

# *Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted*

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday September 7, 2025







## 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 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](http://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.

## MEMORIAL MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday September 6, 2025

4:00 pm - Eileen N. Mailhot

### Sunday September 7, 2025

9:00 am - Chiara Family

11:00 am - Anna Massarotti

### Monday September 8 at 8:30 am

Eileen Mailhot

Members of the Memorial Guild

### Tuesday September 9 at 8:30 am

Deceased members of the Burke Family

### Friday September 12 at 8:30 am

Mary Livermore

### Saturday September 13, 2025

4:00 pm Emil and Alice Breton

### Sunday September 14, 2025

9:00 am – Deceased members of Caci & Graceffa Family

11:00 am - Anna Corsi

The **Stained Glass Window** will be illuminated in memory of **Richard T. Farquharson** at the request of his wife Elizabeth and family.

The **Bread & Wine Offering** for the week will be in memory of **Patricia Brinson** at the request of Paul Michaels.

**COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR**  
**August 30-31, 2025 \$ 7, 261**

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

### From Greg Castano, Music Director

The Children's and Adult Choirs will return on Sunday September 14, 2025. **The Children's Choir** rehearses at 8:15 on Sunday morning before the 9:00 am Mass. **The Adult Choir** meets on Sunday mornings at 10:15 before the 11:00 am Mass. We are always looking for new members to join. Those with interest can reach to Greg Castano after any Mass or by email at: [music@olca.org](mailto:music@olca.org)

**The Monthly Prayer Groups** will start up again in Sept. and will meet on the second Saturday of each month. The Men's Prayer Group will meet from 7:30-8:30 am and the Women's Prayer Group from 8:30-9:30 am. At each meeting the scripture readings for the Sunday Mass will be reviewed and will include prayer and sharing. We welcome all ages. For questions please contact Ellen Rice for the Women's Group and Deacon Jim Rice for the Men's Group. We look forward to having you join us.

**Conferences and Adoration - with students from Our Lady's Academy and our Religious Education Program with Father DiPerri and Father Olejnik will resume for the 2025-2026 Academic Year starting on September 8, 2025.**

**Our Lady's Academy is seeking counselors to work in its After School Program from 2:15-4:45 p.m. This individual is welcome to work either five afternoons each week or any days for which he/she is available. Interested individuals should contact Veronika Matiiko at 781-530-0215 or email at: [after\\_school@ourladysacademy.org](mailto:after_school@ourladysacademy.org)**

The collection for the relief efforts to Gaza will take place this weekend. 100% of the funds collected will go to support the work of the Catholic Near East Association and Catholic Relief Services.

### Upcoming Catechism Seminar

**What is it?** - A six-week seminar will be offered for parishioners of Our Lady's Parish this autumn to foster learning and understanding of the Catholic faith.

**Where will it be?** - It will take place at the school conference room, the first room to the right as you enter the main entrance of the school.

**When will it take place?** - The meetings will be after the 11 am Mass on the Sundays of October 19 and 26 and November 2, 9, 16 and 23. They will begin around 12:15 pm and end in an hour.

**How will it be accomplished?** - As a wellspring of the Catholic faith, the Catechism of the Catholic Church will be the primary book used. Please obtain a personal copy. Because six weeks of time is not enough to cover the breadth and scope of the entire Catechism, the meetings will be held in a seminar style. Parishioners attending the meetings are encouraged to bring topics and questions on the Catechism that they would like to learn more about. One of the parish clergy will offer some insight and provide opportunity for conversation. Please be mindful that the conversation will be moderated by a clergyman because of the short time frame and many topics to discuss. We'll discuss the first 460 paragraphs of the Catechism during the first class on Oct. 19.

**Why go?** - By increasing our knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith, we equip ourselves with the tools we need to receive the greatest possible gift: to spend eternity with God

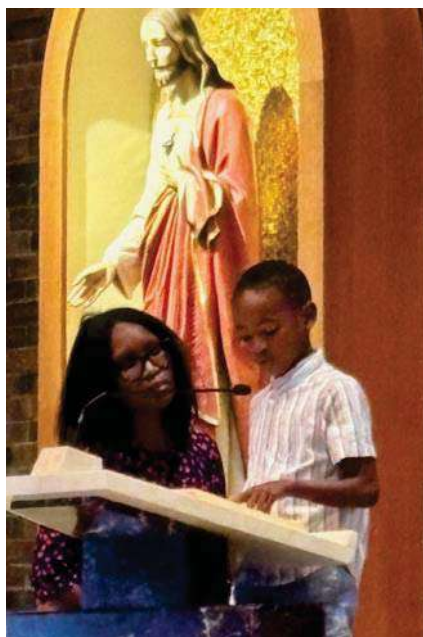
**Saturday Rosary** Join us to pray the 1st. Sat. of the month at 3 p.m. in the Church - led by parishioners.



Congratulations to Gabriel Velez on receiving his First Holy Communion.



Weekend Masses





**Catechism Corner****Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901-1925)**

Pier Giorgio Frassati was an Italian young man who was affectionately called the “Man of the Beatitudes” by Saint John Paul II for his exemplary work of bringing comfort and happiness to those who were poor, suffering, meek, hungry, thirsty or in need of mercy and who himself was a clean of heart peace maker, and persecuted for the sake of the Gospel. He died at the young age of 24 while in charitable service to the people who were sick and dying in his community. The Church will canonize him on Sunday September 7, 2025 along with Carlo Acutis, at St. Peter’s Square in Rome. His Holiness Pope Leo XIV will preside. This fulfills the dream of Pope Francis to canonize both young men during the Jubilee Holy Year 2025.

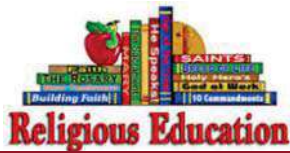
To find more information about Pier Giorgio Frassati visit:  
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Carlo Acutis and  
Pier Giorgio Frassati  
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## Knights of Columbus - Chateau Fundraiser

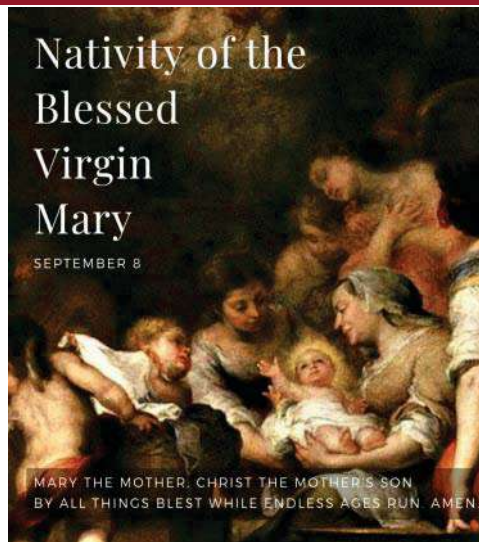
**Religious Education classes resume on Sunday September 14th. We look forward to another great year for our students in grades 1-10. Registration is now open. You may use the QR code below to access the link on our website at [www.olca.org](http://www.olca.org) to register. Our program is blessed with an amazing group of volunteer teachers and aides. For information please reach out to Elizabeth Pettine at [religiouseducation@olca.org](mailto:religiouseducation@olca.org).**



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**PEACE**



On Thursday September 25th the Knights of Columbus #14710 Our Lady's will be holding their semi-annual fundraiser at the Chateau Restaurant in Waltham 195 School St. to benefit our "Coats for Kids" program. On that day, the Knights will receive 20% of all monies spent in the restaurant as well as pick-up orders as long as you mention Knights of Columbus for all hours the restaurant is open. Home delivery is not accepted. We will also accept private donations made out to Knights of Columbus #14710 and sent to the parish office at 920R Trapelo Rd. Waltham 02452. As in past years, all proceeds will be used to purchase new, high quality boys and girls winter coats for families in need. Coats will be distributed to St. Vincent De Paul organizations as well as individuals in need. Due to the Knights' national organization purchasing power, we are able to purchase new coats for approximately \$19.00 per coat. Having any adult use Facebook or other social media has been an effective way of promoting to a larger audience.

Your participation in this event is truly appreciated!

**Save the date: Sunday October 18th 5:00-7:00 pm Pasta Dinner sponsored by Our Lady's Activities Committee. More information to follow.**

**Reminder of Scam**—Please stay aware of any fraudulent texts, emails, or letters claiming to be from any of the parish Priests, staff or general requests from the parish which urge you to contact an unknown phone number (texts or emails). These deceitful requests will most likely ask you to contact them or ask for gift cards or money orders to be sent electronically to these false people, presenting themselves as someone from Our Lady's Parish. **PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND TO ANY SUCH REQUESTS.**

Any gift cards or donations made to the Parish for given Parish events are always asked to be delivered to the Parish Office or placed in a donation box at the Church. On-line donations to the Parish continue to be a safe way to contribute as our system was not compromised.

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### Date & TIME:

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