

2024 CAR & CASH RAFFLE OFFICIAL RULES

By participating, people agree to be bound by these Official Rules and by the decisions of St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Lawrence, acting as the sponsor of the 2024 CAR & CASH RAFFLE. The Official rules shall be binding and final as to all matters related to the Raffle. The Raffle is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws.

SPONSOR: St. Mary of the Assumption Parish. 300 Haverhill St. Lawrence, MA 01840

NET PROCEEDS: All funds raised to be used to support the Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Chestnut Hill, and several Catholic parishes in the Archdiocese in need, (the “Beneficiaries”), namely: St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Lawrence; Immaculate Conception Parish, Marlborough; Immaculate Conception Parish, Revere; St. Patrick Parish, Brockton; St. Joseph Parish, Lynn; St. Patrick Parish, Lowell; Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, East Boston; St. Rose of Lima, Chelsea; Our Lady of Lourdes, Jamaica Plain, and St. Mary of the Angels, Roxbury, all of them 501(c) non-profit organizations.

THE PRIZES: A total of two cars will be raffled: a 2024 Honda Civic Sport car, which has an approximate retail value of \$29,011; and a 2024 Honda CR-V EX car, which has an approximate retail value of \$37,713.

In addition, a total of \$20,000 will be awarded. There will be one cash prize of \$5,000, two cash prizes of \$3,000, two cash prizes of \$2,000, and five cash prizes of \$1,000. The cash prizes will be given in the form of a parish check made payable to the winner.

TAXES & OTHER: With respect to the car raffles only, St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Lawrence, will be responsible for the mandated “back-up withholding” tax as well as Massachusetts sales tax, title, registration, docking fee and license plate of each of the cars. The winners will be responsible for getting car insurance and paying the excise tax. All cash raffles are subject to federal income tax, and as such they should be reported as income to the IRS.

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER: Raffle tickets may be purchased only by persons 18 years old or older in accordance with these Official Rules. Raffle tickets may NOT be purchased by anyone under the age of 18, regardless of location or method of purchase.

All purchasers of tickets must provide their names, valid phone numbers and the name of the person who sold them the tickets at the time of purchase. The lack of a name or valid telephone number will invalidate the ticket and it will become ineligible to participate in the drawing. If the ticket has the name of the purchaser and his/her telephone number, the lack of the name of the person who sold the ticket will not invalidate it.

The following people and their immediate family members belonging to St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Lawrence (the “Sponsor”) are not allowed to purchase tickets of the raffle or win the car raffle due to their direct involvement in the promotion and operation of the raffle: Fr. Israel J. Rodriguez, Fr. Jose Ignacio Montero, Nilsa Vega, Moraliza Reyna Minaya, Yustine Florencio Deleon, Ana Cardenas and Claudia Chase.

In addition, per the Sponsor’s decision, the following individuals belonging to the “Beneficiaries” entities, are not allowed to purchase or win the car & cash raffle: Fr. Steven Clemence, Fr. Kevin Pleitez, Lee Ann Rempelakis, Maria Neurene Ribeiro, Elizabeth Alcantar, Helena Siciliano, Fr. Wellington Oliveira, Fr. Leonardo Moreira, Gilda Hagstrom, Jannet Urrego, Fr. Przemyslaw Kasprzak, Fr. Benito Moreno, Fr. Eric J. Velasquez, Nora Colon, Laurie Monahan, Thomas G. Noe, Fr. Pablo Gomis, Fr. Maciej Araszkiwicz, Alba Magaly Mazariegos, Carmen Ortiz, Edith Azucena Marin, Geoconda Yañez, Renata Mendes, Fr. William Acevedo, Fr. Joseph Almeida, Lina Arenas, Norma Diaz, Peter Heidkamp, Lisa Heidkamp, Fr.

Hilario Sañez, Fr. Reynaldo Escobar, Ana Ruiz, Yesica Santos, Very Rev. Antonio F. Medeiros, Fr. Francesco Palombi, Fr. Lukasz M. Wisniewski, Fr. Carlos Flor, Fr. Andrea Povero, Rose Gilles and Riqueldys Peña. Any other person may purchase tickets and win the raffle.

DRAWING: The drawing will be held at **St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Gym** (301 Haverhill St. Lawrence, MA 01840) on **Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 7:30 pm**. The event will be recorded and made public via the Parish Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/StMaryLawrence>

There will be twelve separate drawings, two for the cars and ten for the cash prizes. The first drawing will determine the winner of the 2024 Honda Civic Sedan Sport car. The second drawing will determine the winner of the 2024 Honda CR-V EX car. The car prizes will be available for inspection on a date following the Drawing. The particular date for the inspection will be decided by common agreement between the winner, the Sponsor and the car dealership (Lundgren Honda, located at 163 Washington Street, Auburn, MA 01501).

The drawing of the cash prizes will be as follows: first, the drawing of the \$5,000 cash prize. Second, the drawing of the \$3,000. Third, another drawing of \$3,000. Fourth, a drawing of \$2,000. Fifth, a drawing of another \$2,000. Sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth, a drawing of \$1,000 each.

Each eligible ticket has an equal chance to win one of the raffled cars and cash prizes (with the exception of each of the winning tickets, which will be ineligible to participate in subsequent raffles drawings). The winners will be selected in a random drawing from eligible tickets received (the "Drawing").

SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION OF WINNERS: On **Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 7:30 pm** the Sponsor will select the winners by random drawing from all eligible tickets. The owners of eligible tickets need NOT be present in person at the Drawing in order to win. The Sponsor will then contact each of the purchasers-of-record of the winning tickets (the "Winners") using the information provided on the winning tickets promptly after the Drawing, to notify him or her that he or she is the Winner.

OTHER GENERAL CONDITIONS:-The Car & Cash Raffle to benefit St. Mary of the Assumption Parish follows the General Laws of 'The Commonwealth of Massachusetts,' Part I, Title I, Chapter 271, Section 7A. The Car Raffle is validly authorized by competent authorities, following an application certified in conformity with 940 CMR 12:00, 940 CMR 13:00 & MGL C271 §7A.

-It is estimated that roughly 70% or more of the percentage amount of the ticket price will go to charitable purposes, depending on total sales.

-The minimum number of tickets to be sold is 6,350. The maximum number of ticket is 50,000. In the unlikely case that the minimum number of tickets sold is not reached, the Car & Cash raffle will be postponed to a later date. Participants will be notified through a public announcement in the Sponsor's webpage and social media.

-The prize is considered to be ordinary income by the internal Revenue Service (IRS). However, the Sponsor has decided to pre-pay the "back-up withholding" taxes on behalf of the car raffle winners. However, the winners of the cash raffles are subject to federal income tax.

-The Internal Revenue Service takes the position that no portion of the ticket price will qualify as a charitable contribution for federal income tax purposes.

-Depositing the ticket or any other material in connection with the raffle in the federal mails is a violation of federal law and may lead to criminal charges.