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# *Pentecost*

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Dear Saint Veronica Parishioners,

Jesus Christ is Risen, Alleluia!!! Alleluia!!! The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. Pentecost Sunday is also known as the Birthday of the Church, so Happy Birthday everyone! On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work. He is with us always. We need to let it sink in, because it can seem almost too good to be true. If we think about the Spirit with us wherever we go, wherever we are, it can make a day brighter. It can make a whole life brighter. Share that Good News with someone else.


Last Saturday we celebrated First Communion for the rest of our Second Graders. Please keep them in prayer as they continue to come forward to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. May they always have a hunger for the Bread of Life!

Last Saturday Archbishop Richard G. Henning ordained five men to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Boston. The 2026 ordination class includes Reverend Fathers Javier Padilla, Diego Pena, Johnathan Saniuk, Giris Azize, and Steve Baruffi. You will remember "Deacon G (Giris)" spent last summer with us here in Burlington as part of his formation to the Priesthood. Fr. Giris has been assigned to St. Julia Parish in Weston and Lincoln. Congratulations to the Newly Ordained Priests.

Please keep our Confirmation Students in your prayers. Last Tuesday they received the Sacrament of Confirmation by Bishop Robert Reed. Pray that the Lord continue to send His Spirit to them in a special way to enliven their faith and be committed to the Lord as faithful followers.

**Another surgery.** As you read this article, I would have had my right knee replaced this past Thursday. The surgeon said it will take 4 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. I appreciate your prayers. Please pray for Fr. Tom Stanton as he ministers here alone during my absence.!!!

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



MEMORIAL DAY

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On this Memorial Day, we offer a prayer for those who died in service to our country.

In your hands, O Lord,  
we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.  
In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest.  
The old order has passed away:  
welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.  
Amen

Together we are **One**  
ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON | CATHOLIC APPEAL

### 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 79% of our goal**. (\$76,213 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.

*“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 23**

9:00 am **St. Margaret (Communion Service)**  
 Michael Carella                      6th Anniversary  
 & Carmela Carella                      Memorial

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**  
 Kenneth Drinkwater    Birthday Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**  
 Ann, George & Steven Martin  
 and the Melino Family                      Memorial

**Sunday, May 24**

8:00 am **St. Margaret**  
 Doris Sullivan                      16th Anniversary

10:00 am **St. Malachy**  
 Cindy Sullivan                      Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**  
 Robert Rigby                      Memorial

**Monday, May 25**

9:00 am **St. Malachy**

**Tuesday, May 26**

9:00 am **St. Margaret**  
 Deborah Fehr

**Wednesday, May 27 (Communion Service)**

9:00 am **St. Malachy**  
 Thomas Murphy                      Memorial

**Thursday, May 28 (Communion Service)**

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

**Friday, May 29**

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

**Saturday, May 30**

9:00 am **St. Margaret (Communion Service)**

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**  
 William Young                      20th Anniversary

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**  
 Donald Glasser                      Memorial  
 & Polly Glasser                      Birthday Memorial

**Sunday, May 31**

8:00 am **St. Margaret**  
 Joseph Lefebvre                      Birthday Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**  
 Robert & Eleanor Mitchell                      Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**  
 David P. LeBlanc                      19th Anniversary

A funeral Mass was celebrated recently for  
**Donna Donovan**  
 Kindly include her and her family  
 in your prayers.  
 Thank you.

In observance of Memorial Day our offices will be closed on Monday, May 25th.

**SAINTS & OBSERVANCES 2026 YEAR A**

<b>SUNDAY</b> May 24	Pentecost
<b>MONDAY</b> May 25	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church Memorial Day
<b>TUESDAY</b> May 26	Saint Philip Neri, Priest
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> May 27	Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
<b>THURSDAY</b> May 28	Thursday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
<b>FRIDAY</b> May 29	Saint Paul VI, Pope
<b>SATURDAY</b> May 30	Saturday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
<b>SUNDAY</b> May 31	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity



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. Registration fee is \$25.00

## ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

### Weekend of May 17, 2026

**Envelopes & In Church: \$12,002**  
**Online: \$4,452**  
**TOTAL: \$16,454**

<b>Income</b>	<b>\$16,454</b>
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b><u>\$16,153</u></b>
<b>Surplus</b>	<b>\$301</b>

**Month to Date: \$47,232**

**Building Fund**  
**Envelopes & In Church: \$425**  
**Online: \$494**  
**TOTAL: \$919**

**Ascension Thursday**  
**Envelopes & In Church: \$927**  
**TOTAL: \$927**

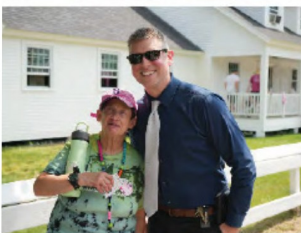
## COLLECTION FOR SEMINARIANS

This week's second collection supports the formation and training of seminarians in the Archdiocese of Boston for future service as priests. We are blessed that many are responding to the call to serve as priests. Please be generous and support these seminarians on their journey toward their ordination to the priesthood. For more information, please visit [www.VocationsBoston.org](http://www.VocationsBoston.org).

## 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**.

*The Hope Line team is in need of more helpers. Your commitment would about 1/2 hour per day for 1 week per month and could be done from your home. If you are interested please call 781-272-3111.*



# Special Needs Week at Camp Fatima is hiring counselors for the summer!

**Join us for a week that makes a difference!**

Since 1979, Camp Fatima's Special Needs Week has offered a unique opportunity to support and uplift campers with developmental and intellectual disabilities in a joyful, caring, and faith-based setting. We are looking for compassionate, energetic, and dedicated individuals—both men and women—who are excited to be mentors, friends, and leaders during this unforgettable week.

No experience is necessary – all staff receive training upon arrival as a community and new counselors are paired with experienced counselors who are already familiar with many of our campers.

**Session One:** June 13th – June 20th | **Session Two:** August 15th – August 22nd

**Gilmanton Ironworks, NH | Volunteering | Ages 16+**

**Learn More:** <https://bfcamp.com> or call (603)931-5500

**Apply Today:** [bfcamp.campbrainstaff.com](https://bfcamp.campbrainstaff.com)

Congratulations to our students who completed twelve years of religious education – Michael Brosnan, Grace Davison, Olivia DiRienzo, Charlie Hanafin and Paige Mahoney. We are very proud of your devotion and commitment to continuing your religious education. Olivia DiRienzo is this year’s recipient of the John E. and Tina Braceland Memorial Scholarship & Michael Brosnan is this year’s recipient of the Camille M. and Joe Presti Memorial Scholarship. These awards are provided by the Braceland and Presti Families who have been members of St. Veronica Parish for more than half a century. Grace Davison and Paige Mahoney are both recipients of a St. Veronica Religious Education scholarship. Nathan Gill, Kaitlyn Lambert and Grayson Reidy are this year’s recipients of the St. Veronica Parish Scholarship in recognition of their volunteer work in parish ministries.



Please pray for the Following students who received their  
First Communion on May 16, 2026.

<i>Teagan Anderson</i>	<i>Anthony Campagna</i>	<i>Jax Damaso</i>
<i>Tess Ingersoll</i>	<i>Mia Mossali</i>	<i>Nicholas Scaltreto</i>
<i>Reese Bennett</i>	<i>Alexandra Collins</i>	<i>Ian DeLorenzo</i>
<i>Peyton Kenney</i>	<i>Sebastian Nutter</i>	<i>Matthew Thornton</i>
<i>Camila Cacciola</i>	<i>Aubrey Costa</i>	<i>Ryleigh Gallant</i>
<i>Lauriel Lin</i>	<i>Connor Perreault</i>	<i>Jack Yañez</i>
<i>Shea Callahan</i>	<i>Braeden Costa</i>	
<i>Benjamin Mirabella</i>	<i>John Perreault</i>	





**PARISH CLERGY**

<b>Rev. James M Mahoney</b>	<b>Pastor</b>
<b>Rev Thomas J. Stanton</b>	<b>Parochial Vicar</b>
<b>Deacon Dick Bilotta</b>	<b>Senior Deacon</b>
<b>Deacon Jack Minch</b>	<b>Deacon</b>
<b>Rev. Kingsley Chima Mbam</b>	<b>Weekend Assistant</b>
<b>Rev. Paul Sullivan</b>	<b>Weekend Assistant</b>
<b>Rev. John Rowan</b>	<b>Weekend Assistant</b>

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<b>Cynthia McNamara</b>	<b>Diane Reale</b>
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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)

**Saint Margaret Church**

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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)

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

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[stveronica@stveronicaparish.org](mailto:stveronica@stveronicaparish.org)



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