



St. Oscar Romero Parish

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Mass Schedule

Daily Mass ~ Monday-Saturday 9:00am,
preceded by **Daily Rosary** at 8:30am

Weekend Masses ~ Saturdays 4:00pm
Sundays 8:00am 10:00am* 12:00pm & 5:00pm

*Family Mass

~ **Church Open for Prayer** ~
Monday-Friday 10:00am-3:00pm

Bereavement Support Ministry ~ For support, please
Contact Deacon Dan Nelson at dcn785@aol.com

Staff Directory ~ Find our staff directory on page 6.

Parish Prayer Wall ~ Submit requests on parish website.

Parish Newsletter ~ Visit parish website to subscribe.

St. Mary's Cemetery ~ For inquiries, please contact
Barbara McKenney at 781-828-0090 x 311.

Hearing Assistance ~ ListenWIFI App (StOscars)

Sacramental and Devotional Life

Anointing of the Sick ~ Contact the parish office.

Baptism ~ Twice a month, 2nd and 4th Sundays.
To register, visit www.cantoncatholic.org and click on
Sacraments. Contact: Barbara McKenney (781) 828-0090.

Marriage ~ Arrangements should be made six months
in advance. Contact the parish office.

Reconciliation ~ Saturdays at 3:15pm before the 4:00pm
Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ~
Tuesdays 9:30-10:30am

Bible Study ~ Mondays at 9:45am in the Lower church
Hall. Contact: wwhite9999@aol.com or 617-699-8032

Catholic Men of Canton ~ 2nd Saturday of the month
8:00-9:30am in the Lower Church Hall or via a zoom link
option. Email jptjr2@gmail.com for more information.



*"Let us not tire of preaching love;
It is the force that will overcome the world."*

Dear Friends,

It was a delight to be a part of last Sunday's Family Celebration. Following a lively celebration of Mass, families enjoyed an ice cream social in the church hall. Thanks to the staff and volunteers who coordinated and executed the event.

We wish Father Jeremy well as he leaves our parish and welcome Father Jeremiah Li, our new parochial vicar. As we have in past summers, we plan to again host an African Mission Father (SMA). He may arrive as soon as June 27. Current U.S. visa restrictions create challenges for

this long running and successful program. Father Richard, the Regional Superior for the SMA's, recently told me that all the visiting priests are hoping to be assigned to Canton!

Next weekend, we will host Father Francis Umeh. Each year, every parish in the country participates in the mission appeal. The Office of the Propagation of the Faith organizes the effort. As you may recall, Father Rodney Copp is a former director of Boston's Propagation of the Faith Office.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Tom



As part of the annual Missionary Co-Operative Program, Father Francis Umeh, from Raise Up the Roof, representing The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, **will speak at all Masses the weekends of June 27-28.** The Society for the Propagation of the Faith is one of the four Pontifical Mission Societies represented here in the Archdiocese of Boston. Father Francis will share stories of the missions and help us build a spiritual connection to others whose daily lives may be very different from ours. The Society of the Propagation of the Faith is the official mission agency of the Catholic Church dedicated to assisting and supporting laypeople, priests, and religious in their evangelizing missionary work. To learn more in advance, visit www.propfaithboston.org.



As many of you know, **Fr. Jeremy Wagner** will soon be leaving St. Oscar Romero Parish to begin a new assignment in the Diocese of Bridgeport.

Please join us on **Sunday, June 21, following the 10:00am Mass** for a reception in the Lower Church as we thank Fr. Jeremy for his faithful service and priestly ministry.

As he begins this new chapter of his priesthood, we invite you to stop by to offer your good wishes, gratitude, and prayers. May God bless Fr. Jeremy abundantly as he continues to serve God's people in his new assignment.

Happy Father's Day

*"As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear Him."*

— Psalm 103:13



On this Father's Day, we give thanks for the fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, stepfathers, and father figures who have helped guide us with love, patience, and faith.

Through their quiet sacrifices, steady encouragement, and daily acts of care, fathers reflect something of God's own love for His children. Whether offering wisdom, support, protection, or simply being present, they help shape families and strengthen our community.

Today we also remember those fathers who are no longer with us, those who are separated from their families, and those who carry the joys and

challenges of fatherhood in different ways. May they know God's peace and blessing.

As we celebrate Father's Day, let us pray that all fathers may be strengthened in their vocation, inspired by the example of St. Joseph, and filled with the grace to lead their families with faith, hope, and love.

Happy Father's Day to all our fathers and father figures. May God bless you abundantly today and always.

Please remember in your prayers on Father's Day: *Matteo Papagno, Sebastian Papagno, John Duganiero, Dominic Duganiero and Felix Duganiero*

Sacrament of Baptism—We Welcome You With Great Joy!



Left to right Serafina Butler, Vivian Barbato, Matteo Chiverton, Deacon Dan, Weston McGowan, Charles Picozzi and Nora Fitzgerald

Celebrating Our Parish Families

What a wonderful day! More than 100 parishioners of all ages gathered following the 10:00 AM Family Mass for our Scoops of Summer celebration. Families enjoyed ice cream, conversation, laughter, and the opportunity to connect with one another as part of our parish community.

We were especially happy to welcome several of our Baptism families as we continue to grow our Celebrating Our Parish Families initiative. Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the day such a joyful success. We look forward to many more opportunities to gather, connect, and celebrate the gift of family in the months ahead.



Chet Johnson Celebrates 50 Years in our Adult Choir!

This weekend marks the end of our Music Ministry's choral season, which was also Chester 'Chet' Johnson's fiftieth! You all have probably seen Chet up on the choir risers, as he rarely misses singing for Mass. His Catholic roots run deep— as Chet puts it, his mother was "more Catholic than the pope." They moved to Sharon in 1948, where Chet began singing in the boys' choir. It was his mother, who discovered and fell in love with our parish here in Canton, who first brought him to our church.

When he joined our parish and Adult Choir for the 1975-76 season, he was in his twenties and single! The choir still sang behind the curtained area on the altar. Since then, he has sung under eight different music directors!



Peg Johnson, Fr. Tom, Chet Johnson and Maria White

Chet says that this parish, and especially the choir, have become like a second family to him. They all came to sing for his mother's funeral, they rejoiced with him when he got married, and especially when he had his beautiful daughter.

We thank Chet for his many years of dedicated service to our parish family and Music Ministry. His consistent joy and optimism, as well as his wonderful voice, have brightened our music-making and liturgies for so many years. We look forward to many more!

Pave the Way Project Reaches Its Goal

We are pleased to share that the Pave the Way Project has now reached its fundraising goal.

This project was made possible through the generosity, support, and prayers of so many members of our parish community. Over the past several months, parishioners responded with kindness and generosity, helping us raise the funds needed to complete this important improvement to our parish grounds.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who contributed to the project in any way. Your support is a beautiful reminder of what can be accomplished when a parish community comes together to care for and strengthen its shared home.

The success of this project reflects the spirit of generosity that is such an important part of our parish. Time and again, our parish family responds with faith, compassion, and a willingness to support the needs of our community.

Thank you for helping to make this project a success. May God bless you for your generosity and continued support of St. Oscar Romero Parish.

Next Saturday Evening!

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 Matthew 10:8

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Mass Intentions for the Week

12TH SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME

Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.
 Matthew 10:32

<p>Saturday, June 20 9:00am~Gerard Augier, Memorial 4:00pm~Paul & Maryann Sullivan and Cornelius & Kathleen McIntire, Memorial</p>	<p>Friday, June 26 9:00am~</p>
<p>Sunday, June 21 8:00am~Alfredo Berardi, Memorial 10:00am~C.S. Cross, Memorial 12:00pm~Amerigo DiNicola & Henry McKenney, Memorial 5:00pm~</p>	<p>Saturday, June 27 9:00am~Leo & Ruth McNeil, Memorial 4:00pm~Rita McCabe, Memorial</p>
<p>Monday, June 22 9:00am~</p>	<p><i>Prayers and Sympathy</i></p> <p>Thomas Hannigan Jeffrey Holland</p> <p><i>Please remember in your prayers all those who have entered into eternal life.</i></p> <p>Follow us on Facebook and Instagram Facebook.com/cantoncatholic Instagram.com/cantoncatholic</p>
<p>Tuesday, June 23 9:00am~</p>	
<p>Wednesday, June 24 9:00am~</p>	
<p>Thursday, June 25 9:00am~Jack Murphy & Bartley Quinn, Memorial</p>	<p>Friday, June 26 9:00am~</p>
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