

*Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted*

*March 1, 2015*

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*Second Sunday of Lent*

**OUR LADY COMFORTER OF THE AFFLICTED**

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Waltham, MA 02452-4845**

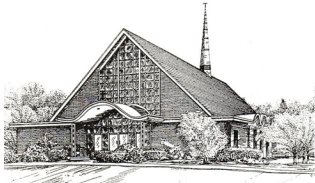
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**Parish Office Hours—Monday-Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM**

**Academy Office Hours—Monday-Friday 7:45AM-2:45PM**



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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**

During Mass or on selected Sunday each month at 12:15 PM . Please contact parish office.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Arrangements six months-one year in advance by appointment. 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**

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](http://www.usccb.org)

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

<b>Saturday February 28</b>		
4:00 pm	Frances Martin	Memorial
<b>Sunday March 1</b>		
9:00 am	James Massa	Memorial
**All Members of Our Lady's—Living and Deceased**		
11:00 am	Victoria Berinato	Memorial
<b>Monday March 2</b>		
8:00 am	Earl Corey	7th Anniversary
<b>Wednesday March 4</b>		
8:00am	Mary Cormier	Memorial
<b>Friday March 6—First Friday</b>		
<b>9:00 am</b>	Armand Gaudet	Memorial
<b>Saturday March 7</b>		
4:00 pm	Shirley Newfell	Memorial
**Please also remember the soul of David Killilea**		
<b>Sunday March 8</b>		
9:00 am	Girl Scout Sunday	
*All Members of Our Lady's—Living and Deceased*		
11:00 am	Jack Davis	Memorial

**UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**

February 28/March 1: Regular

**COLLECTION INFORMATION**

February 21/22: \$7,047 Ash Wednesday: \$2,203

Please consider signing up for Online Giving. Online Giving allows those who have joined not to worry about weekend snow storms or being away and it eases our minds a bit as well knowing that is a steady income. If you would like to sign up for Online Giving, contact Sharon in the parish office.

**MEMORIAL**

The *Stained Glass Window* was illuminated last week in loving memory of Frances McMorrow at the request of her daughter, Christine.

**MEMORIAL GUILD**

Mary O'Brien has been enrolled in Our Lady's Memorial Guild.

**CENACLE OF DIVINE MERCY**

Wednesday, March 4 at 10:30am in St. Joseph Chapel of the school. Enter building through parish center entrance. Use driveway behind school, park and walk down to parish entrance.

**PERFECT GIFT—1000 CLUB**

The perfect gift for that hard to buy for person. A year membership in Our Lady's 1000 Club. Memberships are \$55 per year. **Our next drawing is NEXT Sunday, March 8 at 12:30pm in the school cafeteria. TO JOIN: Fill out and return this portion to Sharon in the parish office.**

**NAME:**

**ADDRESS:**

**PHONE:**

**EMAIL:**

**GIFT FOR:**

**DOUBLE 1000 CLUB DRAWING**

With the continual weekend storms, we postponed our February drawing to March. On March 8 we will have a double drawing. If you haven't been to a drawing, join us. It is a fun social time where old friends chat and new friends are made. All are welcome.

**HAM-A-RAMA—March 28, 2015**

**DONATIONS ARE NEEDED**

The tickets for Ham-a-rama have been mailed out. **DONATIONS ARE NEEDED.** Ham-a-rama is only 4 weeks away. Please bring your donations in now so not to wait till the last minute. **BALLOONS:** Gift cards of \$20 or more are welcome as well for the balloons. **BAKE SALE:** If you would like to bake for Ruby's bake sale during the Ham-a-rama, please contact Ruby at 781-893-1131.

**PASTA DINNER**

SATURDAY, March 21, 2015 after the 4pm Mass for the Knights of Columbus Pasta Dinner.

Entertainment: Mel Simons—Everything Irish!

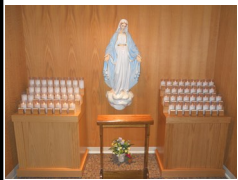
**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY FOR LENT**

Tuesday mornings from 8:30-10:00am

6 weeks: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Location: 52 Kendall Park, Waltham  
(Home of parishioner, Lori Pasto)

Join us for a Women's Bible Study group. This is an informal, relaxed meeting of women interested in sharing faith and friendship by studying the Bible together. It is not necessary to make it to all 6 meetings in order to participate. Non-school age children/babies are welcome to join you. Please contact Tara Rohatgi at 781-891-0696 or tara.rohatgi@gmail.com if you are interested in joining.

**MEMORIAL CANDLE STANDS**

There are a few candles available to purchase in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. The cost is \$250 for a year.

If interested, contact Sharon in the parish office.

**COLLECTION FOR TROOPS FOLLOW-UP**

US Army Sgt. Ian Wagoner phoned Fr. DiPerri from Iraq last week to thank the parish for sending boxes of supplies to the service men and women assigned in Iraq. They have received 14 of the 25 shipped. Thank you to all who brought in items for this effort and also who made monetary donations to help mail the boxes. A particular word of thanks to the Activities Committee for organizing this charitable effort in support of our troops who serve for the cause of peace. Please keep our military and their families in your prayers as we pray for all God's people. May the peace of Christ end all war and suffering as we serve as His ambassadors of love.

**DOMINICAN SISTERS BAKE SALE**

The Dominican Sisters will be here the weekend of March 21/22 to sell their baked goods. Proceeds from the sale will be used to buy medical supplies for their mission to support the lepers.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Stations of the Cross** will be prayed every Wednesday during Lent at 6:30pm. All are welcome.

**SOUP SERVED BEFORE STATIONS**

To maybe help folks attend the stations without having to go home first from work for dinner then come back out, the Activities Committee are serving hot soup in the back of church before the stations begin starting at 5:45pm and ending at 6:20pm.

**CONFESSIONS DURING LENT**

**Confessions** will be heard every Wednesday during Lent from 6:30-7:30pm.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If Waltham Schools are closed on a Wednesday during Lent due to the weather, there will be NO Stations or Confessions.

**RITE OF ELECTION—RCIA**

The Rite of Election normally held at Holy Cross Cathedral in Boston on the first Sunday of Lent was canceled this year due to the harsh winter and parking issues. We would like to recognize adult candidates from our RCIA program who will be "going forward" and receiving sacraments this year. Elizabeth Smith and Nancy Saenpraseuth will be fully initiated in the church through the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil. Kham Saenpraseuth will receive the sacrament of Eucharist and Confirmation at the Vigil. Please pray for them as they prepare with the guidance of their catechists.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

For those who want to sing on Palm Sunday and Easter that cannot make choir practice during the week, there will be two rehearsals scheduled on Saturdays, March 28 and April 4 from 10:00-11:00am.

**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOLERS AND ADULTS**

We invite those who would like to sing for Holy Week and Easter Masses to join our existing adult choir practice rehearsal in March. Rehearsal on March 12, 19 and 26 from 7:00-8:30pm and on Monday, March 30 from 7:00-8:00pm. Please see our music director, Elisabeth Fahrigh after any of the Masses if you are interested.



**LENTEN GUIDELINES**

Catholics are called to embrace the invitation to interior Lenten penance through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, which express conversion in relation to oneself, to God and to others. This may be done in several ways:

- By fasting from material things, including foods, which are superfluous to basic needs. Catholics 18-59 years of age are bound to the obligation of fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and those over the age of 14 are obligated to abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent.
- By taking up spiritual habits, such as participating in additional prayer or devotional practices that help us to become more intimate with Jesus Christ, His Church and our brothers and sisters.
- By supporting our brothers and sisters who are in need through almsgiving and charitable activities.

Every day give up and/or take up something unique to “make your hearts firm”.



Make a difference today by pledging your support to the 2015 Catholic Appeal.

**CATHOLIC APPEAL**

The Catholic Appeal Collection will take place NEXT weekend, March 7/8. Each family will be given an IN-PEW donation envelope when they enter the church. We ask that you fill this envelope out and drop it in the collection basket. If you have already given to the Appeal, please fill out the card and check the box that states that. To make an online pledge, visit [www.bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org). This appeal sustains over 50 ministries throughout the Archdiocese. Your gift to the Appeal helps cultivate the seeds of faith within and beyond your own parish community.

**GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY**

Calling all Girl Scouts! Come join us next Sunday, March 8 at the 9am Mass for Girl Scout Sunday. Please wear your uniform so you can be recognized. We look forward to seeing you there.

**OUR LADY'S ACADEMY NEWS**

I am Krista Diamantopoulos, one of the middle school teachers at the Academy. I teach Math and Reading to grades 6, 7 and 8. Although challenging, I enjoy working with a group of such capable young students. This week we are hopefully getting back into a regular routine, February has definitely been a bit of a crazy month with all the interruptions Mother Nature has dealt us. Looking ahead we are preparing for the Stanford test coming up at the end of March. Hopefully March will bring us some warmer weather to melt all this snow! On Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> we hosted our Science Fair.

**OPEN HOUSE**

Tuesday, March 17 from 10am-12 noon and 6:00-8:00pm

More details in upcoming bulletins.

**SPRING CALENDAR FUNDRAISER**

Our “Spring Calendar” fundraiser is almost ready to mail out. The drawing month is May, 2015. Calendars are \$20 each. The calendars will be sold the months of March and April. We will also have tables at the back of church on certain weekends for those who wish to buy extra calendars, maybe for gifts! Minimum prize is \$50 and maximum is \$150. One winner will be picked every day in May. Let all your friends know so they can buy one or two from you.

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Parish  
Spring Calendar Fundraiser  
\$20 per Calendar  
Funds raised will be used for ongoing improvements to our church

WELCOME SPRING  
Drawing—May 2015

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
NAME (Print Clearly)						1 \$150	2 \$50
ADDRESS	3 \$50	4 \$75	5 \$50	6 \$50	7 \$50	8 \$50	9 \$75
PHONE	10 \$50	11 \$50	12 \$50	13 \$50	14 \$50	15 \$100	16 \$50
Thank you & God Bless	17 \$50	18 \$75	19 \$50	20 \$50	21 \$50	22 \$50	23 \$75
	24 \$50	25 \$50	26 \$50	27 \$50	28 \$50	29 \$100	30 \$50
	31 \$150						

Fill in information, cut on dotted line and return with payment

**OUR LADY'S CCD CONFERENCES/ADORATION****WITH Fr. DiPerri**

Sunday, March 8—Grades 9-10

Sunday, May 17—Grades 1-8

**CATECHISM CORNER****The Virtues**

A virtue is an habitual and firm disposition to do the good. It allows the person not only to perform good acts, but to give the best of himself. The virtuous person tends toward the good with all his sensory and spiritual powers; he pursues the good and chooses it in concrete actions. The goal of a virtuous life is to become like God.

**The Human Virtues**

Human virtues are habitual perfections of intellect and that govern our actions, order our passions and guide our conduct according to reason and faith. They make possible ease, self-mastery and joy in leading a morally good life. The virtuous man is he who freely practices the good. The moral virtues are acquired by human effort. They are the fruit and seed of morally good acts; they dispose all the powers of the human being for communion with divine love.

To find more information see:

Catechism of the Catholic Church—Official Teaching

To view the online version visit: USCCB,  
[www.usccb.org/catechism](http://www.usccb.org/catechism)**OUR LADY'S ACADEMY CONFERENCES/****ADORATION WITH Fr. DiPerri****CONFERENCES/ADORATION**

Monday, March 30—K-Grade 8

Monday, April 6—K-Grade 4

Tuesday, April 7—Pre K

Friday, April 10—Grades 5-8

Monday, May 4—Grades 5-8

Friday, May 8—K-Grade 4

Friday, May 19—Pre K4

Tuesday, June 2—Pre K4

Monday, June 8—Grades 1-7

**CONFESSIONS**

Monday, March 16—Grade 4

Tuesday, March 31—Grade 7

Sunday, March 8—CCD-Grades 9-10

**NORTH WALTHAM SENIORS****Celebrate Spring ~ 3 days/2 nights****White Mountain Hotel & Resort, N. Conway, NH****Tuesday-Thursday, May 12-14**

2 nights deluxe accommodations, including a year round outdoor heated pool & Jacuzzi. 4 meals in "Ledges" dining room with views of Cranmore Mountain. A guided trip to McLaughlin Garden, South Paris, Maine, a stop at the new **Oxford Casino** just minutes away. Price is \$345 double per person, \$465 single per person. Contact Camille Jasmin 781-899-2356. If no answer, please leave a message. Need a **\$50 deposit** by our first meeting on Monday, March 16.

**WALTHAM SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA****"Classical Gems for Family and Friends"**

Join the Waltham Symphony and Conductor Patrick Botti for its annual spring concert on March 14 at 8:00pm at Kennedy Middle School on Lexington Street in Waltham. The program contains something for everyone, works by Debussy, Faure, Tassone, Beriot and Beethoven. Per custom, this concert is free of charge although suggested donations of \$20 per person are gratefully accepted at the door. For more

**"PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS FOR TODAY"**

St. Peter Parish in Cambridge will be presenting Rev. Thomas D. Stegman, SJ, Associate Professor of New Testament at Boston College, to deliver the inaugural *Daniel J. Harrington SJ Memorial Lecture* on Sunday, March 15. The topic is "Paul's Letter to the Romans for Today." Dan Harrington was a world-renowned scripture scholar, teacher and author. He presided at St. Peter noon Mass for more than 20 years. He died last February 7th. The lecture will take place in the St. Peter Church immediately following the Sunday 5pm Mass.