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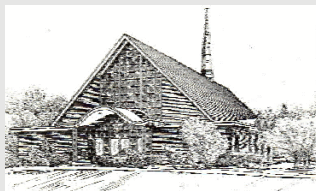
*OUR LADY
COMFORTER OF THE
AFFLICTED*

Waltham-Lexington

*Master, to whom shall we go? You have
the words of eternal life. We have come to
believe and are convinced that you are
the Holy One of God. John 6:68-69 (NAB)*

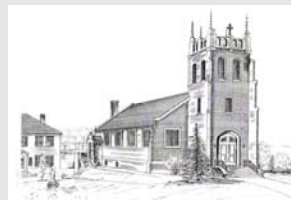
21ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

OUR LADY COMFORTER OF THE AFFLICTED



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www.olca.org

Parish Office/Religious Education: 920-R Trapelo Rd.,
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Our Lady's Academy: 920 Trapelo Rd., Waltham, MA 02452-4845
(781) 899-0353 • www.ourladyacademy.org

Parish Office Hours—Monday-Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM
Academy Office Hours—Monday-Friday 7:45AM-2:45PM

Knights of Columbus - Parish Council #14710
New Members Welcomed - olkofc@olca.org or call 781-209-0842

PARISH STAFF

Rev. James M. DiPerri, Pastor
Rev. James F. Hawker, Senior Priest Assisting
Deacon Bob Johnson
John Barry, Religious Education Coordinator
Denise Moroney, Business Manager
Sharon Micco, Parish Office Manager
Kevin Galié, Parish Music Director
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MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM
First Friday Mass 9AM (only)
Saturday (Vigil) 4PM
Sunday 9AM, 11AM
Holy Day As Announced

BAPTISM

Opportunity to have child baptized during Mass or once a month at 12:15 PM on selected Sunday of each month. Please contact parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements one year in advance by appointment with the priest or deacon. Please contact the parish office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

Anyone interested in journeying in faith to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Please contact the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be heard every Saturday from 3:15 - 3:45 PM in the Reconciliation Room located just inside the front of the church at the handicap entrance, baptismal font side of church. Other scheduled opportunities throughout the year, as well as by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of The Sick will be administered on the last weekend of each month after the 4PM and 11AM Masses. Who can receive this sacrament? Those who are aged, chronically ill, are having treatments or will be having surgery. We invite you to come receive the Sacrament of the Sick, a source of strength, healing and grace.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring Holy Communion to those unable to attend Sunday Mass. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

For more information on the Catholic Faith visit www.usccb.org

Mass  *for the*
Intentions *Week*

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| Saturday | August 24 | | |
| 4:00 pm | Robert Collaggero | 10th Anniversary | |
| Sunday | August 25 | | |
| 9:00 am | Justin Belillo & Margaret Guiry | | |
| 11:00 am | Deceased Members of the DiGiacomo Family | | |
| Monday | August 26 | | |
| 8:00 am | Dino Flori | Memorial | |
| Wednesday | August 28 | | |
| 8:00 am | Margaret Gallagher | Birthday Memorial | |
| Friday | August 30 | | |
| 8:00 am | Memorial Guild | | |
| Saturday | August 31 | | |
| 4:00 pm | Hugh and Ann Boyle | Memorial | |
| Sunday | September 1 | | |
| 9:00 am | Rose and Pasqual Borzillo | Memorial | |
| 11:00 am | Deceased Members of the DiGiacomo and Caramazza Families | | |

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

August 24/25: Regular

COLLECTION INFORMATION

August 17/18: \$5,375



MEMORIAL CANDLES

We still have a few memorial candles left if you would like your loved ones remembered. Please consider a candle in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, the candles are \$250 for the year and they burn from May to May or November to November. If interested, fill out the brochures on the tables around the church or contact Sharon in the parish office at 781-894-3481 x2.

REGISTRATION

Registration forms for 2013-2014 CCD year have been sent home. Please fill them out and return them as soon as possible. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the parish office.

RELIGIOUS ED TEACHERS NEEDED

We are in need of catechists, instructional aides and hall monitors for the 2013-2014 school year. Please consider sharing your faith and knowledge with the youth of our parish in grades 1-10. We meet on Sunday mornings from 10-11:15 a.m. during the school year. If you are willing to help, we are willing to accommodate schedules. Please contact John Barry, Coordinator of Religious Education at 781-894-3481 x3 or religiouseducation@olca.org

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation in Adults

The RCIA Program is for those seeking to make their sacraments or explore further their faith. The RCIA team helps the preparation of adults to receive Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation. Classes are informal and held in Our Lady's Parish Center after the 9:00am Mass beginning the end of September. If you are interested, please contact John Barry at 781-894-3481 x3. If you have completed the sacraments of initiation and can donate 90 minutes to "share" your faith with others, please contact John at the number above or email religiouseducation@olca.org

Welcome!

PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish registration forms are available on the tables at the entrances of the church as well as on our website: www.olca.org. You can return the form to the parish office, mail it or simply drop it in the offertory baskets. Please notify Sharon in the parish office if you have an email or address change so we can update our records.

ACTIVITIES CLUB NEWS

We will be hosting our 2nd annual Craft Fair on Saturday, September 7 from 10am-2pm. Cost of a table is \$25. If interested, please call Sharon in the parish office to reserve your space.



**ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON PASTORAL PLANNING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR
OUR LADY COMFORTER OF THE AFFLICTED PARISH**

AS ANNOUNCED AT ALL MASSES LAST WEEKEND (August 17/18, 2013)

As you know the Archdiocese of Boston is currently reorganizing parishes into collaboratives, as part of implementing the Pastoral Plan: *Disciples in Mission*. For over a year, the Archdiocese asked that each parish participate with them in open dialogue to best determine the overall need of both, the local and wider church community. Our Lady's Parish actively participated in that process.

As you are aware by your participation, our parish appealed the original collaborative formation. The Archdiocesan Planning Office and its supportive committees reviewed our appeal and the information provided them in a spirit of openness. As a result, Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Parish has been granted to remain a "stand alone" parish working with other collaboratives within the Archdiocese of Boston.

Much time and work was contributed by members of various parish committees and staff, particularly Diane LeBlanc, Vice-Chair of the Pastoral Council, in preparing substantive documentation regarding the status of our church and school. As a result of this work, the growth, good works and unique location of Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Parish were better able to be studied by the Archdiocesan Planning Committee. Thus they were able to come to this determination as to our parish status within the overall needs of the Archdiocese. As we continue to work with the wider church community in furthering the mission of Jesus Christ in our local community, may God continue to bless the Archdiocese of Boston.

The parish committees will now work to further implement the evangelized mission found in the Archdiocesan Collaborative Plan...*Disciples in Mission*.

On the next page to the right is the letter received from the Archdiocese of Boston. →

May God bless you and your families and Mary continue to pray for you before the throne of God.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Fr. James M. DiPerri
Pastor

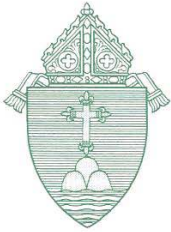
PLEASE SEE ON UPDATED INFORMATION ON THE BULLETIN BOARDS
AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH

DAY OF RECOLLECTION
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

You are invited to join us for a Day of Recollection at St. Edmund's Retreat Center in Mystic, Connecticut. Fr. DiPerri will lead us on this spiritual day of prayer. We will meet on the Belmont side of Our Lady's Church at 7:45am and the bus will depart at 8:00am. We will return to Our Lady's parking lot around 5:30. The cost is \$70 per person and this includes lunch as well as a deluxe motor coach bus. Lunch served will be Grilled Herb Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Mini Desserts, Coffee and Tea. Space is limited, we can take 55 people and this will be on a first come, first serve basis. Please call Sharon in the parish office at 781-894-3481 x2 to reserve your space. Payment will be due within one week of your phone call.

Something about the sea opens hearts to the voice of God

St. Edmund's is connected by bridge to the mainland. Enders Island and St. Edmund's Retreat is one of the few places in New England where you can awake to the sounds of seabirds calling, waves lapping and a Mass bell pealing. It is a haven of spiritual renewal and Catholic prayer. St. Edmund's facilities include the early 20th-century mansion, several meeting rooms, overnight accommodations and an exquisite new chapel so reverent and magnificent that it has been called "a pilgrimage in its own right." The Blessed Sacrament is reserved for veneration any time, day or night, both in this chapel and in the intimate Fisherman's Chapel in the main house.



ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON
66 BROOKS DRIVE
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August 8, 2013

Reverend James M. DiPerri
Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Parish
880 Trapelo Road
Waltham, MA 02452-4841

Dear Father DiPerri:

I write to inform you that, at a future stage in the pastoral planning process, Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Parish in Waltham, will be a stand-alone Parish.

As you know, we reserved making a final decision regarding the composition of some Collaboratives for six months after the promulgation of the Pastoral Plan. That six month period is completed and all of the outstanding Collaboratives have been reviewed. We thank you for your patience with this process.

Twelve of these Collaboratives, involving twenty-eight Parishes, are already in the process of implementing the Pastoral Plan, *Disciples in Mission*, in its first Phase. Twenty more Collaboratives, comprised of about fifty Parishes, will be implemented in Phase Two. The Phase Two Collaborative list will be announced in late September. Sister Pat Boyle, CSJ has already spoken with many Pastors about the possible involvement of their Parishes in Phase Two.

Even though your Parish is going to implement *Disciples in Mission* as a stand-alone Parish, and regardless of whether or not your Parish is in Phase Two, we would like you to start reviewing some materials with the Parish Pastoral Councils and Parish Finance Councils of your Collaborative. This material is enclosed and is also available online at www.disciplesinmission.com. Sister Pat and I would be happy to assist you in any way possible including visiting your parish and meeting with your Councils.

Although some parishes may have several years ahead before their formal beginning in a Collaborative, it is essential to use this time well, to prepare for this planning process and assist in our efforts toward the New Evangelization and the strengthening of parishes.

If you have any questions, please call me at (617) 746-5867 or to write to me at Paul_Soper@rcab.org.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Paul Soper".

Father Paul Soper
Director of Pastoral Planning

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NEW ENVELOPE COMPANY

We will be changing envelope company's in October. If you are not receiving envelopes now and would like to, please contact Sharon in the parish office to get on the envelope list.

Using the envelope system is one of the best ways you can support your parish. We depend on our weekly offertory for everyday parish expenses and we look forward to your continued generosity.

If your family who goes south for the winter, please let us know so that we can either forward the envelopes to where you are going or put your envelopes on hold for the months you are gone. Please keep in mind that we depend on your donations and when those stop for months at a time, it affects our income.

One option we have to resolve this issue is by using our EFT (electronic funds transaction) program. If you would like to discuss this further, please stop by the parish office and speak with Sharon. Again, thank you for your kindness and generosity to Our Lady's Parish.

VIRTUS TRAINING

Protecting God's Children

The Archdiocese Office of Child Advocacy **REQUIRES** that all adults working directly with children (teachers, catechists, aides, coaches, volunteers) participate and be certified in VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training which provides education in identification and prevention of child sexual abuse. We here at Our Lady's will offer two training dates; Thursday, September 5 from 6:00-8:30pm and again on Saturday, September 7 from 10:00am-12:30pm. Both trainings will be held in Room 216 of the school. If you are a volunteer, new teacher, new catechist and have not yet taken the VIRTUS training, please call Sharon in the parish office and sign up for one of these trainings.

OUR LADY'S UPCOMING EVENTS

September 5—VIRTUS Training, 6:00pm
 September 6—First Friday School Mass at 9am
 September 6—Meadow Green Anointing, 10:30am
 September 7—VIRTUS Training, 10:00am
 September 7/8—Knights of Columbus Membership Drive after all Masses
 September 7—Activities Club Craft Fair, 10:00am
 September 8—1000 Club Drawing, 12:30pm
 September 12—Curriculum Night/General Parent Meeting –5:30/6:30pm
 September 14/15—Missionary Weekend—Franciscan Missionary Sisters for Africa will speak at all Masses
 October 1—Rosary—8:30am-Blessed Mother Statue
 October 4—Blessing of the Animals, 8:15am
 October 4—First Friday School Mass, 9:00am
 October 5—Activities Club Fall Dance, 7:00pm
 October 13—1000 Club Drawing, 12:30pm
 October 18—Marian Rosary Service, 6:30pm
 October 26/27—Grand Annual Collection Weekend
 October 29—Parish Day of Recollection in Mystic, CT

**NORTH WALTHAM SENIORS
LOOKING AHEAD**

NOTE: Because of Senior Week 2013 in Waltham, our **September meeting will be moved** to the following Thursday, September 26 at 1:30pm in Our Lady's Parish Hall. Entertainment to be announced.

The White Mountains and Christmas Tour

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, December 4, 5 and 6—a mid-week holiday getaway.

(If interested, reserve a spot ASAP)

Celebrate the Magic of Christmas at the beautiful White Mountains Hotel & Resort. Deluxe accommodations, yuletide welcome reception, 5 meals in "The Ledges" dining room, order off the menu, 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners, entertainment, 3 different Christmas shows and the Mt. Washington Discover Center in downtown North Conway. Price is \$379 twin, \$359 triple, \$479 single. Please contact Camille Jasmin at 781-899-2356.

RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

I cannot believe it is almost that time again. With summer flying by, it is almost time to start thinking about fall activities. Turkey-Rama is coming! Time to start thinking of raffle prizes and donations. You have always come through in the past and I have no doubt you will be there again. Just putting the bug in your ear to start thinking TURKEY's. More information will be in upcoming bulletins.

GOBBLE ~ GOBBLE

ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR SUMMER!