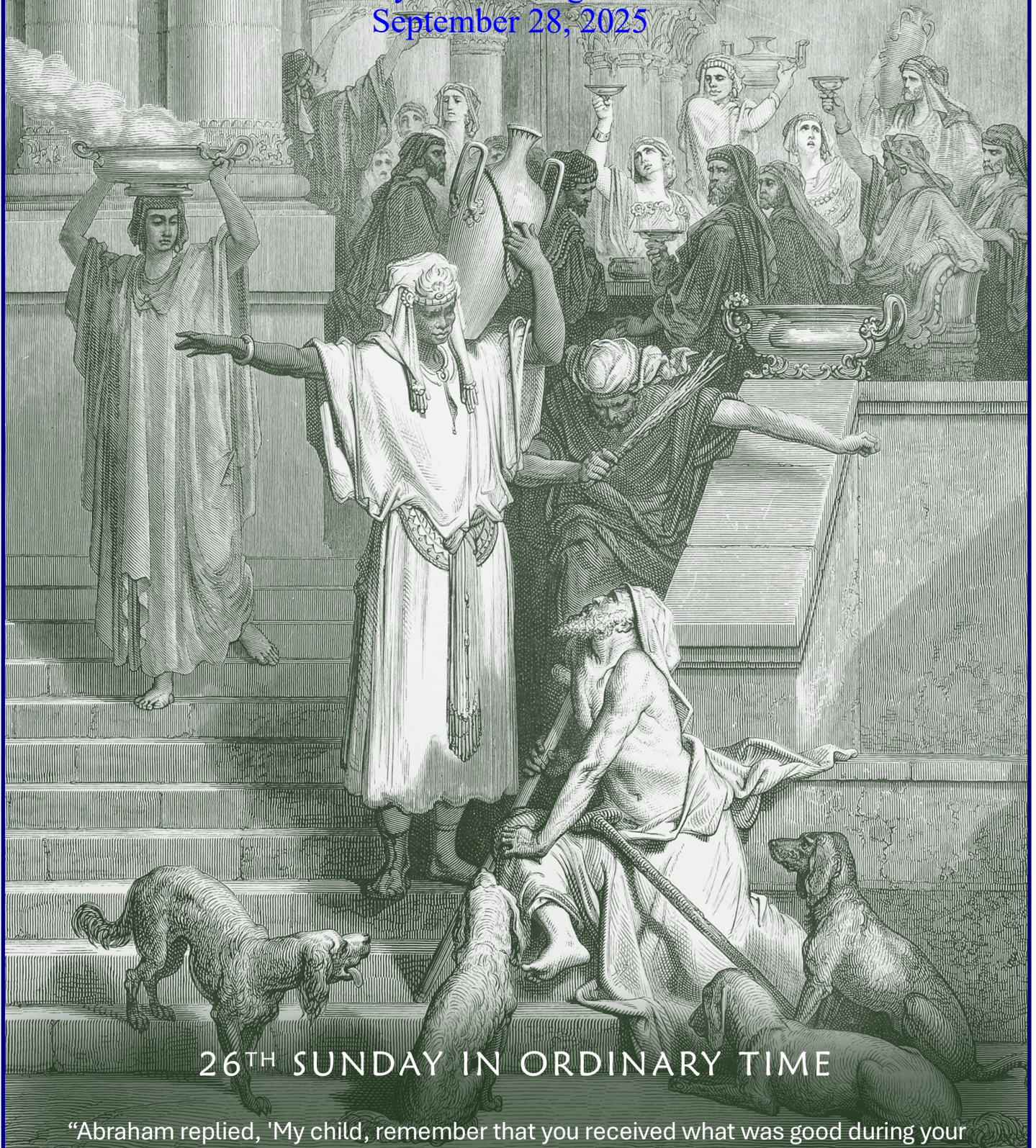


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September 28, 2025



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.'” Luke 16:25

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 tells the parable of the reversal of fortunes between the rich man and the poor man, Lazarus. Jesus is presenting this Parable to many people – including a number of Pharisees “who loved money”. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus again explains Luke’s concern with Jesus’ attitude toward the rich and the poor. As Disciples in Mission this needs to be a concern of ours, too. Perhaps the Lord is calling you to deliver a meal to the shelter in Lowell, or assist at Heartbeat Pregnancy Help Center, or People Helping People Food Pantry, or the Pumpkin Patch. Wow, there are so many opportunities in our own backyard. Glorify God by serving the poor.

Please keep Fr. Tom Stanton in your prayers as he continues his recovery from a Left Total Knee Replacement. His surgeon said he will be out of work for a total of about 6 weeks. He is about half-way there. He is recovering well in the Rectory at St. Margaret’s. He, his surgeon, and his physical therapist are all very pleased with his progress so far. We are extremely grateful to Fr. Paul Sullivan, Fr. Jiwon Yoon, and Fr. Frank Silva for being able to cover Masses since Fr. Conroy’s departure and Fr. Tom’s absence for his recovery. Please thank them when you see them.

Please pray for more vocations! When we pray for vocations, we often pray that the Lord call men from “somewhere” to answer His Call. We almost never think of praying for someone who we may actually know. And we almost never think of praying for someone from our own family. Pray about that. Priests are not “hatched” or come out of the sky. They come from families just like yours. **Family Prayer for Vocations.** Father, increase our family’s love for one another. May we honor each other in times of happiness or hardship, bearing with one another in love, just as You love us. In a special way, help us strive for holiness in our current states of life. Should You call some of us to the priesthood or religious life, help us to respond with courage and joy. Together, we make heaven our goal, and pledge, with Your grace, to help each other on life’s journey to You. Through the intercession of the Holy Family: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Amen.

As we pray for vocations, please pray for Seminarians studying for the priesthood right now including our own Deacon John Ippolito; O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that You call many worthy souls to Your holy priesthood. Enlighten the Bishop in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Director in molding them, and the professors in instructing them. Lead the seminarians daily in Your unerring footsteps; so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice; steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man; apostles of Your glory and sanctifiers of souls. Amen. *Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us.*

Blessing of Animals In honor of the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi which is October 4, we will have the Blessing of Pets and Animals NEXT **Sunday, October 5th at 1:30 p.m.** on the front lawn of St. Malachy Rectory. An animal blessing is an opportunity to pray for the health and safety of the animal and to offer our thanks to God for the gift of these amazing creatures. For the safety of all concerned, please bring your pet in a carrying case or leash to the front lawn of St. Malachy Rectory on Sunday, October 5th at 1:30 p.m. Bring your cats, dogs, birds, fish, hippopotamuses, stuffed animals, husbands, whatever you have, and we’ll ask God’s blessing on them. Please note: we will not perform exorcisms on cats! You may keep your crocodiles and elephants closer to the street. Our Deacon Intern Deacon John Ippolito will lead us in this prayer of blessing.

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

MASS Intentions

Saturday, September 27

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Paul Scola 9th Anniversary

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
Joanne Hurynowicz Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Mary Jane Nadeau 1st Anniversary

Sunday, September 28

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Francisco & Alice Soares Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Diane Jenkins 13th Anniversary
& Robert "Uppie" Jenkins Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Paul Groulx 6th Anniversary

Monday, September 29

9:00am **St. Malachy**

Tuesday, September 30

9:00 am **St. Margaret**
Charlie Hanafin 8th Anniversary
& Rose Hanafin Memorial

Wednesday, October 1

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

Thursday, October 2

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Rose & Charlie Hanafin Memorial

Friday, October 3

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
For All of The Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, October 4

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Paul O'Meara Memorial

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
Lawrenc Don Hoffner 1st Anniversary
Elizabeth "Libby" Sacco Memorial
Charlie Kirk Memorial

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

Sunday, October 5

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Connie Hanafin Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Maria Nguyen Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Jim Curtin 10th Anniversary



Funeral services were celebrated recently for
Christopher Gallagher
& **William Forte, Sr**
Kindly include them and their families
in your prayers.
Thank you.

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2025 YEAR C

26TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Sept 28	Am 6:1a, 4-7/Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10/1 Tm 6:11-16/ Lk 16:19-31
MONDAY Sept 29	Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51
TUESDAY Sept 30	Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church Zec 8:20-23/Psalm 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56
WEDNESDAY Oct 1	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church Neh 2:1-8/Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62
THURSDAY Oct 2	The Holy Guardian Angels Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 18:1-5, 10
FRIDAY Oct 3	Bar 1:15-22/Psalm 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16
SATURDAY Oct 4	Saint Francis of Assisi Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24
27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Oct 5	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Weekend of September 21-, 2025

Envelopes & In Church: \$8,829

Online: \$4,770

TOTAL: \$13,599

Weekly Budget \$16,153

Income **\$13,599**

Deficit -\$2,554

Month to Date: \$31,110

St. Veronica Building Fund

Envelopes & In Church: \$75

Online: \$440

TOTAL: \$515

Clergy Benefit Trust

Envelopes & In Church: \$5,478

Online: \$767

TOTAL: \$6,245



We had a very interactive gathering in September... and another new person joined us! Mark your calendars for our next gathering - **Thursday, Oct. 16, at 6:30pm at St. Malachy's Church** in the parish hall (downstairs from the Chapel). Returning as our special guest speaker will be **Kent Niebuhr**. Kent is a convert to Catholicism (many of us now know his amazing conversion story, previously shared with the Women of Faith), and shares his deep knowledge about our faith in a dynamic and clear way. Life is full of challenges and can be overwhelming. Kent will be sharing his insight and Biblical knowledge on **Trusting in God**. There is power in trusting in God, and the hope is you'll walk away with a renewed sense of peace, hope, resilience, and spiritual renewal. All are welcomed. No sign-up is needed - just show up. Any questions? Contact Laurie at 617-680-4448.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE



Knights of Columbus Council 4978 and Assembly 1602 will be holding its annual Campaign for Children with Intellectual Disabilities at all Masses on October 11 & 12. You may know this as the Tootsie Roll Drive.

We thank you in advance for your generosity.

SEASONS OF HOPE: A GROUP FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING.... *COME AND BE COMFORTED*

If you have experienced the death of a loved one and are searching for meaning and consolation, we invite you to join our "Seasons of Hope" in the Parish Center. "Seasons of Hope" is a Christ-centered group where we will be able to share and learn from each other as we walk together in faith on our own unique journey of grief. We will meet in the Parish Hall, 90 Concord Rd., Bedford, MA 01730 from 6:00 -7:30pm on October 1, October 8, October 15, and October 22. For more information or to sign up, please e-mail pat@bedfordcatholic.org or call her at 781-275-6318 X230.



PRAYER FOR CATECHISTS

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

OCIA CLASSES STARTING IN OCTOBER

The Order of the Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is the process which the Church uses for bringing new adult members into the Church. It may also be used to help already Baptized Catholics receive sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The next class is forming now. Instruction will begin in October. If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming a Catholic or receiving missed sacraments, please contact Deacon Dick Bilotta at: deaconbilotta@stveronicaparish.org



IS GOD CALLING YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW TO BECOME A DEACON?

The Archdiocese of Boston is beginning its Fall 2025 Inquirer Program for men interested in becoming deacons with meetings across the Archdiocese. For more information please go to: <https://bit.ly/BostonDeacon2025>

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Thursday, October 9th 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 close with Benediction.

SAVE THE DATE.....



On Saturday, October 25th at 6:00pm we will have our annual Ham and Bean Supper and raffle at St. Malachy Church Hall. Tickets will be on sale the weekends of October 11th/12th and October 18th/19th. The cost will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

HOMEBOUND VISITS

Are homebound and are unable to attend Mass? If you or someone you know may need a visit please reach out to: St Malachy rectory 781-272-5111 or St. Margaret Rectory 781-272-3111.



The Pro-Life Network is collecting **0-3 month, and 3-6 month fleece sleepers** and **0-3 month, and 3-6 winter outfits**, which are the current needs for Heartbeat Pregnancy Help Center in Burlington, to help provide for families expecting a child soon. We are collecting from October 1st through October 31st, for RESPECT LIFE MONTH. If you would like to donate any of these items please contact Kathy Parsons @ 781-910-7682 to make arrangements to drop your item off or for one of their team members to come and pick it up. **Thank you so very much in advance for your generosity**



AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA PUBLIC ROSARY

Please join us for another public rosary rally starting at 12 noon, Saturday, October 11. We will meet at the Burlington Town Common, near the Cambridge street and Bedford street intersection. In case of bad weather the Rally will move inside St. Malachy Church. We will pray for the repentance and conversion of our great nation, asking God to save America through the rosary of His Most Holy Mother. This is part of an America Needs Fatima Rosary Crusade that will also be taking place in 23,000 other US cities. If you have any questions please contact Kevin at (781) 775-9492.

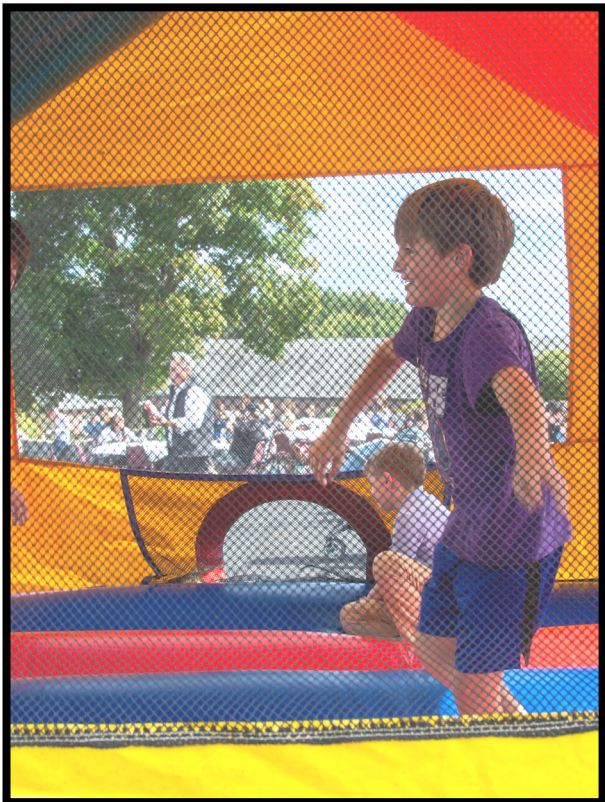
Religious Education Programs

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Joanne Mackey: Grades 10-12 Coordinator
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Classes begin in
October!! Register
now at
[Stveronicama.org!](http://Stveronicama.org)

A wonderful time was had by our parishioners at our Annual St. Veronica Barbeque on September 21. Thank you to all who helped make this a fun day for all!





PARISH COUNCIL

Bernard Arokiaraj	Helen Lanagan
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Monday - Thursday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am

Friday: 6:00 - 7:00 pm (chapel)

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

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am; and 12:00 pm

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 9:00 am

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

If you would like to receive St. Veronica emails please send your name and email address to:

stveronica@stveronicaparish.org



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