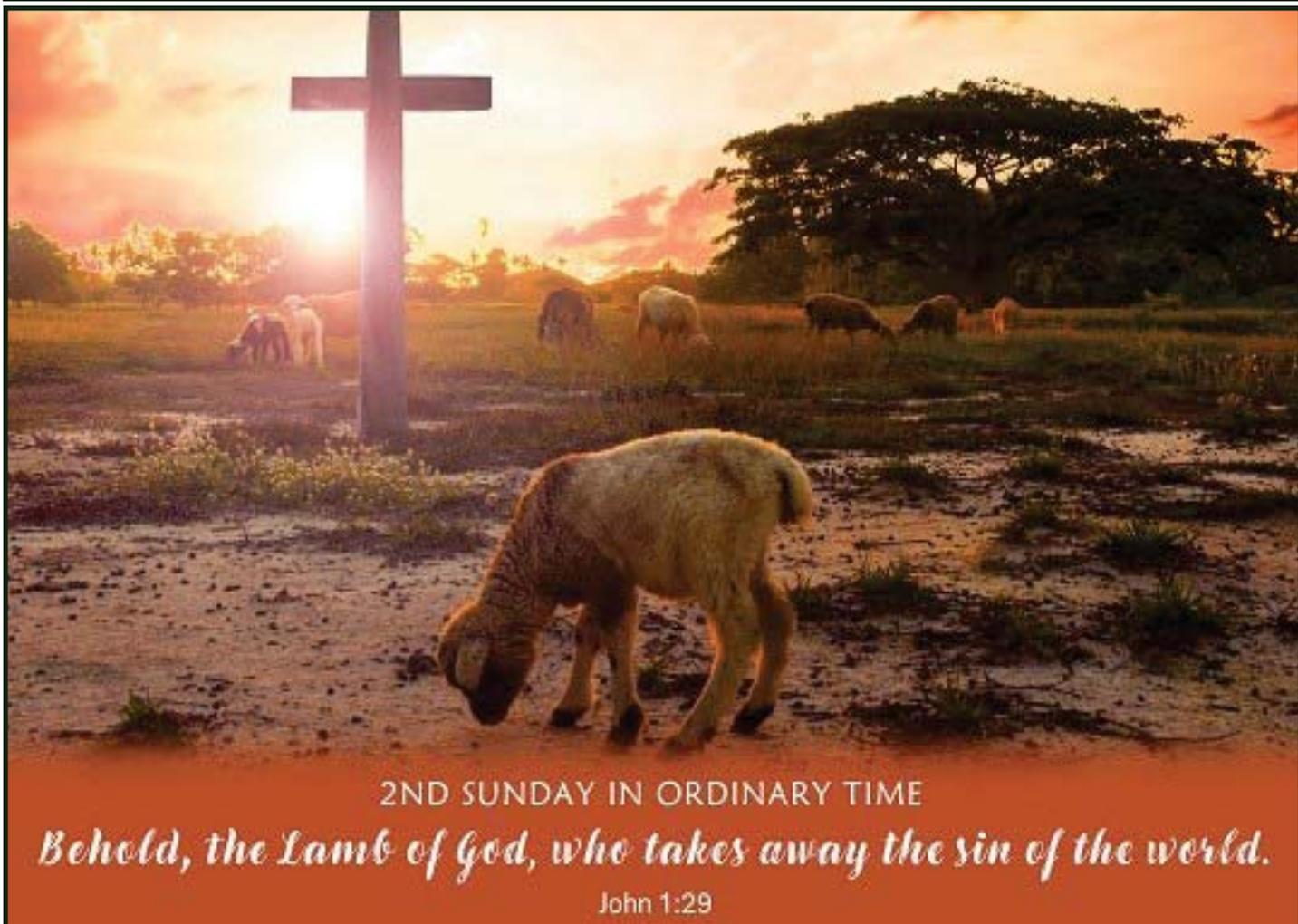




January 18, 2026  
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Catholic Church  
59 Cottage St., Sharon, MA



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.*

John 1:29

## Mass Schedule

### Fall/Winter Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30, 8:45 & 11 AM

### Weekday Masses:

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
7 & 9 AM

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Parish Email:

[parish@olossharon.org](mailto:parish@olossharon.org)

Pastor: Rev. John Chen

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday  
8 AM to Noon  
Tuesday & Friday

### 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!

To register with the parish, please go to [olossharon.org](http://olossharon.org)

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### PARISH FINANCIAL NEWS



On average, it costs **\$12,100** per week to run the parish. There are two sources for this amount: the Grand Annual Campaign and the weekly offertory. Last week's offertory amount was **\$8,462**, inclusive of the average weekly electronic giving of \$4,000. We are pleased to report that over half of the weekly offertory is given electronically. Thank you to all who contributed.

For those of you who are not contributing at this time but would like to begin and for those of you who are able to increase your amount, there are two easy ways to donate:

- 1. If you have online banking, you can set up Our Lady of Sorrows as a regular "payee." While this is not an electronic funds transfer (we still get a paper check directly from your bank), it does allow you to make regular gifts to the offertory on a weekly or a monthly basis.*
- 2. You can also support OLOS on a regular basis by going to [www.weshare.com](http://www.weshare.com) and setting up an account for a regular automatic gift.*

### Grand Annual Campaign

In the midst of all that is going on in this world, our parish community is realizing the great mission our Lord Jesus entrusted to us: to make known the Kingdom of God and to be the light of this world. Our renewed faith has borne the fruit of vibrancy in our church family this past year.

As of Tuesday, January 13, 152 families have contributed and we are 79% of our goal. Those of you that have generously donated, thank you. If you have not yet given to this year's campaign please prayerfully consider helping us reach our goal.

Thank you and God bless,

**2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

## WEEKEND READINGS #1095

1st Reading ~ Isaiah 49:3,5-6

2nd Reading ~ 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Gospel ~ John 1:29-34

## MUSIC

*Holy, Memorial Acclamation, Amen, Lamb of God:  
See Worship Aid*

Gathering ~ #777

Here I Am, Lord

Gloria ~ #207

Responsorial Psalm 40

"Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Gospel Acclamation ~ #336

*Gospel Verse: The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. To those who accepted him, He gave power to become children of God.*

Offertory ~ #590

Christ, Be Our Light

Communion ~ #790

The Summons

Sending Forth ~ #592

We Are The Light of the World

## 2nd Collection Next Weekend for the Church in Latin America

Next week's 2nd collection supports the Church in Latin America. It provides support for pastoral projects in financially poorer dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. Funds are used for programs: catechetical, lay leadership, youth ministry, evangelization and formation for religious, priests and deacons. CLA makes it possible for the Catholic faith help people in the western hemisphere. For more information please visit

[www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/latinamerica/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/latinamerica/index.cfm)



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

Sick

Gene Ellis, Miguel Lizaso, Jean Romero Torres, Peter Co, Sharon Chase, James Yu, Marie Henderson, Rizal Tan, Kyra Samson, Maria Teresa C. Chong, Jennie Platteis, Earlene Shannon, Homer Gotia, Ruben P. Velano, Jean Sullivan, Joseph Mason, Ralph Ciampa, Alicia Bambrick, Mary Tracey-Walsh, Claudette Erbe Stirewalt, Rick Curtis, Ruby Romero, Weiss Libao, Rose Corteza, Sarah Glover, Effie Mehdizadeh, Danny Catindig, Perry Stevens, Rick Woodward, Eileen Hamilton, Pamela d'Arcy, Dan Arguimbau, Aaron Michael, Lily Lim, Jacinto Chong, Renato Carlos, Eden Glover, Rosemary Madnick, Michael Connelly, Lauren Nagobabs

Deceased

Anne L. Cosgrove, Ariel Nazer Bermudez, Irma L. Corona, William "Bill" Kelly, Eleanor Davidson, Kirk Reeve, Wilfredo Chua, Marie Cuneo, Michael F. Parilla, John Matthew Parker, Lindsey Callahan Hepper, William E. Conroy, Anna Stella, Robert F. Zeigler, Jacquelyn Warner, Lovina Malapas, Helen Howley, Denise Jacobsen, Bob Rodecker, Sandy Baum, Harper Moyski, Fletcher Merkel, Dr. James LaHive, Patricia Ann Zirglis Gesualdi, Teodora Jardio, Lorenzo Sumulong Jr., Rosita Caro Isidro, Rina Bentejado, Susanne Osberg, Doris Parasella, Claire M. Matthews, Teresa Aclan Tigno, David Costa, Mary O'Dwyer, Ruth Adjorlolo, Brunilda Delgado Padilla, Michelle LaFond, Nicholas Geragotelis, Braun Levi, Sheila Connors-Grove, Margaret ("Peggy") Fuchs, Milagros Velayo Tecson, Frances Siy Cong Bieng, Joseph L. Kurtzer, Kathleen C. Payson, Alma Roche

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 25th at 8:45 AM  
In Memory of Jennifer Boyle

Wednesday, January 28th at 9 AM  
In Memory of Brittany Poesy

## FUNERALS

Friday, January 23rd at 10 AM  
Anne L. Cosgrove

Saturday, February 14th at 11 AM  
Irma L. Corona

## Pastor's Note

Friends,

The Latin phrase "*Mens Sana in Corpore Sano*" ("a healthy mind in a healthy body") has been inscribed in my brain for about forty years. Although the meaning of the saying has changed over the centuries, such as, "What man is happy? He who has a health body, a resourceful mind and a docile nature" (Thales of Miletus), I am convinced that we should use both mind and body, gifts from God no matter what their condition, to serve God and His people as long as we are alive. Physical illness and external miseries can never be good excuses for doing otherwise.

*"Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord"* (Ps 122:1) has been my life's motto since I answered God's call to be a priest. I have always naively thought—and still think—that God will take care of me as long as I try to do HIS will (or at least I try to think that way). Has God really taken care of me? The answer is "yes, absolutely." In God's own way, HE led me through valleys of pain, suffering and near-death moments, and helped me understand Jesus' way of life of going toward the CROSS by preaching, accompanying and inspiring the people with the Good News of God's Kingdom. His inspiring words became His testimony: "*When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself*" (John 12:32). Jesus did not hold grudges against His enemies; instead, HE loved them and offered them forgiveness because they did not know what they were doing.

I mentioned in last week's note (from Sunday the 11th) that despite the tiredness I have felt during these past festival celebrations I have still rejoiced. I was terribly sick physically during the Advent season. I experienced terrible pains on the left side of my body: the fingers of my left-hand became stiff and rigid; my arm got infected; my left shoulder and then my right shoulder suffered pains. Certainly, I consumed quite a few pain relief pills. Twice, I experienced chest pains like the ones I had about fifteen years ago.

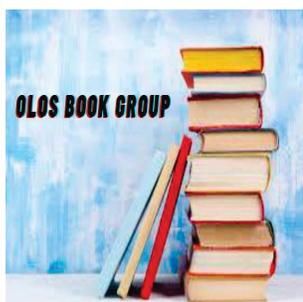
Friends, Psalm 77 prays "*I cry aloud to God, aloud to God, that he may hear me. In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord; in the night my hand is stretched out without wearying; my soul refuses to be comforted*" (2-3). *The prayers of some good parishioners of OLOS help me greatly, and my previously accumulated experiences helped me in time.* I am still alive and well. I am still rejoicing and glad. Emmanuel is not a simple word, but a way of our life—God is with us: in good times and in bad; in the green pastures and in a dark valley. Never let your "illness" make you bitter and miserable, but take the opportunity to allow Jesus to carry this cross with you.

Yesterday's sun won't dry today's clothes; tomorrow's wind and rain won't catch me today. Whenever we feel battered and beaten by the storms of life, let us turn to the Bible, especially the Psalms, and pray with the men and women of God who have gone through exactly the same struggles and the same pressures. Mark's Gospel this week provides us with quite a few beautiful stories of those who come to Jesus for help. You can read Mark's first two chapters.

Thanks to some people's generosity, we had new floors put in O'Connell Hall and the walls painted. We are in the process of researching a new sound system. Other outside projects to get us ready for Our Lady of Sorrows' 120 year anniversary will be taking place when the weather gets warm. God is good.

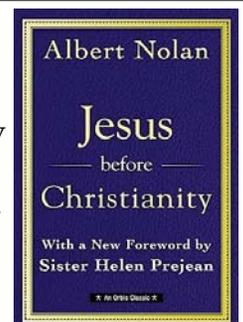
God bless,

Fr. John



**The next meeting of the OLOS Book Group is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 25th from 2:30-3:30 PM**

We will meet via Zoom to discuss [Jesus before Christianity](#) by Albert Nolan, OP. 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](mailto:mlafond@olossharon.org).**



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## Winter Sowing – We Still Need Your Clean, Clear Plastic Jugs!

The Confirmation class will be making more portable greenhouses to grow native seedlings for OLOS during their class on Sunday, January 25. Donations of clean, clear plastic milk or water jugs for this project are welcome! Please leave your donations in the collection bins in the alcove in the church, the Bullock Center, and O'Connell Hall. Thank you!



## Upcoming Coffee Hours

*Join us at 9:45 to 10:45 am in O'Connell Hall*

**January 25th**

Hosted by the Radical Hospitality Commission

**February 1st**

Hosted by the 1st grade class

**February 8th**

Hosted by the PreK/Kindergarten class

**March 1st**

Hosted by the parish Lectors

## Christian Service Opportunities

Ongoing Community Service  
(donation bins located in the back of the church)

- \* Ilse Marks Food Pantry
- \* Diaper Drive for My Brother's Keeper

*See the announcements in this bulletin for more details about these service opportunities.*



### *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

A popular television commercial not only highlights people helping someone, but how others who witness their kindness are inspired to do the same. As one person helps another, still others spread the kind acts that have a ripple effect of touching many lives and changing social standards and concerns.

Good deeds are an example of how we put into action our belief that everyone is made in the image and likeness of God. We recognize in them the Divine imprint of the Creator who brands each of us with an indelible mark of dignity and destiny. So it is no surprise that John should recognize Jesus as the chosen One, the Anointed, the Messiah. He sees with the eyes of faith the mark that sets Jesus apart and he announces it to all who would listen.

Our life of faith includes not only bold acts of kindness, but also the bold announcement that Jesus is present among us as Lord and Messiah. We cannot hide our faith, nor deny we have it. Our words and deeds must both proclaim our faith and hope that Jesus is Lord.

*~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins*

January 18, 2026



## Eucharistic Ministers Needed

Eucharistic Ministers are needed at all Masses (especially the 4:30 Saturday and 11 am Sunday Masses). If you are interested, please contact Monica LaFond in the parish office (781-784-2265 or [mlafond@olossharon.org](mailto:mlafond@olossharon.org)).

Eucharistic Ministers assist the presider at Mass with preparation for the liturgy, the distribution of communion, and the purification of the sacred vessels at the conclusion of the Communion Rite. Training is provided and the commitment is usually once or twice a month on dates that work for you.

YOU SHALL love THE Lord, YOUR God,  
with all your  
**HEART** **STRENGTH** **MIND**  
**BEING** **& MIND**  
AND YOUR neighbor AS YOURSELF.  
*Luke 10:27*

“

We do not love those who oppose us because they are loveable, or even likable, Rev. King once said. We love them because God loves them. And by our love, we seek their conversion and friendship, not their humiliation. This is our Christian duty in this moment – to be healers and peacemakers, to overcome evil and lies, not by more of the same, but with words of truth and works of love.

— ARCHBISHOP JOSÉ H. GOMEZ  
President



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## Students Prepare for First Reconciliation

In January 10th the 2nd grade students attended a special retreat in preparation for their First Reconciliation service coming up on January 24th. A special thanks to Fr. John, Catechist Claire Sullivan and the teen volunteers for helping out.



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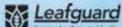


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