

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY-SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER- APRIL 12, 2026

HOLY THURSDAY MASS



ONE OF OUR THREE EASTER 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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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 April 11, 2026

4:00 p.m. Daniel Cameron

Sunday April 12, 2026

9:00 a.m. Charles Ryan

11:00 a.m. Richard and Arlene McManus

Monday April 13 at 8:30 am

Vincent and Gladys DiSilva

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday April 14 at 8:30 am

William "Biv" Wadden IV

Friday April 17 at 8:30 am

Thomas and Norah Gisbourne

Saturday April 18 2026

4:00 p.m. Robert F. Rizzo

Sunday April 19, 2026

9:00 a.m. Thomas McCauley Jr.

11:00 a.m. Arthur Foster

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 after Holy Week

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Easter \$18,716

Good Friday for the Holy Land \$1,993

DIVINE MERCY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WILL BE

HELD SUNDAY APRIL 12 FROM 1:00 – 3:00 P.M.

(INCLUDING RECITATION OF DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET)) WITH CONFESSIONS BEING OFFERED.

1:00 – 3:00 P.M.



The **Blessed Mother Statue** will be illuminated for the week in memory of **Jennifer Smallwood** at the request of Brian and Beverly Smallwood.

The **Stained Glass Window** will be illuminated for the week in memory of **Ann Giorgianni** at the request of her daughter Joanne Hallett.

Catechism Corner

Holy Water, Blessed Salt, Saint Benedict

In our spiritual journey, the tools we use to strengthen and protect our souls are vital. Among the most powerful and time-honored sacramentals in our faith are holy water and blessed salt. These sacred items not only serve as reminders of God's presence but also provide spiritual protection and grace.

Holy Water - Holy Water is more than just water that has been blessed. It reminds us of our Baptism - as we recall our baptismal promises and renew our commitment to Christ. It is a powerful sacramental that symbolizes purification, protection, and the grace of God. When used with faith Holy Water had been known to ward off evil. Sprinkling holy water can help protect your home and family from spiritual harm. Holy Water can be used to bless our homes, workplace, car, or any place where we seek God's grace.

Blessed Salt has a rich history in Catholic tradition, dating back to the early Church and into the Old Testament time, especially by the prophet Elisha. Salt, a symbol of purity and preservation, takes on spiritual significance when blessed, Blessed Salt gives spiritual protection as it is a powerful weapon against the forces of darkness. Sprinkle Blessed Salt in the home, car, or around property to invoke God's protection. Sanctification - Like Holy Water, Blessed Salt can purify spaces and protect them from evil influences. Blessed Salt/Holy Water are another tangible reminder of God's grace and presence in our life. romancatholicgear.com

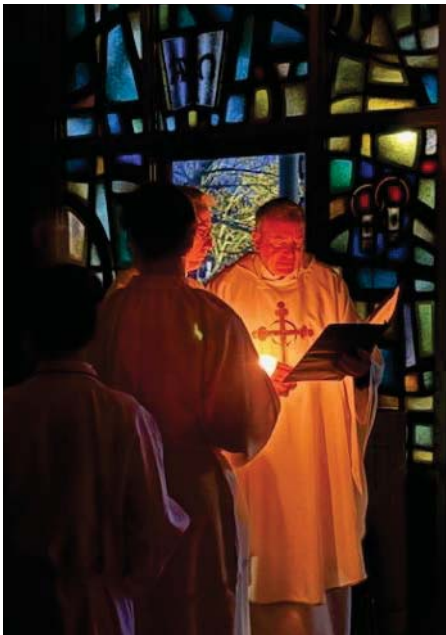
Saint Benedict of Nursia, Italy (c480-547) is the founder of Western Christian monasticism. Disgusted by the decadence of Rome, he established twelve monasteries, eventually building the famous Monte Cassino Monastery in Italy. He was a priest who championed a balanced life of prayer and work emphasizing stability and humility. He was one of the founders of Christian Europe as follower of God and the Church.

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Many thanks to the volunteers who helped make our Holy Week Tridium Services and Masses so memorable.



Special Holy Thursday moments.



On Holy Saturday Fr. Olejnik blessed baskets with food ready to be enjoyed at Easter by the families.



Fr. Olejnik celebrated Mass at Waltham Crossings in preparation for Easter.

Fr. DiPerri blessed everyone at all the Masses.

The Knights of Columbus presented Fr. DiPerri a \$1,600 check for the parish to help defray some of the exceptionally high cost of snow /ice removal this year.



Congratulations to our OCIA 2026 candidates: Nicholas Crimaldi, JesseJames Kanhalikham, Samantha Joy Keating, Letia Payne, Adam Tosi, Kamiah Webster, Carlista Weil, Gage Weil. They received their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil accompanied by their sponsors.



Invitation from Our Lady's Activities Committee:

Join us for **PARISH POTLUCK** – **Saturday May 9th** at **5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.** – Kindly bring a dish to share....it can be an appetizer, salad, entrée, dessertit can be homemade or store bought! This is Mother's Day weekend, why not bring one of your favorite childhood dishes to share, Dinner is open to all. Come as you are, and come hungry! We look forward to spending this special time together as a parish community.

Scam Reminder—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.

Dear Parishioners,

I hope this finds you well during this Season of Lent. I am reaching out to let you know about our **Spring Cash Giveaway Fundraiser.** The drawing will take place on Sunday, April 26th after the 11:00 Mass. You do not need to be present to win.

There will be (10) to (20) **\$500 winners** based on how many tickets are sold.

The cost is \$50 per ticket.

500-524 tickets sold, there will be (10) \$500 winners

525-549 tickets sold, there will be (12) \$500 winners

550-574 tickets sold, there will be (16) \$500 winners

\$600 tickets sold, there will be (20) \$500 winners

Enclosed are four tickets for you to keep or to pass on to family and friends. Tickets may be split with someone else. If you would like to purchase additional tickets, or would like to help sell tickets, please contact Brenda in the parish office. Please fill out the top portion of the ticket and return with payment to the Parish Office. You may mail or drop off to the to the Parish Office. You may also return the ticket and payment in the envelope provided and drop off in the offertory box in church. Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady's Parish, Please know that you and your family continue to be in our prayers.

God bless,

Elizabeth Pettine,

Parish Fundraising Coordinator

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