

Saturday	December 17	
4:00 p.m.	Vincent Lopez	Memorial
Sunday	December 18	
9 a.m.	Catherine, Francis and James Kennedy Parishioners of Our Lady's Parish	
11 a.m.	Edward W. Foster	Memorial
Monday	December 19	
8 a.m.	Memorial Guild	
Wednesday	December 21	
8 a.m.	Paul Morabito	15 th Anniversary
Friday	December 23	
8 a.m.	Mariann Cahill	26 th Anniversary
Saturday	December 24	
4:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve	
6:30p.m.	Christmas Eve	
Sunday	December 25	
10 a.m.	Christmas Day	

PRAYERS FOR...

Please remember in your prayers, Bill Kramer and Anna Mula Clow who passed away this week. May Bill and Anna know the peace and joy of our heavenly kingdom and may their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

GRAND ANNUAL

Our Grand Annual collection is underway and to date we have collected \$93,510. Thank you to those who have already responded generously. If you would like to make your Grand Annual donation via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), those forms are on the tables as well. Please fill it out and return it to the parish office either by mail or you can simply put it in the collection baskets in an envelope marked to the parish office, attention Sharon.

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS MASSES**

Christmas Eve at 4:00pm w/ Children's Choir
and **6:30pm** w/ Adult Choir and String Orchestra
Preludes begin at 3:55 for the 4:00 Mass and
at 6:00 pm for the 6:30 Mass
Christmas Day at 10:00am
New Years Eve at 4:00pm
New Year's Day at 9:00am and 11:00am

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
First Reading: Is 9:1-6
Resp. Psalm: 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13
Second Reading: Ti 2:11-14
Gospel: Lk 2:1-14

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekend of December 10/11: \$5,001
Monthly Collection: \$3,081

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Dec 17/18 – Regular
Dec. 24/25 – Clergy Benefit Trust
Dec. 31/Jan 1 – Regular and Solemnity of Mary
Jan. 7/8 – Regular and Monthly
Jan. 14/15 – Regular and Special Collection Sunday
Jan. 21/22 – Regular
Jan. 28/29 – Regular and Church in Latin America


**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**

On Wednesday, December 21 at 6:30 Our Lady's and all the parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston will be open for individual confessions. Please make plans to come on the 21st and spread the word of this special outreach of mercy to those you know.

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION
CLERGY BENEFIT TRUST**

Please note that there is only one collection next weekend and that is for the clergy benefit trust. Please use that envelope from your envelope packets. Next week's Christmas collection is for our priests. The 715 active and senior priests in our Archdiocese have served us faithfully and have been a constant source of grace and blessing over the years. They are the reason we are able to celebrate the sacrament of the Eucharist today and every day. Without them, we could not fully live our Catholic faith. Please remember all the priests who have made a meaningful impact in your life. Please consider honoring these good and holy men through next week's collection and giving them a gift of Christmas that shows them you truly care. Thank you in advance for your generous and prayerful support.

CATHOLIC TV CHRISTMAS PROGRAMMING



It's that time of year again! Catholic TV will intersperse Advent and Christmas programming with their regular schedule throughout December and especially from Monday, December 19 until New Year's Eve. Then, all day Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and December 26, Catholic TV will become Christmas TV for 72 hours of non-stop specials. Comcast Ch. 268: Verizon Ch. 296 or watch LIVE online at www.CatholicTV.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

ADORATION AND PRAYER SERVICE: New time/date/location. Following the 8:00am Mass for on the **LAST WEDNESDAY** of each month.

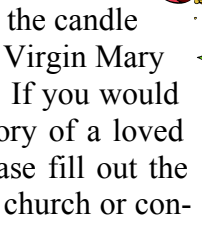
HEARING DIFFICULTIES: Do you wish you could hear the Mass better? Now you can! Bring any FM portable radio with earphones to Mass, set your radio to 87.7 FM and you will hear every word said from the altar over your radio through your earphones! This system is always on whenever the speaker system is in use. If you have any problem using this system, please ask any Knight to help you.

MEMBERSHIP: If you would like information about the Knights of Columbus or would like to join our Council, see any Knight after Mass or call 781-209-0842. Any Catholic man 18 years old or older is welcome to join. If you are a Brother Knight and do not wish to transfer into our Council but would like to attend our meetings or help out, you are always welcome.

BREAKING BREAD MISSALS

Thank you to those who have kindly donated towards our missal fund. Donations of any amount are welcome and greatly appreciated. Put your donations in an envelope and mark it attention parish office and please write on the envelope and your check memo "missal donation. Thank you.

MEMORIAL CANDLE STANDS



There are still candles available on the candle stands in the alcove of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the front entrance of the church. If you would like to purchase a candle in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please fill out the brochures on the tables around the church or contact Sharon in the parish office.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our Lady's has a very active Prayer Shawl ministry under the guidance of Terry Stepp. They meet on the first Sunday of each month in the parish center at 2:00pm. Volunteers meet to create beautiful shawls with a prayer attached from the parishioners of Our Lady's. These shawls are delivered to the homebound as well as residents of assisted living facilities in the area of Our Lady's with a prayer of hope and faith. On December 4, 100 prayer shawls were presented to the residents of Waltham Crossings at the weekly Eucharistic service. They were very well received. Many thanks to the volunteers who lend their talents to this important ministry: Joan Parker, Ginny Wheeler, Mary Causland, Maureen Corey, Dot Doherty, Janet Donahue, Fran McLaughlin, Angie Mullaney, Cathy Cannon, Barbara Salamone, Kay Currier and Terry Stepp.

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

There will be a Holy Hour for Life on Sunday, January 22, 2012 at 3:00pm in Our Lady's Church. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be included. Please join us for this special hour to celebrate life together.

CHRIST CHILD BLESSING

You are invited to bring your Christ Child from your manger at home to the 4pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Your Christ Child will receive a blessing from Fr. DiPerri. What a lovely way to welcome the baby Jesus into your home for Christmas.





OUR LADY'S 1000 CLUB
THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT
FOR THAT HARD TO
BUY FOR PERSON

The next drawing is Sunday, January 8 and the cost is \$55/year or \$5 per month. Find the blue cards on the tables of the church. These make great gifts for birthdays, Christmas or just a simple Thank You gift. Please consider joining and help support our parish.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

Our sincere thanks to Our Lady's parishioners for once again helping with our Giving Tree program. We collected a little over 400 gifts which went to our parish families, as well as some to the Catholic Charities program for mothers with children and to Fernald patients, those remaining, as well as to others in group homes. For anyone who couldn't take a card from the trees and would like to help, contributions to our boxes at the entrances of the church help us year round assisting the needy of the parish. May you and your families enjoy a Blessed Christmas.

NORTH WALTHAM SENIORS

Dues for the new year are \$7.00 per person or \$12.00 per couple payable from October 1 to December 31.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

► We are now taking registrations for our trip to Daytona, Florida for a 2 or 3 week trip. For details call Evelyn Quintiliani at 617-332-0215.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!



CHRISTMAS TREES

Buy your Christmas tree at Wagon Wheel and receive \$5.00 of your purchase over \$30.00. Also, for every Christmas tree purchased at Wagon Wheel this season, Wagon Wheel will donate \$5.00 Cash to benefit the Parish Hall renovation project! You must have the coupon / flyer at time of purchase so that Our Lady's will receive credit for your purchase. The flyers can be downloaded from the parish website (www.olca.org). If you have any questions, please call the school office at 781-899-0353.

OUR LADY'S ACADEMY NEWS

In fifth grade, the focus for the religion curriculum is the Sacraments. The students shared information about each of their Baptisms. We looked at a parish bulletin from one student's Baptism and some students brought in pictures to share. To get into the spirit of Christmas, the students have been learning about the Christmas Carol, "The Twelve Days of Christmas." During the time that the song was written, people were not allowed to learn about the Catholic religion; it is said that the song was written to teach children about the Catholic faith.

In reading, our whole class is reading *Danny the Champion of the World*. We spent time discussing what the students knew about the author, Roald Dahl, and researching Dahl's childhood before beginning the book. The students also made predictions about what they thought would happen in the story and what the father's secret could be. At the end of the book, students will be able to look back at their predictions to compare what really happened to what they thought might happen.

This past week, the entire fifth grade learned about the parts of an animal cell and a plant cell. After learning about the parts of the cells, the students used Jell-O and various candies to create their own edible cells. The students are now learning about the organization of cells and the differences between multicellular and unicellular organisms.

In writing, the entire fifth grade began a unit on persuasive writing a couple of weeks ago. One vehicle for persuasive writing is book recommendations/reviews. The students discussed where we see book reviews in our everyday lives, why people write book reviews, and learned about the components needed in a book review. All of the fifth graders are writing book reviews about the books they read, in class, which they will share with their peers as recommendations. We just got a new student in our classroom and we are really excited!

