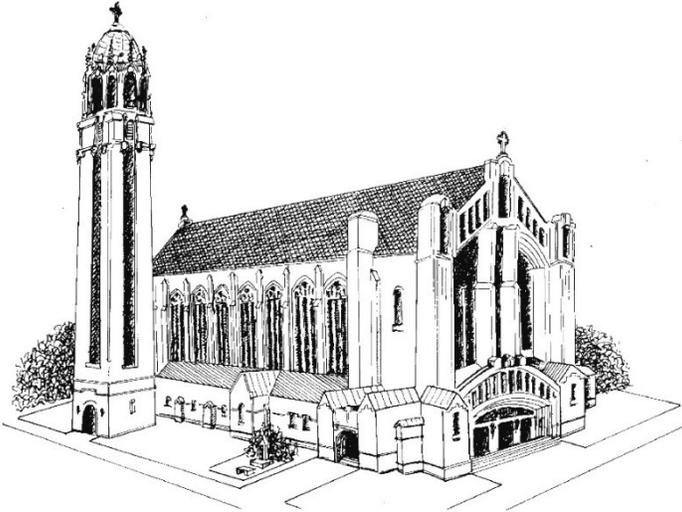


OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PARISH

1222 MAIN STREET • WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01603

We, the parish community of Our Lady of the Angels, as part of the universal Catholic Church, are answering the call to love and serve one another in this ever-changing world. Part of our call is to be a welcoming community of faith that is nourished and sustained through the mystery of the Holy Eucharist and guided by the Holy Spirit. Together, we are called and committed to be active witnesses of God's presence among us by serving others in our parish as well as in the community at large, especially the poor. By continual proclamation of the Gospel and celebration of the Sacraments, we are dedicated to growth in knowledge and faith which will enable us to build a strong foundation for all peoples to experience life to the fullest as Jesus intends.



Pastor

Rev. Charles F. Monroe.....(ext. 10)

Priest in Residence

Rev. Terrence Dougherty, O.C.D.

Pastoral Assistant for Education

Mrs. Karen Barrows(ext. 18)

Pastoral Assistant for the Elderly

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Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 6:00 pm

Monday – Friday: 9:00 am

Holy Days: 4:00 pm Vigil, 9:00 am, 6:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays, by appointment at present

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact the rectory to arrange for Baptism Preparation and schedule the Baptism. We also have a process for adults. Contact the rectory.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Contact the rectory as soon as you decide on a date to begin the preparation process.

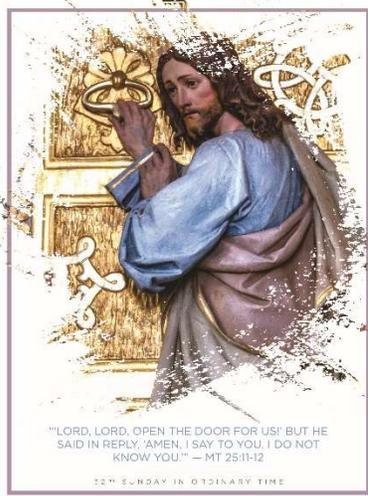
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The pastor should be called whenever someone can benefit for the Sacrament of Healing.

Office for Healing and Prevention of Abuse

Judith Audette, 508-929-4364 or Confidential Line:
508-726-2880 – jaudette@worcesterdiocese.org

*All are welcome to join the parish community.
Please call or come to the rectory to register.*



When doing student report cards, there was a comment the teacher could choose that read: inattentive and easily distracted. Could that comment describe your spiritual life? We can become so consumed with myriad distractions and preoccupations and lose our connection to what is really significant and important. We can become dull. This happens in our human relationships, too. We can easily take the love of others for granted, whether it be a parent, spouse, friend, or a child. We assume and presume that their love will always be there and do very little to cultivate, rejuvenate, and deepen it. Presumption can become a great sin.

We do the same thing with God and our spiritual lives. We presume that God will be merciful. Because we believe that in the end God is going to forgive us anyway, then why put a lot of effort into things now? What's the point? It's far easier to find a comfortable spot, curl up and take a nap! There is no immediate urgency to staying awake and attentive, so we think, and we simply fly by the seat of our pants. Assuming and presuming too much about our relationships, especially our relationship with God, can lead to neglect and abuse. It can even lead to a sense of entitlement, where we actually believe that something is due us without much effort on our part.

Folks who are distracted and preoccupied can find their relationships, especially the primary ones, drifting away. You can actually be married to someone for many years and wake up one morning realizing that you really do not know them or truly recognize them. We have to desire God in order to recognize God. We have to open our hearts, minds, and souls to His Presence so that we can be rejuvenated and refreshed. But we cannot do this if we are distracted or napping. We have to be awake and alert! As a young child eagerly watches for and anticipates that arrival of their parent home, so too we must watch for God's presence. If the anticipation of God's arrival does not excite us and rouse us, then we need to ask why. The wise person keeps vigilant watch, knowing that in the end they will not be disappointed. ©LPI

ANNUAL REPORT

The annual "State of the Parish" mailing is going out this week to all registered households. It includes statistics about the makeup of the parish and sacramental celebrations during the 2019-2020 fiscal year (September 1, 2019 – August 31, 2020). Also included is a summary report of our finances for that same period that was approved by the Parish Finance Committee and Bookkeeper. If you have comments or concerns, feel free to contact Fr. Monroe.

MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES

- Sat., 11/7 4:00 pm **Tommy Desautels**, by his mother
- Sun., 11/8 8:00 am **All Souls**
- 10:30 am **John, Mary & Edmond Phelan**, 25th Anniv., by family
- 6:00 pm **All Souls**
- Mon., 11/9 9:00 am **Francis Lacombe**, 1st Anniv., by family
- Tue., 11/10 9:00 am **Vincent Bogolesic**, by Paul & Patti Verderese
- Wed., 11/11 9:00 am **Msgr. John P. Martin**, 5th pastor, 22nd Anniv. (Remembrance) **Ryan Finnegan**, 1st Anniv., by family
- Thu., 11/12 9:00 am **Fr. M. Charles Carey**, 2nd pastor, 67th Anniv.
- Fri., 11/13 9:00 am **Grace DiReda Konisky**, by friends
- Sat., 11/14 4:00 pm **Arthur Smith**, 4th Anniv., by family
- Sun., 11/15 8:00 am **William McMenemy**, (35th Anniv.) & **Helen McMenemy** (18th Anniv.), by family
- 10:30 am **All Souls**
- 6:00 pm **Clement & Judith Anish and Paul & Alice Chase**, by family
- (Remembrance) **Ryan Finnegan**, 1st Anniv., by family
- (Remembrance) **Kristina Krull**, Birthday, by family

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

- Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:
- Weekly Adult Offerings: \$7,300.00
 - (\$265.00 in loose offerings and \$7,035.00 in 117 envelopes)
 - All Saints Holy Day: \$ 477.00
 - Charitable Ministries: \$ 25.00
 - All Souls for Maintenance Fund: \$1,200.00
 - Maintenance Fund: \$ 856.00
 - Debt Reduction Donations: \$ 8.00
 - Memorial Gifts: \$ 100.00
 - World Missions: \$ 35.00
 - TD Bank annual Affinity Donation: \$ 710.00
- We also received the following online donations:
- Weekly Adult Offerings: \$1,299.09
 - Maintenance Fund: \$ 75.00
 - All Saints Holy Day: \$ 35.00
 - Charitable Ministries: \$ 10.00

LITURGICAL MEMORIALS

The bread and wine being used at all Masses this week has been donated in memory of **Francis Lacombe** by his family. The candles being used at the altar and pulpit have been donated in memory of **Francis Lacombe** by his family.

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the souls of **Michael Faucher, Paul Jourcin, Roland Carlson** and all our deceased relatives.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
- Monday: 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
- Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10
- Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19
- Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25
- Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37
- Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
- Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

FIRST PENANCE CELEBRATION

Next Saturday, November 14th, from 9:00 am to 11:15 am, the children who will be candidates for First Communion next Easter season will gather for their First Penance Retreat session. The class time will be followed by the Penance Service in the church at 11:30 am when the children will have the opportunity to make a first sacramental confession. Family and other parishioners are welcome to join them for the Penance Service. COVID protocols will be followed: sanitize your hands as you enter the church, wear a face mask or covering during the service and socially distance from others unless the other person lives in your home.

THANKSGIVING ASSISTANCE

Our Charitable Ministries Group will attempt to provide resources for people to purchase food for a traditional Thanksgiving meal. Anyone who would like that assistance should call the rectory to give their name and best phone number. They will be called on the Saturday before Thanksgiving to come to the Parish Hall to pick up their gift cards to purchase items for the Thanksgiving meal. Because of COVID restrictions, we cannot gather to put together food baskets as in the past.

CONTRIBUTIONS REQUESTED

Our Charitable Ministries Group is requesting financial assistance to respond to requests for Thanksgiving help. With the COVID shutdown and fewer people coming to Masses, they have not been able to do usual fundraising and now have limited means to help others. You can make financial donations in weekly collections, dropping them off at the rectory or online through our website. **We will also be happy to accept supermarket gift cards since we will be giving households that request help gift cards rather than attempting to make up food baskets.** This will be the safest way to answer requests since we cannot have a group of people assembling to put baskets together. **Thank you to several parishioners who have already donated a number of market gift cards and several monetary donations.**

ANNUAL AFFINITY GIFT TO THE PARISH

Last week, we received a check for \$710.00 from TD Bank. That is our annual contribution from the TD Bank Corporation as a result of their Affinity program for nonprofit groups who have an account at the bank. Our parish has its account with TD Bank. Members or friends of the parish who have accounts at the bank can have their savings or cd accounts tagged indicating your membership or connection with the parish. The TD Bank Corporation then donates 1/10th of 1% of the average daily balances of all tagged savings accounts and certificates of deposit. Fr. Monroe has his personal accounts at the bank and has his account tagged and a significant number of households have done so as well. We use the money for our charitable ministries. None of your money is touched, the dividend comes from TD Bank Corporate Funds. If existing bank customers who are not yet participating decide to do so, we receive \$10 if they do so and \$50 for anyone who opens a new account at TD Bank and asks to have that savings or certificate of deposit account tagged. This is an easy way to provide support to the parish with no charge to yourself.

THANK YOU, KAREN BARROWS

As announced last weekend, Karen Barrows and her husband, Brian have moved to Maine as of this past week. We will miss her energetic ministry to our youth and in Baptismal and Marriage Preparation. We wish her and Brian all the best in his retirement from years at the US Postal Service.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun., November 8 – 32nd Ordinal Sunday
8:00 am Lord’s Day Mass
10:30 am Lord’s Day Mass
12:00 pm Baptism
6:00 pm Lord’s Day Mass
Mon., November 9 – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
9:00 am Daily Mass
Tue., November 10 – St. Leo the Great
9:00 am Daily Mass
Wed., November 11 – St. Martin of Tours, Veterans Day
Office Closed in Observance of the Holiday
9:00 am Daily Mass
Thu., November 12 – St. Josaphat
9:00 am Daily Mass
Fri., November 13 – St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
9:00 am Daily Mass
Sat., November 14 – Saturday of 32nd Ordinal Week
9:00 am First Penance Retreat in Rieger Hall
11:30 am First Penance Celebration in Church
4:00 pm Vigil Mass

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, November 14	4:00 pm	Fr. Monroe
Sunday, November 15	8:00 am	Fr. Dougherty
	10:30 am	Fr. Monroe
	6:00 pm	Fr. Monroe

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD -- AGAIN!

“Say No to expansion of ROE” The state legislature has extended the session until January 5th, 2021. Please remind the members of the Joint Committee on Judiciary that you oppose the expansion of abortion in Massachusetts. Please call the Committee at 617-722-2396 and let them know you are **opposed** to H3320 and S1209 – the ROE legislation. Every telephone call helps! Remember these bills would remove:

1. The requirement that young girls obtain consent before an abortion
2. The requirement that efforts be made to save a living baby who survives abortion;
3. The requirement that late term abortions be performed in hospitals; and
4. The bills would allow abortion on demand for all nine months of pregnancy.

For more information about how the ROE legislation would expand abortion in Massachusetts visit www.macatholic.org.

LECTORS & COMMUNION MINISTERS

We are not drawing up a new schedule for the time being since we are unable to use Communion Ministers at this time. Those lectors who have been reading are asked to continue doing so on the respective weekends to which they have been assigned.