

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 5, 2026

On Saturday June 27, 2026 Fr. DiPerri hosted a breakfast at the Rectory followed by a trip to Canobie Lake Park for altar servers, choir members, and their parents. Paul Loscocco organized the altar servers' group and Greg Castano organized the choir group. Everyone had a great time.



On Sunday June 28, 2026, many of Our Lady's parishioners went to the 6:30 p.m. Adoration Service on the Battle Green in Lexington. This was one of the activities of "Walk with Jesus and Pray for the Nation" as we celebrate 250 years of independence.





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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 July 4, 2026

4:00 p.m. Gerald Ramsey

Sunday July 5, 2026

9:00 a.m. Joe and Ginny Fournier

11:00 a.m. Nicola & Tina DiDomenico

Monday July 6 at 8:30 am

Manuel Tavares

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday July 7 at 8:30 am

Vincent Cirino

Friday July 10 at 8:30 am

Hernando Moreno

Saturday July 11, 2026

4:00 p.m.– Willie and Lucy Aucoin

Sunday July 12, 2026

9:00 a.m. Antonio & Almerinda Araujo

11:00 a.m. Margaret L. Gallagher

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Week of June 27-28 \$7,943.

Winter Collection

Due to this year's extreme Winter Season, which brought us significantly more cold weather and snow, an appeal was needed to help defray the exorbitant snow removal, heating and electric expenses. In response to Fr. DiPerri's letter, on behalf of the parish, the collection received \$59,336. We are most grateful for the generous support of our parishioners,

VENEZUELA SPECIAL COLLECTION

The Catholic Church, through Catholic Relief Services (CRS), is working through Caritas Venezuela and the local Church to quickly deliver emergency shelter, food, safe water, medical care and other critical relief to those affected by the devastating earthquakes in Venezuela. On the weekend of July 25-26 our parish will conduct such a special collection for Venezuela. Please address checks to "Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted" with "Venezuela Relief" in the memo. The parish will forward the collection to the Archdiocese where the funds raised will be sent to CRS. Thank You for your support.

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

Archbishop Henning reflects on the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4th. He shares how our nation has come together in times of great crisis and how one hymn, God Bless America, speaks to the needs for "hope, unity, and longing for peace and goodness." [Published in the Pilot.](#)

"God Bless America" by Archbishop Richard G. Henning

On Sept. 11, 2001, I was covering a parish on Long Island in my home diocese. As it was for so many around the world, it was a dramatic and frightening moment. The parish was located about one hour from Manhattan, and two of the parish families lost loved ones in the attack on the Twin Towers. Many other families were awaiting news of family as the collapse of the towers had damaged infrastructure for the "landline." Phones and the cell networks were overwhelmed by the traffic. With people walking out of Manhattan over the bridges and with trains and subways paralyzed, many family members only arrived home late into the night. In the locked-down parish school and around the community, the level of fear and anxiety was palpable. It was clear that people needed a place to gather and they needed the reassurance of faith. At about 6 p.m. that evening, we started tolling the parish bell. Within the hour, the church, the yard, and the sidewalks had filled with people, and we began the celebration of Holy Mass. It was a deeply moving and meaningful moment of prayer connection. In the quiet after Holy Communion, someone started singing "God Bless America." Hundreds of voices within and around the church took up the song. It was a heartfelt prayer and many faces streamed with tears. We did not know it at that moment, but all over the region people had gathered in their churches and many of them also spontaneously sang: "God Bless America, land that I love. Stand beside her and guide her through the night with the light from above.. ' Originally composed by the Jewish immigrant American Irving Berlin during the First World War (1918), the song became famous after being sung by Kate Smith in 1938 as the United States faced the threat of a second great war. In 2001, it became medicine for the soul of a wounded nation. It expressed hope, unity and longing for peace and goodness. It was matched by deeds of solidarity and care for neighbor and friend. During and after the attacks, so many risked themselves to help others. People looked at each other and their lives differently. They appreciated the gift of life, and they wanted to help and to strengthen each other. And they implored God to bless the nation. On July 4, 2026, we will mark 250 years since the reading out of the Declaration of Independence. I know that we are often a divided nation. I know that too many see fellow Americans as enemies or rivals. I know that some now think that America's flaws invalidate her promise. I remember the unity and resilience of Sept. 11, 2001, and I grieve for the angry divisions of 2026. No nation is ever perfect. For all our imperfections, this nation has a founding vision worth honoring and celebrating. That vision spoke of the fundamental dignity of every human person. Abraham Lincoln knew just how challenging it was to live that vision in concrete reality. In a moment of terrible and violent division, he reminded us of a nation "conceived in liberty" and of "unfinished work." He summoned us to "increase devotion" to secure a "new birth of freedom" and to see that "government of the people, by the people, for the people should not perish from the earth." As a Catholic, I know that my true citizenship comes from heaven, yet I cannot help but love my earthly country. I love her promise, her people, and her possibility. When I see our flag, I think of that founding vision and generations of struggle and sacrifice. I think of the work yet to be done and the summons to do our part in this generation. And I pray to God for the United States of America. I pray for the healing of division, for comfort for the afflicted, and for reverence for the gift of life. I pray for the peace and prosperity of my "home sweet home." God bless America, land that I love....

Congratulations to newlyweds: Matthew Gregory Harden and Caitlin Elizabeth Paulin. Saturday June 27, 2026



Congratulations to Lilly Pedrini on receiving her first Holy Communion on Sunday June 28, 2026.



Congratulations to Ellen Reardon, Addison Toole and Emma Clarke. They were the recipients of this year's Knights of Columbus scholarships. We wish them well as they start their college studies.



Weekend Masses



Congratulations to Carmen and Carol Quintiliani on the celebration and blessing of 63 years of marriage.



Fr. Olejnik and Deacon Walsh were at Waltham Crossings to celebrate Mass for the residents.

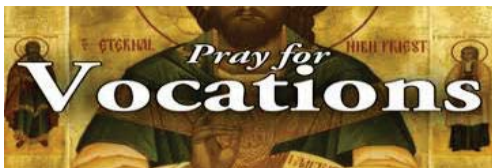


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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Church Conference

Thank you to ALL who helped make our first "Bundle Weekend" a success! Donations of clothing, shoes, books, and linens weighed in at 5,811 pounds.

Our Conference will receive \$581.10 to assist our neighbors in need. A special thank you to the 2027 Confirmation candidates and the Scouts from Watertown Troop 30.

From Activities Committee:

CALLING ALL COOKS - We know we have many at Our Lady's!

We have begun working on our parish cookbook and are looking for recipes. Come and get immortalized on [Our Lady's 2nd Parish Cookbook!](#) Did you know our first cookbook is now over 20 years old? Help us create a new collection of favorite family recipes to share with our parish community for years to come.

There are two ways to submit your recipe:

1. **Online**—Simply go online use below log in and enter your recipe.

<https://www.typensave.com> * User Name : 920OLCA

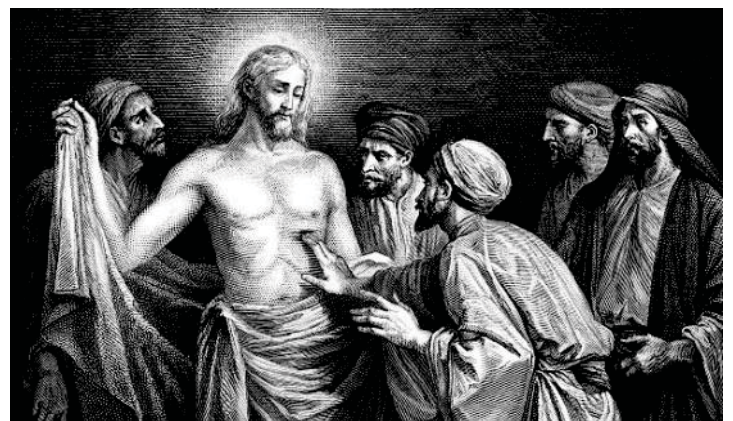
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2. **Recipe Collection Sheet**—Fill out a Recipe Collection Sheet and drop it off at the parish office with Brenda. We would love to have recipes from every family, and you're welcome to submit more than one recipe! Thank you for helping make this cookbook a special keepsake for our parish family. [Deadline for submissions is Sunday, August 23rd.](#) Please reach out to Brenda in the parish office if you have any questions.

***Below is the link that will print up the recipe collection sheet.
<https://www.morriscookbooks.com/dc/tns10/RecipeCollection.pdf>

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.



St. Thomas the Apostle is famously known for his initial skepticism of the Resurrection, which culminated in his profound profession of faith. "My Lord and my God!" His Feast Day is celebrated on July 3rd. in the Roman Catholic Church.

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