

*St. Veronica Parish, a publication of
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*"Strive to enter through the narrow gate,
for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter
but will not be strong enough."*

Luke 13:24

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,

Today's parable is a prophetic warning to repentance in order to enter the kingdom. This sounds like a harsh Gospel. But it really isn't harsh. Let's take a closer look at it. Jesus doesn't get into the question of what percentage of people will be saved. Instead he talks about the effort it takes to be saved. I suppose we could read into his words and interpret them as meaning: "I want everyone to sit at the banquet table in heaven, but I want you to know that it takes personal effort, because it involves your whole person and a personal relationship with God." To learn how to let ourselves be loved by God, and to love God in response takes us to the core of who we are. Do I accept the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Savior? No one can answer that for us, and no one can make it easy to do that. What we can do is provide a supportive environment, help one another through all the narrow gates, tell them about God's unconditional love for us, and assure them that they can do it no matter what their social class or IQ or status in the eyes of the world. That's why we come together every week at the table of the Lord. We receive the food that is God's word, and the food that is the Eucharist. We sing the same songs together, pray together, and reach out a hand of peace to one another. We are trying to open ourselves up to God's love, God's gifts. And we are trying to help one another - as parents do for children, as friends do for friends.

It has been announced that a new Chaplain has been found for Lahey Hospital and Medical Center and it is Fr. Jiwon Yoon whose First Assignment as a Priest was at St. Margaret in 2014 for 5 years. He is now living back at St. Margaret Rectory. And he said he is willing to help on Sundays and maybe a day during the week if not needed at the Hospital. He is very well known to the St. Margaret community. Please join me in welcoming Fr. Jiwon Yoon.

Many of you have heard and seen that I am back to using a walker for the foreseeable future. I slipped and fell on a scatter rug last week in the Rectory and landed on my surgical knee. Thankfully the knee is intact but I did have soft tissue damage and swelling along with a fractured left foot. The foot should heal within 4 weeks. Please pray for quick healing for both Fr. Tom and I. Fr. Tom is having a left Total Knee Replacement a week from Thursday on September 4. It is estimated that he will be out of work for 6 weeks.

The Catholic Appeal is going well here in Burlington. Thanks to a \$6,000 anonymous donor, we have reached our Assessment Goal. To date we have raised over 81,000. Our financial goal is \$100,300. Our "Assessment Goal" is the Goal we are required to collect. Now that we have made our Assessment, we will receive a partial refund on all the gifts given above Assessment. 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 23

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Antoinette Surabian 2nd Anniversary

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
George K. Drinkwater
Birthday Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Charles & Marylynn Carnell
and Jacqueline White Memorial

Sunday, August 24

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Jack Conroy Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Sandra, Douglass & Kevin DeCoste
Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Bernard Vient Memorial

Monday, August 25

9:00am **St. Malachy**
Carmen Riccio 4th Anniversary

Tuesday, August 26

9:00 am **St. Margaret**
Robert & Mary Laffin
& Eleanor Ackerman Memorial

Wednesday, August 27

9:00 am **St. Malachy Church**
Mark & Clair Bren and Jerry Krebsbach
Memorial

Thursday, August 28

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Peter Fitzpatrick 3rd Anniversary

Friday, August 29

9:00 am **St. Malachy**

Saturday, August 30

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Virginia Morrissey Month's Mind

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
The Davies & O'Sullivan Families
Memorial

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

Sunday, August 31

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

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Tom McGuinness, Sr., Edith McGuinness
and Thomas McGuinness, Jr.
Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
George & Marion MacDonald
and Frank & Helen Zieba Memorial



Funeral services were celebrated for
Maureen Gardner, Craig Stone
Jane McLaughlin & Jane Marie Fisher
Kindly them and their families
in your prayers.
Thank you.

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2025 YEAR C

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| 21ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 24 | Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30 |
| MONDAY Aug 25 | <i>Saint Louis of France; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest</i> 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b/Mt 23:13-22 |
| TUESDAY Aug 26 | 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26 |
| WEDNESDAY Aug 27 | <i>Saint Monica</i> 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32 |
| THURSDAY Aug 28 | <i>Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-4, 12-13, 14+17/Mt 24:42-51 |
| FRIDAY Aug 29 | <i>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist</i> 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1+2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mk 6:17-29 |
| SATURDAY Aug 30 | 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30 |
| 22ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 31 | Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14 |

ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Weekend of August 10, 2025
Envelopes & In Church: \$8,914

Online: \$4,255
TOTAL: \$13,169

Weekly Budget \$16,153
Income \$13,169
Deficit -\$2,984

Month to Date: \$40,921

St. Veronica Building Fund
Envelopes & In Church: \$573
Online: \$715
TOTAL: \$1,288

Assumption of Mary
Envelopes & In Church: \$823
TOTAL: \$823

AND INDEED, SOME WHO
 ARE LAST WILL BE FIRST,
 AND SOME WHO ARE
 FIRST WILL BE LAST."

- LUKE 13:30

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)*

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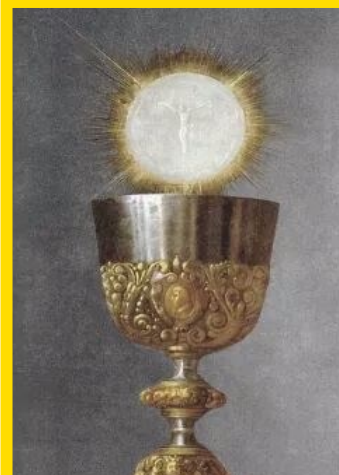
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NEW PROCEDURE FOR RECEIVING LOW GLUTEN EUCHARIST

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.



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.



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30th, 2025
9:00 AM — 2:00 PM

📍 St. Margaret's Church • Parking Lot
111 Winn Street, Burlington MA

What You Can Bring:

\$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/Robots, 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.

\$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

FREE!

(Cash Donations Appreciated)
Bicycles (Reusable), Cell Phones, Tablets, Video Game Media and Accessories, Wires, Cables, Batteries, Chargers, VHS/DVD's.

**ALL TOWNS WELCOME
RAIN OR SHINE**

Questions, Business Clean Outs or Event Hosting?

Contact:



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CASH PREFERRED, VENMO, CHECKS (OVER \$30)



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,

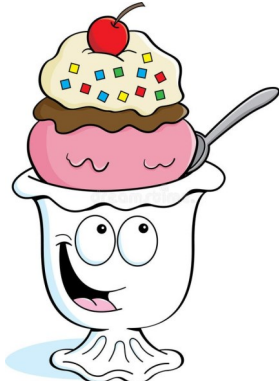
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A PRAYER FOR RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS



God our heavenly Father,
You are the potter and we are the clay.
Mold our young people to be Your disciples.
Give them courage to discern Your call
to Priesthood and Religious Life.
Give strength to those who serve Your Church.
May they lead Your people to holiness.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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.

You're invited to join in another parish Jubilee Pilgrimage Wednesday, September 24.



the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

Situated on 375 acres known as Eden Hill, the Shrine is owned and administered by the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception. The artwork and relics throughout the Shrine express two key elements of the identity and mission of the Marians - The Immaculate Conception and Divine Mercy.

At the Shrine, you can walk the grounds, pray the Stations of the Cross, and visit the Lourdes Grotto, the Shrine of the Holy Innocents, and the many other memorials and shrines. You are also encouraged to experience Jesus' mercy in the daily prayer activities: Confession, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Our bus will be departing St. Malachy parking lot at 8:00am and will arrive at the Shrine at 10:30. We will spend the entire day on site. Parishioners invited to bring along a sack lunch or purchase lunch on site. Participants will be encouraged to come together for Mass at 2:00pm and The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Benediction at 3:00. Bus will depart for home around 4:00pm.

Cost for the trip is \$75 per person. **Each participant is asked to contribute \$40** towards this fee with the additional cost covered by the parish, however **financial assistance is available** for anyone upon request. No one will miss this opportunity due to financial burden.

To reserve your spot please call 781-272-3111 for the trip. Seats will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. The deadline for our parish to respond is Monday, September 8. If there are remaining seats available we will extend the invitation to surrounding parishes.

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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 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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