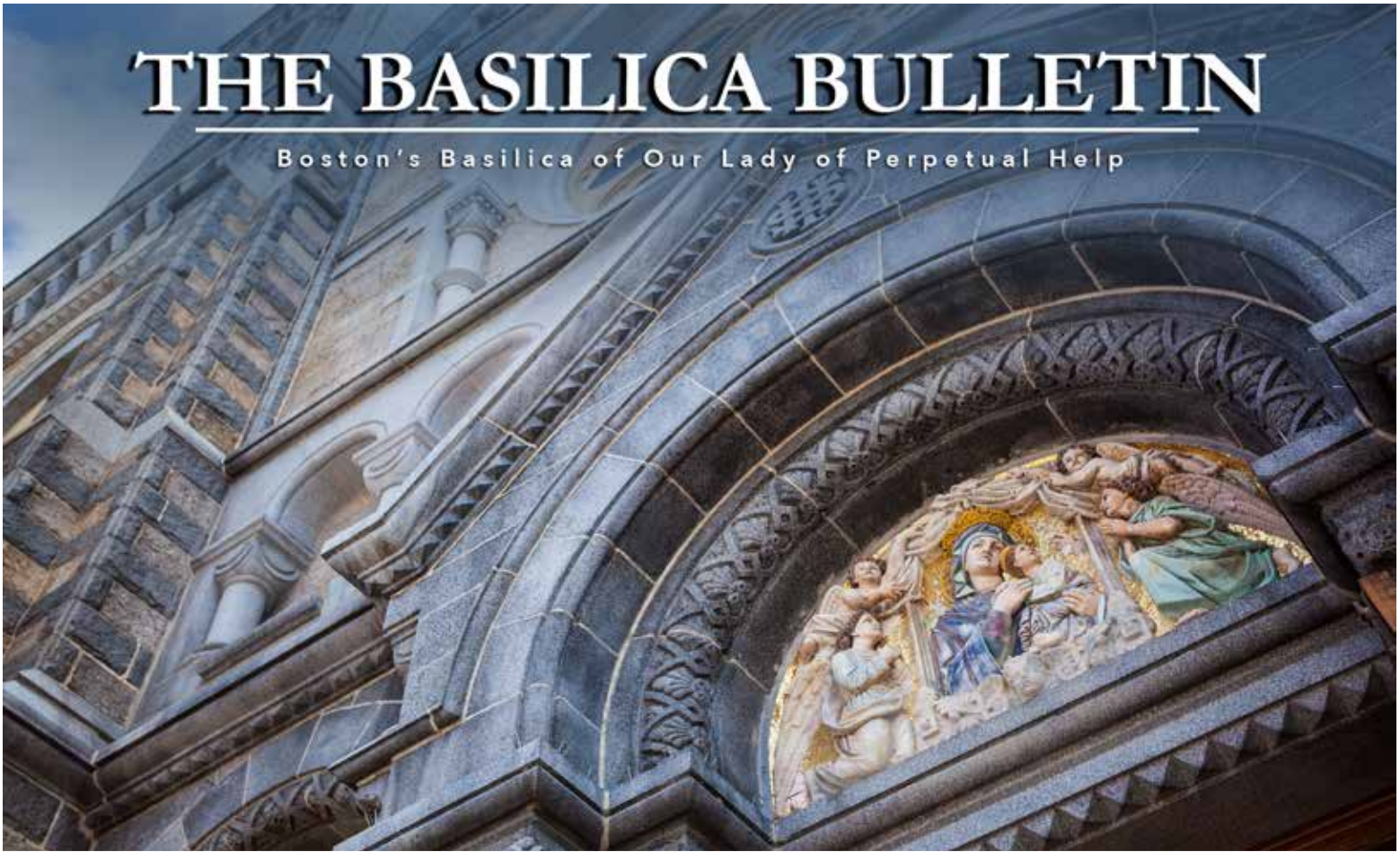


THE BASILICA BULLETIN

Boston's Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 19, 2019



From the Rector

Very Rev. Joseph Tizio, C.Ss.R.

Whenever I can, I try to read the homilies of Pope Francis, I always find them simple yet profound, down to earth and practical. I was especially touched by his homily for the Easter Vigil. In speaking of the Risen Christ, Pope Francis tells us: "His gaze fills us with hope, for it tells us that we are loved unflinchingly and that however much we make a mess of things, his love remains unchanged. This is the one, non-negotiable certitude we have in life: God's love does not change". Being someone who tends to make a mess of things, I find so much strength in those words, Christ will never stop loving us!

Pope Francis goes on to say: "We prefer to remain huddled within our shortcomings, cowering in our fears. It is odd, but why do we do this? Not infrequently because, glum and closed up within ourselves, we feel in control, for it is easier to remain alone in the darkness of our heart than to open ourselves to the Lord. Yet he only can raise us up". His words here are so true, sometimes it seems safer and easier to remain in the darkness because it is familiar rather than surrender to the Risen Lord who calls us forth into the light. As someone once said, sometimes it feels safer to stay in the tomb, dark, protected with no one to bother you or challenge you. Yet, Pope Francis tells us: "The Lord calls us to get up, to rise at his word, to look up and realize that we were made for heaven, not for earth, for the heights of life, not for the depths of death." Just as Christ refused to remain in the tomb so he refuses to allow us to remain in the tomb, he challenges us to rise with him, to move forward and embrace the gift of life!

Staffed by The Redemptorists

Weekday Masses

7:00am and 12:10pm

Saturday Masses

8:00am and 12:10pm

Vigil: 4:00pm, 7:00pm (Haitian)

Sunday Masses

9:00am, 12:30pm, 5:00pm

11:00am (Spanish)

Sacrament of Penance

Monday-Saturday at 11:50am

Saturday 3:30pm

Wednesday Novena Service

12:10pm, 5:30pm, 6:30pm (Spanish),

7:00pm (Haitian)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 8:00am to 5:00pm

MASS INTENTIONS

May 18

Saturday

8:00am Concannon, Burke, Higgins Family
 12:10pm +Maurice and Catherine Fitzgerald
 Shrine and Purgatorian Members
 Mother's Day Novena
 4:00pm Mission High Class 62 and 63
 7:00pm Purgatorian Society

May 19

Sunday

9:00am Carol DeGiacomo
 11:00am Victor Fernandes
 +Melvin Arroyo
 +Ramon Negron
 +Nelson Tito Santiago
 12:30pm +John "Jack" Curriuan
 5:00pm Therese Vu T. Le

May 20

Monday

7:00am Mother's Day Novena
 12:10pm Marilyn A. Walsh / Mary McDermott Packwood

May 21

Tuesday

7:00am Eklou-Adegnoh Spero Family
 12:10pm +Thomas and Mary Lovett & +Mary Moore

May 22

Wednesday

7:00am +Sandra Barros and Yvonne Andrade
 12:10pm +Prophane and Marianna Montrose
 +Edward J. Doyle
 6:30pm Purgatorian Society

May 23

Thursday

7:00am Eileen Curran
 12:10pm +Marcelina and Antonio Andrade

May 24

Friday

7:00am +Francis Hennessy
 12:10pm Mary Sweeney

FROM THE RECTOR

En Español

Cuando puedo, trato de leer las homilias del Papa Francisco, siempre las encuentro simples pero profundas, a la tierra y prácticas. Me tocó especialmente su homilía para la Vigilia Pascual. Al hablar de Cristo resucitado, el Papa Francisco nos dice: "su mirada nos llena de esperanza, porque nos dice que somos amados y que, por mucho que nos ensuciar las cosas, su amor permanece inalterado. Esta es una certeza no negociable que tenemos en la vida: el amor de Dios no cambia". Siendo alguien que tiende a hacer un lío de cosas, encuentro tanta fuerza en esas palabras, Cristo nunca dejará de amarnos!

El Papa Francisco dice: "preferimos permanecer acurrucados dentro de nuestras deficiencias, cenando en nuestros miedos. Es extraño, pero ¿por qué hacemos esto? No con poca frecuencia porque, en el seno y cerrado en nosotros mismos, nos sentimos en control, porque es más fácil permanecer solo en la oscuridad de nuestro corazón que abrirnos al Señor. Pero sólo puede levantarnos". Sus palabras aquí son tan verdaderas, que a veces parece más seguro y más fácil permanecer en la oscuridad porque es familiar en lugar de entregarse al Señor resucitado que nos llama hacia la luz. Como alguien dijo una vez, a veces se siente más seguro permanecer en la tumba, oscuro, protegido sin nadie que te moleste o te desafíe. Sin embargo, el Papa Francisco nos dice: "el Señor nos llama a levantarnos, a levantarse en su palabra, a mirar hacia arriba y darnos cuenta de que fuimos hechos para el cielo, no para la tierra, para las alturas de la vida, no para las profundidades de la muerte." Así como Cristo se negó a permanecer en la tumba por lo que se niega a permitirnos permanecer en la tumba, nos desafía a elevarnos con él, para avanzar y abrazar el don de la vida!

Reflexión

"Les doy un nuevo mandamiento: amense unos a otros. Como los he amado, también deben amarse unos a otros." (JUAN 13:34)

Es fácil amar a alguien cuando el amor es correspondido. Pero se necesita fuerza y valor para amar a alguien cuando nos sentimos despreciados, usados, o sentimos que nuestra opinión no importa. Se necesita valor para "amar a mi prójimo" cuando puede ser alguien que no me gusta, alguien que no conozco o alguien que no se parece a mí.

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www.bostonsbasilica.com/catholicappeal



CROWNING

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

In Front of the Basilica

May 25, 2019

5:30pm

*Coronación de La Virgen María
Sábado, 25 de Mayo a las 5:30 PM
Afuera En Frente de la Basílica*

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Helado Social Hoy

Por favor únase a nosotros después de las 12:30 p.m. Misa hoy para un evento social gratis de helados.

Oportunidad de Ministerio

Cada domingo en la misa de las 11:00 am celebramos "La liturgia de la palabra para los niños". Los niños son despedidos después de la oración de apertura y tenemos catequistas adultos que trabajan con los niños explicando el domingo leyendo en inglés de manera que puedan entender, luego regresan a la iglesia para la Liturgia de la Eucaristía. Necesitamos adultos que estén dispuestos a ofrecer tiempo para este maravilloso ministerio. Te entrenaremos y trabajaremos contigo. Si desea más información o desea ofrecer su tiempo, deje su nombre y número de teléfono en la oficina central y en la misión de la iglesia. Cada regalo será utilizado con prudencia y cuidado. ¡Gracias!

Estacionamiento

A partir del 1 de mayo, se vigilará el estacionamiento adyacente a la iglesia y el estacionamiento ubicado en la calle St. Alphonsus. Cualquier persona que estacione en el estacionamiento que no esté en la iglesia o en el negocio de Mission Grammar será remolcada.

Cualquier automóvil que infrinja los letreros publicados o que bloquee el acceso dentro y fuera de los lotes será remolcado de inmediato a cargo del propietario. La aplicación estará en vigencia todos los días, incluidos los fines de semana. Apreciamos su cooperación y comprensión.

Parking

Apati premye Me, pakin ki akote Legliz la, ak pakin ki nan St Alphonsus Street la, ap sou siveyans. Nenpòt moun ki pake nan youn nan pakin sa yo, epi ki pa nan youn aktivite Legliz la ou byen nan Lekòl Mission Grammar a, yap towin (remokeye) machin li.

Tout machin ki an vyolasyon avèk siy ki afiche yo, oswa bloke aksè antre ak sòti, nan pakin lan ak devan Legliz la, ap towin (remokeye) imedyatman. Aplikasyon desizyon sa yo pral efektiv chak jou, menm wikenn ladan. Nou apresye koperasyon ou ak konpreyansyon ou. Mèsi

Bible Class in French/Creole Every Second Tuesday at 8:00pm

Mes frères et soeurs. On ne peut donner ce qu'on n'a pas. Tout chrétien, doit connaître la parole de Dieu. Donc, il est important de se mettre à l'écoute, et à l'étude de la parole de Dieu, pour pouvoir partager avec les autres, combien Dieu nous aime.

Dans le souci de répondre mieux à notre vocation chrétienne, nous avons un cours biblique chaque deuxième Mardi du mois à 8:00 PM.

« Frè m ak sèm yo, nou pa ka bay sa nou pa genyen, donk antan ke kretyen, nou dwe, konnen Paròl Granmèt la. Se sak fè nou gen youn kou labib, chak dezyèm Madi, a 8:00 PM. »



ROAD TO COLLEGE

ROOTED IN FAITH,
GROWING OUR MISSION!

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
MISSION GRAMMAR SCHOOL GALA

We hope you can join us and support Mission Grammar School on May 22, 2019 at our annual Road to College celebration. A lot has changed in the nearly 130 years since we opened, but our dedication to students is unwavering.

Award Recipients and Honorees: The Perpetual Help Society Members of the Year: Kathleen Harrington Scholarship Fund. The 1889 Society Members of the Year: Joan Shea & Robert Eskin. Legacy of Leadership Award: Deirdre Bradley-Turner. Community Partnership Award: Catholic Schools Foundation. Mary Leydon Commitment to Education Award: Patricia Fitzgerald. Young Alumna of the Year: Nya Gavin. Mission Grammar Alumnus of the Year: Fr. John Collins, C.Ss.R.

We have opportunities for sponsorships, advertisements, and donations. Please do not hesitate to contact advancement@missiongrammar.org with any questions about the Road to College Gala!

We are rooted in faith, and we are growing our mission!

For tickets and details go to:
www.missiongrammar.org/roadtocollege

Ice Cream Social Today

Please join us after the 12:30pm Mass today for a free ice cream social.

Parking Enforcement

As of May 1st, the parking lot adjacent to the church and parking lot located on St. Alphonsus Street will be monitored. Anyone parking in the lot who is not on church or Mission Grammar business will be towed.

Any car in violation of posted signs or blocking access in/out of the lots will immediately be towed at the owner's expense. The enforcement will be in effect every day, including weekends. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

Life in the Spirit

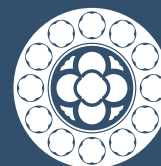
The Life in the Spirit Seminar is a time of renewal and rededication to establish a personal relationship with Christ, to be aware and to yield to the Holy Spirit in your life and to become part of a community where one can share Christian life. The program consists of short sharing and personal testimony by members of the community followed by small group discussions. Join us for upcoming sessions held on Monday evenings from 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Parish Center. Forthcoming topics include, May 20th (Baptism in the Holy Spirit), June 3rd (Growth/Transformation in Christ).

Ministry Opportunity

Each Sunday at the 11:00 am mass we celebrate "The Liturgy of the Word for Children". The children are dismissed after the opening prayer and we have adult catechists who work with the children explaining the Sunday reading in English in a way they can understand, then they return to the church for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. We are in need of adults who are willing to offer time for this wonderful ministry. We will train you and work with you. If you want more information or wish to offer your time, please leave your name and phone number at the front office. nd mission of the church. Every gift will be used wisely and carefully. Thank You!

Help Support Our Altar Servers

We are seeking donations to help support the purchase of 10 new cassocks for our altar servers who serve at Mass. The cost is estimated at \$600. Please consider making a donation for this effort, donations may be left at the Rectory Office. Thank you!



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Our Lady of Perpetual Help Prayer Groups

English - Mondays, 6:30pm in Parish Center

Spanish - Mondays, 7:00pm in the Church

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Reflection

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (John 13:34)

It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes strength and courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone that doesn't look like me.

