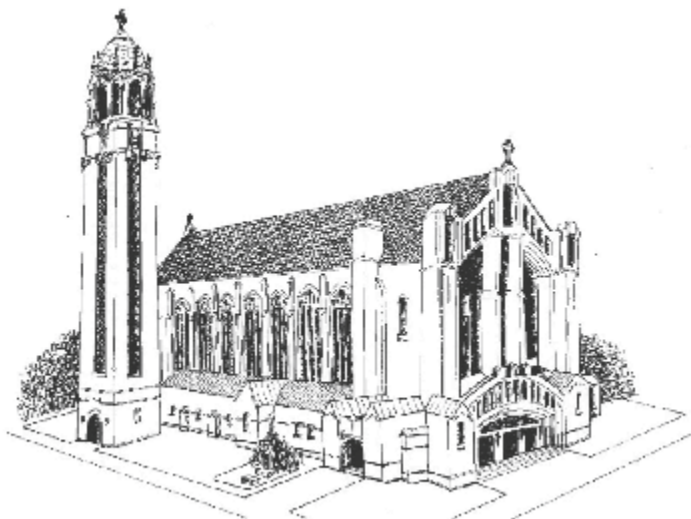


# OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PARISH

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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.



## **Pastor**

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

## **Priest in Residence**

Rev. Terrence Dougherty, O.C.D.

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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](mailto:jaudette@worcesterdiocese.org)

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



We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them. ©LPi

**FOR THIS WEEKEND'S MASSES**

- Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30): #806 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., 9/11 4:00 pm **Mark Lucente**, Month's Mind, by family  
(Remembrance) **Jeremiah Lucey**, by Sheila Reilly  
(Remembrance) **Tara Creamer**, 20<sup>th</sup> Anniv.
- Sun., 9/12 8:00 am **Florence Tisdell**, 6<sup>th</sup> Anniv., by family  
10:30 am **Gerald Mulhearn**, 25<sup>th</sup> Anniv.,  
by his wife, Joan  
6:00 pm **Parishioners' Intentions**
- Mon., 9/13 9:00 am **Ann Gaudet**, 4<sup>th</sup> Anniv., by Fr. Monroe
- Tue., 9/14 9:00 am **Intercession of the Holy Family**,  
by Catherine Darensbourg
- Wed., 9/15 9:00 am **Raymond & Helen Desautels**,  
by Mary Desautels
- Thu., 9/16 9:00 am **Special Intention**, by the Lopez family
- Fri., 9/17 9:00 am **Proffitt & Dillon Families**, by Ken
- Sat., 9/18 4:00 pm **Msgr. Rocco Piccolomini**, 6<sup>th</sup> Anniv.
- Sun., 9/19 8:00 am **Charles & Charlotte Quinn**, by family  
10:30 am **Sonny Riopel & family**, by Bob Riopel  
(Remembrance) **Lionel Bourcier**, 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.,  
by Claire Simpson  
(Remembrance) **Jeremiah Lucey, Sr.**, Month's Mind,  
by family  
6:00 pm **Proffitt & Dillon Families**, by Ken

**CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

- Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:
- Weekly Adult Offerings: \$5,398.00
- (\$474.00 in loose offerings and \$4,914.00 in 117 envelopes)
- Religious Education Fees: \$ 255.00
  - S. Mandella Memorials: \$ 525.00
  - Charitable Ministries: \$ 100.00
  - Funeral Offerings: \$ 320.00
  - Maintenance Fund: \$1,185.00
  - Haiti Relief: \$ 65.00

- We also received the following online donations:
- Weekly Adult Offerings: \$1,205.00
  - Maintenance Fund: \$ 154.71
  - Charitable Ministry: \$ 60.00
  - Unrestricted Gifts: \$ 50.00
  - S. Mandella Memorial: \$ 100.00

Thank you to all who contributed.

**LITURGICAL MEMORIALS**

The bread and wine being used at all Masses this week has been donated in memory of **Gerlad Mulhearn** by his wife, Joan.

**REST IN PEACE**

Pray for the repose of the souls of **Dr. Dominic Nompoggi** and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES**

Classes are beginning this week for Grades 1 thru 9. Classes for sophomores and juniors in public school who would like to receive Confirmation this school year will begin next Sunday, September 19 at 9:00 am in the school. Students in Grade 9 and those in Grades 10 & 11 will meet every other week according to the schedule you can access at the Religious Education link at the top of the homepage at [www.ourladyofangels.org](http://www.ourladyofangels.org).

**Registration:**

Material is still available in trays at the church entrances and online at the Religious Education as listed above.

All public- school students in Grades 1 thru 11 should be registered for this year's programs.

**Public school and Catholic School students** who wish to receive First Communion or Confirmation 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 for Confirmation beginning January 9, 2022.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jas 2:14-18  
Mk 8:27-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17,11:26b  
Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38  
Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8  
Jas 3:16 - 4:3/Mk 9:30-37

**MEET STEVE KARLEN – DAYS FOR LIFE**

The Emmanuel Radio Family is invited to come out to meet National 40 Days for Life Campaign Director Steve Karlen at the 40 Days for Life Worcester Fall Campaign Prayer Vigil Kick-off on **Saturday, Sept. 18 at 3pm** at 470 Pleasant St., Worcester (across from Planned Parenthood). Come pray with us, meet Steve, support Catholic Radio, and answer God's call to save innocent unborn lives. Sign up for one prayer vigil hour any time during the Fall Campaign (Sept. 22 - Oct. 31) and make a small \$25. gift to Emmanuel Radio for prolife programming and receive a complimentary signed copy of Steve's book, "What to Say When: The Complete New Guide to discussing Abortion". To reserve your book, click on this link right now: <https://1230radio.com/get-involved>. **YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE!** Let's save a baby together this Fall!!

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday, September 18	4:00 pm	Fr. Monroe
Sunday, September 19	8:00 am	Fr. Dougherty
	10:30 am	Fr. Monroe
	6:00 pm	Fr. Monroe

**SPECIAL EVENT**

Brookfield based "Supporting Orphans Nationally & Globally" (S.O.N.G., Inc.) presents "S.O.N.G. STOCK 2021" on Saturday, September 18, 2021, from 11:30 am to 7:00 pm at the Brimfield Winery & Cidery, 35 Main Street, Brimfield. "S.O.N.G. STOCK 2021" is a Family Friendly Music Festival to benefit orphaned children in the United States, as well as internationally. For more information, please visit [supportingorphans.org](http://supportingorphans.org) or call (413) 813-8100.

**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Sun., September 12 – 24<sup>th</sup> 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 13 – St. John Chrysostom  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Tue., September 14 – Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Wed., September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Thu., September 16 – Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Fri., September 17 – St. Robert Bellarmine  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Sat., September 18 – Saturday of 24<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Week  
**3:00 pm Confessions**  
**4:00 pm Lord's Day Vigil Mass**

**WORCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOL SEX ED.**

This Spring the Worcester School Committee adopted a very problematic K-12 sex education curriculum for the Worcester Public Schools. The curriculum, **Rights, Respect, Responsibility** is explicit, age inappropriate and without an adequate moral grounding. It will be taught in all grades beginning with Kindergarten this Fall. Under Massachusetts law, parents have the right to opt their children out of sex-ed programs. Bishop McManus is urging parents of Worcester Public School Students to review the Rights, Respect, Responsibility curriculum (<http://3rs.org/3rs-curriculum/3rs-curric-search/>) and to consider opting their children out. For opt out forms, please visit <https://worcesterschools.org/sexualhealth-education-curriculum-information-sessions/> -- **printed copies of the opt out form and information are in trays at the church doors..**

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Bishop Robert J. McManus will celebrate the Annual Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, October 31 at 3:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Worcester. This annual Mass honors couples who are marking significant anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, etc.) this year. A light reception will follow downstairs in the Cenacle. Family and friends are welcome! Couples wishing to attend should **pre-register no later than October 18** so that commemorative certificates may be issued. To register, contact the Office of Marriage and Family at 508-929-4311 or email [aledoux@worcesterdiocese.org](mailto:aledoux@worcesterdiocese.org) to request that a copy of the registration form be sent to you. You can also access the form at [www.worcesterdiocese.org/wedding-anniversary-mass](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/wedding-anniversary-mass).

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