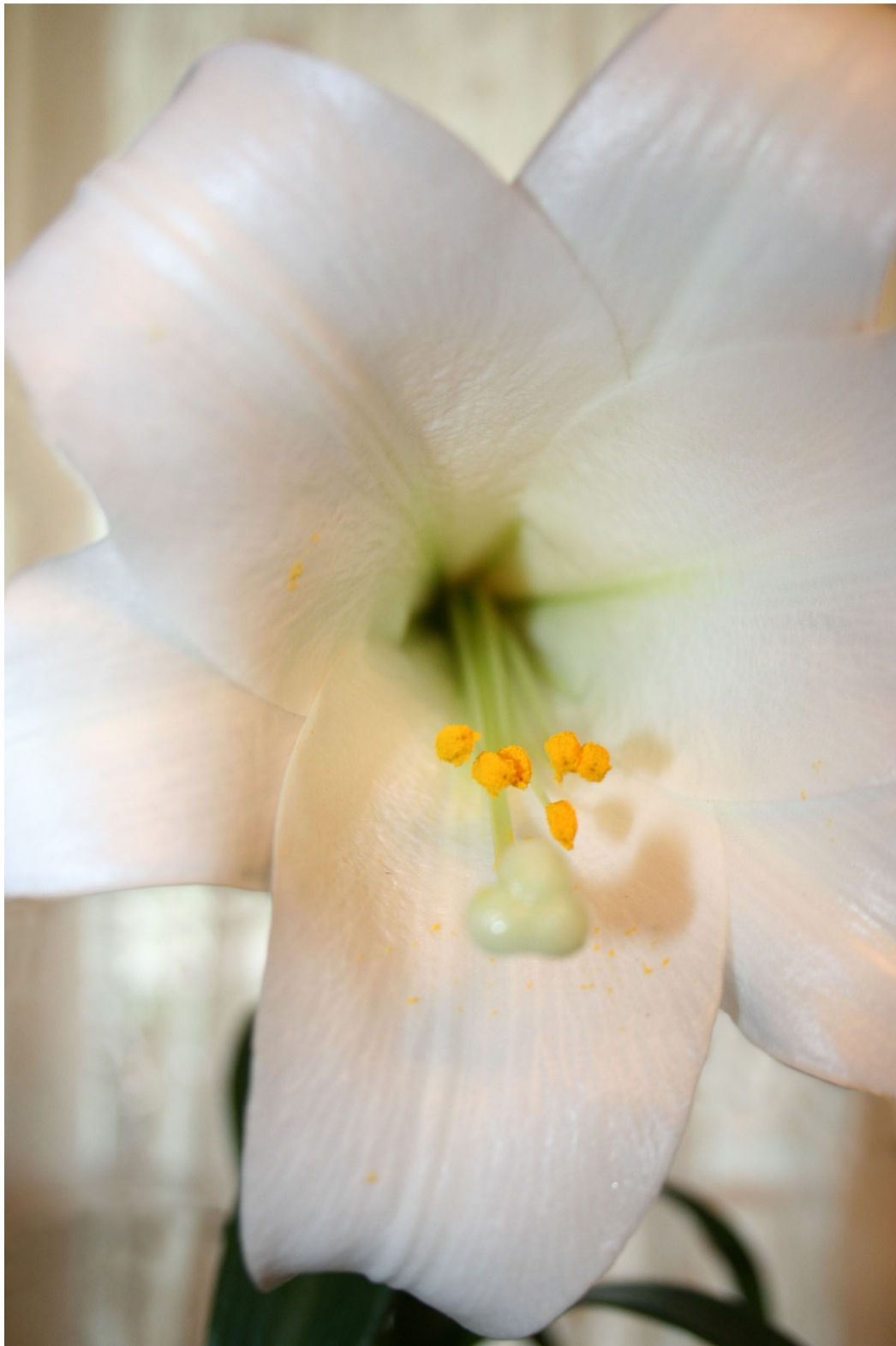


# SACRED HEART

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E a s t e r S u n d a y

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*He lives,  
all glory  
to His Name!*

*He lives,  
my Savior,  
still the same.*

*What joy  
this blest  
assurance gives:*

*I know  
that my  
Redeemer lives!*

# PARISH RESOURCES

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 2:30 to 3:30pm or anytime by appointment

**BAPTISM** Arrangement for this Sacrament of Initiation may be made by contacting the Rectory.

**MARRIAGE** Arrangements for Marriage should be made with the parish priest at least eight months in advance to allow for adequate preparation.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Grades 1 through 5 - Tuesdays 4:00 to 5:15pm

Grades 6 through 10 - Tuesdays 7:00 to 8:30pm

**VISITATION TO THE SICK** We are most eager to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in Church. If you wish to receive the sacraments of Confession, Communion, or the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Rectory. Please notify us of any hospitalization so that we may help.

## MASSES

Weekends (Upper Church)

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am in ASL (also Voiced)

12 Noon (Lower Church)

Weekdays (Lower Church)

Monday—Saturday: 9:00am

Saturday following Mass: Rosary, Exposition, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding at 10:30am

Holy Days (Upper Church)

7:00am at Our Lady Help of Christians

9:00am at Sacred Heart

12:00 noon at Our Lady Help of Christians

7:30pm at Sacred Heart. This Mass is in both English and ASL

Holidays (Lower Church)

9:00am

## WEBSITES :

[www.sholnewton.org](http://www.sholnewton.org)

[www.bostondeafatholic.org](http://www.bostondeafatholic.org)

**WELCOME:** If you are new in the Parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or at the rectory office. We want to know and serve you.

## OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS

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## OFFICE HOURS

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William B. Koffel, Deacon

Mrs. Marie Buckley, Pastoral Associate

Mr. Brian Romer Niemiec, Pastoral Associate

Mr. Manny Lim, Interim Director of Music

Mr. Michael Bliss, Business Manager

Mrs. Michelle Solomon, Religious Education Director

Mrs. Margaret Miller, Administrative Associate

Mrs. Marisa Cimino, Activities Coordinator, MacKenzie Center

Mr. David Nahabedian, Facilities Manager



# OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 22

4:00pm, Robert Reardon

Sunday, April 23

9:00am, Parishioners of Sacred Heart

12:00 Noon, Socorro Jimenez

Monday, April 24

9:00am, Jean Maloney

## CELEBRANTS FOR NEXT WEEK

Saturday, April 22, 4:00pm: Fr. Sassani;

Sunday, April 23, 9:00am: Fr. Milik;

11:00am: Fr. Carey; 12:00 Noon: Fr. Sassani

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 16, The Resurrection of the Lord

*Acts: 10:34a, 37-43; Ps. 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;*

*Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8;*

*John 20:1-9 or Luke 24:1-12*

Monday, April 17

*Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps. 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11;*

*Matthew 28:8-15*

Tuesday, April 18

*Acts 2:36-41; Ps. 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22;*

*John 20:11-18*

Wednesday, April 19

*Acts 3:1-10; Ps. 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9;*

*Luke 24:13-35*

Thursday, April 20

*Acts 3:11-26; Ps. 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9;*

*Luke 24:35-48*

Friday, April 21

*Acts 4:1-12; Ps. 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a;*

*John 21:1-14*

Saturday, April 22

*Acts 4:13-21, Ps. 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21;*

*Mark 16:9-15*

Sunday, April 23, Second Sunday of Easter

*Acts 2:42-47; Ps. 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;*

*Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31*

## CALENDAR NOTES

Easter Egg Hunt: Sunday, April 16, 10:00am,

Rectory lawn

Deaf Catholic Easter Celebration: Sunday, April 16

Faith Sharing Closing Mass: Thursday, April 20,

7:00pm, Lower Church

Coffee Hour: Friday, April 21, Following 9:00am

Mass, Parish Center

Liturgy, Holy Hour, Rosary: Saturday, April 22,

9:00am—10:30am, Lower Church

Extended Coffee Hour: Sunday, April 23,

10:00am—1:00pm, Parish Center

## EASTER COLLECTION

The Easter collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. These priests have given their lives to faithfully serve Christ, the Church, and you. Please be generous to this important collection. For more information, please visit [www.clergyfunds.org](http://www.clergyfunds.org).

## SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Next week's special collection supports three important national Catholic missions: The Military Archdiocese collection, Home Missions, and the Black and Native American collection. For more information, please visit [www.milarch.org](http://www.milarch.org), [www.uscb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/catholic-home-missions-appeal/index.cfm](http://www.uscb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/catholic-home-missions-appeal/index.cfm) and [blackandindianmission.org/](http://blackandindianmission.org/).

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

**There will be no CCD classes this Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> during Spring Vacation. Our last CCD class for the year will be on April 25<sup>th</sup>.** Weather permitting we will end the year for Grades 1-5 by **crowning the Blessed Mother** in our shrine in the back of the Convent. **All CCD families and parishioners are also invited to attend the Last Class and Mass in the lower church at 7pm** for the intentions of our teachers and in thanksgiving for their faithfulness in passing on the Gospel to our students and families this past year. Celebrations will follow both programs of Grades 1-5 and 6-10!

Christine Sanroma has been preparing our First Communion students to receive Jesus for the first time on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00am Mass. Afterwards, the entire Parish is invited to celebrate with our students and families in the McKenzie Center with a beautiful brunch. All 1<sup>st</sup> Communion parents are reminded to attend the **1<sup>st</sup> Communion rehearsal on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3pm in the upper church.** At least one parent must attend!

May the light of Christ bring peace, joy and hope to us in all things this Easter Season and always! Rejoice, Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Michelle Solomon, Director of Religious Ed.



**A Word from Father Sassani – Easter 2017**

**ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!**

These words express the mystery that changes everything – the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Death is no longer hopeless, sin has been mercifully forgiven, we have been offered an undaunted hope as we celebrate Christ's victory over everything that would separate us from Him and from one another.

Lent has been a time of grace in our communities. And this grace comes to full flower at Easter! We are living in the Resurrection of Christ – that's what Baptism, the Eucharist and our Discipleship offer us. Our experience of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday are the doorway into the new life and the joy of the Resurrection.

Many years ago, I had gone, with other students at Saint John's Seminary, to a small Catholic book store in Harvard Square. That day, in 1972, I came upon a poster with an image of the Risen Christ, and a quotation that said: "Lord Jesus, because you ascended into heaven after you descended into hell, you have so filled the universe in every direction that it is, henceforth, blessedly impossible for us to escape you!"

This quotation not only describes a profound blessing, it also describes our mission. Our mission, as Catholic Parishes, is to share the faith we have been given with others. We hear this challenging invitation in the words of Christ in Matthew 10:8 – "The gift you have received, give as a gift!"

On this Easter Day, having renewed our Baptismal Commitment to Christ, the Lord Jesus is filling us with his life and grace, so that it will be blessedly possible for others to encounter Jesus Christ through us. As that happens, the world will benefit from the hope that can change the world!

In your name, and in my own, I would like to express our gratitude to those whose talents and commitment have enriched the Liturgies of Holy Week and Easter by their God-given gifts: the Choirs and Musicians, the ministers and servers, those who decorated our two Churches, and those who have worked in the background doing little things with great care. We are grateful for your devoted efforts.

Finally, many people have gathered with us to celebrate the Feast of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are delighted that you are here with us today. Please know that you are always welcome! A most Blessed Easter to one and all!

Father Sassani

**FATHER ROBERT BLANEY'S FAREWELL**

It is with much sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Father Blaney when his assignment at Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Parishes concludes in May. He will celebrate his final masses the weekend of May 20th/21st. We will keep him in our prayers as he moves on to his next, yet to be determined, assignment in the Archdiocese of Boston.

A collaborative celebration in his honor will be held at OLHC lower church after the 10am Mass on the 21<sup>st</sup>. Please plan to come and give thanks for his presence among us these last four years.

**TV MASS ON APRIL 17**

Fr. Adrian will be celebrating the TV Mass on Catholic TV on Monday, April 17. Parishioners are welcome to come join him at the TV station in Watertown, 34 Chestnut Street, before the 9:30 am start time, or welcome to watch it live on TV, on the evening rebroadcast, or anytime on the Catholic TV website.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Next Sunday, April 23, we will be celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday, a special feast in which we remember that no matter what, God continues to love us with a perfect love. To mark this special occasion, Fr. Adrian will be leading a Divine Mercy Holy Hour in the Sacred Heart upper church from 3 to 4pm. Please join us for a time of adoration, prayer, and reflection on the message revealed to St. Faustina about God's perfect mercy. With all of the challenges happening around the world, we need to put our focus on the mercy of God more than ever, so that the graces of the day may strengthen and support us in all that we do.

**GUILD OF ST. FRANCIS NEWS:**

The Guild of St. Francis would like to thank all Guild members and friends who baked for the very successful annual Bloom and Bake sale. The variety and quality of baked items was spectacular! Special thanks to all of you who supported us by purchasing food items and Easter plants, cacti and pussy willow branches! It was a lovely event and coffee hour on Sunday. All money raised goes to support charity and social events. Any extra food items were donated to the Easter Vigil celebration.

Additional Guild notices can be found on the last page of the Bulletin.



# EASTER FLOWERS

The following is a list, as of April 3 of people in whose memory or honor donations were made for our beautiful Easter flowers. Please keep all these people in your prayers.

Louise Audette	Robert DeSimone	Anne & Russell Harney	O'Donoghue
Frances L. Bartolucci	Marcella DiDonato	Cathy & Russell Harney	Maureen, Eleanor &
Beckerman Family	Mr. & Mrs. Antonio	Marilyn Hayden	Mary O'Donoghue
Charles Blue	DiMonda	Higgins Family	John O'Hara
Mr. & Mrs. Carmen	Domenico DiMonda	Ann Hiltz	The O'Regan Family
Bocci	Raymond & Leontine	Karel & Olga Holbik	Bernard W.
Dominick J. Bocci	Dobson	John & Margaret Howe	O'Shaughnessy
Mario Bocci	Maura Donovan	William & Teresa Hrycaj	Rose O'Shaughnessy
Anna Braman	The Driscoll Family	Blanche K. Hueston	Gerard Paglia
The Breen Family	Lawrence, Amelda,	Michael "Bud" Hueston	Lillian & Joseph Paglia
Sr. Judy Breen	Lawrence, Jr., Wallace,	Bill Huminik	Joseph D. Pannone
Henry, Mary, and Paul	Walter, Barbara	Loretta Huminik	The Paul Family
Brissette	Driscoll Wilkinson,	Theresa Jeraldi	Marie Paz
Marie Brissette	Richard	Pauline Kougeas	Mary & Eugene Plante
Tom & Mary Burns	Kay Dumphy	Dale Francis Lavelle	Agnes & Bernard Power
Benjamin Caira	William & Mary Ellen	Alex & Anna & Cecile	Pedro Recio
Dr. Fernando Calvo	Egan	LeBlanc	Ann Reynolds
Fernando Calvo	The Egan Brothers	Nancy Harney Lewos	Joseph Richard
Reyna Calvo	Thomas, Charles &	Catherine Lomax	Michael and Nellie
Edmund E. Capodilupo	William	Eugene Lynch	Ryder
Linda Capodilupo	Arthur English Family	Mary MacDonald	Arthur Savage
Lucia Capodilupo	Marie Carchia English	Felipe Nery Manay	Barbara & F. Russell
Rocco and Christina	Rose Carchia English	McCaskey Family	Schneider
Carchia	Susan Luger Fabiano	Elizabeth McCoy	Raymond Scichilone
Sally Cassidy	Michael J. Fairley	John & Ellen McKenna	Family
Elsie M. Carvalho	Farraher Family	McLeod Family	Seigen Family
Henry Joseph Carvalho	Delia & Thomas Feeney	Frank & Mildred	Gilda Siciliano
Castellanos Family	The Feeney Brothers	McMahon	Andreana & William
Chermesino Family	Joseph, Gerald &	Paul McNeil	Simonetti
Edwin & Alice Childs	Robert	Doris McParland	Genevieve & Edward
The Cloherty Family	Finlayson Family	Dorothy Medlar	Slavin
Diane M. Clough	Foley Family	Robert Mooney	Claire Groden Smith
Columbo Family	Dr. & Mrs. F. O. Franco	Gus Morelli	Peter Sorrentino
The Conneely Family	Suzanne Gan	Thomas P. Mulkeen	Marie St. Pierre
Fr. Fidelis Connolly, C.P.	Albert Genetti	Kathleen Mullin	Jean F. Streitmater
Steve Cononica	Rocco & Nancy Gentile	Catherine Murphy	Antonio & Rosina
Patricia Cooke	Georges Family	Ellen Murray	Tornabene
Robert Crowley	Greer Family	Rose Murray	Mr. & Mrs. Giacomo
Francis Thomas Daley	Julia and Martin Groden	Lorraine Nazarro	Tornabene
Mary L. Daley	Robert and Timothy	Antonio Nicolazzo	Mr. & Mrs. James
Pete Daley	Groden	Josephine Nicolazzo	Tornabene
JoJo David	Luz Delidia Guerrero	Teresa M. O'Connor	Maryann Tornabene
Deaf Catholic Community	de Manay	E. James O'Donoghue	Michael & Josephine
Rose A. Demeo	Pierce J. Haley	John & Ellen	Tornabene



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Peter & Margaret Tornabene	John & Agnes Walsh Sheila Werbinski
Francis J. Troy	Denis P. Whooley
Séan Tubman	Jeremiah & Nora Whooley
Richard Vahey	Sr. Teresa Whooley
Gerard Verdet	Tim Youngclaus
Mr. & Mrs. Gaetano Volpe	
Fr. Francis Vye	And for those who have no one to remember them
Bill Walsh	

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### UPCOMING GUILD EVENTS

Please begin to gather items for the annual Rummage sale to be held on May 13. Items such as: clothing, toys, bric-a-brac, kitchen, art work, and jewelry may be brought to Mackenzie parish hall on Sunday mornings after Mass.

The Guild will be sponsoring the Spring Clothing Drive for St. Francis House clients for two weeks in May (20 -28). Begin to look for bargains on new socks, underwear, water bottles, shower flip-flops. And gather serviceable jeans, t-shirts, backpacks, jackets, sweatshirts and pants, baseball caps, shoes, sneakers for men and women.

Save the Date -June 4 - for the annual Communion breakfast with Drs. Lija and Jacob Joseph speaking about attending the canonization of St. Theresa in London.

### POWR (PARISHES ORGANIZED TO WELCOME REFUGEES) PARISH INITIATIVE

Join the Justice and Peace Committee at their next meeting for a specifically designed training by Catholic Charities to support the Collaborative in their efforts to become a POWR Parish. A network of volunteers interested in helping with housing, hospitality, Pre-Arrival and Post Arrival activities will be needed to welcome and integrate a refugee family into the community. Please join the training on Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30am in the Convent Library at Sacred Heart. For additional information, please contact Brian Romer Niemiec.

### COME TO THE WATERS OF HEALING

Project Rachel extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of abortion to experience God's Mercy at a one-day retreat for hope and healing. Retreat will be held at a confidential location on Saturday May 20. Preregistration is required; limited to 10 participants. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or email [help@projectrachelboston.com](mailto:help@projectrachelboston.com).

### SIGNINGS

We often grieve when our loved ones have departed, like those followers who witnessed the Passion of the Lord, which we experience together on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and today on Easter. Seeing our loved ones go is undoubtedly a painful, heart-wrenching experience. We should be grateful that we have our churches around in our society today. Can we imagine what it would be like without churches? If there aren't any churches, we would have a hard time accepting the death of our loved ones and would not be able to see that we can gain through suffering. It would be a meaningless life, indeed. What are we doing today with our universal Church? Easter!!! Easter is an awesome gift from God for us to have hope when we die. Also, Easter teaches us how to cherish our past memories with our loved ones, like those followers of Jesus who had so many amazing experiences on their journey with him. Easter is why the angel of the Lord was sent to the tomb to tell the women, "Do not be afraid!" (Matthew 28:5). We are heeding this message from the angel of the Lord too, through the proclamation of the Gospel today and our eyes of faith! It is time for us to rejoice! As for our loved ones who departed from us, we need to remember to rejoice because they were here for many reasons we can think of and thank God for their presence in our lives, which is a gift from Him! Again, let's rejoice! Have a blessed Easter!

In Christ, Fr. Shawn

### K OF C YARD SALE DONATIONS

The Knights of Columbus of Sacred Heart Parish in Newton Center is accepting donations for our Annual Yard Sale to be held May 13. We accept most household items, electronics, furniture, clothes and any other item you feel might be a good selling item for a yard sale. We will pickup or you may bring items to us. For further information or for questions or pickup, call Bob - 617 332 1263 in the evenings. Thank-you.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." Happy Easter! He has risen! Let us welcome Jesus even more into our marriages by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are April 22-23, 2017 in Brewster, MA and June 10-11, 2017 in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at [www.WWMEMA.org](http://www.WWMEMA.org).

