

The head of the hospital is Craig
coming to Holy Family. I'm very c

ospital in Fall River before



From there, we went into downtown Haverhill for the dedication of Harbor Place. We had a little bit of trouble getting there because, as those in the area will remember, there had been a windstorm the night before that caused a lot of trees and power lines to be downed.

There was a huge crowd of people who joined us for the dedication including Massachusetts Housing Secretary Jay Ash, the Mayor of Haverhill James Fiorentini and many other officials and business leaders who played a part in making this development a reality.







This stunning new development was constructed on the site of a former Woolworth's building that had been abandoned for over 50 years. The building was just a terrible eyesore and finally the City of Haverhill bought it. It was the mayor who suggested that they approach the Planning Office to seek our help in developing affordable housing on that site. The final result is just stunning – a beautiful building, a plaza and a very nice riverwalk. It's just a magnificent improvement to the entire neighborhood.



UMass Lowell will rent part of the new building that is commercial space, which will help support the project.

Harbor Place is just one more example of how Lisa Alberghini and her team at the Planning Office for Urban Affairs have done so much to create affordable housing all over the archdiocese.

Wednesday, of course, was the Feast of All Saints and, as I always like to do, I celebrated the mid-day Mass at the Pastoral Center, which was standing room only. A number of priests were also with us for the Mass including Father Walter Waldron and Father Michael Nolan.

Each of the Holy Days has a very special message and, certainly, the Feast of All Saints reminds us that we are all called, in our life of discipleship, to embrace the ideals of the Gospel and imitate the holiness of the saints.

