



# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

John 14:6

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*"As a Roman Catholic faith community, we seek to follow the example of St. Veronica who carried the image of Christ always with her. Through fellowship, service and acts of mercy we walk as disciples in Christ's mission together seeking an ever-deeper relationship with God through prayer, education, sacraments, and the celebration of the Eucharist."*

Dear Saint Veronica Parishioners,

Happy Easter! The Lord has been raised from the dead, Alleluia!!! We are within the midst of our Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Christ is risen! Christ is alive! Remember to keep wishing people a Happy Easter during these 50 days!

The Gospel Readings for the last number of weeks since Easter have been all about the Resurrection of Jesus. Today's Gospel takes us back to the Last Supper Discourse before Jesus died and rose. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He also shared with His disciples that He "is the way, the truth, and the life." Jesus makes the connection between Himself and His Father, and His works and His Father's works. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father. Jesus will reveal the Trinity in the passage that follows today's Gospel. The Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus. Jesus promised his disciples and us that because of our faith in him and in the Father, we too will be able to do the work of the Father as Jesus did. May we pray that we will, in fact, do the work of the Father as Jesus did in our daily lives!

This Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrated First Holy Communion for half of our First Communion Students. Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating the second half of our First Communion Students for our Second Graders. Please keep them in prayer as they come forward to receive Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist. May they always have a hunger for the Bread of Life!

Please keep our Confirmation Students in your prayers this coming Saturday as they participate in an all-day Retreat in preparation for their upcoming Confirmation. Pray that the Lord send His Spirit to them in a special way to enliven their faith and be committed to the Lord as faithful followers.

**Farewell to our Seminarian Deacon John Ippolito.** Deacon John has been with us since last fall. This is his last weekend with us. He leaves us this weekend to return to his home Archdiocese of New York, NY. While there before his Ordination,

he will participate in a 5-day "Canonical Retreat." That is a Retreat that anyone preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Orders (as a Deacon, Priest, or Bishop) needs accomplish before Ordination. After his Retreat, he and his Archdiocesan classmate will be Ordained Priests on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. His Ordination will be live streamed on the website for the Archdiocese of New York, please feel free to watch and pray on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Once he is Ordained and finds out where his First Assignment as a Priest will be, we will let you know so you may wish to send him a congratulatory card. Please keep him in prayer and wish him well this weekend when you see him. *Ad multos annos* Deacon John!!! That is a Latin phrase meaning "towards many years" or "for many years," frequently used as a celebratory toast or wish for longevity, health, and prosperity. It acts as a formal "many happy returns," often used in Catholic liturgies, ordinations, anniversaries, and birthdays.



This year's *Catholic Appeal* theme, *Together We Are One*, is a reminder of our communion in the Lord Jesus Christ and our call to be united as the Body of Christ. Our diverse and complex Archdiocese is a family of faith with a shared mission to spread the Gospel. I am pleased to share that **our parish has raised 77% of our goal.** (\$73,972 toward our 2026 Catholic Appeal goal of \$96,000). Our heartfelt thanks to all who have helped make our campaign a success so far. If you have not had the opportunity to support the Appeal yet, I invite you to make your gift today to help us reach our goal. Pick up an envelope in your pew or make an on-line donation at [www.bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org). Your participation in our Appeal is appreciated by our parish and all those who are served by the ministries funded by the Appeal that put faith into action to support all of our parishes, schools, and communities. Thank you.

Let us pray for each other. God bless,  
Father Mahoney

*“Welcome to St Veronica Parish. Here we are all invited to grow in our relationship with God and to know God’s presence through faith, hope, love and ministry.”*

# MASS Intentions

## Saturday, May 2

9:00 am **St. Margaret (Communion Service)**  
 Mariann Zenitz Jones 4th Anniversary

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**  
 Katherine Pasquariello Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**  
 John Keene Memorial  
 Robert Giglio Memorial  
 John J. Joyce, Jr. Birthday Memorial  
 Thomas Manning 2nd Anniversary

## Wednesday, May 6

9:00 am **St. Malachy**  
 Clair & Mark Bren Memorial

## Thursday, May 7

9:00 am **St. Margaret Church**  
 Bernard Vient Memorial

## Friday, May 8

9:00 am **St. Malachy Church**

## Sunday, May 3

8:00 am **St. Margaret**  
 Maria Angelina Costa Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**  
 Virginia & Giuseppe Albanese Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**  
 Peter Rabazzi Memorial

## Saturday, May 9

9:00 am **St. Margaret (Communion Service)**  
 Richard, Noreen & Kevin Hanafin  
 and John & Helen Ferren Memorial

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**  
 Joanne DeWitt Anniversary

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**  
 Thomas Murphy, The Murphy & Sinagra  
 Families and Lillian & Frank Campagna  
 Memorial

## Monday, May 4

9:00 am **St. Malachy**

## Tuesday, May 5

9:00 am **St. Margaret**  
 The Higgins Family Memorial

## Sunday, May 10

8:00 am **St. Margaret**  
 Charlie & Rose Hanafin Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**  
 John Gannon Birthday Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**  
 Claire Putnicki Memorial

## READINGS, SAINTS, OBSERVANCES 2026

<b>SUNDAY</b> May 3	<b>5th Sunday of Easter</b> Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12
<b>MONDAY</b> May 4	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
<b>TUESDAY</b> May 5	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> May 6	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
<b>THURSDAY</b> May 7	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
<b>FRIDAY</b> May 8	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10+12/Jn 15:12-17
<b>SATURDAY</b> May 9	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
<b>SUNDAY</b> May 10	<b>6th Sunday of Easter</b> Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Pilot Bulletins

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Our cribbage tournament is back!! On Saturday, May 30th at St. Malachy Church hall. The doors will open at 6:00pm and the tournament starts at 6:30pm.

There will be a Cribbage Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 5th at 7:00pm in the St. Malachy Conference Room. All are welcome!

**ST VERONICA PARISH  
FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**Weekend of April 26 2026**  
**Envelopes & In Church: \$10,109**  
**Online: \$4,297**  
**TOTAL: \$14,406**

**Weekly Budget \$16,153**  
**Income \$14,406**  
**Deficit -\$1,747**  
**Month to Date: \$49,130**

**Building Fund**  
**Envelopes & In Church: \$106**  
**Online: \$474**  
**TOTAL: \$580**

**THE PRAYER HOPE LINE:  
781-273-HOPE (4673)**

Are you or someone you know in need of a prayer? Do you know someone who is ill or perhaps suffering with an emotional problem? Give a call to the **Prayer Hope Line at 781-273-4673**. When you call, listen to the prayer and then state your personal request, for example: ‘Kindly pray for John who has cancer’ or ‘Pray for Mary who is having surgery’, etc. Please do not leave full names or phone numbers on the Prayer Hope Line. Members of the Catholic parish communities in Burlington will be honored to include your intentions in their prayers.

*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. (Colossians 4:2)*

**THE BAPTISM  
MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP**

After over 10 years of overseeing the Baptism Ministry, Andrea Lamb has decided to step down. We are grateful to her for her compassion and care over the years. We are in need of one or two parishioners to take her place in providing assistance to families and clergy for the sacrament of baptism. This is a beautiful way to welcome our youngest members into the faith. Your commitment would be once or twice a month on Sunday afternoon. If you are interested in getting more information please call 781-272-3111.

**IT’S CORI TIME ONCE AGAIN!!!**

Every year the Archdiocese of Boston asks that ALL volunteers MUST complete a CORI form. Part of the form is to include the last 6 digits of your Social Security number. So, if you volunteer in any capacity please go to either rectory during business hours to fill out this year’s CORI. If you are associated with Religious Education and filled out a CORI for this past school year you do not need to fill out the form at this time. Thank you.



**St. Veronica’s  
Mothers’ Day  
Project Baby**

Heartbeat, here at St. Veronica’s Parish, helps expectant Moms by providing counseling, clothing, carriages and all other items needed for the health and comfort of these new babies. When the need arises, they also provide clothing for older children. Each year at Mothers’ Day, we ask our parishioners to help Heartbeat by donating some of these items. If you would like to help Heartbeat tags listing baby items will be available at high chair on the altar at St Margaret church and at all the doors at both churches.

Please purchase the item listed on the tag and return it to the altar or crying room at St. Margaret church or to the conference room at St. Malachy church.



Thanks to the great group of women and men (about 40!) who joined us in April to hear Deacon John Ippolito's presentation on *Suffering*. It was an information and engaging discussion. We are so grateful for Deacon John and will miss him very much when he departs from St. Veronica's Parish to be ordained a Priest! Mark your calendars for our next gathering on **Thursday, May 21 at 6:30pm at St. Malachy's Church Hall** (downstairs from the Chapel). For now, the May gathering will be back to women, only. But please come back here for updates, as details are subject to change. Any questions, feel free to reach out to Laurie at 617-680-4448.

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION MAY 7TH

Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Thursday, May 7th in the chapel at St. Malachy's Church from 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm. No advance sign up will be necessary; spend as little or as much time as you want. Please park in the back parking lot and access the chapel by the rear door of the church.

Please note: Adoration is taking place a week earlier than normal because of the Holy Day of Obligation (Ascension) the following week.

### Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Led by Cantor Chuck Carnell, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be sung at 3:00 pm.

### Benediction

The evening will close with Benediction.

### What to do during Eucharistic Adoration

The primary purpose of Adoration is right there in the name of the act: to adore the One present to us in the Eucharist. Remember that you don't actually have to *do* anything. The greatest gift God gives us is himself, and Adoration is another way for us to recognize that gift outside of receiving the Eucharist at Mass. So, don't overthink it. Just receive the gift.

Here are a few suggestions:

- Small prayer booklets which can be used to help during your meditation will be available. These may be picked up as you enter the chapel.
- Pray in any way that's meaningful to you.
- Pray the rosary. To contemplate the mysteries of Jesus' life in the rosary is to contemplate the mystery of the Eucharist given to us and the Blessed Sacrament we praise in Adoration. So, pairing these prayers is a great habit to get into.
- Read from Holy Scripture.
- Just sit there - receive the gift of Christ in the Eucharist and be at peace in the presence of Our Lord.

### Guidelines for Adoration

- Adoration is a time for quiet meditation and prayer. Please remain silent while in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.
- Genuflect when entering or leaving a pew and if crossing in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

We plan to have Adoration on the second Thursday of every month, although, in some cases, it may be on a different day.

Please join us in this most important devotion to Our Lord. Rest for a while in the presence of Jesus. Let him fill you with his peace, grace, and love.



## GRADE 2

**First Holy Communion Rehearsal:** 5/15 - 7:00pm  
at St. Malachy Church

**First Holy Communion Mass:** 5/16 - 12:00pm  
at St. Malachy Church

## CONFIRMATION: GRADES 8 & 9

### CONFIRMATION RETREAT:

**MAY 9th 9am - 5pm**

**AT ST. MARGARET SCHOOL**

**CONFIRMATION WILL BE MAY 19th  
AT ST. MARGARET CHURCH**

**Grade 8 at 5:00pm**

**Grade 9 at 7:00pm**

## HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR

5/17/26

**12:00 GRADUATION MASS**

at St. Margaret Church



A group of our young parishioners are making their final preparations to receive Jesus in Holy Eucharist for the first time at the First Communion Masses coming up in May. As a parish, we prayed over them with a special blessing during the April 26th weekend Masses:

*Dear Lord, we thank you and praise you for the most precious gift of the Holy Eucharist. We ask You to bless all those who are preparing to receive Your Body and Blood for the first time. Receiving the Holy Eucharist is a tremendous blessing, and we ask You to help us these children to grow in love for You each day of their lives. Help us all to grow in love for You and always appreciate the great gifts You have given us for our salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



# May: The Month of Mary

“As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us.

Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. (*Lumen Gentium*, no. 53)

“Mary embraces God’s will and freely chooses to cooperate with God’s grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God’s plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, ‘while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has

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pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed’ (*Lumen Gentium*, no. 66). The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.”<sup>1</sup>

“Popular piety dedicates the month of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary.”<sup>2</sup> “Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary deserves special attention because it is such an important part of worship in the United States. The United States of America is under the patronage of the Immaculate Conception.”<sup>3</sup> “The various forms of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary reflect the many different cultures, religious convictions, and popular sensibilities that make up the Church in the United States. Catholic people of all cultures have a deep

love for the Mother of God. They employ many different expressions of that love to show the one faith that characterizes their particular prayer life and spirituality.”<sup>4</sup>

## Notes

- 1 Excerpt from “Why Does Mary Have a Special Role in Helping Us?” *Popular Devotional Practices: Basic Questions and Answers* (Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [USCCB], 2003), no. 7.
- 2 Excerpt from *Essential Guide to Saints and Seasons* (Washington, DC: USCCB, 2013), 127.
- 3 Excerpt from *National Directory for Catechesis* (Washington, DC: USCCB, 2005), 154.
- 4 Excerpt from *National Directory for Catechesis* (Washington, DC: USCCB, 2005), 155.



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15 PERCENT OF ALL MONIES COLLECTED WILL BE GIVEN TO ST. VERONICA PARISH.



# ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

**SATURDAY, MAY 9th, 2026**  
**9:00 AM — 2:00 PM**  
 📍 **St. Margaret Church • Parking Lot**  
**111 Winn Street, Burlington MA**

### What You Can Bring/ Cost to You:

- \$5 EACH** Computer Towers, Laptops, DVD Players, VCR's, Small Printers, Stereos, Radios, Alarm Clocks, Speakers, Video Game Consoles, Table Lamps, Fans, Hair Dryers, Curling Irons, Projectors, Paper Shredders, Power Tools, Drills, Cameras, Clocks, Trophies, Frying Pans, Holiday Lights, Other Small Electronics.
- \$10 EACH** Small Household Appliances, Vacuum Cleaners/RoboVac, Toaster Ovens, Ceiling Fans, Floor Lamps, Air Fryers, Electric Grills, Hot Plates, Small Radiators, Keyboard Pianos, Coffee Makers, Ice Makers, Small Garbage Disposal, Sewing Machines, Car Seats.
- \$20 EACH** Flat Screen Computer Monitors, Microwaves, Dehumidifiers, Air Conditioners, Water Coolers, Large Printers/Copiers, Leaf Blowers, Chainsaws, Heat Lamps, Artificial Christmas Trees, Fire Extinguishers, Propane Tanks (Empty).
- \$25 EACH** TVs up to 26," CRT Monitors, Outdoor Grills, Dorm Sized Refrigerators
- \$30 EACH** TVs between 26" and 35," White Goods, Washing Machines, Dryers, Stoves, Dishwashers, Large Appliances, Large Yard Equipment, Treadmills, Exercise Equipment, Snow Blowers, Lawn Mowers, Rototillers, Large Generators, Motors, Water Tanks
- \$35 EACH** TVs over 36," Large Refrigerators, Ride-On Lawn Mowers.
- \$40 EACH** Projection TVs

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm  
 Sunday 10:00 am

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)**

Friday: 6:00 - 7:00 pm (chapel)

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Saturday: 2:30 - 3:30 pm (lower church)

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