

Cardinal Seán's Blog

Cardinal Seán O'Malley shares his reflections & experiences

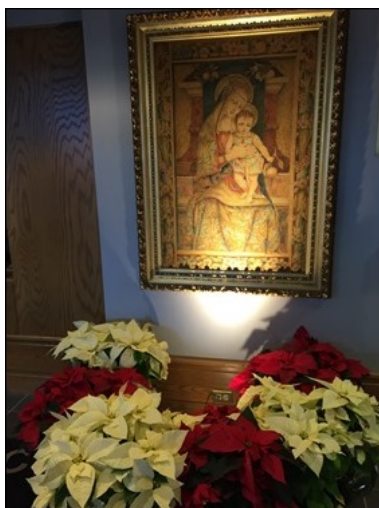
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He who was born in poverty and homelessness

Hello and welcome,

I hope you had a very happy and blessed Christmas!

On Friday, I went to have lunch with the residents of Regina Cleri, our retirement home for priests in Boston. In addition to visiting with the men there, I also wanted to check in to see how Bishop Frank Irwin was doing after his recent operation.



As always, the sisters did a wonderful job decorating Regina Cleri for the Christmas season.



It was wonderful to be able to visit with our senior priests at Regina Cleri.

On Saturday morning, Christmas Eve, I went the [Catholic Charities' Teen Center](#) at St. Peter's in Dorchester for their annual distribution of Christmas gifts to children, following a tradition started by the late Mayor Menino.



There are always a number of families that go to help serve the meal on Christmas Eve, and I always enjoy the chance to meet some of the volunteers.



Among those volunteering with us was Lisa Alberghini, the director of Our Planning Office for Urban Affairs, which works very closely with Pine Street Inn on a number of housing projects.



Also, a number of our priests, such as Msgr. Frank Kelly and father John Unni, are very involved in the work of Pine Street, as well.