

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 1, 2026

To mark the start of the activities for Catholic Schools Week, Fr. DiPerri and Fr. Olejnik celebrated a beautiful Mass for Our Lady's ("Wildcats") Basketball Team. Sunday January 25, 2026.



Congratulations and many thanks to the volunteer coaches and parents who help to make the "Wildcats" a wonderful and fun activity for our students.





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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.

MEMORIAL MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 31, 2026

4:00 pm– Angela Baxter

Sunday February 1, 2026

9:00 am - Bernadette and Blayne Rice

11:00 am - Elizabeth Conrad

Monday February 2 at 8:30 am

Deborah Kavey

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday February 3 at 8:30 am

Thomas and Irene Rando

Friday February 6 at 8:30 am

Katlyu Herriman

Saturday February 7, 2026

4:00 pm Frances O'Donnell

Sunday February 8, 2026

9:00 am – Mary Giles

11:00 am - Paul Tracey

Members of the “Wildcats” who read, sing and altar serve at our Masses.



COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR January 24-25 in next week's bulletin

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

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

Conferences and Adoration - with students from Our Lady's Academy and our Religious Education Program with Father DiPerri and Father Olejnik resumed on Sept. 8, 2025 for the 2025-2026 Academic Year. Upcoming ones will take place on February 1, 3, 8, 9,



On February 2, 2026 we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord also known as Candlemas Day, which occurs 40 days after the birth of Jesus. On this day Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Jewish temple for consecration after His birth. The Gospel account speaks of a righteous man named Simeon, who made a prophetic statement about Jesus, calling Him “a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.” The evangelical image of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple contains the symbol of light, the light that comes from Christ and shines on Mary and Joseph, on Simeon and Anna, and through on everyone. The Fathers of the Church connected this radiance with the spiritual journey.

Inclement Weather -DAILY MASS CANCELLATIONS (MON. - FRI.)

For everyone's safety, please remember that if Waltham Public Schools are closed or delayed due to inclement weather, there will be NO 8:30am daily morning Mass. If Our Lady's Academy is closed, all events scheduled on all property, that day and evening will be cancelled. This will allow for the sidewalks and driveways to be cleared and prepared for the next day. **If Our Lady's Academy is on vacation—please check the Parish Website or Office phone for daily Mass celebration.**

Please Note:

The 4pm Saturday and the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses will be celebrated. They will not be cancelled due to inclement weather.

Congratulations to the Luhn Family on the Baptism of their son Nathan Wesley.

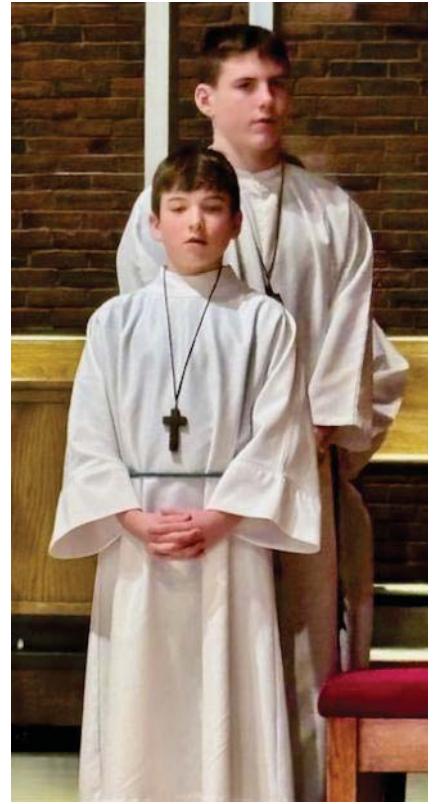
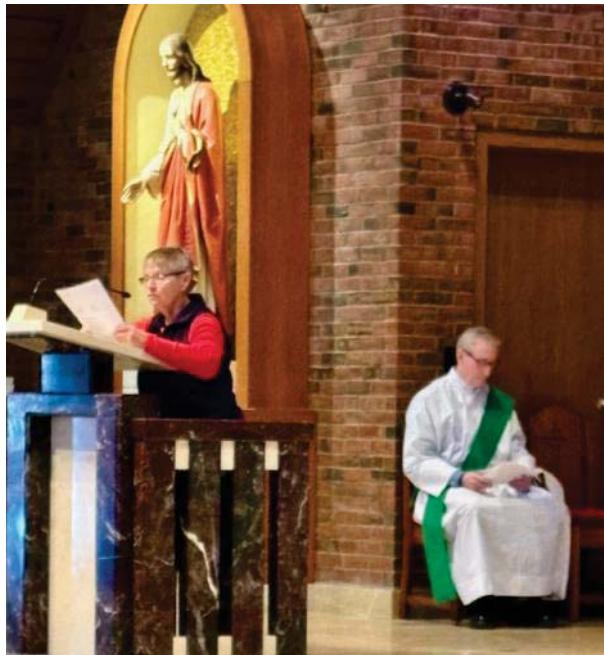


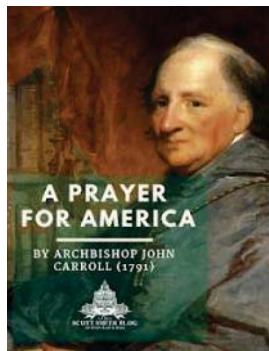
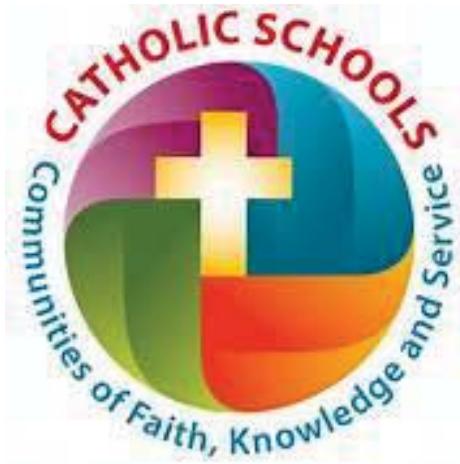
Congratulations to the McCree Family on the Baptism of their son Sydney McCree Jr.



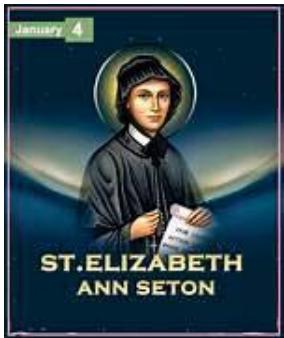
Led by Deacon James Rice and volunteer reader Kathy Peterson we had a Holy Hour dedicated to the sanctity of human life. Saturday January 24, 2026

Weekend Masses

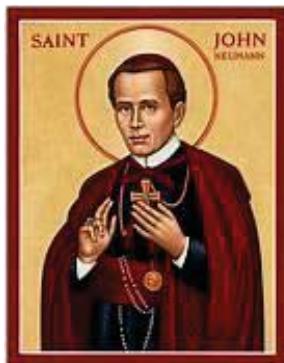




Archbishop John Carroll
(1735-1815) was the first Roman Catholic Bishop and Archbishop in the U.S. He was a Jesuit priest, born in Maryland who founded Georgetown University in 1789 establishing the first Catholic Institution of higher learning in the U.S.



Elizabeth Ann Seton (1774-1821) was the first American-born Catholic Saint. She founded the Sisters of Charity, and the first Catholic School system in the U.S. establishing a legacy of education and service to the poor. Canonized in 1975.



St. John Neumann (1811-1860)

Bohemian born priest who immigrated to the U.S. in 1836, becoming the fourth Bishop of Philadelphia in 1852. He founded the first diocesan Catholic School system in the U.S. Was canonized in 1977 becoming the first male U.S. citizen to be named a Saint. Recognized as patron saint of educators and teachers.



Sunday Jan. 25, 2026 - Ready for the task ahead!

Thank you to Keenan and Sons, our snow contractors, for a great job clearing our property. Also thank you to all who help keep an eye on our entrance ways during Mass.



Sue Casey, Activities Committee, was able to get Our Lady's a time to volunteer at the Greater Boston Food Bank this year. They only allow 15 volunteers per group. The date for us to go is Saturday September 12, 2026. Start time is 9:00 am until noon. The group would leave Our Lady's at 8:00am. If you would like to volunteer please contact Sue Casey or the Parish Office.



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.

God Needs Priests. Is He calling ? If you are 30-60, you may be surprised.

**First Friday Visit - Feb. 6, 2026 - 5:00 pm EST
Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary
Holy Hour and Evening Prayer.**

**In person visit: includes dinner with seminarians and tour of Seminary. Virtual visit: live-stream
Holy Hour followed by a Zoom visit
(Soom link provided at registration)**

**To register contact: MSGR. William Fay
781-899-5500 Ext. 134 [firstfriday @psjs.edu](mailto:firstfriday@psjs.edu)
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