



BULLETIN – June 30, 2023

Our Liturgies

Sun. 7/2 Online Share the Word 13th Sunday Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m.

Sun. 7/9 In-Person Eucharistic 14th Sunday Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m.

Send-off for Our Pilgrims to World Youth Day

Dignity Boston is hosting a Send-Off for the ten Pilgrims who will be representing DignityUSA and all of us at World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal. The Send-Off will be Sunday, July 30 from 1:00 -2:30 PM at the Doubletree Airport Hotel in Chelsea. Dignity is looking for two people to staff a registration table and provide name badges, programs, and general information to attendees. During the Commissioning Ritual for the pilgrims, we'd like to offer a multi-lingual blessing. If you would be able to translate the prayer below and speak it over the Pilgrims, please contact Marianne at execdir@dignityusa.org or 617-669-7810 to volunteer. To staff the registration table, please contact dignityboston@gmail.com The Prayer: "May your presence will be a powerful message of hope on the horizon that visions a society and Catholic Church that opens its heart to all, including LGBTQIA+ people and Allies. As you go forth to Lisbon may God protect you, guide you and bless you. Amen"

About April



April's surgery is over and she is doing well! Dignity Boston will be supporting April and Miles Cummings as they navigate through April's kidney transplant. The Dignity Boston Executive Board authorized a community gift card through DoorDash. If you'd like to contribute to the DoorDash gift certificate from the community you can send your contribution to: Dignity Boston, PO Box 170428, Boston, MA 02117-0408. Please note on the memo line that it is a contribution for the Cummings family. If you want to send them money to help defer their housing costs you can send money through Venmo, the account is @mb-cummings. Because April's immune system will be suppressed for at least a few weeks, the family will need to minimize contact with people. At the same time, they will need/appreciate help with things like getting food and groceries and doing laundry (their Airbnb does not have washer/dryer and going to a laundromat would not be a good idea at this time). In addition, Miles may need some respite at times. The Dignity Boston community has expressed an interest in giving a helping hand. The Cummings Family have asked Becky and Marianne to coordinate their needs and schedule the assistance. If you are looking for other ways to help, please contact Becky, duddyburkeb@gmail.com or Marianne, duddyburkem@gmail.com. April and Miles have also created a CaringBridge site where you can receive updates from them, [April Cummings Website](#). As we blessed April on Sunday, we have prayed that she can return to her family and community, fully recovered and ready to embrace life anew. Please continue to keep the Cummings family in your prayers and many thanks for your generosity.

Save the Date

Please join us for our Dignity Boston Anniversary Dinner on Friday, 9/29 at Club Café in Boston's Back Bay. More details and the exact time will be shared in future bulletins as the time gets closer.

Dignity Participates in Pride Block Party



Dignity/Boston participated in the Pride Block Party sponsored by the Colleges of the Fenway (the Wentworth Institute of Technology, Emmanuel College, Simmons University, the Massachusetts College of Art and Design, and the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences). Many students and faculty from the colleges stopped by to chat; learn more about Dignity; and enjoy rainbow candy, buttons and ribbons. Pictured here are Bert O. (left) and Tyler M. (right) from our Dignity Boston Executive Board. Peggy B. also

participated. She must have been the one taking the picture. Just an educated guess by your Bulletin editor.

Next Dignity/Boston Executive Board Meeting

The next meeting of the Dignity Boston Executive Meeting is Wednesday, 7/5 at 7:00 p.m. EDT via Zoom. All are welcome! If you'd like to attend, please email dignityboston@gmail.com and the link to the meeting will be sent to you.

News from DignityUSA

Women of Dignity Gather

The Women of Dignity from across the country gathered the weekend of 6/16 at Mercy by the Sea in Madison, CT for a weekend retreat. They discerned, "Being a Blessing to Ourselves and to Each Other," a wonderful Pride month message. The weekend was led by Marsie Silvestro and Honour Maddock. It was a prayerful time for all. Eight Dignity chapters were represented at the retreat.

Maddie Offers Homily at Dignity New York Pride Liturgy



Dignity Boston's own Madeline M. offered the homily at this past weekend's Dignity New York's Pride Liturgy. Click [here](#) to watch the liturgy and Maddie's homily. We hope everyone has had a wonderful pride month.

Our Community



Harbor to the Bay President and Co-founder Jim Morgrage is featured in this edition of [Spirit Magazine](#). Many of you may recognize Jim from his many years at Club Café. Jim has been very helpful to Dignity/Boston's Cardinals Sins team through the years. In September, Harbor to the Bay ride #21 will be the final ride. Dignity Boston's Cardinal Sins team has participated in the rides as team leader, crew, and riders.

Our Collections

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Please support Dignity Boston by sending your donations via [Pay Pal!](#) Once logged in and on site, please select "send" then search for "DignityBoston@gmail.com".

Donate In-Person or Via Mail

Please support Dignity Boston and DignityUSA as well as our Second Collections by contributing at our in-person liturgies or sending donations to: Dignity/Boston, PO Box 170428, Boston, MA 02117-0408. Please make checks payable to “Dignity Boston”. If your contribution is for the monthly Second Collection, please write “Second Collection” on the memo line. Please note that the second collection for the month will be taken at the in-person service that is offered on the second Sunday of each month, or, if for some reason the in-person schedule changes, it will then be collected on the next Sunday that we meet in-person.

June Collection



Our June collection will benefit [BAGLY](#). BAGLY is the Boston Alliance of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer youth. It is a youth-led, adult-supported organization committed to social justice, and creating, sustaining and advocating for programs, policies and services for the LGBTQ+ youth community. Please click [here](#) to donate.

July Collection



Our Dignity Boston July collection will benefit the [First Baptist Church in Jamaica Plain](#). First Baptist is a Christian community of many cultures and one faith. It is unified in its diversity and strengthened by the Holy Spirit as community gathers together in worship, witness, and service to glorify God and follow the example of Jesus’ inclusive love. 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 (7/15/23) by Thursday, 7/13/23 at 12 Noon.