

St. Veronica Parish, a publication of
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The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and no torment shall touch them. They are in peace.

Wisdom 3:1,3

Dear Saint Veronica Parishioners,

Today, the Church invites us to pause and remember all the faithful departed — those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. It's not a day of fear, but of hope. We remember them with love, we pray for them with trust, and we look forward to the day when we will be reunited with them in God's presence. Our prayers today come from a deep truth of our faith: that love does not end with death. The bonds formed in Christ continue beyond the grave. That's why we pray for the souls in purgatory — not because God's mercy is lacking, but because His love continues to purify and perfect every soul so that they may see Him face to face. Our prayers are an act of love that help them on that journey. When we remember the dead — parents, spouses, friends, children — we do so with both sorrow and hope. Sorrow, because we miss them; hope, because we believe Jesus' promise: *"Everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."* (John 6:40) So today, as we light candles, visit cemeteries, or whisper names in prayer, we place our trust again in the mercy of God. We ask Him to welcome our loved ones into His light, and we ask for the grace to live each day ready for that same encounter — when faith will give way to sight, and love will be all in all. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

This 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!

For those who may be unaware November 3 is the feast day for St. Malachy. Saint Malachy (1094 – November 2, 1148) was an Irish saint and Archbishop of Armagh, to whom were attributed several miracles. His name in English is Malachy. (Middle Irish: *Máel Máedóc Ua Morgair*; Modern Irish: *Maolmhaodhóg Ó Morgair*; Latin: *Malachias*). In the book *Life of Saint Malachy*, his biographer Saint Bernard of Clairvaux says Malachy was distinguished by his meekness, humility, obedience, modesty, and true diligence in his studies.

Saint Charles Borromeo praised St Malachy for attending to the needy, bringing the holy sacraments to all alike and renewing the fervor of the people in receiving them. St Malachy's feast is celebrated on 3 November, so as not to clash with All Souls Day, on November 2. **Fun fact: There are only a few St. Malachy Churches in the U.S.** – Our own Burlington, MA, Brownsburg, Indiana, Kennedy Township, New York City (The Actors' Chapel); Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Geneseo, Illinois and Rantoul, Illinois. St. Malachy: Pray for us.

Please keep me in prayer as I have arrived at Guest House this week. The last 4 years with 6 major surgeries and daily PT and spinal stenosis in my neck have been very difficult for me. I have been self-medicating with alcohol to help with the pain. I tried to stop on my own and was not successful. This will be a time of healing for me. The usual treatment program at Guest House is around 90-100 days. I thank you for your prayerful support and ask that you support Fr. Tom Stanton as much as possible.

Effective immediately, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday morning Masses will be Communion Services run by deacons whenever possible. The Archdiocese strongly advised this schedule. As you know there is a dire shortage of priests, therefore there are no additional clergy available to fill in. Fr. Jiwon is only able to celebrate Mass on Sunday as he is working full time at Lahey Clinic. It is also possible that a weekend Mass may be turned into a Communion Service if a priest is not available or becomes ill. Please know of my prayers for all of you during my leave from St. Veronica.

I know that this parish has been unwavering in its support and understanding these last few years of surgical leaves and medical absences. I humbly ask for your continued care during this next step in healing.

Let us pray for each other. God Bless,

Father Mahoney

Guest House – in Lake Orion Michigan, is the nation's oldest and continuously operating treatment center exclusively for Catholic priests, deacons and men and women religious suffering from addictions. In almost everyone's life, there is someone we know who is experiencing the destructive effects of an active addiction. It could be an addiction to alcohol, prescription medications, or even to food and gambling. Fortunately, there is always help--from family and close personal friends, from readily available treatment centers like hospitals and other facilities that deal with addiction diseases for the general public. But when a Catholic priest, deacon, brother or sister is suffering from an addiction, to whom can they turn? Where can they go for help? Their special calling--their vocation--makes them unique and in need of a special place that respects and nurtures their religious calling. That special place is Guest House. (Guesthouse.org)

For those wishing to send Fr. Mahoney a card, the address is: **Fr. James Mahoney, Guest House, 1720 West Scripts Rd., Lake Orion, MI. 48360**

"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."

MASS Intentions

Saturday, November 1

All Saints Day

9:00 am **St Margaret**

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**

Sunday, November 2

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

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Richard Connolly 18th Anniversary

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Fred Pendleton 10th Anniversary

Monday, November 3

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
The Most Forgotten Soul in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 4

9:00 am **St. Margaret**
Don & Derek Dignan Memorial

Wednesday, November 5

9:00 am **St. Malachy**
Rosy Muthu 75th Birthday Memorial

Thursday, November 6

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Diane Cortese Birthday Memorial

Friday, November 7

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

Saturday, November 8

9:00 am **St Margaret**
Dick & Lois Jackson Memorial

4:00 pm **St. Malachy**
John Callahan Memorial

4:30 pm **St. Margaret**
Sister Bernadette 20th Anniversary

Sunday, November 9

8:00 am **St. Margaret**
Paul O'Meara Memorial

10:00 am **St. Malachy**
Michael Hartigan & Lisa Reese Memorial

12:00 pm **St. Margaret**
Carlos Jose Galvis Angulo 20th Anniversary



Funeral services were celebrated recently for
Helen Zenkin & Edward Delaney
Kindly include them and their families
in your prayers.
Thank you.

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 22 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.

"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."

ST VERONICA PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Weekend of October 26, 2025
Envelopes & In Church: \$9,467
Online: \$4,037
TOTAL: \$13,504

Weekly Budget \$16,153
Income \$13,504
Deficit -\$2,649

Month to Date: \$57,417
St. Veronica Building Fund
Envelopes & In Church: \$574
Online: \$569
TOTAL: \$1,143

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Every registered parish household should have received Father Mahoney's **Grand Annual Collection** request letter during the past few days. The participation of ALL parishioners is essential for the success of this effort. Please return your gift card as soon as possible. Thank you!

**Please make your checks out to
St Veronica Parish.**

READINGS, SAINTS, OBSERVANCES 2025

SUNDAY Nov 2	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed-All Souls Day Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
MONDAY Nov 3	Saint Martin de Porres, Religious Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14
TUESDAY Nov 4	Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24
WEDNESDAY Nov 5	Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33
THURSDAY Nov 6	Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14/Lk 15:1-10
FRIDAY Nov 7	Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8
SATURDAY Nov 8	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15
SUNDAY Nov 9	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Pilot Bulletins

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION

Next weekend, **November 8th/9th** 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.

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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




Helping Burlington residents in need

People Helping People's 15TH Annual Capital Grille Fundraiser

**The winner will enjoy dinner for six (\$1,000 value)
at the Capital Grille.**

Certain conditions apply, exempt from special periods during weekends/holidays

Tickets are \$20

Tickets can be purchased at the following locations:

- A Whole Bunch Flower Market (326 Cambridge St)
- Morandi Barber Shop (1 Mountain Rd)
- Online (QR code) or Cash!




Many thanks to Capital Grille's Managing Partner
Adam Meckler for all he does to support Burlington
and People Helping People.

A wonderful night of food and music was enjoyed at our Annual Ham & Bean Dinner on Saturday, October 25. Thank you to Sandy Covenor and all who organized this event. Thank you to Kevin Caranell for the pictures.





LIFT YOUR VOICE AND SHARE THE JOY OF THE SEASON.

Open to all! No music-reading required—just a love of Christmas music and a joyful spirit! Either join the adult choir or the seasonal children's choir for Christmas! Just a few rehearsals and plan to sing at the 4:30pm Mass on Christmas Eve at St Margaret's Church.

If you or your child are interested, please contact:
Bill Donahue, Director of Music – St. Margaret Church
 ✉ wdonahue@stveronicaparish.org | 508-451-8083
 Or simply speak with him after any Mass!

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION NOVEMBER 13

Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Thursday, November 13th 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.



Thanks to all who joined us in October. We had a great crowd of people, and a number of newcomers. All seemed to thoroughly enjoy Kent, our guest speaker. We meet next on **Thursday, November 20th at 6:30pm at St. Malachy Church (downstairs in the church hall)**, weather-permitting. Please contact Laurie at 617-680-4448 if you'd like to be added to the email distribution list, or have any questions about our gatherings. All are welcomed - no registration or sign-up is ever needed. Just show up!

Nov 8
12 PM - 3 PM

Presents of Hope A PCS Holiday Event

COME & JOIN US AT
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 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...>

People Helping People
 Helping Burlington residents in need

Senior Gift Card Holiday Campaign

This holiday season, help us support 125 Burlington seniors through our Wish Tree program.
 We need your help!

Many seniors on fixed incomes are struggling with rising costs. Help us spread kindness this holiday season by donating toward target gift cards for local seniors!

Donate today:
<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/2026-senior-gift-card-plea>

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.

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

11/3 & 10

12/1 & 15

1/12 & 26

2/2 & 9

3/2

WEDNESDAY

2:00pm - 3:30pm

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

11/3 & 10

12/1 & 15

1/12 & 26

2/2 & 9

3/2

WEDNESDAY

2:00pm - 3:30pm

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

11/16/2025	Love and Two Great Commandments
12/7/2025	Holy Eucharist
12/14/2025	Christmas Carols – Senior Center 6PM
1/11/2026	Our Father/Nicene Creed
2/1/2026	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.

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Rev Thomas J. Stanton **Pastoral Administrator**
Deacon Dick Bilotta **Senior Deacon**
Deacon Jack Minch **Deacon**
Deacon John Ippolito **Transitional Deacon**

(from Pope St. John XXIII Seminary studying for the
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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)



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