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New to our Parish?

Please introduce yourself after Mass or at the parish office. We want to know and serve you! We hope you will participate in our parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means.

Sacraments of Initiation

Adults interested in baptism or joining the Catholic Church please contact Marie Buckley at x219. For high school confirmation contact Kristina Preman at x216. Adults preparing for confirmation only contact Fr. John at x215.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish office at least six months in advance. A preparation program is offered to all couples. For more information, please visit our website: http://www.ourladys.com.

Sacrament of Anointing and Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please notify the pastoral staff if anyone is ill, in the hospital or confined to home and unable to get to church, and we will be happy to visit.

Infant Baptisms

Infant baptisms are celebrated at Mass or on special Sundays throughout the year. Parents are asked to call the office well in advance. A special program of preparation is offered for all parents. For more information, please visit our website: http://www.ourladys.com.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 2:30pm-3:30pm at Our Lady's Church or anytime by appointment.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society

For more information, email: svdp@ourladys.com or call 617-527-7560 x255.

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St. Joseph Preparatory High School is a unification of Mount Saint Joseph Academy and Trinity Catholic High School. It is a college preparatory high school, offering a curriculum characterized by interdisciplinary teaching and collaborative learning. For more info please contact: admissions@saintjosephprep.org.



Schedule of Liturgies
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00am
10:00am
6:00pm
Holy Days As Announced
Weekdays Mon-Fri 7:00am

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November 12 - November 20, 2016

Sat	4:00pm	Serafino & Rosa Tanzi Rafaele Piccirilli Jeff Beatrice, Dottie Marino Beatrice Gretchen Nowell Peg & Elmore Campbell Robert Muse Loretta Schraffa Angelo & Vincenza Stellato Donato & Rafaela Camilli Antoinetta & Guerino Coppola Lucia & Cesidio Cardarelli	Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat	7:00am 7:00am 7:00am 7:00am 4:00pm 8:00am	For all Men & Women Serving in the Military Joseph & Rosemary Joerg For all Victims of Abuse For all Emergency Workers Charles Peillet John Luciano Germano, Marianna & Antonio Lanni Edward P. Walsh Robert & Mary Gauvreau, Selena Boudreau Frank & Ann Cammarata Bruno Palumbo
Sun	8:00am 10:00am 6:00pm	Romolo Pescosolido John & Lucia MacEwen, Cecil Andrews William Joseph Parks, III - 3rd Anniversary James & Antoinette Caccavaro Antonio & Concetta Germani Giovanni & Francesca Arpino & Family Carmine Aceto Patricia Tobin		6:00pm	Domenica Cellucci Thomas A. Cellucci Donato & Loreta Tempesta Francesca, Carmela, Colombo& Ennio Antonellis Elise & Ernest Richard, Ernestine Keefe Linda Buffone David McAvinn Antonio & Cesidia Cellucci
Mon	7:00am	Monica C. Farren			Antonio a Cesidia Cenucci

In your prayers please remember Grace Antonellis, Alice Bartinelli, and all who have died. May they experience the new life promised by Christ's Paschal victory.

Scripture Readings can be found at www.usccb.org

Sun., November 13	Mal 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19
Mon., November 14	Rv 1:1-4;2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43
Tues., November 15	Rv 3:1-6,14-22; Lk 19:1-10
Wed., November 16	Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28
Thurs., November 17	Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44
Fri., November 18	Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48
Sat., November 19	Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40
Sun., November 20	2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43
Sun., November 27	Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Offertory Collection Update...

The offertory collection is one of three primary sources of income for the parish. (The other two are the Grand Annual and Rental Income.) Below are weekly offertory figures for last month, October 2016.

Via Baskets	\$30,563.66
Via ParishPay	\$9,826.82
Via Online Banking	\$3,636.54
October Offertory Total	\$44,027.02
October Offertory Budget	\$41,436.26
Budget Variance	+ \$2,590.76

The Next Monthly Mass for the Sick, sponsored by the Faith-Based Cancer Support Group of Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Colaborative, will be on Monday, November 28th at 6:30pm at Our Lady's. Fr. Michael Hahn, a Benedictine priest currently studying at Boston College will celebrate the Mass and Anointing of the Sick. Following refreshments, Fr. Hahn will speak on "Reflections on Death and Life in the Rule of St. Benedict." The evening is designed to bring joy, hope, and peace to those who are affected by illness, including family and friends. The Mass and program will both be held downstairs at Our Lady's church. For questions or more information, please contact Pat Enright at 617-467-4482 pme1130@aol.com, or Lorraine Higgins: 617-244-0267 or higlor1@msn.com, or the parish offices. All are welcome!

Sing Me Home, a Concert with Tony Alonso & Jeanne Cotter: Sunday, December 4th at Our Lady's at 7:30pm. Ticket Info: Free Will Offering. Email Tonyf@giamusic.com for more details.

Next Justice and Peace Committee Meeting - The next Justice and Peace Committee Meeting will be on Sunday, November 20th after the 10:00am Mass at Our Lady's Church. The meeting will take place in the McPhearson Room. Join fellow parishioners as they work to realize the tenets of Catholic Social Teaching in the world.

Year of Mercy Prayer Service – A closing prayer service for the Year of Mercy will be held on November 20th at 4:30pm in Our Lady's Church. Join fellow parishioners as we sing, pray, and reflect on this past year, and look forward to how we can take the fruits of this jubilee with us into the future. Questions? Email Brian Romer Niemiec (bniemiec@sholnewton.org).

Thank You From Shattuck Shelter: Pine Street is so grateful for over 30 years of partnership with Our Lady's Parish. The volunteers and donors who participated in the meal production at our Shattuck Shelter in October were wonderful. The donations fed dinner and desserts to our many, many guests. One guest commented, "the meal was so enjoyable, from the smiling faces of the volunteers to the delicious desserts come back soon!" Thank You! Elizabeth Condron, Manager of Volunteer Outreach, Pine Street Inn.

November Book Club Selection: *Moonlight Sonata at the Mayo Clinic* by Nora Gallagher. She tells of her experience with a baffling illness that was about to take her sight, and gives a powerful meditation on vulnerability and on what it means to lose the faith you had, and find something better. This medical mystery is beautifully written and keeps you on edge through all the twists and turns of a search that changes the author's life and faith. The November meeting will be Thursday, December 1st, 7:00 PM, in the Colella room at Our Lady's. Two copies of the book are available for loan. Call Ed Desmond at Our Lady's Parish Office to reserve a copy. For more information about the book club contact Jim Allaire at 617-244-2143

Young Adult Thanksgiving Potluck – All young adults in their twenties and thirties are invited to a Thanksgiving Potluck on Sunday, November 20th at 2:00pm at Our Lady's Church. Celebrate this time with other parishioners as we pray, give thanks, and feast! Please RSVP to Brian Romer Niemiec (bniemiec@sholnewton.org). Hope to see you there!

To Ensure Your Child(ren)'s Safety, please accompany them to the restroom during Mass. Thank you!

The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis

"All evangelization is based on that word (the word of God), listened to, meditated upon, lived, celebrated, and witnessed to. The sacred Scriptures are the very source of evangelization." (par 174)

Book of Remembrance: Traditionally, we pray throughout November for the Faithful Departed. The Book of the Faithful Departed will be available on a table in the gathering space at the back of the Church so that we can inscribe the names of our loved ones and friends who have died. They will be remembered in prayer at the Liturgies throughout the month of November. Also the Book of Intentions will continue to be available on the podium in the gathering space. This Book enables others to join us in praying for people in need and for situations about which we are concerned.

Check out the New Collaborative Website - Over the past several months, the staff at Sacred Heart and Our Lady's has been working with a team of parishioners to create a new website for the collaborative. The new site can be found at www.sholnewton.org. If you are used to typing in sacredheartnewton.org or ourladys.com, don't worry, you still can. Those addresses will automatically forward to the new site. It is our hope that this site will aid in our communication efforts in the collaborative. If you have any comments or suggestions about the website, please contact Brian Romer Niemiec at bniemiec@sholnewton.org.

Bristol Lodge Food Request: We are in need of elbow pasta, tomato sauce, and 12 packs of soda for our Confirmation Program, which feeds the residents of Bristol Lodge in Waltham once a month as part of their service formation. If you can help us, please drop them off in the recycling bins under the stairs on either side of the church.

Volunteers Needed: As you know, Our Lady's is blessed with many volunteers who serve our community with great commitment and care. However, additional ministers are needed in the Bereavement Ministry, in the liturgical ministries of Greeters and Eucharistic ministers, in the Baptism Ministry, the Music Ministry, the Welcome Ministry and others. Please consider how you can use your time and gifts for strengthening our community and speak with one of the staff, or call the office, if you can help. Thank you!

The Grand Annual Collection:

As of November 9th we have raised \$93,214 from 204 parishioners. **Our goal is \$200,000** and we need everyone to take part in order to attain that goal. Whether you give \$100 or \$300; \$1,000 or \$5,000, your gift will be appreciated as it promotes the well being of Our Lady's. Thank you for your generous support!

Interested in Joining the Honduras Committee? Have you been enjoying the delicious Honduran coffee sold after Mass at Our Lady's? The Honduras Committee is looking for new members as they continue their ministry of service to those most in need at our sister parish in San Marcos, Honduras. If you are inspired to give of your time and talent for the fruitful and necessary ministry, please contact Brian Romer Niemiec at bniemiec@sholnewton.org.

Our Lady's Moms, Pops and Tots Afternoon Playgroup:

Babies of all ages and their parents or caregivers are welcome for fun and socialization for the children and adults. The group meets on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30pm-5:00pm, but sometimes meets in parks if the weather is nice. For more information contact Sue Bauer at toonces44@msn.com or 617-304-1670 to be placed on their e-mail list (which will notify you of their meeting place). All are very welcome to attend!

Childcare During the 10:00am Mass. Childcare has resumed during the 10:00am Mass in the McPherson Room at the bottom of the stairs on the rectory side. It is for children potty trained to age 6. All caregivers ages 17 or older have had background checks completed and have attended the required Protecting God's Children Training. We hope this service is helpful to you and your children.

Have You Ever Considered Joining One of Our PARISH CHOIRS? This is the perfect time! Our Lady's Parish Music Ministry is currently recruiting members for our Children/Youth Choir, Adult Choir, Handbell Choir and 6:00pm Sunday Contemporary Group. No vocal auditions are necessary. Please e-mail Anne Marie David at amdavid@sholnewton.org for more information.

Are You Going to the Hospital? If you are going into the hospital for surgery and would like to have a blessing before the surgery please contact the parish office to have one of the priest give you the blessing of the sick.

Wills and Bequests: Please consider remembering Our Lady's when drafting your Estate Plans. We invite you to consider leaving a gift to Our Lady Help of Christians to continue the work you found important in your life. For more information, call or email Michael Bliss: 617-527-7560 x226; mbliss@sholnewton.org. Thank you.

The Sacred Heart Church Holly Harvest Fair will be held on November 19th & 20th. We would appreciate any donations for our tables – especially costume jewelry no longer being used; Grandma's Attic items in usable, working condition; knitted, crocheted items or fleece hats, mittens, scarves, etc. for children or adults; items for our Gift Table; holiday items – new or used. Please keep Silent Auction Table in mind for special donations, e.g., tickets to sports events, theater, museums, etc. Let's help this year's Holly Harvest Fair be a great success! For questions or more information, contact Barbara Hatem, 617-969-2567, bchatem@comcast.net; Kathie Long, 781-943-3939, longlongjj@verizon.net; Adeline Crovo, 617-527-1556.

The Corpus Christi-St. Bernard Guild invites you to join us for a fun evening with local sports columnist, Dan Shaughnessy! Dan is a well-known Globe sports writer, author, and recent inductee to the Cooperstown Baseball Hall of Fame. Light refreshments will be served following Dan's presentation.

Date: Wednesday, November 16th Time: 7:00pm. Location: 1524 Washington Street (Gym Building located across from the rectory) Cost: \$5 for individual, \$10 for family (Contact Nancy Gagnon at 617-877-2010 to pre-purchase; tickets will also be sold at the door on the night of the event).

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Mark Your Calendars for St. John's Seminary All Souls Memorial Concert and Auction on Saturday, November 19th at 7:00pm at St. John's Seminary Chapel, 127 Lake Street, Brighton, MA 02135.. Special Guest and Soloist: Most Rev. John A. Dooher, Auxiliary Bishop of Boston. Freewill donations are welcome at the door.

Peace Activist and Granddaughter of Dorothy Day speaks on spreading the good news of peace and justice in the 21st Century, Thursday, November 17th at 7:00pm at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, 5 Linden Place, Brookline, MA. Refreshments will be served. RSVP to stmarybrookline@gmail.com.

American Legion Post 440 Holiday Gift Fair - Sunday, November 13th from 10:00am to 5:00pm, 295 California Street, Newton, MA. All proceeds benefit our veterans!

Help a Neighbor in Need

With the holidays approaching, we are still in **need of** 10 volunteers to provide Thanksgiving meals for families in need - by purchasing groceries - YOU DO NOT COOK THE MEAL! If you are willing to assist in this endeavor, please contact Rosemary in the Parish Office at extension 213 or by e-mail (rseibold@sholnewton.org). She will take your contact information (name, phone, and e-mail) and send you all the details in writing. She will also ask you to specify the approximate family size you are willing to provide for. Parishioners are asked to purchase a turkey and all the trimmings and to drop them off at the Parish Office on Tuesday, November 22nd, between 3:00pm and 5:00pm. This outreach is being provided by the parish, in conjunction with Our Lady's Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you for your willingness to share your resources with those in need.



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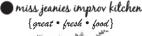


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