

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

Marshfield, Ma., September 21, 2025

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones."

Luke 16:10



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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Permanent Deacon.....Deacon Walter Seamon

Weekend Assistant.....Fr. Gerard Petringa

Collaborative Pastoral Council Vice-Chair

Jack Hanratty - Melinda Campbell

Finance Council Chairperson

William Last -

Musicians

....Gale McCarthy, Thomas Young, OLA Organists

....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

Handicapped Accessible † Air-Conditioned

MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday, September 20, 2025**

8:00 David Moroney RIP

4:00 Barbara Ostler RIP, Jack Cantwell RIP Birthday

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 21

7:30 Barbara, Catherine & Mary Connolly RIP

8:30 Albert Lazuk, Joan Viens RIP

9:30 Nora Ann Bethoney RIP

10:30 Paul & Annmarie Aveni RIP

5:30 William E. Guerard, Barbara A. Guerard RIP

Monday, September 22: Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00 Tim Kinney RIP

Tuesday, September 23

8:00 Tom Murphy RIP

Wednesday, September 24

8:00 Gerry Rice RIP

Thursday, September 25

No Mass this Morning

Friday, September 26

8:00 Michael Hale RIP

Saturday, September 27

8:00 Holy Souls in Purgatory

4:00 Louis J. Pelligrini RIP

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 28

7:30 Daniel J. Laniff RIP

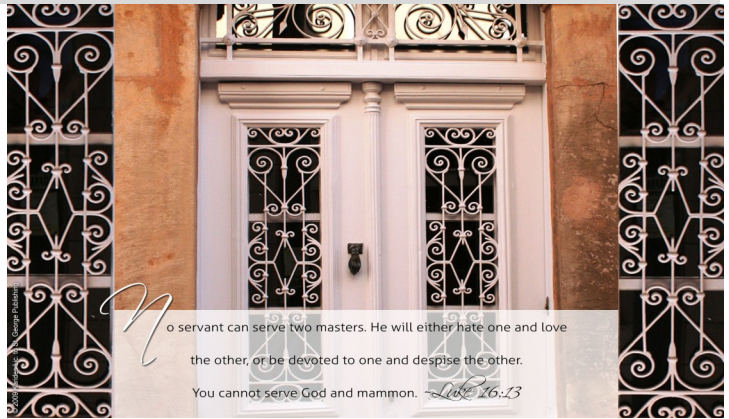
8:30 Lysa Lebherz Benton RIP

9:30 Frank Deamato RIP

10:30 Paul & Annmarie Aveni RIP

5:30 John 'Charlie' Sullivan RIP

(Red) St. Ann by the Sea Church
(Blue) Our Lady of the Assumption Church

**Offertory Collections: Weekly (Aug.31st)**

OLA \$3140. O/L \$1400. Total: \$4540.

SAS \$4188. O/L \$1106. Total: \$5294.

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

Click on the Online Giving picture to go directly to the online giving webpage, or visit <https://www.osvhub.com/olamarshfield>

**ST. ANN - ONLINE GIVING**

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**Last Weekend: MISSION APPEAL**

OLA \$2,699. SAS \$2,809.

Thank you for your support !

**This week's special collection is for the Clergy Trust.**

This collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. These priests have given their lives to faithfully serve Christ, the Church, and you.

Please be generous to this important collection. For more information, please visit www.clergytrust.org

**First Friday of the month
STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

October 3rd from 3:00-3:30pm

Our Lady of the Assumption Church

**FORMED PROGRAM****IS AVAILABLE TO PARISHIONERS**To access the site, go to www.formed.org.*Something for Everyone!***Public Square Rosary****Fatima Miracle of the Sun Anniversary****October 11th, 2025 12noon—1:00PM**

What: The Holy Rosary

Where: 1055 Commonwealth Ave., Boston

(Planned Parenthood front sidewalk)

In *The Secret of the Rosary*, St. Louis de Montfort said: "Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, and Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Ghost, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering."



Churches are open daily (except Thursdays)

for day visits, adoration,
quiet reflection and prayer.

By Dr. Scott Hahn



ST. PAUL CENTER
FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

Prudent Stewards

The steward in today's Gospel confronts the reality that he can't go on living the way he has been. He is under judgment, must give account for what he has done.

The exploiters of the poor in today's First Reading are also about to be pulled down, thrust from their stations (see Isaiah 22:19). Servants of mammon or money, they're so in love with wealth that they reduce the poor to objects, despise the new moons and sabbaths - the observances and holy days of God (see Leviticus 23:24; Exodus 20:8).

Their only hope is to follow the steward's path. He is no model of repentance. But he makes a prudent calculation - to use his last hours in charge of his master's property to show mercy to others, to relieve their debts.

He is a child of this world, driven by a purely selfish motive - to make friends and be welcomed into the homes of his master's debtors. Yet his prudence is commended as an example to us, the children of light (see 1 Thessalonians 5:5; Ephesians 5:8). We too must realize, as the steward does, that what we have is not honestly ours, but what in truth belongs to another, our Master.

All the mammon in the world could not have paid the debt we owe our Master. So He paid it for us, gave His life as a ransom for all, as we hear in today's Epistle.

God wants everyone to be saved, even kings and princes, even the lovers of money (see Luke 16:14). But we cannot serve two Masters. By his grace, we should choose to be, as we sing in today's Psalm - "servants of the Lord."

We serve Him by using what He has entrusted us with to give alms, to lift the lowly from the dust and dunghills of this world. By this we will gain what is ours, be welcomed into eternal dwellings, the many mansions of the Father's house (see John 14:2).

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

God knows we are trying...

SURVIVING LOSS ~ A JOURNEY TO HEALING

Have you had a loss such as, the loss of a spouse, a parent, a family member, a friend, a child, a job, financial loss, health challenges? You are invited to come for sharing and healing in a prayerful small group setting at Our Lady of Assumption. Meetings held on Wednesday's from 1-2pm at OLA's parish hall. They meet on the first Wednesday of every month. **Next meeting is October 8th!**

Facilitators of the group are Catherine Rein (rein@olamarshfield.org) and Pamela Hulme (pamhulme@hotmail.com) for questions.

20th, ANNUAL, GLOBAL LAY FAST FOR PRIESTS

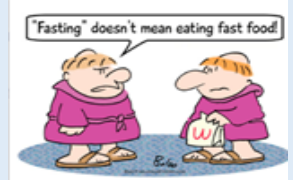
"Prayer united with sacrifice is the most powerful for human history..." St. John Paul II

Date: Saturday, October 18, 2025

Time: Dawn until 3PM Place: Wherever you are

Day of fasting and prayer for our priests—past, present & future.

Sign up at: www.annaprae.com or on Facebook @ "Lay Fast for Priests 2025"



You are invited...



**Eucharist & Blessing of Roses
In honor of Saint Therese.**

Sunday, September 28th, 2pm

Celebrant and Homilist: Rev. Micael Berry, OCD

Carmelite Monastery Chapel

61 Mount Pleasant Ave, Boston, Ma. 02119

All are invited. **Blessed Roses Distributed After Mass.**

CarmelitesofBoston.org

"But there was no room at the inn"; the inn is the gathering place of public opinion; so often public opinion locks its doors to the King. Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

F.F.F. Classes have begun...

Have you signed up ??

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



Prayer Shawl Ministry: A group gathers at St. Ann Parish Hall on the 2nd Saturday of the month from 10-11am. New members are most welcome to join them. Contact Judy Hill 781-837-5139 for more details.

Marshfield Food Pantry You may bring your donations/or receive aid at the Food Pantry at Library Plaza on

Tuesdays and Fridays from 10am to 12 noon and
Weds. evening from 6:30 to 8:30pm.

Monetary donations may be sent to PO Box 1097,
Marshfield, MA. 02050. Thank you!



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...



All Are Invited...

Mass of Thanksgiving...

Parishioners are invited to attend Fr. Will's Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated at each parish.

SAS: October 4th, 4pm Mass w/reception.

OLA: October 5th, 10:30AM Mass w/reception

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.



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.

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

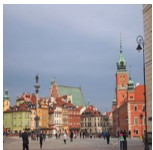
Pilgrimage To Poland

WHEN: September 7-15, 2026.

Visit: www.2026tours.com/conlon.

Booking Code: DC090726

- Two nights in Warsaw
- One night in Czestochowa
- Four nights in Krakow



Visit our Web page for full itinerary.

This month, the **Rosary in the Park** will take place on Saturday, September 20th at 12 noon, in front of the Marshfield Police Station. Join Us!

Pray the Rosary Daily

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 event 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 Note Dame Spirituality Center, Ipswich

Visit: www.bostoncursillo.org or email

bostoncursillo@gmail.com

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*. Fall 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

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

All couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, or 50th wedding anniversaries or another special milestone are invited to a special Mass on Sunday, October 26th at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston. Couples will renew their marriage commitment and receive a special blessing. To register, please visit <https://bit.ly/WeddingAnniversaryMass2025>. Family and friends are



invited to attend. For additional information and registration, please email Emily Elliott at marriageprep@rcab.org or call 617-746-5756.

The Real Presence of Christ

By the power of the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the proclamation of God's Word, in the Eucharistic assembly, in the person of the priest, but above all and in a wholly unique manner in the Eucharist. "This presence is called 'real'—by which is not intended to exclude the other types of presence as if they could not be 'real' too, but because it is presence in the fullest sense: that is to say, it is a substantial presence by which Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present" (CCC, no. 1374, citing Pope Paul VI, *Mystery of Faith*, no. 39).

Since the Middle Ages, the change of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ has been called "transubstantiation." This means that the substance of the bread and wine is changed into the substance of the Body and Blood of Christ. The appearances of bread and wine remain (color, shape, weight, chemical composition), but the underlying reality—that is, the substance—is now the Body and Blood of Christ.

The Real Presence of Jesus Christ endures in the consecrated elements even after the Mass is ended. Once Communion has been distributed, any remaining hosts are placed in the tabernacle. If any of the Precious Blood remains, it is reverently consumed. The hosts are reserved to provide Communion for the sick, Viaticum (Communion

for the dying), and to allow the faithful to worship Christ in the reserved Sacrament and to pray in his presence. As a sign of adoration, Latin Catholics genuflect to the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the tabernacle or genuflect or kneel when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for prayer. Eastern Catholics show their reverence by a profound bow rather than a genuflection: "It is for this reason the tabernacle should be located in an especially worthy place in the Church and should

be constructed in such a way that it emphasizes and manifests the truth of the real presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament" (CCC, no. 1379).



With the passage of time, reverent reflection led the Church to enrich its Eucharistic devotion. Faith that Jesus is truly present in the Sacrament led believers to worship Christ dwelling with us permanently in the Sacrament. Wherever the Sacrament is, there is Christ, who is our Lord and our God. Such worship is expressed in many ways: in genuflection, in adoration of the Eucharist, and in the many forms of Eucharistic devotion that faith has nourished.

The Eucharistic Liturgy contains the entire treasure of the Church since it makes present the Paschal Mystery, the central event of salvation. Eucharistic adoration and devotion flow from and lead to the Eucharistic Liturgy, the Mass.

Saint Pio of Pietrelcina “Padre Pio”

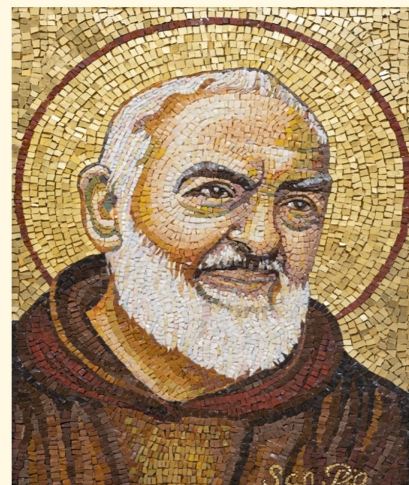
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FEAST DAY — SEPTEMBER 23

Francesco Forgione was born in the Italian farming village of Pietrelcina on May 25, 1887. He was one of seven children. By age five, Francesco had already dedicated his life to God. He helped take care of his family's flock of sheep until age ten. Then, as a requirement for joining the Capuchin order, he received private tutoring, to make up for the time he had spent shepherding, rather than in school. At age fifteen, he joined the Order of Friars Minor, taking the name “Pio.”

As a Capuchin Franciscan friar, he experienced both physical illness and spiritual battles, but persevering, he was ordained a priest in 1910. Due to poor health, he stayed mostly with his family until 1916, when he was required to return to the friary.

During World War I, he was drafted to serve in the Italian army in the medical corps in 1914/5, and again in 1917. Both times, illness prevented him from continuing in the service; the second time, he was given a permanent discharge. When he left the service, he returned to the friary of San Giovanni Rotondo, where he remained for the duration of his life.



Friar Pio became known to many as Padre Pio. He bore the stigmata, or wounds of Christ, invisibly from the time of his ordination in 1910 and visibly from 1918. The Vatican investigated the authenticity of his stigmata, and his ministry of prayer and healing, beginning in 1921. As his renown grew, so did persecution. In 1922, various restrictions were placed on his ministry, including being forbidden from giving blessings to the faithful. In 1931, he was forbidden from publicly celebrating Mass, hearing confessions, and receiving visitors. This ban was lifted by the Pope Pius XI in 1933, and Padre Pio was allowed to gradually resume public ministry.

Padre Pio is known for being a gifted confessor, his efficacious intercessory prayer, and other mystical gifts associated with his religious life. Under the direction of Padre Pio, in 1947, construction began to build a hospital to treat patients at San Giovanni Rotondo, using science along with faith and prayer. Shortly before his death in 1968, the stigmata disappeared. He was canonized in 2002 by St. John Paul II. Pope Francis has called Padre Pio an “apostle of the confessional.”



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Pilot Bulletins

Saint Matthew, Apostle

FIRST CENTURY

FEAST DAY — SEPTEMBER 21

One of the Twelve Apostles, this tax collector is called Matthew in one Gospel (Mt 9:9) and Levi in two others (Mk 2:14 and Lk 5:27). Scripture scholars believe they are the same man because the call and shared meal with Jesus are similar in all three accounts. He sometimes is credited with writing the Gospel of Matthew, but most scholars think this unlikely. And there is no evidence for early church traditions that Matthew evangelized in Judea, Parthia or Ethiopia, or that he was martyred in Persia.

As Jesus passed by, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post. He said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him. While he was at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat with Jesus and his disciples. The Pharisees saw this and said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” He heard this and said, “Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. Go and learn the meaning of the words, I desire mercy, not sacrifice. I did not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

- Matthew 9:9-13



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