

February 4, 2024

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

59 Cottage St., Sharon, MA

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30, 8:45 & 11 AM

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday

7 AM & 9 AM

Thursday & Friday

9 AM

Adoration

*Friday after the 9 AM Mass
Benediction at Noon*

To Contact Us:

Parish: 781-784-2265

Website: www.olossharon.org

Parish Email:

parish@olossharon.org

Pastor: Rev. John Chen



*Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

*Jesus cured many who were sick
with various diseases, and He
drove out many demons.*

Mark 1:34

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

Adoration

Friday at 9:30 AM to Noon

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.

Staff:

Rev. John Chen, Pastor

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Parish Pastoral Council:

Pastor

Parish Finance Council:

Jim Spoto ~ Chair



Weekly Offertory

The average cost to run the parish is \$9,600 per week. Our expectation is that 73% or \$6,980 will come from the weekly offertory. Parishioners contributed \$5,398 for the week ending

January 28, 2024. Thank you.

Weekend Readings

Weekly Readings ~ 1105

1st Reading: Job 7:1-4,6-7

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 3rd at 4:30 PM

Daniel Mackie

Thursday, February 8th at 9 AM

Alan Camps

Friday, February 9th at 9 AM

DeAnton Family

Funeral Masses

None Scheduled At This Time

Mass Intentions Welcome

Memorial Masses can be scheduled for a weekend or weekday Mass except for Holy Days of Obligation and Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Easter Vigil and Easter Day. The suggested offering for a Memorial Mass is \$10. Please call the office at 781-784-2265 for assistance.

Publication of PPC and other Commission minutes

Our parish councils and commissions are meeting regularly. Check out the parish website (olossharon.org) for the latest meeting minutes from the Parish Pastoral Council and the Christian Services Commission. To get involved, contact the parish office at parish@olossharon.org. We welcome your participation!



*Please pray for those in need of our prayers,
that God's healing and comforting presence
will be with them.*

Sick:

Mike Methot, Lauren Nagobabs, Owen Devlin, Douglas Devlin, Jeanne Bruner, Joe Kurtzer, Kathleen O'Brien, Eden Glover, Sarah Pasternack, Pamela D'Arcy, Marie D'Arcy, Joseph Swartz, Earlene Shannon, Colleen Viscarro, Brooklyn Terlaje, Michael Connelly

Deceased:

Edward Connors, Francis Fox, Paula Pariseau, Edith Isidro Chan, James Delaney, Augustus "Gus" Spano, Robert Reilly, Thomas Cleveland, Kevin Kinney, Arthur St Germain

Music

Mass Parts

#261-262-263-266-267-269

Gathering ~ #712

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Responsorial Psalm ~ Psalm 147

"Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, who heals
the brokenhearted."

Offertory ~ #692

The Lord Is Near

11AM Mass: "I Lift My Eyes" by Bob Chilcott

Communion ~ #943

Bread of Life from Heaven

Sending Forth ~ #459

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



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Children of the Light

On Saturday, January 27, twenty-three OLOS Faith Formation students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. We thank Fr. John, Fr. Kevin, and Fr. Jim, our music director Daesik Cha, and our cantor Carla Guenette for making our Reconciliation Service a joyous celebration of God's forgiveness.



2024 Reconciliation Altar Quilt



Our cantor Carla Guenette



Sabrina and Thomas led our
Examination of Conscience



Fr. John, Fr. Kevin, and Fr. Jim
Our confessors



OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Save the Dates for our Lenten Programs

More information to come.



ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Mass: 7 AM, 9 AM, and 7:30 PM

Distribution of Ashes: 4-5 PM

TUESDAYS DURING LENT

Reconciliation from 7-8 PM

"The Light is on for You"

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

The Older Brother

in the Parable of the Prodigal Son

A Lenten Talk with Joe Favazza at 7 PM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Catholic Relief Services Dinner at 6 PM and

Prayer Walk at 7:30 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

Reconciliation Service at 7 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

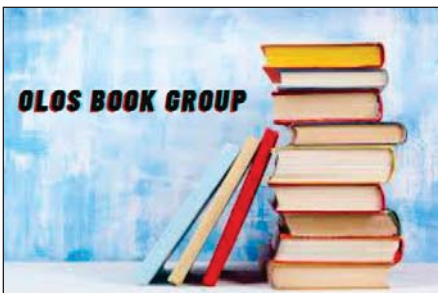
Lenten Evening Prayer at 7 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

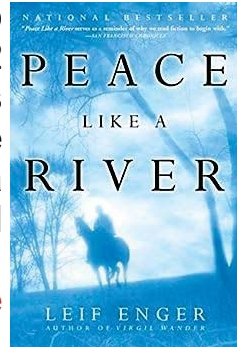
Synodality at the Parish Level

A Lenten Talk with Fr. John Predmore at 7 PM

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The next meeting of the OLOS Book Group is scheduled for Sunday, February 25 from 2 -3 p.m. We will meet via Zoom to discuss **Peace Like a River** by Leif Enger. The Book Group meets one Sunday afternoon a month to discuss books that broadly deal with spiritual or religious themes.



For the Zoom link for the meeting, please contact Monica LaFond at mlafond@olossharon.org.

Upcoming books on our reading list include:

March 17, 2024 (**note new date**)- Home Made: A Story of Grief, Groceries, Showing Up—and What We Make When We Make Dinner by Liz Hauck

April 28, 2024 - Dirtbag, Massachusetts: A Confessional by Isaac Fitzgerald

May 19, 2024 - Holy Longing: The Search for a Christian Spirituality by Ron Rolheiser

June 23, 2024 - The Way of Trust and Love: A Retreat Guided by St Therese of Lisieux by Fr. Jacques Philippe

Lenten *Small Communities of Faith*

*This Lent, join us for one hour a week
of meaningful conversation in small groups of 8-12 people.*

*Lent is a time of prayer, reflection, and
conversion.*

*Come connect with old friends and meet new
ones while you make a six-week retreat
exploring the Sunday readings of Lent.*

To join a group
or to sign up to
facilitate a group,
contact
Monica LaFond
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OUR LADY OF SORROWS
ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Continue the Conversation

with Fr. Frank Clooney and Kathleen Crawford

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11
O'CONNELL HALL
AFTER THE 8:45 AM MASS
(APPROXIMATELY 9:45 AM)

*Join us over coffee for further conversation about the
Mass readings and homily.*

February 4, 2024

Middle School Socials: Chaperones Needed!

URGENT *The revival of youth nights is in your hands!*

Please consider volunteering for one or more youth nights.



Future Dates:

December 15
January 12
February 9
March 15
April 26

To sign up, visit the parish website.
Under Youth Ministry, click link to chaperone.

Any questions, contact Tzipora Stessman at tstessman@oloss Sharon.org

Please join us for a conversation on **"Lenten Traditions in Family Life"** on Sunday, February 11, from 9:45 - 10:45am in the Cottage Street School cafeteria. All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.



Breakfast Donations 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 before Tuesday, February 27th at noon. Visit the parish website to sign up.

Holiday Cards for Seniors

Help us let our senior neighbors know we are thinking of them! We are extending a simple cheerful message to those in our parish and surrounding communities during the Winter and Spring seasons. These cards will be colored during faith formation Sunday coffee hours in February and March. We will have a table set up with printed cards, stickers, markers, and crayons for all to create and decorate. We need two people to attend and help with the activity. Please contact Tzipora Stessman (781-784-2265) for more information.

Community Cares: Help for the New Families

There is an urgent need for volunteer drivers on Thursday, February 8 so that the New Families can attend a workshop about immigration law.

Driving shifts would happen between 9 and 10:20 am and again between 1 and 2:20 pm and would involve shuttling families from the hotel to the Unitarian Church (probably 3 round trips in the morning and again in the afternoon).

To volunteer, please send an email to Hana Berman at rileyspt5@yahoo.com. Please state which shifts you can do and how many passengers will fit in your car. Please note that there will also be young children with car seats.



Soup Collection

for Ilse Marks Food Pantry in
Stoughton serving Sharon &
Stoughton

Feb 10-11, 2024

Drop **SOUP** off in the church alcove
OR on the altar during the
offertory at weekend Mass

Thank you!

The Christian Services Commission
Questions? Contact Ginny Devlin
rnginny63@gmail.com





Roy Scott
Big Band



An Evening of Music & Dancing

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024 • 7:30-10 PM

**Come dance to Big Band sounds at
"Jazzy Valentine" on February 10**

The twelfth annual "Jazzy Valentine" evening of music and dancing will kick off at 7:30 pm on Saturday, February 10 in the Golden Lion Ballroom at the Sons of Italy Reception Hall, 120 Quarry Street in Quincy. Come dance the night away to jazz tunes by the Roy Scott Big Band.

The Roy Scott Big Band features eighteen dedicated musicians including our own Tom Lucci. Admission is \$20 per person. The doors open at 7 pm, and the music is live from 7:30-10 pm. For more information, go to sharonbands.org/jazzyvalentine.

**OLOS
Tropical
Middle School Social**

**Friday, February 9, 2024
7:00 pm - 9:00pm
O'Connell Hall**



Middle school social nights are a safe place for young people to be with their friends and enjoy music, free pizza and snacks, games and activities.

Grades 6-8 invited!

Bring a friend, non OLOS members are welcome!

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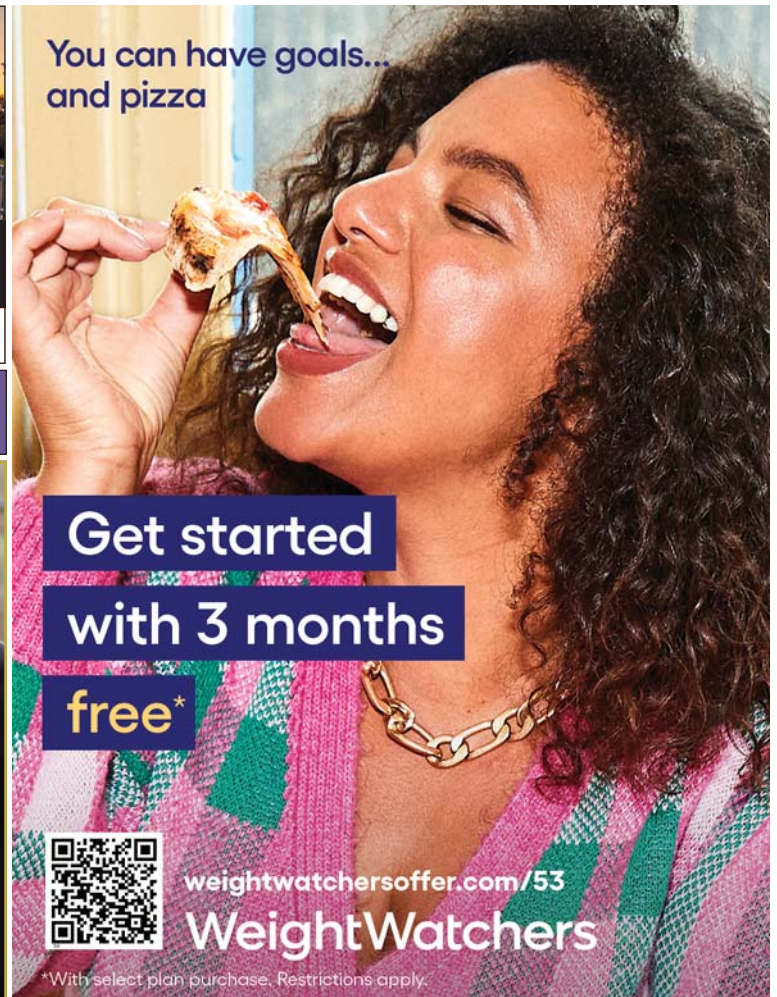
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