

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 23, 2025

The new shrine at Our Lady's has now been completed. It is dedicated to Blessed Carlo Acutis, who will be Canonized First Millennial Saint of the Catholic Church April 25-27, 2025.



JUBILEE YEAR 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

WHAT IS THIS JUBILEE ABOUT? THIS JUBILEE IS CALLED PILGRIMS OF HOPE. WE ARE CALLED TO REDISCOVER THE HOPE OF CHRISTIANITY AND THEN BE SIGNS OF HOPE TO OTHERS IN OUR DAILY LIFE. IT GOES FROM DECEMBER 29, 2024 TO DECEMBER 28, 2025. POPE FRANCIS PRAYS THAT THIS "JUBILEE BE A MOMENT OF GENUINE PERSONAL ENCOUNTER WITH THE LORD JESUS, THE DOOR' (CF IN 10: 7.9) OF OUR SALVATION, WHOM THE CHURCH IS CHARGED TO PROCLAIM ALWAYS, EVERYWHERE AND TO ALL AS 'OUR HOPE' (1 TIM 1: 1) " (SPES NON CONFUNDIT, 1).

YOU CAN LEARN MORE AT: [Bit.ly/JubileeOfHope](https://bit.ly/JubileeOfHope).





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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

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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St. Mary Queen of Peace Syro Malankara

Catholic Eparchy in USA and Canada -

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.

MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday February 22**

4 pm - Faye Marie O'Donoghue Health Intention

Sunday February 23

9 am - Rosalie Frassica Memorial

11 am - Flora DeGuglielmo Memorial

Monday February 24 at 8:30 am

Maureen T. Matthews Memorial

Tuesday February 25 at 8:30 am

Rodrigo Maurillo

Friday February 28 at 8:30 am

Kathleen Campbell Memorial

Saturday March 1

4 pm - Shirley Newfell Memorial

Sunday March 2

9 am - Rosie Joseph Memorial

11 am - Paul Maney Memorial

SCHOOL CONFERENCE AND ADORATION

with Father DiPerri and Fr. Olejnik

Mon. March 17 - (9:15-11:15am) Gr. 5- 8 Confessions

Tues. March 18—(9:15—11:15 am) Gr. 2-4 Confessions

Fri. March 21 - (9:15 am) Gr. Pre K- K

Fri. April 11 - (9:15 am) Pre K-K

Mon. April 14 - (9:15 am) K - 8 Holy Week Adoration

Fri. May 2 - Grandparents/Special Person 1st. Fri.**Mass Sat. May 3 - (10:00am) First Holy Communion****Mass Mon. May 5 - (1:00pm) Gr. 5-8**

Tues. May 6 - (9:15am) Gr. Pre K - K

Fr. May 9 - (9:15am) Gr. 1-4

CCD CONFERENCE AND ADORATION

with Father DiPerri and Fr. Olejnik

Sun. March 2- Confirmation Retreat Gr. 9 & 10

Sun. March 9 - (10-11 am) Gr. 1-8 Conference & Adoration

Sun. April 6 - (10—11am) Gr. 1-8 Conference & Adoration

Sat. May 3 - (10:00am) First Holy Communion Mass**Fri. May 9 - (6:00pm) Confirmation (Bishop Robert Reed)****PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT OUR NEW WEBSITE. GO TO: WWW.OLCA.ORG**

The Stained Glass Window will be illuminated for **Richard O'Brien, Judith O'Brien Thorne & Paul T. O'Brien** at the request of the Malouf Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp & the Blessed Mother Statue will be illuminated in memory of **Rodrigo Maurillo** at the request of his family.

COLLECTION INFORMATION for Feb. 15-16, 2025 \$ 6,175

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

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

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.

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory

Please join fellow parishioners on a sacred journey toward Eucharistic Consecration. Over 33 days you will journey with Mother Teresa, John Paul II, Therese of Lisieux, Maximilian Kolbe, Thomas Aquinas, Sister Faustina, the Children of Fatima and Mary the Mother of God to experience Jesus in the Eucharist like never before. Please pick up a book at the back of the church which contains a daily reflection for your journey. We will begin our journey on March 5, Ash Wednesday, & conclude on Sunday April 6th with a special consecration after the 11:00 am Mass. We look forward to growing closer to Jesus in Holy Eucharist as a church family. Contact: Lisa Cimino at: 781-439-8656 or: lisacimino26@gmail.com

Help yourself to a book at entrance of church.



WEEKEND MASSES



Pray
for
Vocations



CATECHISM CORNER

THE TRADITION OF PRAYER

Prayer should accompany the reading of Sacred Scripture, so that a dialogue takes place between God and man. For "we speak to him when we pray; we listen to him when we read the divine oracles."

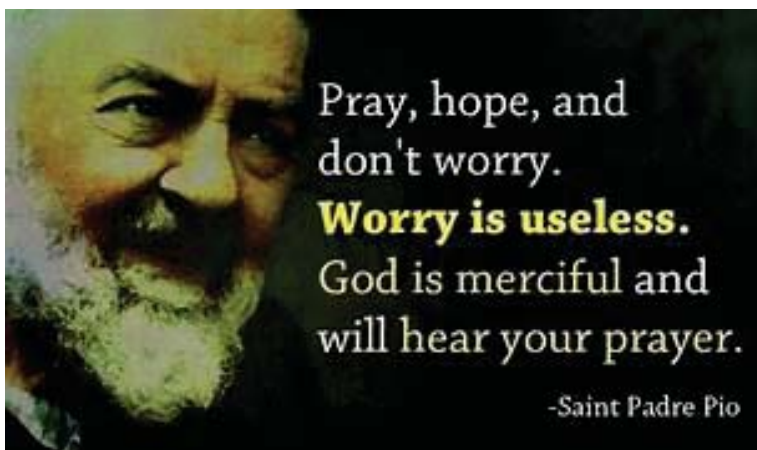
The Word of God, the liturgy of the Church, and the virtues of faith, hope, and charity are sources of prayer.

Prayer is primarily addressed to the Father, it can also be directed toward Jesus, particularly by the invocation of his holy name: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners."

The Church invites us to invoke the Holy Spirit as the interior Teacher of Christian prayer. Because of Mary's singular cooperation with the action of the Holy Spirit the Church loves to pray in communion with the Virgin Mary, to magnify with her the great things the Lord has done for her, and to entrust supplications and praises to her.

The most appropriate places for prayer are personal or family oratories, monasteries, places of pilgrimage, and above all the church, which is the proper place for liturgical prayer for the parish community and the privileged place for Eucharistic adoration.

To find more information see: [Catechism of the Catholic Church \(Official Teaching\)](http://www.usccb.org/catechism) To view online visit: www.usccb.org/catechism



Thursday Parish Bible Study

February 27, March 13, March 27

Please contact Deacon Jim Rice at jrice@mit.edu (617) 258-858 / (516) 627-7062 if you would like to join the group or if you have any questions Deacon Jim will send additional information in preparation for the program. Come and see!

LOOKING TO BECOME CATHOLIC OR CONFIRMED AS AN ADULT? Our Lady's Parish is offering (OCIA) formerly called (RCIA). As well as an adult Confirmation Program. Please call the Parish Office at: 781-894-3481, Ex.8 for more information.



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