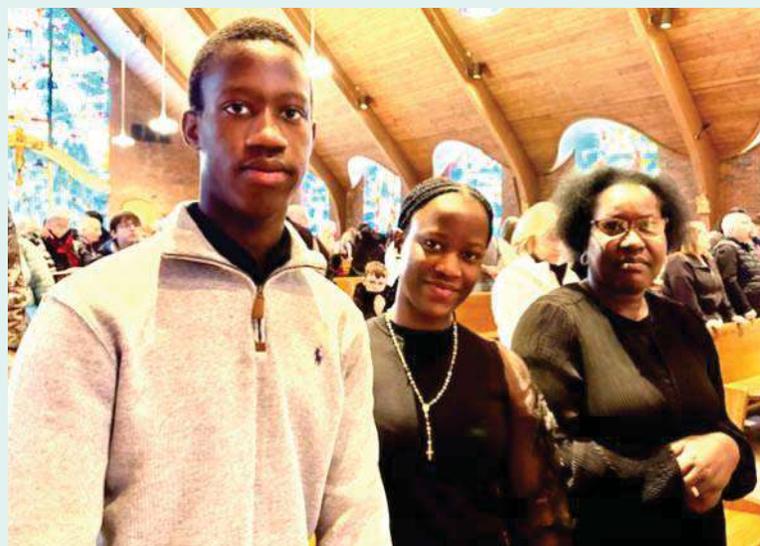
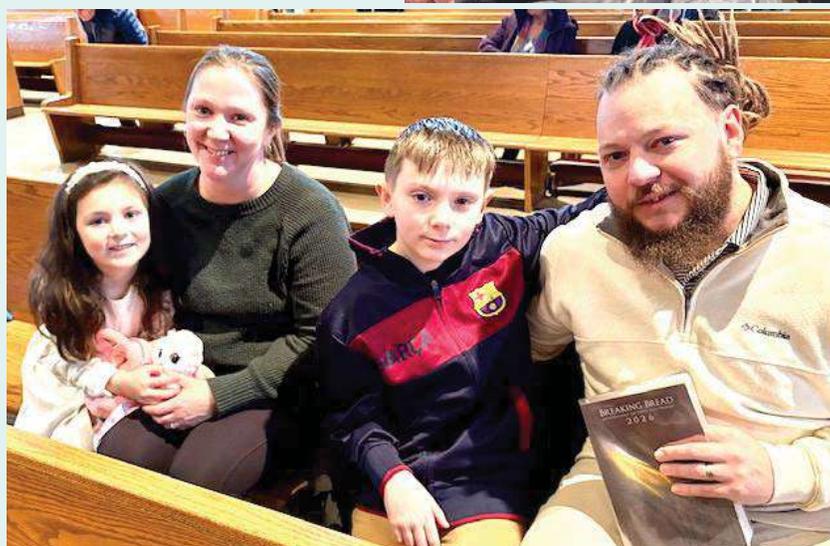
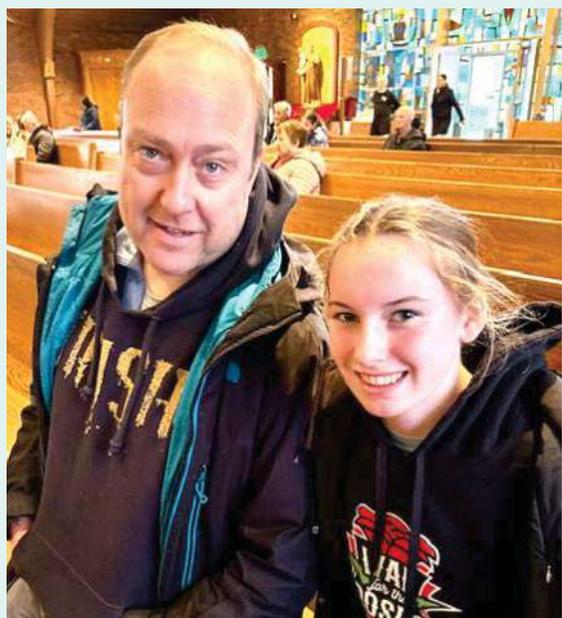


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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT— MARCH 8, 2026



WEEKEND MASSES





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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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visit www.usccb.org

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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 March 7, 2026

4:00 pm– Shirley Newfell

Sunday March 8, 2026

9:00 am - Maddy Navin

11:00 am - Paulette Harvey

Monday March 9 at 8:30 am

Ghislaine Roche

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday March 10 at 8:30 am

William and Ethel Bearisto

Friday March 13 at 8:30 am

Nicole Nixon

Saturday March 14, 2026

4:00 pm John McKenna

Sunday March 15, 2026

9:00 am – Deceased members of the Hayes Family

11:00 am - Domenic and Irma DeJulio

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 March 16, 17, 22, 24, 30

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 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.

The **Stained Glass Window** will be illuminated for the week in memory of **Judith A. Thorne, Richard B. O'Brien** and **Paul T. O'Brien** at the request of the Malouf Family.

Catholic Appeal Information:

February 28 - March 1 Announcement Weekend

MARCH 7 & 8—Commitment Weekend - Parishioners asked to support the Catholic Appeal

March 14-15 Follow Up Weekend

Catholic_Appeal@rcab.org

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, CONFESSIONS, AND SOUPS. WEDNESDAYS Feb.25 - April 1

SOUPS 5:15—5:45 PM

CONFESSIONS 5:30—6:15 PM

STATIONS START AT 6:00 PM

**COLLECTION INFORMATION for
Feb. 28 March 1– \$7,087.
Online Giving for February, 2026
\$11, 669.**

Men's & Women's Prayer groups - Next meeting Saturday March 14th.

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.

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.



WEEKEND MASSES



Catechism Corner

The Virtues

A virtue is an habitual and firm disposition to do the good. It allows the person not only to perform good acts, but to give the best of himself. The virtuous person tends toward the good and chooses it in concrete actions. The goal of a virtuous life is to become like God.

The Human Virtues - Human virtues are habitual perfections of intellect and will that govern our actions, order our passions, and guide our conduct according to reason and faith. They make possible ease, self-mastery, and joy in leading a morally good life. The virtuous man is he who freely practices the good. The moral virtues are acquired by human effort. They are the fruit and seed of morally good acts; they dispose all the powers of the human being for communion with divine love.

To find more information see: [Catechism of the Catholic Church– Official Teaching](#)

To view the online version svisit: www.usccb.org/Catechism

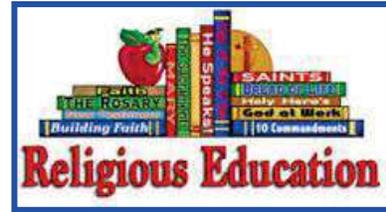


Many thanks to Bob Clancy for repairing our Handicap accessible door.

Thank You John Barry for giving the 5th grade Religious Education Students a comprehensive tour of the Church.



Altar Server Training - Attention all fourth graders and above. The parish is recruiting new altar servers. Come join a great group of young people who serve at the altar. Training days are being held on three Saturdays in March. The 14th, 21st and 28th from 9:00—10:00 am Choose one date to attend. More details are available through the Parish Office. Or contact Paul Loscocco at: pfal@rcn.com



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POWERFUL PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL
 Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host - by the Divine Power of God - cast into hell, satan and all the evil spirits, who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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.



ANNUAL HOLY WATER and BLESSED SALT BOTTLE BRIGADE

Monday, March 9th at 5:30 pm
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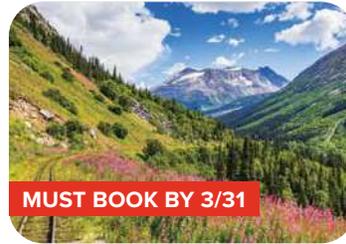
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