

6th
Sunday of
EASTER

St. Veronica Parish, a publication of
St. Malachy & St. Margaret Churches
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THE ADVOCATE

“And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another
Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth.”

John 14:16-17

"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! Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples before he is crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. He will send them the Advocate - the Holy Spirit. It is through the Holy Spirit that the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus. It is through the Holy Spirit that we continue to live in union with Jesus.

Last Saturday we celebrated First Holy Communion for half of our First Communion Students. Next Saturday, May 16, we will be celebrating First Communion for the rest of 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 Saturday they participated 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. They will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation by Bishop Robert Reed on Tuesday, May 19.

Farewell to our Seminarian Deacon John Ippolito. He has already returned to his home Archdiocese of New York, NY and will be Ordained a Priest on May 23rd. His Ordination will be live streamed on the website for the Archdiocese of New York, please feel free to watch and pray on May 23rd. 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. *Ad multos annos* Deacon (almost "Father") John Ippolito!!!

Welcome Fr. John Rowan. Fr. Rowan is a retired Boston Priest who will be celebrating one Mass per weekend for us. He will be on the regular rotation for the 5 weekend Masses. If you consistently worship at the same Mass each weekend, you will see him about once a month. Welcome Fr. Rowan.

Happy Mother's Day! Mother's Day is a holiday honoring motherhood that is observed in different forms throughout the world. In America, Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 to honor her own mother

and all mothers because she believed that they were "the person who has done more for you than anyone in the world". It became an official U.S. holiday in 1914 by President Woodrow Wilson. The Church offers a Blessing for all Mothers: Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Happy Mother's Day!

The Solemnity of The Ascension of the Lord – a Holy Day of Obligation. Ascension Thursday is this Thursday, May 14. Mass will be celebrated at St. Margaret on Thursday morning at 9:00 a.m. and at St. Malachy at 7:00 pm.

Another surgery. I have been waiting for a couple of years to have a second total knee replacement. Now that Fr. Tom is back from his left knee and right hip replacements, I will be having my right knee replaced on Thursday, May 21st. The surgeon said it will take up to 6 weeks to recover, and he is very confident that this knee will recover much easier than my last knee that was very much compromised because of the many previous surgeries over the years. Please God that is the case.

2026 Catholic Appeal

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**. (\$74,022 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. 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 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

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

Monday, May 11

9:00 am **St. Malachy**

Tuesday, May 12

9:00 am **St. Margaret**
Paul O’Meara Memorial

Wednesday, May 13

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
Manuel & Auzenda Alberto Memorial

Thursday, May 14

The Ascension of The Lord
9:00 am **St. Margaret Church**
7:00 pm **St. Malachy Church**

Friday, May 15

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

Saturday, May 16

9:00 am **St. Margaret (Communion Service)**
Margaret Hanafin & Catherine Blood
Memorial

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
Anibal Jesus Castro Anniversary

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Joseph & Arlene Lefebvre Memorial

Sunday, May 17

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Paul Barnes Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Robert & Mary Laffin
and Eleanor Ackerman Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret, Graduation Mass**
The Braceland & Lombardi Families
Memorial



Funeral services were celebrated recently for
John Cardarelli & Paul McGinn
Kindly include them and their families
in your prayers.
Thank you.

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. Registration forms are available at the doors of both churches. The last day to register will be May 29.

**ST VERONICA PARISH
FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Weekend of May 3, 2026

Envelopes & In Church: \$11,373

Online: \$5,948

TOTAL: \$17,321

Income \$17,321

Weekly Budget \$16,153

Surplus \$1,168

Month to Date: \$17,321

Building Fund

Envelopes & In Church: \$523

Online: \$358

TOTAL: \$881

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION

This weekend, **May 9 & 10**, there will be a second collection for the Building Fund. This fund is vital in keeping our buildings and surrounding grounds clean and up to date. Please consider either donating in church or go to our web site www.stveronicama.org and donate online. Thank you in advance.

**Please make your checks out to
St Veronica Parish.**

A society without mothers would be a dehumanized society, for mothers are always, even in the worst moments, witnesses of tenderness, dedication and moral strength.

—Pope Francis, January 7, 2015



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 as he has departed 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.

**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 prayer hope line team is in need of more helpers. Your commitment would about 1/2 per day for 1 week per month and could be done from your home. If you are interested please call 781-272-



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 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

**HAPPY FIRST ANNIVERSARY TO
OUR BELOVED POPE!**



**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.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church.

Bless our mother. Let the example of her faith and love shine forth.

Grant that we, her family, may honor her always with a spirit of profound respect.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Thursday, May 14

The Ascension of The Lord

9:00 am St. Margaret Church

7:00 pm St. Malachy Church



Please pray for the Following students who received their First Communion on May 2, 2026.

*Ethan Dobbins
Kevin Bergeron
Nora Orfanos
Briar Hrono
Callie Sicari*

*Peyton Kenney
Isabelle Harrison
MacKenzie Hyduk
Abigail DeCoste
Jack DeCoste*

*Mackenzie Ganley
Grace Mullen
Caydence Costa
Joseph Gillis
Jorge Trelegan*

*Lainey McConnell
Nolan Brady
Luke Cella
Sophie DeLeon
Juliana Riley*





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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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Monday - Friday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am; and 12:00 pm

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 9:00 am

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
(CONFESSIONS)**

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

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EMAIL LIST

If would like to receive St. Veronica emails please
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stveronica@stveronicaparish.org



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