

"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER April 27, 2025

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masses & sacraments

Masses: Sat. 4:30 p.m.; Sun. 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Confession: Sat. 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Call the Office for Information on receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Matrimony, Sacrament of the Sick, and Homebound Visits.

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Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Cable: NCTV 191 & 192

Mon: 12:00 Noon Wed. 8:00 a.m. Sat: 8:00 a.m.

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Weekend of April 26 - 27

Sat. 4:30 PM + Joseph Woeller (1st Anniv.)

By his Family

Sun. 8:00 AM + Domingo Alves & Ana Afonso By their Family

10:00 AM + Dick Desjardin

By his wife, Aline

5:00 PM + Parishioners of the Parish

Week of April 28 - May 2

Mon. 8:30 AM + Parishioners of the Parish
Tues. 8:30 AM + Parishioners of the Parish
Wed. 3:00 PM + Adoration and Divine Mercy
Wed. 4:30 PM + Parishioners of the Parish

Thurs, and Fri. + No Mass

Weekend of May 3 - 4

Sat. 4:30 PM + Donald Connors

By Bob & Eileen Hays

Sun. 8:00 AM + Michael Feen

By his Family

10:00 AM + Raymond Gervais

By his wife, Louise

2:00 PM + First Communion

5:00 PM + Parishioners of the Parish

Baptism

April 27th at 11:30 a.m. Declan Henry Wooster

The Mass book is open for the months May through July.. If you would like to book a Mass in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please call the Rectory at 508-234-5656.

The stipend for a Mass is \$10.00.

Reflections:



Statement on the Death of Pope Francis

By Most Reverend Robert J. McManus, Bishop of Worcester

We are all saddened to hear of the death of our Holy Father on this Easter Monday. I join my prayers to those of Catholics worldwide that God welcome him into eternal life.

For 12 years as our Holy Father, Pope Francis consistently preached to the world that one of the key tenets of being a follower of Jesus Christ is to accompany others who seek God's love.

The beauty of the Catholic faith is like a multifaceted diamond. Each pope brings a focus on one of the facets through which we can deepen our appreciation of our faith and the mission to which we are called. His focus was on the pastoral facet, best understood when we hear his name in Spanish: Papa Francisco. He taught us all to accompany our brothers and sisters, whether in the mainstream or on the periphery of society, so that they may experience God's love through our own love for them.

It is fitting that we will commend him to Almighty God in this Jubilee Year of Hope. Perhaps his greatest legacy is that, as the Vicar of Christ, he focused this Jubilee Year on the reality that the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, which we just celebrated this Easter, is the key to hope for eternal life in the loving presence of God. May he now rest in the peace of God's love. Amen.

April 21, 2025

Living Stations of the Cross

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the Living Stations a powerful experience for all who attended and those who could not come but watched from home.

A special thank you to our students that brought to life our stations,
Aiden Bonapace, James Flaherty, Lucas Freniere, Maeve Haret, Katy Holtz,
Ellie Oberlies, Parker Poulin, Olivia Saksa, Rocco Saksa,
Mariam Shearer, & Wyatt Tetreault

Thank you to our student readers, Alex DiFiore & Miranda Calnan

Thank you to our Vocalist Britten Bilodeau

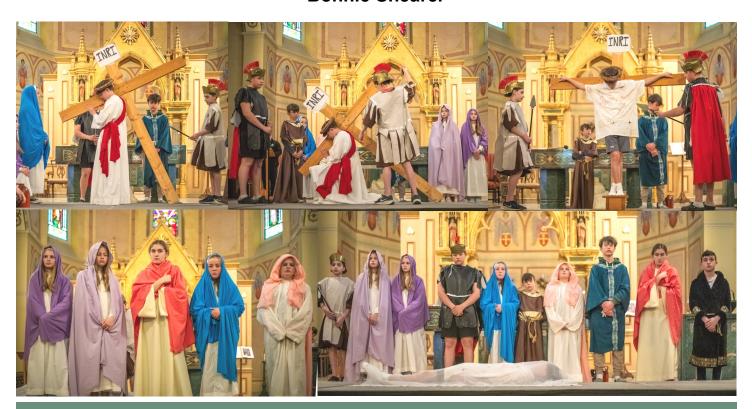
Thank you to parents that helped with the presentation,

Mariel Calnan and Lisa Paulhus

Thank you to our costume coordinators, Kathy Richer & Teresa McCarthy Byrne

Thank you to our stage set-up crew, Scott & Linda Bower, Bill Richer and John Zywien

Thank you to our photographer, **Bonnie Shearer**



Our Lady of the Valley Regional School Update

Welcome to the OLV update, a biweekly entry to your parish bulletin. Here we will post news and information regarding Our Lady of the Valley Regional School, the wonderful Catholic elementary school and middle school academy located in the Blackstone Valley, sponsored and supported by St. Mary Parish, St. Patrick Parish and St. Peter Parish. We are blessed to have your prayers and support!

At OLV, we are fortunate to have a wonderful Parents Guild organization that is an essential part of our Catholic school community. An extremely vibrant and supportive group, the OLV Parents Guild organizes. sponsors and engages in a variety of events designed as both fund raisers and fun raisers. They build and maintain a healthy financial position and then use their funds to assist the school in delivering outstanding. faith-based academic, athletic and artistic programs. In the past, the guild has purchased technology, athletic equipment, bus transportation to field trips, school furniture and ice cream and other treats during field days and other events.

Recent planned support includes partial payment for a storage shed, purchase of cheerleading mats and the installation of a gymnasium camera to broadcast our diocesan league games. Also, in April, the OLV Parents Guild arranged and paid for a series of "visiting field trips" put on by Discovery Museum and Southwick's Zoo. All grades from PreK through eight had a chance to partake in these presentations and demonstrations: the PreK students were able to learn about how different animals move on land, in the water or in the air; grades K through four learned about how sound is created; and grades five through eight learned about light and lasers. All of the students had a great learning experience, and we are very grateful to the Parents Guild, and Mrs., Vaidya especially, for their work in putting this together for our students!

Our students, faculty, staff and families are happy to share this wonderful news with the parishes who provide support and pray for OLV. Thank you for all that you do for Our Lady of the Valley Regional School!

> God bless you and yours, Ed Reynolds, Principal

Loved at home. Loved at school. Loved by God.

Upcoming Collections

May 4: Partners in Charity May 11: Audio/Visual May 18: Youth in Action

To Give a Contribution:

Text the word mystpatricks to the number 508-475-5725 and it will bring you to the link to donate.

Scan this QR Code with your phone and it will bring you to our giving link.

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For VENMO accounts, search business for: @mystpatricks



Also, please consider St. Patrick Parish for a Charitable Bequest as part of your estate planning.

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Week	Weekly Envelopes & Cash	Weekly Online	Weekly Total	Goal
3/16/2025	\$4,605.00	\$3,960.45	\$8,565.45	\$8,700
3/23/2025	\$4,119.00	\$2,238.24	\$6,357.24	\$8,700
3/30/2025	\$4,293.00	\$1,995.27	\$6,288.27	\$8,700
4/6/2025	\$8,666.00	\$7,474.36	\$16,140.36	\$8,700
4/13/2025	\$4,177.00	\$2,358.08	\$6,535.08	\$8,700

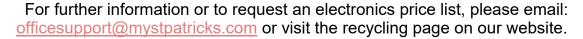
Average Weekly To-Date FY 2025	\$5,005.15	\$3,908.36	\$8,913.52	\$8,700	
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St. Patrick's Recycling News

Please save items for the upcoming Spring Recycling Event on Saturday, May 3rd.

There will be stations for:

- Gently Used Clothing & Textiles
- Books (no encyclopedias)
- Media & Gently Used Magazines
- Bottles & Cans (no glass)
- Electronics for a fee
- Paper Shredding for a fee (9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. only)



Recycling profits benefit the Youth In Action service ministry.

Thank you to everyone who help to make our recycling program a success!

Youth Summer Programs

Registration for **YIA Jr.** is open. It is our summer service and fun program for all students in 5th through 8th grades. With local service work in the morning and fun, faith-based summer activities in the afternoon, students learn teamwork, leadership, and community through the lens of Catholic social justice teachings. Weather permitting, we will spend our last day at Breezy Acres water slides. YIA Jr. will take place from July 28 through August 1, 2025, 8:30 a.m.

Registration for **Scuba Vacation Bible School (VBS)** is open. Our VBS program is for children from Preschool through the end of 4th grade. This year we will be *diving* into our relationship with God. Each day students will participate in theme-related story time, crafts, singing and dancing, outdoor activities and snack time. VBS will run from August 11th through the 15th, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

If you would like to volunteer for any summer program, please call the rectory and speak with Shelly.

To register for YIA Jr. or Scuba VBS please visit www.mystpatricks.com/summer-programming



YIA CARDBOARD VILLAGE PROJECT

Once again, our Youth in Action students are planning to take part in spending the night outside the Parish in cardboard boxes — and believe it or not, they are excited for it! Cardboard Village is done so that our teens may experience what it is like to not have a home. A deeper appreciation for what they each have is gained by every participant throughout this experience. Please consider sponsoring the youth of our parish, as the donations will help to defray the cost of the YIA mission trip this summer. You may do this before or after Masses this weekend, April 26 & 27. Students will be near the church entrances with their sponsor forms. This is the weekend of Divine Mercy and what a way to remember that some of our high school students are going to Montana to show divine mercy to those less fortunate. We are so grateful to have a Parish that supports such a great cause and is willing to help our next generation grow in faith, service, and mission.





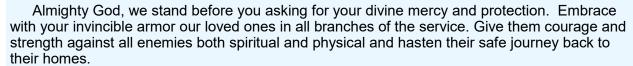


Weekly Divine Mercy and Adoration



As a reminder of the importance of the Eucharist and the true presence of Jesus Christ we have an opportunity to sit quietly in the Divine Presence. As part of this adoration we recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet beginning this time of adoration at 3 p.m. in which we pray for the parishioners, the world, the sick, and other Intentions that are close to our hearts. Come join this gathering as a renewal of faith and an opportunity to visit our friend above all friends. **Jesus.**

Let Us Pray for Those in the Service





Please remember the following service personnel in your prayers as they serve and protect our country:

L. Cpl. Aaron Marshall, Okinawa, USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, U.S. Army; L. Cpl. Troy Monteville, Stateside;
Capt. Jason Jordan, U.S. Army, So. Korea; U.S. Marine L. Cpl. Kevin James Sabin, Lejeune, NC;
Command Master Chief U.S.C.G. Ben Richards, Charleston, South Carolina;
Marine Corps PFC Nathan Kozlowski, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

Safe Environment

As a reminder, our parish follows the guidelines of the national Charter for Protection of Children and Young People approved by the U.S. Bishops and the policies of the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. Call Judith Audette, Victims Service Coordinator for our Diocese at 508-929-4363 (direct line & confidential voicemail.)

Office of Healing and Prevention Diocese of Worcester

Victim's Assistant Coordinator Judith Audette: 508-929-4363 or go to WorcesterDiocese.org for more information.