Sixth Sunday of Easter

I live and you will live.

John 14:19

May 21, 2017
Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Parish

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Mass
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  8AM
First Friday Mass  9AM (only)
Saturday (Vigil)  4PM
Sunday  9AM, 11AM
Holy Day  As Announced

Baptism—12:15PM
During Mass or on selected Sunday each month. To schedule a Baptism, call 781-894-3481 x7 and leave your information.

Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation
Every Saturday from 3:15 - 3:45 PM in the new Confessional located just inside the back of the church on the school side entrance. Other scheduled opportunities throughout the year, as well as by appointment.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
The Sacrament of The Sick will be administered on the last weekend of each month after the 4PM and 11AM Masses. Who can receive this sacrament? Those who are aged, chronically ill, are having treatments or will be having surgery. We invite you to come receive the Sacrament of the Sick, a source of strength, healing and grace.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)
Anyone interested in journeying in faith to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, please contact John Barry in the parish office.

Homebound Ministry
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring Holy Communion to those unable to attend Sunday Mass. Please contact John Barry in the parish office to make arrangements.

For more information on the Catholic Faith visit www.usccb.org
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Saturday  May 20
4:00 pm  Marie McClallen  Memorial

Sunday  May 21
9:00 am  James Kennedy  Memorial
*Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady’s Parish*
11:00 am  Peter Cianci  Memorial

Monday  May 22
8:00 am  Beatrice Maillet  Memorial

Tuesday  May 23
8:00 am  Antonio and Adeline Massarotti  Memorial

Friday  May 26
8:00 am  Dora O’Halloran  2nd Anniversary

Saturday  May 27
4:00 pm  Christine and John Mehegan and John Mehegan Jr.

Sunday  May 28
9:00 am  Luigi and Manrico Pellegrini  Memorial
*Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady’s Parish*
11:00 am  John Fronduto  1st Anniversary
*Also pray for the soul of Bob MacDougall on his 1st Anniversary*

**COLLECTION INFORMATION**
May 13/14:  $5,890 ~ Utilities/Energy:  $2,676

**UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**
May 20/21:  Regular and Special Monthly
May 25:  Ascension Thursday
May 27/28:  Regular
June 3/4:  Regular and Seminarians
June 10/11:  Regular and Special Monthly

The Stained Glass Window will be illuminated this week in loving memory of Peter Cianci at the request of his wife, Elaine.

**ASCENSION THURSDAY HOLY DAY MASSES**
Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30pm
Thursday, May 25 at 9:00am and 6:30pm

**DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**
Our daily Masses are now celebrated on Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 8:00am. The first Friday Mass will remain at 9:00am.

**UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**
Ascension Holy Day Masses:  Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30pm, Thursday, May 25 at 9:00am and 6:30pm
Mem. Day Mass for our Veterans—5/28 @ 11:00am
Memorial Day Mass—Monday, May 29 at 9:00am
Last Day of School Mass—Friday, June 16 at 9:00am

**1000 CLUB**
Thank you to all who have continuously supported the 1000 Club. We hope to sign up new members for 2017. Tell your friends. A 1000 Club membership is the PERFFECT GIFT for that hard to buy for person OR JUST TREAT YOURSELF. It only costs $55 per year which is less that $5 per month. The next drawing is THIS Sunday, May 21 at 12:30pm in the school cafeteria. Join us for refreshments.

Join us the last weekend of each month after the 4:00pm and 11:00am Masses in the church to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Sickness of the body affects our emotional and spiritual wellbeing. Through the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, one of the two Sacraments of Healing, Jesus Christ brings healing - physical and spiritual - to what ever ailment you may have.

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS FOR VETERAN’S**
Next Sunday, May 28 at the 11:00 Mass—Our Lady’s will celebrate a Mass for our Veteran’s city wide and remember in prayer those who have lost their lives for our freedom. There will be a small reception in the back of church following Mass sponsored by Our Lady’s Activities Committee. If you would like to help bake for this reception, please call Sharon in the parish office and let her know.

**HOMEBOUND**
If you, a family member or a friend are not able to make it to Mass for whatever reason, call the parish office, 781-894-3481 x2 and we will make arrangements for Communion to be brought to the home.
**OUR LADY’S ACADEMY**

Conferences/Adoration/Confessions with Fr. DiPerri

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**2017 CARDINAL’S CATHOLIC APPEAL**

*We are less than $10,000 from our goal.* The Cardinal’s Appeal continues. Your generous contributions not only matter to the appeal, but in the end, also help OUR PARISH. **Our parish’s goal is $47,283. To date we have collected $37,744.** If you haven’t yet given, there are blue envelopes on the tables of the church and at the ends of each pew, please fill out and either send in the mail or simply drop into the collection baskets on the weekend. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity in helping us reach our goal.

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**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION OPPORTUNITIES**

June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and also of Fathers, Dan Zinger will be hosting Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, June 16 at 6:30pm to honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to pray for all fathers. All are welcome. Come and go as you wish!

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**NORTH WALTHAM SENIORS**

Our next meeting is this Monday, May 22 at 12:30pm in Our Lady’s School Hall. We will be having a special guest who is a personal trainer at one of our local gyms. She will lead the group in chair aerobics. Should be lots of fun—get all of us moving. We will also be taking then names of those who wish to attend our June luncheon here at Our Lady’s School Hall. Please come and join us this Monday for relaxation, conversation and fun. Refreshments will be served.

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**OUR LADY’S ACADEMY NEWS**

**Benvenuti! Welcome!**

With the end of the school year just around the corner, the Italian students have been hard at work on their final review. In a year blessed with a mild winter and good health, they have consistently shown strong motivation, dedication, and commitment to the study of the beautiful Italian language.

While the Middle School classes prepare for their final exams; Pre-K, Kindergarten and Elementary school students are completing their annual review through educational language games and our traditional end-of-year “bocce tournament”.

The 8th grade class is anxiously getting ready for graduation. For some students, Italian learning culminates here. What a fantastic opportunity it was for our students to be exposed to the beautiful language, history and culture of such a glorious country!

Thanks to our Principal, Mrs. Minor and to our Pastor, Fr. DiPerri, the Italian language continues to be a valuable option for many students at OLA. We have had a very nice group of foreign students joining our International Program this year. Several students from China and South Korea have been fully immersed in our Catholic School System and have been able to receive the same outstanding dedication and education enjoyed by their American classmates at OLA. Along with the core curriculum classes taught by our excellent faculty, the International students have been have been enrolled in the ESL program where they have absolutely excelled - actively participating and displaying an exceptionally committed work ethic and the utmost respect at all times. It has been a pleasure for all of us getting to learn their different cultures and languages and being able to share our language, culture and Catholic values with them. What an incredible enrichment has this cultural exchange been for me as an educator and for all of our students! I wish our students and their families as well as our parishioners a wonderful summer!

**Buone vacanze! ~ ~ Ms. Sambiase**
THANK YOU TO OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VOLUNTEERS

Our last Religious Education class for 2016-2017 for Grades 1-8 is this Sunday, May 21. We thank our wonderful teachers, classroom aides, building aides, substitute teachers, and other volunteers for so generously giving their time and talent to share their faith with our children. May God Bless you and help you continue to grow in knowledge and grace. We also congratulate our Second Graders who made First Communion and our Confirmation students who received the sacrament of Confirmation.

Teachers (Grades 1 – 10): Justin Braga, Deirdre Curtin, Debbie Edwards, Andrea Healy, Mary Hegarty, Janet Henneberry, Jeanine Hirst, Megan Letendre, Eileen MacKenzie, Ken Marcou, Catherine Milliken, Samantha Perera, Nicola Quaranto, Sarah Reier, Viviana Rodriguez, Anna Sabatino, Tara Senarian, April Slattery, Laura Urquhart, Heidi Visocchi, and Dan Zinger.

Classroom Aides: Toni Berit, Haley Campbell, Liz Centofanti, Aimee Dallaire, Kara DiGiacomo, Carol Kelly, Carol Ann Loftus, Claire O’Connell, Leah O’Brien, Carol Perilli, Jen Priore, Suzanne Shields, Margaret Stevens, Michelle Sullivan, and Linda Young.

Building Aides: Nella Connelly, Jessica Diorio, Deb Masterson, Charlie Perilli, Joanne and Mark St. Cyr.

Substitute Teachers: Jackie Ashba, Debbie Bruno, Suzanne Cercone, and Sheila Pilek.

Special Helpers: Lou Alvarez, John Barry, Knights of Columbus, Paul Loscocco, Eleanor Morrissey, Joanne Murphy, and Charlie Newfell.

OLCA RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018

Registration for next years Religious Education Classes for grades 1 through 10, including our First Communion Program and Confirmation Program in grades 9 and 10, has begun. Registration forms may be downloaded from our website www.olca.org under the Religious Education heading, by calling 781-894-3481 x3 or by stopping by the Parish or Religious Education Office.

In order to adequately plan for the coming year, registrations need to be returned by July 1. Tuition and fees remain the same as last year and are due upon registration, unless otherwise arranged confidentially by contacting Felicia Forger.

Registrations and payment may be dropped-off or mailed to the parish office to the attention of Religious Education. Registrations may also be emailed to religiouseducation@olca.org with payment to follow. Any questions, please contact Felicia Forger at 781-894-3481 x3. Thank you.

RETIRE Men’S Club of Arlington

Meet friends you have yet to meet. Come join almost 500 members, from all of the local cities and towns, for quality time and a social experience of fellowship and activity. They meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month in St. Camillus lower church hall. Doors open at 9:30 AM for companionship with free coffee and donuts. Exit 57 Route 2, Dow Ave intersection. The meetings begin at 10:00am. Approximately 100 of our members enjoy a keynote speaker followed by club business. The meetings end at approximately 11:00am. There are also several other member activities available to enjoy in addition to the meetings: Cribbage Tournaments on Mondays – Bowling League on Fridays – Drop-in Center Monday thru Friday – Golf League on Tuesday when in season – Trips – Dinner Dances – Singing Grand Pops and Veterans Services.

The Retired Men’s Club of Arlington MA is a non-profit organization and social club registered with the Commonwealth. Please visit our web site www.rmcarlington.org for membership information and review our other tabs to learn more about our club. Questions may also be asked by calling Peter Galluzzo at 781-646-7758.
Dear Parishioners,

Three years ago this Spring, I appealed for your support for a Restricted Parish Building Fund to address the costs of much needed deferred capital improvements and repairs to our Church property. As always, your response to this financial request was most generous. I am pleased to report the completion of numerous projects designated in our original appeal. Please note the list of these projects inserted in this week’s bulletin. Beyond the weekly offertory and Grand Annual Collection, which are needed to meet our ordinary operational expenses, additional donations have enabled us to complete other improvements.

I respectfully reach out to you again seeking support of our Restricted Parish Building Fund. We are facing several new and urgent needs, which unfortunately exceed the remaining balance in the Fund. These include:

- **Extensive resurfacing and lining of the Church parking lot on the Belmont side of our property – the most expensive and needed of the anticipated projects.** The current parking lot is showing serious signs of deterioration. It is best to complete this project before water and other elements further damage its foundation. Fortunately, one half of the parking lot, on the School side of the Church parking lot, was resurfaced approximately ten years ago and it is sound.

- **Installation of additional security cameras on the Belmont side of parking lot**

- **Upgrading the underground wiring conduits to parking lot lights**

Preliminary cost estimates for the above noted projects are in the $200,000 range. Thanks to a generous $50,000 donation from the original Knights of Columbus Council 147, once located on Moody Street, we are on our way toward reaching the needed goal.

The Current Restricted Parish Building Fund is expected to enable:

- **The installation of a new Church sound system, and completion of on-going beautification and improvements to the Sanctuary and other areas of the Church** (tentatively scheduled to begin this Summer into early 2018).

I am asking each of you to contribute, **$400, or whatever you are able to give according to your means**, to our Restricted Parish Building Fund. Naturally, donations exceeding this amount, from those who are financially able, will bring us even closer to our goal. All contributions are most gratefully appreciated.

Donations are tax-deductible, and should your employer have a matching gift fund, the value of your donation may be enhanced. You may mail your donation by check to the Parish Office, place it in the weekend collection (marked Restricted Parish Building Fund), or make your contribution on-line.

I thank you for your continued support to our vibrant and growing Parish. I shall continue to keep you apprised of this campaign and the status of the Church’s ongoing improvements.

May the One God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, continue to bless you and your families. May Mary, Mother of God and Patroness of our Parish, watch over us as we continue our spiritual and physical journeys toward our eternal reward.

Fr. DiPerri