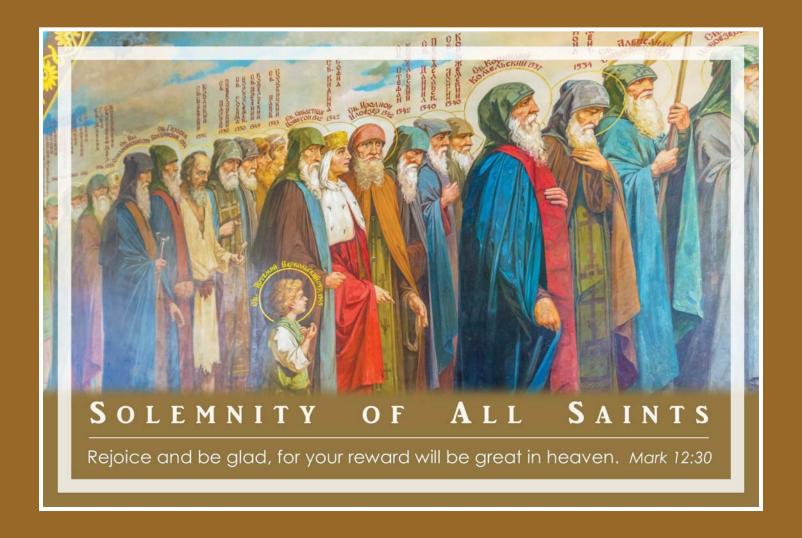
SACRED HEART & OUR LADY'S COLLABORATIVE NEWTON, MA

~ All Are Welcome ~



November 1, 2020

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From Fr. Dan, Pastor

Dear Friends,

Congratulations to Kristina Preman on the birth of her baby, and to her husband, Ben. The birth was to be Thursday, Oct. 29, Fr. John's 66th birthday. Our prayers for the health of all.

How much does Jesus love each one of us, personally? "As the Father loves me, so I love you." (John 15:9). I imagine the Father beaming with love at Jesus. Now imagine Jesus beaming upon each of us with the same love.

Election Prayer: "Holy Spirit, pour forth your wisdom upon us to enlighten our voting choices, and pour forth your love upon us so that we may more fully love all of our brothers and sisters."

9am and 10am Masses close to capacity. The others have plenty of room (both 4pm's & the 6pm).

To reopen the 8am, we especially need help at the 4pm at Our Lady's. It is a long story, but that is what is holding up reopening the 8am. Reopening the 8am should take pressure off both of our crowded Masses: the 9am and 10am. To volunteer please contact: At Our Lady's: Maribeth Scott at mbskis@yahoo.com. At Sacred Heart: Nick Frega at nfrega@sholnewton.org. (We can use help at all Masses, but especially the Our Lady's 4pm.)

All Saints Day -- You are "The Saints Next

Door" and I am grateful for the love, patience, and kindness you share with me and each other – especially during these challenging times.

The alarming rise in the Covid rate has me worried. Having done funerals for those who have died from Covid -- this is personal for me. I don't want to lose you to this deadly disease! Please be extremely careful in exercising all of the best practices, especially masking and distancing.

Some Covid-19 things that help me: Zoom, Facetime, the phone, being in a chair that is spaced so I don't wander in too closely, keeping my mask on, using the outside as much as possible, reminding myself that if I get Covid it is not just me who I put at risk, but also others, especially those I live with. I just ordered a few 6-foot long swim noodles to help with distancing.

Humor for these times: I told my suitcases that there will be no vacation this year. Now I'm dealing with emotional baggage.

Sports: If the Pats get trampled by the Bills, put a fork in them!

Love & God bless you! Fr. Dan

Resuming Public Masses

WEEKEND MASSES: Our TEMPORARY Mass Schedule is:

<u>Saturday</u>: 4pm @ Our Lady's, 4pm @ Sacred Heart

<u>Sunday</u>: 9am @ Sacred Heart, 10am @ Our Lady's,

11am @ Sacred Heart (ASL), 6pm @ Our Lady's

We continue to work incrementally toward expanding in the direction of the pre-COVID Mass schedule. The huge number of tasks involved in doing this safely during this once-in-a-century pandemic is the reason we are doing this so carefully and incrementally. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

WEEKDAY MASSES: The weekday Mass schedule is: Monday, Friday, and Saturday 9am @ Sacred Heart Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 7am @ Our Lady's

CONFESSIONS: TEMPORARY: they are Saturday 2pm-3pm. In November, they will be at Our Lady's, Main Church. In December, they will be at Sacred Heart, Upper Church.

WHO SHOULD COME TO MASS? The dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will continue for the foreseeable future—for EVERYONE. Cardinal Sean strongly encourages people in vulnerable populations, especially the elderly and those with complicating physical conditions, to continue to worship virtually from home. I find this question helpful: "Would my doctor want me to worship from home or at church?" If you are unsure about the answer, may I suggest she would be happy to get a call from you with that question. Please be safe!

SAFETY AT MASS: Please come with your own mask; they are required for all those over age 5 who do not have a medical condition that precludes a mask. Please also bring your own hand sanitizer so you can use it frequently while at Mass. While we have some hand sanitizer at the entrances to the churches, given the scarcity of supplies, we request you help make it last by bringing your own,

and also because it will key to have your own in the pew with you.

For safety, we can only seat as many people as can be kept 6 feet apart. The church will be marked to ensure your safety and fellow parishioners, and staff/volunteers will graciously guide you.

If we learn that someone at Mass tests positive for COVID-19, we will post this on the collaborative website, while keeping the person's name confidential.

VOLUNTEERING AT MASS: We request that you consider giving crucial and much needed help in furthering God's work in our two parishes by volunteering to assist with the very many tasks that go with holding public Masses during the pandemic. We really need the help of a lot of people! You can email:

At Sacred Heart: Nick Frega at <u>nfrega@sholnewton.org</u> At Our Lady's: Maribeth Scott at <u>mbskis@yahoo.com</u>

Please keep safety front and center. We strongly encourage you, especially if you are at risk due to age or a medical condition, to limit your involvement to what is safe for you. For some, that may mean connecting by phone, internet or mail, instead of face to face, at this time.

THE VIRTUAL MASS will be continuing as usual since the pandemic began, and it will go at least until the virus is totally gone, and maybe even continue after that. Those of you not able to be at Mass in person are especially important to us. By 8am on Sundays, we send out an email like this with a link you can click on. At a similar time, you can also find our Mass on YouTube at https://bit.ly/SHOLVideos.

WE ARE SO HAPPY TO BE REOPENING. We are grateful to God and to all of you. Special thanks to our staff and the many volunteers who make a safe reopening possible.

New & Ongoing in Our Community

Remember to Vote... Be a Faithful Citizen!

Visit FaithfulCitizenship.org to explore how you can love your neighbors by advocating as a faithful citizen on behalf of those who are poor and vulnerable. As you prepare to vote this week, read the U.S. bishops' statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, watch videos and access other great resources on faithful citizenship.

Honduras Coffee Sale November 7-8

Our Lady's Honduras Committee will be selling coffee from our sister parish, San Marcos in Honduras, on the weekend of November 7-8, after Our Lady's 4pm, 10am, and 6pm Masses, in front of church by the Blessed Mother statue. You can buy coffee even if you have not attended Mass. Our friends, the coffee growers, are depending on us to provide them with much-needed income in these hard times.



If you order ahead, we will have your coffee ready for you. Please bring exact change or a check made out to Our Lady's (\$10 per 1 lb. bag, ground or whole bean). To pre-order, please scan this QR code with a smartphone, then fill in the order form and submit. Otherwise, order by email at Hondurascommittee@gmail.com

saying how many bags of each type you are ordering, and when you will pick them up. Thanks, and enjoy the coffee!

November Book Club Selection

Fratelle Tutti: On Fraternity and Social Friendship, Pope Francis' new encyclical letter, will be the November book club selection. Pope Francis' prophetic new encyclical speaks directly into the lives of men and women today! This greatly-welcomed encyclical is a beautiful reflection on humanity's path forward to a deeply-desired and sought-after peace. Pope Francis addresses his renewed call to universal fraternity "to all people of good will, regardless of their religious convictions." We will discuss the encyclical using Zoom on Thursday, November 19, 7:00pm. If you currently don't receive Book Club emails and want to join, contact Jim Allaire at james.allaire@gmail.com.

From Bishop Barron: New, Free Adult **Faith Formation Material Available!**

Thanks to a parishioner's generous donation, our collaborative has gained access to material from Bishop Robert Barron's program "Word on Fire". Every Wednesday through Flocknote, a short video with some reflection questions will be sent to your inbox. Bishop Barron is known for his intelligent theology and willingness to engage anyone willing to speak with him. These

videos are primarily intellectual and will teach you about your faith, but will also challenge you spiritually.

If you'd like to receive these videos, please register for our Flocknote mailing. You will also receive other updates from the collaborative once you do this.

To sign up for Flocknote:

Step 1: Go to http://app.flocknote.com/SHOLNewton

Step 2: This will take you to a page that asks for the following: First Name, Last Name, Email, Mobile Phone. Fill out these fields (you can skip Mobile Phone if you like)

Step 3: Click "Sign Me Up"

Step 4: Sign up for the "Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Email Updates" mailing list and any other mailing list you like. Step 5: You'll get an email to verify your email. Open that email, click the link, and you're all set! You should receive the next email that goes to any list you signed up for.

Let Your Voice Be Heard – Again: "Say No to ROE"

The state legislature has extended the session until January 5, 2021. Please remind the members of the Joint Committee on Judiciary that you oppose the expansion of abortion in Massachusetts. Please call the Committee at 617-722-2396 and let them know you are opposed to H3320 and S1209 – the ROE legislation. Every telephone call helps!

Remember these bills would remove:

- The requirement that young girls obtain consent before an abortion
- The requirement that efforts be made to save a living baby who survives abortion
- The requirement that late term abortions be performed in hospitals

And the bills would allow abortion on demand for all nine months of pregnancy.

For more information, visit <u>www.macatholic.org</u>. Thank you!

Collaborative Bereavement Mass

This year, due to Covid-19, the Annual Bereavement Mass for the Collaborative will be held virtually. The Mass will be available on Youtube on Sunday, November 8, after 8:00am and is for all those from both Sacred Heart and Our Lady's who were either buried from the churches or had a graveside service from last November through the end of October. Please go to the Collaborative website for the link to the Mass.

Help a Neighbor in Need This Holiday Season

Given the pandemic, we've had to rethink the entire process of providing holiday meals and gifts, carefully balancing our desire to help families with the need to follow proper guidelines for safety and in-person contact. Instead of providing boxes and baskets stuffed with turkeys, hams, and all the fixings that would be picked up all in one busy afternoon, we will be providing Stop & Shop food cards only and distributing them via a safer drive-through model, at both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We are focusing on Thanksgiving for now and will have Christmas information in a few weeks. Please consider helping us support approximately 80 families in need by donating food cards. We expect to help families ranging in size from 1 person to 11 people. The average family size is 5 people, and we would like to provide \$140 for a family that size.

Donors are asked to purchase Stop & Shop food cards, depending

on how large a family they'd like to support, and to return them to Our Lady's Parish Office no later than Sunday, November 15.

If you are willing to assist, please visit our Sign-Up Genius page at https://tinyurl.com/y6d37fgc or contact Kate at kneal@sholnewton.org or 617-527-7560 ext.219. If you email, please include your contact information (name, cell phone, and email) and the approximate family size for whom you are willing to provide. Kate will send all the details in writing.

It's going to be a difficult holiday season for a lot of families in Newton, and we will be grateful for your help to make it a bit easier. Thank you for your willingness to share your resources with our neighbors in need!

This outreach is being coordinated and provided by the parishes, in conjunction with the Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Collaborative



Msgr. Dennis Sheehan Homily Given on November 1, 2009 Solemnity of All Saint

On their wedding day, most couples take lots of trouble about pictures. Photo time is very important. One photo usually stands out. All the relatives from both the bride and groom's families gather together. All of them smile, the camera clicks, and presto! This moment in time is preserved in glorious color through the miracle we call photography.

Someday, decades later, another generation may look at that wedding snapshot. In a sense, that's what we do as a church today on the Feast of All Saints. Instead of a bride and bridegroom, Jesus Christ is at the center of today's family photo. But the camera has not yet clicked! Gathered with Jesus are the hosts of holy ones from every age and every land. Why has the photo not yet been shot? Because we're still gathering. We're the latest generation, the youngest holy ones. We're still walking toward the picture.

As we walk, we look today at those gathered around the Lord Jesus. There's John the Baptist dressed up in camel hair. There's Mary, Jesus' mother standing close. Why, look! Even Joachim and Anna, Jesus' grandparents, are in the crowd. And there Mary Magdalen, all dressed up for the photo.

But that's not all. Here's young King Louis of France, regal in his robes and crown. Next to him is Francis of Assisi who wore rags for Christ. There are children here, teenagers like Agnes the Roman martyr and Luigi the Jesuit novice. They're from all over – from Hungary to Harlem, from Chile to Korea. Strange though, isn't it? In the photo, they all look a bit like Jesus.

Here come the latest. One is the neighbor you remember as a kid. There's your aunt who always had time for you. There's the neighborhood doctor. It's quite an invitation list and includes faces you remember and recognize.

The family of Jesus is gathered and still gathering. That's the reason we celebrate all the saints today. Yes, even you and I, all of us, are moving toward Jesus. We're not all pretty or handsome, but a lot of us look a bit like Jesus.

You have an invitation to this photo of Jesus' family. The photo will be taken with a lens wide enough to span continents and centuries.

Remember the old song about the saints marching? Let me add a new verse to close:

O when the saints all gather round O when the saints all gather round I want to be there in that picture When the saints all gather round.

Happy Feast Day to all of you. Now move toward Jesus and we'll take that picture.

COVID-19: Food & Financial Resources in Newton

SNAP (Food Stamps)

Do you need help buying nutritious foods? You may be eligible for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Apply online or call 877-382-2363.

Through the Newton School System

3 days of breakfast and lunch items, both prepared/perishable and non-perishable foods. ALL Newton residents eligible. Mon-Fri, 10:00am-12:00pm Newton North (Auditorium Entrance) Newton South (Side Entrance)

Centre Street Food Pantry

11 Homer St, Newton Tuesdays, 2:30-6:00pm Every first Saturday, 11:30am-2:00pm 617-340-9554, www.centrestfoodpantry.org

Newton Food Pantry

1000 Commonwealth Ave (Čity Hall) Wednesdays, 1:30-5:30pm 2nd & 4th Wednesdays open till 7:30pm 617-796-1233, www.newtonfoodpantry.org

Bristol Lodge Soup Kitchen

545 Moody St, Waltham Free takeout meals, Daily 4:30-5:30pm

Commodity Supplemental Food Prgm

CSFP is a once per month food distribution for eligible individuals age 60+. Contact Emily Kuhl at 617-796-1672 for info.

Senior Grocery Store Shopping Hours

Whole Foods: Daily 7:00-8:00am Star Market: Tue & Thu 7:00-9:00am Stop & Shop: Daily 6:00-7:30am Trader Joe's: Daily 8:00-9:00am Market Basket: Tu, Wd, Th 5:30-7:00am Wegmans: Daily 7:00-8:00am

Newton Mobile Market

American Legion Post 440
295 California St, Newton
No eligibility requirements
Fresh produce, dairy, soups, proteins, etc.
Upcoming: Nov 20, Dec 18, 10-11am
To register, call 617-244-0440 and leave your
name and phone number.

Waltham Mobile Market

50 Prospect St, Waltham No eligibility requirements Fresh produce, dairy, soups, proteins, etc. Upcoming: Nov 21, Dec 23, 1-2pm

Lasagna Love

One-time meals from neighbor to neighbor. https://www.lasagnalove.org/request

Do You Need Emergency Assistance with Utility Bills?

If you have been impacted by pandemic and have low-to-moderate income, you may be eligible to receive financial assistance. The Cousens Fund has received a Community Development Block Grant to help with utility bills.

http://www.newtonma.gov/residents/cousens_fund.asp, or you can call 617-796-1324 to have an application mailed to you. Residence & income eligibility rules apply.

Questions?

617-796-1420

www.newtonma.gov/socialservices

Beyond Our Walls

12th Annual Social Justice Convocation

Please join this virtual event on Saturday, November 7, 10:00am-12:30pm, focusing on the theme "Racial Justice: What Can We Do?" The time to act is NOW. But what can we do? Join us to celebrate the Eucharist, listen and learn from two keynote speakers, find out about resources to enable effective change, and discern how the Holy Spirit is calling you.

Keynote speakers: Rev. Oscar Pratt, Pastor of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Roxbury, on "Historic and Personal Experience of Racism in Boston and How We can Work in Solidarity Now" *and* Prof. Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Professor of Theology at Fordham University, on "How White Christian Theolo-

gy Can Be Oriented Toward Anti-Racist Projects"

More detailed information with registration link is available online at www.bostoncatholic.org/socialjustice or by calling 617-746-5730.

Fiat for Discerning Women

Fiat, a gathering of women interested in learning more about religious life, cordially invites you to the next meeting on October 21 at 7:00pm via Zoom. The topic will be "Discernment 101." If you are interested in participating in this meeting, please contact S. Marian Batho, CSJ, at

<u>marian.batho@csjboston.org</u> or 617-746-2025 for more information and the link to the meeting.

Kids' Corner

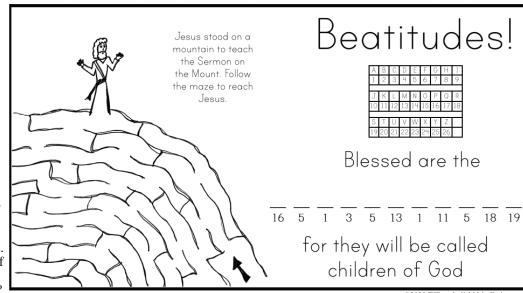
Psalm: Trace the words and learn to pray like Jesus!

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face

Learn at Mass

Today's Mass is about the saints. Are there pictures and statues of saints in your church? Do you know the names of some saints?

GOSPEI: Jesus was teaching his disciples. These teachings are called the Beatitudes. Listen carefully to learn how Jesus asks us to live. Beatitudes are blessings to help us be happy with God.



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Sacred Heart News

Thanksgiving Pie Sale

The Guild of St. Francis is keeping busy this fall even though the Holly Harvest Fair is cancelled. The pie-making crew, with Lisa Nahabedian as Chair, is getting ready to bake pies for the Thanksgiving holiday. They will offer Apple, Apple Crumb, and Pecan to the parishioners. The pies will be \$15.00 each with curb-side pickup at MacKenzie parking lot at scheduled times. We hope this fundraiser will help our Treasury and the contributions we make to Sacred Heart and many other charities throughout the year.

Please let us know which pie and how many you need soon so our bakers can stoke up the ovens! Send your orders by email to guildofstfrancisnewtonma@gmail.com or scan the QR code below and it will bring you directly to our website as well and they will be ready the week before Thanksgiving. Thanks in advance for your support!

-Pat Acton, President



Sacred Heart Religious Education News

Registration is still open for all Grades by visiting https://sholnewton.org/religious-education-at-sacred-heart

Religious Education has adopted a new program created by the Archdiocese of Boston for Grades 1-6, to meet the needs of families during Covid and to launch an ongoing project for parents to take on the natural role of bringing up their child in the Catholic faith as promised at Baptism. Project Nazareth is a toolkit for parents, designed to bring God into the everyday life of a family in a natural way without Zoom, textbooks, and workbook homework. Instead, the toolkit provides weekly prompts that guide parents as they have conversations with their children to wonder/ponder/share their faith and the person of God. Mentors from our parish support parents through phone calls, prayer and virtual meetings that provide a built-in connection with other parish families.

Confirmation and Middle School students (Grades 7-9) will meet 2x per month on Zoom with alternating home lessons and videos focusing on how the Catholic faith provides them with the keys to a happy life.

We are pleased to announce our newly confirmed Sacred Heart students on October 18, 2020. They are: Molly Delahunty, Liam Fitzpatrick, Isabel Frassica, Philip Martins, Raphael Schneeweiss, Paxton Volpe, and Dana Bane. Please pray that they will respond to the Holy Spirit's in-dwelling call, to go out and become a witness to the truth of the Gospel in the way they live their lives.

Michelle Solomon, Director of Religious Ed <u>msolomon@sholnewton.org</u>, 617-969-4031 x126

Advent Gift-Giving Drive to Begin in Mid-November!

Our long-standing Gift-Giving drive at Advent will happen this year in spite of Covid! We continue to work with a number of shelters and agencies that provide amazing work to those in need. St Ambrose Family Inn provides shelter and support to homeless families. Julie's Family Learning Program serves lowincome young women and their children. We also support the needs of the New England Home for the Deaf and Walden School at the Learning Center for the Deaf. The gift drive begins on the weekend of November 7-8. Due to Covid, this year, we will be asking that you help these agencies by providing ONLY GIFT CARDS from the stores listed on the index cards. The usual 3x5 index cards will be placed in pews for pick up by parishioners attending 4pm Saturday Mass and 9am Sunday Mass. For those who cannot attend Mass, please look for more details in the next bulletin and Flocknote for how you may contribute. Thank you for your kindness in these challenging times.

Opportunity to Help St. Francis House

Have you donated to the Guild of St. Francis' semi-annual clothing drive or to the monthly food collection for St. Francis House? These programs have been suspended due to the pandemic, but there are other ways you can help St. Francis House continue to minister to homeless men and women. Visit stfrancishouse.org/covid19/. This will bring you to links for their Covid-19 Emergency Fund if you wish to make a monetary donation or, further down the page, to the their Amazon Wishlist if you want to donate socks or toiletries to be shipped directly to St Francis House. On the Amazon page, you can also access lists for the Clothing Department, Winter Needs, and the Women's Center for additional items. Please join the Guild in supporting St Francis House! Thank you!

Thanks from MCA!

All students and staff at Mother Caroline Academy are extremely grateful for your donations for school supplies. As Boston's only tuition-free private middle school for girls in Grades 4-8, they rely on your support to enable them to break the cycle of poverty and empower their students to become independent, successful young women. Thanks so much for your annual generous support! (If you missed the school supply drive, you can still send a gift card or make a monetary donation by check to Mother Caroline Academy, 515 Blue Hill Ave, Dorchester, MA 02121, or online at www.mcaec.org/. Please indicate on your check that the donation is for school supplies.) —Margaret LeBlanc & Jane McGuire

Church Flowers

The flower season is about to end. It has been a challenging year with construction, early high temperatures, rain then drought - plus Covid-19 - ugh! Our watering crew has been very committed and faithful. We hope that you have enjoyed their efforts and the flowers. I always enjoy the comments of people passing by—always encouraging! Please thank Lija Joseph, Janet DeSimone, Janet and David Kiah, Christine Terwilliger, and Cathy Schneider. Be safe, and we look forward to a healthier 2021.

—Barbara Hatem

Our Lady's News

Rel. Ed. Has Begun, Registration Is Still Open!

Religious Education for the 2020-2021 school year is being held almost exclusively online via Zoom. The gist of the program is that families will participate in and commit to daily prayer, weekly worship and at-home lessons, and a monthly online gathering. There are additional obligations for children preparing for First Penance and First Communion and for young people preparing for Confirmation.

Registration remains open; please do so as soon as possible! You can find the links on our website at https://sholnewton.org/religious-education-at-our-ladys.

For info, please contact Kate at kneal@sholnewton.org or x219 or Ginny at garpino@sholnewton.org or x221.

No Giving Tree This Year, So We're Starting Early!

Due to current circumstances, we won't have our tree this year. The need is great though, so those of you wishing to donate to African Global Village (to benefit AIDS orphans in Uganda) or to Santa Maria Hand of Help (to benefit orphans and elderly in Mexico), please send your checks to the parish office, payable as follows:

African Global Village – payable to GVCP Santa Maria Hand of Help – payable to SOLT Thank you!

Note: information about how to support local families we know by purchasing gift cards for children will be coming in a few weeks!

Return of Pine Street Inn Desserts!

For all you Covid bakers, Pine Street has asked us to resume delivery of our delectable desserts starting in November. If you like to bake but don't want to eat your

creations, or if you are able to buy desserts for the ladies of Pine Street, please contact Nicole Benecasa at 978-771-6080 or nicolebenecasa@hotmail.com for details. Thank you for your generosity and sweetness!

Clothing Donations—Fall 2020

Due to the pandemic, Our Lady's St. Vincent de Paul Conference will NOT be holding a clothing drive this fall, like we have for many years now. However, the SVDP thrift stores are in operation and still accepting donations.

Thankfully, there is a SVDP donation bin the parking lot at Sacred Heart in Newton Centre. It is located in the parking lot behind the MacKenzie Center, next to the storage shed. This bin is there year-round and accepts clothing and shoes for all ages, along with household linens like sheets and towels. No non-textile items, please. Thanks for your ongoing support!

Invitation to Serve: Ministers Needed!

In order to add the 8:00am Mass back to the schedule, we need more volunteers as Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers at all of the Masses, especially at the 4:00pm Mass on Saturday. If you are healthy and able to volunteer for ministry, we really need you.

Many people have stepped forward to help us celebrate Mass safely—and we would be grateful to recruit more. Please consider serving as a Eucharistic Minister, Usher, Counter, or Lector. Training is available, and safety is maintained at all times.

Ministers in all roles are scheduled according to their preferences and availability, whether that's every week or once a month.

Contact Maribeth Scott at 617-469-8110 or mbskis@yahoo.com.

Our Lady's 2020 Grand Annual Collection and Financial Report to Parishioners, from Andy Majewski, OL Finance Chairperson

NOTE: The finances of Our Lady's are independent and separate from those of Sacred Heart

It is with much trepidation and humility that we reach out to you today to ask for your continued support as we prepare to kick off the 2020 Grand Annual Collection.

The ministries here at Our Lady's are as important, and as needed, as they have ever been as we all deal with the stress and uncertainty related to the ongoing pandemic. You, the parish community, have responded with incredible generosity in the weekly collection and we thank you for that.

We do want you to know that, at the start of the Covid-19 crisis, Our Lady's was already facing financial stress. In response, we have tightened our belt and implemented measures to reduce expenses to weather the storm. First, the loan with the Archdiocese was restructured to lower the monthly payment by extending the term. This saved \$5,500 a month in loan payments, although it extends the duration of the loan for another three years, from four to seven years. Second, we secured a loan through the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) that helped tremendously during the first 3 months of the crisis. The PPP funding had a direct positive impact on Net Income for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020. The PPP loan equated to \$170,945 and helped turn a projected net

loss into a net gain. We anticipate meeting the criteria for PPP loan forgiveness, so the loan may not need to be repaid. Third, we reduced operating expenses by \$105,000. One direct impact from Covid is that one of our tenants hasn't paid rent, and that has resulted in a loss in revenue of \$53,000 from April-September. Our goal, with your help, is to keep Our Lady's a vibrant and strong parish despite the challenges and headwinds we face due to the impact of Covid-19 and the ripple effects through our economy

Humbly speaking, we need your help.

In the coming weeks, you'll receive a Grand Annual letter and return envelope requesting your support. If your financial situation enables you to contribute to the Grand Annual at the same level as last year, or with a modest increase, we would greatly appreciate it. We also realize that this pandemic has inflicted economic hardship, making participating this year a challenge for some of us. We understand and want you to know our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Also in the coming weeks, you'll find a more detailed financial report on the Collaborative's website. I invite you to read it.

Thank you for your support and God bless.

Our Collaborative



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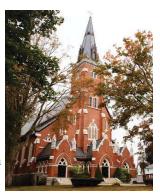
Office: Mon-Fri 9:30am-2:30pm sacredheart@sholnewton.org

Our Lady Help of Christians

573 Washington Street Newton 02458

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MASS TIMES See opposite page for current schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Our Lady's 4:00pm Sacred Heart

Sunday

8:00am Our Lady's 9:00am Sacred Heart 10:00am Our Lady's 11:00am Sacred Heart (ASL) 12:00pm Sacred Heart, Lower Church 6:00pm Our Lady's

Weekdays including Legal Holidays Mon, Fri, Sat: 9:00am Sacred Heart, Upper Church

Tue, Wed, Thu: 7:00am Our Lady's

Holy Days of Obligation 7:00am Our Lady's 9:00am Sacred Heart 12:00pm Our Lady's 7:30pm Sacred Heart

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Temporary Schedule

Saturdays, 2:00-3:00pm, or by appointment

Month of November: Our Lady's (Main Church) Month of December: Sacred Heart (Main Church)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Saturdays at Sacred Heart, immediately following the 9:00am Mass

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Pastoral Care of the Sick: We are most eager to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church. If you or a loved one wishes to receive the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick, Eucharist, or Reconciliation, please call the parish offices. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated after all vigil and Sunday Masses on the first full weekend of each month. Please also notify us of hospitalizations, so that we may be of help.

Sacraments of Initiation: For adults interested in Baptism, Confirmation, or joining the Catholic Church, please contact Nick Frega; for high school Confirmation, contact

Michelle Solomon at Sacred Heart or Kristina Preman at Our Lady's; for older children to be baptized or to receive Holy Communion, contact Michelle Solomon at Sacred Heart or Kristina Preman at Our Lady's.

Infant Baptisms: Infant Baptisms are celebrated at Mass or on special Sundays throughout the year. Parents are asked to call the parish office to begin the process. A program of preparation is offered to all parents. For more information, please visit our website.

Sacrament of Marriage: Please contact the parish offices at least 6 months in advance. A preparation program is offered to all couples. For more information, please visit our website.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society: For more information, email svdp@sholnewton.org or call 617-527-7560 ext. 255

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Priests' schedule is subject to change

Saturday, October 31

9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Parishioners Immediately following Mass: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, abbreviated due to COVID-19

4:00pm - Sacred Heart (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)
For All Parishioners

4:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)

Joseph & Mary Proia Joseph Proia, Jr. Victoria Sampson

Sunday, November 1-Solemnity of All Saints

9:00am - Sacred Heart (Msgr. Dennis Sheehan)

For All Parishioners

10:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)

Donata Visco—1st Anniversary Michele, Alberto & Donato Arpino

Robert P. Reardon The Nolan Family

Cesidia Cellucci—10th Anniversary

11:00am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Shawn Carey)

For All Parishioners

6:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)

For All Parishioners

Monday, November 2

9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Military Personnel

Tuesday, November 3

7:00am - Our Lady's - Helen Shields Loretto "Larry" Lombardi

Wednesday, November 4

7:00am - Our Lady's - For the Sick of the Parish

Thursday, November 5

7:00am - Our Lady's - For All First Responders

Friday, November 6

9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Victims of Abuse

Saturday, November 7

9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Parishioners Immediately following Mass: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, abbreviated due to COVID-19

4:00pm - Sacred Heart (Fr. Dan Riley)

For All Parishioners

4:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)

Onofrio, Elena, Maria & Annarita Rapone

Luigi & Anna Rapone

Biagio & Filomena Nardelli

Julio Coppola

Pietro & Domenica Pino

Sunday, November 8-32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Dan Riley)

For All Parishioners

10:00am - Our Lady's (Msgr. Dennis Sheehan)

Margherita Bove

Giuseppe, Carmine & Antonio Arpino

11:00am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Shawn Carey)

For All Parishioners

6:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)

Santina Lucca, Olga Huncal, Olga Diaz Ramon, Maria & Lourdes Matos Maria Solas

Weekend Masses, Scheduled Confessions, and Weekday Masses

Weekend Mass Schedule

In the future, we hope and plan to resume our full weekend Mass schedule across the Collaborative, adding back the Sunday 8:00am Mass (Our Lady's) and 12:00pm Mass (Sacred Heart).

Scheduled Confession Times

Confessions will be heard every Saturday, 2pm-3pm.

- —In November: Our Lady's only, Main Church.
- —In December: Sacred Heart only, Upper Church.

Weekday Masses—NEW Schedule

Weekday Masses have resumed with a new, year-round schedule for daily Masses:

- —Mass is celebrated at Sacred Heart in the Upper Church at 9:00am on Monday, Friday, and Saturday only.
- —Mass is celebrated at Our Lady's at 7:00am on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday only.

Thank you for your patience as we proceed carefully and with safety at the forefront of our minds!

In your prayers, please remember



Carol D'Angelo Joseph E. Annese

and all who have died.

May they experience the new life promised by Christ's Paschal victory.

Scripture Readings for the Week

(Also found at www.usccb.org)

- SUN Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
- 2 Mon Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
- 3 Tue Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24
- 4 Wed Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33
- 5 Thu Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10
- 6 Fri Phil 3:17—4:1/Lk 16:1-8
- 7 Sat Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15
- 8 SUN Wis 6:12-16/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13



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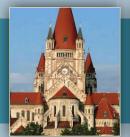
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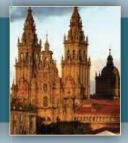
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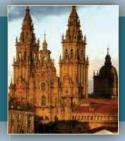
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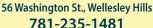
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