

**St. Veronica Parish, a publication of
St. Malachy & St. Margaret Churches
October 19, 2025**



All Scripture is inspired by God.

2 Timothy 3:16

Dear Saint Veronica Parishioners,

The Gospel today is all about prayer. It can be helpful to realize that we don't pray to flatter God, or try to talk God into something, or because God needs to have people praising him. We pray because it affects us. It sets us in the right direction - toward God. God truly wants to hear our needs and God respond generously. We turn ourselves towards God, and when we do that, it sets everything in the right direction and a lot of good things happen. Praying isn't really that hard. It is the persistence of prayer that is. Sometimes we forget to pray, or not think about prayer when it would be the perfect time to do so – like being stuck in traffic, or waiting for the oil change to be completed on our car, or standing in line at the grocery store, or...whatever. Sometimes it seems that prayer doesn't "belong" or "fit" into parts of our day. God wants us to be like the persistent widow and pray at all times, even those times where it may seem funny to do so. Give it a try. It can be life-changing!

Our St. Veronica Ham and Bean Dinner is coming quickly. It will be next Saturday, October 25 at 6 pm. at St. Malachy Parish Hall. Tickets are on sale this weekend. Please plan on coming together as one Parish Family of St. Veronica to share in a delicious meal and meet new friends and enjoy each other's company.

Save the Date: On Sunday November 2, 2025 from 1:30pm to 2:15pm in the Chapel of Saint Malachy Church, Deacon John Ippolito will give a

presentation on the Sacrament of Penance. Many Catholics do not understand the reason for this Sacrament and importance that it has for our eternal life. When you leave this presentation, you will:

1. Have a basic/better understanding of this Sacrament.
2. Know how all Catholics at the age of reason (7 years old) and older foster healthy devotion to the Sacrament.
3. Know how the Sacrament of Penance is an aide to the Spiritual life.
4. Know why the Lord desires us to receive the Sacrament of Penance.

Please come with Questions! This will be interactive after about 20 minutes. There are no silly questions! If there is something you were wondering about, but you were too nervous to ask, today is the day that you bring your question to the table! This will be a great learning experience for all. Bring your family; Bring a friend. Deacon John Ippolito hopes to see you all there!

Deacon John Ippolito celebrated his First set of Baptisms here at St. Veronica last Sunday. Congratulations to the 3 newly Baptized infants and their proud parents, God parents, and families.

Let us pray for each other. God bless,

Father Mahoney



“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, October 18

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

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
The Myatt & Sweeney Families Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Kyle Dietz Birthday Memorial

Sunday, October 19

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Coleman Viglione Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Joseph DiPietro 23rd Anniversary

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Claire Putnicki 5th Anniversary

Monday, October 20

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
Lawreen Heller Connors 1st Anniversary

Tuesday, October 21

9:00 am **St. Margaret**
Amilcar Tanure Memorial

Wednesday, October 22

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
Doug Ganley Birthday Memorial

Thursday, October 23

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Pedro Rey & Mercedes Rey 4th Anniversary Memorial

Friday, October 24

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
Special Intention

Saturday, October 25

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Carmela Carella & Michael Carella 8th Anniversary Memorial

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
Barbara A. Mulligan 16th Anniversary

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
John R. Thompson 1st Anniversary

Sunday, October 26

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Robert William Marshall 1st Anniversary

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
James & Loretta Arrigo Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Anthony & Marie Capobianco and Richard Barry 5th Anniversary Memorial

READINGS, SAINTS, OBSERVANCES 2025

SUNDAY Oct 19	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/ Lk 18:1-8
MONDAY Oct 20	Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21
TUESDAY Oct 21	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38
WEDNESDAY Oct 22	Saint John Paul II, Pope Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48
THURSDAY Oct 23	Saint John of Capistrano, Priest Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53
FRIDAY Oct 24	Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59
SATURDAY Oct 25	Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9
SUNDAY Oct 26	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Pilot Bulletins



Funeral services were celebrated recently for
Todd Hurynowicz & Brian Yeadon
Kindly include them and their families
in your prayers.
Thank you.

"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."

ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Weekend of October 12, 2025

Envelopes & In Church: \$9,580

Online: \$4,017

TOTAL: \$13,597

Weekly Budget \$16,153

Income \$13,597

Deficit -\$2,556

Month to Date: \$29,535

St. Veronica Building Fund

Envelopes & In Church: \$4,798

Online: \$447

TOTAL: \$5,245

SECOND COLLECTION FOR: WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This week's second collection supports Catholic World Missions. By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church and share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelization programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith - a Pontifical Mission Society. Please visit www.propfaithboston.org for more information.

[Please make your checks out to St. Veronica Parish](#)

BAGELS, COFFEE & MEDICARE

Come and enjoy a bagel, a cup of coffee and learn about Medicare. Lou Saledas a Burlington resident, with over 20 years' experience in the health insurance industry will present an educational seminar on the ABCs of Medicare and answer your questions and concerns surrounding today's and tomorrow's Medicare issues on **October 30 at 9:30 at St. Margaret Church**. To register please call 781-272-3111.

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Every registered parish household should have received Father Mahoney's **Grand Annual Collection** request letter during the past few days. Unfortunately, the parish offertory collection does not keep pace with the parish operating budget which includes much-needed repairs and maintenance projects. This is why the **Grand Annual Collection** is so important to the financial health of the parish.

If you did not receive a letter in the mail, please pick up Father Mahoney's letter #1 as you leave church TODAY and please respond to our **Grand Annual Collection** AND complete the attached **Welcome Card** if you are not officially registered with the parish.

The participation of ALL parishioners is essential for the success of this effort. Please return your gift card as soon as possible. Thank you!

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FOOD DRIVE SUPPORTING PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

November 1 & 2

Volunteers will be in the parking lot during All Masses to accept donations. Please continue to help our neighbors in need. Heading into the Holiday Season we are in particular need of the following Items:

*Cranberry Sauce
Gravy
Stuffing Mix
Canned Corn
Canned Green Beans
Canned Pumpkin
Chicken or Turkey Broth
Cooking Oil
Flour, Sugar*

Thank you so much for your continuing support of our neighbors in need!

OCIA CLASSES

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

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

St. Charles School in Woburn will host an Open House on Wednesday, November 19, from 5-7 pm. Tours will consist of classroom meetings with faculty, students and parents, and a visit to both buildings. Families of students entering preschool through eighth grade are encouraged to attend. The last tour will begin at 6:30 pm.

St. Charles is a preschool through Grade 8 school that offers students an outstanding, faith-based education. Our core values: honor, respect, service, faith and effort are carried throughout our curriculum and daily interactions. If you are interested in our Preschool, Kindergarten, or Grade 1-8 Programs, please plan to attend on November 19. Come learn from students, families and faculty why St. Charles is the right choice for your child!

If you have questions, please refer to our [website](#) or contact the school office at 781-935-4635.



Knights of Columbus Council 4978 and Assembly 1602 would like to thank the parishioners of St. Veronica Parish for their generosity during our 2025 Tootsie Roll Drive. \$1620 was

raised to help Children with Intellectual Disabilities. Thank you again for your generosity.



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.**

Nov 8
12 PM - 3 PM

Presents of Hope

A PCS Holiday Event

COME & JOIN US AT
KINGS
52 SECOND AVE,
BURLINGTON, MA 01803

RAFFLE PRIZES 50/50 CASH BAR DELICIOUS FOOD

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER

Tickets are free! Reserve your spot here:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/.../presents-of-hope-a-pcs...>

PRO-LIFE INITIATIVE

Abortion kills an innocent human life and we, as Catholics (Christians), are called by God to protect His precious gift of life.

Did you know that your tax dollars are being used to pay for abortions in Massachusetts? Fortunately, there is something each of us can do to stop this.

The weekend of **October 25 & 26**, volunteers from the Massachusetts Alliance to Stop Taxpayer Funded Abortions (website: www.stoptaxpayerabortion.org) will be collecting signatures on a petition to amend the state constitution so that taxpayer subsidized abortions are no longer a constitutional entitlement in Massachusetts. **Please stop and sign** this petition to help save the lives of unborn babies. For more information email tom@stoptaxpayerabortion.org

Religious Education Programs

All Students are expected to attend Mass every weekend. The Mass Schedule is as follows:

St. Margaret Church: Saturday 4:30pm, Sunday 8:00am and 12:00pm

St. Malachy Church: Saturday 4:00pm and Sunday 10:00am (Coffee and Donuts after Mass)

GRADES 1, 3-5 SCHEDULE

Lessons are completed at home or in a small family groups on a monthly basis. Below are dates for special events families will attend monthly: Family of Faith Gatherings.

10/19 & 11/16 - After 10:00am Mass at St. Malachy Church hall.

12/14 - Christmas Nativity Play and cookie decorating after 10:00am Mass at St. Malachy Church hall.

1/25 & 2/8 - After 10:00am Mass at St. Malachy Church hall.

3/22 - Penance Service at 6:00pm at St. Malachy Church

4/3 - Live Stations of The Cross at 3:30pm at St. Malachy Church

GRADE 2

Grade 2 students will receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation in February and Holy Communion in May. Lessons are completed at home or in a small family group. Grade 2 students are invited to the same special events listed for the Grade 1, 3-5 students. In addition, there are some additional dates to keep in mind:

First Reconciliation Retreat: 1/25 1:30pm - 4:00pm at St. Margaret School Building

First Reconciliation Ceremonies:

1/31 - at 12:00 at St. Margaret Church

2/7 - at 12:00pm at St. Malachy Church

First Communion Retreat: 4/12 - 1:30pm - 4:00pm at St. Margaret School Building

First Holy Communion Rehearsal: 5/1 - 7:00pm at St. Margaret Church

First Holy Communion Mass: 5/2 - 12:00pm at St. Margaret Church

First Holy Communion Rehearsal: 5/15 - 7:00pm at St. Malachy Church

First Holy Communion Mass: 5/16 - 12:00pm at St. Malachy Church

MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 6 & 7)

will meet at St Margaret School building

MONDAY

7:00pm – 8:00pm

10/20

11/3 & 10

12/1 & 15

1/12 & 26

2/2 & 9

3/2

WEDNESDAY

2:00pm - 3:30pm

10/22

11/5 & 12

12/3 & 17

1/14 & 28

2/4 & 11

3/4

Christmas Festivities: 12/14 at 11:00am at St Malachy Church Hall

Lenten Penance Service: 3/22 at 6:00pm at St. Malachy Church

Live Stations of The Cross: Good Friday, 4/3 at 3:30pm at St. Malachy Church

CONFIRMATION: GRADES 8 & 9

Grades 8 and 9 will both receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Classes will meet at St. Margaret School building either Monday (7 - 8pm) or Wednesday (2 - 2:30pm).

MONDAY

7:00pm – 8:00pm

10/20

11/3 & 10

12/1 & 15

1/12 & 26

2/2 & 9

3/2

WEDNESDAY

2:00pm - 3:30pm

10/22

11/5 & 12

12/3 & 17

1/14 & 28

2/4 & 11

3/4

**CONFIRMATION WILL BE MAY 19, 2026
AT ST. MARGARET CHURCH**

GRADE 8 AT 5:00PM

GRADE 9 AT 7:00PM

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR GRADES 10-12

10/19/2025	Program Overview. Who is God?	
11/16/2025	Love and Two Great Commandments	
12/7/2025	Holy Eucharist	
12/21/2025	Christmas Carols – Senior Center	(6PM)
1/11/2026	Our Father/Nicene Creed	
2/8/2026	Mary, Blessed Mother	
3/8/2026	Lenten Mission - St. Malachy Church	(7 PM)

4/12/2026 Marian Apparitions

Topics may change, but class dates won't. Class runs from 5-6 PM.



The Ham and Bean Supper planning committee met this week to plan our annual Ham and Bean Supper which will take place next Saturday, October 25th at 6:00pm. at St. Malachy Church Hall (the doors will open at 5:30). Tickets will be on sale this weekend after all Masses or at either rectory during office hours. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Day of Prayer for Harmony in our Nation and Peace in the World

- West Region -

On Wednesday, October 22nd, from 7am to 7pm, the following parishes will remain open with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout that day. If you are in the area, please stop in for a period of prayer for harmony in our nation and peace throughout the world.



Saint Mary, Dedham
Saint Michael, Hudson
St. John Hopkinton
St. Bridget, Lexington
Immaculate Conception, Marlboro
St. Jude, Norfolk
St. Catherine, Norwood
Ascension (OL of Fatima), Sudbury
Sacred Heart, Waltham
St. Patrick, Watertown
St. Margaret Mary, Westwood
Saint Mary Church, Wrentham

MOMS AND BABIES NEED YOUR HELP!

Please help St. Veronica Parish provide needy north of Boston families who are expecting a baby with baby equipment, clothing and other items they need to care for their babies. Many families expecting babies do not have the means to provide the basic necessities for their children. Heartbeat Pregnancy Help Center, an all-volunteer 501c3 nonprofit organization, with space provided by St. Veronica's, assists needy families with baby beds, car seats, clothing, blankets, diapers, toys, some formula and other items needed to nurture their precious babies. Heartbeat continues to provide caring support to hundreds of needy families whose babies were born in earlier years. While some items are donated to Heartbeat, most must be purchased, usually at frugal prices.

Heartbeat donors and staff assisted the families of 1,120 babies born during 2024 and has helped over 875 babies born so far this year. Heartbeat continues to provide help for several years or longer, as needed, providing clothing and more for the babies and their siblings. Heartbeat volunteers deliver needed help to many families who cannot pick up the help in Burlington.

Baby bottles and addressed envelopes will be distributed at all Masses the weekend of October 18-19th. Bottles should be returned with your donation the following weekend. Envelopes may be returned to the church or mailed. Online donations can be provided through the Zeffy fundraising platform.

Most of Heartbeat's financial resources are provided by parishioners at local parishes, including ours. We greatly appreciate your help for the needy families Heartbeat serves! Over 96% of the funds collected are spent on the direct needs of the families.

Donate here through Zeffy – no fee required, or in baby bottles or envelopes



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

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