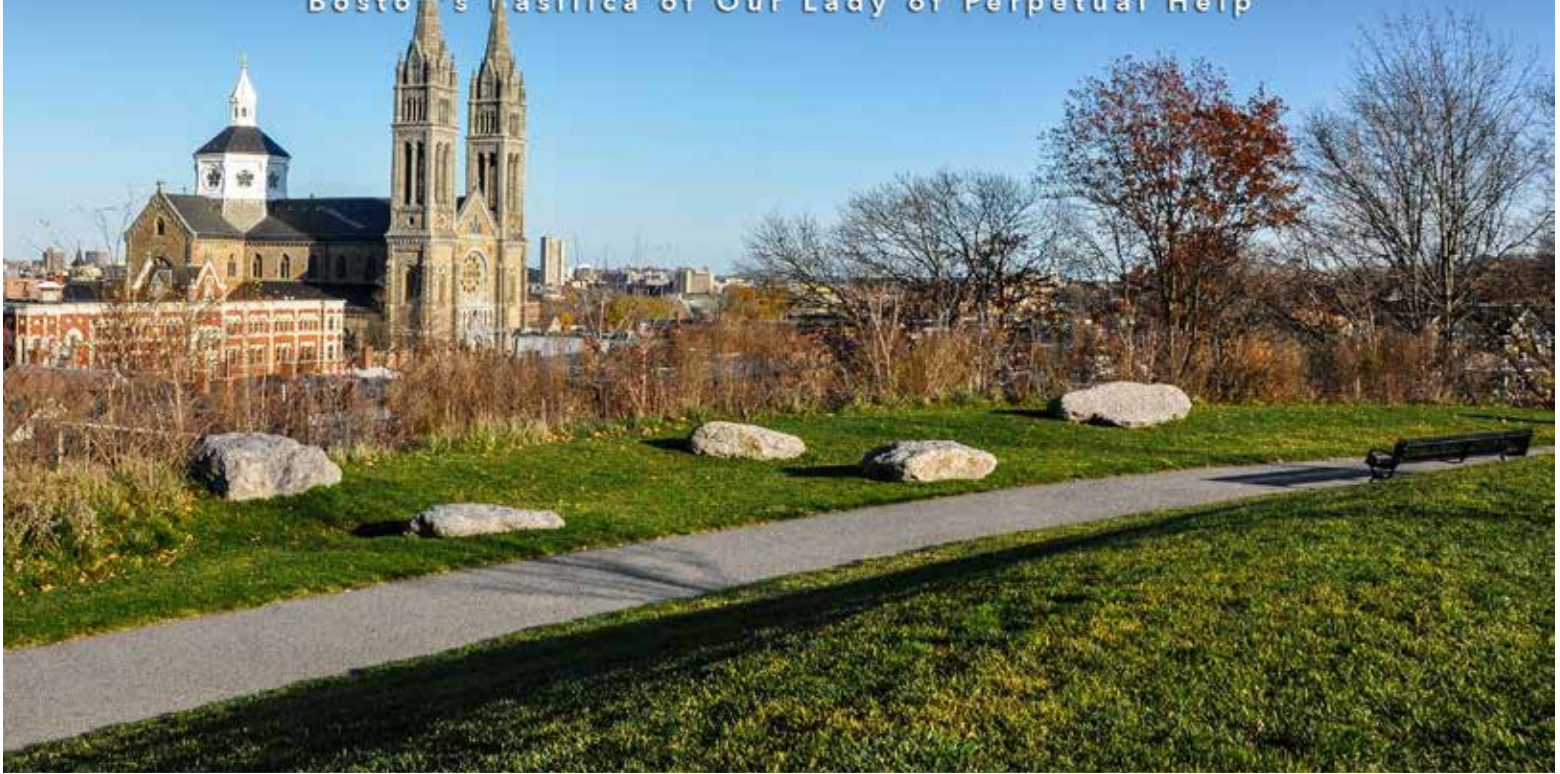


THE BASILICA BULLETIN

Boston's Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help



The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020



From the Rector

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

Recently, The New York Times called the past decade "A Decade of Distrust", many of those people and institutions in which past generations placed their trust are now deeply distrusted. Surveys consistently show that fewer and fewer people place their trust in government institutions and in government officials. We live in the age of the "deep state" where some believe that there is a shadow government which secretly conspires to run our country. The internet has spawned countless conspiracy theories creating fear and distrust among many. We have grown so deeply divided and so angry that people no longer trust one another or are able to speak to one another with respect. The Church has not been immune, continue struggle with the scandal of abuse has turned many away from the Church, losing trust in those who lead us.

So, the question is: How do we live as Christians, flowers of Jesus Christ, in an age of deep distrust? How do we not give in to anger, suspicion, and distrust? First, pray, pray, pray! Stay united with Christ and his Spirit through prayer. St. Paul tells us that some of the fruits of the Spirit are love, peace, gentleness, and self-control; these are the very opposite of what our current society offers us. Second, keep your mind and heart open by listening and not judging. In the division and anger of the moment, we have the temptation to judge another and not truly listen to what they have to say. Third, in Colossians 3:13, Paul tells us to "bear with one another...forgive as the Lord has forgiven you", responding to anger with more anger and hurt with more hurt only increases and anger and hurt in the world. A little respect and kindness can touch an angry heart and make the world a more gentle place.

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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

FROM THE RECTOR

En Español

Jan 11 Saturday

8:00am James, Benjamin, Oscar Ooi and Amy Yin
12:10pm Shrine and Purgatorian Members
4:00pm +Mary, Jimmy, James Breen
7:00pm Purgatorian Society

Jan 12 Sunday

9:00am Mei Ling and Patrick Chung
11:00am Purgatorian Society
12:30pm +Sheila Garofalo
5:00pm +Kenneth A. MacDonald

Jan 13 Monday

7:00am Yap Yoke Hong, Yap Fook Ken and Family
12:10pm Fathers Lennon, Furey, and Sullivan

Jan 14 Tuesday

7:00am Yap Yoke Ling, Domenic, Hoykee Poh Family
12:10pm Dominico Hung

Jan 15 Wednesday

7:00am Okwl Aghain
12:10pm +Kenneth F. Bottary and Allan P. Hecht
6:30pm Purgatorian Society

Jan 16 Thursday

7:00am Kalman Ye, Ceci and Family
12:10pm +Phero Thomas Tung Trinh

Jan 17 Friday

7:00am Joanne, James Ooi, Amy Yin and Family
12:10pm Fr. Richard

Recientemente, The New York Times llamó a la última década "Una década de desconfianza", muchas de esas personas e instituciones en las que las generaciones pasadas confiaron ahora desconfían profundamente. Las encuestas muestran constantemente que cada vez menos personas depositan su confianza en las instituciones gubernamentales y en los funcionarios del gobierno. Vivimos en la era del "estado profundo", donde algunos creen que hay un gobierno en la sombra que conspira secretamente para dirigir nuestro país. Internet ha generado innumerables teorías de conspiración creando miedo y desconfianza entre muchos. Nos hemos dividido tanto y estamos tan enojados que las personas ya no confían unas en otras o no pueden hablar con respeto. La Iglesia no ha sido inmune, continuar luchando con el escándalo del abuso ha alejado a muchos de la Iglesia, perdiendo la confianza en los que nos dirigen.

Entonces, la pregunta es: ¿Cómo vivimos como cristianos, flores de Jesucristo, en una era de profunda desconfianza? ¿Cómo no cedemos ante la ira, la sospecha y la desconfianza? Primero, reza, reza, reza. Mantente unido con Cristo y su Espíritu a través de la oración. San Pablo nos dice que algunos de los frutos del Espíritu son amor, paz, gentileza y dominio propio; son todo lo contrario de lo que nos ofrece nuestra sociedad actual. Segundo, mantenga su mente y corazón abiertos escuchando y sin juzgar. En la división y la ira del momento, tenemos la tentación de juzgar a otro y no escuchar realmente lo que tienen que decir. Tercero, en Colosenses 3:13, Pablo nos dice que "tengamos el uno con el otro ... perdonar como el Señor te ha perdonado", respondiendo a la ira con más ira y dolor con más dolor solo aumenta y la ira y el dolor en el mundo. Un poco de respeto y amabilidad pueden tocar un corazón enojado y hacer del mundo un lugar más gentil.

Reflexión

Y una voz vino de los cielos, diciendo: "Este es mi Hijo amado, con quien estoy muy complacido". (MATEO 3:17)

Dos pensamientos vienen a la mente al leer esto. Primero, Dios, nuestro Padre, es tan generoso que nos dio a su único hijo, a quien realmente ama, para que podamos tener vida eterna con Él en el cielo. ¡Dios, nuestro creador, también nos ama de verdad! Segundo, Jesús fue obediente a la voluntad de su Padre, incluso hasta el punto de la muerte. Este es un recordatorio de que nuestras propias vidas son dones puros de Dios y están destinados a servir a Dios y a los demás.

Reflection

And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." (Matthew 3:17)

Two thoughts come to mind when reading this. First, God, Our Father, is so generous, that he gave his only son, whom he really loves, to us so that we can have eternal life with him in heaven. God, Our Creator, really loves us, too! Second, Jesus was obedient to his Father's will, even to the point of death. This is a reminder that our own lives are pure gifts from God and meant to serve God and others.





NEWS & EVENTS

Stewardship

Please remember that we depend on your weekly offering to continue the ministry of our parish. We ask that you consider giving the equivalent of one hour of your weekly salary. It's a goal that would strengthen the offertory to be in line with current expenses. If you can not commit one hour at this time, we ask that you contribute at least \$5 as a minimum offering for the upkeep and mission of the church. Every gift will be used wisely and carefully. Thank you for the sacrifices you make for this community!

Annual CORI Forms

The Archdiocese of Boston requires that all clergy, parish staff (full and part time), together with all volunteers (17 years of age and older) who minister to or have the potential for unmonitored access to children, youth, elderly or the disabled, undergo a CORI check. This process requires an individual to fill out a CORI request form annually in accordance with this policy. Please bring your Driver's License or Massachusetts ID to the Rectory Office for verification. Thank you!

2020 Mass Intentions

Remember a deceased loved one or pray for an intention through a High Mass request to be said as part of our daily and Sunday Masses. Intentions may be booked on a first come, first serve basis. Intentions for 2020 can now be taken, please visit the Rectory Office. High Mass stipends are \$15. Mass cards for deceased, sick, special intention and birthdays are also available:
www.bostonsbasilica.com/shop

St. Vincent DePaul Society

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a worldwide organization, which is deeply rooted in Christian love and teaching to serve the poor and needy. In March of 2012, a conference was established at the Basilica to serve the poor of Boston. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the year and support is given on an as needed basis in areas of housing, heat, meals and tuition. Learn more by visiting www.svdpmmissionchurch.org

Caring for Your Soul

A group dedicated to mutual support and encouragement drawing on prayer and spirituality as positive resources in the struggle with emotional health issues, in our own lives and the lives of those we love. Meetings are held at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, 1400 Washington Street, Boston on the first Thursday of the month from 10:00 am - 11:30 am in ROSA HALL (lower level of the church) Entrance on Union Park Street. Next meeting FEBRUARY 6, 2020. No one should feel alone in their struggle with any physical or emotional illness. Sharing each other's stories can be liberating and welcome break in the silence that often surrounds emotional illness. This is the place to speak out and be heard in a safe confidential, and non-judgmental environment, where isolation and stigma dissipate as supportive community is created. All are welcome, refreshments will be offered.

2020 Intenciones de Misa

Recuerde a un ser querido fallecido o ore por una intención a través de una petición de la Gran Misa que debe ser dicha como parte de nuestras misas diarias y dominicales. Las intenciones pueden ser reservadas en un primer llegado, primero sirven la base para 2020 visitando la oficina de la rectoría. Los estipendios de la Alta Misa son \$ 15. Las tarjetas masivas para los difuntos, los enfermos, la intención especial y los cumpleaños también están disponibles, así como las sociedades perpetuas de matriculación en masa, www.bostonsbasilica.com/shop

Los Enfermos en los Hospitales y en el Hogar

También cuando conozca de algún enfermo que este en el hospital o en su hogar y necesite la visita de un sacerdote por favor llamar o pasar por la oficina parroquial para hacer arreglos para dicha visita.

Los Bautismos en Español

Les informamos que si necesitan Bautizar sus niños, ellos deben ser menores de 7 años para ser Bautizados aquí en la Basílica. Si son "mayors de 7 años" deben tomar clases de catecismo por 2 años consecutivos. Los bautismos en Español son el primer domingo de cada mes.

Novena Hispana a la Virgen del Perpetuo Socorro

Lo invitamos a unirse a nosotros cada miércoles por la noche a las 6:30pm en la capilla de la casa parroquial semanalmente a la novena en español a la Virgen del Perpetuo Socorro.

Haitian Prayer Group meets first Saturday at 5:00pm

"Zanmi Manman Pèpetyèl yo", ap toujou rankontre chak premye samdi, a 5 h PM pou rive 6h45 PM, nan mizik room lan. Nou konte sou prezans tout manb yo, pou nou kontinye viv karis nou ki bati sou twa wòch dife. " lapriye, fòmasyon, ak fratènite"

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 connaitre 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.

« Frèm 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 you kou labib, chak dezyèm Madi, a 8:00 PM. »

Haitian Mass Every Saturday at 7:00pm

Frèm ak sèm yo, Bondye, avèk Manman Pèpetyèl toujou la pou li pran swen nou, pou li ban nou nouriti kap kenbe nou solid nan lafwa. Se sak fè Granmèt la toujou mete, sevètè pou sèvi nou. Pou nou ka jwen nouriti spirityèl sa, chak Samdi a 7 pm, nap gen lamès an kreyòl, nan Legliz Pèpetyèl la. Nou tout, ayisyen yo, nou se pitit Manman Pèpetyèl, vini, pou nou selebre lafwa nou, nan lang manman nou.

BASILICA MEMORIALS

Basilica Memorial Plaque

Honor a loved one with a permanent memorial inside the Basilica. A limited number of engravable metal plaques are mounted near the Shine and Purgatorian altar for donor contributions of \$1,000 or more. Your gift directly benefits the Basilica and the on going restoration work that is continually needed. A 1" x 4" metal plaque can be engraved with up to 20 characters on each line, up to 4 lines. Spaces and punctuation are characters.



Masses and Enrollments

The Basilica's sacred altars and presence as a spiritual home for over a century provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the liturgy for your intentions. Masses for living and deceased can be offered throughout the year. We also have special perpetual Mass enrollment societies that provide daily and weekly remembrances as long as the Basilica endures.

For details visit the Rectory Office or our website, www.bostonsbasilica.com/shop



Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary (LOM) is an international association of the faithful of the Catholic Church who serve the Church on a voluntary basis. It was founded in Dublin, Ireland, as a Marian Movement by layman Frank Duff. Today between active and auxiliary (praying) members there are over 10 million members worldwide making it the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church. An English speaking "Praesidium of Mary Queen and Mother" has started in our parish, meeting every Wednesday morning at 8:15 am in the Heritage Room. All are welcome. Contact Sylvia Mary Ooi 617-566-0370, www.newenglandlegion-ofmary.org

Pregnancy Help

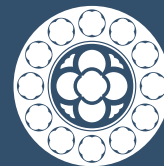
Pregnancy Help is a pregnancy resource center sponsored by the Archdiocese of Boston to provide alternatives to abortion. Trained and caring nurses and case workers are available to assist any woman experiencing a difficult pregnancy. Pregnancy Help provides free pregnancy testing, limited ultrasound, referrals, material assistance, and ongoing support. All services are free, confidential and available for English, Spanish and Portuguese speaking clients. For assistance call 888-771-3914, text 617-903-7960 or email help@pregnancyhelpboston.org

Cathedral Food Bank

The Cathedral of the Holy Cross operates a food bank open to all in need on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:00am-3:00pm. Located at 1400 Washington Street, Boston in the lower church facing Msgr. Reynolds Way. A photo id is required for distributions. For more information please call 617-506-6600.

Did You Remember Your Gift?

It is only natural when you are invited to a party - whether it is birthday, anniversary, homecoming or any other celebration - to think about the gift that you will bring. Even when the invitation says, "No gifts, please," most of us still show up with a bottle of wine or a box of candy or some other token of our affection. We bring gifts to show our gratitude for being invited and to show our love for the one being honored and celebrated. So, when God Himself invites you to the greatest celebration of all - the celebration of the Eucharist - do you bring a gift? Do you take time to wrap it in an envelope? Do you select a gift that truly reflects your gratitude for being invited to be a part of God's family? Do you bring a gift that shows your love for the crucified Jesus, who we remember at every Mass? The invitation to the Mass does not say "No gifts, please." In fact, since God first called the Israelites to be His people He taught them, "No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God has bestowed on you." - Deuteronomy 16:16-17 Did you remember your gift?



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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

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission Grammar School

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Welcome / Bienvenido

It does not matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church, what your current family or marital situation, what your past or present religious affiliation; or your personal history, age, background, race, etc. You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at Boston's Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

No importa cuál es su estado actual en la Iglesia Católica, cuál es su situación familiar o civil actual, cuál es su afiliación religiosa pasada o actual; o su historia personal, edad, antecedentes, raza, etc. Está invitado, bienvenido, aceptado, amado y respetado en la Basílica de Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro de Boston.

