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~ All Are Welcome ~

July 12, 2020

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From Fr. Dan, Pastor

Dear Friends,

May God bless you with happiness, safety, health, and peace.

May the scourges of Covid-19, Racism and a horribly bad economy be overcome! Working on Jesus team, let us help make life an earth more like the ideal of love, justice, beauty, and joy that is God's dream, and that is a reality in Heaven.

Is there an alternative to angry political polarization? See if any of these suggestions help us have a good conversation with those we disagree with. (1) Remember, they may be mistaken, but they are God's children, our brothers and sisters, and they may mean well, even when they are wrong on key stuff. (2) One goal of dialogue is not to crush the other into submission, but to win them over to genuine agreement. (3) When we dialogue with a person with different political or ethical views, hostility can be lowered and kindness increased, if do more listening than speaking. Listening persuades more than speaking! Especially if we listen with curiosity, seeking to understand the other. It helps so much if we are curious about their opinion and communicate that to them. (4) How do to do this? Ask a question like: "I want to understand your viewpoint better. Would you share with me how you came to that point of view?" And ask follow-up questions to understand them more. The more they feel understood by you, the more they will be open to hearing you, and maybe even being persuaded by you. But even if they are not persuaded in that moment, you have moved the relationship in the direction of friendship. And people are much more open to persuasion by friends than enemies.

Let Your God Love You. Be silent. Be still. Alone. Empty before your God. Say nothing. Ask nothing. Be silent. Be still. Let your God look upon you. That is all. God knows. God understands. God loves you with an enormous love, and only wants to look upon you with that love. Quiet. Still. Be. Let your God—Love you. (by Edwina Gateley)

Sports: Safety first. If safe, in a few weeks baseball is back playing real games, the Pats will be in camp, the Celts resume the season in the "NBA Disney Bubble," and the NHL resumes out of Hub cities. Imagine – Hockey in mid-summer!

Love & God bless you!
Fr. Dan

Resuming Public Masses

WEEKEND MASSES: Our TEMPORARY Mass Schedule is:
Saturday: 4pm @ Our Lady's
Sunday: 9am @ Sacred Heart, 10am @ Our Lady's,
11am @ Sacred Heart (ASL), 6pm @ Our Lady's
The 4pm Mass @ Sacred Heart will resume Sat., September 12.

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 July, they will be at Our Lady's, Main Church. In August, 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!

MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER: 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 will 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.

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND LIMITED SEATING: 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 be a member of the people assisting 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 nfrega@sholnewton.org
At Our Lady's: Maribeth Scott at mbskis@yahoo.com

We are especially grateful for your willingness in this challenging time to being open to doing a ministry other than your usual one – temporarily – due to the special needs our parishes have.

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

The Collaborative Book Club Is Moving to Zoom!

Beginning this month, the Book Club will be virtual, using the Zoom program. This month's book is Alice McDermott's novel *The Ninth Hour.* McDermott, an award-winning author, has crafted a powerfully affecting story spanning the 20th century, of a widow and her daughter and the nuns who serve their Irish-American community in Brooklyn. We will discuss the book using Zoom on Thursday, July 23, 7:00pm. If you don't currently receive Book Club emails and want to join, contact Jim Allaire at james.allaire@gmail.com.

Bringing Communion to Others in Your Home

We are happy to report that bringing Communion to those in your household **is** allowed by Archdiocesan safety guidelines. Simply continue the practice of bringing a pyx (Communion Carrier) with you to Mass and hold it out when you are receiving Communion. If you do not have a pyx, see a staff member and we will be happy to give you one. Bringing Communion to those **not** in your household is **temporarily not allowed** due to the pandemic. We look forward to when it will be safe to resume that practice, and we will let you know when that day arrives!

2020 Catholic Appeal

The COVID-19 pandemic has postponed the launch of the Catholic Appeal in our parishes. This presents a unique challenge in continuing the work of our ministries as the Appeal provides nearly half of the funding for these efforts. With the knowledge that many of you are also facing challenging financial realities, and with concern for the people we serve, your prayerful consideration is greatly appreciated. Your support will make a significant difference as we attempt to continue serving the Catholic faithful and all our brothers and sisters in need. To learn more about ***Your Church at Work*** or to make a donation, visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. Thank you!

Online Book of Intentions

Praying for one another's needs remains an essential part of our parish life. We've moved the Book of Intentions online, so that we can continue to pray for each other during the pandemic. If you would like the Collaborative to pray for your intention, please visit https://sholnewton.org/online-book-of-intentions. These intentions will be remembered at every Mass. *For confidentiality, the Online Book of Intentions will not be published.*

Receive the Weekend Update & Bulletin by Email

Are you getting the Collaborative's email updates each week? The emails deliver the most important Collaborative news, so you can stay up-to-date on all the happenings here. It's a fast and easy read, and we've gotten wonderful feedback from parishioners. Sign up by emailing Sioux at smont@sholnewton.org.

You can also get the bulletin delivered by email each week. Visit http://pilotbulletins.net/sign-up/, and scroll down to either Our Lady's or Sacred Heart (listed alphabetically by parish name) and select the "sign up" button.

The Year of the Eucharist

The Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist: Questions and Answers

3. ***When the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, why do they still look and taste like bread and wine?***

In the celebration of the Eucharist, the glorified Christ becomes present under the appearances of bread and wine in a way that is unique, a way that is uniquely suited to the Eucharist. In the Church's traditional theological language, in the act of consecration during the Eucharist the "substance" of the bread and wine is changed by the power of the Holy Spirit into the "substance" of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. At the same time, the "accidents" or appearances of bread and wine remain. "Substance" and "accident" are here used as philosophical terms that have been adapted by great medieval theologians such as St. Thomas Aquinas in their efforts to understand and explain the faith. Such terms are used to convey the fact that what appears to be bread and wine in every way (at the level of "accidents" or physical attributes - that is, what can be seen, touched, tasted, or measured) in fact is now the Body and Blood of Christ (at the level of "substance" or deepest reality). This change at the level of substance from bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ is called "transubstantiation."

According to Catholic faith, we can speak of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist because this transubstantiation has occurred (cf. *Catechism*, no. 1376). This is a great mystery of our faith—we can only know it from Christ's teaching given us in the Scriptures and in the Tradition of the Church. Every other change that occurs in the world involves a change in accidents or characteristics. Sometimes the accidents change while the substance remains the same. For example, when a child reaches adulthood, the characteristics of the human person change in many ways, but the adult remains the same person—the same substance. At other times, the substance and the accidents both change. For example, when a person eats an apple, the apple is incorporated into the body of that person—is changed into the body of that person. When this change of substance occurs, however, the accidents or characteristics of the apple do not remain. As the apple is changed into the body of the person, it takes on the accidents or characteristics of the body of that person. Christ's presence in the Eucharist is unique in that, even though the consecrated bread and wine truly are in substance the Body and Blood of Christ, they have none of the accidents or characteristics of a human body, but only those of bread and wine.

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Fr. John Sassani
Homily Given on July 10, 2011
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Liturgical Year A

There are over 1,000,000 words in the Holy Bible, and many are used repeatedly. The word groan - and all its forms - is only used twelve times. The word comes up today in St. Paul's letter to the Romans: "We groan…"

When do we groan? When our knees our aching, when we have to interact with the IRS. While sitting in the audience at a play or a movie when there's a poignant moment. While watching the news about flooding in Minot, North Dakota, or wildfires in Los Alamos, New Mexico. When bad news is delivered in the emergency room or doctor's office. When there is nowhere to go in a family stalemate.

Paul talks about the groaning of creation because of the futility life can have because of death - death seems to be the ultimate futility. But Paul isn't speaking only about death, but about every element of life that seems or is futile - and not just for people, but for everything - all creation.

The futility of death is undone by hope, by a future glory that is available to us and to everyone, to all creation, because of Christ and his Resurrection. Christ is sowing the seeds of new life in our minds and hearts, and in our communities.

These seeds of hope change the futile trajectory of sin, selfishness, and death - from looking inwardly toward the outward look of love. We look at God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to feel their divine love changing us. Then, we can look at loved ones, the neighbors, the strangers, the enemies with that same love, the only love that lifts the burden of futility.

In his great work The Divine Milieu, Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, S.J., writes, "Because you ascended into heaven after having descended into hell, you have so filled the universe in every direction, Jesus, that henceforth it is blessedly impossible for us to escape you." Christ's descent into death has been trumped by his Resurrection and now he is filling the universe with his life and love.

But he stays with us, especially in the Church and the Word and the Eucharist, to sow the seeds of hope in us so that we can be sowers of the seeds of hope to others.

There is a Latin motet attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas called O Sacrum Convivium (in English, O Sacred Feast). It goes

This is indeed a sacred feast
in which Christ himself is consumed.
His passion is recalled
Our minds and hearts are filled with grace
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

Let us be grateful for the hope Christ sows in us in a world groaning with futility and let us promise him to be Hope to others.

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
Early Childhood Prgm, 150 Jackson Rd

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 (City 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 8:00-9:00am
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 dates: Jul 17, Aug 21, Sep 18; 10:00-11:00am
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 dates: Jul 18, Aug 15, Sep 19; 1:00-2:00pm

Do You Need Emergency Assistance with Utility Bills?
If your household has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and you have low-to-moderate income, you may be eligible to receive financial assistance. The Horace Cousens Industrial Fund has received a Community Development Block Grant to help with utility bills.
You can get an application online at 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

Kids' Corner

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

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Learn at Mass

When a man is ordained a priest, the Holy Spirit comes down to him in a special way. Who are the priests in your church for whom you can pray?

Gospel: Jesus tells a parable about seeds.
The seed that grows in good soil will grow fruit!
What can you do to be like a seed that grows on good ground?

Connect the words with the seeds.
Circle the seed that will grow and produce fruit.

Seed on good ground	Seed on rocky ground	Seed growing with thorns	Seed on the road

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Sacred Heart News

A Note from Fr. Dan about Online Giving

Continued ministry in these challenging times is made possible by the ongoing and generous financial support of parishioners like you. If you are able to make your regular contribution online, we urge you to consider doing so. At all times, and especially during this crisis, online giving is both easier for you and better for Sacred Heart.

To give securely online to Sacred Heart, visit https://osvhub.com/sacredheartnewton/funds

Paper checks can be mailed to the parish office:
Sacred Heart, 1321 Centre St, Newton Centre, MA 02459

Thank you! Fr. Dan

News from the Guild

On behalf of Dr. Maura Iversen, Guild President, and the members of the Guild of St. Francis, we would like to thank everyone who helped us raise $12,322.25 to donate to Sacred Heart! Normally in June, we have our annual Communion Breakfast and Annual Meeting, where we announce the $12,000+ donation. We also announce the slate of officers for the next year. So many of you work for our events and help us raise the money; we are grateful! And didn't we enjoy working together all year! Hopefully, we will be virus-free enough this year to work together again.

Happily, two parishioners are joining our board for the first time this year; it is not too late for you to come on the board too. Give one of us a call; we will let you know the scoop! We will need your creative ideas in a "new normal" Guild year.

We are proud to announce the officers for next year:
President: Pat Acton
Vice Presidents: Pat Mitchell, Kathie Long
Recording Secretary: Barbara Hatem
Corresponding Secretary: Jane McGuire
Treasurer: Cathy Schneider
Spiritual Advisor: Kate Neal
Additional Board Members: Angelita Altea, Olimpia Estela Caceres-Brown, Adeline Crovo, Mary English, Maura Iversen, Carolyn Lopes, Jane McGuire, Lisa Nahabedian, Mary Salustro

Thank You to the Guild of St. Francis!

Thank you to the Guild for their generous annual donation to Sacred Heart. Despite the pandemic effecting some of the events, the Guild is donating a stunningly wonderful amount: $12,322.25. THANK YOU to the Guild and all who support it. The Guild is a beloved long-standing group in our parish family, and it is so great to see them thrive! – Fr. Dan

First Holy Communion 2020

We are more than aware of the desire of our children and young people—along with their parents and families—to celebrate these initiation sacraments for which they have so diligently prepared. Please know that we are working on how we can best schedule and facilitate these celebrations. Because it was a surprise that churches reopened so soon, the Archdiocese has asked us to "get some experience with normal Masses so as to make better decisions with regard to First Communions and Confirmations."

In the meantime, for those children who have completed preparation for First Holy Communion, they are welcomed to receive Holy Communion at any normal Mass, at the judgement of their parents. No special ceremony is necessary, though it is nice to have one. If you alert us before Mass, we would be happy to make your child's reception extra special.

We appreciate your patience and look forward to these celebrations, with necessary safety precautions, in the future.

Sacred Heart Campus Update

While most of us have been adjusting to the new challenges of our daily lives, Chris Golden has been coordinating the maintenance and renovations that were postponed from last fall and the new projects introduced to prepare space for our key tenant, Wellan Montessori School.

MacKenzie Center: We are finishing up the pointing of the building which was begun last fall and then postponed due to cold weather. This will ensure our building is tight, therefore preventing water leaks and wall deterioration. This should be completed soon.

Church: The masons are cleaning and sealing the front stairs. They will also be repairing the doorway to the elevator. This work should be complete by mid-July.

Rectory: We are moving forward to make the first floor accessible to everyone. Last fall, we had contracted a group to build a ramp to the front door and restore the front portico. They will also make some minor modifications inside the building on the first floor to insure that we are compliant with multiple regulations. Our contractors will begin this project in the later part of May, and it will continue for several weeks.

Convent: We have negotiated a new contract with Wellan Montessori School, which will need space to accommodate two additional grades, seventh and eighth. We are remodeling the first floor of the convent for their use and upgrading other areas in the convent to bring it up to code. This work includes building a ramp to the front door, installing new fire alarms and sprinkler system throughout the building, and removing any and all asbestos. Wellan Montessori School will be responsible for remodeling the first floor to include new bathrooms and classroom space. The convent renovation will take us through the summer. The good news is that the St. Philip Neri statue in front of the convent will remain where it is.

Please contact Tom Morrison with any questions at tmorrison512@gmail.com.

Our Lady's News

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Continued ministry in these challenging times is made possible by the ongoing and generous financial support of parishioners like you. If you are able to make your regular contribution online, we urge you to consider doing so. At all times, and especially during this crisis, online giving is both easier for you and better for Our Lady's.

To give securely online to Our Lady's, visit https://sholnewton.churchgiving.com

Paper checks can be mailed to the parish office: Our Lady's Parish, 573 Washington St, Newton, MA 02458

Thank you! —Fr. Dan

Celebrating First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2020

This weekend, we are holding the first of our 7 Confirmations and 5 First Communions, which were delayed from earlier in the spring due to the pandemic. We regret that these celebrations are limited to the young people and their families only, due to church capacity and social distancing needs, but we look forward to sharing pictures with the parish after the celebrations. Please keep our young people and their families in your prayers!

Please contact Kristina with any questions at 617-527-7560 ext.216 or kpreman@sholnewton.org.

Religious Education for the Year Ahead

While we are having lots of conversations about Religious Education for the 2020-2021 school year, we have not made any final decisions about our model, though we plan to do so soon and will share with families soon after. We also will need to delay our typical July 1 registration opening, looking probably to the end of July instead.

We are excited for all the potential of the year ahead and hope you are too! THANK YOU for your patience, understanding, and partnership. We are grateful for all our parents, students, catechists, and volunteers!

With any questions, please contact Kristina at kpreman@sholnewton.org or ext. 213 or Kate at kneal@sholnewton.org or ext. 219.

Invitation to Serve: Ministers Needed and Welcomed!

In these early stages of reopening, many people have stepped forward to help us celebrate Mass safely—and we would be grateful to recruit more. Please consider serving!

Eucharistic Ministers: At this time, the people receive Communion in the pew, with Eucharistic Ministers going out into the congregation to serve them. Masks are worn and hand sanitizer is readily available. All active and confirmed members of the Church are welcome.

Ushers: Ushers are responsible for seating people in specific pews (marked to maintain social distance) as they arrive for Mass. During Communion, ushers make hand sanitizer available to the Eucharistic ministers. Finally, ushers control the dismissal of the congregation at the end of Mass, ensuring again that social distance is maintained at all times. The usher is also a friendly, welcoming face to all those who join us.

Counters: Since we currently have a limited capacity in the church to ensure social distancing, counters monitor the attendance at each Mass, using a clicker counter.

Lectors: We are seeking new lectors at all Masses. Lectors participate in the Mass in a particular way, proclaiming the Word of God in the assembly.

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.

Join Us for
The Feast of Santa Maria Del Carmine
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Friday and Saturday, July 17-18

7:30pm Evening Prayer with Rosary at Our Lady's

Sunday, July 19

8:00am Mass with special readings and music in Italian
5:30pm Procession starts from church parking lot
8:30pm Evening procession starts from Pellegrini Park, ending with Closing of the Feast at Our Lady's

Masks will be required, and social distancing measures will be in effect.

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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 July: Our Lady's (Main Church)
Month of August: Sacred Heart (Main Church)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

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New to our Collaborative? Welcome! Please introduce yourself after Mass or at the parish offices. We want to know and serve you! We hope you will participate in our parishes with your prayers, presence, talents, and stewardship according to your means.

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, July 11
9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Parishioners
Immediately following Mass: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, abbreviated due to COVID-19

4:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)
Gisela Barreto-Hernandez
Gustavo Morales-Paez
John F. Walsh
Bill McCarthy Sr.—5th Anniversary

Sunday, July 12–15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am - Sacred Heart (Msgr. Dennis Sheehan)
Arthur Sheehan—2nd Anniversary
10:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)
For All Parishioners
11:00am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Shawn Carey)
For All Parishioners
6:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)
For All Parishioners

Monday, July 13
9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Military Personnel

Tuesday, July 14
7:00am - Our Lady's - For the Sick of the Parishes

Wednesday, July 15
7:00am - Our Lady's - For All First Responders

Thursday, July 16
7:00am - Our Lady's - For All Emergency Personnel

Friday, July 17
9:00am - Sacred Heart - Bill Walsh

Saturday, July 18
9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Parishioners
Immediately following Mass: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, abbreviated due to COVID-19

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

Sunday, July 19–16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)
Special Festa Mass
9:00am - Sacred Heart (Msgr. Dennis Sheehan)
For All Parishioners
10:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)
Frank Johnson
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Mr. & Mrs. Larry Baeringer,
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Anna Antonellis—1st Anniversary
Maria, John & Robin Battista, Josephine Covino
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Antonellis, Gloria Gregorio
George Vallee
11:00am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Shawn Carey)
For All Parishioners
6:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)
Francisco Kerdel
Jose & Cecilia Matos, Alix & Pierre Deguise

Schedule Note
Confessions on Saturday, July 25, will be heard at Our Lady's at 5pm, instead of at 2pm.

Resumption of Full Weekend Mass Schedule, Scheduled Confessions, and Weekday Masses

Weekend Mass Schedule

The 4pm Mass at Sacred Heart will resume Saturday, September 12. 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 July, this will be at Our Lady's only, Main Church.
—In August, this will be at Sacred Heart only, Upper Church.

Weekday Masses—NEW Schedule

Weekday Masses have resumed, and we have begun a new, year-round schedule for daily Masses, similar to the summer schedule we have used for a few years now.
—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

Rosemarie "Rosie" Vergilio

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)

12 SUN Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9
13 Mon Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34—11:1
14 Tue Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24
15 Wed Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27
16 Thu Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30
17 Fri Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8
18 Sat Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21
19 SUN Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

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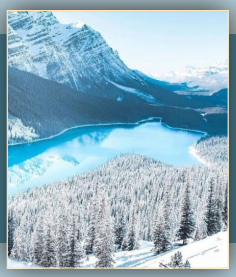

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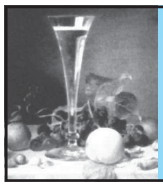

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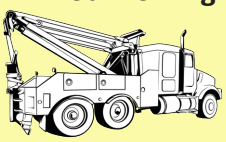

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