Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2023



Photos from last weekend's Masses where all were blessed with the *Relic of St Agnes, Virgin and Martyr* at each Mass.















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Masses

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Friday 8:30AM First Friday Mass—8:30am until further notice

Weekend: Saturday 4:00pm and

Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am

Holy Day: As Announced

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Celebrated on Saturdays or Sundays. To schedule a Baptism, call 781-894-3481 x7

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements six monthsone year in advance by appointment. Please contact the parish office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA): Anyone interested in journeying in faith to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION: Confessions - Saturday's from 2:45-3:15pm

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY: Extraordinary Ministers bring Holy Communion to those unable to attend Sunday Mass. Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

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Syro Malandara Catholic Mass for the Boston Mission of the Syro Malandara Catholic Dioceses of USA and Canada held third Sunday of each month here at Our Lady's.

HOMILIES ONLINE

The homilies are posted on our parish website at www.olca.org. Go to the home page and on the right side you will see Homilies, just click on that and choose the homily you would like to hear again.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions for Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28/29

Dick Casey Memorial
Robert and Joan Curran Memorial
Susie Giardina Memorial
Concetta Sammartano Memorial
Maureen Corey Memorial

Monday January 30 at 8:30am

In Thanksgiving for Favors Received

Tuesday January 31 at 8:30am Poor Souls in Purgatory

Friday February 3 at 8:30am

Deborah Kavey Memorial

Mass Intentions for Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 4/5

Florence and Joseph Mobilia Memorial Feliciano DiMascio Memorial For the Recovery of Susan Migliaccio

Monday February 6 at 8:30am

Thomas J. Rando Memorial

COLLECTION INFORMATION

January 21/22: \$6,251 December Online Donations: \$11,621

CONFESSIONS

Saturday's from 2:45-3:15pm

SATURDAY ROSARY

Rosary prayed the first Saturday of each month at 3:00pm in the church led by parishioners.

IMPORTANT HEALTH REMINDER

If anyone has any symptoms of the COVID virus, please avoid going to Church. It is ones own responsibility to keep ourselves as well as others around us safe.

Thank you.

MEMORIALS

The *Blessed Mother Statue* will be illuminated this week in loving memory of Maureen Corey at the request of her family.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE - FEBRUARY 3, 2023

The blessing of the throats will take place after all Masses the weekend of February 4/5.

ASH WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 22, 2023

Mass at 8:30am

Prayer Service at 12:00Noon with Deacon Jim Rice

Confessions will be heard from 4:00-4:45pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND CONFESSIONS

STATIONS: Join us on Wednesdays at 6:00pm during Lent for Stations of the Cross beginning March 1. Soup will again be served prior from 5:15-5:45pm by the Activities Committee. The dates for Stations are: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and will conclude on April 5.

<u>CONFESSIONS:</u> During the Stations of the Cross, confessions will be heard from 6:00-6:45pm. Please note, there will be NO CONFESSIONS ON MARCH 8.

DAILY MASS CANCELLATIONS

For everyone's safety, please remember that if Waltham Public Schools are <u>closed OR delayed</u> due to inclement weather, there will be NO 8:30am morning Mass. If Our Lady's School is closed, all events scheduled on all property that day and evening will be canceled. This will allow for the sidewalks and driveways to be cleared and prepared for the next business day.

OUR LADY'S MEMORIALS

Our memorials are meant to remember a deceased loved one or a special intention. These memorials include the illumination of the Stained Glass Window, Bread and Wine, Sanctuary Candle, illumination of outdoor Blessed Mother Statue and illumination of the indoor Blessed Mother Statue and Sacred Heart Statue in Sanctuary. The donation for each memorial is \$50 for a week. Contact Sharon in the parish office to make arrangements.

HEARING IMPAIRED?

Listening devices for the hearing impaired are available at Our Lady's. Speak with an Usher or a Knight of Columbus to borrow a device and assure the system is turned on. You may also use your own FM Radio receiver equipped with ear buds or head phones and tune to 88.5 FM. This service is limited to the church and parking lots only. Radios with digital tuning work best. This service is provided by our parish based Knights of Columbus Council 14710.

WILL OR BEQUEST GIFTS

When considering gifts to a charity in your Will or Trust, please remember Our Lady's.

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Photos from all Masses weekend of January 21/22.





























"The right to life is the first among human rights" ~ Pope Francis

Photos continued - January 21/22 Weekend Masses











UPDATE ON ST. JOSEPH SHRINE

The hand placed mosaics have been placed on the wall of the St. Joseph alcove. Thank you to Suzanne Owayda and Kim Alexander who have done a wonderful job placing each piece one at a time. The job is on going as the framing still needs to be done. Thank you to Lou Alvarez for her coordination of this project.







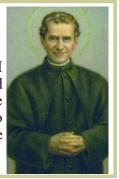
FAITH

HOPE

LOVE

All will be blessed with the *Relic of St. John Bosco* at all the Masses this weekend, January 28/29.

Fr. Bosco died on January 31, 1888. The call for his canonization was immediate. Pope Pius XI knew Fr. Bosco personally and agreed, declaring him blessed in 1929. St. John Bosco was canonized on Easter Sunday, 1934 and he was given the title, "Father and Teacher of Youth." In 2002, Pope John Paul II was petitioned to declare St. John Bosco the Patron of Stage Magicians. St. John Bosco is the patron saint of apprentices, editors and publishers, schoolchildren, magicians, and juvenile delinquents. His feast day is on January 31.



GRAND ANNUAL UPDATE

To date we have received \$213,224. Thank you to those who have already made their donations. Please continue to support this appeal as it goes on until the end of February. Our weekly collections continue to be down. This fund is necessary to balance our church budget. Each working parishioner was asked to contribute \$500. If this amount was beyond your means, any donation is welcome and essential for the financial solvency of the Parish. If your means enable you to contribute more – please prayerfully consider doing so. You can make your donation via check or cash by mailing to Our Lady's Parish, 920-R Trapelo Road, Waltham, MA 02452 Attn: Sharon. If you wish to pay by credit card, please use your phone camera to scan to code to the right

and follow prompts. Select "Grand Annual" as the fund. Thank you in advance for your continued support of Our Lady's Parish.



SCHOOL CONFERENCE/ADORATION WITH FR. DIPERRI AND FR. CAMPO

January 31 - Grades 1-8 at 9:15am February 10 - PreK-K at 9:15am

<u>SCHOOL CONFESSIONS WITH FR. DIPERRI</u> <u>AND FR. CAMPO</u>

March 13 - Grades 2-5 at 9:15am / Grades 6-8 at 1:00pm

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK ~ FACULTY MASS

Monday, January 30 at 7:10am in School Chapel

<u>CELEBRATING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK</u> JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 3



We are a Catholic school serving students from Pre-K3 to Grade 8. Our school helps to instill life-long and enduring values providing the students with the necessary coping skills to live in this world as they strive for earthly

success, and the eventual goal of reaching Eternal Life with God. While blessed with students of other faith traditions, we remain faithful to the mission of Christ and the Catholic Faith. At Our Lady's, our definition of success goes beyond a gold star on a test. We view our students' potential through a wider lens, focusing on developing the "whole child" and multiple levels of intelligence. Free from distraction and guided by Catholic values, our students are inspired to become blue sky thinkers, innovative problem solvers, artists, athletes, and genuinely good people.

CCD CONFERENCE/ADORATION WITH FR. DIPERRI AND FR. CAMPO

January 22 - 10:00-11:00am February 12 - 10:00am-11:00am March 5 - 10:00-11:00am

> April 23 - 10:00-11:00am April 30 - 10:00-11:00am

March 26 - Confirmation Retreat

BRISTOL LODGE - FEEDING THOSE IN NEED

Anyone wishing to participate in this ministry please contact Sharon in the parish office. Our Lady's volunteers prepare a meal on the first Tuesday, every other month beginning in February. Time got away from us this year with a late start, if you would like to help with the February dinner, please let Sharon know and she will get you in touch with the captains. It is unfortunate that we still cannot physically serve these folks dinner like we have done in the past as we still can only drop off the meals until further notice. But I'm sure it is still most appreciated.

A meeting was held to sign up for specific month(s) or for people looking for more information on this Ministry. If you would like to sign up, but cannot make a meeting, please email parish@olca.org and let us know how you would like to participate.

Knowing you followed the Gospel by feeding those in need is a gratifying feeling.



A gathering in Our Lady's Academy Chapel for upcoming week-long June Service Project to Knoxville, TN on January 21, 2023. Dinner and meeting of high schoolers, young adults, Chaperones and Fr. Campo followed in Rectory.



LOST AND FOUND

We have a lost and found plastic bin in the front foyer of the church opposite the St. Vincent dePaul Food Closet. It has accumulated gloves, scarfs, eye glasses, umbrellas etc. If you have lost something over the past few weeks, please come and take a look.



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Fr. Tom Nestor has served as pastor at the Collaborative Parishes of Resurrection and Saint Paul in Hingham for the past ten years, and previously served at St. Eulalia's in Winchester for 17 years. A Harvard graduate and native of West Roxbury, Fr. Nestor is known for fostering a sense of community wherever he goes.

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