE: Third Sunday of each month at all Masses..

UPCOMING EVENTS AT OUR NEIGHBORING PARISHES

POPE JOHN XXIII HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets are \$10 each and are considered a charitable donation.

Tickets are available thru **THURSDAY, JANUARY 3.**

Raffle will take place on **FRIDAY, JANUARY 4.**

We will draw 15 winners for the following prizes:

GRAND PRIZE = \$2,013

2—FIRST PRIZES = \$500 EACH

12—SECOND PRIZES = \$200 EACH

You may drop them off to the IC Rectory or hand them to Rick at any of the Masses.



1000 CLUB:
SATURDAY, JANUARY 12TH AT 4:45

Are you looking for something different for that "little snow angel" in your life? Why not purchase a \$1000 Club Membership.

Plenty of numbers are available. See membership form on Page 5. Please call the Rectory or see Rick after Mass with any questions.

Eucharistic Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held **EVERY THURSDAY** from 7:45AM to 6:30PM in the Chapel. Each Thursday's adoration will conclude with **Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 6:30PM.** All are welcome to come and spend some time in the Lord's presence.

Please invite other to join you.

The **Rosary** at 6:30AM (Before Mass)

The **Angelus** at 12:00PM

The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** at 3:00PM

The **Rosary** at 5:30PM for Peace and the Holy Father's intentions

The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** (Sung) at 6:00PM

If you would like more information, call Madeline McComish at 617.387.7820.



ONLY \$4

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13TH

7:30-10:30AM in our Church Hall

Join your fellow parishioners for breakfast (Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, juice, coffee and tea yummy!



Bereavement Mass

THIS SUNDAY AT 11:00AM. As an expression of sympathy for our families that have lost a loved one, every month we will celebrate a Mass for those that have passed away. This month is for those who passed away In November:

ANTHONY L. ACQUAVIVA, HOPE M. BRUNO, ROSE M. CAPONE, PHILIP W. LANGONE, ADA M. LAURENZA, DANTE MARIANI, JERRY J. MASTRANGELO, JOAN F. McMAHON, ALBERTA S. MURPHY, ANTOINETTE T. RAGUCCI, ACURSIO "GUS" SACHETTA, CATHERINE G. SULLIVAN, DIANA N. URNETTA.



FOXWOODS TRIP:

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH-\$23PP

Bus leaves Rectory by 7AM Sharp!

Return to Rectory by 7:30PM

**Free Buffet or \$10 Food Credit and \$10 Keno Play
 Coffee AND.....on
 Bus Down**

Call Rectory to Reserve a Seat!

NO PAYMENTS ON BUS...Pay at Rectory

**OFFERED IN SOLIDARITY WITH
POPE BENEDICT XVI**

GENERAL:

That immigrants throughout the world may be welcomed with generosity and authentic love, especially by Christian communities.

MISSION:

That Christ may reveal Himself to all humanity with the light that shines forth from Bethlehem and is reflected in the face of His Church.



Flowers

Our envelope company left out the Christmas Flower Envelope. The envelopes are available at the doors of the Church. You may donate in the memory of a loved one if you wish. Thank you for helping defray the cost of decorating our Church.



GIVE YOURSELF A PRESENT THIS SEASON:

Most all of us are busy these days and life can be hectic and hard for anyone. So, why not give yourself a gift these cold winter days? Make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament! The chapel is open Thursdays and there is parking in our lot. There is absolutely no greater gift you can give yourself to bring order, peace and happiness into your life than to spend some time with JESUS!

**1000 CLUB (PLENTY NUMBERS AVAILABLE)
PLEASE CALL RECTORY FOR A LIST**

STANDING RULES:

\$25.00 IN ADVANCE PAYS FOR 6 MONTHS (1/2 YEAR) DUES

\$50.00 IN ADVANCE PAYS FOR A FULL YEAR'S DUES

Sign up a new member, and you get a free month on your dues.

If you do not receive a blue envelope, you are paid ahead.

NEW MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ # _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

ONE PARISH'S WELCOME!!!

(The bulletin of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Daytona Beach, Florida has generated a lot of buzz for their inclusive, welcoming message)

“We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, gay, filthy rich, dirt poor, yo no habla ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying newborns, skinny as a rail or could afford to lose a few pounds.

We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like our Pastor who can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're “just browsing”, just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more catholic than the Pope, or haven't been in church since little Joey's baptism..

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, Nascar dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like “organized religion”, we've been there too.

If you blew all your offering money at the dog track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is Flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts...AND YOU!

Our welcome here at St. Katharine Drexel may not be as colorful, but the Sentiment is as real. Everyone is invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected at St. K.D.

TELL A FRIEND!!!

