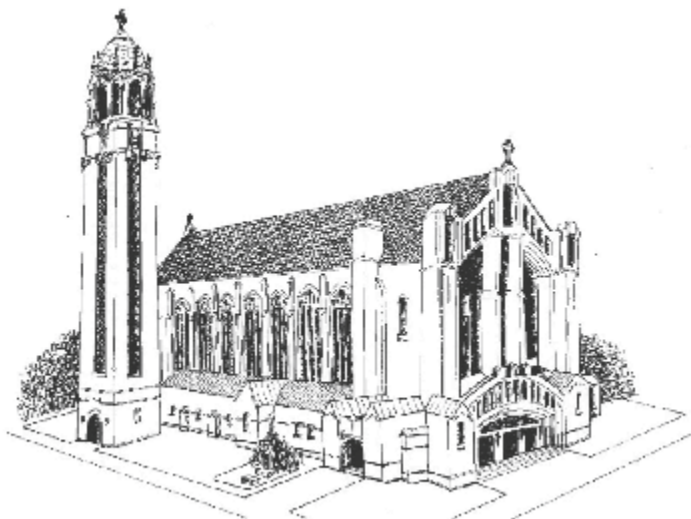


# OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PARISH

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



If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to be expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing, and in following a voice other than our own. St. Teresa of Calcutta rightly instructs us that for “love to be real, it must cost, it must hurt, it must empty us of self.” Being in love with God requires more than just checking the boxes of the commandments. It requires a sincere and unconditional self-investment. Desiring God with our whole heart, mind, and soul means that I must also desire a relationship with my neighbor with that same degree of fervor.

Biases and prejudices usually occur when people are kept at a distance and treated as objects. We cannot truly know our neighbors, especially if they are different than us, if we keep them in boxes and do not listen to their stories. When we open ourselves to listen to another person’s story, we begin to realize more how similar we are than dissimilar. Being overly attached to our possessions, ideologies, agendas, lifestyles, and personal needs are absolute barriers to achieving the type of personal investment love demands. This is why following Christ can be difficult. It is less a matter of intellect and more a matter of heart and soul. It requires that we transfer our treasure from an investment in tangible secular things and move it into the Kingdom of God. It is only the gift of wisdom and discernment that can help us decide what to do and how to do it.

Contemporaries of Jesus would know that a camel could not enter through the portal of a city weighed down with the baggage it was carrying. In order to enter, the baggage must be removed so that the animal could fit through the entry way. The same is true for us. We carry a lot of excessive baggage around with us that keeps us tethered to our past histories, wounds, myopic world views, prejudices, fears, and suspicions. To invest ourselves in the Kingdom of God, do God’s work and live out our love relationship with God, we need to shed the extra weight. While it may seem that a lot of that stuff is necessary, it really is not. We are much more than the things that we think define us and more secure than we think. The more there is to hold on to and the more that we carry with us, the harder it will be to leave it all behind. Many choose not to and walk away sad because they are not ready to trust. ©LPi

**FOR THIS WEEKEND’S MASSES**

Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30):	#610 in <i>Worship</i>
Order of Mass:	Front Page or #202 in <i>Worship</i>
Liturgy of the Word:	#1191 in <i>Worship</i>
Gospel Acclamation (4,8,10:30):	#333 in <i>Worship</i>
Preparation Hymn (4,8,10:30):	#779 in <i>Worship</i>
Acclamations (4,8,10:30)	#353, 356, 357, 384 in <i>Worship</i>
Communion Litany (4,8,10:30)	#614 in <i>Worship</i>

**MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES**

<u>Sat., 10/9</u>	<u>4:00 pm</u>	<b>Rita Leary</b> , by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Ann Feeley</b> , 18 <sup>th</sup> Anniv., by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Josephine &amp; William LaMountain</b> , by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Nancy Chakuas</b> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv., by her husband, Joe
<u>Sun., 10/10</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<b>Gary Nadow</b> , by Richard & Maureen
	<u>10:30 am</u>	<b>Fr. Dennis O’Brien</b> , by the Painchaud Family
	<u>6:00 pm</u>	<b>Clement &amp; Judith Anish and Paul &amp; Alice Chase</b> , by family
<u>Mon., 10/11</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Parishioners’ Intentions</b>
<u>Tue., 10/12</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Proffitt &amp; Dillon Families</b> , by Ken
<u>Wed., 10/13</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Ronald &amp; Rose Desautels</b> , by Mary Desautels
<u>Thu., 10/14</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Nicholas Wylie</b> , 6 mo. Anniv., by family
<u>Fri., 10/15</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Special Intention</b> , by the Lopez family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Matthew Haddad</b> , by family
<u>Sat., 10/16</u>	<u>4:00 pm</u>	<b>Jean Gauthier</b> , 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv., by family
<u>Sun., 10/17</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<b>Gary Nadow</b> , by Richard & Maureen
	<u>10:30 am</u>	<b>Tommy Desautels</b> , by his mother
	(Remembrance)	<b>Nell Forsberg</b> , by Nancy, Jeff & Amy
	<u>6:00 pm</u>	<b>Clement &amp; Judith Anish and Paul &amp; Alice Chase</b> , by family

**CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:

-- Weekly Adult Offerings:	\$6,152.00
(\$252.00 in loose offerings and \$5,900.00 in 114 envelopes)	
-- Charitable Ministries:	\$ 100.00
-- Funeral Offerings:	\$ 600.00
-- Maintenance Fund:	\$1,154.00
-- Catholic School Appeal:	\$ 982.00

We also received the following online donations:

-- Weekly Adult Offerings:	\$1,247.85
-- Charitable Ministries:	\$ 34.21
-- Maintenance Fund:	\$ 73.89
-- Unrestricted Gift:	\$ 25.00
-- Catholic School Appeal:	\$ 434.07

We are grateful for the many households who now donate regularly using our secure online link set up for us by VANCO Services. Click on the **Online Giving** link at the top of the homepage and you will be prompted thru the setup process.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday:	Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Heb 4:12-13 Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
Monday:	Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 /Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
Friday:	Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday:	Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45

**HURRICANE IDA RELIEF**

As announced last weekend, there will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend to offer financial assistance to Gulf Coast areas devastated by Hurricane Ida. The money will be funneled through existing Catholic Agencies in the area. If you would like your donation to be recorded, use one of the Hurricane Disaster Relief envelopes that can be found in trays at the church doors.

**BAPTISMS**

Last weekend, Fr. Monroe baptized *Aiden Petry, Rowan Saghagian* and *Natalie Cantwell*. We pray that they will grow to understand what was done for them through the support of their parents and godparents.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

The following couples recently had weddings in our church:  
*Zachary & Kristine (Dumas) Geary* – September 25, 2021  
*Michael & Lucia (Rojas) Albert* – October 1, 2021  
 We pray that they will have happy years of life together as sacraments of God’s faithful love.

**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),

**WORCESTER RAILERS OFFER**

This is Paul O’Leary with the Worcester Railers Hockey Club. I am the Railers representative for the catholic churches throughout Central Massachusetts and have been in contact with Tim Messenger who is the Worcester Diocese Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. We have been planning a large group night at our opening night along with a postgame photo on the ice on October 23rd for everyone involved with the Worcester Diocese. We are offering \$12 tickets for everyone involved in the Catholic Churches to the game that can be purchased on the link below. Also, I attached a flyer with a scannable QR Code to be passed out to everyone at your church. [www.railershc.com/worcesterdiocese](http://www.railershc.com/worcesterdiocese).

**HOME VISITATION**

We are now returning to the practice of bringing Communion to homebound parishioners and those from the parish who are residents in local nursing homes and rehabilitation facilities. If you know of anyone who should be on our visitation list, please call the rectory with the person’s name, address and best phone contact to arrange for a visit.

**FIRST CONFESSION PREPARATION**

The classes for children who will be making First Communion on April 23<sup>rd</sup> begins this Sunday. There are 7 sessions to get the children ready for an initial celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation on December 4<sup>th</sup>. The Church now requires that parishes offer a program of preparation for that Sacrament prior to doing First Communion preparation. The remaining classes for this program will be held at 9:00 am in Our Lady of the Angels School on Sundays, October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14 and 21. Children in second grade are eligible to participate in this process along with children who are older and have not yet received First Communion. These classes are for children in public schools as well as any of our Catholic schools. Contact Fr. Monroe if you have any questions.

**REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Joseph Dicey, Patricia O’Leary, Mark Girardi* and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Sun., October 10 – 28<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., October 11 – St. John XXIII  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Tue., October 12 – Tuesday of 28<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Week  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Wed., October 13 – Wednesday of 28<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Sunday  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Thu., October 14 – St. Callistus I  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Fri., October 15 – St. Teresa of Jesus  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
Sat., October 16 – St. Hedwig  
**3:00 pm Confessions**  
**4:00 pm Lord’s Day Vigil Mass**

**ORGAN & VIOLIN RECITAL**

**On Wednesday, Oct. 20 at 7:00 pm**, organist Elizabeth Noone, director of music at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Worcester and her daughter, violinist Julia Noone, will perform a concert at Blessed Sacrament Church. Julia Noone, a graduate of Notre Dame Academy and New England Conservatory of Music is currently Assistant Concertmaster of the Louisville Orchestra and has recently performed with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Sun Valley Symphony and as guest Associate Principal with the Royal Scottish Orchestra. The program, including works of Bach, Vivaldi and others will feature the recently restored Skinner Organ at Blessed Sacrament. Free and open to the public.

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday, October 16	4:00 pm	Fr. Monroe
Sunday, October 17	8:00 am	Fr. Dougherty
	10:30 am	Fr. Monroe
	6:00 pm	Fr. Monroe

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