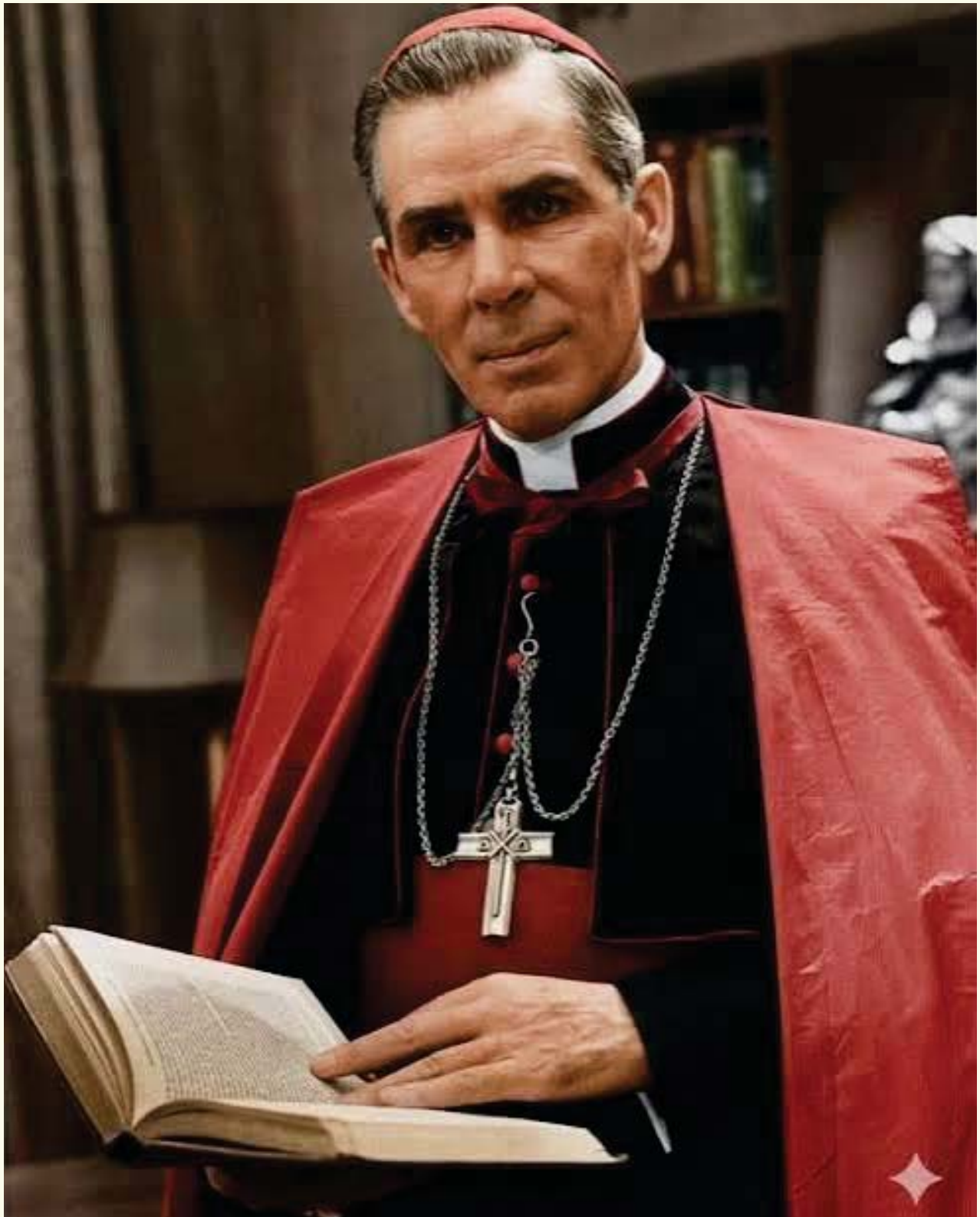


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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen will be Beatified on Thursday September 24, 2026 at the Dome at America's Center in St. Louis, Missouri.





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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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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 19, 2026

4:00 p.m. Betty Carracini

Sunday September 20, 2026

9:00 a.m. Ludger LeFort

11:00 a.m. Michael Young

Monday September 21 at 8:30 am

Jose Raposo

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday September 22 at 8:30 am

Harold Spring

Friday September 25 at 8:30 am

Ruth Collins

Saturday September 26, 2026

4:00 p.m.— Jeannette Leeb-Traveline

Sunday September 27, 2026

9:00 a.m. Charles Murphy

11:00 a.m. Anna Corsi

The Stained Glass Window will be illuminated for the week in memory of **Michael Young** at the request of his family.

The Blessed Mother Statue will be illuminated for the week in memory of **Laurie Moran's** birthday at the request of her family.

COLLECTION INFORMATION
Week of September 12-13 \$7,280.

ADORATION— If you are interested in praying for an hour during Adoration, please send an email to: olcaadore@gmail.com and provide information including your name, address, phone, email, and a time convenient for you.

Women's Prayer Group will meet on Saturday September 19, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Conference Room.

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. 15, 2026 for the 2026-2027 Academic Year.

Adult Religious Education Classes

What is it? An accelerated program will be offered for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic by receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation.

Where will it be? It will take place in 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 classes will be after the 11:00 am Mass on Sundays from roughly 12:15 to 1:15 pm on: October 18, October 25, November 1, November 8, November 15, November 22, and December 6. There are additional meeting times which will be discussed in class.

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. You can either obtain a personal copy or purchase one for \$20 from the Parish Office. If you desire, optional reading materials can also be purchased at the office. The Catechism of the Catholic Church is \$10 and the Study Bible is \$30.

Why go? The purpose of the program is to help adults embrace the Catholic faith and receive the Sacraments of Initiation, giving them the tools they need to spend eternity with God in Heaven.

Join our Adult Choir—Sing, Serve and Share Worship! We warmly invite singers of all ages and skill levels to join our vibrant adult choir.

Our Lady's Bible Study—This past year Our Lady's hosted a very active Bible Study. We will start this up again in late Sept. Please contact Deacon Jim Rice at parish@olca.org if you are interested in joining.

Men's Monthly Prayer Group—The men's Prayer group will reconvene this fall and invites men of all ages to join. The day and time has not yet been set, but it will usually be on a Sat. morning for about 60 minutes of fellowship, prayer, and scripture. Please contact Deacon Jim Rice at parish@olca.org if you are interested in joining.



Fr. DiPerri said the closing prayer at the Waltham Common Commemoration Event of the 25th Anniversary of 9/11 (2001-2026)



Copy of the Final Homily given by Chaplain Father Mychal Judge, who was the first recorded victim of 9/11.

Good days. And bad days. Up days. Down days. Sad days. Happy days. But never a boring day on this job. You do what God has called you to do. You show up. You put one foot in front of another. You get on the rig and you go out and you do the job – which is a mystery. And a surprise. You have no idea when you get on that rig. No matter how big the call. No matter how small. You have no idea what God is calling you to. But he needs you. He needs me. He needs all of us.

FDNY Chaplain Father Mychal Judge

(Taken from his homily on September 10, 2001 at Engine Company 73 and Ladder Company 42 Firehouse re-dedication)

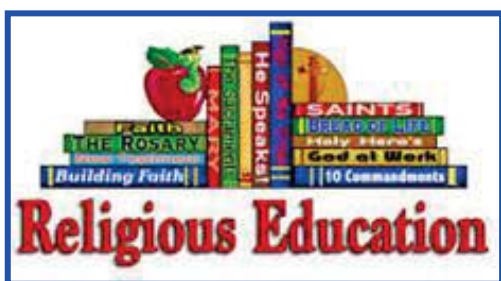
Our Lady's Academy opened for the 2026-2027 Academic Year with 400 enthusiastic students.



First Friday School Mass for the new School year.



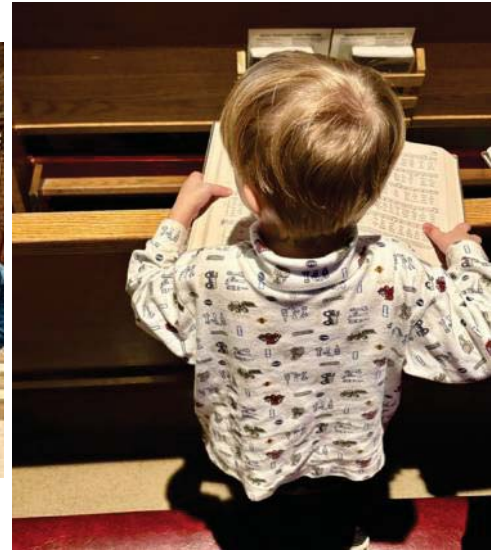
Our Lady's Religious Education Program also had a successful start last Sunday.



Congratulations to the O'Hara Family on the Baptism of their son Eoin Patrick O'Hara. Many family members and friends joined them.



Weekend Masses



On Saturday Sept. 12, 2026 Fr. DiPerri was honored by Fr. Lazarus Bedrozian, Pastor of the Holy Cross Catholic Armenian Church in Belmont at their Annual Banquet. Bishop Mikael Mouradian, of the Armenian Catholic Church in the USA and Canada came to present Fr. DiPerri the award. It reads: Rev. Fr. James M. DiPerri -In joyful celebration of the 38th anniversary of his Priestly Ordination, honoring his faithful service to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, his loving friendship as a Big Brother of the Armenian Community in New England, and his kindness, generosity, fatherly dedication, and devoted mission to the communities of Greater Boston. "Well done, good and faithful servant" Matthew 25:21 Holy Cross Armenian Catholic Church September 12, 2026 After the presentation 200 attendees enjoyed a delicious meal followed by entertainment.



Weekend Masses



Our Lady's Academy First Annual Golf Tournament
Monday October 5, 2026 at Oakley Country Club,
Watertown. Plenty of ways to be a part of the day – golfers and non golfers alike! Join us for a round of golf- gather a foursome, support the event as a sponsor or come later in the day for dinner, drinks, our silent auction and awards reception. A variety of sponsorship opportunities are also available for local businesses, families and friends of OLA. Lets bring this fundraising tradition back in support of our special school. For information contact Carly Kelly Snediker at: OLAGOLFEVENT@GMAIL.COM



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.

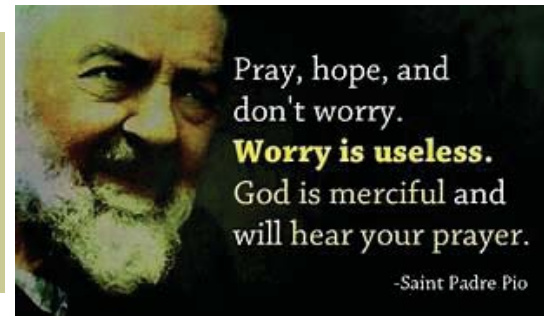
You may scan this QR CODE to donate to the Parish anytime.



ALTAR SERVING at OUR LADY'S

Please consider the opportunity to become an altar server here at Our Lady's. Open to boys and girls in Grades 4 and above, the first of two raining sessions begins on **Saturday, September 26th at 9:00 a.m.** The final session will be held on **Saturday, October 3rd** also at **9:00 a.m.** Breakfast snacks and drink will be provided. Direct questions or inquiries to the Parish Office, or to **Paul Loscocco**, the coordinator of the Training Program at: (pfal@rcn.com or 781-820-2063).

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On Saturday 9/12/26 nine parishioners volunteered at Greater Boston Food Bank. They packed up food that will feed a family of 4 for a week. They boxed 180 cases of food which came to 16,200 lbs. of food or 15,300 meals.



A Day in the Big Apple—NYC, Here we come!

The Activities Committee is sponsoring a fun-filled day trip to New York City. Sat. November 14, 2026. Depart OLCA Parking Lot at 6:00 am—est. time of arrival in NYC 11:00am. Depart NYC for home at 6:00pm—est. time back at OLCA 11:00pm Cost: \$120 per person The best part? You make the day your own! Once we arrive you are free to do whatever you want! No itinerary, no group schedule. And no worries there are bathrooms on the bus! Call: Brenda in Parish Office to reserve a seat.



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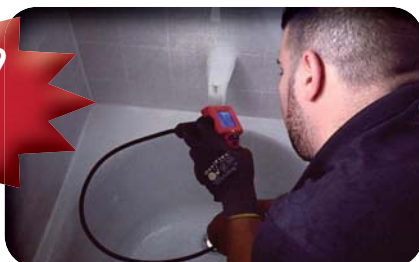
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