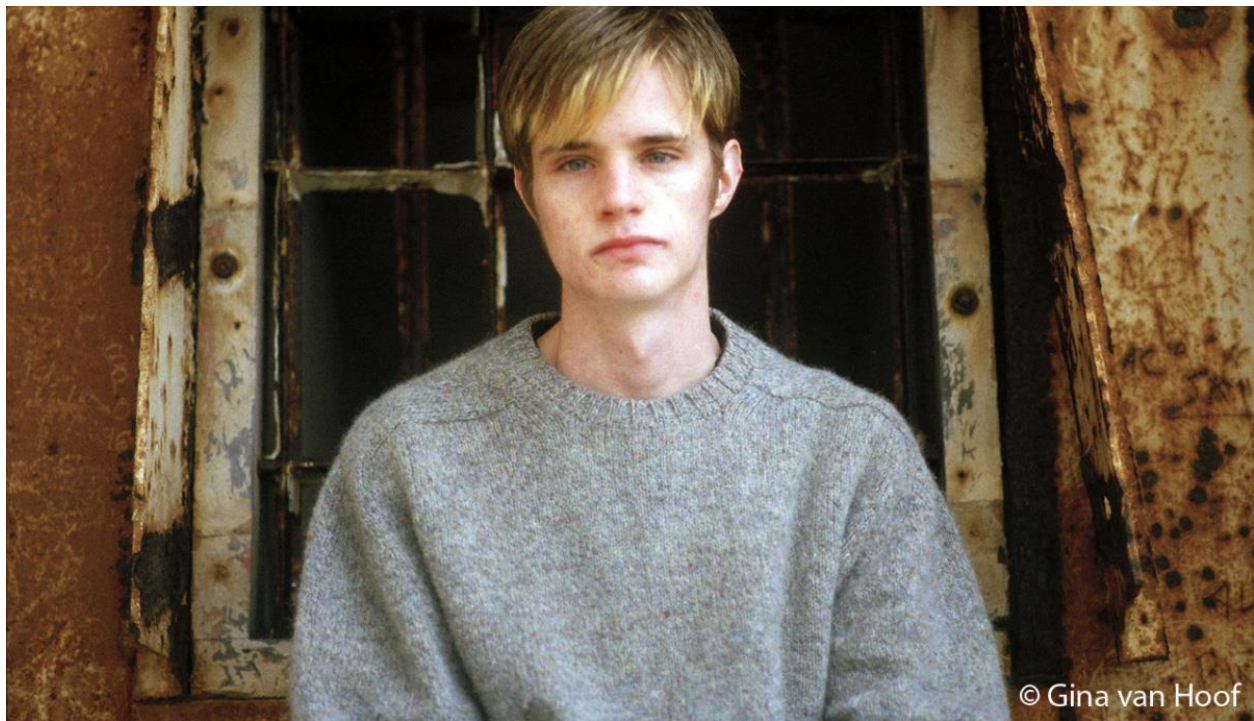




BULLETIN – September 30, 2023

The 25th Anniversary of the Passing of Matthew Sheppard



December 1, 1976 to October 12, 1998
We will always remember

Our Liturgies

Upcoming Liturgies

Sun., 10/1 Online Share the Word 26th Sunday Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m.
Sun., 10/8 In-Person Eucharistic 27th Sunday Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m.
Sun. 10/15 Online Share the Word 28th Sunday Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m.

Note: There will be a healing service during the 10/15 Share the Word liturgy.

Liturgy of Remembrance and Reading of Names

This liturgy will be in-person on Sunday, 11/5. Please join us. If you would like to have the name of a person who has died since our last Liturgy of Remembrance read aloud in our Liturgy of Remembrance, you can send the name or names via email to DBBookofremembrance@gmail.com or write the person's name in our Book of Remembrance. Our Book of Remembrance will be available at church on 10/8 or 10/15. In either an email or writing the name in our book, please include a guide to pronunciation if needed.

In-Person Liturgy Schedule

For the months of November and December, our in-person liturgies at St. Stephen's will be on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, not the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

Some Guidelines for In-Person Liturgies

The Executive Board of Dignity Boston is continuously monitoring the spread of Covid. Out of concern for rising rates of Covid infection we encourage you to wear a mask. If you are not feeling well (fever, cold symptoms, or a positive Covid test) please join the liturgy through streaming. Unless previously provided, attendees will be asked to show proof of vaccination including having received a booster shot.

Our Socials

Thursday, 10/19 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Queer Catholic Art Night 2.0

We will continue discussing and investigating new works! Visual culture has been instrumental to the Catholic faith. From architecture to painting to sculpture, the visual arts have been used to wrestle with the beauty and complications of faith. We will be looking at a wide range of artists, themes, and topics that center around queerness in Catholicism. As LGBTQ+ Catholics, we deserve to be able to see and celebrate ourselves within the arts. Feel free to bring an image of your own favorite artwork to share!

Host: Tyler

Our Elections



Consider using your time and talent to serve as a Dignity Boston Executive Board member. Nominations Night is Sunday, 10/29 after our online service. Candidates Night, where the nominees share their vision, is Sunday, 11/5 after our in-person liturgy. Voting happens after this and ballots must be received by Noon on Saturday, 12/2.

Our Meetings

The Dignity Boston Executive Board meets on Wednesday, 10/4 at 7:00 p.m. To get the link to attend our Executive Board meeting, please email dignityboston@gmail.com The Dignity Boston Liturgy Committee meets on Sunday, 10/29 following our online liturgy. All are welcome to attend either or both meetings.

Solidarity Sunday

Dignity Boston supports Solidarity Sunday which DignityUSA initiated back in 1995 as a way of making our opposition to anti-LGBTQ+ violence visible. We invite you to wear a rainbow every day to show your support for the LGBTQ+ community, particularly on Solidarity Sunday Day which is Sunday, 10/8. We have an in-person service that evening so please wear it to that as well. More information and materials about Solidarity Sunday are available [here](#).

Thanks to Our Cardinal Sins Team and Supporters!



Congratulations to the Cardinal Sins team that road and/or were part of the crew team last Saturday (9/23) for Harbor to the Bay. Thank you also to the donors that helped raise over \$16,000. The weather did not cooperate, but that didn't stop Ride 21!

Reminder: [National Coming Out Day](#) is Wednesday, October 11th

Still Time to Support Dignity's Strides for Action Walkers

Support Team Dignity Boston tomorrow (10/1) in the "Strides for Action Walk" which is stepping off from Carson Beach in South Boston. This is the "next generation" of the beloved AIDS Walk where Dignity Boston had a team for decades. Thanks, in advance, for your support!

Dignity Boston Team Donation Page:
<https://stridesforaction.org/s23/dignity-boston>

Kathy Ann Gianino's Donation Page:
<https://stridesforaction.org/s23/ka>

Peggy Hayes' Donation Page:
<https://stridesforaction.org/s23/peggy-hayes-strides-for-action>

Dave Houle's Donation Page:
<https://stridesforaction.org/s23/dave-houle>

Jane Powers' Donation Page:
<https://stridesforaction.org/s23/help-jane-stride-for-action>

News from DignityUSA: Krzysztof Charamsa to Speak at B.C.



Many Dignity Boston members will remember Krzysztof Charamsa from the 2017 DignityUSA Conference hosted here. Krzysztof is the former Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith official who came out and spoke with us about the CDF's campaign against homosexuality. He is now an author and justice activist living with his partner in Spain. On 10/3 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Krzysztof will be speaking at Stokes S195 Auditorium at Boston College. His topic is "After Copernicus and Darwin Came Stonewall: How has the Church's Case against Homosexuality Fared?" The event is free and open to the public. Krzysztof has extended a personal invitation to the Dignity community. Here's the [link](#) for more information on his talk.

Our Community

Wonderfully Made

DignityUSA Executive Director Marianne Duddy-Burke will be speaking at Wonderfully Made and had a key role in this documentary!



The Greater Boston LGBTQIA Catholic Collective
invite you to the Boston Premiere
of the film

Wonderfully Made LGBTQ+R(eligion)

Directed by Yuval David
Produced by Mark McDermott

Tuesday, October 24 at 6:30 PM
St. Cecilia Church
18 Belvidere St.
Boston, MA 02115

Q&A with the creatives and advocates following the screening
Light reception immediately follows.



For more information email lgbtqministry@stanthonyshrine.org

Wonderfully Made - LGBTQ+R(eligion) is a feature-length documentary striking at the root of anti-LGBTQ attitudes by exploring the challenges and aspirations of LGBTQ+ Catholics. The film focuses on the Catholic Church because it is one of the largest religious organizations and its anti-LGBTQ+ stance is known and growing more hardline. It features interviews with leading advocates rarely seen all together, including clergy, organizational leaders and activists. The narrative of the film is shaped by the process of a fine art project creating unprecedented, photographic iconography depicting Jesus as a member/ally of the LGBTQ+ community, represented by multiple LGBTQ+ models.

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MBCC LGBTQIA+ Dance

On 10/21, the Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition (MBCC) will hold its 26th Annual LGBTQIA+ Lesbians and Friends Dance, in-person at Boston's best venue, Club Cafe, and virtually on Zoom. Tickets are available at mbcc.org/dance. Find out more about MBCC at mbcc.org. MBCC strives to change the legacy of breast cancer for future generations.

Our Collections

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Donate In-Person or Via Mail



Support Dignity Boston through our Second Collections by contributing at our in-person liturgies or sending donations to: Dignity/Boston, PO Box 170428, Boston, MA 02117-0408. Make checks payable to “Dignity Boston”. If your contribution is for the monthly Second Collection, please write “Second Collection” on the memo line.

September Collection



Our Dignity Boston September collection benefits World Central Kitchen—Hawai'i Wildfire Relief. Please click [here](#) for more information and [here](#) to donate.

October Collection



Our Dignity Boston October collection benefits Boston GLASS. To donate or get more details, please click [here](#).

Please contact dignityboston@gmail.com if you have any items that you would like to suggest for our next Bulletin (10/15/23) by Friday, 10/13/23.