

DignityUSA Operations Manager P/T Position Open: As a result of Peggy's retirement as noted in our last item, we are trying to fill the position (even though she truly is irreplaceable). The ideal candidate would be in the Greater Boston area. This is a part-time position, with emphasis on bookkeeping and data entry skills. Sound like someone you know? For the job description, please visit the DignityUSA website, or email execdir@dignityusa.org to get a copy. Applications must be submitted by this Wednesday, 11/6.

Instagram and Facebook: Currently we have 216 followers on Instagram. Consider following us on this app. We surpassed the 1,000 mark several weeks back and currently have 1,022 likes on Facebook. Consider "liking" us on Facebook if you haven't already.

Save the Date: Our Dignity/Boston Anniversary Brunch is on Sunday, 12/8 at Noon at Maggiano's Little Italy. More details to come.

Legacy Circle: Have you left DignityUSA a bequest in your will, or named us as a beneficiary in a 401(K) or other retirement account? Then you're a member of our Legacy Circle! Be sure we know of your intention to honor the role Dignity has played in your life. For more information about the Legacy Circle, contact execdir@dignityusa.org

Did You Know? We helped found the Names Project, established the Friday Night Supper Program, raised tens of thousand of dollars for HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment through our many walks and rides, fought for the passage of the Gay and Lesbian Students Rights Bill, marched in the Black Live Matter walk, and continue to fight for transgender equality. We thank you for your membership. Please know that that membership dues money is put to wonderful use, making a difference in our world.

The Bulletin is a weekly publication of Dignity/Boston. Listings are at the discretion of the Dignity/Boston Board. The chapter does not endorse nor will be responsible for any personal views expressed in these announcements. In unusual circumstances, such as when the Governor declares a State of Emergency because of bad weather, Dignity/Boston may cancel its events, including the regular Sunday liturgy. Cancellations will be posted on our website and recorded on our voicemail message at 617-421-1915. We will email the cancellation to the listserv. Dignity/Boston is a progressive and inclusive Catholic community for people of all sexual orientations, genders and gender identities, including gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex persons, our family, friends and supporters. Board meetings and Liturgy Committee meetings are open to all members of Dignity/Boston. Both groups meet monthly year-round. All meetings are announced in the bulletin, during announcements at the end of liturgy each Sunday, and at www.dignityboston.org. To place an issue on the agenda for the next board meeting, please see Chris Lawrence, email dignityboston@gmail.com, or call 617-421-1915. Please leave a detailed message. For bulletin submissions, send an email to Dave Houle at houlivan@gmail.com. The Bulletin deadline is every Wednesday at 9 p.m.



gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer and intersex Catholics & allies

November 3, 2019 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading
Wisdom: 11:22-12:2

Second Reading
Second Thessalonians: 1:11-2:2

Gospel
Luke: 19:1-10



"Fallen leaves lying on the grass in the November sun bring more happiness than the daffodils." --Cyril Connolly

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Our Songs

Gathering: Now the Feast and Celebration (742)

Psalm: Our God is Compassion (138-Psalm 145)

Preparation: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (726)

Communion: Take and Eat This Bread (842)

Sending Forth: Voices that Challenge (721)

Note: Music selections may vary depending on available singers. Samples of our music can be found on the Dignity/Boston website.

Our Readings

The universal love and providence of the Creator is celebrated in a lovely poetic passage (Reading I). Zacchaeus, tax collector and small of stature, is called out of the crowd and down from his tree to encounter this providential love in Jesus (Gospel). St. Paul reminds us that all our efforts to accomplish good are due to God's power at work in our lives (Reading II).

Our Liturgy

The glass chalices contain consecrated grape juice, for those who wish to abstain from alcohol. Gluten-free wafers are available as well.

Dignity/Boston continues to grow in awareness about gender diversity, and we recognize and welcome a spectrum of gender identities and expression. Unfortunately, our current hymnals do not reflect that well. As we strive to do a better job, we encourage you to change language as needed. We also encourage you to identify the pronouns you use on your name tag.

During our liturgy each Sunday, we ask you to please silence your cell phone.

Find us on:



Our Announcements

Nominations Night: Tonight we ask you to please join us for our annual membership meeting to nominate candidates for the 2020 Dignity/Boston Executive Board. Board members must be a member of Dignity for at least six months to run. The sixth month window is six months before you start your board service. Please consider running yourself or nominating a willing member, if eligible.

Candidates Night: On Sunday, 11/10, please join us for Candidates Night. During this evening, you'll hear from those candidates who were nominated and accepted a run for the Board last week. This will give members of our community an opportunity to hear the goals and vision of those running, helping you to make an informed decision when you vote. The Dignity dinner of choice--PIZZA!--will be served as well as salad, beverages, and some light treats.

Conference Recap: When we gather for our Candidates Night on 11/10, we also plan on providing our Dignity/Boston community with a short 2019 Conference Recap. Maybe you have some good stories to share.

Make Bert Happy! Bert O. would love it if you would sign up with him to bring food or drink for our Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner on Sunday, 11/24. Bring some egg nog. Bake a cake. Cook up some sweet potatoes. Prepare a cranberry sauce dish. Make a green bean casserole. What is your food or drink specialty? Perhaps it is perfect for our Thanksgiving Pot Luck. Bert is keeping a list and checking it twice. No, actually, three times or more. So, please let him know. You'll be on this good side then.

Peggy Burns to Retire: DignityUSA Operations Manager and our own Dignity Boston member Peggy Burns has announced her intention to retire at the end of this year. In addition to serving in this key role for over 12 years, Peggy has also served DignityUSA as Secretary, Vice President, National Director, and Regional Coordinator. She has also been a longtime leader in Dignity/Boston, and helped to develop some of the most memorable and effective Leadership Trainings offered in conjunction with DignityUSA national conferences. For more information on this, please check out the 10/25 edition of the DignityUSA Dateline on the DignityUSA website.