

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 25, 2025

Congratulations to Hollis Sullivan, Music Teacher, Chandra Minor, Principal and the entire student body of Our Lady's Academy for a beautiful Spring Concert. The evening started with blessings from Fr. DiPerri and Fr. Olejnik. The students were well-prepared and performed with gusto to the delight of the audience.



The Annual School Picture of Our Lady's Academy Students and Staff with Father DiPerri, Mrs. Minor, and Fr. Olejnik was taken on Tuesday May 20, 2025. This year there were 406 students for the photo.





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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 months-one 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 & by appointment

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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Mass for the Boston Mission celebrated on the third Sunday of each month here at Our Lady's.

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 May 24, 2025**

4:00 pm - Peter Cianci Memorial

Sunday May 25, 2025

9:00 am - Jim & Carol Hayes Memorial

11:00 am - Marie & Nancy McClallen Memorial

Monday May 26 at 8:30 am

Assunta "Susie" Giardina Memorial

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday May 27 at 8:30 am

Kathleen & R.J. Reed Memorial

Friday May 30 at 8:30 am

Charles Winchester Memorial

Saturday May 31 at 2025

4:00 pm - Barbie & Ray Nestor Memorial

Sunday June 1, 2025

9:00 am - Joseph & Ginny Fournier Memorial

11:00 am - Adam Sedzikowski Memorial

The **Stained Glass Window** will be illuminated in memory of **Stephen Bergin** at the request his family.

The **Bread and Wine** will be offered in memory of **Patricia Brinson** at the request of Paul Michaels.

COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR
May 10-11, 2025 \$7, 854

2025 Catholic Appeal Update
THANK YOU TO PARISHIONERS FOR
ACHIEVING OUR FIRST GOAL BY
CONTRIBUTING \$79,050 TO THE CATHOLIC
APPEAL.
ALL PARISHIONERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO
SUPPORT ESSENTIAL MINISTRIES OF OUR
ARCHDIOCESE.

Last Men & Women's Prayer Groups Sat. June 7, 2025

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

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

SUNDAY MAY 25, 2025

Memorial Weekend Mass for Veterans at 11:00AM.
Refreshments Served after the Mass.

ASCENSION THURSDAY

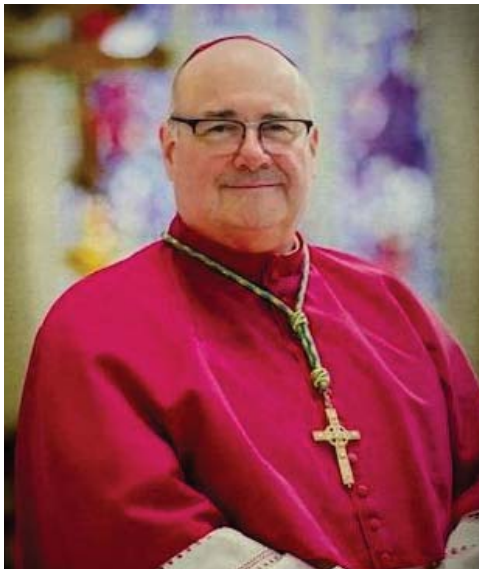
Vigil Mass Wednesday May 28, 2025 at 4:00 pm.

Thursday Masses May 29, 2025 at
7:30 am. and 6:00 pm.
School Mass during the day.

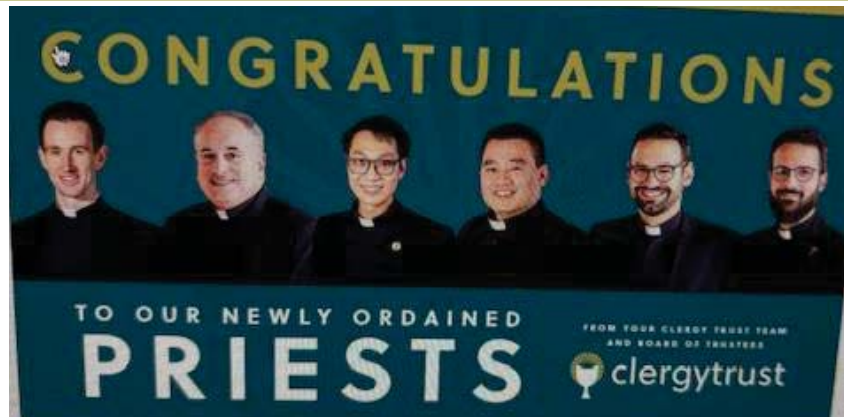
Conferences and Adoration in Church - with students from Our Lady's Academy and our Religious Education Program with Father DiPerri and Father Olejnik ended for the 2024-2025 academic year. They will resume in September.



Congratulations and much appreciation to all the volunteer teachers and aides of our Religious Education Program. Our 2024-2025 Program was a great success. Elizabeth Pettine, our Religious Education Coordinator, will be taking registrations for the 2025-2026 Program .



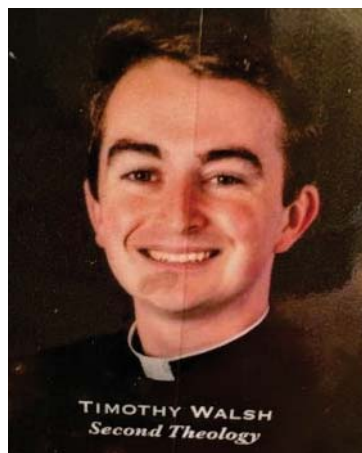
Archbishop Richard G. Henning ordained six new priests for the Archdiocese of Boston at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross on May 17, 2025.



Rev. Brian Daley, Rev. Brian Delaney, Rev. Peter Dong Huy Pham (who spent a summer with us during his pastoral training at St. John's Seminary in 2022), Rev. Joseph Thuy Van Nguyen, Rev. Mateus de Oliveira Martin and Rev. Vincenzo Caruso.



Seminarian Tim Walsh, Boston candidate, from St. John Seminary has been assigned to Our Lady's for his Pastoral work beginning this coming September until the conclusion of his seminary training in May 2027. We look forward to welcoming him to our Parish. Kindly keep Tim and all priestly and religious vocations in your prayers.



Catechism Corner - The Sacrament of Holy Orders

The whole Church is a priestly people. Through Baptism all the faithful share in the priesthood of Christ. This participation is called the “common Priesthood of the faithful.” Based on this common priesthood and ordered to its service, there exists another participation in the mission of Christ: the ministry conferred by the sacrament of Holy Orders, where the task is to serve the People of God by teaching, divine worship and pastoral governance.

Holy Orders is the sacrament through which the mission entrusted by Christ to his apostles continues to be exercised in the Church until the end of time. The sacrament is conferred by the laying on of hands followed by a solemn prayer of consecration asking God to grant the ordinand the graces of the Holy Spirit required for his ministry. Ordination imprints an indelible sacramental character.

The Church confers the sacrament of Holy Orders only on baptized men, whose suitability for the exercise of ministry has been duly recognized. Church authority alone has the responsibility and right to call someone to receive the sacrament of Holy Orders. In the Latin Church it is normally conferred only on candidates who are ready to embrace celibacy freely for the love of God’s kingdom and the service of men.

To find more information see: [Catechism of the Catholic Church \(Official Teaching\)](#). To view online visit: www.usccb.org/

PRAY FOR
VOCATIONS



On May 19, 2025
Fr. DiPerri and Mrs.
Minor, Principal of Our
Lady’s Academy
recognized the Faculty,
Staff, and Volunteers at
the Annual Appreciation
Day.

On Monday May 19, 2025 we had a Marian Prayer Service. We said four decades of the Rosary inside the Church, with songs to the Blessed Mother between each decade, then proceeded outside for the last decade and the crowning of Her statue.



Please join us in remembering those who gave the ultimate sacrifice to our country at our Memorial Day Weekend Mass here at Our Lady's on Sunday May 25, 2025 at the 11:00 am Mass. Refreshments will be served following the Mass at the back of the Church. If you would like to contribute baked goods or snacks the Activities Committee will be setting up at 10:00am and food can be dropped off then or prior to Mass. Call the Office for more information.



Our Calendar fundraiser is underway!
Our "Potpourri of Prizes" raffle will take place every day in the month of June. We have gift baskets, lottery ticket prizes, gift cards to the local businesses, Red Sox tickets and CASH! Please consider supporting our parish fundraising efforts. We will be selling calendars after each Mass this weekend in the back of the church. You may also purchase through the Parish Office by calling 781-894-3481 or stopping by between 9:00am - 3:00pm. Calendars will be on sale through May 31st. Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady's Parish.



FLAG DAY IS SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025. The Knights of Columbus have placed a Flag Collection receptacle near the front foyer of the Church for the collection of worn or tattered U.S. Flags. If you have a worn out U.S. Flag, you may place it in this receptacle the weekend of June 8 through Sunday June 15. These flags will be turned over to a Veteran's organization for proper disposal.

Thank You to our fourth grade students for singing and saluting our flag with the veterans at this year's **rededication of Falzone Field.** (On May 20)

Thank You to the PTO and Our Lady's Academy Teachers for organizing and running this year's **Field Day.** Always a favorite day of the children. (On May 23)



You may scan this QR CODE to donate to the Parish anytime.

Adult Confirmation - Summer Program

Our Lady's Parish will soon begin another Adult Confirmation Program. Classes will be conducted in person in addition to doing Independent Study.

The Program includes a foundational overview of the Catholic Faith:

- * Creed
- * Sacraments
- * Ten Commandments
- * Prayer

The Goal:

To prepare candidates to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the near future.

The Schedule:

Classes will be one hour on Sundays shortly after the 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady's Academy Conference Room, beginning with an introductory session on June 22, 2025— then meeting on: June 29, July 13, July 20, and July 27. Books will be provided.

If you are interested please call the Parish Office at 781-894-3481, X 8, or speak with Fr. DiPerri, Fr. Olejnik or Deacon Rice.

Upcoming Events:

May 25, 2025 - Eight Grade students' trip to Washington D.C. Fr. DiPerri will celebrate Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

May 27, 2025 May Procession, Rosary and Crowning of the Blessed Mother statue for all grades.

June 7, 2025 - Breakfast at the Rectory followed by trip to Canobie Lake for Altar Servers and members of the Children's Choir, accompanied by their parents.

June 13, 2025 - Last class day of School.

July 4, 2025 - All night Eucharistic Adoration with Mass at 9:00pm.



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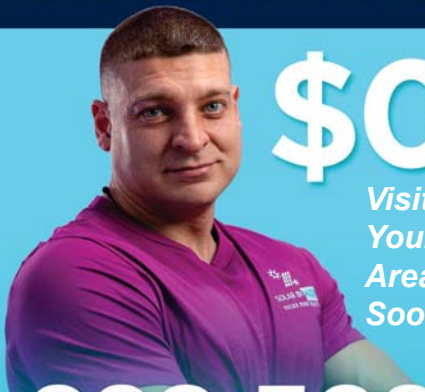


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