

Recommending parish closings

Clusters of parishes around the Archdiocese of Boston are asked to recommend which parishes among them could close as part of the consolidation process launched by Archbishop Sean P. O’Malley. Below, based on interviews with priests and laypeople, are many of the recommendations reached thus far; grouped by region of the archdiocese, and, within each region, by cluster.

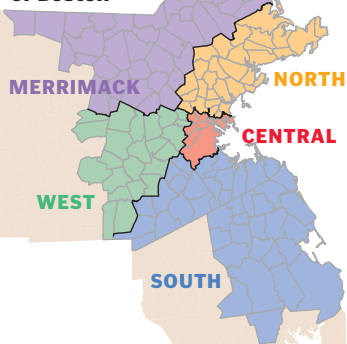
CENTRAL

Boston	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	–
Dorchester	Holy Family	–
	Saint John - Saint Hugh	–
Roxbury	Saint Francis/Saint Philip	–
	Saint Mary of the Angels	–
	Saint Patrick	–
Boston	Cathedral of the Holy Cross	–
	Holy Trinity	–
	Our Lady of Victories	–
	Sacred Heart	–
	Saint Ann	–
	Saint Cecilia	–
	Saint James the Greater	–
	Saint Joseph	–
	Saint Leonard of Port Maurice	–
Charlestown	Saint Catherine of Siena	C
	Saint Francis de Sales	O
	Saint Mary	O
East Boston	Our Lady of Mount Carmel	C
	Our Lady of the Assumption	C
	Saint Mary Star of the Sea	C
	Most Holy Redeemer	O
	Sacred Heart	O
	Saint Joseph - Saint Lazarus	O
Winthrop	Holy Rosary	–
	Saint John the Evangelist	–
Allston	Saint Anthony	O
Brighton	Our Lady of the Presentation	O
	Saint Columbkille	O
	Saint Gabriel	O
Cambridge	Saint John the Evangelist	–
	Saint Paul	–
	Saint Peter	–
Cambridge	Imm. Conception (Lith)	C1
	Blessed Sacrament	C2
	Saint Francis of Assisi	C2
	Sacred Heart	O
	Saint Anthony	O
	Saint Mary of Annunciation	O
Cambridge	Immaculate Conception	C1
Somerville	Saint Joseph	C2
	Saint Ann	O
	Saint Anthony	O
	Saint Benedict	O
	Saint Catherine of Genoa	O
	Saint Clement	O
Roslindale	Sacred Heart	O
W. Roxbury	Holy Name	O
	Saint John Chrysostom	O
	Saint Theresa of Avila	O
Jamaica Plain	Blessed Sacrament	C2
	Our Lady of Lourdes	C2
	Saint Thomas Aquinas	O
Brookline	Infant Jesus-Saint Lawrence	C1
	Saint Mary of the Assumption	O
Hyde Park	Most Precious Blood	–
	Saint Adalbert	–
Readville	Saint Anne	–
Dorchester	Saint Brendan	C
	Saint Mark	C
	Saint Ann	O
	Saint Gregory	O
Hyde Park	Saint Joseph	C1
Dorchester	Saint Matthew	C2
Mattapan	Saint Angela Merici	O
Dorchester	Saint Christopher	C
	Saint William	C
	Saint Ambrose	O
	Saint Margaret	O
	Saint Peter	O
S. Boston	Gate of Heaven	O
	Our Lady of Czestochowa	O
	Saint Augustine	O
	Saint Brigid	O
	Saint Monica	O
	Saint Peter	O
	Saint Vincent de Paul	O

MERRIMACK

Ayer	Saint Mary	O
Groton	Sacred Heart-Saint James	O
Pepperell	Saint Joseph	O
Shirley	Saint Anthony	O
Townsend	Saint John the Evangelist	O
Andover	Saint Augustine	O
	Saint Robert Bellarmine	O
N. Andover	Saint Michael	O
Lawrence	Saints Peter and Paul	C/M
	Holy Trinity	C/M
	Holy Rosary	O/M
	Saint Mary/Imm. Concept.	O/M
	Saint Patrick	O/M
	Asuncion de la Virgen Maria	C/M
	Sacred Heart	C/M
Methuen	Our Lady of Good Counsel	O
	Saint Lucy	O
	Saint Monica	O
Dracut	Saint Francis of Assisi	–
	Saint Marguerite d’Youville	–
Tyngsboro	Saint Mary Magdalen	–
Lowell	Holy Trinity	–
	Immaculate Conception	–
	Notre Dame de Lourdes	–
	Nuestra Senora Del Carmen	–
	Sacred Heart	–
	Saint Anthony	–
	Saint Jeanne d’Arc	–
	Saint Louis de France	–
	Saint Margaret	–
	Saint Marie	–
	Saint Michael	–
	Saint Patrick	–
	Saint Rita	–
Tewksbury	Saint William	O
Wilmington	Saint Dorothy	C1
	Saint Thomas of Villanova	C1
Chelmsford	Saint John the Evangelist	O
	Saint Mary	O
Westford	Saint Catherine of Alexandria	O
Billerica	Saint Andrew	O
	Saint Mary	O
	Saint Theresa of Lisieux	O
Acton	Saint Elizabeth of Hungary	O
Littleton	Saint Anne	O
Maynard	Saint Bridget	O
Stow	Saint Isidore	O
Bedford	Saint Michael	O
Carlisle	Saint Irene	O
Concord	Our Lady Help of Christians	O
	Saint Bernard	O
Lincoln	Saint Joseph	O
Amesbury	Holy Family	–
Merrimac	Nativity	–
Newburyport	Immaculate Conception	–
Salisbury	Star of the Sea	–
W. Newbury	Saint Ann	–

Archdiocese of Boston



Lexington	Sacred Heart	O
	Saint Brigid	O
Burlington	Saint Malachy	O
	Saint Margaret	O
Georgetown	Saint Mary	–
Groveland	Saint Patrick	–
Rowley	Saint Mary	–
Haverhill	All Saints	–
	Sacred Hearts	–
	Saint James	–
	Saint John the Baptist	–
Gloucester	Our Lady of Good Voyage	M
	Sacred Heart	M
	Saint Ann	M
	Saint Peter	M
Rockport	Saint Joachim	M
Chelsea	Our Lady of Grace	C2
	Saint Rose of Lima	O
	Saint Stanislaus	C1
NORTH		
Everett	Immaculate Conception	–
	Saint Anthony	–
	Saint Therese	–
Lynn	Saint Michael	C1
	Holy Family	C2
	Sacred Heart	O
	Saint Joseph	O
	Saint Mary	O
	Saint Pius Fifth	O
Peabody	Saint Thomas the Apostle	–
Salem	Immaculate Conception	–
	Saint Anne	–
	Saint James	C
	Saint John the Baptist	–
	Saint Joseph	–
Marblehead	Our Lady Star of the Sea	O
Nahant	Saint Thomas Aquinas	C
Swampscott	Saint John the Evangelist	O
Peabody	Our Lady of Fatima	–
	Saint Adelaide	–
	Saint Ann	–
	Saint John the Baptist	–
Melrose	Incarnation of Our Lord Jesus	–
	Saint Mary of the Annunciation	–
Saugus	Blessed Sacrament	–
	Saint Margaret	–
Stoneham	Saint Patrick	–
Wakefield	Most Blessed Sacrament	–
	Saint Florence	–
	Saint Joseph	–
Winchester	Immaculate Conception	C
	Saint Eulalia	O
	Saint Mary	O
Woburn	Saint Joseph	C
	Saint Anthony	O
	Saint Barbara	O
	Saint Charles Borromeo	O
Revere	Immaculate Conception	O
	Our Lady of Lourdes	C
	Saint Anthony of Padua	O
	Saint Mary of the Assumption	C
Beverly	Saint Margaret	–
Essex	Saint John the Baptist	–
Manchester	Sacred Heart	–
N. Reading	Saint Theresa	O
Reading	Saint Agnes	O
	Saint Athanasius	O
Ipswich	Our Lady of Hope	–
Hamilton	Saint Paul	–
Middleton	Saint Agnes	–
Topsfield	Saint Rose of Lima	–
Lynnfield	Saint Maria Goretti	C1
	Our Lady of the Assumption	C2
Beverly	Saint Alphonsus	–
	Saint John the Evangelist	–
	Saint Mary Star of the Sea	–
Danvers	Saint Mary Annunciation	–
	Saint Richard	–
Arlington	Saint Agnes	–
	Saint Camillus	–
	Saint James the Apostle	–
	Saint Jerome	–
Malden	Saint Peter	C
	Immaculate Conception	O
	Sacred Hearts	O
	Saint Joseph	O
Medford	Saint James	C1
	Sacred Heart	C2
	Saint Francis of Assisi	O
	Saint Joseph	O
	Saint Raphael	O
SOUTH		
Abington	Saint Bridget	C1
Rockland	Holy Family	O
Whitman	Holy Ghost	O
Halifax	Our Lady of the Lake	C1
Hanover	Saint Mary of Sacred Heart	O
Hanson	Saint Joseph the Worker	O
Pembroke	Saint Thecla	C2
Lakeville	Saints Martha and Mary	O
Mid’borough	Sacred Heart	C2
Rochester	Saint Rose of Lima	C1
Braintree	Saint Clare	M
	Saint Francis of Assisi	M
	Saint Thomas More	M
Milton	Saint Pius Tenth	C1
	Saint Elizabeth	C2
	Saint Mary of the Hills	C2
	Saint Agatha	O
Quincy	Star of the Sea	C1
	Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton	C2
	Saint John the Baptist	C3
	Most Blessed Sacrament	O
	Sacred Heart	O
	Saint Ann	O
	Saint Joseph	O
	Saint Mary	O

Cluster recommendations

- O** Parish remains open
- Undecided/Unknown
- C** Parish would close
 - If followed by a number, the cluster ranked recommended closings.
 - C1 would close first, C2 second, etc.
- M** All parishes merge
- O/M** Remain open, absorb another parish
- C/M** Close, be absorbed by another parish

Highlighted clusters are recommending no closings among the parishes in their group.

Cohasset	Saint Anthony	O
Hingham	Resurrection of Lord Jesus	C2
	Saint Paul	C2
Hull	Saint Mary/Saint Ann	O
Norwell	Saint Helen	O
Scituate	Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini	C1
	Saint Mary of the Nativity	O
Weymouth	Immaculate Conception	–
	Sacred Heart	–
	Saint Albert the Great	–
	Saint Francis Xavier	–
	Saint Jerome	–
Bridgewater	Saint Thomas Aquinas	–
E. B’water	Saint John	–
	Saint Ann	–
Avon	Saint Michael	O
Holbrook	Saint Joseph	O
Randolph	Saint Bernadette	O
	Saint Mary	O
Brockton	Saint Casimir	–
	Saint Margaret	–
	Saint Patrick	–
	Sacred Heart	C/M
	Saint Colman of Cloyne	O/M
	Our Lady of Lourdes	O
	Saint Edith Stein	O
Canton	Saint Gerard Majella	O
	Saint John the Evangelist	O
Sharon	Our Lady of Sorrows	O
Stoughton	Our Lady of the Rosary	C
	Immaculate Conception	O
	Saint James	O
Dedham	Saint Mary	O
	Saint Susanna	O
Foxborough	Saint Mary	O
Norfolk	Saint Jude	O
Plainville	Saint Martha	O
Wrentham	Saint Mary	O
Norwood	Saint George	C1
	Saint Timothy	C4
	Saint Catherine of Siena	O
Walpole	Saint Mary	C3
	Blessed Sacrament	O
Westwood	Saint Denis	C2
	Saint Margaret Mary	O
Carver	Our Lady of Lourdes	C2
Kingston	Saint Joseph	O
Plymouth	Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha	C1
	Saint Bonaventure	O
	Saint Mary	O
	Saint Peter	O
Duxbury	Holy Family	O
Marshfield	Saint Christine	O
	Our Lady of the Assumption	–
	Saint Ann by the Sea	–
WEST		
	Many clusters in the West region are still debating and hope to make decisions this weekend.	
Dover	Most Precious Blood	–
Medfield	Saint Edward the Confessor	–
Sherborn	Saint Theresa	–
Ashland	Saint Cecilia	–
Holliston	Saint Mary	–
Hopkinton	Saint John the Evangelist	–
Bellingham	Assumption	–
	Saint Blaise	–
	Saint Brendan	–
Franklin	Saint Mary	–
Medway	Saint Joseph	–
Millis	Saint Thomas the Apostle	–
Framingham	Saint Bridget	–
	Saint George	–
	Saint Jeremiah	–
	Saint Stephen	–
	Saint Tarcisius	–
Natick	Saint Linus	–
Sudbury	Saint Anselm	–
Natick	Sacred Heart	–
	Saint Patrick	–
Needham	Saint Bartholomew	–
	Saint Joseph	–
Wellesley	Saint James the Great	–
	Saint John the Evangelist	–
	Saint Paul	–
Weston	Saint Julia	–
Hudson	Saint Michael	–
Marlborough	Immaculate Conception	–
	Saint Ann	–
	Saint Mary	–
	Saint Matthias	–
Sudbury	Our Lady of Fatima	–
Newton	Corpus Christi	–
	Mary Immaculate of Lourdes	–
	Our Lady Help of Christians	–
	Sacred Heart	–
	Saint Bernard	–
	Saint Ignatius Loyola	–
	Saint Philip Neri	–
Waltham	Our Lady Comforter Afflicted	–
	Sacred Heart	–
	Saint Charles Borromeo	–
	Saint Joseph	–
	Saint Jude	–
	Saint Mary	–
Belmont	Our Lady of Mercy	–
	Saint Joseph	–
	Saint Luke	–
Watertown	Sacred Heart	–
	Saint Patrick	–
Wayland	Saint Ann	–
	Saint Zepherin	–
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