

Today's Readings are on: 1077 Ordinary of the Mass begins on Page 166 Scripture for the week of May 5, 2018

Sunday, May 6th
Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/ Jn 15:9-17

Monday, May 7th
Acts 16:11-15/ Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday, May 8th
Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday, May 9th
Acts 17:15,22—18:1/ Jn 16:12-15

Thursday, May 10th ~ Ascension of the Lord
Acts 1:1-11/ Eph 1:17-23/ Mk 16:15-20

Friday, May 11th
Acts 18:9-18 / Jn 16:23-23

Saturday, May 12th
Acts 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday, May 13th

Music

Acts 1:15-17,20a,20c-26/ 1 Jn 4:11-16/ Jn 17:11b-19

Mass Parts ~ Mass of Creation #193, #334, #298, #200, #202 **Gathering** ~ **#808** We Come With Joy

Responsorial Psalm ~ Psalm 98
"The Lord comes to the earth to rule the earth
with justice"

Presentation of Gifts ~ #708
Set Your Heart On The Higher Gifts
Communion ~ #943
Pan de Vida
Sending Forth ~ #641
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

59 Cottage St., Sharon, MA

May 6, 2018

Mass Schedule:

Weekends:
Saturday
at 4:30 PM
Sunday
at 7:30, 8:45 & 11 AM
Week Days:
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
at 9:00 AM
SUMMER WEEKEND MASSES
BEGINNING JUNE 30TH
Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Parish Office Hours:

Monday -Friday

9 AM to Noon & 1 PM to 4 PM

To Contact Us:

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Mass Intentions for the Week:

May 5th at 4:30 PM: Anthony Piscitello May 6th at 7:30 AM: Father O'Donnell May 6th at 8:45 AM: Carroll Dunham May 9th at 9 AM: Joanne M. Bowler

PASTOR'S DESK

"REJOICE AND EXULT"

Pope Francis in his letter on holiness reminds us that: "Holiness, then, is not swooning in mystic rapture." He quotes St John Paul II: "If we truly start out anew from the contemplation of Christ, we must learn to see him especially in the faces of those with whom he himself wished to be identified." The "Great Criterion" Francis says is the gospel admonition to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the sick and visit those in prison. "Our Lord made it very clear that holiness cannot be understood or lived apart from these demands, for mercy is the "beating heart of the gospel."

At the same time he warns against a layering of the church in intellect and will by unmooring those God given gifts from the presence in us of Christ with his gift of charity and love and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. Pope Benedict XVI was a great champion of the view that faith and reason are allies, not enemies, inasmuch as they join hands to lead us to a deeper love and appreciation of God and all his gifts. In fact, many of the Church's great theologians were also its great saints.

Pope Francis warns against a view of charity that in essence sees the Church as just another NGO. We Christians are motivated not just by the idea of charity but by the very indwelling of it as a gift from the Savior who chooses to take up residence in our hearts. As such it has a benefit to all that goes beyond the limits of our efforts. As the ancient hymn reminds us: "Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est." "Where there is charity and love, there is God."

Francis then goes on to consider the beatitudes which he finds an attractive message but acknowledges that: "...the world pushes us toward another way of living." He entitles the section on the beatitudes "Going Against The Flow." He repeats each of the beatitudes and emphasizes their obvious connection to holiness and then concludes each with a statement,

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven Being poor of heart: that is holiness.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth Reacting with meekness and humility: that is holiness

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted *Knowing how to mourn with others: that is holiness*

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled *Hungering and thirsting for righteousness: that is holiness*

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy Seeing and acting with mercy: that is holiness

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God Keeping a heart free of all that tarnishes love: that is holiness

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God Sowing peace all around us: that is holiness

ACCEPTING DAILY THE PATH OF THE GOSPEL, EVEN THOUGH IT MAY CAUSE US PROBLEMS: THAT IS HOLINESS

Fr. Frank

Weekly Collection April 29, 2018

The average cost to run the parish is \$9,800 per week. Our expectation is that 70% or \$7,100 will come from the weekly offertory. Parishioners contributed \$6,413 for the week ending April 29th.

Recent Happenings at OLOS



Last Wednesday more than 40 senior parishioners attended a luncheon with Sister Rosemary leading a discussion regarding Growing Older Gracefully. Old and new friends enjoyed the time together and the sharing about their journey of aging.



Close to 80 people enjoyed the Annual Bullock Lecture last Sunday at OLOS. Margot Stern Strom shared her work with Fr. Bullock and Facing History and Ourselves and the work that the organization has done.

Prayers for the Sick

Michael Ivancich, Ramona Rosario, Vincent & Jo Chiodo, Anita DeGallo, Francis & Gert DiLoreto, Anthony Venti, Donna Prado, Ruth & Ralph Fretts, Judy Manuel, Judy Grenier, Carol Baggeroer, Marty Johnson, Ashley Kane, Louise Methot, Alissa Porcaro, Mark Kincaid, Susan Middlebrook, Terry

Prayers for the Deceased

Robert Parilla, Jr., Ellen Laurie, Ricardo Balarezo, Paul Baro, Lawrence Russell, Kathleen Minerva, Helen Drake, Joseph & Kathryn Driscoll, Jean Santos

Attention graduates and families of graduates!

We want to acknowledge and celebrate all our graduates this spring. Please e-mail the names of parishioners who are graduating from high school or college, along with the date of graduation (if not Sharon High School) to Teresa Coda (tcoda@olossharon.org). For college graduates, please also send the name of the school and the degree awarded.

Catholic Appeal Update

The 2018 Catholic Appeal campaign is well underway at OLOS. So far, we have raised \$20,891 toward our parish goal of \$33,201. Thank you to all who already have participated. Your generosity will benefit hundreds of pastoral, charitable, and educational programs at work within the Archdiocese of Boston. OLOS benefits directly with programs such as marriage preparation for our engaged couples and providing human resource needs for our Parish priest and staff. With \$12,310 left to raise, we need the participation of every parishioner. If you have yet to participate in this year's Catholic Appeal, please pledge online at bostoncatholicappeal.org.

Sharon Interfaith Action Coffee Hour -- May 20th, 9:45 a.m. O'Connell Hall

Sharon Interfaith Action

"Catholic social teaching is a central and essential element of our faith. Its roots are in the Hebrew prophets who announced God's special love for the poor and called God's people to a covenant of love and justice." (US Conference of Bishops)

In the fall representatives from Sharon Interfaith Action joined us to talk about their vision for bringing people from different faith communities together to work on issues of social justice. Several members of the OLOS community joined the core group and have been engaged in training with the Brockton Interfaith Community

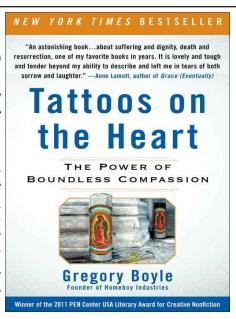
on faith based community organizing. Join us for Coffee Hour on May 20th as we hear from Joanne Michalek, Claire Ramsbottom, and Jane Vigeant talk about the training, the work in which this group is engaged and opportunities to get involved.

OLOS Book Group

The next OLOS Book Group meeting will be on Sunday, May 20th at 2:00 p.m. in the Bullock Center.

<u>All are welcome.</u> We will be discussing *Tattoos on the Heart, by Gregory Boyle, S.J. Please come ready to discuss the book. If you have any questions, be in touch with Teresa Coda* (<u>tcoda@olossharon.org</u>).

About the book: For twenty years, Gregory Boyle, a Jesuit Priest has run Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention program located in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles, the gang capital of the world. In Tattoos on the Heart, he distills his experience working in the ghetto into a breathtaking series of parables inspired by faith. Arranged by theme and filled with sparkling humor and glowing generosity, these essays about universal kinship and redemption are moving examples of the power of unconditional love and the importance of fighting despair. Gorgeous and uplifting, Tattoos on the Heart reminds us that no life is less valuable than another.





Volunteer at the Special Olympics

On Sunday, May 20, 2018, youth and adults in the parish will have the opportunity to volunteer at the Special Olympics Milton Track & Field Competition Academy. We will meet as a group in the Bullock Center at 7:45 a.m. and travel together to Milton. Parents can plan to pick-up their children at 4:00 p.m. in the Bullock Center. Many volunteers are needed to make this event happen, and we especially need adult chaperones/drivers. To sign up, visit the service page of the parish website (www.olossharon.org). For more information about this event please contact Teresa Coda at tcoda@olossharon.org. Thank You!

Presentation on Palliative Care

Palliative Care is often misunderstood, sometimes thought to be exclusively for people who are receiving hospice care at the end of their lives. It is a comprehensive approach to caring for those with serious illness from the moment of their diagnosis. Palliative Care is a way for people to live better with serious illness that is entirely consistent with Catholic teaching, continuing the holistic healing ministry of Jesus Christ.

Come hear a presentation and join in a discussion on Monday, May 7th at 6 PM in Ward Hall at St. Sebastian School. This gathering is sponsored by the Needham parishes of St. Bartholomew and St. Joseph and presented by the Initiative for Palliative Care and Advance Care Planning of the Archdiocese of Boston.

Please RSVP at 781-444-0245 or shorne@saintjoes.com for refreshment planning purposes.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: A Prayer Celebration for Families, **Sunday**, **June 10**, **N. Easton**, for the historic celebration of Pope Francis' decree recognizing Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., as Venerable and another step closer to sainthood. Day will consist of Eucharistic Procession, Rosary Prayer, and the Holy Mass. **Volunteers needed for hospitality, parking, logistics, etc.** The Father Peyton Center, 518 Washington St., N. Easton, MA 02356. Please call Ashley at 508-238-4095 for more information or to sign up. May God bless you for sharing your gifts of time and talent. Find our event on www.Facebook.com/FamilyRosary.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"This I command you: love one another." Learn how to love your spouse as Christ asks by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are May 19-20, 2018 in WARNER, NH and Jun 9-10, 2018 in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them https://wwmema.org/.

Save the Date ~ 14th Annual Fr. Bullock Run, Walk, Shuffle

This year's event will take place on **Sunday**, **June 10**. With a kid's race, a 2 mile walk and a 5 km run, there is something for every fitness level. The kid's race kicks things off at **5:30 PM**, with the other distances following at **5:45 PM**. The first 150 to register will receive a commemorative T-Shirt. Register on-line at www.signmeup.com/123571. Sponsors and volunteers can go to www.fatherbullockcharityrace.com.

From Senior Deacon Mike

On the sixth Sunday in Easter, we approach the 40th day of Easter. On May 10, we will celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord.

In the 1st reading today, in the Acts of the Apostles, Peter confronts the question of belonging and becoming disciples of Christ. "...Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." In our day, as dialogue exists about people belonging or not, consider this understanding of Peter.

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Sacraments

We welcome those seeking the sacraments of the Church. For information on celebrating the other sacraments, please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

Saturday ~ 3:45 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday ~ 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

The Rosary

Fridays after the 9 AM Mass

Bible Study:

Wednesday at 10 AM in O'Connell Hall . All are Welcome!

Connecting

If you are housebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, if you are in need of prayer or if you need assistance from our community, please call the Parish Office or send us an email. We want to hear from you.

Contact Us:

We welcome your ideas and involvement. Please contact us. We also invite you to visit and contribute to our prayer book in the back of the church.

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Our Vision

We welcome all to our community as we celebrate and explore our Catholic faith. We embrace the unique religious composition of Sharon. We proclaim the Risen Lord who gathers us as a community. We pursue open dialogue as we follow the teachings of Jesus Christ through lifelong learning and faith formation. We practice and promote social justice that affirms the Dignity of every human being. We call upon the grace and talents of all parishioners to strengthen our living church.

Please visit our full Vision Statement at our website.

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Welcome to Our Lady of Sorrows Parish. We encourage all our parishioners who worship with us to register. Our registry is a vital source of connection we use to communicate and build community. Please call the Parish office at 781-784-2265, or return this form to the Parish Office via the collection basket, mail, or in person. Thank you. Name:			
Street Address:Email:	Town:	Zip:	