

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 10, 2023





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MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

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

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

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements six months-one 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.

For more information on the Catholic Faith visit
www.usccb.org

CATHOLIC RADIO 1060AM

CATHOLIC TV: Verizon Ch. 296; Comcast Ch. 268

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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, Sept. 9/10**

Patricia Brinson	Memorial
John Spignese	Memorial
Anna Massarotti	Memorial
Richard Langell	Memorial
Robert Tamburro	Memorial
Lorraine Driver	Memorial

Monday September 11 at 8:30am

Poor Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday September 12 at 8:30am

Enrique Hidalgo Memorial

Friday September 15 at 8:30am

Don Sullivan Memorial

Mass Intentions for Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 16/17

Mary Lombard Memorial

Deceased members of Keough Family

Anthony DiGiovanni Memorial

Thomas F. Murphy Memorial

Fred and Mary Hennessey Memorial

COLLECTION INFORMATION

September 2-3; \$7,175

August Online Donations: \$13,296

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays from 2:45-3:15pm

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING FALL EVENTS**

During the month of October, we pray for the Church, the Pope and for the Synod, which takes place in Rome in October.

- + **CONFESSION** will be celebrated every Tuesday from September 19 to October 31 from 5:00-6:00pm in the church.
- + **ROSARY AND/OR DIVINE MERCY** will be prayed every Monday, Wednesday and Friday during the month of October at 12:00 noon

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ~ REGISTER NOW!!

The Religious Education Program is seeking to fill a few volunteer positions. Two teachers and an aide are needed for 7th and 8th grade classes. Religious Ed classes begin on September 17. Our program is built on the strong foundation of our volunteers, and we hope that you will consider this very important ministry. Please contact Elizabeth Pettine in the Religious Ed Office at 781-894-3481 x3 or email religiouseducation@olca.org.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. DIPERRI

Dear Parishioners:

On behalf of the parish, I wish to express great appreciation to Sharon Micco for her 25 years of dedicated service at Our Lady's Parish. Sharon has been offered an opportunity to undertake an important administrative role elsewhere beginning in a couple weeks. I am sure she will provide significant assistance and support in her new position, as she has done throughout her tenure at Our Lady's. Please see message below letter printed in the parish bulletin.

Sharon has made a lasting impact, playing an important role in many capacities as a vital member of the parish staff. She has been blessed with many skills, which she has used for the benefit of the parish and its parishioners. Throughout my fifteen years as Pastor of Our Lady's, Sharon has played a significant role in the operations of the office and beyond. I am also grateful for her continued willingness to assist in the office transition as needed in the weeks ahead.

A parish luncheon in her honor will be held on Sunday, September 17th in the Parish Hall, following the 11a.m. Mass. This will provide us with an opportunity to show our appreciation to her as a parish community. The church and school staff will also host a prior luncheon for her to thank her for her service and wish her much success ahead. In gratitude for her many efforts at Our Lady's, both as a parishioner and staff member, please keep Sharon in your prayers as she begins this new venture.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. James M. DiPerri, Pastor

**A MESSAGE FROM SHARON MICCO**

It is with many mixed emotions that I write to let you know I will be leaving my position at the parish office of Our Lady's. My last day is Thursday, September 7. An opportunity presented itself to me, and at this point in my life, I feel I need to take advantage of it. This is my church, my parish and I will continue to see you at Mass. I thank Fr. DiPerri for the many opportunities he has given me. It has been an honor working for him. Thank you to the staff at Our Lady's, past and present, for their support over the years. I truly value the friendships that I have been blessed with over the past 25 years. I'm sure those friendships will continue. I look forward to seeing you on September 17 and thank you for the part you have played in my life here at Our Lady's.

Caroline O'Brien awarded college scholarship by our parish-based Knights of Columbus Sept 3, 2023





FIRST MEETING OF MEN'S AND WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUPS

Happy Fall! We are excited about the return of our monthly Men's and Women's prayer group meetings. All are welcome.

Date: Saturday, September 30.

Time: 7:00am for the Men's Group and 8:30 am for the Women's Group

Location: OLCA Academy Conference Room

More details to follow. No preparation necessary. Join us for prayer, discussion and community. Questions?

Contact Ellen ~ efrice1@gmail.com or

Deacon Jim Rice ~ jrice@mit.edu



WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

COMING IN SEPTEMBER



Cursillo is a joyful and jam-packed three-day experience of learning, faith sharing, praying, and having fun. The goal is to deepen your faith and strengthen your ability to bring Christ's love and grace into the world.

The weekend runs from Thursday, 9/21 at 7 pm through mid-afternoon on Sunday, 9/24 at the beautiful Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Ipswich.

Are you curious? Ellen Rice (efrice1@gmail.com) would love to tell you more! Send an email, visit the website at www.bostoncursillo.org or check out @bostoncursillo on Instagram.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OUR LADY'S FUNDRAISER

On Thursday Sept. 28th the Knights of Council #14710 will be holding their semi-annual fundraiser at the Chateau Restaurant in Waltham 195 School St to benefit our "Coats for Kids" Program. On that day, the Knights will receive 20% of all monies spent in the restaurant as well as pick-up orders as long as you mention Knights of Columbus for all hours the restaurant is open. Home delivery is not accepted. We will also accept private donations if sent to parish office at 920-R Trapelo Rd Waltham 02452. Last year, we were able to purchase and deliver 132 coats. The state council also donated 48 coats. We purchase young children to young adult coats.

As in past years, all proceeds will be used to purchase high quality boys and girls winter coats for families in need. Coats will be distributed to agencies, schools, St Vincent DePaul as well as individuals in need. Due to the Knights' national organization, purchasing power, we are able to purchase new high-quality coats for approximately \$20.00 per coat. Having any adults use Facebook or other social media has been an effective way of promoting to a larger audience.

Your participation in this event is truly appreciated!

Our Lady's Knights of Columbus #14710

NORTH WALTHAM SENNIORS

OLD MILL RESTAURANT TRIP - THURSDAY OCTOBER 12, 2023

\$116.00 PER PERSON (Trip includes lunch and an apple dumpling from Red Apple Farm)

Motor Coach will depart Our Lady's Parking Lot at 9:30am-approx return 415pm

Join North Waltham Seniors and Bloom Tours to Western MA to enjoy the Fall foliage. First stop The Red Apple Farm to enjoy an apple dumpling. Next stop The Old Mill Restaurant located in Westminster. Lunch choice of Roast Stuffed Chicken Breast or Baked Salmon accompanied by a fruit cup, potato, vegetable, corn fritter, coffee, tea and apple crisp for dessert.. After lunch we will continue our journey with a stop at Kimball Farm.

*** Vaccines Required Updated Bivalent Covid-19

For reservations contact Janet Johnson-(781) 899-2392 (please leave message) Make checks payable to North Waltham Seniors and mail to Janet Johnson 132 Clocktower Drive #4205 Waltham, 02452

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