OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PARISH

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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.



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Rev. Charles F. Monroe.....(ext. 10)

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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@worcsterdiocese.org

All are welcome to join the parish community. Please call or come to the rectory to register.



From the time we are born into this world until we die, our human radar picks up signals about how to respond to life. What we picked up on when we were very young carries an even greater power. The messages we receive and process tell us what we are "supposed" to do with our feelings, how to understand and cope with disappointment, anxiety, failure, death, illness, and what to expect out of life. As life unfolds for us, these radar messages kick in and resonate in us at very deep levels. Sometimes what we have learned is helpful and sometimes it is not. The stories we have been told, especially when we are young, about how life is best lived and how to negotiate its pain carry a heavy weight.

Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. It also can be quite unpredictable and, at times, unfair. We face our vulnerability and brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. It doesn't take much for life to quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar and true is gone and something we relied upon, physically, emotionally, or spiritually, can be taken away. It is hard to confront our limitations and sit with our incompleteness. Often, life hurts us so much that we find ourselves sitting in a pool of sadness, not sure what we are supposed to do. It is particularly hard when the signals we have inherited tell us that we need to be successful in what we do, and we have to avoid life's unfairness. We can feel like a failure, wondering what precisely we did to deserve this fate, or ruminate about what we did not do correctly. But it's really not about us. We are part of a bigger picture and a much more fascinating story!

If we cease doing battle with life's incompleteness and see ourselves, as God does, on a journey toward wholeness and completeness we can better accept our disappointments and stand firm. The prophets told us, and Jesus reassured us: Be strong! Fear not! Sometimes we have to update our stories and replace them with newer, more accurate ones. When we make God's story our own and tune our radar into His voice, what we hear is all about restoration, healing, and rejuvenation! This is true even when we think we have hit rock bottom and can go no further. There is always hope. Remember the words of Julian of Norwich: God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. Now, listen to God when He says, "be opened!" Be healed and allow your stories to change. ©LPi

FOR THIS WEEKEND'S MASSES

Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30): #805 in *Worship*Order of Mass: Front Page or #202 in *Worship*Liturgy of the Word: #1176 in *Worship*Gospel Acclamation (4,8,10:30): #329 in *Worship*Preparation Hymn (4,8,10:30): #972 in *Worship*Acclamations (4,8,10:30) #369, 370, 382 in *Worship*Communion Litany (4,8,10:30) #600 in *Worship*

MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES

Sat.,9/4 4:00 pm	Parishioners' Intentions
Sun., 9/5 8:00 am	John O'Gara, 4th Anniv., by family
10:30 am	Fr. Dennis O'Brien,
	by the Painchaud family
6:00 pm	Parishioners' Intentions
Mon., 9/6 9:00 am	Parishioners' Intentions
Tue., 9/7 9:00 am	Parishioners' Intentions
Wed., 9/8 9:00 am	Nancy Flynn, 65th Anniv., of Wedding,
	by her husband
(Remembrance)	Kathleen (5th Anniv.) & Peter
	(45 th Anniv.) Balcom , by family
Thu., 9/9 9:00 am	Proffitt & Dillon Families, by Ken
Fri., 9/10 9:00 am	Msgr. Joseph M. Lynch, 3rd pastor,
	57 th Anniv., by parishioners
(Remembrance)	Deacon Al Desautels, Birthday,
	by his wife, Mary
Sat., 9/11 4:00 pm	Mark Lucente Month's Mind, by family
(Remembrance)	Jeremiah Lucey, by Sheila Reilly
Sun., 9/12 8:00 am	Florence Tisdell, 6th Anniv., by family
10:30 am	Gerald Mulhearn, 25th Anniv.,
	by his wife, Joan
6:00 pm	Parishioners' Intentions

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:

-- Weekly Adult Offerings: \$5,505.00 (\$663.00 in loose offerings and \$4,885.00 in 123 envelopes) -- Holy Day: \$89.00

Holy Day:	\$	89.00
Wedding:	\$	250.00
Funeral Offerings:	\$	600.00
Maintenance Fund:	\$	145.00
S. Mandella Memorial Gifts:	\$	300.00
Haiti Earthquake Relief:	\$2	,332.00

We also received the following online donations:

Weekly Adult Offerings:	\$1	,015.71
Maintenance Fund:	\$	100.37
Charity:	\$	10.00
Holy Day:	\$	29.21
Haiti Earthquake Relief:	\$	80.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Monday: Col 1:24-2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/Lk 6:12-19 Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 6:27-38 Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11/Lk 6:39-42 Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES

Registration:

Material has been mailed to all families who had children in the program in recent years. All public- school students in Grades 1 thru 11 should be registered for grade level programs. Public school and Catholic School students should be registered for First Communion and Confirmation preparation programs. (Catholic school students will join public school students for 7 sessions in the first semester for First Reconciliation and 7 sessions for First Communion in the second semester and Catholic school high schoolers will join public school students for 7 sessions beginning January 9, 2022.

2021-2022 Programs:

Grades 1- 9 will begin weekly sessions on Sunday, September 12 at 9:00 in the OLA School.

Grades 10 & 11 public school students who would like to receive Confirmation in the Spring of 2022 will begin classes at 9:00 am on Sunday, September 19. Catholic school students will join the public- school students on January 9, 2022 for the immediate Confirmation preparation.

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the souls of *Murielle Manseau*, *Jason Rutelonis*, *Dominic Nompleggi* and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

As of August 31st, we have raised \$48,940 as a result of pledges and one-time gifts offered by Fr. Monroe and 126 other households. This amounts to 85% of our goal. While the fiscal year has now closed, the Partners in Charity Appeal can accept gifts through the end of day, September 10th. If you have not contributed, would you PLEASE offer a gift – no matter how small it might be! You can also contribute online at the website where you can also view the video describing the annual appeal. Go to https://www.partners-charity.net. Just a reminder that the money raised funds these vital ministries and services: The money you donate 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.

SUPPORT GROUP

The monthly Support Group for Families who have lost members due to drug addiction will be held in our Family Center on Monday, September 13th at 7:00 pm. The group usually meets on the first Monday of each month but due to the Labor Day holiday the meeting is postponed until the second Monday for this month. The next meeting after that will be Monday, October 4, 2021.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun., September 5 – 23rd 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., September 6 – Monday of the 23rd Ordinal Week

9:00 am Daily Mass

Tue., September 7 – Tuesday of the 23rd Ordinal Week

9:00 am Daily Mass

9:45 am OLA School Mass of the Holy Spirit Wed., September 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am Daily Mass

Thu., September 9 – St. Peter Claver
9:00 am Daily Mass

Fri., September 10 – Friday of the 23rd Ordinal Week

9:00 am Daily Mass

Sat., September 11 – Saturday of the 23rd Ordinal Week

3:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Lord's Day Vigil Mass

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto Parish will hold its annual novena that begins on Tuesday, September 7 at 7 pm for 9 consecutive Tuesdays, ending on Tuesday, November 2. This year's speakers are as follows: Sept. 7 - Rev. Frederick D. Fraini; Sept. 14 - Fr. Nicholas Desimone; Sept. 21 - Fr. Alfredo Porras; Sept. 28 - Fr. Walter Riley; Oct. 5 - Bishop Robert J. McManus; Oct. 12 - Deacon Paul Audette; Oct. 19 - Deacon Donald Pegg; Oct. 26 - Msgr. James Moroney; Nov., 2 - Fr. Richard Polek.

HOLY HOUR TO PRAY FOR PRIESTS

On Friday, Sept. 10 from 7:00 - 8:00 pm, a holy hour to pray for priests will take place at Immaculate Conception Church on 353 Grove St., Worcester. This holy hour will consist of time for silent adoration, as well as a short reflection, the rosary, and benediction. Please join us to pray for our priests. Repeats every second Friday of the month

ST. JOSEPH NOVENA

It will take place at **Christ the King Parish** on Monday evenings this fall beginning September 13 from 7:15 to 8:00 pm. and continue for 8 consecutive Mondays after that date. There will be prayer for the seriously ill, for improvements in palliative care, for the end of the pandemic, and to raise awareness about the attempt to introduce Physician -Assisted Suicide into Massachusetts -- speakers are Msgr. Thomas Sullivan (9/13); Bishop Robert McManus (9/20); Marc Tumeinski 9/27); Kris Correira (10/4); Fr. John Gavin, SJ (10/11); Cathy Pimley (10/18); 'Jo' Massarelli (10/25); Msgr. Thomas Sullivan (11/1with Mass) and Fr. Walter Riley (N11/8). The names of those who are critically or terminally ill, who are prayed for at the Novena, can be mailed to Msgr. Sullivan at the parish (1052 Pleasant Street, Worcester, MA 01602), or you can call them in (508-754-5361), or you can email them to tsullivan5@mac.com.

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, September 11 4:00 pm Fr. Monroe
Sunday, September 12 8:00 am Fr. Dougherty
10:30 am Fr. Monroe
6:00 pm Fr. Monroe

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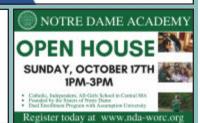
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