



We are all familiar with the refrain, “You have put on Christ. In him you have been baptized. Alleluia, alleluia!” In Baptism, we “put on” Christ. In putting on Christ, we put on all that Christ is and represents: hope, faith, and love. We are no longer bound to the sins and failures of the flesh, that part of us that resists God and relies exclusively on human means. It also means that we are not in debt to our past, complete with its sins, failures, regrets, fears, and unfulfilled dreams. There is always hope. In putting on Christ, we put on God’s vision for the world, for all of His children and for us. We have been given a road map to guide our paths and a blueprint to follow for our life’s journey.

There is no need for regret, and we are not tethered to our past. Is there anything in your past that you regret? Any decision or memory that continues to haunt you? We have all made mistakes, and we have this uncanny ability to continue beating ourselves up over things we can no longer do anything about, except learn from them. To put on Christ means that I can now bring God’s unconditional love to my hurtful memories and sinful choices. With each new moment and every new choice, I can start clean and live in freedom.

Imagine adults when the disciples were preaching and baptizing. They came to baptism not really knowing who they were, with pasts that were broken, seeking to live the joy of the Gospel they heard spoken to them and wanting the love they saw witnessed in the lives of those who believed. What tremendous celebrations their baptisms must have been! They could now have the support of a community, full participation in the sacraments of the church, focus for their disordered lives, consolation, healing, and an understanding of what life is really all about.

Our lives are meant to be celebrations of the Spirit we have received in Baptism. How does that joy get expressed in and through you? When we truly understand that we have put on Christ, our burdens can become much lighter. It is odd that so many Christians look like they are carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if those weights could be lifted and joy experienced! ©LPi

**MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES**

<u>Sat., 7/4</u>	4:00 pm	<b>Ann Feeley</b> , by family
<u>Sun., 7/5</u>	8:00 am	<b>Michael Roscitti</b> , by Shirley & Jerry Prachniak
	10:30 am	<b>Armand Halle</b> , by Claire Simpson
	6:00 pm	<b>Parishioners’ Intentions</b>
<u>Mon., 7/6</u>	9:00 am	<b>Robert Carlson</b> , 68 <sup>th</sup> Anniv., by Mae Desautels
<u>Tue., 7/7</u>	9:00 am	<b>Francis Lacombe</b> , by family
<u>Wed., 7/8</u>	9:00 am	<b>M/M Emile Gallant</b> , by daughter-in-law, Doreen Gallant
<u>Thu., 7/9</u>	9:00 am	<b>Marie Simpson</b> , Anniv., by family
<u>Fri., 7/10</u>	9:00 am	<b>Jennifer Lambly</b> , by Joan Leary & family
<u>Sat., 7/11</u>	4:00 pm	<b>Marie Simpson</b> , Birthday, by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Jim Ruchala</b> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniv., by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Michael Stone</b> , 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv., by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Richard Berthiaume</b> , 19 <sup>th</sup> Anniv., by family
<u>Sun., 7/12</u>	8:00 am	<b>Parishioners’ Intentions</b>
	10:30 am	<b>Iris Rose</b> , by Roy’s Funeral Home
	6:00 pm	<b>Parishioners’ Intentions</b>

**CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:

-- <b>Weekly Adult Offerings:</b>	<b>\$3,652.00</b>
(\$180.00 in loose offerings and \$3,472.00 in 103 envelopes)	
-- <b>Maintenance Fund:</b>	<b>\$ 128.00</b>
-- <b>Funeral Offerings:</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>
-- <b>Catholic Communications:</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
-- <b>Peter’s Pence:</b>	<b>\$ 706.00</b>

We also received the following online donations:

-- <b>Weekly Adult Offerings:</b>	<b>\$1,288.02</b>
-- <b>Charitable Ministries:</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
-- <b>Maintenance Fund:</b>	<b>\$ 101.49</b>
-- <b>Debt Reduction Donations:</b>	<b>\$ 96.78</b>
-- <b>Catholic Free Press Subscription:</b>	<b>\$ 37.70</b>
-- <b>Catholic Communications:</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>

Thank you to all who contributed.

**REST IN PEACE**

Pray for the repose of the souls of **Richard Ferro** and all our deceased relatives, friends, and benefactors.

**BAPTISMS**

The following children we baptized here during June:  
**Connor Humphrey & Leia Jubinville** – June 14, 2020  
**Patrick Tivnan** – June 28, 2020

May they grow in awareness of the meaning of their Baptism with the support of parents and grandparents.

**120 CLUB**

The winner of last week’s drawing is **Mary Ann Sullivan - # 116**.

**PARISH DEBT**

Thanks to the ongoing generosity of parishioners and friends of OLA, we now owe only \$16,586.36 to the Diocesan Expansion Fund for the loan for the oil tank removal at the convent and conversion of the boiler to gas that was accomplished last summer. We continue to remit anything that is received in Debt Reduction envelopes and memorial donations received when families request gifts to the parish in loved ones’ obituaries.

## MONTHLY COLLECTION

The “second collection” this weekend is for your monthly offerings to the Maintenance Fund for the upkeep and repairs of our buildings and properties. Since we are unable to pass the basket at this time, there is a smaller plastic container at the Holy Family Shrine and at the back of the aisles for Maintenance envelopes and loose cash donations for this fund.

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for adults who desire to become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church.

RCIA helps adults grow in their relationship with God, become familiar with Catholic teachings and practices, get acquainted with the faith community and get involved in service within the community. Many people who want to join the Catholic Church have already been baptized in another Christian Church. They do not need to be rebaptized. They participate in the process with those never baptized to familiarize themselves with the Roman Catholic Tradition. Others may have been baptized in the Catholic Church and need to complete the sacraments of initiation by receiving First Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

If you know of someone who might be interested in learning more about RCIA, call the rectory to speak with Fr. Monroe or Karen Barrows or email [cmunroe@ourladyofangels.org](mailto:cmunroe@ourladyofangels.org) or Karen at [kbarrowsola@aol.com](mailto:kbarrowsola@aol.com).

## TD BANK --AFFINITY PROGRAM

Our parish has its account with TD Bank which offers a non-profit benefit to customers like us. Members of friends of the parish who have accounts at the bank can have their savings or cd accounts tagged indicating your membership in the parish. The TD Bank Corporation then donates 1/10<sup>th</sup> of one percent 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. Last year we received \$1,235.45. We used 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.

## LEGACY OF HOPE

We thank all those who made pledges and are faithfully making monthly payments and many who were not able to make pledges but are offering what they can each month.

In early July, we will receive our first check that will total 40% of all onetime gifts and pledge payments through the end of January. At present, we already have more than \$50,000 that will be coming to us.

The money will be set aside for the projects we listed during the active campaign which include repairs to drains and sink holes in the parking lot and getting a bid to clean and paint the back wall of the sanctuary that was damaged by water leaks about 10 years ago. The outside leak areas were resealed but over the years the paint has dried out and is flaking away from the wall.

## PARTNERS IN CHARITY

We are continuing our effort to help fund the following ministries and agencies: *Clergy Retirement, Retired Priests Health Ministry, Catholic Charities, Haitian Apostolate, McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys, Pernet Family Health Services, Seminarian Health Insurance, St. John Diocesan Cemetery System, Diocesan Development, Stewardship, Catholic Campus Ministry, Catholic School Department, Office of Religious Education, Ongoing Priestly Formation, New Evangelization Worcester for Youth and Young Adults, Grant-in-Aid for Catholic Schools, Seminarian Education, Central Catholic School Subsidy, Advanced Studies for Clergy & Laity, African Ministry, Communications Office, Hispanic Ministry, Office of Marriage & Family, Minister to Priests, Office of the Diaconate, Respect Life Office, St. Paul's Cathedral, Vocations Office and the Office of Worship.* We have raised \$35,890 – 62% of our \$57,500 goal. Material was mailed to households who gave last year but have not contributed this year. We ask **everyone** to offer something to this important effort. If you need a Partners in Charity envelope, call the rectory.

## THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun., July 5 – 14<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Sunday

**8:00 am Lord's Day Mass**

**10:30 am Lord's Day Mass**

**6:00 pm Lord's Day Mass**

Mon., July 6 – St. Maria Goretti

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Tue., July 7 – Tuesday of the 14<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Week

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Wed., July 8 – Wednesday of the 14<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Week

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Thu., July 9 – Sts. Andrew Zhao Rong & Companions

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Fri., July 10 – Friday of the 14<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Week

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Sat., July 11 – St. Benedict

**3:00 pm Confessions**

**4:00 pm Vigil Mass**

## LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

Last week the Physician Assisted Suicide bills were reported “favorably” by the Joint Committee on Public Health. This is the first time the bills have received a favorable recommendation from a committee. The two bills were also amended slightly and merged into one bill. It has now been assigned to the Health Care Finance Committee for its review. We must do what we can to prevent it from going any further than the committee level. Efforts by the Mass. Catholic Conference and other like-minded groups and individuals to defeat these bills are ongoing. You can also help by letting your senator and representative know where you stand on this issue. Learn more and find out legislative contact info at [www.macatholic.org](http://www.macatholic.org).

## OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS SCHOOL

There are openings in all grades for the 2020-2021 school year. We offer a wonderful academic and healthy personal growth program for Pre-school through Grade 8. If you would like to examine what we have to offer your children, contact Doreen Albert, our principal, at [doreen.albert@worcesterdioocesek12.org](mailto:doreen.albert@worcesterdioocesek12.org) or call the school at 508-752-5609. You can also gather information at the school website: [www.ourladyoftheangels.us](http://www.ourladyoftheangels.us).

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