

St. Veronica Parish, a publication of
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SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

"These are the ones who have survived the time
of great distress; they have washed their robes
and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb."

Revelation 7:14

"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."

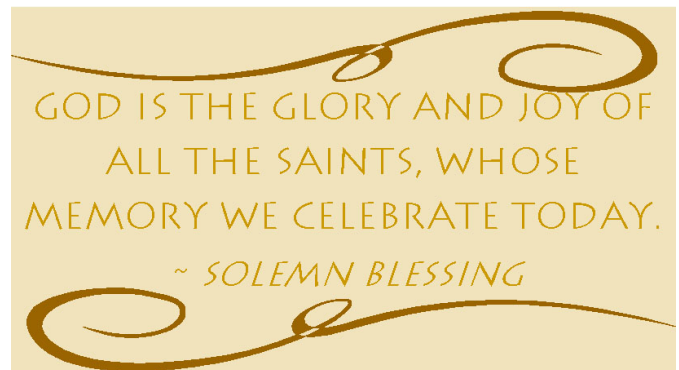
Dear Saint Veronica Parishioners,

Today is All Saints Day. Every year the Church recalls the example, witness, and prayer of the holy women and men who have been identified by the Church as Saints. The Gospel we proclaim for this Solemnity recalls for us Jesus' teaching about happiness, the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Saints are people who lived the spirit of the Beatitudes as Jesus lived. We are challenged to model our lives on the spirit and promises of the Beatitudes.

This Monday, November 2, we celebrate the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, also known as All Souls Day. On this Feast we pray for the souls of all those who have died. We fulfill one of the seven Spiritual Works of Mercy: to pray for the dead. This Feast helps us to remember that we are all on a journey to the Lord. As we pray for our dead, we also pray for each other and help each other to be in relationship with Jesus. One of the host couples in a Pre-Cana Program I ran some years ago would always share with the couples preparing for Marriage that "our principal responsibility as a couple is to help each other get to heaven." Beautiful words. And a truth that applies not only to married couples, but also to each of us in our two-church One Parish of St. Veronica. We are called to help each other get to heaven by deepening our personal relationship with Jesus in the community.

During the month of November, we not only remember the faithful departed on November 2nd, but we will also have a special remembrance for all of our parishioners who died this past year. A special Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 14 at St. Margaret Church at 9 a.m. We will remember - by name - all our parishioners who were buried from St. Veronica this past year. All are invited to attend to pray for each person by name at the Liturgy.

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



PRAYER TO SAINT VERONICA

O My Jesus, Saint Veronica served You on the way to Calvary by wiping Your beloved face with a towel on which Your sacred image then appeared. She protected this treasure, and whenever people touched it, they were miraculously healed. I ask her to pray for the growth of my ability to see Your sacred image in others, to recognize their hurts, to stop and join them on their difficult journeys, and to feel the same compassion for them as she did for You. Show me how to wipe their faces, serve their needs, and heal their wounds, reminding me that as I do this for them, I also do this for You. Saint Veronica, pray for me. Amen.

*"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 31

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Joan Lamb Month's Mind

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
Nettie & John Carberry Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Deceased Members of The Rigby
& Kelly Families Memorial

Sunday, November 1

8:00 am **St Margaret**
Anthony Gulla & Hunter Fagan Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Anthony & Lena Pagino, Gaetano
& Eva Micci & David H. Alden Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Rosa Hernandez 1st Anniversary
& Carlos Galvis 21st Anniversary

Monday, November 2

St. Malachy
9:00 am James Dion Memorial

Tuesday, November 3

9:00 am **St. Margaret**
Our Lady of Mr. Carmel
(Mass of Thanksgiving)

Wednesday, November 4

St. Malachy
9:00 am John J. Joyce, Jr. 2nd Anniversary

Thursday, November 5

St. Margaret
9:00am Jame Strunties 1st Anniversary

Friday, November 6

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

Saturday, November 7

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

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
John Callahan Memorial
& Edna Cox Anniversary

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Edward & Catherine MacMillan Memorial

Robert William Marshall 2nd Anniversary
Edmund Grammer Memorial

Sunday, November 8

8:00 am **St Margaret**
Ed MacPhail Memorial

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

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Anthony, Andy & Marie Capobinco
and Richard Barry Memorial

SAINTS & OBSERVANCES 2026 YEAR A

SUNDAY Nov 1	All Saints
MONDAY Nov 2	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)
TUESDAY Nov 3	Tuesday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time
WEDNESDAY Nov 4	Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
THURSDAY Nov 5	Thursday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time
FRIDAY Nov 6	Friday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time
SATURDAY Nov 7	Saturday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY Nov 8	Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pilot Bulletins



A funeral Mass was celebrated recently for
Janet Coppola
Kindly include her and her family
in your prayers.
Thank you.

ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Weekend of October 25, 2026

Envelopes & In Church: \$8,030
Online: \$3,489
TOTAL: \$11,519

Weekly Budget \$16,153
Income \$11,519
Deficit -\$4,634

Month to Date: \$50,017

Building Fund
Envelopes & In Church: \$170
Online: \$541
TOTAL: \$711

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

All adult volunteers are required to complete Protecting God's Children (PGC), the child protection training program utilized by the Archdiocese of Boston.

Go to www.VIRTUSonline.org.



October's meeting with guest speaker, Kent Niebuhr, brought a great turnout and a number of new faces. Kent will be back - watch here for updates. Thanks to all of the women and men who joined us. Ladies, mark your calendars for **Thursday, Nov. 19th**. This will be our final 2026 gathering (as we'll be taking December off so all can enjoy the busy Christmas holiday season). Gatherings start at **6:30pm at St. Malachy's church hall** (enter through the Chapel, proceed downstairs via the stairs or elevator). All are welcomed - no sign-up is ever needed. Any questions, feel free to reach out to Laurie at [617-680-4448](tel:617-680-4448).

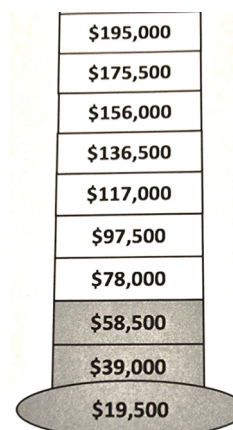
BUILDING FUND COLLECTION

Next weekend, **November 7 & 8**, 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.**

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Total # of Households:	2,194
Total # Pledged:	168
Total Amount Pledged	\$64,730.00
Total Amount Paid:	\$61,740.00
Average Pledge:	\$385.30
% of Pledges Collected:	95.38%
% of Participation:	7.66%



To date **168** of our **2,194** families
(**7.66%**) have pledged **\$64,730.00**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY!**

DONATIONS FOR A CANDLE STAND

St. Margaret Church has received a sizable donation from the family of Joseph and Camille Presti to purchase a memorial/prayer candle stand. We are asking for donations to purchase the same stand for St. Malachy Church. The Purchase price and installation cost will be approximately \$10,000. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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Religious Education Programs

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

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

St. Malachy Church: Saturday 4:00 and Sunday
10:00 (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.

11/1 - All Saint's Day Gathering after 10:00 Mass at St. Malachy Church hall.

12/13 - Christmas Nativity Play and cookie decorating after 10:00 Mass at St. Malachy Church hall.

1/10 - Gathering after 10:00 Mass at St. Malachy Church hall.

2/7 - Lenten Gathering after 10:00 Mass at St. Malachy Church hall.

3/26 - Live Stations of The Cross at 3:30 at St. Margaret 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:

1/24 1:30 - 4:00 at St. Margaret School Building

First Reconciliation Ceremonies:

1/30 - at 12:00 at St. Margaret School

2/6 - at 12:00 at St. Malachy Church

First Communion Retreat:

4/11 1:30 - 4:00 at St. Margaret School Building

First Holy Communion Rehearsal:

4/30 7:00 - 7:45 at St. Margaret Church

First Holy Communion Mass:

5/1 12:00 at St. Margaret Church

First Holy Communion Rehearsal:

5/7 7:00 - 7:45 at St. Malachy Church

First Holy Communion Mass:

5/8 12:00 at St. Malachy Church

MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 6 & 7)
will meet at St Margaret School building

MONDAY

7:00 – 8:00

11/2, 16 & 30

12/7 & 14

1/11 & 25

2/1 & 8

3/1

WEDNESDAY

2:00 - 3:30

11/4 & 18

12/2 & 9

1/13 & 27

2/3 & 10

3/3

Christmas Festivities:

12/13 at 11:00 at St Malachy Church Hall

Live Stations of The Cross:

Good Friday, 3/26 at 3:30 at St. Margaret Church

CONFIRMATION: GRADE 8

Grade 8 will receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

Classes will meet at St. Margaret School building either Monday (7:00 - 8:00) or Wednesday (2 :00- 2:30).

MONDAY

7:00 – 8:00

11/2, 16 & 30

12/7 & 14

1/11 & 25

2/1 & 8

3/1

WEDNESDAY

2:00 - 3:30

11/4 & 18

12/2 & 9

1/13 & 27

2/3 & 10

3/3

**CONFIRMATION WILL BE MAY 11, 2027
AT ST. MALACHY CHURCH
GRADE 8 AT 6:00PM**

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM GRADES 9 - 12

Class is from 5:00 - 6:00 at St. Margaret School Building

11/1/26	What Do Catholics Believe - Part 2
11/22/26	Who is Jesus?
12/13/26	Christmas Carols – Senior Center(6pm)
1/10/27	Who is Mary?
2/7/27	The Church
3/7/27	Catholic Social Teaching
4/4/27	Prayer and Spiritual Life
5/2/27	Graduation/Scholarship Awards
	12:00 Mass at St. Margaret Church

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.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Since November of last year St. Veronica Parish has accompanied over 100 families walking through the solemn ritual of burying their loved ones.

We will be having a **Mass of Remembrance** on Saturday, November 14 at 9:00 am St. Margaret Church. At the Mass, the names of those who have passed will be read aloud and a candle will be lit in their memory. If you would like your loved ones name added please call 871-272-3111.

Heartbeat Also Needs Help with Gently Used Children's Clothing and Equipment

Heartbeat Pregnancy Help Center also provides gently and recently used clothing for toddlers and older children in the families we serve.

We need and accept gently used children's clothing, baby equipment; strollers, swings, baby tubs, high chairs, baby bouncers, walkers, exersaucers, toddler beds and jumpers in very good condition. We provide receipts for tax deductions.

Please call 781-229-7887 for more information. Gently used items can be dropped off in Burlington at 113 Winn Street Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 10 and 1.

Heartbeat needs bilingual Spanish/English volunteers to help with calls and visitors at our office on a weekly or occasional basis. Call 781-229-7887 to learn more.

WORDSEARCH

Can you find and circle the words listed below?

ANGEL ROBES MOURN
EAST ELDERS MEEK
SEAL BLOOD MERCY
THRONE LAMB CLEAN
WHITE POOR HEART

Solution to last
week's crossword



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Knights of Columbus Council 4978 and Assembly 1602 would like to thank everyone who donated to our annual Campaign for Children with Intellectual Disabilities (a.k.a. The Tootsie Roll Drive). Through your generosity we raised \$1,180! Thank you and God Bless!

5 BOOKS

FOR

MEN & WOMEN ON DISCERNMENT

 <p>Pastores Dabo Vobis (I Will Give You Shepherds) <i>St. Pope John Paul II</i></p>	 <p>On the Dignity and Vocation of Women <i>St. Pope John Paul II</i></p>
<p>To Save a Thousand Souls: A Guide for Discerning a Vocation to Diocesan Priesthood <i>Fr. Brett Brannen</i></p>	<p>Discerning Religious Life <i>Sr. Clare Matthiass, CFR</i></p>
<p>Priests for the Third Millennium <i>Cardinal Timothy Dolan</i></p>	<p>The Fire in These Ashes: A Spirituality of Contemporary Religious Life <i>Sr. Joan Chittister</i></p>
<p>The Spirituality of the Diocesan Priest <i>Fr. Donald Cozzens</i></p>	<p>An Introduction to the Vocation of Consecrated Virginity Lived in the World <i>United States Association of Consecrated Virgins</i></p>
<p>A Living Sacrifice: Guidance for Men Discerning Religious Life <i>Fr. Benedict Croell, O.P. Fr. Andrew Hofer, O.P.</i></p>	<p>And You Are Christ's: The Charism of Virginity and the Celibate Life <i>Fr. Thomas Dubay</i></p>

OTHER RECOMMENDED READING

Story of a Soul: The Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux
Introduction to the Devout Life – St. Francis DeSales
Time for God – Fr. Jacques Phillipe
Jesus of Nazareth – Pope Benedict XVI

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION NOVEMBER 12TH

Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Thursday, November 12th in the chapel at St. Malachy 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.

The evening will close with Benediction at 8:00 pm.

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.

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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

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:
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