

**Book of Remembrance:** Our Dignity Book of Remembrance is now available at the back of the church. We ask that you please consider writing the names of those who have passed away within the last year in the book. Please provide a pronunciation guide to facilitate the reading of names at our Liturgy of Remembrance in October and to ensure the name of your friend or loved one is read correctly.

**Solidarity Sunday:** This is next Sunday (10/6) and is a faith-based anti-violence initiative. To participate, pray for an end of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex violence; wear a rainbow ribbon; and educate as many people as possible about the need to stop violence against all people, especially LGBTQI.

**The Solidarity Pledge:** “I will work for civil and human rights for all people, including gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer and intersex people. Civil rights are not special rights. I will seek to stop jokes and unkind language about anyone, including gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex people when spoken in my presence. Words that hurt and bigotry are not funny. I will speak out against any slander, debasement, lies or dehumanization of anyone, including gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex people including when spoken by political or religious leaders. Violent speech leads to physical violence. I will work to stop physical violence against anyone, including violence against gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex people. Violence against any person is violence against all people.”

**Did You Know?** Dignity/Boston is a proud sponsor of the Boston’s Gay Men’s Chorus. Check out their upcoming performances at [www.bgmc.org](http://www.bgmc.org) Also, the BGMC is currently holding auditions for their new season.

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, especially 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](http://www.dignityboston.org) To place an issue on the agenda for the next board meeting, please see Chris Lawrence, email [dignityboston@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:houlivan@gmail.com) The Bulletin deadline is every Wednesday at 9 p.m.



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

## September 29, 2019 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading**  
Amos: 6:1, 4-7

**Second Reading**  
First Timothy: 6:11-16

**Gospel**  
Luke: 16:19-31



*“When you share your crust of bread with someone who is hungry, do it humbly and thank the person for allowing you to be part of the person’s hunger”. –Giorannino Guareschi*

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## Our Songs

**Gathering:** Gather Us In (744)

**Psalm:** Lord, Come and Save Us (140—Psalm 146)

**Preparation:** You Are the Voice (549)

**Communion:** Bread for the World (827)

**Sending Forth:** We Are Called (718)

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

## Our Readings

We hear again this week the words of the prophet Amos who scathingly condemns the idle, gluttonous, and consumerist values of the complacent in Reading 1. Such complacency, or more accurately, the unwillingness to see the beggar on the doorstep, has consequences in the reign of God as we hear in the Gospel. In First Timothy, Paul's admonition to his apprentice Timothy stand in sharp contrast: strive for righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.

## 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.*

*Please silence your cell phone.*

**Find us on:**



## Our Announcements

**Fourteen Shy of 1,000:** We are oh so close! Dignity/Boston has 984 likes on Facebook, as of this printing. You can help us get to 1,000 by next Sunday. If everyone in our community asked just one friend to "like" us on Facebook, we would be well over 1,000 likes. Ask a friend and let's see if we can hit 1,000 likes by the time our next Bulletin is printed.

**Blessing of the Animals:** Join us on Sunday, 10/6 for our annual Dignity/Boston Blessing of the Animals. This is a simple, beautiful, and touching ceremony where we say prayers and bless each of our Dignity pets who are present as well as pictures of our pets who can't attend. You are welcome to attend whether you have a pet or not. The time is at 3:15 p.m. in Blackstone Sq. Park. Hope that you can attend and participate in this service which gives blessing to our precious pets. Many pets stay and continue to play in the field. [Photo: Peggy and Jane's dog, Darby]



**October is Membership Month:** During the month of October, here at Dignity/Boston, we have a special membership month going on. Join or renew your membership starting on Tuesday and you'll be discounted 20% of the normal cost. With this discount, an individual membership becomes just \$40 and a couple membership just \$80. To renew or join, all that you need to do is go to the DignityUSA website. Go to the url [www.dignityusa.org/join](http://www.dignityusa.org/join) In the "other amount" field, enter \$40 or \$80. Complete the form. Choose "Dignity/Boston" under "chapter affiliation". It's as easy as that! Please note that your membership in DignityUSA and Dignity/Boston supports the social justice efforts toward full inclusion of LGBTQI+ persons in the church. We hope you take advantage of this special offer.

**Second Collection:** Last week's Second Collection raised \$540 for the Ken Garber Scholarship Fund of the Trans Club of New England. Thank you for your generosity.

**Jubilee Campaign:** Tomorrow (9/30) is the last day to give a gift for DignityUSA's jubilee as the \$5-50-500-5000 campaign comes to a close. Select how you want your contribution to be spent. Make a contribution through the "Give" tab on the DignityUSA website.