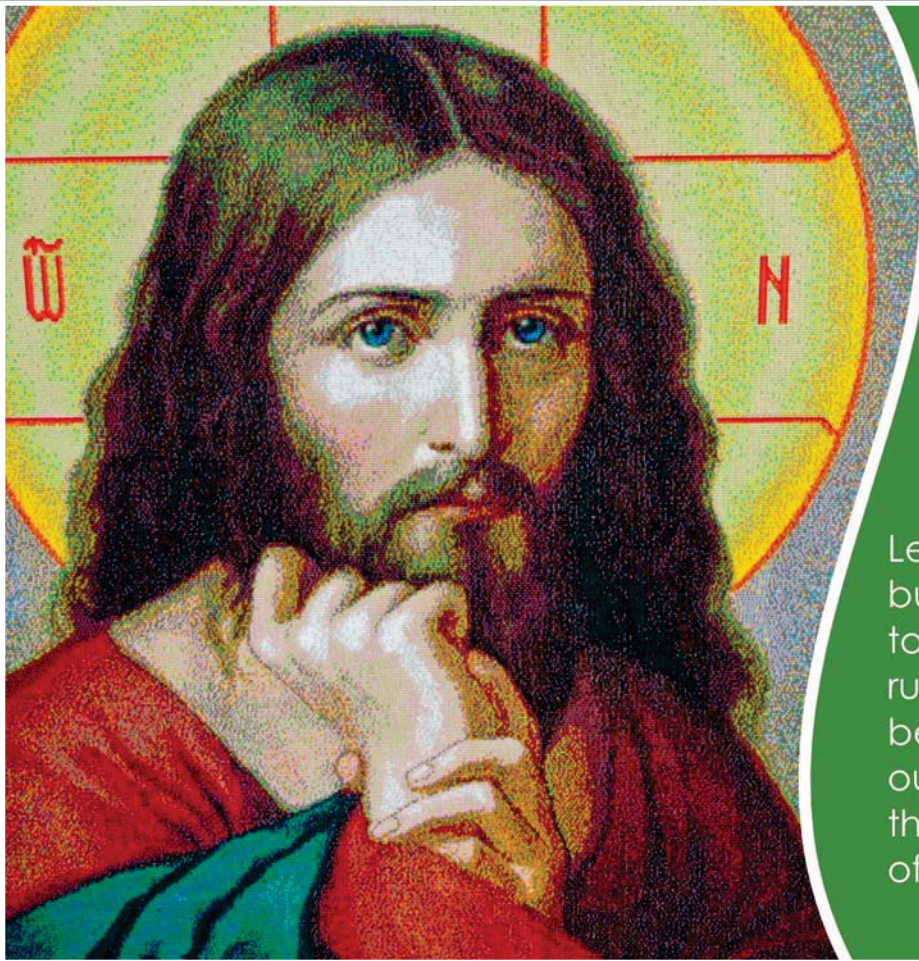


SACRED HEART & OUR LADY'S COLLABORATIVE NEWTON, MA

~ All Are Welcome ~



20TH
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. *Hebrews 12:1-2*

August 17, 2025

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From Fr. Dan, Pastor

Dear Friends,

Welcome to our church! We're glad that you could come. We're honored to share this day with you as we worship Jesus, God's risen Son. We hope that God touches your life and that you leave here with the peace of God renewed in your heart.

I am so blessed to be here at Sacred Heart and Our Lady's. You, the people, are wonderful. I especially appreciate your warmth and kindness. A smile or a kind word really lifts one up, and you are so generous with them. The staff is awesome. I love Newton. I have the best assignment. Thank you to all of you! Thank you Jesus!

I am happy that we at Sacred Heart are fixing elements of the first floor of the rectory office that have been let go. My apologies for not getting to it sooner and my thanks go the Guild, Chris Golden, Ginny, Sioux, Tom Morrison, and so many others who are so generously pitching in.

Heavenly Chords: During this summer season when the choirs are not in full operation mode, it gives us a chance to appreciate more fully all of them and to be

thankful for our tremendous year round music/liturgy coordinators – Erica and Anne Marie. In addition to being great themselves, they recruit wonderful people!

Now I want to keep thanking more people and organizations in our collaborative and realize I will accidentally leave someone out. So I will stop the written thanks now, but please now my heart is full of gratitude for you.

The Bible: A Declaration of Love. If you want to seek the essential in the Bible, then seek nothing but God's love. The Bible can teach you that even if God allows you to suffer difficulties, it happens out of love. God's love is present everywhere. Saint Augustine says that "the whole Bible can be summarized in these three words: God is love (1 Jn 4:8, 16). No matter where we open the Bible. Every page speaks about love." If you read the Bible without seeking to discover God's personal love for you, then you are not reading the Bible as God's word. God only speaks about love—he has nothing else to say. —Fr. Wilfrid Stinissen, S.J.

Love & God bless you!
Fr. Dan

New & Ongoing in Our Community

Meet Your New Pastoral Council Representatives



Mike Moroco
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After retiring, my wife Connie and I decided to move to the Boston area (everyone moves to the Northeast when they retire, don't they?). I worked in the automobile business for over 40 years, going from sales to General Manager. My Italian parents instilled in me to work hard, that I was no better than anyone else, and to treat people the way I wanted to be treated. I'm located in Newton Centre and joined Sacred Heart to continue following Christ and his teachings and works of mercy. I became a member of the choir, a Eucharistic Minister, and a member of the Knights of Columbus. It is an honor to become a member of Collaborative Pastoral Council and to continue the work of past and current councils.

Annual Friends of the Poor Walk and Silent Auction – October 5

Mark your calendars! The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's annual FOP Walk and Silent Auction will take place on October 5 at Sacred Heart. Do you have an item you'd like to donate for the exciting Silent Auction? We'd love to hear from you: svdp@sholnewton.org or 617-527-7560 x255. More info at www.sholnewton.org/FOPwalk.

Annual Mission Appeal This Weekend



This weekend, August 16 and 17, Fr. Patrick Hyland, SJ, Grace Davis, and Scott Pyzik will be visiting Sacred Heart and Our Lady's to celebrate Mass with us and share the mission of **Rostro de Cristo**. Rostro de Cristo is an international Catholic mission program founded in 1989 by Fr. Jim Ronan, a priest from the Archdiocese of Boston while serving in Ecuador as a missionary. Rostro de Cristo supports and trains young adult professionals (fellows) from the United States who dedicate a year or more to serving Haitian immigrants in Consuelo, Dominican Republic in collaboration with the Missionary Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo. In addition, Rostro de Cristo facilitates week-long mission education programs for high schools, colleges, and parishes.

Fr. Hyland, Grace, and Scott each served with Rostro de Cristo as volunteers. Fr. Hyland is now a Jesuit priest and serves on the Board of Directors. Grace Davis is a campus minister at Boston College, and Scott Pyzik works with a youth mentoring program in Boston. Funds collected in the second collection will support Rostro de Cristo's mission.

To learn more please visit: www.rostrodecristo.org.

August 17: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Later today, pause for a few minutes to read again today's readings. Who comes to mind when you hear that you are surrounded by "so great a cloud of witnesses"? Is it people from your own life that are/were pillars of faith, or someone who strived to be "Christ-like" and persevered even when faced with hardships? St. Paul urges us to be like those witnesses who persevered in faith and ran the race to eternal life by "...keeping... eyes fixed on Jesus." The baton has been passed on to us – let's fix our eyes on Jesus as we stay the course with the hope to be counted among that cloud of witnesses.

Young Adults Ministry Faith Fellowship

If you are a young adult seeking a welcoming Christian community and desiring to nourish your relationship with God, join us every first and third Thursdays of the month, 7:30-8:30pm, at the Sacred Heart Parish Office Second Floor. Our next gathering will be on August 21. Fr. Bart Geger, S.J., one of the priests assisting with liturgy in our Collaborative, will present the second part of the "Discernment of Spirits" and how we can apply it in our daily life. For further details, kindly email Leslee at lambrosio@sholnewton.org. Non-alcoholic drinks will be served. It will surely be a meaningful night of fellowship and faith sharing. We can't wait to meet you!

Young Adults Beach Picnic



Young Adults, save the date! On Saturday, August 23, 9am-5pm, we will beat the summer heat, experience the pristine waters of Crane Beach in Ipswich, and set up a picnic on its fine sand. It will surely be a day of fun, food, and fellowship. For further details, email Leslee at lambrosio@sholnewton.org or scan the QR code. See you there!

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

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

If you answered yes to any of these questions or know someone who could, check out the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)! Contact Ginny Arpino at garpino@sholnewton.org or 617-969-2248 ext. 111 if you'd like to learn more. Your first contact is in no way a commitment; Ginny 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 OCIA team will work with you, forming you in a relationship with Christ and his Church.

Pax Christi Novena Thank You

SHOL PAX Christi Newton would like to thank everyone who participated in and contributed to last week's Novena for Nuclear Disarmament, and for the ongoing support of the Collaborative and the Collaborative Staff. "Eighty years after the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and more than half a century after the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) went into effect, not only have none of the nations with nuclear weapons honored that solemn commitment, but they have increasingly moved in the opposite direction by implementing massive 'modernization' programs designed to preserve their nuclear weapons indefinitely [effectively creating a new nuclear arms race]." – Most Reverend John C. Wester, Archdiocese of Santa Fe, NM

Summer Reading - Women's Discussion Group

Are you looking for an interesting book to read for the summer? The Women's Discussion Group has selected *Cherished Belonging: The Healing Power of Love in Divided Times* by Fr. Gregory Boyle, S.J. "In a world increasingly marked by division and discord, beloved Jesuit priest Gregory Boyle offers a transformative vision of community and compassion." They will meet on Sunday, September 7, at 11:15am to discuss the book, in-person in the Sacred Heart Office and on Zoom. New members from Our Lady's and Sacred Heart are always welcome to join the group. If you have any questions, please contact Margaret LeBlanc at margaretmleblanc67@gmail.com.



Sacred Heart



Visit sholnewton.org
or scan the appropriate
QR code.
Thank you!

Our Lady's



Summer Giving: Boston Health Care for the Homeless Family Clinic Wishlist



As you know, our individual parish food drives continue year-round because hunger doesn't take a summer break. Likewise, the need continues at Boston Health Care for the Homeless Family Clinic, which is seeking basics like socks and underwear for all ages, along with toiletries. Please scan the QR code here to give via their Amazon Wishlist or email Kristina to have the link sent to you. Most items are in the \$5 to \$25 range and will ship directly to the clinic. Thank you for considering this ongoing need!

And thank you to those donors who have already contributed. The staff received a very grateful email from BHCHP last week, thanking our community for the 57 wish list items that have been purchased thus far—a huge help to those served by BHCHP.

Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

Why is Jesus our hope? Because God never gives up on us. He extends his love and mercy to those who want it, even at the eleventh hour. "At times we have the impression that we cannot find meaning for our lives: we feel useless, inadequate, just like the laborers who wait in the marketplace, waiting for someone to hire them to work." The parable of the laborers in the vineyard (Mt 20) "is a parable that gives hope, because it tells us that this landowner goes out several times to go and look for those who are waiting to give meaning to their lives...God wants to give his Kingdom, that is, full, eternal and happy life, to everyone. And this is what Jesus does with us: he does not establish rankings, he gives all of himself to those who open their hearts to him" (Pope Leo 6/4/25 Audience). You can learn more about this Jubilee Year at bit.ly/JubileeOfHope.

Catholic Appeal – "Forward in Faith"

Today we wish to recognize those who not only support our parish but also those who have made a gift or pledge to the 2025 Catholic Appeal. Because of you, lives are being transformed for the better. Our ministries are reaching out to comfort the lonely, the hungry, and the faithful. Catholic schools are shaping more young minds and hearts. Hospital Chaplains are bringing spiritual and emotional support to patients, families, and hospital staff. These are just a few ways that your support is making an impact. On behalf of those who will be served by your contributions, thank you!

Those who made a pledge to the Catholic Appeal are reminded to pay their balance in full before the end of the year. If you wish to make a payment towards your pledge online, visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. If you have any questions about your pledge or payments, please call the Catholic Appeal Office at 617-779-3700. Thank you!

If you have not had an opportunity to make a pledge or a gift this year but wish to support the ministries and services funded by the Catholic Appeal, please make a pledge online at the website above. Thank you for your support!



Msgr. Dennis Sheehan
Homily Given on August 19, 2007
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Liturgical Year C

Wait just a minute Jesus! My life is already a constant rush of chaos, business, fast-forward and non-stop. I come to church looking for a little peace and quiet consolation. I'm looking to center a bit on this Sunday morning. I'm here to get grounded, to find the stable and dependable Jesus.

If that's what you're thinking today, I'm with you. An hour in a nice safe building, the cool of air conditioning, the solace of prayer and good music.

But then there's Jesus today. "I have come to set the earth on fire..." Peace? "No, from me you get division. I'll split up families, divide homes, turn parents against children". Fire!

This, frankly, is the side of Jesus and his Gospel that I dread whenever it comes up. But here it is.... fire!

Fire can be good or bad. But good or bad, you can't ignore it. God knows that. Look at a few places where fire burned in the Scriptures.

Remember Moses and the burning bush? Moses, you recall, was a murderer on the lam from the law. Here he is in the wilderness hoping everyone has forgotten him. But God seeks him out. "Hey Moses, your people need you. I'll set you on fire and you'll set your people free." That's just what God did; he set Moses on fire. Fire can be good, and fire can be bad; but you can't ignore fire.

So Moses takes the people out in the desert. They moan and groan at the hardship. God gives them food. But God comes to them as guide...in a pillar of...you got it...fire!

The Letter to the Hebrews put it this way: "Our God is a consuming fire." A fire. You can love God, you can hate God, but you can't ignore God!

I'm sure the disciples of Jesus just wanted a little peace and security. After Jesus' resurrection, there they were together in the upper room. Maybe their pews were bolted to the floor. Maybe they were going through the familiar, comforting routine of Sabbath prayer. Then the building began to rumble, the doors swung open, and someone from somewhere yelled, "Fire!"

It was fire all right. It was the fire of God's spirit we call Pentecost. It set those sleepy disciples on fire, and they went out to cast the fire of faith on the waiting world. Fire is good, and fire is bad, but it always gets your attention. You can't ignore it.

Jesus comes to us today, looking for a few combustible followers. A real church is like a furnace. It radiates warmth and drives out chill.

What's your choice and mine in the face of all this harsh stuff? "I have come to set the world on fire." Jesus says it's not easy. People probably will react negatively if you become too much of a firebrand. There are those among us who like the cool, stable, and predictable church experience. But then we're very far indeed from the incendiary group Jesus calls us to be.

Imagine a church – here and all around the world – fired up by the Gospel. It would be a glorious sight to behold. Jesus really did come to set the world on fire.

Watch out. You're combustible.

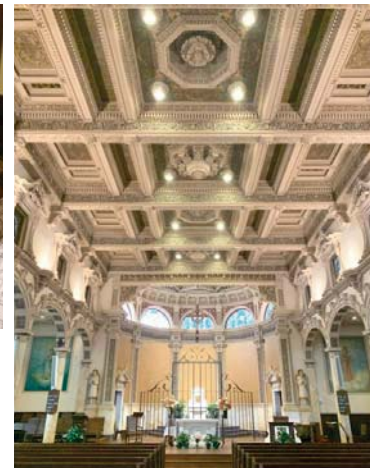


Collaborative Photo Album

Follow along on Instagram @sholnewton Scan the QR code at left to get started!



Left: presentation of the gifts at Our Lady's
Center: recent gathering of the Young Adult Ministry
Right: beautiful Sacred Heart before Mass



Beyond Our Walls



CURSILLO: An Opportunity to Deepen Your Faith

Cursillo a "short course" in Christianity. is a joyful and jam-packed three-day experience of learning, faith-sharing, praying, and having fun. The goal is to deepen your faith and strengthen your ability to bring Christ's love and grace into the world. The weekends run from Thursday evening through Sunday afternoon and are held at the Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Ipswich. The next weekend, for men, is October 2-5.

Are you curious? Send an email to Maribeth Scott at mbskis@yahoo.com, visit www.bostoncursillo.org, or check out @bostoncursillo on Instagram.

Hope for Life Conference

The Archdiocese of Boston's Pro-Life Office, in collaboration with the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth and the Men of Divine Mercy Prayer Group, are excited to invite you to this special conference as we honor the sanctity and beauty of life from the womb to the tomb and embrace the virtue of hope in all circumstances of every age and stage of life.



Saturday, October 4, 8am-4pm the TRACK at New Balance in Brighton

Mass celebrated by Boston Archbishop Richard Henning. Special guest speakers Jonathan Roumie and Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart.

For ticket information and all details, visit <https://www.hopeforlifeboston.com/> or scan the QR code here.

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

All couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, or 50th wedding anniversaries or another special milestone are invited to a celebratory Mass on Sunday, October 26, at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston. Couples will renew their marriage commitment and receive a special blessing. Family and friends are invited to attend. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/WeddingAnniversaryMass2025>. For more info, please email Emily Elliott at marriageprep@rcab.org or call 617-746-5756.

Jubilee Event in Marlborough

Talk by Immaculee Ilibagiza: Thursday, September 4, 6pm - 7:30pm. Immaculate Conception Church Building (11 Prospect St, Marlborough). This talk will be based on her best-selling book *Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust*. There will be a voluntary \$10/person donation requested. <https://www.icmarlboro.org/jubilee-2025>

Report on Survey about Nuclear Weapons

Pax Christi New England Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (PCAN) has recently published a report (read it here: <https://tinyurl.com/3cb5muus>) on its recent survey of North American Catholics for their thoughts about nuclear weapons, 80 years this month after the atomic bombings of Japan. Key findings include that nearly 85% of 900+ respondents see these weapons as an existential threat, and almost half want to abolish them. The report is being sent to the Vatican and shared widely. Thanks to each of you who took the survey. To learn more, contact SHOL Newton Pax Christi member Peter Metz at pmetz@alum.mit.edu.

Kids' Corner

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

Lord,
come to
my aid.



Learn at Mass

Watch as people receive Communion at Mass today, and pray for them as they receive Jesus.

Gospel: Jesus teaches us some hard things! God asks us to believe everything the Church teaches. Sometimes, people fight about their beliefs. If you don't know what to say about your beliefs, talk to your family or your priest so they can help you understanding the teachings of the Catholic Church. We learn about our faith at Mass, in faith formation classes, and by reading the Bible and a book called the Catechism.



Religious Education—Registration Is Open!

2025-2026 Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Religious Education



Registration for 2025-2026: Registration for the 2025-2026 school year has begun! Returning families have had information sent to them by email, and we are so eager to hear from newly-registering families who will be joining us in the fall. All information can be found online at <https://sholnewton.org/religiouseducation>.

The registration form is online at <https://forms.office.com/r/M6ZBLz1ew5> or scan the QR code here (this is one common form for all grades and both parishes).

Confirmation Age Change: Please visit <https://sholnewton.org/confirmation-age-change> to learn about how we are continuing the transition to Grade 8 Confirmation this year.

For Grades K-5: There are three in-person class options for elementary school students. At Sacred Heart, classes are Tuesdays 4:00-5:00pm. At Our Lady's, classes are Sundays 8:45-9:45am and Mondays 4:00-5:00pm. We also plan to offer one Grade 5 class during our Monday night (7:00-8:00pm) middle school class time at Our Lady's. Classes begin September 21 & 22 at Our Lady's; September 30 at Sacred Heart.

A special note for families with students in early elementary school: 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 on Sunday mornings, 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 sacramental preparation takes place in the parish rather than in school.

For Grades 6 & 7: There are two in-person class options for Grade 6 & 7 students. At Sacred Heart, classes are Tuesdays 7:00-8:00pm. At Our Lady's, classes are Mondays 7:00-8:00pm. Classes begin September 23 at Our Lady's; September 30 at Sacred Heart.

For Confirmation Preparation (typically Grades 8 & 9; older grades welcome): Classes are held at Our Lady's on Sunday evenings. Session 1 meets 4:45-5:45pm; Session 2 meets 7:00-8:00pm. The 6pm Mass is celebrated in between. Both sessions will begin on September 21.

Homeschool Option: We are happy to continue offering a homeschool option for those who need it (all grades except sacrament prep). It will again consist of weekly lessons at home, Zoom check-ins with staff, and a family volunteer service component.

Welcome and Welcome Back! We are always 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! And of course we are eager to hear from families who are new to our community. It is always a good time to draw closer to Jesus and His Church—please reach out!

Volunteers: Please consider volunteering as a catechist, assistant, or hall monitor in our Religious Education program. Training and support is available, and there is so much joy to discover in sharing faith!

Religious Ed Contact:

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Youth Ministry News

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



At the end of July, 15 of our high school youth joined together for an unforgettable climb up Mount Monadnock. The day was absolutely perfect with clear skies, cool breezes, and sunshine lighting our path. It truly felt like a gift from God!

Our theme for the hike was inspired by Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, a young saint-in-the-making who loved mountain climbing and saw it as a metaphor for the spiritual life. Like Pier Giorgio, we embraced the challenge, encouraged one another along the way, and reached the summit not just with tired legs but full hearts.

As we looked out over the breathtaking view at the summit, we were reminded of his motto: "Verso l'alto!" — "To the heights!"

May we all continue climbing toward Christ in our daily lives!

Sacred Heart News

Kids Club for August

New month, new item! This month we will be collecting low sugar cereals. Please drop your donations of in the bins in the upper church foyer, the lower elevator lobby, or the Religious Ed area by the statue. The latter two are accessible on weekdays! Thanks for continuing to support the Kids Club during these hot summer months.

Help Keep Our Flowers Beautiful!



The planters around the church and parish office have their summer flowers! Now they need a watering crew. If you can help on a weekly basis or as a fill-in when other gardeners are away, please contact Cathy Schneider at

cschneider52@comcast.net. Thank you in advance!

New Liturgical Volunteers Welcomed

Mass is the most important thing we do together as a community of faith, and we invite you to consider taking a new role in it. Whether you're new to our faith community or a longtime 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 Greeter, please get in touch with Ginny at garpino@sholnewton.org to learn more about these various roles and their importance to our parish. An email is not a commitment—just a chance to learn and talk. We hope to hear from you soon! Thank you in advance!

Mini End-of-Summer Coffee Hour

This Sunday, August 17, Sacred Heart volunteers will host a mini **End-of-Summer Coffee Hour** outside the church immediately following the 9:30am Mass. It will be a great way to send off our young parishioners who are heading off to college. We hope to see you there!

Our Lady's News

Mass Intention This Weekend

This Sunday, we pray for Father Don Enzo Venditti, who previously served at Our Lady's and who provided a lifetime of refuge to the children and communities of Brazil as a missionary priest. He began his journey to heaven on Monday, July 21, 2025. How fitting that we remember him on the same weekend we host this year's Mission Appeal! May Fr. Enzo rest in peace.

Honduras Coffee Returns!

We are happy to share that coffee from our sister parish in San Marcos, Honduras, again will be sold the weekend of September 6-7 after all the Masses at Our Lady's. This excellent, certified organic, and fair trade coffee is shade grown in the mountains around San Marcos.

You may be aware that there is currently a global coffee shortage due to several factors, chief among them climate change and natural disasters in the two largest coffee-producing countries (Brazil and Vietnam). Because of the current high prices of coffee, Dean's Beans, our organic roasting company,



has had to raise its rates for roasting, which is a substantial part of the cost of premium coffee. We need to pass on part of this cost hike to our customers, so that the coffee farmers can continue to get a good return for their hard work. Our new price will go up \$1 to be \$13 per pound, still a bargain.

If you would like to order ahead, please email barbara.allaire@gmail.com, with your cell phone, number of bags of ground or whole bean you want, and the Mass after which you will pick it up. Many thanks from the farmers, and enjoy this delicious coffee!

Caring for Altar Linens – Volunteer Needed

This invisible but essential ministry is conducted quietly behind the scenes, primarily in participants' homes. All linens and towels used at Masses and all other Liturgical celebrations are washed and ironed each week. Volunteers pick up the linens on Monday of the week they are scheduled and return them by the end of the week. Guidelines are provided for the care of the linens. Frequency of service depends on the number of participants but is generally about once a month. If you are looking for a way to serve the Parish in your home, this may be your calling. For more information, please contact Chris Graf at cmg829@comcast.net.



August Freedge Collection

In August, we are collecting **individually-wrapped "healthyish" snacks**—things like granola/cereal bars, raisins and dried fruit, individual fruit cups and pouches, trail mixes, popcorn, pretzels, and so on for the Newton Food Pantry Freedge. Donations can be dropped in the bin by the St. Patrick statue in the church (this is on the parking lot side of the church building, under the stairs that go up to the main church). Thank you for your ongoing generosity, most especially for all the peanut butter and jelly in July!

Our Collaborative



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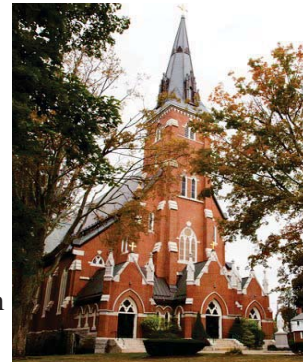
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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil

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

Sunday

8:00am Our Lady's
9:30am Sacred Heart (livestreamed at sholnewton.org)
10:00am Our Lady's
11:30am Sacred Heart
6:00pm Our Lady's

Weekdays except for Legal Holidays

Mon & Tue: 7:00am Our Lady's
Fri & Sat: 9:00am Sacred Heart

Holy Days of Obligation

7:00am Our Lady's
9:00am Sacred Heart
12:00pm Our Lady's
7:00pm Sacred Heart

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 2:45-3:30pm

Month of August: Sacred Heart
Lower Church
Month of September: Our Lady's
Lower Church
and alternating months

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Fr. Frank Silva

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. Please also notify us of hospitalizations, so that we may be of help.

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.

Sacraments of Initiation: For adults interested in Baptism, Confirmation, or joining the Catholic Church, please contact Ginny Arpino; for high school Confirmation 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 in group celebrations 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. Contact Maria Rosen to learn more.

Are You in Need? If you need assistance with housing, clothing or food, please contact our Saint Vincent de Paul Conference, at svdp@sholnewton.org or 617-527-7560 ext. 255. All calls are confidential.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Priests' schedule is subject to change

Saturday, August 16

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

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

For All Parishioners

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

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Sunday, August 17—20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Father Enzo Venditti

Michelina and Santino Belli and Robert G. Duffy

Mary & Carmen Maiullo

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

Dr. Pablo Leonardo—1st Anniversary

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

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11:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Patrick Hyland, S.J.)

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6:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Patrick Hyland, S.J.)

Father Enzo Venditti

Joseph Proia Sr. & Mary Proia

Larry, Jean, Rocco & Joseph Proia Jr.

Monday, August 18

7:00am - Our Lady's - Communion Service Only

Tuesday, August 19

7:00am - Our Lady's - Joseph Cottone—16th Anniversary

Wednesday, August 20

No Daily Mass on Wednesdays

Thursday, August 21

No Daily Mass on Thursdays

Friday, August 22

9:00am - Sacred Heart - For All Parishioners

Saturday, August 23

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

4:00pm - Our Lady's (Fr. Kevin Deeley)

Lucy A. Barisano

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Michael & Nellie Ryder

Sunday, August 24—21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Our Lady's (Fr. Frank Silva)

Mildred Bradley—1st Anniversary

Robert "Bobby" Braunewell

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9:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)

Doris McParland

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11:30am - Sacred Heart (Fr. Bart Geger, S.J.)

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SUNDAY Aug 17	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53
MONDAY Aug 18	Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab+44/Mt 19:16-22
TUESDAY Aug 19	Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30
WEDNESDAY Aug 20	Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16
THURSDAY Aug 21	Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mt 22:1-14
FRIDAY Aug 22	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40
SATURDAY Aug 23	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12
SUNDAY Aug 24	Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

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