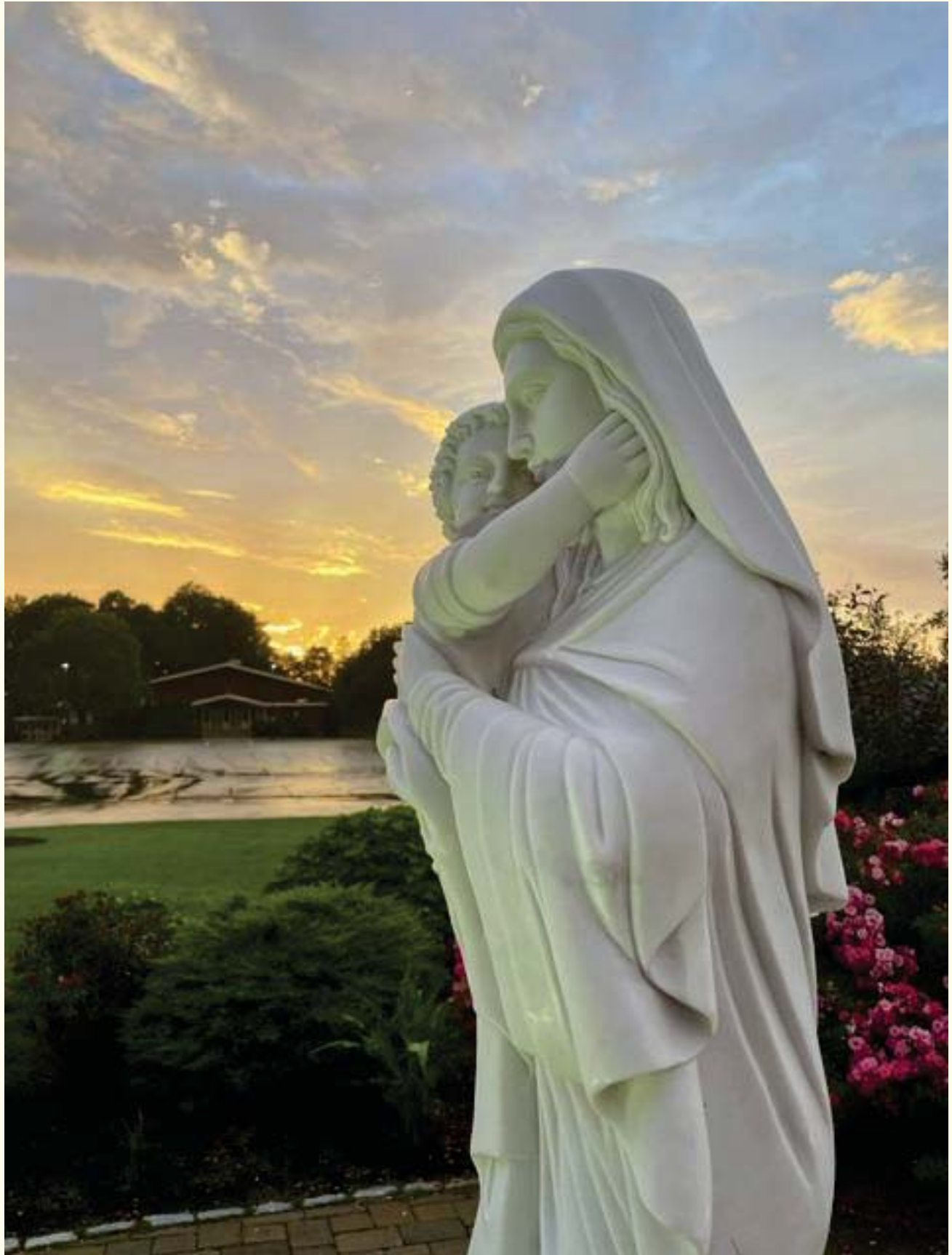


# *Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted*

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - August 2, 2026





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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.

**For more information on the Catholic Faith**  
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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 August 1, 2026

4:00 p.m. Claude Hache

### Sunday August 2, 2026

9:00 a.m. Nicola Marinaro

11:00 a.m. Alfred and Mary Centola

### Monday August 3 at 8:30 am

Janet Donahue and Jack Donahue

Members of the Memorial Guild

### Tuesday August 4 at 8:30 am

Anna Corsi

### Friday August 7 at 8:30 am

Elissa Capuzzo and Rita Capuzzo

### Saturday August 8, 2026

4:00 p.m.— Robert Caloggero

### Sunday August 9, 2026

9:00 a.m. Adam Sedzikowski

11:00 a.m. Giovanna Frenna

The Blessed Mother Statue in the Garden will be illuminated for the week in memory of **Anna Corsi's** birthday and anniversary at the request of her family.

The Blessed Mother Statue will be illuminated for the week for siblings, **Janet and Jack Donahue**, at the request of their family.

### COLLECTION INFORMATION

Week of July 25-26 \$9,099

### COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR THE EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS OF VENEZUELA

\$7,554.

### A note of Thanks from Archbishop Richard G. Henning:

Congratulations to you, the parishioners of Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Parish, on meeting your 2026 Catholic Appeal goal. I am continually moved by the faith, generosity, and the goodness of the people here in the Archdiocese of Boston. This year's theme, "Together We Are One" has been a reminder of our communion in the Lord Jesus and our call to be united to the Body of Christ. Thank you for partnering with me as co-workers in the Lord's vineyard as we support and sustain His work and His ministry.

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Richard G. Henning, Archbishop of Boston

We will be observing [The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#) at a special Mass on [Saturday 8/15 at 9:00 a.m.](#) Although it remains a special day to observe in the life of the Church, this year it is not a day of obligation only due to the fact that it falls on a Saturday. **The 4:00 pm Sunday Vigil Mass will be celebrated as usual.**

**Note of interest:** According to the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) The precept to attend Mass is automatically removed if any of the following three days fall on a Saturday or a Monday.

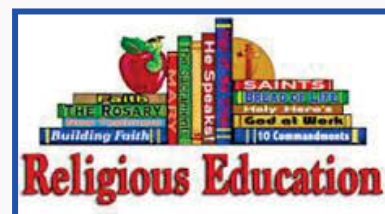
[Jan.1 Solemnity of Mary Mother of God.](#)

[Aug. 15 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.](#)

[Nov. 1 Solemnity of All Saints.](#) (While you are not required to go to Mass on these specific Saturdays or Mondays parishes still hold services for those who wish to celebrate). There are two strict exceptions when obligation always remains if it is one of the following.

[Dec. 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception](#) (patronal feast of US).

[Dec. 25 Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.](#) In these cases you must attend Mass for the holy day and attend a separate Mass for your usual Sunday obligation.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR IS NOW OPEN.

Please scan the QR Code to register. Questions can be directed to Elizabeth Pettine, Religious Education Coordinator at [religiouseducation@olca.org](mailto:religiouseducation@olca.org). Additional information can be found on our website [www.olca.org](http://www.olca.org)



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

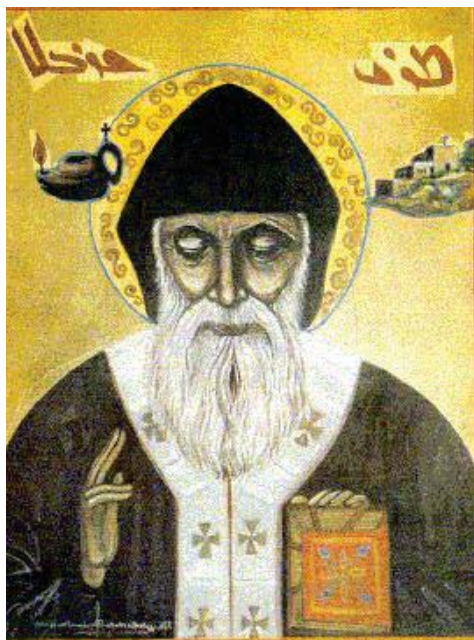
**Saturday Rosary** 1st. Sat. of the month at 3 p.m. in the Church - led by parishioners.



Weekend Masses and Events.

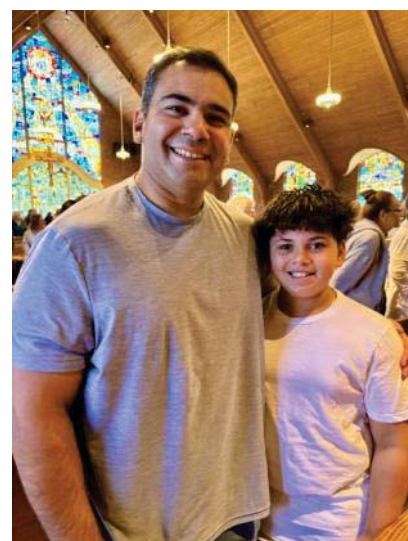






St. Charbel Makhlouf - (May 8, 1828 - December 24, 1898) was a Lebanese Maronite monk, priest and hermit who gave his life entirely to God through silence, prayer and penance. He is the saint with the most (over 33,000) recorded miracles in history. St. Charbel found strength by staying close to Jesus in the Eucharist. The National Catholic Register reports that "he is said to have celebrated Mass each day at noon and would spend eight to 10 hours praying before and after receiving Communion. "His faith and miracles continue to touch lives, as thousands of Catholics ask for his intercession during difficult and frightening moments.

St. Charbel Novena Prayer - Lord, infinitely Holy and Glorified in your saints, You have inspired Charbel, the saint monk, to lead the perfect life of a hermit. We thank you for granting him the blessing and the strength to detach himself from the world so that the heroism of the monastic virtues of poverty, obedience and chastity, could triumph in his heritage. We beseech you to grant us the grace of loving and serving You, following his example. Almighty God, who has manifested the power of St. Charbel's intercession through his countless miracles and favors, grant us (mention your intention here) through his intercession. Amen





The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is celebrated on Thursday August 6, 2026.



PRAY FOR



VOCATIONS

It commemorates the event on the mountaintop where Jesus was transfigured and shone with bright rays of light in front of Peter, James and John. He was speaking with Moses and Elijah. This event is significant in Jesus' life and ministry because it confirms His divinity and demonstrates how He fulfills the Old Testament scriptures.

**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.



### Pontifical Mission Societies in the Archdiocese of Boston

On Sunday August 30 Our Lady's will host a Missionary priest from Nigeria.

We will hold a special collection in support of their work. We appreciate your generosity for their missionary work for the Catholic Church.

Parishioners may make checks payable to: The Pontifical Mission Societies or to Our Lady's Parish with Pontifical Mission Societies on the memo line.



Massachusetts Citizens for Life Annual Banquet  
September 25, 2026

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