

# 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Everyone who acknowledges me before others  
I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. Matthew 10:32



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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,

## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MAHONEY

On this 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them – AND US. Sunday's Gospel is encouraging. Jesus says, "Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid." That having been said, many of us are afraid, even though God loves us in our tiniest details. Throughout the ages the Lord through Scripture has said, "Do not be afraid." God said to Abram, "Do not be afraid, I am your shield." God said to the prophets, "Do not be afraid, I am with you." The angel speaking on behalf of God said to Mary, "Do not be afraid." Jesus said to the apostles in the Upper Room, "Do not be afraid," and gave them the Holy Spirit. The Lord said to Paul, "Do not be afraid." Jesus said to all his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock." Fear is a powerful factor in everyone's life, but it doesn't have to cripple us. The Gospel essentially says: Don't be afraid; it may very well happen, but when it does happen you will not be destroyed! No matter how few hairs you have on your head, God's love does not go away. Receive it. Be reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us always. It is a wonderful truth to be reflected upon.

May we accept Gods Blessings always.

*Fr. Thomas Stanton*

I want to say a word of Thanks to all who have sent healing cards, Mass Cards, and other calls and notes to wish me well after my total knee replacement. The same is true with all the people who wished me a Happy Anniversary on my Priestly Ordination last week. I am truly overwhelmed with your generosity and prayerful concern. Fr. Tom visited me at my home and brought me all the cards and messages. And since then I have stopped into the Parish to pick up more mail and return some phone calls before I return in another week or so. I am truly grateful to all who have been so supportive. May God bless you all. Since I have been away, I have offered many Masses for the Parish and your Intentions. I have also prayed for all those whose Funeral Masses were celebrated in my absence.

This is Father's Day Weekend. Happy Father's Day to all the Dads, Step-Dads and God-Fathers in our parish and you families. Please know of my prayers for you. And please say a Happy Father's Day to Fr. Tom. Please also wish him a Happy Anniversary for his Ordination. This Monday, June 22, he is celebrating 35 years as a priest. He has done a remarkable job covering everything at the parish during my time away.

God bless you all.

*“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, June 20**

- 9:00 am **St. Margaret**  
William Pascoli Memorial
- 4:00 pm **St. Malachy**  
Brenda Downer 4th Anniversary
- 4:30 pm **St. Margaret**  
Rose & Charlie Hanafin and All Deceased Members of The Hanafin and Farrow Families Memorial

**Sunday, June 21**

- 8:00 am **St. Margaret**  
Roswell Daly, Paul O’Meara & Henry O’Meara Memorial
- 10:00 am **St. Malachy**  
Rita Bonugli Anniversary  
& Giovanni Bonugli 5th Anniversary
- 12:00 pm **St. Margaret**  
Richard, Noreen & Kevin Hanafin & John & Helen Ferren Memorial

**Monday, June 22**

- 9:00 am **St. Malachy**  
Joseph C. Keohane 1st Anniversary

**Tuesday, June 23**

- 9:00 am **St. Margaret**  
Donald & Polly Glasser Memorial

**Wednesday, June 24 (Communion Service)**

- 9:00 am **St. Malachy**  
Ryan Gilligan Birthday Memorial

**Thursday, June 25 (Communion Service)**

- 9:00 am **St. Margaret Church**  
Andrew Cortese Anniversary

**Friday, June 26**

- 9:00 am **St. Malachy Church**  
Jerry Krebsbach & Caren Conway Memorial

**Saturday, June 27**

- 9:00 am **St. Margaret**  
Gloria La Noce Birthday Memorial
- 4:00 pm **St. Malachy**  
James Hapenny 3rd Anniversary
- 4:30 pm **St. Margaret**  
Mary Donna Higgins 1st Anniversary

**Sunday, June 28**

- 8:00 am **St. Margaret**  
The Davies & O’Sullivan Families Memorial
- 10:00 am **St. Malachy**  
Joseph Fischenich Anniversary
- 12:00 pm **St. Margaret**  
Leo & Elizabeth Polli Memorial

**READINGS, SAINTS, OBSERVANCES 2026**

<b>SUNDAY</b> June 21	<i>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/ Mt 10:26-33
<b>MONDAY</b> June 22	<i>Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop;</i> <i>Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs</i> 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5
<b>TUESDAY</b> June 23	2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3Ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> June 24	<i>Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist</i> Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab+17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17 Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
<b>THURSDAY</b> June 25	2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-29
<b>FRIDAY</b> June 26	2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Mt 8:1-4
<b>SATURDAY</b> June 27	<i>Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/ Mt 8:5-17
<b>SUNDAY</b> June 28	<i>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42



Funeral Masses were celebrated recently for  
**Claire Boyd, Norman Withey  
& Michael Coates**  
Kindly include them and their families  
in your prayers.  
Thank you.

We had a lively day of baptisms on Sunday, June 14 at St. Margaret Church! Eight babies along with their parents and Godparents celebrated this special event with Deacon Dick Billotta and visiting Priest, Fr. Lee Kwang. We were also blessed to welcome two new volunteers, Marcus Cyr & Sarah Thorton, to help with this vital ministry. Please join us in praying for:

*Sienna Victoria Calicchio  
Hadley Jane Maggio  
Millie Maria McMahon  
Penelope Marie St. Germain*

*Bowen Joseph Groom  
James Pazel McMahon  
Julia Grace Pepin  
& Colin Daniel Walsh*



## ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

### Weekend of June 14, 2026

Envelopes & In Church: \$8,302  
 Online: \$3,064  
**TOTAL: \$11,366**

Weekly Budget \$16,153  
 Income **\$11,366**  
**Deficit -\$4,787**

Month to Date: \$26,907

**Building Fund**  
 Envelopes & In Church: \$4,540  
 Online: \$440  
**TOTAL: \$4,980**

## 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 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.*

## 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION - THIS WEEK

This week’s second collection will be shared by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). These two organizations communicate the Gospel by promoting works of justice, education, and the dignity of human life. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes and will support our local communications needs, such as Catholic TV programing.

For more information about these organizations, please visit:

1. [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd)
2. [www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/catholic-communication-campaign/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/catholic-communication-campaign/index.cfm)

While this collection supports national efforts, a portion of the proceeds are designated for local CCHD grants and parish communication efforts.



## RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK

Beginning June 22, the Feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops celebrates Religious Freedom Week. Join us in promoting religious freedom For the Good of All. All people desire to know their Creator. All people have a natural impulse to seek the good and to live in accordance with that good. All people can flourish when they pursue the truth about God and respond to the truth. Religious freedom means that all people have the space to flourish. Religious freedom is both an American value and an important part of Catholic teaching on human dignity. When we promote religious freedom, we promote the common good and thus strengthen the life of our nation and the community of nations. Learn more at [www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek](http://www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek)

# You are the Wind in Our Sails!



## Please join us for our 5th Annual Open House

Thursday June 25<sup>th</sup>

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

21 Murray Ave, Burlington MA



Light refreshments and snacks served

**Thursday July 16, 4:30-7:30 PM!**  
**Where: Grandview Farm**  
**Cost: \$40 Early Bird Tickets!**  
(Prices increase on July 1)

Scan for tickets:

Appetizers	Beer
Raffles	Wine
Fun!	Spirits!

Variety of vendors & tastings!  
**Help support PHP Programs!**  
 Must be 21+

## TASTE AND SEE PROGRAM



This weekend marks the beginning of our Taste and See Summer Raffle program. Kids in Grades 1-8 can fill out a bright raffle card and put it in the white box (located near the scanners) for a chance to win a \$20 School House Ice Cream gift card. In this raffle everyone truly is a winner, because those at Mass have received the *sweetest* gift of all: Our Lord in the Eucharist.

### 2026-2027 Religious Education Registration

Religious Education Registration is now open for the 2026-2027 Academic Year. Please see our website to register.

[www.stveronicama.org](http://www.stveronicama.org)



### 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 83% of our goal**. (\$79,633 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 .

The Knights of Columbus are proud to announce the addition of three new Fourth Degree Members, Sir Knight Nate Walzer, Sir Knight Kevin Cox and Sir Knight Will Corrigan.

Congratulation on advancing your rank in our Order!

Interested in joining us? Please go to [www.kofc.org/join](http://www.kofc.org/join) or use the QR code below



## Ministries

Interested in helping out? Please look to our Ministry page on our website:

[www.stveronicama.org](http://www.stveronicama.org)

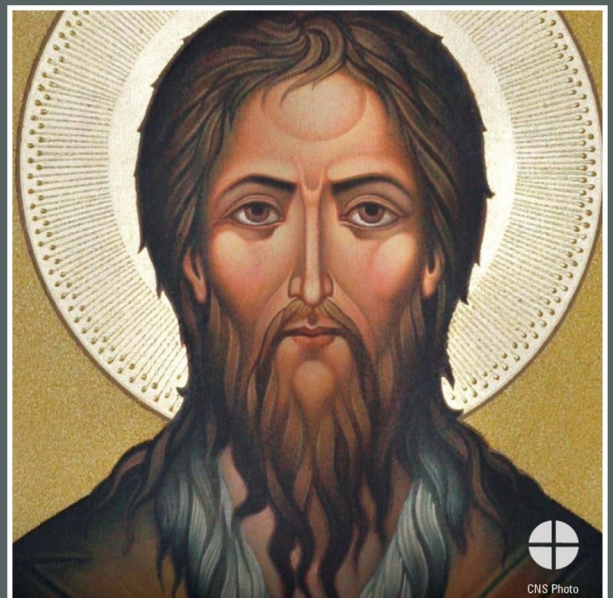
We have plenty of ways for you to get involved, meet new friends and help build a better and stronger parish community.



## Nativity of John the Baptist

FIRST CENTURY  
FEAST DAY: JUNE 24

In the Gospels, John, a kinsman of Jesus through their mothers, preached repentance and baptized to prepare for the Messiah's coming. This feast marks his exceptional birth to the aged priest Zechariah and the equally aged and barren Elizabeth. The angel Gabriel announces his birth in a vision to Zechariah, who hesitates in believing and is struck mute until eight days after John's birth. Then, Zechariah, in a beautiful canticle that ends the first chapter of Luke's Gospel, proclaims that John "will be called prophet of the Most High." John's eventual beheading is commemorated with an Aug. 29 feast. A patron saint of Canada and Jordan, John is also the patron of Florence and the Knights Hospitaller of St. John.



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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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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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