

*St. Veronica Parish, a publication of
St. Malachy & St. Margaret Churches
August 3, 2025*



18TH

SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Seek what is above, where Christ is seated
at the right hand of God. *Colossians 3:1*

The following Mission Statement was created by the Parish Council of St. Veronica Parish.

"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,

Jesus instructs his disciples and the crowd on how to be ready for the coming judgment. Suddenly a man in the crowd shouts out to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." Jesus uses the question to teach what life really consists of. Jesus tells the crowd a parable. In the parable of the rich fool Jesus gives a lesson on using material possessions. His lesson contains a warning to beware of all greed. Jesus restates the commandment to not be greedy, but he also states that a person's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions. In this little parable Jesus probes the heart -- where is your treasure? Treasure has a special connection to the heart, the place of desire and longing, the place of will and focus. The thing we most set our heart on is our highest treasure. What do you treasure most? Lord, free me from all greed and from attachment to possessions. May I wholly desire you as my treasure and portion. Help me to make good use of the material blessings you give me that I may use them generously for your glory and for the good of others.

We are seeing many more young families coming to Church. To the parents of our young children, may we suggest... Relax! God put the wiggle in children, don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Many of us present were once children ourselves. Sit toward the front where it is easier to see and hear. Quietly explain the parts of the Mass. If your child has a question you cannot answer, ask the Priest or the Deacon. Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. At the same time, be at peace with the fact that you might not catch every cue when you're worshipping with your child. Your divided attention is a gift to your child, an investment in his or her future as a person of faith. If your child is having a meltdown or otherwise needs a break, please feel free to take your child out of church. But please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." Remember that the way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, to Christ, and to one another. Let them know that they

are at home in this house of worship. Bring your children to church. ***If you don't hear crying, the church is dying.*** As hard as it might be for you as a parent who's half-asleep, keep on doing what you're doing. You are doing something really, *really* important. I know it's not easy. You are an encouragement, and you're starting off your children's lives as you should.

The Catholic Appeal is going well here in Burlington. Thank you for your efforts! We still have a way to go, but I am confident we will reach our goals. The funding is essential to the running of the Archdiocese. It also supports us at the local parish level. To date we have raised \$77,743. Our financial goal is \$100,300. Our "Assessment Goal" i.e. the Goal we are required to collect is \$81,216. We need to raise \$5,816 to reach our Assessment. If we do not make our Assessment, the Archdiocese will simply take it out of our savings account. Please be generous. Once we make our Assessment, we will receive a refund. We are very close. Thank you to all who have already given.

The Summer Vacation Season is upon us. All of us at St. Veronica Parish hope that you have a restful and enjoyable summer vacation wherever you may find yourself. We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver your weekly envelopes to the Parish Offices while you are out-of-town on vacation. This may be the perfect time for you to sign up for on-line giving.

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



MASS Intentions

Saturday, August 2

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Jake McCauley 1st Anniversary

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
Walter Prince 15th Anniversary

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Mary Donna Higgins Month's Mind
Ann, Peter, Dom & Joan DiRienzo
and Bill & Jon Glynn Memorial
Richard, Noreen
& Kevin Hanafin Memorial

Sunday, August 3

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

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Mary Alyce Bertolami Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Special Intention

Monday, August 4

9:00am **St. Malachy**
Mary, Clarence, Dick & Christine
Westberg and Grace & Santo Patti
Memorial

Tuesday, August 5

9:00 am **St. Margaret**
Mass of Thanksgiving
for St. Theresa of Lisieux

Wednesday, August 6

9:00 am **St. Malachy Church**
Jim Curtin Memorial

Thursday, August 7

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Claire Putnicki Memorial

Friday, August 8

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
Arlene & Joseph Lefebvre Memorial

Saturday, August 9

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Ed MacPhail Memorial

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
George Koon Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Richard Wakely Memorial

Sunday, August 10

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Connie & Margaret Hanafin
and All Dignan's Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
John Groves Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Paul O'Meara Memorial



Funeral Services were recently celebrated for
Marie Claude & Robert Cogliano
Kindly remember them and their families
in your prayers.
Thank you.

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2025 YEAR C

18TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 3	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14+17/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
MONDAY Aug 4	<i>St. John Vianney, priest</i> Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21
TUESDAY Aug 5	<i>The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome</i> Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
WEDNESDAY Aug 6	<i>Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord</i> Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
THURSDAY Aug 7	<i>St. Sixtus II, pope and martyr, and companions, martyrs</i> <i>St. Cajetan, priest</i> Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23
FRIDAY Aug 8	<i>St. Dominic, priest</i> Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16+21/Mt 16:24-28
SATURDAY Aug 9	<i>St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin and martyr</i> Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47+51/Mt 17:14-20
19TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 10	Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1+12, 18-19, 20-22/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Weekend of July 27, 2025

Envelopes & In Church: \$7,494

Online: \$3,159

TOTAL: \$10,653

Weekly Budget \$16,153

Income \$10,653

Deficit \$5,500

Month to Date: \$61,882

St. Veronica Building Fund

Envelopes & In Church: \$556

Online: \$371

TOTAL: \$927

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION

Next weekend, **August 9th/10th**, 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.**



NEW PROCEDURE FOR RECEIVING LOW GLUTEN EUCHARIST

Congregants requesting low gluten hosts are NO LONGER required to stop into the Sacristy before Mass. Instead, you are invited to come to the altar during the Lamb of God and are asked to stand on the opposite side of the altar from the Eucharistic Ministers to receive the low gluten eucharist before common distribution begins.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AUGUST 14TH

Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Thursday, August 14th 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.

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 not 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.

SAINT AGNES MEN'S RETREAT

Pilgrims of Hope

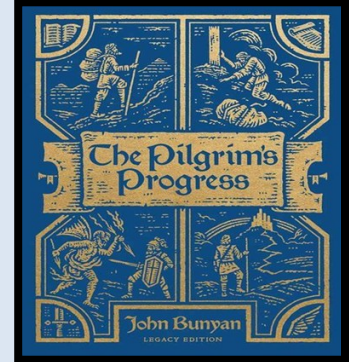
Sharing with Others on our Journeys to God
Our Retreat Leader will be Fr. Andrew Kwang Lee,
Parochial Vicar from Our Lady of Grace, Pepperell

WHEN: Saturday and Sunday, September 6-7, 2025

WHERE: Glastonbury Abbey, 16 Hull Street, Hingham, MA

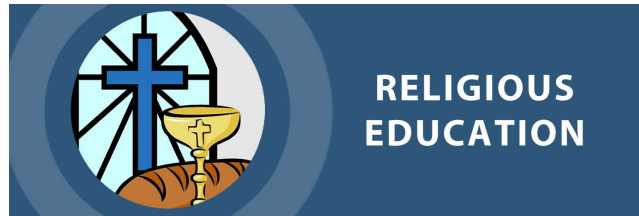
HOW MUCH: \$175 for full Retreat; \$100 for Saturday only

CONTACTS: J: Jonathan Nauman 978-922-7015; John Silva 781-944-4285; Mike Olivo 781-245-4747



In the Old Testament, the practice of tithing meant returning to God ten percent of all that had been received from God. We suggest that you consider giving somewhere between 3 to 4 percent weekly to your Church and the remaining percentage to your other charities. Thank You.

Annual Income	Weekly Income	Tithe	Middle range			Lower range		
		10%	6%	5%	4%	3%	2%	1%
\$22,000	\$423	\$42	\$25	\$21	\$17	\$13	\$8	\$4
\$25,000	\$481	\$48	\$29	\$24	\$19	\$14	\$10	\$5
\$30,000	\$577	\$58	\$35	\$29	\$23	\$17	\$12	\$6
\$40,000	\$769	\$77	\$46	\$38	\$31	\$23	\$15	\$8
\$50,000	\$962	\$96	\$58	\$48	\$38	\$29	\$19	\$10
\$60,000	\$1,154	\$115	\$69	\$58	\$46	\$35	\$23	\$12
\$70,000	\$1,346	\$135	\$81	\$67	\$54	\$40	\$27	\$13
\$80,000	\$1,538	\$154	\$92	\$77	\$62	\$46	\$31	\$15
\$90,000	\$1,731	\$173	\$104	\$87	\$69	\$52	\$35	\$17
\$100,000	\$1,923	\$192	\$115	\$96	\$77	\$58	\$38	\$19
\$110,000	\$2,115	\$212	\$127	\$106	\$85	\$63	\$42	\$21
\$120,000	\$2,308	\$231	\$138	\$115	\$92	\$69	\$46	\$23
\$140,000	\$2,692	\$269	\$162	\$135	\$108	\$81	\$54	\$27



Registration is now open for the 2025-2026 Academic Year. You can find a detailed description of all of our programs in the attached document.

Use this link to register: <https://forms.office.com/r/Ei4NiLK3av>

Tell all of your friends!!

There are two main changes to note this year:

Family of Faith: Grades 1, 3-5

Once a month, children in grades 1, 3-5 will gather for a Family of Faith gathering beginning with the 10am Mass, followed by donuts and a teaching. At these sessions, children will gather in age-level groups for a lesson/activity related to the month's topic. Parents should attend Mass with their children, and will have the option to stay and enjoy a cup of coffee with other parents during the teaching.

Confirmation

We will be Confirming students in grades 8th and 9th this year. 8th and 9th graders will have the option of attending a Monday night session or a Wednesday afternoon session.

We are always looking for people to volunteer with our programs in various ways. We need help particularly with Wednesday afternoons (2-3:30) and Monday nights (7-8:15). There are a lot of kids in the school building during these times and we need adults present for crowd control, hall monitoring, as well as adults to teach lessons. If this is something you are interested in at all, please prayerfully consider it and let me know.

As summer continues to unfold, I will be publishing schedules for next year's programs.

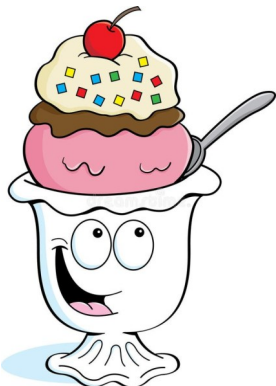
Please reach out if you have any questions.

In Christ,

Camille Mainardi

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Women of Faith



Students in grades 1-5, don't forget to fill out your "Taste and See" ticket each time you come to Mass. At the end of each month, if your ticket is drawn you will receive a \$20 school house ice cream gift card! You can find the tickets at the back of the Church at St. Margaret and up by the piano at St. Malachy.

Women of Faith will gather again on **Thursday, August 21 at 6:30pm at St. Malachy's Parish Hall**. No sign-up or registration is ever needed. Just show up (even if you've never joined us in the past). We'll start with a Rosary followed by big group discussion then smaller group discussion and sharing (and sometimes a fun surprise or two!). Gatherings last about 90 mins or so but you're welcome to leave whenever needed. Any questions can be directed to Laurie at 617-680-4448.

Tuning up
 Beloved, God of peace,
 I listen for your voice alone.
 Amid chaos and disturbance
 I tune my heart to the silence within.
 Amid the swirling, the urgency,
 I surrender to your serenity.
 Despite the shouting of hate and greed
 I seek harmony with your love.
 Despite the noise of force and threat
 I tune myself to your song of peace.
 Even despite my fear of unworthiness,
 Beloved, bring my heart into perfect pitch.
 Tune my heart to your love,
 that I may live in harmony with your grace.
 Amen.
 Steve Garnaas-Holmes

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)*

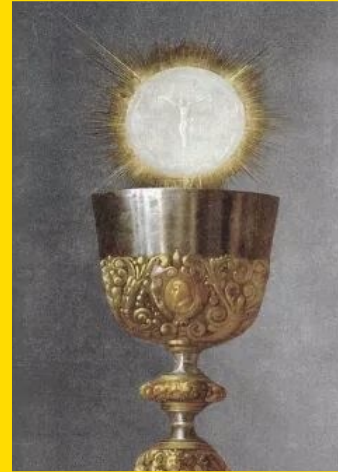
Do you know someone who would benefit by receiving a call from a friendly voice?

If you or someone you know would like to receive a weekly or bi-monthly phone call for fellowship and support we encourage you to reach out to our **CARING Companions** ministry.

Our volunteers will make regular phone calls to bring a compassionate ear and Christ centered conversation to those in need of a little pick me up.

Please share this announcement with anyone you can think of that might be interested. All conversations are strictly confidential and our trained volunteers are waiting to hear from you.

Interested or just want more information,
 contact 781-272-3111 or email
stveronica@stveronicaparish.org



Act of Spiritual Communion

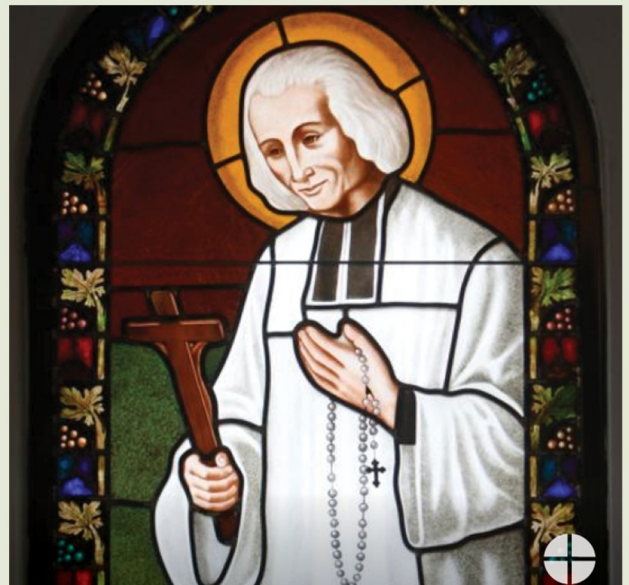
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Saint John Vianney

1786 - 1859

FEAST DAY: AUGUST 4

Born near Lyon, France, this farmer's son studied for the priesthood for many years, and eventually was ordained more for his devoutness and good will than for other qualities. But he became a model parish priest in Arsen-Dombes, where he served for 40 years. He was devoted to his parishioners, and became famous for rigorous preaching and insights in the confessional. The Cure of Ars, as he was known, spent up to 18 hours a day hearing the confessions of pilgrims who sought him out. He is the patron of parish priests.



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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

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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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