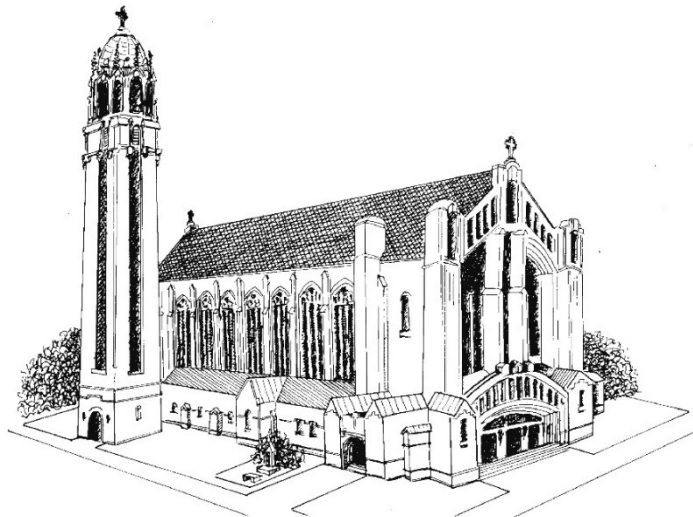


OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PARISH

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

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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.

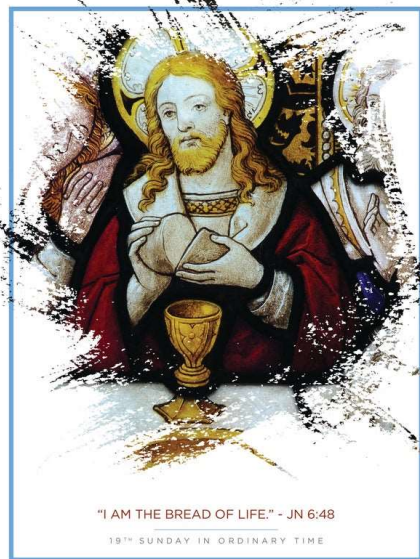
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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.*



The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

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FOR THIS WEEKEND'S MASSES

Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30): #950 in *Worship, verse 1*
 Order of Mass: Front Page or #202 in *Worship*
 Liturgy of the Word: #1164 in *Worship*
 Responsorial Psalm (4,8,10:30): #45 in *Gather*
 Gospel Acclamation (4,8,10:30): #329 in *Worship*
 Preparation Hymn (4,8,10:30): #950 in *Worship, begin verse 2*
 Acclamations (4,8,10:30): #369, 370, 382 in *Worship*
 Communion Litany (4,8,10:30): #943 in *Worship*

MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES

Sat., 8/7 4:00 pm **Fr. Dennis O'Brien**, by Fr. Monroe
 Sun., 8/8 8:00 am **Robert McShera**, Birthday, by family
 10:30 am **John Ballantine**, 23rd Anniv.,
 by Maryanne Hammond
 (Remembrance) **Patrick Pike & Joseph Bleakney**,
 by Greg Pike
 (Remembrance) **Ann Pearson**, 7th Anniv., by family
 6:00 pm **George G. Pelletier**, by Carol Pelletier
 Mon., 8/9 9:00 am **Proffitt & Dillon Families**, by Ken
 Tue., 8/10 9:00 am **Mary Lucey**, 1st Anniv., by family
 Wed., 8/11 9:00 am **Alphonse & Clementine Desautels**,
 by Mary Desautels
 (Remembrance) **David Gaudet**, 92nd Birthday, by Fr. Monroe
 Thu., 8/12 9:00 am **Albert Simonelli**, by Al & Rose Rodrigue
 Fri., 8/13 9:00 am **Intentions of the Rodrigue Family**
 Sat., 8/14 4:00 pm **Virginia Coogan**, 15th Anniv., by family
 (Remembrance) **Deceased of Grady, Maloney & Families**, by family
 (Remembrance) **Deacon Al Desautels**, by Mary Desautels
 Sun., 8/15 8:00 am **Julia Howard**, 5th Anniv., by family
 10:30 am **Oscar & Grace St. Thomas**, by family
 6:00 pm **Clement & Judith Amish and Paul & Alice Chase**, by family

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:

-- Weekly Adult Offerings: \$4,486.00
 (\$807.00 in loose offerings and \$3,679.00 in 103 envelopes)
 -- Charity: \$ 100.00
 -- Liturgical Memorial: \$ 25.00
 -- Wedding Offering: \$ 250.00
 -- Maintenance Fund: \$1,352.00
 -- Unrestricted Donation: \$ 100.00

We also received the following online donations:

-- Weekly Adult Offerings: \$1,678.00
 -- Maintenance Fund: \$ 59.71
 -- Charities Donation: \$ 110.00
 -- Unrestricted Donations: \$ 97.09

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the souls of **Robert Messier, Sebastien John Cyr** and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

FOR CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

The second collection this weekend is for your annual offerings to the fund that provides financial resources on behalf of Catholics in the USA to the Churches in countries that lived under Soviet Communist rule for decades. Your donations will help their leaders provide for liturgical needs, maintain their church buildings and establish necessary ministerial positions.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Eph 4:30 -5:2
Jn 6:41-51
Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Mt 18:21 - 19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15
Assumption: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-141 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16
1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

At present, we have raised \$46,645 from Fr. Monroe and 175 other households toward our \$57,500 parish goal for the 2021 diocesan appeal. We have reached 81.1% of that goal. Several weeks ago, Fr. Monroe mailed a letter to a significant number of families who contributed in the past but have not done so this year. A number of them have responded and he thanks them for their generosity. He asks everyone else to prayerfully consider what they might be able to do to help.

Envelopes are available at the church entrances for anyone who needs one. Please prayerfully consider offering a donation of some kind to help fund diocesan ministries of charity and education and other pastoral services.

The money we raise funds the following ministries and pastoral services: **Catholic Charities, McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys, Pernet Family Health Service, Priests' Retirement, Retired Priests Health Ministry, St. John Diocesan Cemetery System, Advanced Studies for Clergy and Laity, Catholic Schools Office, Communications Ministry, Grant-in-Aid for Schools, Office of Religious Education, Ongoing Priestly Formation, Seminarian Education, African Ministry, Catholic Campus Ministry, Hispanic Apostolate, Minister to Priests, Office for Divine Worship, Office of Hispanic/Latino Ministry, Office of Marriage and Family, Office of the Diaconate, Respect Life Office, St. Paul Cathedral, Vocations Office and House of Studies, Youth and Young Adult Ministries.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

At present, we have a commitment from 10 parishioners to serve as catechists for Grades 1 – 9 and for First Penance, First Communion and Confirmation.

Fr. Monroe is seeking the help of a few others to be aides for the lower grades especially. If anyone would be interested in discussing the need, contact Fr. Monroe at the rectory (508-791-0951) or email him: cmonroe49@aol.com.

Material is being prepared to send to all families with children who are in the age brackets of our programs. Once it is ready, the schedule and registration forms will also be posted on the Religious Education page of our website.

Classes for Grades 1 thru 9 will begin on Sunday, September 12 from 9:00 to 10:00 am in the OLA School. Classes for Grades 10 & 11 (who will be candidates for Confirmation next Spring) will begin on Sunday, September 19th – public school students only for First Semester.

BAPTISM

Last weekend, Fr. Monroe baptized **Annie Cavanaugh**. We congratulate her family and pray that Annie will grow to understand what her parents did for her and learn to practice her faith with the support of her parents and godparents.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The following couple celebrated their wedding in our church:

Anthony & Mollie (Socha) Lombardozi – July 30, 2021

We pray that they will have many happy years together as the sacrament of God's faithful love.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun., August 8 – 19th Ordinal Sunday

8:00 am Lord's Day Mass
10:30 am Lord's Day Mass
2-4 pm Throne of God Worship Service
6:00 pm Lord's Day Mass

Mon., August 9 – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

9:00 am Daily Mass

Tue., August 10 – St. Lawrence

9:00 am Daily Mass

Wed., August 11 – St. Clare

9:00 am Daily Mass

6:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Thu., August 12 – St. Frances de Chantal

9:00 am Daily Mass

Fri., August 13 – Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus

9:00 am Daily Mass

Sat., August 14 – St. Maximilian Kolbe

3:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Lord's Day Vigil Mass

DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE

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. Its goal of the RCIA process is full, conscious and active participation in an exciting life with Jesus Christ within His 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. All will have an opportunity to grow in their relationship with God and learn more about the faith before receiving the Sacraments. If you know of someone who might be interested in learning more about RCIA, call the rectory to speak with Fr. Monroe or email him at

cmonroe@ourladyofangels.org

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

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