# Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

Third Sunday of Lent - March 23, 2025

Weekend Masses













#### OUR LADY COMFORTER OF THE AFFLICTED

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#### MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

8:30am Weekday Masses: Monday, Tuesday, (Wednesdays if previously announced on the Prior Tuesday), Friday

Weekend: Saturday 4:00pm

**Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am** 

Holy Days: As Announced

**BAPTISMS:** Celebrated on Saturdays or Sundays. To schedule a Baptism, call 781-894-3481 x7

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Arrangements six monthsone year in advance by appointment. Please contact the Parish Office.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS-(OCIA)

Anyone interested in journeying in faith to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION:

Confessions - Saturday's from 2:45-3:15pm

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY:** Extraordinary Ministers bring Holy Communion to those unable to attend Sunday Mass. Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

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#### **HOMILIES ONLINE**

The homilies are posted on our parish website at www.olca.org. Go to the home page and on the right side you will see Homilies, just click on that and choose the homily you would like to hear again.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Saturday March 22

4 pm - Lynn Woods Hall Memorial

**Sunday March 23** 

9 am - Josefa C. Banigan Memorial 11 am - Irma DeJulio Memorial

Monday March 24 at 8:30 am

Dorothy Curtin Memorial

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday March 25 at 8:30 am

Abundia Perez Memorial

Friday March 28 at 8:30 am

Elizabeth Proia Memorial

Saturday March 29

4 pm - Robert Anthony Arena Memorial

Sunday March 30

9 am - Richard Barry Memorial 11 am - Pietro & Clara Pizzi Memo-

The Blessed Mother Statue will be illuminated in memory of Jane McNamara-Bergin at the request of her family.

#### **COLLECTION INFORMATION for** March 15-16, 2025 \$6,837

Confessions-Saturdays 2:45-3:15pm & upon request.

Saturday Rosary Join us to pray the 1st. Sat. of the month at 3 p.m. in the Church - led by parishioners.

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#### SCHOOL CONFERENCE AND ADORATION with Father DiPerri and Fr. Olejnik

Fri. March 21 - (9:15 am) Gr. Pre K-K

Fri. April 11 - (9:15 am) Pre K-K

Mon. April 14 - (9:15 am) K - 8 Holy Week Adoration

Fri. May 2 - Grandparents/Special Person 1st. Fri.

Mass Sat. May 3 - (10:00am) First Holy Communion

Mass Mon. May 5 - (1:00pm) Gr. 5-8

Tues. May 6 - (9:15am) Gr. Pre K - K

Fr. May 9 - (9:15am) Gr. 1-4

## CCD CONFERENCE AND ADORATION

with Father DiPerri and Fr. Olejnik

Sun. April 6 - (10—11am) Gr. 1-8 Conference & Adoration

Sat. May 3 - (10:00am) First Holy Communion Mass

Fri. May 9 - (6:00pm) Confirmation (Bishop Robert Reed)

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS. **CONFESSIONS AND SOUPS**

Wednesdays - March 12 - April 16 Soups 5:15pm - 5:45pm Confessions 5:30pm - 6:15pm Stations start at 6:00pm

#### LENTEN GUIDELINES

FASTING - Is observed by all 18 years of age or older who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each ones needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices are allowed.

ABSTINENCE – Is observed by all 14 years of age and older on Good Friday and Fridays during Lent. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fasting and abstinence, consult your parish priest.

#### FASTING, ALMSGIVING AND PRAYER

are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or the renewal of baptism at Easter.

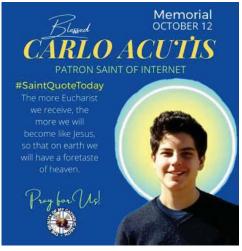














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#### CATECHISM CORNER

#### THE PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH

The precepts of the Church are set in the context of a moral life bound to and nourished by liturgical life. The obligatory character of these positive laws decreed by the pastoral authorities is meant to guarantee to the faithful the very necessary minimum in the spirit of prayer and moral effort, in the growth in love of God and neighbor.

The first precept: "You shall attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation, and rest from servile labor."

The second precept: "You shall confess your sins at least once a year."

The third precept: "You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season."

The fourth precept: "You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church."

The fifth precept: "You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church."

The precepts of the Church concern the moral and Christian life united with the liturgy and nourished by it.

To find more information see: Catechism of the United States (Official Teaching)
To view the online version visit: www.usccb.org/catechism



<u>Pilgrimage sites in the</u> <u>Archdiocese of Boston:</u>

Holy Cross Cathedral, Boston.

Most Holy Redeemer, Boston

St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine, Boston

Holy Rosary Shrine, Lawrence, MA

St. Joseph the Worker Shrine, Lowell, MA

Divine Mercy Shrine, Salem, MA

Blessed Andrew Phu Yen Medford, MA

Missionary Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, Holliston

Immaculate Conception, Marlborough, MA

St. Paul Parish, Hingham, MA







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Our Religious Education Confirmation students will be joining Father DiPerri, Father Olejnik, their volunteer teachers, and myself on a pilgrimage to Boston on April 12th. We will be taking a trip to the New England Aquarium, followed by lunch at Faneuil Hall, as well as prayer and Eucharistic Adoration at one of the Boston churches. We have been blessed to have a school parent and parishioner, Jason Sweeney, cover the cost of the Aquarium tickets, as well as providing us with ice cream after lunch at his Faneuil Hall Ben and Jerry's franchise location. At this time, we are seeking donations to help defer the cost of the rental bus which is approximately \$1000.00. These yearly pilgrimages to Boston are an important tradition that supplement our program and are so well received by our students. If you would like to contribute you may do so by sending in payment to my attention in the parish office. Thank you for any and all donations.

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