

# SACRED HEART

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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*Matthew 4:19-20*

# PARISH RESOURCES

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 2:30 to 3:30pm or anytime by appointment

**BAPTISM** Arrangement for this Sacrament of Initiation may be made by contacting the Rectory.

**MARRIAGE** Arrangements for Marriage should be made with the parish priest at least eight months in advance to allow for adequate preparation.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Grades 1 through 5 - Tuesdays 4:00 to 5:15pm

Grades 6 through 10 - Tuesdays 7:00 to 8:30pm

**VISITATION TO THE SICK** We are eager to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in Church. If you wish to receive the sacraments of Confession, Communion, or the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Rectory. Please notify us of any hospitalization so that we may help.

## MASSES

Weekends (Upper Church)

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am in ASL (also Voiced)  
12 Noon (Lower Church)

Weekdays (Lower Church)

Monday—Saturday: 9:00am

Saturday following Mass: Rosary, Exposition,  
Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed  
Sacrament, concluding at 10:30am

Holy Days (Upper Church)

7:00am at Our Lady Help of Christians

9:00am at Sacred Heart

12:00 noon at Our Lady Help of Christians

7:30pm at Sacred Heart. This Mass is in both  
English and ASL

Holidays (Lower Church)

9:00am

## WEBSITES :

[www.sholnewton.org](http://www.sholnewton.org)

[www.bostondeafatholic.org](http://www.bostondeafatholic.org)

**WELCOME:** If you are new in the parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or at the rectory office. We want to know and serve you.

## OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS

1321 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02459

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, 9:30am to 5:00pm; Wednesday,  
Thursday, 8:30am to 3:30pm; **Fridays** 9:00am to  
12:00pm.

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# OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 21

4:00pm, Donald P. Murphy

Sunday, January 22

9:00am, Bill Walsh, John and Agnes Walsh,  
Anne and Russell Harney and  
Nancy Harney Lewos

12:00 Noon, Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Tuesday, January 24

9:00am, Grant Ulmer, Jr.

Wednesday, January 25

9:00am, Brian T. McNiff

Thursday, January 26

9:00am, Frances James

Friday, January 27

9:00am, Denise Zachman

Saturday, January 28

4:00pm, Donald J. Burke

Sunday, January 29

9:00am, Parishioners of Sacred Heart

## CELEBRANTS FOR NEXT WEEK

Saturday, January 28, 4:00pm: Msgr. Sheehan

Sunday, January 29, 9:00am: Fr. Sassani

11:00am, Fr. Carey; 12:00 Noon, Fr. Blaney,

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 22, Third Sunday in Ordinary  
Time

*Isaiah 8:23—9:3; Ps. 27:1, 4, 13-14;*

*1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17; Matthew 4:12-23*

Monday, January 23

*Hebrews 9: 15, 24-28; Ps. 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, -5-6; Mark 3: 22-30*

Tuesday, January 24, Saint Francis De Sales

*Hebrews 10: 1-10; Ps. 40: 2and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11;  
Mark 3: 31-35*

Wednesday, January 25, The Conversion of St. Paul  
the Apostle

*Acts 22: 3-16 or Acts 9: 1-22; Ps. 117: 1bc-2;  
Mark 16: 15-18*

Thursday, January 26, St. Timothy and St. Titus

*2 Timothy 1: 1-8 or Titus 1: 1-5; Ps. 96: 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mark 4: 21-25*

Friday, January 27

*Hebrews 10: 32-39; Ps. 37: 3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mark 4: 26-34*

Saturday, January 28, Saint Thomas Aquinas

*Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19; Ps. Luke 1: 69-70, 71-72,*

*73-75; Mark 4: 35-41*

Sunday, January 29, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time

*Zephaniah 2: 3; 3: 12-13; Ps. 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10,  
1 Corinthians 1: 26-31; Matthew 5: 1-12a*

## CALENDAR NOTES

Extended Coffee Hour: Sunday, January 22,

10:00am—1:00pm, Parish Center

Justice and Peace Committee Meeting: Sunday,  
January 22, 11:30am, OLHC McPhearson Room

Knights of Columbus: Wednesday, January 25,  
7:30pm, Convent Dining Room

Prayer Group: Wednesday, January 25, 7:30pm,  
Convent Chapel

Coffee Hour: Friday, January 27, Following

9:00am Mass, Parish Center

Liturgy, Holy Hour, Rosary: Saturday, January 28,  
9:00am—10:30am, Lower Church

Extended Coffee Hour: Sunday, January 29,  
10:00am—1:00pm, Parish Center

## LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

This week's special collection supports the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Together with a diverse network of collaborators, they serve the elderly poor locally in Somerville. They offer the neediest elderly of every race and religion a home where they will be welcomed as Christ, cared for as family and accompanied with dignity until God calls them to himself. Please visit [www.littlesistersofthepoorboston.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorboston.org) for more information.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next week's second collection supports the Church in Latin America (CLA). The CLA provides support for pastoral projects in financially poorer dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. CLA funds catechetical and lay leadership programs, youth ministry, evangelization programs, and formation programs for religious, priests, and deacons. CLA is making it possible for the Catholic faithful in the Western hemisphere to help each other. Please visit [www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/index.cfm) for more information.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Grade 2 students begin preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation given to us at the great price of Jesus' death on the cross. We will be passing on this great mystery of love and healing at a **Parent/child Retreat on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> in the Convent and lower church from 10-12.** At least one parent needs to attend. **1<sup>st</sup>Reconciliation takes place on Saturday, March 4, 2017 from 12-1:30pm** in the lower church. Please mark your calendars.

**Confirmation Students will be attending a retreat together with students from Our Lady's Parish on March 18/19. Please return the permission slips as soon as possible.**

**Confirmation Sponsor and Saint forms are due on Tuesday, January 31 for all Grade 10 Confirmation students.** Please note the guidelines for choosing a sponsor before contacting anyone!

Michelle Solomon, Director of Religious Ed

### MASS AND HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

On Saturday, January 28th, in the lower church at Sacred Heart from 9:00am to 10:30am, there will be a Mass followed by a Holy Hour for Life with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Each year throughout the Archdiocese of Boston time is set aside during the month of January for prayer and penance in support of the cause of life. We will pray for respect for the dignity of all human life, from the moment of conception to the end of natural life, including an end to terrorism and war, and for all who have been wounded in any way by acts of violence or assaults on human life. All are invited.

### MASS FOR THE SICK

**The next Monthly Mass for the Sick**, sponsored by the Faith-Based Cancer Support Group of Sacred Heart and Our Lady Help of Christians Church, will be on **Monday, January 23, at 6:30pm at Our Lady's Church.** **Fr. Leroy Owens**, former priest at Our Lady's will celebrate the Mass and Anointing of the Sick. Following refreshments, **Jim Allaire will speak from 25 years' experience about Dorothy Day and the Catholic Workers' Movement.** Jim is a retired psychologist, is active in Our Lady's parish, and is a cancer survivor. 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, located at 573 Washington Street in Newton. For questions or more

information, please contact Pat Enright at 617-467-4482 [pme1130@aol.com](mailto:pme1130@aol.com), or Lorraine Higgins: 617-244-0267 or [higlor1@msn.com](mailto:higlor1@msn.com), or the parish offices. All are welcome!

### SAVE THE DATES:

Plan to join us for our first Collaborative Faith Festival, *"Three Days That Changed the World"* which is for people of all ages. The event will take place on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:30pm at Our Lady's; Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am—2:00pm at Our Lady's; Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00pm at Sacred Heart. All are welcome to any session which begins with a simple meal. Registration forms and additional information are available in the flyer inserted in today's bulletin as well as on tables at the entrances to the church.

### MINUTE TO WIN IT YOUNG ADULT NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

All adults in their 20's and 30's are welcome to a New Years Party on Sunday, January 22nd, after the 6:00pm Mass at Our Lady's Church. Meet in the Lower Hall at OLHC. Ring in the new year with a minute to win it competition, snacks, and fun for all. Questions? email Brian Romer Niemiec at [bniemiec@sholnewton.org](mailto:bniemiec@sholnewton.org).

### JOIN THE JUSTICE AND PEACE COMMITTEE!

The next Justice and Peace Committee Meeting will be held this Sunday, January 22nd at 11:30am in the McPhearson Room on the lower level of Our Lady's Church. All are welcome as we continue to work for a more just society in Newton and around the world!

### INCOME TAX ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The parish can provide letters of acknowledgement of charitable contributions for all donations given in the parish envelopes or by bank check. Please contact the parish office [sacredheart@sholnewton.org](mailto:sacredheart@sholnewton.org) or 617-969-2248 if you want to receive a donation letter.

### COMING THIS FEBRUARY!

Have you ever wondered if there is more to life than this? Does believing in Jesus really change anything in your daily life? Were you ever curious to know how or why people pray or read the Bible? If so, consider coming to Alpha on Tuesday February 21st at 7:00pm for dinner, fellowship, a video presentation, and discussion. Want more information? Contact Brian Romer Niemiec ([bniemiec@sholnewton.org](mailto:bniemiec@sholnewton.org)).



### **SACRED HEART YOUNG FAMILY GATHERING**

All families with young or newly Baptized children are invited to gather at the Coffee Hour in the MacKenzie Center after the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, January 29th. A table will be reserved for food and fellowship, and a video will be shown for the kids. Questions? Contact Brian Romer Niemiec (bniemiec@sholnewton.org).

### **THE NEWTON CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB**

The January Book Club Selection is Pope Francis' message: "Nonviolence: A Style of Politics for Peace". The Pope argues that nonviolent action for peace is gospel teaching and an effective solution for today's conflicts. This is the first time a Pope has made this argument. The January meeting will be on Thursday, January 26th, 7:00 PM, in the Colella room at Our Lady's. The text is widely available for download. Several copies are available at Our Lady's. 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.

### **SACRED HEART HISTORY: THE CANDLE AND THE POPE**

Ever wonder about the candle in the glass case by the choir? Go look at it and check out the bronze plaque inscribed:

"MY DAYS IN THE SACRED HEART CHURCH  
NEWTON CENTER, WILL ALWAYS BE  
AMONG THE DEAREST  
RECOLLECTIONS FROM MY  
VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA"  
EUGENE CARDINAL PACELLI  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
TO HIS HOLINESS POPE PIUS XI  
OCTOBER 13, 14, 15, 16, 1936

In October 1936, the Vatican Secretary of State, Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli visited the United States, probably to look into the activities of Father Charles E. Coughlin, a controversial Detroit priest and radio host who was opposing the New Deal and Franklin D. Roosevelt's re-election campaign. The cardinal spent a few days with his old friend, Bishop Spellman, saying Mass at Sacred Heart and visiting St. John's Seminary, Boston College, and Sacred Heart Academy, eventually called Sacred Heart School. Bishop Spellman accompanied Cardinal Pacelli to a meeting with President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Because of the upcoming election and the purpose of the cardinal's visit, press coverage of

the meeting was a matter of great concern. The potential for embarrassment to both the president and the church was considerable, so Cardinal Pacelli depended heavily on his "American expert." The bishop did not fail him. His instincts were sure and his performance flawless.

Two and a half years later, when Cardinal Pacelli became Pope Pius XII, most people realized that their pastor would not be at Sacred Heart much longer. On April 23, 1939, they learned that he was to be Archbishop of New York.

### **AN INVITATION FROM THE SACRED HEART HISTORY GROUP**

Why not join the Sacred Heart History Group! During 2017 we begin celebrating the 125th anniversary of the parish. Our main interest is to bring the history of the parish up to date. First, we go back to the early stories of the parish starting with 1890! We do research on the window, the donors, and the early members of the parish. We would like to bring the history of the parish up to date by interviewing long time parishioners for their memories and recollection. So if you are a history buff, interested in visiting long time members of the parish, or ARE a long time member of the parish - think about joining us; you have much to offer.

There will be a celebration in the early summer near the Feast of the Sacred Heart so please think of joining our group to have input and give ideas for the celebration. Connect with Joe Sanroma at jsanroma@computer.org or Kathie Long at longlongij@verizon.net or call the parish office.

### **FORUM ON NON-VIOLENCE AND JUST PEACE**

Join Dr. Lisa Sowle Cahill, Professor of Theology at Boston College, for her first hand reflections on last April's Vatican symposium on Nonviolence and Just Peace, which recommended that the Catholic Church drop its teaching of "Just War Theory." The forum will take place on Sunday February 5th, 3:00pm at Our Lady's Church, lower halls. See the Collaborative online calendar for a full description.

### **INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY**

If Newton schools are closed or delay opening, there will be no morning Mass celebrated at either SH or OLHC. For weekend information, check TV Channel 5 for possible cancellation. This is for the safety of those who attend Mass and it allows us to clear the parking lot and stairways. If the scheduled Mass has an announced intention, the intention will be rescheduled at the next available Mass.



## **SIGNINGS**

Fr. Shawn sent exciting news from Charlotte, North Carolina where he was attending Pastoral Week 2017 “Highway to Heaven”. He has been elected president of the National Catholic Office for the Deaf for the next two years May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2019. We offer our congratulations even as we bemoan that this will likely require more of his precious time.

## **QUESTIONS TO PONDER FROM TODAY’S GOSPEL**

1. As soon as Jesus heard that John was arrested he immediately moved into Herod’s territory and began an intense program teaching, healing and preaching repentance. What would cause him to make such a dangerous move? Are you able to stand up and get involved for what is right when you see that you will suffer pain or loss when you do? What do you think of Jesus when he acts like this?

2. Do you think Jesus also needed friends? “At once they left their nets and followed him.” How long did it take Peter and Andrew to respond to his invitation to a personal encounter? What do you think was going on in their heads and hearts? Could they have been excited by the mission of communicating life to others?

## **BC FAMILY CONCERT**

The Boston College Music department is presenting Viva Polonia! an interactive, dynamic family concert featuring the Krakowiak Polish Dancers of Boston, the Trumpeter from Krakow and music from Chopin’s house directed by Barbara S. Gawlick. This free event will take place at Lyons 423 on Sunday, January 29 at 4:00pm. For additional information call 617-552-2514 or email [gawlicba@bc.edu](mailto:gawlicba@bc.edu).

## **DAYS OF PRAYER FOR PASTORAL VISITORS**

In collaboration with the Chaplaincy Office, the Office of Spiritual Life offers Days of Prayer for Pastoral Ministers and Ministers of Communion to the Sick. The Day of Prayer consists of a conference common prayer, quiet time and time for fellowship.

*Companions in Christ* is offered at Our Lady Help of Christians Church on February 25 from 10-12. To register, call the Office of Spiritual Life at 617-779-3640 or email: [spiritual\\_development@rcab.org](mailto:spiritual_development@rcab.org).

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## **OPEN HOUSE AT MONSIGNOR HADDAD MIDDLE SCHOOL**

OPEN HOUSE – JANUARY 29, 1 – 3 PM - Come learn what makes Monsignor Haddad Middle School such an amazing place! MHMS is a Catholic, stand-alone middle school that is part of St. Joseph Parish in Needham and draws from 20 communities. Join us for an Open House on Sunday, January 29th from 1—3pm. Meet the teachers, tour the campus with our student leaders, and learn more about why MHMS is a great choice for middle school. In honor of Catholic Schools Week, attendees will receive a chance for a \$500 tuition credit. Preregistration suggested at [www.saintjoes.com/middle-school](http://www.saintjoes.com/middle-school).

## **SAINT COLUMBKILLE PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL**

Looking for a high-quality preschool or a thriving elementary and middle school? Saint Columbkille Partnership School, in Brighton, MA, partners with Boston College to provide a superior preschool through grade 8 education where education comes to life and each child is loved. Current and prospective families are invited to join us at our Passport to Learning Open House on Thursday, February 2 at 6:00 pm. For more information please visit [www.steps.org](http://www.steps.org). 25 Arlington Street Brighton, MA 02135 [www.steps.org](http://www.steps.org) 617-254-3110

## **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

“He said to them, ‘Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.’ At once they left their nets and followed him.” Let us answer God’s call to make our marriages the best they can be by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are March 17-19, 2017 in South Kingstown, RI and June 10-11, 2017 in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O’Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at [www.WWMEMA.org](http://www.WWMEMA.org).

