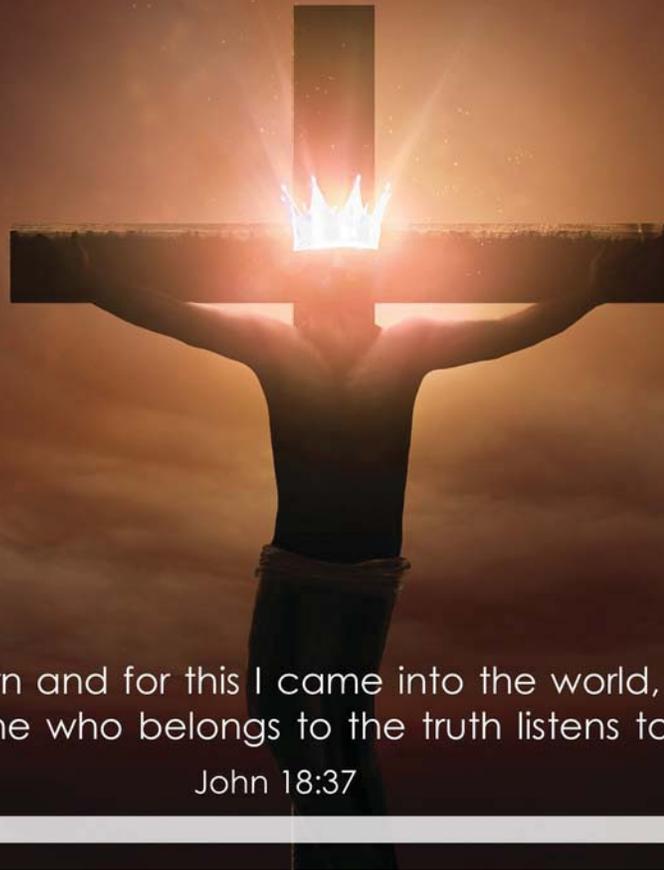


SACRED HEART & OUR LADY'S COLLABORATIVE  
NEWTON, MA

*~ All Are Welcome ~*

**SOLEMNITY**  
of our Lord  
**Jesus Christ**  
**KING**  
of the Universe



"For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

John 18:37

*November 21, 2021*

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## From Fr. Dan, Pastor

Dear Friends,

**I hope you feel welcomed** here at Sacred Heart and Our Lady's. It is good to see both new and familiar faces. A blessed Sunday to us all!

**Falling in love with Jesus.** I referenced in my homily: (1) "Jesus of Nazareth" by Fr. Gerhard Lohfink. (2) "Chosen" – free and outstanding videos on Jesus, they are online. (3) The four gospel commentaries by Fr. Brendan Byrne, S.J. (4) The Gospels – I especially like Luke.

**U.S. bishops launch program to encourage more civil political life:** The U.S. Bishops Conference launched a new initiative that aims to address the political polarization and division across the nation. The initiative, titled "Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics" runs through the website [CivilizeIt.org](http://CivilizeIt.org) that provides Catholics with resources to be bridge builders in their communities for those with different political perspectives. The initiative also asks Catholics to take a pledge of charity, clarity and creativity. Charity is described on the initiative's website as upholding the dignity of every person through words and actions and listening to understand other people's experiences. Clarity includes assessing one's own beliefs to

ensure they're "rooted in truth," forming the conscience through prayer and being open to a process of dialogue. Creativity, meanwhile, is a commitment to bridge building and finding creative solutions with those that have different beliefs.

**"The fruits of the Spirit, instead, are "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" (Gal 5:22-23), as Paul says. Christians, who in baptism have "put on Christ" (Gal 3:27), are called to live as such. It can be a good spiritual exercise, for example, to read Saint Paul's list and take a look at our own behavior to see if it corresponds, if our life is truly in accordance with the Holy Spirit, if it bears these fruits. Does my life bear these fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control? For example, the first three that are listed are love, peace and joy: a person in whom the Holy Spirit dwells can be recognized by these traits. A person who is at peace, who is joyful and who loves. With these three traits, the action of the Spirit can be seen." – Pope Francis.**

**Sports:** I bet we beat the Falcons last Thursday.

Love & God Bless You,  
Fr. Dan

## New & Ongoing in Our Community

### Msgr. Dennis Sheehan's Memorial: This Sunday, November 21, at 6pm Mass

Please join us at the 6:00pm Mass at Our Lady's this Sunday, November 21, as we remember and pray for our beloved Msgr. Dennis Sheehan, who died last year on November 20.

To read memories and see pictures of Msgr. Dennis that folks submitted last year OR to add your own, visit <https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/3UWQKgEp>

### November 21—Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Pilate said to Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?" On this last Sunday of the liturgical year, a question worth asking ourselves today is, "Is Jesus my King?" Is Jesus the center of my life? What can I do to remain close to Jesus with him at the center of all that I am and all that I do? These practices will keep you centered on Christ: Take time every day for prayer. Make it a practice to go to regular confession. Receive Christ, the Bread of Life, in Holy Communion at every Mass. Reach out to others through some charitable action. Begin this new year with more than resolve, begin it by taking these action steps!

### The Nineteenth Annotation Retreat of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola: An Invitation to Meet Christ in Prayer

The Nineteenth Annotation of the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola—An Invitation to Meet Christ in Prayer is an "at home" retreat lived in ordinary life. The retreat is available for Catholic adults, in a group setting, over the course of twenty-four weeks. This year, the Exercises begin on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, and conclude May 4, 2022. The group will meet weekly from 10:00am to 12:00pm. We are planning on a hybrid setting with most sessions via Zoom. In-person meetings will be at Our Lady Help of Christians, 573 Washington St, Newton. Mary Ann McLaughlin and Deacon Dan Burns will direct the Spiritual Exercises. For further information and to register, please contact Mary Ann at [maryannmclaughlin2@aol.com](mailto:maryannmclaughlin2@aol.com) or 617-686-2287.

### The Synod on Synodality: Your Survey Participation Requested

Over the next several years, the Church around the world will be participating in a process called the Synod on Synodality. The Holy Father will be meeting with Bishops from across the globe in 2023 to discuss ways of improving the process by which the Church on all levels is open to hearing the voices of people from all walks of life. That process will begin here in Boston now with asking as many people as possible to take a simple survey. The link to the survey can be found at <https://forms.office.com/r/aPadVsPft9> Thank you for your participation!

### Cardinal Seán O'Malley to Celebrate a Special Advent Mass

Cardinal Seán O'Malley, OFM Cap. will celebrate a special Advent Mass on Saturday, November 27, at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross at 4:30pm - it will be broadcast and live-streamed on CatholicTV & [CatholicTVLIVE.com](http://CatholicTVLIVE.com) (and rebroadcast on Sunday at 11am and 8pm). The theme is "For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission."

### Collaborative Racial Justice Ministry Meeting

The SHOL Newton Racial Justice Ministry (RJM) welcomes all who want to join! RJM is a gathering of voices devoted to promoting true equality of human beings within the Catholic Church and the world. The group meets twice a month on Monday evenings to learn about issues that have contributed to the marginalization of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC). We believe that through faith and community, we can become a Church that lifts all people up regardless of race, gender, social status, and religion. Our next meeting is November 22, 7:30pm. To join our Zoom Meeting <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/5739347100?pwd=UTJaNVp5QXgwZ2t3UDBRcWRnTVBRUT09> Meeting ID: 573 934 7100 Passcode: 0n3wgD Please contact Lija at [lijoseph@gmail.com](mailto:lijoseph@gmail.com) with questions.

## New & Ongoing in Our Community

### Second Collection This Weekend

This weekend, we are taking a second collection for Retired Religious Sisters. We are grateful for your generosity in supporting the women who have served the Church—and our parishes—so faithfully for so long. Thank you.

### Update on Welcoming an Afghan Refugee Family: An Interfaith Collaboration

We are very pleased to announce that we have connected to Temple Shalom of Newton and will be working in collaboration with their community to journey with a family from Afghanistan who will be arriving here in a matter of weeks. Temple Shalom has done an excellent job setting up an infrastructure to organize volunteers and is close to securing housing for the family. We are so grateful to be able to work together with this wonderful team.

For anyone considering volunteering, here are a few examples of the things one might do: volunteering in one of the project committees listed in the link on Temple Shalom's website; helping to move donated furniture or other items stored in a TS member's garage to the family's apartment; donation of household items (**NOTE: at this time, we do not currently anticipate a need for additional furniture**); welcoming and working directly with the family after their arrival and providing them with assistance as they become integrated into their new community. Temple Shalom has indicated that currently the primary need is for a welcoming committee, those who will help with airport pickup, as well as the face to face volunteers.

To learn more about the committees and opportunities to help please visit the <https://www.templeshalom.org/social-justice>. If you do plan to volunteer, please also email Kate Neal at [kneal@sholnewton.org](mailto:kneal@sholnewton.org), to help us track who from our community is participating.

### Thanksgiving Week

On Thursday, November 25 (Thanksgiving Day), Masses will be celebrated at 7am at Our Lady's and at 9am at Sacred Heart.

The parish offices will be closed on Thursday, November 25, and Friday, November 26, reopening on Monday, November 29.

### Help a Neighbor in Need This Christmas

With Covid still a reality, we have again altered our holiday outreach plans, which will be different this year than in 2020 or at Easter 2021: 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 families with Stop & Shop food cards AND a small bag of non-perishable holiday items, which will all be distributed via a safer drive-through model to 90-100 local families in need.

#### How can you help?

Donate Stop & Shop food cards AND/OR a paper grocery bag, ideally with handles, with the following items inside:

- Box of stuffing
- Box of dessert mix
- Box of instant potatoes
- Can of corn
- Can of green beans
- Jar of gravy
- Can/jar of cranberry sauce

Optional: decorate the bag and/or include something for the table, like a centerpiece or festive napkins. Nothing perishable!

All donations need to be returned to Our Lady's by Sunday, December 12. Food cards should be returned to the after-hours mailbox outside the Parish Office. Bags should be left in the side vestibule of the church closest to the parking lot. Both of these locations are accessible 24/7.

If you are willing to assist, please visit our Sign-Up Genius page at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0948A8AE2CA4FA7-christmas1> or contact Kristina at [kpreman@sholnewton.org](mailto:kpreman@sholnewton.org) or 617-527-7560 ext.216.

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.

### Marriage Banns

Sacred Heart & Our Lady's Collaborative is pleased to announce the following upcoming marriage:  
Elizabeth Bianchi and Anthony DeAngelis

### 2021 Christmas Mass Schedule for the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Collaborative

*You are warmly welcomed!*

#### Friday, December 24, Christmas Eve

- 2:00pm at Sacred Heart
- 4:00pm at Sacred Heart
- 4:00pm at Our Lady's
- 6:00pm at Our Lady's
- 12:00am Midnight at Our Lady's

#### Saturday, December 25, Christmas Day

- 10:00am at Sacred Heart
- 10:00am at Our Lady's

(There will be no 4:00pm Masses on Saturday, December 25)

As a collaborative of two churches, parishioners are always warmly invited to attend Mass at either church (and bring friends!), especially if this helps you with regard to the Mass time. If past years are any indication, the 4:00pm Masses have been the most crowded. So if you wish to be at a less crowded Mass, you may want to consider attending one of the other Masses. The doors will open for the 4:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart after the 2:00pm Mass crowd has departed. The doors will open for the 4:00pm Mass at Our Lady's at 3:00pm. Masks are required. No reservations.

Please note this is a special Christmas Mass Schedule for only 2021, due to Covid, and it does not necessarily reflect any changes in what the Christmas Mass Schedule will be in the future. In particular, due to Covid, the 2:00pm Mass is allowed by the Cardinal this year only.

We value your health. If you have any thought you might be developing Covid, or if you feel your health is such that coming to Mass is a risk, please stay home. You are too important to put your health at risk.



**Homily Given at the Funeral Mass of Msgr. Dennis Sheehan  
on November 27, 2020, by Msgr. Peter Conley  
Reprinted as we remember Msgr. Dennis in a special way this weekend**

Your Eminence, Bishops, Father, Deacon... but more importantly you - Bill and Susan, Molly, and Dennis' many nephews and nieces:

We are here to do a bittersweet task, a task of mourning, grieving, praying, and remembering Dennis Francis Sheehan. Bitter because it was so unexpected, so shocking. I was speaking with him at 4:30 in the afternoon last Friday. His mood was chipper – looking forward to getting out of quarantine in two or three days. I was told he was dead by 6pm. But there was sweetness in the sense that he was ready, ready to meet his Maker, his Redeemer, and the One to whom Dennis had faithfully pledged his life and love.

We had been friends since 1956 – some 64 years. I look forward to someday in the spring when we can all gather after our vaccinations and share all of the stories.

Dennis left specific instructions for his funeral: he was a liturgist but never a liturgical terrorist. But he did say one thing quite specifically: there would be no eulogy. He was of the opinion that, when one priest eulogized another at a funeral, it was really an ecclesiastical license to exaggerate, which is only a step away from an outright lie. Instead, he insisted it must be a homily. I remember vividly when we buried your mother almost 51 years ago that he began the homily by saying, and I'm paraphrasing: "We are not here to simply remember the life of Cecilia Henry Sheehan but to recall with profound affection the life of Jesus of Nazareth. Her Savior who, too, was born, lived and died but also rose from the dead – and with that opened the gates of Paradise for all of us" - you, me, and Dennis.

When God breathed life into Dennis, He also breathed into him a fine mind, a nimble tongue, and a quick wit. I do remember a story that is fairly old. Decades ago, when he was on the personnel board, a colleague was suggesting the name of his friend to be the pastor of a parish that was opening. So his friend made the recommendation and advised everyone, "After all, he's had 25 years' parish experience." Dennis raised his hand slowly - all movements were done slowly - and he said, "Excuse me, that's not quite true. He's had one year of experience 25 times." And speaking of his slow movement, I never saw him run - either to something or from something. All his movements were measured, quite measured. I also said if he ever reached top speed he was sauntering!... maybe ambling!

You have heard the Scripture readings Dennis had chosen, and each of them was full of future, Christian hope. When he saw a new heaven and a new earth. God himself would wipe away every tear and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away. He has moved into the New Order. And when Paul wrote to the Thessalonians, he did not want them to be as people who grieve, who have no hope. But on the contrary, for if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus bring with him those who have fallen asleep, and they will be at peace. The gospel was taken of course from the Gospel of John.

The promise of the Eucharist, for on this journey to the new heaven and the new earth there would be food, special food. "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

Fifty-seven years almost, he, by the power of the Spirit, was able to make present that food, that drink. I believe he would have said almost 18,000 Masses since the day we were both ordained... same church...same time.

I think Bill, Susan, and family, you made a wise decision to make sure this funeral private, because, if it was not private, the church would be full. First of all, with the parishioners. He loved this parish. He loved especially the Festa della Madonna and the Parade. Not only that, there would be priests galore. Yes, and there would be colleagues, Protestant ministers for he was a member of the Ministers Club for at least 40 years.

With a certain personal reluctance, I surrender to the will of God who so unexpectedly called Dennis from us and to Himself. His mysterious ways, the whys and the wherefores, will always elude us; they are beyond our comprehension.

At the end of every funeral, I ask those present to do three things:

—We will now commit him to the earth from which he came - dust to dust - and, at the same time, realize our own mortality – a sobering reminder that death and judgment will come for us all.

—I ask you also to commit him to your memory with affection. Tell the stories of when he was young. Tell the stories of when he was at his best and, yes, tell stories of when he was not at his best. None of us are always our best.

—I ask you to commit him to your prayer. There is now no abyss between Dennis and us – it's called the "communion of saints".

He lived his life as all of us, with failures, with fragility. He knew sin, but more importantly, he knew the tender compassion and mercy of God, and he preached it well.

There will be no more Sunday evening suppers at Paddy's or Papa Razzi in Wellesley. There will be no more Tuesday evenings at the seminary here in Weston with the faculty (where he was once rector) where he would come and slowly climb the stairs. Where he would partake of that amber colored liquid that enhanced fraternal fellowship. I will close with words from a holy card we both have:

May He support us all the day long,  
Till the shades lengthen and the evening comes  
And the busy world is hushed  
and the fever of life is over and our work is done.  
Then in his mercy may He give us a safe lodging  
and a holy rest and peace at the last.

Dear friend Dennis, I hope to see you soon – sooner rather than later. Amen. And Dennis, Alleluia.

## Collaborative Photo Album



It was a beautiful fall day last Saturday as we welcomed the return of a fuller and so much fun Holly Harvest Fair at Sacred Heart!

See more on the next page.

**Youth Ministry Service Opportunities** Contact: Youth Minister Jared Blake at [jblake@sholnewton.org](mailto:jblake@sholnewton.org) or x126  
**Workcamp June 26-July 2, 2022: Dover, Delaware:** If you have or are a teenager (currently 8th grade or older) who would be interested in participating in the annual summer service trip with the SHOL Youth Ministry group, please connect with Jared. SHOL has reserved 30 spots for local teenagers to travel to Dover, DE, to repair homes and provide service to the homebound, marginalized, poor, and hungry. There are 40 hours of service work given for this opportunity as well, so if you are looking for a fun way to fulfil any service requirements for school or honors clubs, here is your answer!

**Cor Unum on Christmas:** Youth Ministry is scheduled to help prepare 200 meals every month at Cor Unum Meal Center in Lawrence, MA, on the last Saturday of every month. In December, that happens to fall on Christmas. Despite this being a holiday, we are still responsible for serving on this day. Given the fact that it might be a difficult day to find volunteers, we would like to open this up to ANY parishioners that might feel inclined or interested to help. Jared is looking for 6 people to help from 2:00pm-6:30pm on Christmas Day. Please contact him for more details.

## Care for Creation: A Thanksgiving Prayer

Gracious God, we join our hands in prayer, giving thanks for the food on our table, a blessing from the good Earth. We give you thanks for life and all that we receive from your hands.

Keep us mindful of the hands that prepared these gifts, and especially the hands of farmworkers, the poultry plant workers, the shippers, the marketplace workers, and those who have prepared this meal—all who have made this bounty possible.

May this food sustain us as we join you, with our sisters and brothers, in creating a healthy, humane, and just world. Open our

hearts to the awesome opportunities of life your love presents. We pray in your holy name. Amen.



*(from the National Farm Workers Ministry)*

## Kids' Corner

**Gospel:** Today we celebrate that Jesus is the King of the Universe. He rules over Heaven and Earth!

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

The Lord is  
king; he is  
robed in  
majesty.

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of the Jews.



**Learn at Mass**  
 Next Sunday is the beginning of a new season in the Church. What is that season called?

## Sacred Heart News

### Holly Harvest Thanks

A great day was had by all at the Holly Harvest Fair last Saturday, November 13. By 7:40am, tent canopies were going up, tables were being moved outside, boxes of items to be sold were on the way to the tables, and everyone was smiling in the crisp fall weather that we had prayed for! Thank you, St. Francis and God!

The Holly Harvest was like old home week for the parish. Friends meeting friends...homebound parishioners getting out to shop, look around, and enjoy life! Young and old, daddies and daddies, strollers and walkers enjoying the event. Workers, shoppers, eaters - all together making a warm loving community! The Guild of St. Francis sends grateful thanks to all who set up, showed up, shopped, sold, lunched, baked, sewed, knitted, donated, won a silent auction, helped clean up, found a bargain or a treasure, smiled, and made us all happy to be together.



AND on behalf of the parish and the whole collaborative, the Staff sends our most sincere and enthusiastic thanks to the Guild of St. Francis for all their hard work in planning and holding the Holly Harvest Fair last weekend. We are so grateful for all the gifts they bring to and share with our community.



### Advent Gift Drive & Advent Party Details for Sunday, December 5

The Advent Gift Giving Drive is underway for St. Ambrose Family Inn, providing shelter and support to homeless families, and for Julie's Family Learning Program, supporting low income young women and their children. We have had a wonderful response so far and only have a handful of cards left. Please check the table at the back of the church and pick up whatever gift cards remain. **Attach these index cards to all unwrapped gifts and gift cards and return to the MacKenzie Center parking lot after 9:30am and 11:30am Masses on Sunday, December 5.**

As you return your gifts and gift cards to MacKenzie on December 5, be sure to stop for hot chocolate and mulled cider! We hear that Santa will be outside greeting and chatting! Everyone is urged to bring along some decorated Christmas cookies to nibble with the hot drinks! We might even have a contest for the frosting decorations! If you or your kids only have a little time, why not fancy up some graham crackers or store bought cookies! We are not fussy! Hmmm...Who are the youngest and the oldest bakers in the parish!?

For those who cannot attend Mass, please mail in or drop off your unwrapped gifts with index cards attached to the Sacred Heart Rectory.

With thanks from Marty & Michelle Solomon, Gift Drive Coordinators, and Kathie Long and the Guild

### Christmas Flower Donations

Christmas Flower Donations will be accepted until Thursday, December 16, at Sacred Heart and Our Lady's. Please print clearly the names of those you would like to be remembered. Names will be printed in a special booklet that will be available at the doors of each church. Thank you!

### Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord

Please remember the following who have passed from this life in the past year:

Gretchen Ablondi, Paul R. Bechet, Mary Bocci, Barbara Cocca, Rev. John J. Connelly, Helen Drinan, Robert and Mary English, Brendan Feeney, Thomas Fitzgibbon, Edward Harrington, Claire Hartnett, Maureen C. Kelley, Thomas J. Kulik, David McAvinn, Carroll F. McMahon, Mary Morley, Robert Myette, James Salvatore Palma, Violet Saganey, Msgr. Dennis Sheehan, Joan M. Troy, and Millie Tudor.

Please also remember in your prayers:

Fernando Calvo, Dr. Fernando Calvo, Reina Calvo, Bob Carleo, Antonio DiMonda and family, Domenico DiMonda, Joseph Donovan, Mary Allen and William Egan, Delia Feeney, Thoria Feeney, Joseph T. Feeney and Michelle, Gerald Feeney and Alice, Robert Feeney and Eileen, Therese Flamand, Angelo Garfi, Michael "Bud", Blanche and Robert Hueston, F. Kenneth Jensen, Raymond Lagesse, Frank Melanson, Thomas P. Mulkeen, Rosa Murray, Pedro Recio, William Reinbold, Anastasia Reynolds, Thomas J. and Bridget Reynolds, Joe Reynolds, Rev. John J. Sassani, Edward Slavin, Genevieve Slavin, Gaetano Volpe and family, Bob Wilcox

### Religious Education News

Our in-person classes have been underway on Tuesdays since late September. Our students in Grades 1-8 are deepening their friendship with Christ using the Pflaum Gospel Weekly curriculum, where each lesson is based on the Sunday Gospel reading that we hear at Mass. What a great way to get to know Jesus! Our Confirmation candidates are exploring the Chosen curriculum on their journey to be sealed with the Holy Spirit.

We also have a vibrant virtual program. Students in this program use the Pflaum Gospel Weeklies at home and also join the Religious Ed staff once a month for a webinar. In October, we explored the Bible: what it is, where it came from, what we learn from it, how to read it, and so on. And just this past week for our November webinars, we talked about the witnesses of the saints—holy women and men who have gone before us and who are part of our family of faith. In December, we'll dive into Advent and Christmas!

Our First Penance students are hard at work preparing to receive this sacrament in January. We had a special parent/child meeting last week to help get ready.

It's not too late to join us! To register, fill out the form online at <https://forms.office.com/r/zmaxHpV7P0> or contact us.

Pandemic safety: Masks are required for all students and volunteers, regardless of age or vaccination status. Thank you!

From the Religious Education Team

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## Our Lady's News

### Giving Tree Next Weekend

The Giving Tree will be up in the church next weekend, November 27 & 28, with many opportunities for generosity to the less fortunate among us: the homeless, the disadvantaged, and persons struggling and ignored by society, both very locally and abroad. Gifts need to be returned to church the following weekend, December 4 & 5, to ensure that all distributions can be made in a timely manner before Christmas. Thank you in advance for your generosity and caring!

### Book of Remembrance

Let us continue to keep in our hearts and in our prayers all the departed, as well as all the bereaved, that they may find consolation and strength in our shared faith in the resurrection from the dead. During the entire month of November, you are invited to inscribe the names of all your deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance, located in the gathering space of the main church.

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### Next Honduras Coffee Sale: December 4-5

Are you puzzling over your shopping list for Christmas? Wondering how to give welcome, high quality gifts to others at a reasonable cost? Look no further! Our one-pound bags of coffee from our friends, the growers at our sister parish, San Marcos in Honduras, are highly desired! At \$10 for a bag of premium coffee, whole bean or ground, this is just the gift you've been searching for. Be sure to **pre-order for our December 4-5 sale by emailing [barbara.allaire@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.allaire@gmail.com)**. Give your name, cell phone, number of whole bean and/or ground bags you want to buy, and Mass after which you will pick it up and pay for it. You also may find some of our youth at the doors of the church taking pre-orders on a Sunday. Give a gift to the coffee growers as well as to your Christmas list! All proceeds go directly to the growers.

### Advent Wreath

Next weekend marks the beginning of Advent this year. On that First Sunday of Advent, we will bless the Advent wreath at all Masses. You will notice that the Advent wreath candle will not be lit as you enter the church on that first week. The blessing and lighting of the Advent wreath will take place after the Prayers of the Faithful. On the subsequent Sundays of Advent, the wreath candles will be lit before Mass.

### New! Scouting for Girls

Our Lady's Scouts BSA Troop 355G (Girls) is now active! Girls ages 11-16 can join the fun and earn the rank of Eagle Scout! The girls practice leadership skills while learning life skills and serving their community. The girls meet Tuesdays 7:15-8:30pm in the lower church hall. The troop currently has 5 girls, but we'd love to have 20! The troop is separate from Troop 355B (Boys) and has its own trained female leaders. The girls enjoy monthly camping trips to hike, cycle, ski, and canoe; earn over 120 badges; and attend Camp Yawgoog in RI in August 2022. So join us at a meeting to meet the leaders and other scouts, and register your daughter for fun and adventure with T355! For information, please contact Pat Kaltenbach, Our Lady's Scouting Coordinator, at 617-922-3970 or [troop355@me.com](mailto:troop355@me.com).

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Our First Penance students are hard at work preparing to receive this sacrament in early December. We had a special parent/child meeting last week to help get ready.

It's not too late to join us! To register, fill out the form online at <https://forms.office.com/r/zmaxHpV7P0> or contact us.

Pandemic safety: Masks are required for all students and volunteers, regardless of age or vaccination status. Thank you!

Thank You to Our Volunteers! We are indebted to all those who have answered the call to serve this year: catechists, assistant catechists, classroom aides, small group facilitators, and hall monitors. Our program is strong because of you!

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### Grand Annual Collection Update

**As of November 15, we have raised \$83,135.  
Our goal is \$150,000. [Thank you!](#)**

Whether you give \$100 or \$300, \$1,000 or \$5,000, your gift will be appreciated as it promotes the wellbeing of Our Lady's. Thank you for your generous support of this vital collection. We are so grateful!

### Thank You for Your Amazing Generosity!

The number and the generosity of the Grand Annual contributions at Our Lady's is moving and has impressed me. These donations make possible all that goes on here. (Though Sacred Heart does not have a Grand Annual Collection, the people at both parishes are equally generous.) Thank you!

— Fr. Dan



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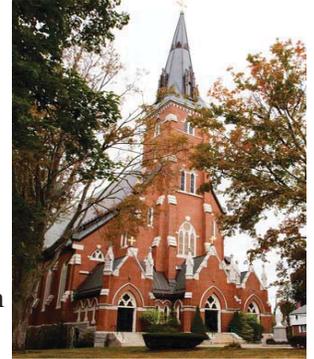


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## Mass Times

### Saturday Vigil

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

### Sunday

8:00am Our Lady's  
9:30am Sacred Heart  
10:00am Our Lady's  
11:30am Sacred Heart  
6:00pm Our Lady's

### Weekdays including Legal Holidays

Mon, Fri, Sat: 9:00am Sacred Heart  
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

Saturdays, 2:45-3:30pm

Month of November: Our Lady's Lower  
Church

Month of December: Sacred Heart Lower  
Chapel

## 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. 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 Confirma-

tion, or for older children (7+) to be baptized or to receive Holy Communion, contact Kristina Preman.

**Infant Baptisms:** Infant Baptisms (those under age 7) 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 information, email svdp@sholnewton.org or call 617-527-7560 ext. 255.

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

*Priests' schedule is subject to change*

### Saturday, November 20

**9:00am - Sacred Heart** - For All Parishioners  
*Immediately following Mass: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament*

**4:00pm - Sacred Heart (Msgr. Peter Conley)**  
Msgr. Dennis F. Sheehan—1st Anniversary

**4:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)**  
Msgr. Dennis F. Sheehan—1st Anniversary  
Joseph & Anthony Colella  
Thomas, William, John & Frances Desmond  
Rose Hunt—1st Anniversary  
Armando Agostino  
Achille, Carmela, Antonietta & Domenico Bove  
Mr. & Mrs John Jurczak, Sadie Gentile  
Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Gentile, Violet Panaggio  
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Eaton  
Pasquale DiSpina

### Sunday, November 21—Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**8:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Piotr Stanowski, S.J.)**  
Msgr. Dennis F. Sheehan—1st Anniversary  
Eleanor & Maura Kelly  
Marguerite "Peggy" Ellard Leigh

**9:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)**  
Msgr. Dennis F. Sheehan—1st Anniversary

**10:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)**  
Msgr. Dennis F. Sheehan—1st Anniversary  
Ian Meskimen  
Giuseppe, Antonio & Carmine Arpino  
John Luciano—35th Anniversary  
Eleanor & Maura Kelly

**11:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)**  
Msgr. Dennis F. Sheehan—1st Anniversary

**6:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)**  
Msgr. Dennis F. Sheehan—1st Anniversary

### Monday, November 22

**9:00am - Sacred Heart** - Patty Disario

### Tuesday, November 23

**7:00am - Our Lady's** - Deceased Members of the Kelly & Corcoran Families

### Wednesday, November 24

**7:00am - Our Lady's** - William R. Martell

### Thursday, November 25—Thanksgiving Day

**7:00am - Our Lady's** - For All Parishioners  
**9:00am - Sacred Heart** - For All Parishioners

### Friday, November 26

**9:00am - Sacred Heart** - For the Poor of the Parish

### Saturday, November 27

**9:00am - Sacred Heart** - For All Parishioners  
*Immediately following Mass: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament*

**4:00pm - Sacred Heart (Msgr. Peter Conley)**  
Rose MacLeod & Joseph Scichilone

**4:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Dan Riley)**  
Carol Mulcahy—10th Anniversary  
Walter & Mary Geary, Paul & Louise Thomas  
Mr. & Mrs. John Jurczak  
Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Gentile  
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Eaton  
Sadie Gentile, Violet Panaggio  
Joseph & Josephine Gentile

### Sunday, November 28—First Sunday of Advent

**8:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)**  
For All Parishioners

**9:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Dan Riley)**  
For All Parishioners

**10:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)**  
Francesco & Carmela Antonellis and Family  
Giovanni & Francesca Arpino and Family

**11:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Dan Riley)**  
For All Parishioners

**6:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Bill Murphy)**  
Joseph & Mary Proia, Joseph Proia Jr.



*In your prayers, please remember*

*all who have died.*

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

### Scripture Readings for the Week

|    |     |   |
|----|-----|---|
| 21 | SUN | Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37                |
| 22 | Mon | Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4                        |
| 23 | Tue | Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11                           |
| 24 | Wed | Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19       |
| 25 | Thu | Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28                          |
| 26 | Fri | Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33                           |
| 27 | Sat | Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36                          |
| 28 | SUN | Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36 |

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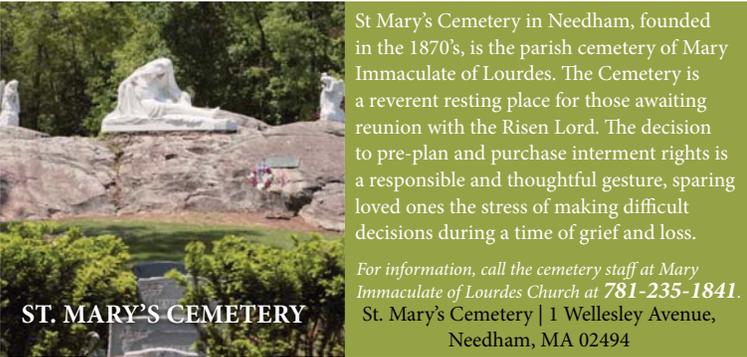
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