

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday September 14, 2025

At the weekend Masses we celebrated the canonization of Carlo Acutis the Church's First Millennial Saint.
On the same day Pier Giorgio Frassati was also canonized.



After each Mass parishioners enjoyed a celebratory collation and time together.





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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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Catholic Eparchy in USA and Canada -

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.

MEMORIAL MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday September 15 at 8:30 am

Our Lady of Sorrows-All welcome in need of consoling.

Tuesday September 16 at 8:30 am

Vincent and Dina Lopez

Members of the Memorial Guild

Friday September 17 at 8:30 am

Edna M. Seymour

Saturday September 20, 2025

4:00 pm Charles, Margaret and Gloria Lombard

Sunday September 21, 2025

9:00 am - Deceased members of Keough Family

11:00 am - Michael Young

The **Stained Glass Window** will be illuminated in memory of **Richard B. Ventura** at the request of his family.

Our Lady's Statue in the Garden will be illuminated in memory of **Thomas F. Murphy** at the request of his family.

The **Blessed Virgin Mary Statue** will be illuminated in memory of **Michele Lorette** at the request of her friend Mary Jane O'Malley.

The **Statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus** will be illuminated in memory of **John McKenna** at the request of his wife and family.

COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR

September 6 & 7, 2025 \$ 7,472

Humanitarian Relief Collection for Gaza \$6,500

The Monthly Prayer Groups will start again this September and meet the second Saturday of the month. The men's prayer group from 7:30-8:30am and the Women's group from 8:30-9:30 am. We welcome all ages. Contact Deacon Jim Rice or Ellen Rice for more details.

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

Conferences and Adoration - with students from Our Lady's Academy and our Religious Education Program with Father DiPerri and Father Olejnik resumed for the 2025-2026 Academic Year on September 8, 2025. Next ones in September will take place on the 9th, 12th, and 14th.



The Bible Study will commence again this fall, one hour, every other week on Wednesday evenings. Our first gathering will be on September 17. Please contact Deacon Jim Rice at: jrice@mit.edu if you are interested in joining us, and he will send you details. We look forward to having you join. All ages, all levels of Bible knowledge welcomed.

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

Congratulations to the Santoro-Davila Family
on the Baptism of their son Lucca Leonardo.



Congratulations to the Perez-Ajanel Family on the
Baptisms of their children Emmanuel David and
Evelyn Marissa.





Gather up your friends and family and join the parish at our **Pasta Dinner. Saturday , October 18th** from **5-7:30 pm** in the **parish hall**. Cost is \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. We will be serving salad, pasta, meatballs, bread, butter, desserts and beverages. We will be playing a few rounds of Music Bingo.
**** Tickets will be on sale after weekend Masses on 10/4 and 10/11**** You can also purchase tickets at the Parish Office.



Catechism Corner - Saints

All Christians are called to be saints. Saints are the persons in heaven (officially canonized or not), who lived heroically virtuous lives, offered their lives for others, or were martyred for the faith, and who are worthy of imitation. In official church procedures there are three steps to sainthood: a candidate becomes "Venerable," then "Blessed" and then "Saint."

Venerable is the title given to a deceased person recognized formally by the Pope as having lived a heroically virtuous life or offered their life. To be beatified and recognized as a Blessed, one miracle acquired through the candidate's intercession is required in addition to recognition of heroic virtue or offering of life. Canonization requires a second miracle after beatification. The Pope may waive these requirements. A miracle is not required prior to a martyr's beatification, but one is required before canonization. **MIRACLE— Something that has occurred by the grace of God through the intercession of a Venerable, or Blessed which is scientifically inexplicable.**

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.

Knights of Columbus - Chateau Fundraiser

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!

Upcoming Catechism Class

What is it? A six-week class will be offered for parishioners of Our Lady's Parish to foster 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 11am Mass on the Sundays of October 19 and 26, November 2, 9, 16 and 23. They will begin around 12:15 pm and end in an hour.

How will it be accomplished? Because of the short time frame available, we'll use the yellow colored YOUCAT book which is a summary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Please obtain a personal copy of the YOUCAT. Limited supplies of books are also available for purchase from the parish office or on the first day of class. The first class on October 19 will focus on pages 1-49.

Why go? By increasing in our knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith, we equip ourselves with the tools we need to spend eternity with God in Heaven.



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