

May 15, 2022

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"I give you a new
commandment: love one
another. As I have loved
you, so you also should
love one another."

John 13:34

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

59 Cottage St., Sharon, MA

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

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Pastor:

Rev. Francis J. Daly

PASTOR'S DESK

PARTING

A sure sign of departure is the drudgery, the chore of packing. I'm in the process of that now but it's not so burdensome, mainly books and clothes. In any case, as I go about this, many thoughts occur to me. I think of a retired priest acquaintance who said recently that he thinks that being a parish priest and pastor is one of the best jobs there is. I agree. I think of one of my favorite sayings which I heard one day while surfing cable channels. It came from the lead singer of a Canadian singing group whose name I don't remember. Totally out of the blue before he started singing, he quoted his father:

The moment of meeting
Is the beginning of parting
But
The moment of parting
Is the beginning of meeting again

I'm fond of using this at funerals but I think it is an appropriate thought on any occasion of parting. To be sure, it is something of a secular paraphrase, if you will, of Jesus' promise that "And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself that where I am you may be also."

We are siblings of the savior and thus of each other. This moment of parting holds the promise of meeting again.

NOW TO SOMETHING MORE MUNDANE

You may have noticed the dumpster behind the church. The basement of the church has been accumulating "stuff" for many years. In addition, most of it has a dirt floor. The moisture that produces is not good for the building.

We are in the process of cleaning it out and thus the dumpster. In addition, we are installing a moisture barrier around the walls. We will level the floor with crushed stone, install a similar moisture barrier and complete it with poured concrete.

In the short term, this will free up and clean up storage space. In the long term, it will protect an old and sacred building from further barrage by the kind of moisture that is certainly not good for it.

We are most grateful for a substantial donation from long-time parishioners who wish to remain anonymous. Their generosity has enabled us to accomplish this work and work done recently inside the church. Bless them.

~Fr. Frank



Weekly Offertory

The average cost to run the parish is \$8,500 per week. Our expectation is that 70% or \$6,802 will come from the weekly offertory. Parishioners contributed \$ 6,111 for the week ending **May 8, 2022**. Thank you.



Prayers for the Sick and Deceased

Sick: David Bowlby

Deceased: Michelle Ziegler Bennett, Mary Carolyn Barrett, Maureen Lappen, Elizabeth Wood, Barbie Walsh, Janet Keaney, Kevin Murray, Thomas Cleveland

Weekend Readings

1st Reading: Acts 14:21-27

2nd Reading: Revelations 21:1-5a

Gospel: John 13:31-33a,34-35

Music

Mass Parts ~ #193, 334, 198, 200, 202, 204

Gathering ~ #850

All Are Welcome

Responsorial Psalm 145 ~ #195

"I will praise your name for ever, my King and my God"

Presentation of Gifts ~ #699

God Is Love

Communion ~ #943

Bread of Life from Heaven

Sending Forth ~ #766

City of God

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

"By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Congratulations to the First Communion Candidates:



Congratulations to the twenty-six Faith Formation students who will be receiving the sacrament of the Eucharist for the very first time during the month of May. Please join us as we welcome these children to the Table of the Lord.

Claudia Belizaire Georges, Tate Hollenbeck, Daniel Belizaire Georges, Daniel Lizcano, Sage Caggiano, Andrew Mahoney, Isabella Carr, Farlin Mahoney, Domenic Casano, Quinn Olson, Christina Chen, Leah Rosenkranz, Roger Cifuentes Martín-Goula, Anna Sofia Sanchez Verkkonen, Michael Cullen, Rosa Amelia Sanchez Verkkonen, Caroline Dera-ney, Adelaide Seaquist, Rory Ford, Joel Thomas, Wanjiru Gachanju, Peyton Olivia Woodward, Gideon Hall, Grace Wright, Avi Harma, Jackson Wright

Prayer for our Confirmandi

Please keep in your prayers the members of our Confirmation class who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday. We pray that our young people continue to be open to the gift of the Holy Spirit in their lives and that the Holy Spirit continues to guide them all the days of their lives:

Charles Bielawa, Patrick Blaney, Christopher Cabral, Karianna Cabral,

Ty Cheney, Ian Dorich, Jordan Dunbar, Patrick Dykeman, Aidan

Garcia, Jason Godfrey, Aiden Healea, Thomas Keaney, Evangeline

LaFond, Keira Lydeard, Connor Madden, Joshua Morrisette, William

O'Leary, Matthew O'Shea, Abigail Riordan, James Spoto and Emily Whitney.



"The possessing of nuclear weapons is immoral." Pope Francis



A World Without Nuclear Weapons

The Humanitarian and Moral Imperative

Sunday, May 15, 7:30–9:00 pm
on Zoom

Featured Speaker: Dr. Ira Helfand
With Archbishop John Wester

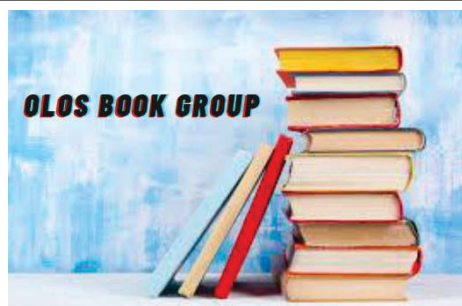
Nuclear war is unthinkable. Yet Russia's war in Ukraine is reawakening alarm about the potential use of nuclear weapons. This online event will address the consequences of nuclear weapons, the global efforts to prevent their use, why we as people of conscience need to be involved, and what we actually can do to help rid the world of this threat.

Ira Helfand MD is the immediate past president of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW), which won the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize, and is the cofounder and past president of Physicians for Social Responsibility, IPPNW's US affiliate. He is on the steering committee of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), which won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2017.

John C. Wester is the Archbishop of Santa Fe, NM, where nuclear weapons were, and are still being, developed. In January 2022, he wrote a pastoral letter, "Living in the Light of Christ's Peace: A Conversation Toward Nuclear Disarmament."

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The next meeting of the OLOS Book Group is scheduled for Sunday, May 22 from 2-3 p.m. We will discuss *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption* by Bryan Stevenson. The Book Group continues to meet one Sunday afternoon a month to discuss books that broadly deal with spiritual or religious themes. At present, we meet through video/conference call.

From Amazon.com's review of *Just Mercy*:



"Bryan Stevenson was a young lawyer when he founded the Equal Justice Initiative, a legal practice dedicated to defending those most desperate and in need: the poor, the wrongly condemned, and women and children trapped in the farthest reaches of our criminal justice system. One of his first cases was that of Walter McMillian, a young man who was sentenced to die for a notorious murder he insisted he didn't commit. The case drew Bryan into a tangle of conspiracy, political machination, and legal brinksmanship—and transformed his understanding of mercy and justice forever.

Just Mercy is at once an unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice."

If you are interested in participating in the discussion, please email Monica LaFond at mlafond@olosharon.org for the link to Zoom.

Continental Breakfast Item Donations Needed for MainSpring House

We are collecting continental breakfast items for donation to the MainSpring House in Brockton, which provides shelter and meals to homeless men, women and children. We need muffins, bagels, cereal in individual serving containers, yogurt in single servings, bread and juice. Donations should be dropped off in the Bullock Center anytime Monday, May 30 or before noon on Tuesday, May 31. Please <https://tinyurl.com/bdd34cwt> to sign up.

A parishioner is looking to rent a room or be a roommate for a couple of months. If you or anyone you know is interested please contact the parish at 781-784-2265 or parish@olosharon.org.



Care Kit Collection

Christian Services Commission is collecting Personal and Family Care Kits containing essential toiletries for women, men and families living in a temporary home. The Care Kits are for Evelyn House, a temporary shelter for displaced families in Stoughton and for H.U.G.S. (Help Us Get Safe) via the Sharon Police Department May 7-22, 2022 Return kits to totes in the church by the side bookcase Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/2p87ra3d> or on the parish website.

Personal Care Kit will include:

travel-size • shampoo & conditioner • toothbrush & toothpaste • hand/body lotion • soap • personal size tissue in a quart size plastic bag.

Family Care Kit will include:

family size • shampoo & conditioner • toothpaste • bar of soap • hand/body moisturizer (unscented) in a one gallon plastic bag.

Questions? contact Michelle Davenport mdavenport2121@gmail.com

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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.

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.

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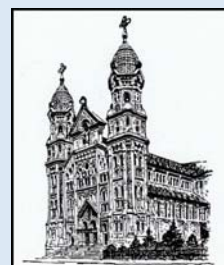


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