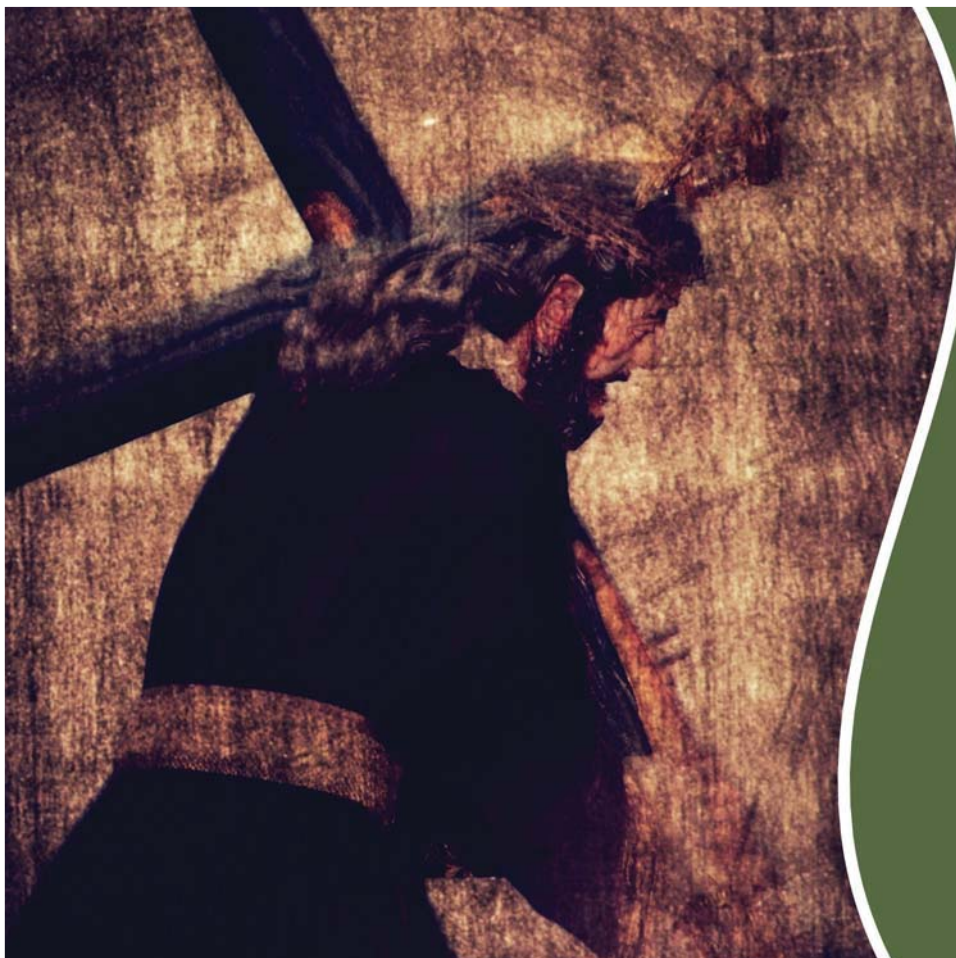


SACRED HEART & OUR LADY'S COLLABORATIVE
NEWTON, MA

~ All Are Welcome ~



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SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does
not carry his own
cross and come
after me cannot
be my disciple."

Luke 14:27

September 4, 2022

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From Fr. Dan, Pastor

Dear Friends,

Your coming to Mass warm my heart! It really feels uplifting to see you all. Thanks for choosing to spend your valuable time worshipping Jesus and receiving his real presence in Holy Communion.

Humor: I had a dream that I was a muffler—I woke up EXHAUSTED!

Happy Labor Day Weekend. Welcome back to all who have been away. Hope you had a great summer! May God bless all with dignified work that helps build God's reign.

9-11 Quote: "If we learn nothing else from this tragedy, we learn that life is short and there is no time for hate." —Sandy Dahl, wife of Flight 93 pilot Jason Dahl

Welcome back as we begin a "new year!" It is so wonderful to have you with us.

The heart of the Gospel: "The good news that Jesus came to proclaim – namely, that God is our Father and each of us is loved by him. This is the heart of the Gospel, and Jesus is the proof of this Love – his incarnation, his face. [The church is at her best when]

witnessing completely to that name of God which is Mercy. This is the very heart of the Gospel, for mercy is knowing that we are loved even in though we sin. Being believers does not mean drawing near to a dark and frightening God. No. We have drawn near to Jesus, the Son of God, who is the Mercy of the Father and the Love that saves. He is mercy, and with mercy, and with mercy alone, can the life of every man and every woman be lived with joy. Mercy is the experience of feeling welcomed, put back on our feet, strengthened, healed, encouraged. To be forgiven is to experience here and now that which comes closest to being resurrected. Forgiveness is the passage from death to life, from the experience of anguish and guilt to that of freedom and joy. May the church always be a place in which people can be reconciled and experience that Grace that puts us back on our feet and gives us another chance. Our God is the God of second chances." – Excerpted from Pope Francis' homily of August 28, 2022.

Sports: The Patriots preseason has left me worried. Still, Bill Belichick is the best coach of all time!

Love & God bless you!
Fr. Dan

New & Ongoing in Our Community

Labor Day—Offices Closed

Both parish offices will be closed on Monday, September 5, in observance of Labor Day. They will reopen on Tuesday.

Weekday Mass Summer Schedule Ends

The school-year weekday Mass schedule resumes this Monday, September 5.

Mon, Fri, Sat: 9:00am at Sacred Heart
Tue, Wed, Thu: 7:00am at Our Lady's

Thank you for your understanding of our summer adaptation, necessitated by priest availability.

Looking for a Good Book to Read? Women's Discussion Group

The Women's Discussion Group is reading *The Book of Hope: A Survival Guide for Trying Times* by Jane Goodall and Douglas Abrams with Gail Hudson. "While discussing the experiences that shaped her discoveries and beliefs, Jane tells the story of how she became a messenger of hope, from living through World War II to her years in Gombe to realizing she had to leave the forest to travel the world in her role as an advocate for environmental justice." The discussion will take place on Sunday, September 11, at 11am in the Sacred Heart Rectory and on Zoom.

New members from both Our Lady's and Sacred Heart parishes are always welcome to our monthly Sunday morning meetings. If you would like to join the group or have any questions, email Margaret LeBlanc at margaretmleblanc67@gmail.com.

Interested in Joining the Catholic Church or Preparing for a Sacrament as an Adult?

Are you looking to return to the Church after a long time away? Are you hoping to learn more about the Catholic faith? Are you a non-Catholic who desires to see what this Church is about? Are you an adult who was baptized Catholic but who never celebrated your First Communion or Confirmation?

If you answered yes to any of these questions or know someone who could, check out the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)! Contact Nick Frega at nfrega@sholnewton.org or 617-969-2248 ext. 111 if you'd like to learn more. Your first contact is in no way a commitment; Nick will just meet with you to see where you are in your desire to connect with the Church. If you decide to continue, our great RCIA team will work with you, forming you in a relationship with Christ and his Church.

Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study

Join us for a new year of Walking With Purpose's Women's Bible study! For those who desire to grow in faith—in a supportive community of Catholic women, these Bible studies combine personal study with small group discussion, linking our everyday challenges to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. The adult small groups will meet starting the week of October 1. Questions? Please contact Sandra at sandralynnfarnandes21@gmail.com.

Marriage Banns

Sacred Heart & Our Lady's Collaborative is pleased to announce the following upcoming marriages:

Giana Postiglione & Alexander Cucchi

Caroline Fitzgerald & Michael Lanzo

Gina Healey & Edward Asaley



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New & Ongoing in Our Community

Faith Is for Everyone and So Is Faith Formation!

Do you have an older child who has never been baptized or never received their First Holy Communion? Do you have a child with a disability who would like to join our program? It's never too late, and your situation may not be as unusual as you may think! We accompany families with children of all ages, at all levels, in ways that are comfortable for them. Please contact Kristina at kpreman@sholnewton.org or 617-527- 7560 ext. 216 to discuss and learn more.

It's Almost Here: Collaborative Picnic!

Our Collaborative Picnic will be held once again this year on the front lawn of the church at Our Lady's on Sunday, September 18, beginning at 11am and wrapping up around 1pm. The collaborative will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, water, and ice cream; guests are encouraged to bring a finger food app or dessert to share! Come join in the fun with music, games, pony rides (11:30am-1pm), face painting and more!

If you would like to help the committee, please contact Peg Cleary at peg@clearyl.com.

September 4 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus challenges his disciples and us to be dedicated to his mission. He acknowledges that discipleship is demanding – involving sacrifice, possible persecution and suffering. When our following of Christ makes us feel weighed down by the sadness that seems to surround us, or that our efforts to be faithful to Christ don't seem to make any difference- take the refrain of today's psalm to your prayer. "In every age, O God, you have been our refuge...you have been our hope." Ask God for the grace to rely on him, to renew your hope, to bless your efforts to remain faithful, no matter what!



2022 Mother Caroline Academy School Supply Drive

It's time to buy school supplies! Through September 11. Mother Caroline Academy (MCA) is a tuition-free independent school for girls in Grades 3-8, serving traditionally under-resourced Boston neighborhoods. The Grade 3 class is new this fall, and the Board of Trustees has approved a plan to add Grades K, 1, and 2 over the next few years since early education is the key for longevity and academic success. MCA is growing and needs additional support and new donors.

Each fall, SHOL parishioners have been very generous in donating school supplies for the 65 students and 10 teachers at MCA. Donations are requested in the form of Amazon, Staples, or Target gift cards. Since many of the families experience food insecurity, they have little to no money for school supplies, and MCA provides all school supplies to them! Our drive runs through the weekend of September 11. However, if possible, please send your donations early so that the students and teachers have supplies as they begin the school year.

You can email a gift card to Marie Louise Greenidge, Director of Development, at mgreenidge@mcaec.org or mail a physical card to her at 515 Blue Hill Ave, Dorchester, MA 02121. If you prefer, you may make a monetary donation for school supplies online at www.mcaec.org/ or by mail to the address above. Please mention that you are a SHOL parishioner. Your generosity and support make a difference every day! Thanks for considering a donation!

—Margaret LeBlanc & Jane McGuire

Meet Your New Pastoral Council Representatives!



Charlotte Storey
Sacred Heart Parish
Youth Representative
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My name is Charlotte, and I will be a sophomore at Newton South this year. I've been attending Sacred Heart since I was in kindergarten. I have tried various ministries, such as the children's choir, altar server, and community outreach.

I particularly enjoy supporting parish social events and Sunday coffee hours, which are a fun and easy way for families and kids to get involved in the parish. I look forward to serving as a member of the pastoral council!

Clothing Drive!

Save the Date: October 1 and 2

The collaborative's conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be conducting its semi-annual clothing drive the weekend of October 1 and 2 in the parking lot at Our Lady's. More details and the hours will be coming in the next couple of weeks. In the meantime, save the date and start cleaning out your closets! If you have any questions or can help with the drive, please contact us at svdp@sholnewton.org. The drive is a great opportunity for Confirmation students to get some volunteer hours in.

Donation Request: Food & Gas Cards

Quite often, people in need come to the parishes requesting help with food and gas. When we have supply on hand, we give them a gift card. At this time, we have very few cards left, as the needs are increasing alongside food and gas prices.

If you are able to help, we would be grateful to receive any grocery store or gas station gift cards, preferably in \$25 increments. Donations can be brought to either parish office during regular office hours or placed in the weekend collection baskets.

Thank you for your generosity and kindness in helping to provide for our neighbors in need!

Save the Date: Upcoming Safe Environment Training

The Virtus Protecting God's Children Safe Environment Program will be offered

**Monday, September 12, 6:30-8:30pm
in the Lower Church Hall at Our Lady's**

Anyone volunteering in the Collaborative in any capacity is required to attend this training once; not attending will affect your ability to volunteer.

We sincerely appreciate your commitment to serving our community and to keeping safe all children and vulnerable people among us! Thank you!

Please speak to Kristina Preman or any of the staff with questions.



Fr. John Sassani
Homily Given on September 5, 2010
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Liturgical Year C

I was 8 years old during the Cuban Missile Crisis. I have mostly vague recollections of it, but there are two things I remember very clearly. The first was my fear that my father would have to go to war. The second was something my mother said during that time. The context, of course, was the possibility of a Communist attack on the US. We were talking at supper, talking about the crisis and the "godless communists". And my mother said, "If I have to die for my faith in Christ, well, that's what I'd have to do." I was astounded.

Christ is calling his disciples to prioritize their lives around him. My mother did just that – and said as much during the Cuban Missile Crisis. She built on a foundation that her family laid; I built on a foundation that my family laid. One of my mother's dearest possessions was our – her family's – importance in her life – and hers in our lives. But Christ had also captured her imagination in such a way that Christ took priority over us.

In today's second reading from Sacred Scripture, Philemon, Onesimus, and Paul give us another example of this. The letter of St. Paul to Philemon is the shortest letter of St. Paul that we have – less than 500 words! It is a personal letter. Philemon was a member of the church at Colossae, and St. Paul sent this personal letter to Philemon at the same time as his letter to the Colossians as a community.

Philemon was a church leader who owned a slave named Onesimus. Onesimus escaped and fled to Rome; coincidentally, he met Paul while Paul was in prison. Philemon legally could have had Onesimus whipped,

imprisoned, or crucified for escaping. Paul though writes and asks Philemon to receive Onesimus back – not as an escaped slave, not as a slave, but as a brother in the Lord.

Paul here is not advocating for the abolishment of slavery. He is advocating for an idea that would lead to it: that in Christ, we are one. (Galatians 3:26-28: For through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free person, there is not male and female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.)

This idea, born of faith in Christ, changed the relationship between slaves and masters. Eventually, it changed the institution of slavery itself. Ideas – Gospel ideas – what St. Paul calls *having the mind of Christ*, is crucial. My mother reordered her natural priorities as she put on the mind of Christ.

This begs the question: What ideas of ours need to be reformed by Christ and brought into harmony with his mind and heart? What needs to be reformed so that we can let our faith influence how we treat one another, the choices we make, the things we endure and suffer, and the unequivocal stands we have to take?

Christ came to change the world: heart by heart, mind by mind, idea by idea. He speaks now every day by prayer. He speaks every day in the Sacred Scriptures – to influence, develop, or change our ideas. As we gather for the Eucharist today, let's give him the freedom to do that.

Homily reflections are also available each week online at www.sholnewton.org/godeeper.

Collaborative Photo Album

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At left: Fr. Vaclav Novotny, S.J. was all smiles before celebrating his first Mass in our collaborative on August 27 (seen here with lector Anne Alsmeyer). Fr. Vaclav was ordained a priest over the summer.

At right: a young parishioner celebrated her First Holy Communion at Mass on August 27 at Our Lady's. May she know Jesus' love each time she receives His Body!



Beyond Our Walls



Season of Creation 2022: Listen to the Voice of Creation

"Laudato Si', mi' Senore"—"Praise be to you, my Lord." In the words of this beautiful canticle, St. Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home

is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace

us. (1) This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will... We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth; our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters. (2)... The deterioration of the environment and of society affects the most vulnerable people on the planet. (48) (From *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home*, by Pope Francis)

During this Season of Creation, we are asked to listen deeply to the voice of Creation. Let us listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor, who are affected most by what we do to the earth.

Prayer: Holy Spirit of God, we struggle to listen to your wisdom in and through all that is. We need you to guide us in listening to creation, caring wisely and with love for it and the great web of life in which we live and move and have our being.

Video suggestion: A 90-second introduction to the Season of Creation from the Laudato Si' Movement: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WyjUTvGmliI>

Seeking English Tutors

Help immigrants in greater Boston learn English! Join *A Faith That Does Justice* as Teacher, Teacher Assistant, or bilingual Student Relationship Manager for its Fall 2022 session. Learn more and register at <https://faith-justice.org/volunteer/> or send an email to wsheehan@faith-justice.org

Voice of the Faithful 20th Year Commemoration 20 Years of Keeping the Faith, Changing the Church

Boston Marriott Newton, Saturday, October 29, 9:30am-5:00pm. Voice of the Faithful's 20th Year Commemoration will feature world-renowned Catholic Education expert Thomas Groome, Ed.D., offering an interactive discussion about putting Jesus at the center of Keeping the Faith and Changing Church. We will acknowledge all the ways the Spirit has changed us and the Church over the last 20 years, consider the present in the light of our VOTF synod consultations and envision our pilgrim journey forward. Rev. William Clark, S.J., S.T.D. of the College of the Holy Cross will bring our day to a close by celebrating Mass with us. Visit <https://www.votf.org/> for information and to register.

41st Annual Lawn Party to Benefit Seminarians

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary in Weston is hosting its 41st Annual Lawn Party on Wednesday, September 28, at 6:00pm, on the grounds of the seminary. This premiere fundraising event is hosted by Cardinal Seán O'Malley. The evening will include a reception and dinner with music. Located on Route 30 in Weston, the Seminary prepares second-career candidates, men over the age of 30, for priesthood. The proceeds from the Lawn Party help to keep tuition costs affordable. For ticket information, please call the Development Office at 781-899-5500 or visit their website at www.psis.edu. You can make a difference and encourage the vocations of these men through your support of the Lawn Party.

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille helps Christian couples through difficult times in their marriages. Catholic in origin, the program is designed to provide the tools to help couples get their marriages back on track, giving them the opportunity to rediscover one another and examine their lives together in a new and positive way. For information on the November 11-13 weekend, please call 508-271-7155 or visit HelpOurMarriage.org.

Kids' Corner

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


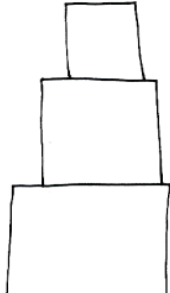

In every age,
O Lord, you
have been
our refuge.

Learn at Mass

The candles in church are made from beeswax. How many candles can you count in your church?

Gospel:

Crowds of people followed Jesus to hear his teachings. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus teaching people how to become his disciples. We can all be disciples by listening and following Jesus' teachings.

<p>Help me finish this comic. Listen to the Gospel to help you draw pictures.</p> 	<p>Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.</p>
<p>This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.</p> 	<p>When a king is still far away, he will send a group of soldiers to ask for peace.</p> 

Religious Education News: Registration Deadlines Are Approaching!

Registration Continues! Our first registration deadline for Grades K-8 (to begin class on the first day) is Monday, September 19 [Grade 9 registrations must be received by Sunday, September 4; Grade 10 by Sunday, October 16]. Of course, we welcome registrations after these dates. We are eager to receive your registration soon! All information can be found online at <https://sholnewton.org/religious-education>

The registration form (for all grades and both parishes) is online at <https://forms.office.com/r/NjBAE9E42>.

Volunteers Needed: We are still in need of many more volunteers to serve as catechists (teachers), assistants, hall monitors, and small group leaders (for Confirmation). Please consider whether the Lord is calling you; contact the staff to learn more!

For Grades K-5: There are three in-person class options for elementary school students:

Sundays 8:45-9:45am at Our Lady's (first day: Oct 2)
Mondays 4:00-5:00pm at Our Lady's (first day: Oct 3)
Tuesdays 4:00-5:00pm at Sacred Heart (first day: Oct 4)
(Also, there is one Grade 5 class during the middle school session on Monday 7:00-8:00pm at Our Lady's)

A special note for families with early elementary students: preparation for First Penance and First Holy Communion is a two-year program, with both Grade 1 and Grade 2 classes required before First Communion. We also have a Kindergarten class, which is an optional but very fun introduction to faith formation classes. Students who attend Catholic School and are entering Grade 2 need to register in the parish, as sacrament prep takes place in the parish rather than in school.

For Grades 6-8: There are two in-person class options for middle school students:

Mondays 7:00-8:00pm at Our Lady's (first day: Oct 3)
Tuesdays 7:00-8:00pm at Sacred Heart (first day: Oct 4)

For Confirmation Preparation (typically Grades 9 & 10): Confirmation preparation is done collaboratively across our two parishes, with classes at Our Lady's on Sunday evenings 7:00-8:15pm. Classes begin September 18 for Grade 9; October 30 for Grade 10.

Please be aware that high school students who wish to celebrate Confirmation must enroll in the preparation program for two consecutive years—typically but not always Gr. 9 & 10.

Homeschool Option: We are happy to continue offering a homeschool/virtual option for those who need it (all grades except sacrament prep). It will look a bit different from the last two years, but will still include weekly lessons at home and Zoom check-ins with staff. We are also excited to add a family volunteer service component to the homeschool program!

Welcome Back! Finally, we know that the pandemic upended so much of what was normal, including faith formation and sacramental preparation. We are eager to hear from any families who may have been away from Mass and/or Religious Education for the last few years—you are so very welcome to come back! It is always a good time to draw closer to Jesus and His Church! Please reach out!

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Fall Youth Ministry News

Contact Jared Blake, Youth Minister—jblake@sholnewton.org, ext. 126

Catholic Heart Workcamp (CHWC) Info Meeting

On Sunday, October 16, at 5:00pm, we will be holding our first CHWC Info Meeting for the coming mission trip in the summer of 2023. Please consider RSVPing to Jared to let him know you will be coming. This meeting should take no longer than 45 minutes and, for those attending the 6pm Mass at Our Lady's, you will be released so that you can make it on time.

We will review the location, the dates, costs, fundraisers, and free day activities. This meeting will be held in the Youth Center room at Our Lady's.

High School Youth Group

Youth Group starts on Sunday, September 18, and will be held in the Youth Center at Our Lady's directly following the 6pm Mass. It's been three years since we've been able to hold Youth Group meetings, and we are looking forward to getting back to socializing again!

Cor Unum Meal Center

For any interested parties looking for service opportunities, please consider volunteering for Cor Unum Meal Center



nights on the fourth Saturday of each month. We travel to Lawrence as a group and serve dinner to the community there for roughly 5 hours. Please contact Jared for more information and to volunteer.

Youth Choir

Are you in high school? Do you love singing? Join us on the first Sunday of every month for the High School Youth Choir at the 6pm Mass at Our Lady's. We gather around 5:30pm for practice. No need to RSVP, but it is helpful. Please contact Jared.

Teen Rosary Club

Gathering Sunday nights to pray the Rosary near the Madonna statue in the parking lot at Our Lady's. Fall schedule coming soon!

Stay Tuned...

Stay tuned for announcements about our Friday night Middle School Drop-In Center, as well as more fall fun activities.

Chaperones & Volunteers Needed

Please be in touch with Jared if you're interested in helping out with any of these activities.

Sacred Heart News

Summer Greetings and Fall Preview from the Guild of St. Francis

Happy summer! Soon, September will roll around, and the Guild has a full schedule of events planned.

1. Our first event is the Tea Party in the rectory and grassy area on September 25, at 3:00pm. Ladies of all ages are cordially invited!
2. Toward the end of September, we will begin hosting workshops in the convent building for the Holly Harvest Fair, to be held in November. Details as to time and item requests to follow. Pie-making work nights will start toward the end of October.
3. St. Francis House in Boston is once again accepting gently used clothing for the hundreds of clients who visit their clothing room. We will host a clothing collection in October; dates to be announced. (As you shop, please be on the lookout for sales on NEW socks and underwear for the clients as well.)
4. Save the Dates: Holly Harvest Fair on November 19 & 20. Covid conditions will determine whether we'll be inside or outside this year.

Why not become a member of the Guild?! Membership is just \$20 per person (over 90 years of age is

free). Drop a check for dues in the collection basket or mail to the rectory. Thanks so much for your continued support of the Guild events and projects. And please do spread the word about the work we do!

Liturgical Volunteers Needed

Ensuring Mass is celebrated reverently and smoothly is vital to our parish, and your participation would be greatly appreciated!

Whether you're new to our faith community or a long-time member looking for a new way to be involved, the parish needs you!

If you would like to serve Mass as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Sacristan, or Head Usher, please get in touch with Nick Frega at nfrega@sholnewton.org or ext. 111. Let him know which ministry you're interested in when you email him. Every one of these ministries serves the parish by ensuring that Mass is celebrated as reverently as possible. Nick will give you more details after your contact about the ministry you choose. Thank you in advance!

Our Lady's News

Join Our Lady's Scouting Units on Sept. 13: Let the Outdoor Fun & Adventure Begin!

Cub Scout Pack 355 for Girls and Boys in Grades 1-5: Parents' Night is Tuesday, September 13, 6:15-7:15pm. This registration night is just for adults to learn more about the Pack. There will be limited activities for youth. The first regular Cub Scout Pack meeting is Tuesday, September 20.

Scouts BSA Troop 355B for Boys ages 11-17: Info & Registration Night is Tuesday, September 13, 7:15-8:30pm. Your son will enjoy the activities of a troop meeting while paired with a buddy. You will meet the leaders and other parents and learn more about the BSA program.

Scouts BSA Troop 355G for Girls ages 11-17: Girls can now become Eagle Scouts! Info & Registration Night is Tuesday, September 13, 7:15-8:30pm. Your daughter will participate in the meeting's activities of Our Lady's Scouts BSA troop *just for girls*, and you will meet the leaders and learn more about the BSA program.

All meetings are in Our Lady's Lower Church Halls...look for the signs when you arrive! If you would like info before September 13, please contact Pat Kaltenbach at 617-922-3970 or troop355@me.com.

Safe Environment Reminder

To ensure your young child(ren)'s safety, please accompany them to the restroom during Mass. Thank you!

Honduras Coffee Sale October 1-2

The Honduras Committee will hold its first coffee sale of the fall on October 1-2 after all Masses at Our Lady's. (We're skipping September for several reasons.) We expect to have a big demand after the summer, so get in your orders early to barbara.allaire@gmail.com, with your name; number of bags, whole or ground (at \$10 per pound); your cell phone number, and the Mass you will be attending to pick it up and pay for it. Thanks for supporting the coffee farmers!

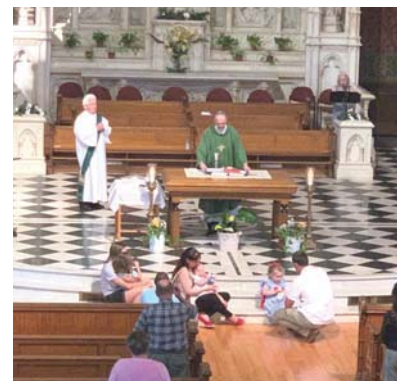
Festa Donation

Thank you to St. Mary of Carmen Society for the very generous donation of \$2000 to Our Lady's from the recent festival. What a generous gift and what a wonderful Festa! We are very grateful.

—Fr. Dan & Staff

Children's Eucharistic Prayer

At a 10:00am Sunday Mass recently, a small crowd of children (and their parents) joined Fr. Dan and Deacon Bill in the sanctuary during the Eucharistic Prayer. This is something we do each Sunday morning at 10:00am Mass. Please join us at this Mass, and encourage your children to come forward at the priest's invitation!



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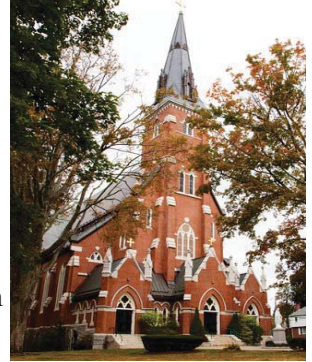
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Mass Times

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 September: Our Lady's Lower Church

Month of October: Sacred Heart Lower Church
and alternating months

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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Priests' schedule is subject to change

Saturday, September 3

9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Parishioners

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

Josephine Peltier
Barbara DeRubeis

4:00pm - Sacred Heart (Fr. Vaclav Novotny, S.J.)

Timothy Carroll

Sunday, September 4—23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Mary C. Kelly
Steve Schaefer

9:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Dan Riley)

Robert Barker

10:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)

Nicolina Russo

11:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Michal Zalewski, S.J.)

For All Parishioners

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

Henry & Helen Mullen
Russell & Mary Connor
Paul Connor
Ruth O'Neil

Monday, September 5

9:00am - Sacred Heart - For the Sick of the Parishes

Tuesday, September 6

7:00am - Our Lady's - Paul & Connie Carr
Angela Cerra Parsons

Wednesday, September 7

7:00am - Our Lady's - For All Victims of Abuse

Thursday, September 8

7:00am - Our Lady's - For the Poor of the Parishes

Friday, September 9

9:00am - Sacred Heart - Timothy Carroll

Saturday, September 10

9:00am - Sacred Heart - Jean Bousa

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

Peter Paul DiDomenico—4th Anniversary
Angela Cerra Parsons

4:00pm - Sacred Heart (Fr. Juan Salazar, S.J.)

Robert Begin

Sunday, September 11—24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Nancy Ferguson

9:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Dan Riley)

John Murphy

10:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)

For All Parishioners

11:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Dan Riley)

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

Ronald Lewis Cedrone
Angelo Joseph DeNucci—5th Anniversary



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Note on Masks for Confession

For health reasons, masks continue to be required during Confession for the time being.

Thank you!

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and all who have died.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS 2022

23RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Sep 4	Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14+17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33
MONDAY Sep 5	1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11
TUESDAY Sep 6	1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b/Lk 6:12-19
WEDNESDAY Sep 7	1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26
THURSDAY Sep 8	<i>Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
FRIDAY Sep 9	<i>Saint Peter Claver, Priest</i> 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42
SATURDAY Sep 10	1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49
24TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Sep 11	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17+19/ 1 Tim 1:12-17/Luke 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

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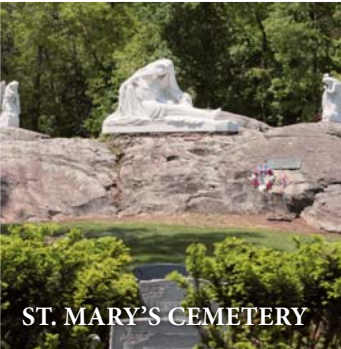


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