

Today's Readings are on: 1024 Scripture for the week of March 24, 2019 Sunday, March 24th Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 Monday, March 25th Is 7:10-14,8:10 / Heb 10:4-10 / Lk 1:26-38 Tuesday, March 26th Dn 3:25, 34-43 / Mt 18:21-35 Wednesday, March 27th Dt 4:1, 5-9 / Mt 5:17-19 Thursday, March 28th Jer 7:23-28 / Lk 11:14-23 Friday, March 29th Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34 Saturday, March 30th Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14 Sunday, March 31st Jos 5-9a, 10-12 / 2 Cor 5:17-21 / Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Music

Mass Parts: #169, #343, #179, #181, #183, #185

Gathering

#479 — Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

Responsorial Psalm #103

"The Lord is kind and merciful."

Gifts

#640— There Is A Balm In Gilead

Communion

#945 – Bread Of Life

Sending Forth

#644 – There's A Wideness In God's Mercy

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

59 Cottage St., Sharon, MA

March 24, 2019

Mass Schedule:

Sunday Masses:

Saturday

at 4:30 PM

Sunday

at 7:30, 8:45 & 11 AM

Week Days:

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

at 9:00 AM

Join Us After The 8:45 AM Mass in O'Connell Hall For Coffee Hour

Christian Service Commission will be making cards for Wingate during Coffee Hour

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday

9 AM to 4 PM

To Contact Us:

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parish@olossharon.org

Mass Intentions

March 27th at 9 AM:

Kaelan Tate Reddy

March 28th at 9 AM:

Jeremiah Daly

March 29th at 9 AM:

Dave Johnson

March 30th at 4:30 PM:

Helen & Sherman Drake

PASTOR'S DESK

Given the deep and long-lasting impact of the clergy sex abuse scandal, we rightly want to see additional steps taken as soon as possible that assure us that this will never happen again. We must, of course, continue to pay attention to the needs of the victims of these horrible crimes. We need to bring to bear the energy of the entire community of faith to address the systems and cultural issues that have allowed this to happen. We need to shore up our faith in Jesus Christ recognizing that it is fundamental to our identity, to who we are as believers.

In addition to these immediate steps, however, we also need to think in the longer term to develop understandings and a theology that become the basis of forming and affirming priests for the 21st century.

Thus it should be no surprise that renewed examination of the theology and role of the priest should be part of the agenda of correction as well.

On Thursday, March 14, I attended a forum on this topic at Boston College sponsored by the BC School of Theology and Ministry. The discussion focused on a two year project by a team of ten including laypeople and priests that resulted in a paper entitled: "To Serve the People of God: Renewing the Conversation on Priesthood and Ministry." Intended as a framework, the work seeks to initiate a conversation among us, to flesh out, if you will, ministry in our Church for the future.

Briefly, the paper sets out five areas of consideration for the formation and ministry of priests. The priests:

as preacher

as leader of worship and prayer

as collaborative leader

as public representative of the Church

as practitioner of pastoral charity

It goes on to talk about shaping the future by identifying desirable qualities in candidates for the priest-hood by:

Emphasizing a life of self giving

Discouraging a piety that neglects engagement with the world

Involving the laity in the formation of priests

Promoting an identity formed by being part of a shared mission

Fostering openness to the future – Hope

The paper is available at https://www.bc.edu/priesthood. I'd be interested in any feedback. After all it is not a final word. It is intended to initiate a most important conversation.

DISCIPLES IN MISSION

Disciples in Mission is the name for the Archdiocesan New Evangelization Program. Revitalizing parishes through fostering collaboratives and pastoral planning are its major efforts.

Here at OLOS, we have been doing that pastoral planning and have prepared a first draft of a three year pastoral plan. Many of you gave us substantial input by participating in that process through a survey and focus groups.

Next weekend, March 30/March 31, the Archdiocese will ask you to fill out a simple survey card with your views on this process. Look for the cards in the pews. Thank you.

~ Fr. Frank



Weekly Collection Mar. 17, 2019

The average cost to run the parish is \$9,800 per week. Our expectation is that 70% or \$6,926 will come from

the weekly offertory. Parishioners contributed \$6,094 for the week ending March 17, 2019.

Thursday Evenings During Lent

March 28th at 7:30 PM ~ Evening Prayer

April 4th at 7:30 PM ~ CRS Solidarity Prayer

Walk: A self-guided meditation using photography and written reflection. The service will invite participants to pray in a special way for our brothers and sisters in need around the world.

<u>April 11th at 7:30 PM</u> ~ Parish Reconciliation Service

OLOS Festival Children's Choir and Ensemble

The OLOS Festival Children's Choir will be back for Palm Sunday (April 14) and Easter(April 21) 8:45 Masses. This year, the OLOS Festival Ensemble will join us in the great Easter celebration. Children from all ages will be welcomed. If you want to sing in the children's choir, please come to the following rehearsals:

March 27 (Wed) at 3:30 PM April 3 (Wed) at 3:30 PM April 7 (Sun) at 12 PM April 13 (Sat) at 5:30 PM

If you are interested in playing in the festival ensemble, please contact **Elizabeth Catalano** (ecatalanomusic@gmail.com), or our music director **Daesik Cha** (dcha@olossharon.org).

Prayers for the Sick

Anita DeGallo, Francis & Gert DiLoreto, Donna Prado, Ruth & Ralph Fretts, Judy Manuel, Susan Middlebrook, Terry, Jose Rosario, Ivan Cichmichael, Nadia Darwisch, Alissa Porcaro, Claire Solari, Barbara "Bonnie" Grady, Joan Nesse, Chris Delgallo, Harry Gilmore, Cynthia, Brandt Henderson, Chris Delgallo, Carlos Aguilera, Miriam Regan, Haydee Hurtarty

Prayers for the Deceased

Adrienne Newell, Ramona Rosario, Paul Baro, George Russell, Lawrence Russell, Mary Mobilia, Nancy Baldasarre, Judy Grenier, Florence Shulenburg, Elaine Jaillet, Sean McCann, Raymond Jaillet, Consuela Brossard, Gertrude Sullivan, Michael Minerva, Michael Minerva Jr., Robert Parilla, Robert Parilla Jr., Marty Johnson, Mary Ellen Bonfigilio, Leonard Donovan, Kathleen Condon, Kathleen Minerva, Kathleen Earley, Jody Thomas, Paul Salemi, Frank Cuneo, Paul Nascenzi, Joan Tate

Easter Flowers

There are envelopes in the back of the church to donate funds for the flowers to decorate the church at Easter. You can make your donation in honor or memory of a loved one. Their name(s) will appear in the bulletin on Easter weekend. Please be sure to write names clearly so that they will appear correctly in bulletin. Deadline is April 15th

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Is your marriage bearing fruit? Don't wait until it is too late; make time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr 13-14, 2019 in Brewster, MA and Jun 8-9, 2019 in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at https://wwwmema.org/.



From Senior Deacon Mike

On the Third Sunday in Lent, the 1st reading is the familiar story when Moses encounters God at the 'Burning Bush'. The conversation ..

Moses said to God, "But when I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' if they ask me, 'What is his name?' what am I to tell them?" God replied, "I am who am."

Then he added "This is what you shall tell the Israelites:

Then he added, "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you."

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OLOS

Book Group

All are welcome to join the OLOS Book Group, which meets from 2-3:00 PM in the Bullock Center on the following Sundays. Please come ready to discuss the book each month.



April 28, 2019:

The World will be Saved by Beauty, Kate Hennessy

Easter Basket Service Project

Looking for a fun Lenten service project to do with your family?

The Christian Services Commission is looking for your help again this year with the Easter Basket Service Project. We are seeking people/families willing to make Easter baskets for the children living at Evelyn House, a temporary home for displaced families in Stoughton. If you would like to help, please choose an Easter egg from the Giving Tree in the alcove the weekend of March 23-24, and put together an Easter basket appropriate for the age and gender indicated on the egg. Suggestions for the baskets are candy, toys, socks, books, coloring books, or art supplies. Please leave the baskets under the Giving Tree in the alcove by April 7th, at the latest, so that we may get them over to Evelyn House before Easter. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann LaHive at malahive@verizon.net.

Prepare and Serve a Meal at The Table:

On Saturday, April 6th, high school students and adults are invited to prepare and serve a meal for approximately 100+ people at The Table at Father Bill's & Mainspring House in Brockton. We will meet as a group in the Bullock Center at 9:15 a.m. and travel together to The Table. We will return to OLOS at approximately 2:30/2:45p.m. To sign-up visit www.olossharon.org/service-opportunities and click the sign up link where the Table opportunity is listed.

Coffee Hour Presentation on April 7th ~ Dr. Joe Favazza on Reconciliation

Join us after the 8:45 AM Mass in O'Connell Hall.

At the heart of our Catholic tradition are the experiences of forgiveness and reconciliation. But these terms are not interchangeable. This presentation will explore the essential moments in the dual process of forgiveness and reconciliation. We will use a short, first person account of how one man learned to forgive to guide us as we explore the great challenge Matthew 18:21-22: "Then Peter, approaching, asked Jesus, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'

Dr. Joseph Favazza moved to Sharon in July, 2005, and is the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Stonehill College. Joe holds a Ph.D. (Religious Studies) from the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium. He has published and presented widely on issues related to forgiveness and reconciliation including cross-cultural practices of social reconciliation and the development of Catholic theology and practice of reconciliation. Books he has written and/or edited include *The Order of Penitents: Historical Roots and Pastoral Future, Removing the Barriers: The Practice of Reconciliation;* and *A Reconciliation Sourcebook*. Joe, his wife Paddy, and their family are members of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

Mark Your Calendars

Spring Cleaning of the Church & O'Connell Hall

Saturday, April 6th from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Volunteers needed. Lunch will be provided.

Decorate the Church for Easter Vigil and Sunday Mass

Saturday, April 20th from 10 AM to 12PM. Volunteers needed. Coffee and goodies provided.

Annual Bullock Lecture

Saturday, April 27th after the 4:30PM Mass (Rev. Frank Clooney, SJ will be the guest speaker)



Fr. Scott Euvrard's 25th Anniversary

Among the priests of the Archdiocese celebrating their 25th Anniversary of Ordination this year is Fr. Scott Euvrard, our former pastor here at OLOS.

Fr. Scott is now pastor of Holy Family parish in Amesbury, MA. Our congratulations to Fr. Scott and thanks for his many years of faithful service here with us.

There will be an observance in Amesbury on May 17, 2019.

CRS Rice Bowls - Stories of Hope and tragedy along Our Lenten Journey

CRS Responds:

On March 15, the strongest cyclone to hit Mozambique in almost 20 years has left more than one hundred people dead and thousands displaced from their homes. Prior to the cyclone, extreme weather events had flooded farm land, affecting more than 100,000 farmers that depend on their land as their main source of income and food. "Tropical Cyclone Idai makes an already dangerous situation even more serious...We are concerned about the possibility of disease outbreaks as sanitation conditions deteriorate," said Erica Dahl-Bredine, CRS' country representative for Lesotho and Mozambique. CRS, in collaboration with the local church and government, is there to assess the situation and provide emergency aid. Read more: https://www.crs.org/media-center/news-release/catholic-relief-services-responds-tropical-cyclone-idai-mozambique

Stories of Hope: Christyan in Sri Lanka

Christyan DhathCroos is from a farming village in Sri Lanka, but he spent half of his life in India. He and his family fled there during Sri Lanka's civil war when he was only 14 years old. When he returned 16 years later, Christyan was 30, and the family farm was in shambles. Now with a wife and family to provide for, Christyan needed help.

For a refugee, returning home after so many years can be challenging. That's why CRS is helping Christyan and others like him rebuild their lives. That means helping to clear overgrown farmland and ensuring those farms have access to water. Christyan is now growing rice, pumpkin and peanuts. Because of CRS, Christyan can give his family things he never had.

Things like education. Because his family was always fleeing violence during the war, Christyan never completed school. "I want to make sure my three children are educated," he says. "That's my dream. No one in our family has finished their education, but I know my children will."

Opportunity for you:

Prepare the meal Coconut Dhal found in the Rice Bowls calends and read more about Christyan and his family at https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-3.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH 59 Cottage St, Sharon MA 02067

Sacraments

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

Baptism

4th Sunday of Each Month

Reconciliation.

Saturday at 3:45 PM or by appointment

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.

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!

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.

Parish Office: 781-784-2265. Web: <u>www.olossharon.org</u> Email: parish@olossharon.org

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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Jim Spoto ~ Chair

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:	