



# Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

59 Cottage St., Sharon, MA

March 1, 2020

## 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

To Contact Us:

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Pastor:

Rev. Francis J. Daly

## Mass Intentions

February 29th at 4:30 PM

Janice M. Daly

Today's Readings are on : 1016

*Scripture for the week of March 1, 2020*

**Sunday, March 1st**

Gn 2:7-9;3:1-7 / Rom 5:12-19 / Mt 4:1-11

**Monday, March 2nd**

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 / Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday, March 3rd**

Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday, March 4th**

Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday, March 5th**

Est C: 12,14-16,23-25 / Mt 7:7-12

**Friday, March 6th**

Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday, March 7th**

Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48

**Sunday, March 8th**

Gn 12:1-4a/ 2 Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9

## Music

*Mass Parts: #343, #179, #180B, #183, #185*

### **Gathering**

#481 ~ The Glory Of These Forty Days

### **Responsorial Psalm 51**

"Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned."

### **Gifts**

#486 ~ Deep Within

### **Communion**

#950 ~ Take And Eat

### **Sending Forth**

#596 ~ Praise To You, O Christ,  
Our Savior

## PASTOR'S DESK

### PIETA

I have just finished reading a book called "A Pilgrimage to Eternity" by Timothy Egan. It is a chronicle of his travel along what is called the "Francigena Way" A Pilgrimage from Canterbury to Rome: In Search of a Faith.

As he passes through the town of Carrara, Egan muses on Michaelangelo. Carrara provided much of Michaelangelo's marble. But when Egan and apparently Michaelangelo get to specifics, they give special attention to the Pieta and of necessity to Mary, the patron of our parish under the title "Our Lady of Sorrows."

"Michaelangelo's brilliance was seeing emotion in hard rock, a moment in marble. Every block of stone "has a statue inside it, and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it" Egan wrote. He goes on "...my favorite is the Pieta, cut from a shank Michaelangelo called the "most perfect" he had ever worked on. In his hands, a marble chunk was transformed into a grieving mother holding a dead child, all life gone from the body of the slain Christ. Jesus is never more human than in his mortality. He is not God. He's not king of the Jews or the Messiah. He's Mary's boy, flesh without soul, gone. The Pieta captures a duty that no mother ever wants -- to put a son into a tomb... It is the only piece ever signed by Michaelangelo. He was twenty-four when he sculpted it." OUR LADY OF SORROWS PRAY FOR US.

### FLU AND CORONAVIRUS

Each year, the Archdiocese advises us of prudent steps to consider in the light of "Flu" season and this year we anticipated that advice by a week. I feel it is appropriate to pay reasonable attention to the recent advice from the CDC about the Coronavirus and to be prepared to take steps if it becomes necessary.

The traditional practice of receiving communion on the tongue has some remote potential of being problematic if the priest or the Eucharistic minister and the communicant aren't careful. We have not asked people to refrain from this practice in previous flu seasons, primarily because a very small number of folks receive in this way. Given the current flu landscape augmented by the advice of both the CDC and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health about coronavirus, I think it is prudent to ask folks to receive communion only in the hand for the time being. Please be assured that we respect and honor your practice as one you find reverential and that we will welcome you to return to it after these public health advisories pass.

We are blessed to have quite a few medical doctors among our parishioners. I have already reached out to one for advice and direction and would welcome input from any other especially but not only if infectious disease is your area of expertise.

~ Fr. Frank



### **Weekly Collection ~ Feb. 23, 2020**

The average cost to run the parish is \$9,800 per week. Our expectation is that 70% or \$6,860 will come from the weekly offertory. Parishioners contributed \$5,637 for the week ending February 23, 2020. Thank you.

### **Prayers For The Deceased**

Cynthia Corrado, Paul Baro, Angelina Alden, Claire Severa

### **Prayers For The Sick**

Sheila Cope, Jerry Baro, Gus Spano



## **Thursdays at 7:30 PM During Lent**

**March 5th ~ Solidarity Prayer Walk**

**March 12th ~ Evening Prayer**

**March 19th ~ Lenten Prayer Service**

**March 26th ~ Parish Communal  
Reconciliation Service**

**April 2nd ~ Seven Last Words of Christ**

From Senior Deacon Mike:

With Ash Wednesday, we have entered the season of Lent for the year 2020 in cycle 'A' of the Liturgical year. Note that the vestment colors are purple until Holy Week and the proclamation of the 'Alleluia' is omitted until the Easter Vigil.

These forty days are our solemn time during which we pray, fast, and share our life with others in service to the Lord.

## Coffee Hour Presentation ~ Courage and Compassion

When we pay attention to world news, to what is happening in our nation, and to the Gospel, it is clear that we are called to show **compassion** and to be **courageous** in speaking up. How can we be people of **courage** and **compassion** today?

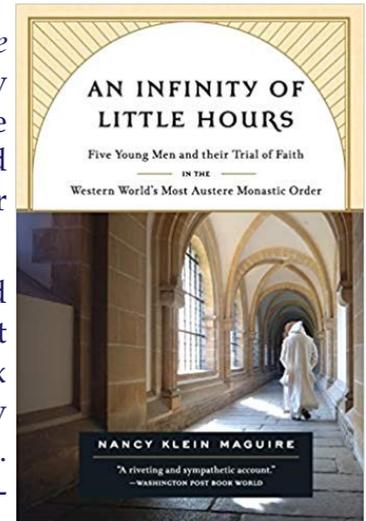
Sr. Rosemary Mulvihill, CSJ will address these themes at an Adult Faith Formation talk on **Sunday, March 15th during Coffee Hour.**

*A co-founder of Sacred Threads, Sr. Rosemary brings a background in education, pastoral care, and counseling. She has worked in Campus Ministry and has a great interest in Women's Spirituality and a special concern for those who are searching, struggling or feeling on the fringes of their faith communities. Rosemary is a well-known friend and guide to many OLOS members. Her talk is sure to be thought-provoking and relevant.*

## Special OLOS Book Group Gathering

On March 22, the OLOS Book Group will discuss *An Infinity of Little Hours*, by Nancy Klein Maguire. *An Infinity of Little Hours* is a uniquely intimate portrait of the most rigorous and ascetic monastic order in the Western world: the Carthusians. This is the story of five young men and their five-year journey into a society virtually unchanged in its behavior and lifestyle since its foundation in 1084.

The book group will be joined by Jeff Bloechl, an OLOS parishioner and professor of philosophy and theology at Boston College who has taught at the Carthusian monastery in Vermont regularly for the past six years. In addition to discussing the book, we will have the opportunity to hear some of Jeff's impressions of and experiences at the monastery. All are welcome to partake in what will certainly be a fascinating conversation in the Bullock Center from 2-3 PM on Sunday, March 22.



## One on the Journey: A Solidarity Prayer Walk **Thursday, March 5th at 7:30 PM** **in The Church**

*There is One Body and One Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling. (Ephesians 4:4)*

One on the Journey, A Solidarity Prayer Walk, invites you to a special experience of prayer, solidarity, and kinship. The Solidarity Prayer Walk is a spiritual journey into the heart of our deepest selves and back out into this world with a greater understanding of who we are and who we are called to be. Using photography and written reflection, this self-guided meditation invites you into the heart of which we are - One body in Christ - and to pray in a special way with and for our sisters and brothers around the world. Take time to open your heart, listen to the Spirit, and allow yourself to be lovingly drawn along on the path of discipleship.

## Children's Choir



The Children's Choir and Youth Ensemble will be performing at the 8:45 Mass on Sunday, March 8. All are invited to come hear our children lead us as we sing, praise and thank God.

## Prepare and Serve a Meal at The Table

On Saturday, April 4, 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 AM and travel together to The Table. We will return to OLOS at approximately 2:30/2:45 PM. To sign-up visit [www.olossharon.org/service-opportunities](http://www.olossharon.org/service-opportunities) and click the sign up link where the Table opportunity is listed.



## UPCOMING EVENTS ~ Mark Your Calendars

Spring Cleaning of the Church and O'Connell Hall  
Saturday, March 28th at 9 AM

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Decorating The Church for Easter  
Saturday, April 11th  
at 10 AM

**WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR FURTHER DETAILS**



# OLOS Open House and St. Patrick's Day Celebration



Saturday, March 14, 2020

6:30 - 9:00 PM

OLOS Rectory



Come see the rectory renovations and meet fellow parishioners.

Sponsored by the parish staff and the PPC

Babysitting provided by the Youth Commission - no charge, donations accepted



WEDNESDAY  
APRIL 1, 12-2 PM  
BULLOCK CENTER

4/1 is an early-release day at SHS.  
Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP:  
[tcoda@olossharon.org](mailto:tcoda@olossharon.org)

## COLLEGE DISCERNMENT DAY

COME LEARN ABOUT AND  
PRACTICE THE SPIRITUAL  
ART OF DISCERNMENT AS  
YOU CONSIDER YOUR  
COLLEGE CHOICES AND  
YOUR FUTURE.

All high school seniors are welcome!



*Save the Date!*

## 2020 Vision A Women's Retreat

Saturday, May 16, 2020

10:30 - 4:00 p.m.

O'Connell Hall

*More information to come!*

March 1, 2020

# RICE BOWL 2020

## Lent Week One: Meet Three Girls Impacted by Your Donations

Welcome to CRS Rice Bowl 2020. This year, CRS will lead us on a journey around the world to meet three girls and their families. Each week, we will learn more about each girl and how our donation to Rice Bowl helps them and their families.

Your generosity puts nutritious food on their tables and helps those lead healthier lives. As Jesus teaches us in the Gospel story of the loaves and the fishes, your small offering can feed many, and what may seem like a little, can actually be a lot. Refer to Mk 6:34-44

Please read the introduction to the three girls we will journey with this Lent. As you read about each girl and her family, think about what you might have in common with them and what more you want to learn about them. Look at the map to see where each of them lives.



***Me llamo Maria Ana ~My name is Maria Ana.***

Maria Ana is 16 years old. Serious and kind, she lives with her parents, four brothers and one sister in Honduras, a country in Central America. Her village, El Pinal, is surrounded by hills. Maria Ana speaks Spanish.

***Tên tôi là Nguyễn Thị Trinh ~ My name is Trinh.***

Trinh is a hard-working, energetic 12-year-old. She lives in the farming community of Binh Dao, located outside of the city of Hoi An, Vietnam with her parents, two older brothers and younger sister. Her country is in Southeast Asia and is surrounded on three sides by water. Trinh speaks Vietnamese.



***Jina langu ni Yvone ~ My name is Yvone.***

Ambitious and intelligent, Yvone is 11 years old. She lives with her grandparents, her aunt, three siblings and three cousins in Konjiko, a village in Kenya. Her community is located near Lake Victoria, the largest lake in Africa. The village is also close to the Equator, so it is very hot there. Yvone and her family speak Kiswahili and English.

This is where each of them lives in the world:



## FAST FACTS ON FOOD WASTE

### WHY SHOULD WE FAST FROM WASTING FOOD?

- Approximately 1/3 of food produced is wasted across the global food supply chain in one year. Around 40% is wasted in the United States annually. ([Yale Climate Connections](#))
- Food waste is responsible for 8% of global greenhouse gas emissions annually. ([U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization](#))
- If food waste were a country, it would come in third after the United States and China in terms of impact on global warming. ([World Resources Institute](#))
- Food waste that decomposes in landfills releases methane, a greenhouse gas that is at least 28 times more potent than carbon dioxide. ([The Washington Post](#))
- 94% of food thrown away in the U.S. ends up in the landfill. ([United States Environmental Protection Agency](#))
- Global food waste is not equal. 95-115 kg a year is wasted in Europe and North America, while in sub-Saharan Africa, south and south-eastern Asia, consumers throw away only 6-11 kg a year. ([Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations](#))
- Currently, enough food is being grown to feed every person, but more than 821 million people remain undernourished through a lack of equitable distribution and food waste. According to the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), enough food could be preserved to feed 2 billion people by reversing this trend. That's more than twice the number of undernourished people across the globe. ([World Food Program USA](#))
- As a result of the 1.3 billion tons of food wasted every year worldwide, 45 trillion gallons of water are also wasted. This is 24 percent of all water used for agriculture. When we throw food in the trash, we're throwing away all of the resources that went into growing, harvesting, packaging, and shipping the food such as water, gasoline, land, and pesticides. ([NPR](#))
- "We know that approximately a third of all food produced is discarded, and 'whenever food is thrown out it is as if it were stolen from the table of the poor.'" *Laudato Si' 50*
- Food waste is an issue with a big impact on carbon emissions that is within your control. We may not be able to directly influence energy or industry in our daily lives, but we have the power to avoid food waste three times a day.



# 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 the Bullock Center  
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.

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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.

### **Staff:**

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Rev. Kevin Spicer, C.S.C.

### **Parish Pastoral Council:**

John Glancy ~ Co-Chair

### **Parish Finance Council:**

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: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_