

Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - AUGUST 16, 2026



Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen (May 8, 1895– Dec. 9, 1979) was a groundbreaking 20th century American Catholic Archbishop, radio/television pioneer, and evangelist. The title of his television series was: Life is Worth Living. Known for his profound insights on faith, love, and human nature, his quotes often emphasize the importance of God in relationships and the power of patience and understanding in life. He will be beatified on Thursday September 24, 2026 in St. Louis, Missouri. Pope Francis previously approved a miracle attributed to his intercession involving the healing of a stillborn child with no medical explanation. Below are a few of his quotes.

“Prayer begins by talking to God, but it ends by listening to Him. In the face of Absolute Truth, silence is the soul’s language.”

“The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white Host.”

“God does not love us because we are valuable
We are valuable because God loves us.”

“God has become man so that man might
become God-like.”

“Patience is power. Patience is not an
absence of action; rather it is timing it waits
on the right time to act, for the right
principles and the right way.”

“Freedom does not mean that right to do
whatever we please, but rather to do as we
ought. The right to do whatever we please
reduces freedom to a physical power and
forgets that freedom is a moral power.”

“If you do not worship God, you worship something, and nine
times out of ten it will be yourself. You have a duty to worship
God, not because He will be imperfect and unhappy if you do
not, but because you will be imperfect and unhappy.”

“You must remember to love people and use things, rather than
to love things and use people.”

“It is impossible to lose your footing when you’re on your knees.”

“Our happiest times are those in which we forget ourselves,
usually in being kind to someone else. That tiny moment of
self-abdication is an act of true humility: the man who loses
himself finds himself and finds his happiness.”

“Faith makes things possible not easy. Faith is the light
that guides you thorough the darkness. Faith is seeing the
invisible , but not the nonexistent.”

PRAY FOR



VOCATIONS





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MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

8:30am Weekday Masses: Monday, Tuesday,
(Wednesdays if previously announced on the Prior Tuesday), Friday

Weekend: Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am

Holy Days: As Announced

BAPTISMS: 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.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS-(OCIA)
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 & by appointment

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 & 107.3FM K-LOVE

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

EWTN: Verizon Ch. 285; Comcast Ch. 238

St. Mary Queen of Peace Syro Malankara

Catholic Eparchy in USA and Canada -

Mass for the Boston Mission celebrated on the 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.

MEMORIAL MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday August 15, 2026

4:00 p.m. Corinne Aucoin

Sunday August 16, 2026

9:00 a.m. Arthur Genova

11:00 a.m. John and Elise LeBlanc

Monday August 17 at 8:30 am

Jose and Leopoldina Raposo

Members of the Memorial Guild

Tuesday August 18 at 8:30 am

Mary Howe

Friday August 21 at 8:30 am

Stanley Halama

Saturday August 22, 2026

4:00 p.m.— Deceased Members of Ryan & Aucoin Families

Sunday August 23, 2026

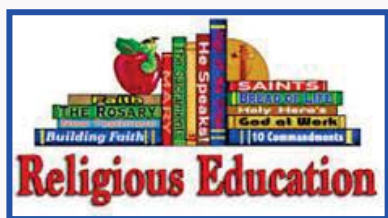
9:00 a.m. Marlene Caterino

11:00 a.m. Jack Sullivan

The Stained Glass Window will be illuminated for the week in memory of **Joseph Amelia** at the request of his family.

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Week of August 8-9 \$ 5,407



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR IS NOW OPEN.

Please scan the QR Code to register. Questions can be directed to Elizabeth Pettine, Religious Education Coordinator at religiouseducation@olca.org. Additional information can be found on our website www.olca.org



Join our Adult Choir—Sing, Serve and Share Worship! We warmly invite singers of all ages and skill levels to join our vibrant adult choir.



The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a feast celebrated on August 22nd. The Feast was instituted by Pope Pius XII on October 11, 1954, through the encyclical “Ad Caeli reginam,” to honor Mary’s role as Queen of Heaven and Earth. It is celebrated on August 22 exactly eight days after the Solemnity of Her Assumption emphasizing the connection between the two events. The Church has recognized Mary’s Queenship a sharing in Her Son’s Kingship since early Christianity reflecting Her unique role in salvation history.

Fr. Olejnik celebrated Mass at Waltham Crossing.



Confessions-Saturdays 2:45-3:15pm & upon request.

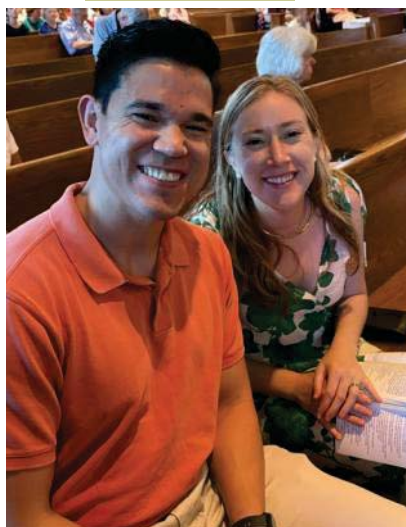
Congratulations to the Dennison Family on the Baptism of their daughter Lulu Meg.



Congratulations to the Tinsley Diligent-Jones Family on the Baptism of heir son Jaxson Luca.



Weekend Mases





Thanks to the crew who painted all our outdoor signs and parking lot lines. Great job! Ready for the opening of School soon.





Invitation to Our Lady's Parish from
Father Lazarus Bedrossian, Pastor
Holy Cross Armenian Catholic Church,
Belmont MA.



**Pontifical Mission Societies in the
Archdiocese of Boston**
**On Sunday August 30 Our Lady's will
host a Missionary priest from Nigeria.**
**We will hold a special collection in
support of their work. We appreciate
your generosity for their missionary
work for the Catholic Church.**
**Parishioners may make checks payable
to: The Pontifical Mission Societies or
to Our Lady's Parish with Pontifical
Mission Societies on the memo line.**

With gratitude to God and heartfelt appreciation for our faithful community, we are pleased to invite you to celebrate the Annual Celebration of Holy Cross Armenian Catholic Church. This joyful evening will take place on **Saturday, Sept. 12, 2026, at 7:00 PM** at **the Nishan & Margrit Atinizian Hall** (Holy Cross Armenian Catholic Church Hall) located at **200 Lexington Street, Belmont, Massachusetts 02478.**

Under the patronage of His Excellency, The Most Reverend Mikael Mouradian, Bishop of the Armenian Catholic Eparchy of Our Lady of Nareg in the U.S.A. and Canada, this special evening will honor Rev. Fr. James DiPerri, Pastor of Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Roman Catholic Parish, Waltham., MA. The celebration will feature entertainment by Kev Orkian, Comedian, Entertainer, and Pianist, with Maral Der Torossian serving as Master of Ceremonies. **Donation per guest: \$150.**
RSVP by August 31, 2026

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Our Lady's Cookbook is Back!
Don't get left out! Submit your recipe
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at <https://www.typensave.com>
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Contributor Password: garlic079

Scam Reminder—Please stay aware of any fraudulent texts, emails, or letters claiming to be from any of the parish Priests, staff or general requests from the parish which urge you to contact an unknown phone number (texts or emails). These deceitful requests will most likely ask you to contact them or ask for gift cards or money orders to be sent electronically to these false people, presenting themselves as someone from Our Lady's Parish. **PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND TO ANY SUCH REQUESTS.**

Any gift cards or donations made to the Parish for given Parish events are always asked to be delivered to the Parish Office or placed in a donation box at the Church. On-line donations to the Parish continue to be a safe way to contribute as our system was not compromised.

SAVE THE DATE - MOVIE NIGHT IS COMING!

Mark your calendars for a fun evening under the stars, sponsored by the Activities Committee!

Friday, August 28

Rain Date: Saturday, August 29

Movie begins at sundown

Academy's Playground (play area between church & school) Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, family, and friends for a FREE movie night filled with fun, laughter and community! Everyone is welcome, and admission is FREE. More details, including the featured movie, coming soon. We can't wait to see you there!

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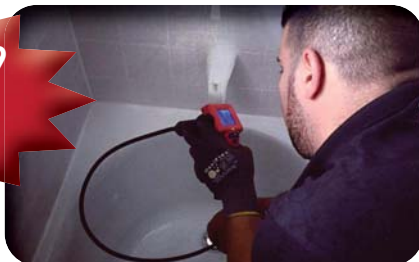
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