



BULLETIN – May 15, 2023

Our Liturgies

Online Share the Word Feast of the Ascension

Please join us on Sunday, 5/21 for our Online Share the Word Feast of the Ascension service. This is also known as Ascension Day, the Solemnity of the Ascension of Jesus Christ, and even, though rarely used, Holy Thursday. Through this feast, we commemorate the Christian belief of the bodily Ascension of Jesus into Heaven. Following the service, we enter Ascensioentide, which is the period between the Feast of the Ascension and the Feast of Pentecost. This service is at our normal 5:00 p.m. time.

In-Person Eucharistic Pentecost Sunday

We also invite you to join on Sunday, 5/28 for our In-Person Eucharistic celebration of Pentecost. This commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks. We invite you to wear **red** to this service as it signifies the work of the Holy Spirit. This service is also at our normal 5:00 pm. time.

June-October Planned In-Person Sunday Liturgies at 5:00 p.m.

Join us for our in-person liturgies at St. Stephen's in the South End:

6/11	Corpus Christi/Pride
6/25 and 7/9	Ordinary Time Liturgies
7/23	Feast of Mary of Magdala or Ordinary Time Liturgy
8/13, 8/27, 9/10	Ordinary Time Liturgies
9/24, 10/8, 10/22	Ordinary Time Liturgies

Our Socials

Thursday, 6/8 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Pride Storytelling—Identity Over the Years

Lots of details on this in our 5/30 Bulletin. Stay tuned!

Host: Julia

Dignity/Boston Marches in the Return of Boston Pride



[Boston Pride](#) returns with a parade and festival on Saturday, 6/10. The parade starts at 11:00 a.m. on Boylston Street and a festival will follow on Boston Common and City Hall Plaza. Dignity/Boston will have a marching group and table. Plan to join us to get the word out that 50 years since our founding we continue to be a strong and vibrant faith community. The evening before on Friday, 6/9, we will participate in the annual [Dyke March](#) at 6:30 p.m. Meet

us at the Parkman bandstand on Boston Common. We hope to have more details in our 5/30 Dignity/Boston Bulletin.

It Takes A Village

It's great to be back to our on-site worship space of St. Stephen's on a much more regular basis. Of course, we will need many resources to allow us to continue doing in-person services. It does "take a village" and we are asking you to think of the gifts that you might be able to offer our small faith community, Dignity/Boston. Here are some options to think about:

- Be a greeter and check vaccinations as people enter the church
- Coordinate our after-service social by supplying snacks and drinks as well as setting up and cleaning up
- Help with the liturgical setup of our space by bringing liturgical materials from basement cabinets to the sanctuary and returning them to the cabinets post-liturgy
- Clean up our space by taking out trash and combine
- Provide some comfort and care for those attending by opening and closing windows as needed

The above are just a few of several ways that you can help our community continue in-person services. This list will likely grow as we learn more about our needs. We thank you for the consideration.

News from DignityUSA

World Youth Day Support

DignityUSA is raising \$50,000 to support taking eleven pilgrims to World Youth Day in Portugal this August. To learn more, meet the pilgrims, and donate to the cause, please click [here](#).

[Our Community](#)

[Rocketman](#)

The [Polymnia Choral Society](#) will be offering another concert, “Rocketman”, a tribute to the music of Sir Elton John. It’s Saturday, 6/3 at 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall in Melrose. Tickets can be [purchased](#) for \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors/students, \$5 for children, and \$30 for the inclusion of a table.

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[May Collection](#)

Our May Collection benefits [Keshet](#), a Jewish organization envisioning a world where all LGBTQ+ people and their families can live in full equality. Please click [here](#) to donate.

Please contact dignityboston@gmail.com if you have any items that you would like to suggest for our next Bulletin (5/30/23) by Sunday, 5/28/23 at 12 Noon.