



Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

59 Cottage St., Sharon, MA

April 7, 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

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday

9 AM to 4 PM

To Contact Us:

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Today's Readings are on : 1030

Scripture for the week of April 7, 2019

Sunday, April 7th

Is 43:16-21 / Phil 3:8-14 / J 8:1-11

Monday, April 8th

Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 / Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday, April 9th

Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday, April 10th

Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 / Jn 8:31-42

Thursday, April 11th

Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59

Friday, April 12th

Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42

Saturday, April 13th

Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56

Sunday, April 14th—PALM SUNDAY

Lk 19:28-40 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Lk 22:14-23:56

Music

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

Gathering

#474 — From Ashes To The Living Font

Responsorial Psalm #126

“The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.””

Gifts

966—When Love Is Found

Communion

#783 — Unless A Grain Of Wheat

Sending Forth

#881 — Lift High The Cross

Mass Intentions

April 6th at 4:30 PM:

Mary Ellen Chisholm Bonfiglio

April 7th at 7:30 AM:

Vince Green

April 7th at 8:45 AM:

Joseph Mackie

PASTOR'S DESK

Lent is one of the intense moments of the Church's penitential practice. In fact, many of us remember it as the time to make your "Easter Duty," of going to confession once a year in preparation for Easter. More than just such an exercise. It is as the Catechism of the Catholic Church says: "...the movement of a "contrite heart," drawn and moved by grace to respond to the merciful love of God who loved us first." In the gospel of this past Wednesday, we find this assurance from the book of Isaiah: "Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. (Is: 49:15) And this from Psalm 145: "The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness."

This Thursday, April 11, in this spirit, join us for a parish Reconciliation service in the church at 7:30 pm. The service includes prayer, a scriptural reading, a homily, an aid to examine conscience and the opportunity for individual confession from one of three priests. Bring your contrite heart and experience the mercy and kindness of God.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Expect to receive in the mail a card outlining the services here at OLOS for what we call the "Sacred Triduum" that is, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. This is the most sacred time of the church year. There is no more important liturgical celebration than the Easter Vigil Service on Saturday evening, April 20 at 8:30 pm. Please join us for services on those three days and bring your Lent to conclusion observing the great Paschal Mystery; the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord.

ALTAR VESSELS



Since coming here almost two years ago, the glass altar vessels we use have caused some me some uneasiness. It is not that glass is not considered an acceptable vessel or that great care was not taken by the artist who fashioned them. It's more that they are somewhat mundane in their design and above all that they are too heavy. Elevating one for any amount of time is a strain for someone of my years.

While on retreat at The Trappist Abbey in Spencer, Mass earlier this year, I found an alternative that fits with the simple, clean design of our church. They are made of polished pewter and are significantly lighter in weight. A photo of them is included here. We will put them on actual display next Sunday and start using them on Easter. We need them then anyway because we have Mass in two places simultaneously on Easter Sunday.

~Fr. Frank



Weekly Collection Mar. 31, 2019

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 \$6,163 for the week ending March 31, 2019. Thank you.

Parish Reconciliation Service

Thursday, April 11th at 7:30 PM

Easter Basket Service Project

Please return Easter Baskets for the Evelyn House homeless shelter this weekend. Baskets may be left under the giving tree in the alcove. For questions please contact Mary Ann LaHive at malahive@verizon.net. Thank you from the Christian Services Commission.

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 the bulletin. **Deadline is April 15th**



Decorate the Church for Easter Vigil and Sunday Mass

Saturday, April 20th from 10 AM to 12PM.

Join us in making our church beautiful for our Lord's Resurrection.



From Senior Deacon Mike

In the fifth week of Lent, we read from the Gospel of John, chapter 8 the familiar story of the woman accused of the sin of adultery. Addressing the crowd and the woman, Jesus intercedes in the event and speaks directly to the woman...

"... Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you."

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, Rich Bozzuto

Prayers for the Deceased

Adrienne Newell, Ramona Rosario, Paul Baro, George Russell, Lawrence Russell, Mary Mobilia, Nancy Baldassarre, 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 Bonfiglio, Leonard Donovan, Kathleen Condon, Kathleen Minerva, Kathleen Earley, Jody Thomas, Paul Salemi, Frank Cuneo, Paul Nascenzi, Joan Tate, Haydee Hurtarte

Coffee Hour Presentation THIS Sunday

By Dr. Joe Favazza on Reconciliation

9:45 AM 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 of 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.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OLOS

Pray for Our High School Confirmation Candidates

This Sunday, April 7th, OLOS's second-year Confirmation Candidates are on their second Confirmation retreat at Glastonbury Abbey. Please keep the candidates in your prayers as they embark on a day of prayer, reflection, and community building as preparation for their upcoming sacrament.

Please also keep our parish's Peer Ministers—twenty high school juniors and seniors who have served the Confirmation program and will help lead the retreat—in your prayers. We are grateful for the leadership and dedication of this talented and faithful group of teens.

OLOS Festival Children's Choir and Ensemble

The OLOS Festival Children's Choir will be back for Palm Sunday, April 14th and Easter, April 21st at the 8:45 Masses. This year, the OLOS Festival Ensemble will join us in the great Easter celebration. Children of all ages are welcome. If you want to sing in the children's choir, please come to these rehearsals:

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@olosharon.org).

Annual Bullock Lecture

Saturday, **April 27th after the 4:30PM Mass**. Rev. Frank Clooney, SJ will be the guest speaker. He will be speaking on "**Being Catholic Interreligiously: A Personal Insight into the Coming Church**". Please join us for this informative discussion. Refreshments will be served.

Book Group

All are welcome to join the OLOS Book Group, which meets from 2-3:00 PM in the Bullock Center on following Sunday, 28th. Please come ready to discuss the book.

April 28, 2019: "The World will be Saved by Beauty" by Kate Hennessy

Sharon Interfaith Action Coffee Hour Presentation

OLOS is an active member of Sharon Interfaith Action, which is currently working to address the shortfalls in the education funding which is having a particularly detrimental impact on our neighbors in lower income communities such as Brockton. Join us for a coffee hour discussion on **May 5th in O'Connell Hall after the 8:45 AM Mass**. Topics:

- Enhance our knowledge about the education funding problem statewide
- Describe the three state options currently being discussed to address the education funding disparities
- Recommend specific actions that each of us can take to contribute to better educational equity for our community of children in Massachusetts

CRS Rice Bowls - Stories of Hope along Our Lenten Journey to Gaza

April 6-April 11

Ona always knew she wanted to be a “shining woman” in her community – and an example to her two young daughters. She studied hard and eventually earned her teaching degree from a university. But in Gaza, jobs are hard to find. Even though Ona had been a good student, she could not find work as a teacher. “The financial situation was so difficult,” Ona says. “I started to feel hopeless.”

That’s why CRS matches workers with job opportunities. Through CRS, Ona applied for an internship as a teacher and was hired to teach math. Through her internship, Ona gained the confidence and inspiration to branch out on her own. She saved enough money to open a tutoring center. After one month in business, 41 children had visited her center. “When people encourage you, you start to think in a more creative way,” Ona says. As she thinks about the future, she thinks of her children. “I hope I can be an example to my daughters. I hope that my daughters can achieve their dreams.” Read more about the financial challenges impacting Gaza. <https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-5>

Opportunity for you:

Prepare the meal Shakshouka found in the Rice Bowls calendar <https://www.crsricebowl.org/recipe/shakshouka>

Talk Saves Lives: Free Community Suicide Prevention Event

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, in conjunction with Butler Hospital in Providence, is conducting a FREE suicide prevention education event for members of the community. Discussion will include common risk factors, warning signs, and what we can do to keep our loved ones safe. Please join us to learn how as a community we can fight this leading cause of death.

Thursday, April 11, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, Ray Hall Conference Center, Butler Hospital Campus
345 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, RI 02906

For more information, contact Diane Block, PhD, OT at (401) 455-6398 or dblock@butler.org.

Mark Your Calendar for the 15th Annual Fr. Bullock Run, Walk, Shuffle

This year’s event will take place on **Sunday, June 9, 2017**. With a kids race, a 2 mile walk and a 5 km run, there is something for every fitness level. The kids race kicks things off at 5:30 PM, with the other distances following at 5:45 PM. The first 150 to register will receive a commemorative T shirt.

Participants can register on-line at www.fatherbullockcharityrace.com. In addition to participants, we are looking for volunteers contact Alan Conway at alanconway@comcast.net and sponsors contact Steve Warren at Stephen.v.Warren@gmail.com). Sponsors and volunteers can also reach us at www.fatherbullockcharityrace.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.

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.

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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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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: _____

Email: _____