

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION - ST. ANN BY THE SEA

Marshfield, Ma., September 7, 2025



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Luke 14:33

Collaborative Mass Schedule

Weekends: Saturday Vigil

4:00PM St. Ann by the Sea

Sunday

7:30AM, 9:30AM—St. Ann by the Sea

8:30AM, 10:30AM, 5:30PM—Our Lady of the Assumption

Weekdays

Monday—Saturday (except Thursday)

8:00AM @ Our Lady of the Assumption

Confessions

Saturday

OLA : 8:30AM—9:30AM

St. Ann: 3:00PM—3:30PM

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....Joel Davidson, St. Ann Keyboardist

....Frank Piekut, Colleen Balboni, Christina Dimitri, Cantors

....Matthew Kimble, 5:30 PM Mass, Contemporary Musician

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday Morning following the 8:00AM Daily Mass until 9:00AM

Baptisms

St. Ann - 1st Sunday of the Month at 11am

OLA - 2nd Sunday of the Month at 12pm

Parents/Guardians please contact the Collaborative Office as soon as possible (at least 1 month prior) to make arrangements

Marriage

Couples are asked to contact the Collaborative Office at least 6 months before your wedding to make arrangements.

Pastoral Care for the Sick

Please call the Collaborative Office to arrange for a pastoral visit or Sacramental care for the sick

New parishioners are welcomed and invited to register by calling the office or online at olamarshfield.org

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MASS INTENTIONS**First Saturday of the Month, September 6, 2025**

8:00

4:00 *Anointing of the Sick

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 7

7:30 Peggy Norton RIP *Anointing of the Sick

8:30 Sr. Mary Daly, NMD for peace *Anointing

9:30 Diane Dwyer RIP

10:30 For the People *Anointing of the Sick

5:30 Beth Doherty Sayers RIP

Monday, September 8: Feast of the Nativity of**The Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 Gladys & William Reardon RIP

Tuesday, September 9: memorial St. Peter Claver

8:00 Ellen B. Young RIP

Wednesday, September 10

8:00

Thursday, September 11

No Mass this Morning

Friday, September 12

8:00 Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, September 13

8:00 Paul & Lauren Waters, John Sullivan RIP

4:00 Karen Joyce RIP

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, September 14

7:30 John J. Cosgrove, Sr. RIP

8:30 Prudence Darigan - Birthday Blessing

9:30 Edward G. Burke RIP

10:30

5:30 For the People

(Red) St. Ann by the Sea Church

(Blue) Our Lady of the Assumption Church

Welcome Visitors

23rd SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me
cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:27

Offertory Collections: Weekly (Aug.31st)

OLA \$6857. O/L \$1380. Total: \$8237.

SAS \$4305. O/L \$1229. Total: \$5534.

Thank you for your support !**OLA - ONLINE GIVING**

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**ST. ANN - ONLINE GIVING**

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the online webpage or visit **Sign In / OSV Hub**

THIS WEEKEND: Special Collection for GAZA

Archbishop Henning has asked parishes across the Archdiocese to hold a special collection for Gaza relief. Our parishes will support Catholic Near East Welfare Association and Catholic Relief Services, providing food, shelter, medical care, and vital aid to families suffering in Gaza.

In lieu of a collection, baskets will be at the doors of the Church for your donations. Thank You!

Welcome through the Waters of

LIAM MICHAEL RUSSELL

CALLIE MARIA LAWLOR

**REST IN PEACE...**

Remember in your prayers the soul of Kirk Reed, loving father, brother, friend. His funeral Mass took place this past week from Our Lady of the Assumption church.



"No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor heart conceived, what the Lord has prepared for those who love Him."

***** ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be available at St. Ann's Parish on Saturday, September 6th, following the 4:00PM Mass, and Sunday, September 7th, following 7:30AM Mass.

The Sacrament of Anointing will take place at Our Lady of the Assumption on Sunday, September 7th, following the 8:30am and 10:30am Mass. Please plan accordingly.

Next Weekend (9/13-14) Special Collection: MISSION APPEAL

Fr. Jean Sassou Tounoussia was born in Dobia on September 14, 1980, Cameroon, in a family of four boys and two girls. He began his priestly formation at the Minor Seminary in Guidar, Cameroon, and the Major Seminary in Maroua Cameroon, and was ordained a priest on June 14, 2008.

After serving in pastoral ministry and teaching in the Seminary, Father Jean came to the United States for advanced studies, he earned a Licentiate in Sacred Theology (SL) at Boston College, where he specialized in Biblical studies. He then continued his academic journey, obtaining a Doctorate (PhD) from Indiana Newburgh College of the Bible.

He teaches at the Major seminary in Maroua-Cameroon and currently serves as Parochial Vicar at Saint Mathew the Evangelist Parish in Billerica, Massachusetts.

All Are Invited...

Mass of Thanksgiving... Last weekend, Fr. Aveni announced that Fr. Sexton has been appointed pastor to St. Nicholas parish in Ayer/Shirley, Ma. His appointment will begin in late October. His last day here with us is October 28th.

Parishioners are invited to attend Fr. Will's Mass of Thanksgiving at each parish along with a reception to follow. Join us on the weekend of Oct. 4/5 at the 4pm Mass at St. Ann by the Sea and the 10:30 Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption.



We extend our gratitude for his service here in our collaborative parishes and send prayers as Fr. Will assumes his leadership role as pastor of St. Nicholas parish.



Our Lady of the Assumption and
St Ann by the Sea are hosting a



Pilgrimage To Poland

WHEN: September 7-15, 2026.

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WHAT: St. Joseph Men's Group

WHO: All men ages 18+

WHEN: Weekly meetings 6:30-7:30p.m. Tues.

WHERE: St. Ann's Parish Hall

WHY: We are a brotherhood committed to modeling our lives after the great Saint Joseph. Sign up by emailing info@olamarshfield.org or simply join us.

By Dr. Scott Hahn



**ST. PAUL CENTER
FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY**

Counting the Cost

Like a king making ready for battle or a contractor about to build a tower, we have to count the cost as we set out to follow Jesus.

Our Lord today is telling us upfront the sacrifice it will take. His words aren't addressed to His chosen few, the Twelve, but rather to the "great crowds" - to "anyone," to "whoever" wishes to be His disciple.

That only makes His call all the more stark and uncompromising. We are to "hate" our old lives, renounce all the earthly things we rely upon, to choose Him above every person and possession. Again He tells us that the things we have - even our family ties and obligations - can become an excuse, an obstacle that keeps us from giving ourselves completely to Him (see Luke 9:23-26, 57-62).

Jesus brings us the saving Wisdom we are promised in today's First Reading. He is that saving Wisdom.

Weighed down by many earthly concerns, the burdens of our body and its needs, we could never see beyond the things of this world, could never detect God's heavenly design and intention. So in His mercy He sent us His Spirit, His Wisdom from on High, to make straight our path to Him.

Jesus himself paid the price for to free us from the sentence imposed on Adam, which we recall in today's Psalm (see Genesis 2:7; 2:19). No more will the work of our hands be an affliction, no more are we destined to turn back to dust.

Like Onesimus in today's Epistle, we have been redeemed, given a new family and a new inheritance, made children of the father, brothers and sisters in the Lord.

We are free now to come after Him, to serve Him - no longer slaves to the ties of our past lives. In Christ, all our yesterdays have passed. We live in what the Psalm today beautifully describes as the daybreak of His kindness. For He has given us wisdom of heart, taught us to number our days aright.

*A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology
www.SalvationHistory.com*

SMALL GROUPS MEETING

Scripture and Faith sharing groups. "**Women at the Well**", facilitated by Pam Hulme and "**Donuts with Jesus**" facilitated by Deacon Walter Seamon, meets September 27th, following the 8am Mass at OLA. New members welcome...

Have you signed up for F.F.F. Classes...?

Family Faith Formation,
Middle School Faith Formation and
Confirmation classes.

Registration forms can be accessed on our
webpage with all the details. Visit
www.olamarshfield.org
Volunteers needed!

If your child left the Church, do this...

..So many parents blame themselves for their children wandering from God and leaving the Church.

To everyone reading this who bears that burden? *Please stop doing that to yourself.*

God is a *pretty good* parent, and his first two children rejected him! It's not failed parenting. It's that annoying thing called "free will".

So, what do you do if your adult child wanders from the faith?

1. Pray and fast. It worked for St. Monica, whose feast day was last week. It's said that she gave birth to her son, Saint Augustine, twice. The first time was physical. The second was spiritual, and through her tears, her prayers, and her fasting. Prayer and fasting are a *powerful* one-two punch. It changes lives. Maybe you're being called to go into a new kind of "labor" for your adult child!
2. While it's important to challenge them don't let your relationship become all about that challenge. When you evangelize family members, remember that it's a marathon, not a sprint. Keep loving them, Keep the doors of communication and friendship open. It's okay to speak when the opportunity seems right, but don't make every conversation about *that*.
3. Never lose hope. Even if you don't get to see your child come back to the faith while you're on earth, never lose hope in Jesus' mercy and *his* ability to win them back. God loves your children more than you. And he'll never stop working harder than you to bring them home.

St. Monica, pray for us!

Chris Stefanick,
Real Life Catholic

Looking for a few volunteers to help prepare a mailing.
Please call Claudette at the Church Office if you would like to help.



A reminder that there are colored offertory envelopes you can use to make sure your donation goes to the correct parish. Pink Envelopes for SAS are in OLA pews, as OLA blue envelopes are in the pews at SAS.

For Special Collections, please use green envelopes. Thank you for your support!

Hope For Life Conference: October 4th, 2025

WHERE: Track at New Balance In Brighton

8 AM—4 PM

All are invited to this special vent featuring The Chosen's Jonathan Roumie, Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart, Mass by Archbishop Henning, and much more. The event is a collaboration of the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office, the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, and the Men of Divine Mercy Prayer group. Please join us in honoring the sanctity and beauty of life. For more information and tickets, visit: hopeforlifeboston.com

CURSILLO—An Opportunity to Deepen Your Faith

Cursillo is a short course in Christianity. It is an encounter with Christ in a small community of the Church, in order to deepen your own faith and strengthen your ability to be witnesses of Christ in the world.

Women's Weekend: October 2-5, 2025

Held at Notre Dame Spirituality Center, Ipswich

Visit: www.bostoncursillo.org or email

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Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats. Are you—or someone you know—seeking peace after an abortion? The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends *a special invitation to women experiencing regret from a past abortion to attend a Come to the Waters of Healing one-day retreat.* Spring date is Saturday, Sept. 27, and October 18th. Location is confidential. For more information on the retreats or other services, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com



PILGRIMAGE to the NATIONAL SHRINE OF DIVINE MERCY in STOCKBIDGE, MA.

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Journey OF Faith

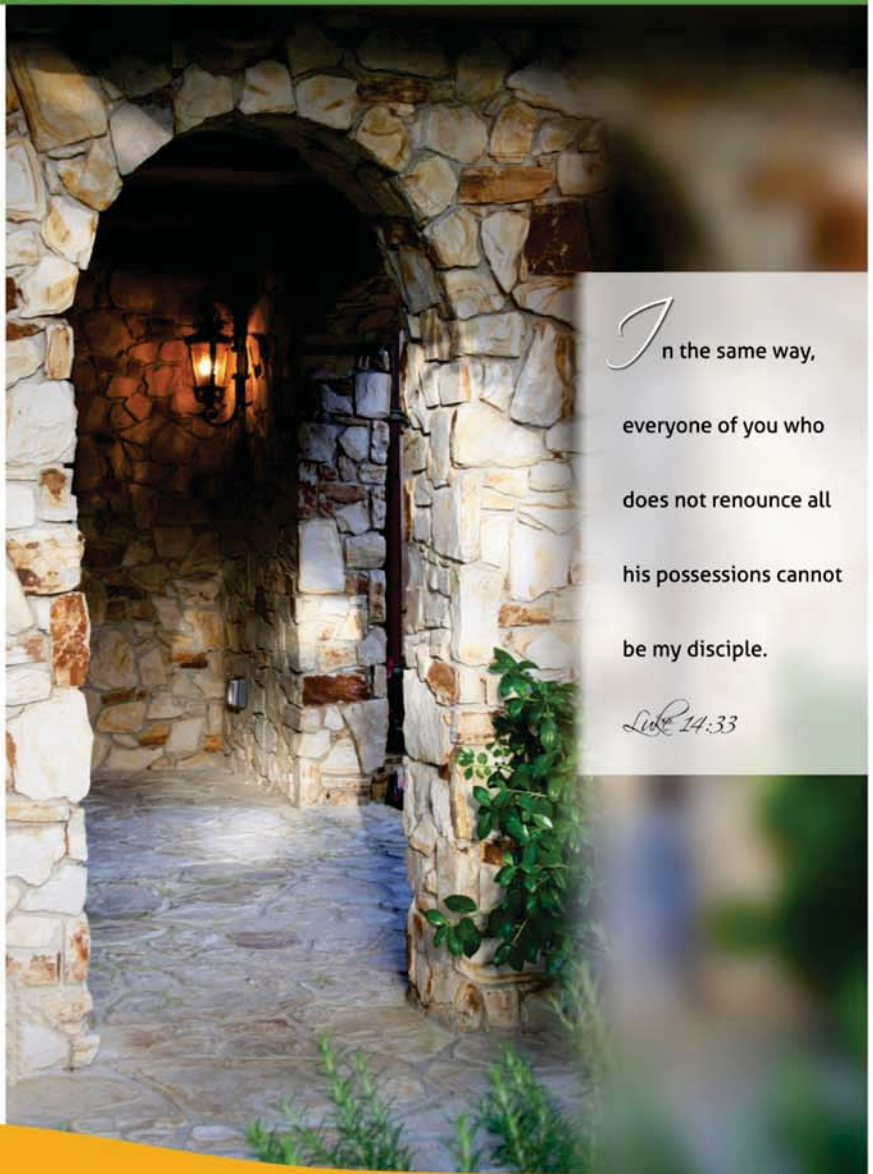
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In Word & Deed

Sheila, our fifth grade teacher's 8-year old daughter, wanted a puppy and she was begging at every opportunity and promising to take care of it. Knowing full well it would end up being her responsibility, the teacher made arrangements with her brother to dog-sit for a week while he was on vacation. The first few days went pretty well, but by the fourth day 'doggy fatigue' was setting in. It seems that the young dog enthusiast failed to account for multiple daily walks, feedings, bathing, playtime and 'cleaning up.' At the end of the week, Sheila informed her mom that she had changed her mind and would prefer goldfish instead.

Faith is a commitment to a way of life, not just a set of intellectual beliefs. More than just accepting the idea that Jesus is the Savior, faith means that we change so that we live by God's standards, even when it is

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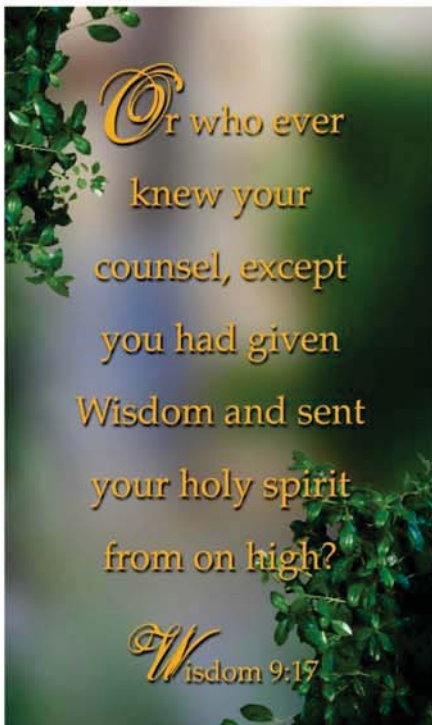


In the same way,
everyone of you who
does not renounce all
his possessions cannot
be my disciple.

Luke 14:33

“In every conceivable manner, the family is link to our past, bridge to our future.”

- Alex Haley



FAMILY LIFE:

TO WALK AS ONE



*I*t is the beginning of another school year and students everywhere are determined to make this year their best yet. Good intentions to study, to complete all the homework and to pass every test may not last long, but they might be enough to get a good start. Young minds need to be fed with great challenges, interesting information and creative ideas. It takes persistence, patience and determination to stay on track, achieve academic goals and be a success in school.

Marriage takes a lot of commitment to succeed. On their wedding day, couples are determined to succeed, to love each other for the rest of their lives and to overcome whatever problems and obstacles may come their way. But it is not easy. People can lose patience, get discouraged, and lose their sense of hope and love. It takes a lot of faith, love, patience and perseverance

for marriage to succeed. A little support from family and friends goes a long way too.

From time to time, a good marriage needs a tune-up and maintenance check. Taking time to remember your goals, communicate your feelings and express your hopes can help a marriage renew its energy and zeal. Schedule time together—without kids, cell phones or interruptions—to talk about life, the future, ideals, goals, fantasies and new ideas. Like a young mind anxious to learn, a great marriage needs to be fed and nourished. Be sure to do your 'homework.'

—James Gaffney

Faith and prayer

do not resolve problems, but enable one to address them with a new light and strength. • Pope Benedict XVI



In Word & Deed

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demanding, inconvenient or difficult. Our values and morals are the foundation of our lives and if we compromise them, we compromise our life, both temporal and eternal.

We live our faith when we follow the teaching and example of Jesus. Plus we have the Church, the sacraments, the example of the saints and the support of one another—all of which are part of our community of faith that lives and supports our baptismal commitment to follow the Lord. There is no 'faith fatigue.' Our God and our faith renew and strengthen us as we journey together.

—James Gaffney

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