

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, HYANNIS, MA

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

JANUARY 22, 2017

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

HEART OF THE WORLD VII

~ ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ~

Like the heart in the body, the very center and life-moving force of the Church is the Eucharist. All of the other Sacraments and the whole life of Grace and the Church in the world flow from it and lead back to it.

2017 commemorates 100 years since the apparitions of the Blessed Mother to Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco at Fatima. In this column, we have been discussing how an Angel appeared to them three times in order to prepare them to meet Our Lady. In his 3rd appearance, (when he also revealed that he is St. Michael) he taught them how they are to comport themselves in the Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and a prayer:

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifference, by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I pray for the conversion of poor sinners.

For the last few weeks, we have focused on how St. Michael taught them how to practice Reverence (or Piety). This Gift of the Holy Spirit precedes any interaction (prayer) with God and denotes an interior attitude that is also expressed outwardly.

We can worship in a way that Angels cannot—and they are full of wonder and amazement at that which we take for granted. (cf. Lk, 15:10; Eph 3:10; Heb 2) In fact, often we do not understand the meaning of what we do and/or only think of the inconvenience of it.

Angels, who perceive reality with perfect clarity, have a lot to teach us about Reverence. We become tired, or sore, or sick, or injured and get distracted by the gift of our bodies from what we can do with them.

What we do, how we do it, and how we dress express meaning whether we like it or not. We know how to dress and behave at a banquet, stage performance, wedding, funeral, etc., but we frequently do not think about these things at other times. If there is no viable alternative due to circumstances it is perfectly fine to come to Church “as you are”.

On the other hand, if we habitually present ourselves to God dressed like we just came from or are going to the beach or a cookout—is that not irreverent and disrespectful? Try that at a friend’s wedding.

Would you go to a stage performance and constantly talk to the person next to you? How would you feel if your intended spouse came late to, was looking at his/her watch during, and left early from your wedding? How about if at the slightest inconvenience, he/she didn’t even come?

Saturday:		Jan 21
8:30 AM	Joaquim, Mary Rosary & John Rosario	
4:00 PM	Hugh O’Neill, Jr.	
Sunday:		Jan 22
9 AM	Mary Angela Moniz	
11AM	Jack Donovan	
1 PM	Theresa Corcoran	
Monday:		Jan 23
8:30 AM	Robert Maier	
Tuesday:		Jan 24
8:30 AM	Juan Pleitez	
Wednesday:		Jan 25
8:30 AM	Lillian Senteio	
Thursday:		Jan 26
8:30 AM	Frank Senteio	
Friday:		Jan 27
8:30 AM	Albert Makkay	
Saturday:		Jan 28
8:30 AM	Peter, Antone and Dominga Pires	
4:00 PM	Roger, Ida & Robert Brown	
Sunday:		Jan 29
9 AM	Manuel & Trindade Couto	
11AM	Special Intention	
1 PM	Theresa Corcoran	

~ SACRED HEART CHAPEL ~

Saturday:		Jan 21
4 PM	Members of the Parish	
Sunday:		Jan 22
8 AM	John V. DelBene, Jr	
Saturday:		Jan 28
4 PM	Members of the Parish	
Sunday:		Jan 29
8 AM	Greg Smith	



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ADORATION

MONDAY
THROUGH
FRIDAY

NOON TO 3PM

COME PRAY
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There is a need for additional people to spend a time with Our Lord. Sometimes things come up (illness, family problems) that require the presence of the person who said they would pray with the Lord. It is difficult to predict, but also makes it difficult for them to follow through with this commitment. If you can fill in as a substitute, could you please contact Deacon Bruce Baxter at his email at deaconbrucebaxter@gmail.com or call the Parish Office for details 508.775.0818. Thank you to those of you who have come forward and offered to help.

EUCCHARISTIC APOSTLES OF DIVINE MERCY

Meetings are held every other Monday. The next meeting will be held on **Jan 23**. For further information, call the office at 508.775.0818.

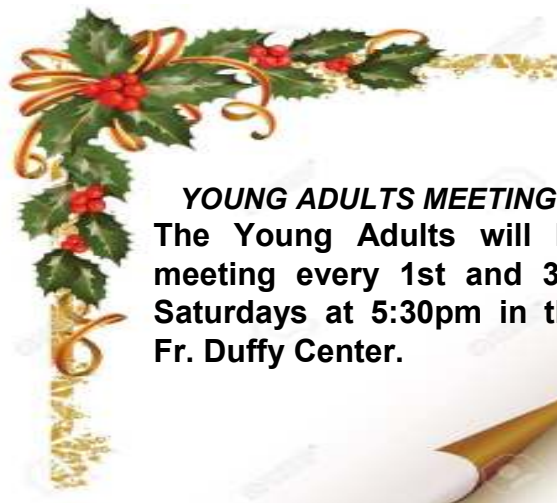


FOUNDATION TO ADVANCE CATHOLIC EDUCATION - FACE

A winter brunch on Cape Cod will take place beginning at 11:30 AM on Sunday, February 5, 2017, at the Coonamessett Inn of Falmouth. Proceeds will provide need-based scholarships to children attending Catholic schools on Cape Cod and throughout southeastern Massachusetts. Mary and Larry McGrath, Esq. are serving as co-chairs for this year's event. The festivities will include an award winning Sunday brunch buffet, silent auction, mystery prizes and a fun-filled raffle with fantastic prizes. "Together, we will continue making Catholic education available to as many children as we possibly can," writes the Bishop. The FACE winter brunch offers a great opportunity to help support Catholic education in the Fall River Diocese. For details, including ticket information and sponsorship opportunities, please contact Jane Robin at 508-759-3566.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP... LIGHT LUNCH, TOO...!!

Come join our Sunday Social, coffee and donuts after the 9AM and Luncheon after the 11AM Masses. This is a great opportunity to visit with fellow parishioners and visitors. Hope to see you there.



YOUNG ADULTS MEETING:
The Young Adults will be meeting every 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 5:30pm in the Fr. Duffy Center.

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SANCTUARY LAMP

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to book the Sanctuary Lamp at St. Francis, in honor of a loved one. The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in honor of:

JOSEPH MAHONEY

COLLECTIONS

January 15, 2017 - \$ 7,347

St. Vincent DePaul Society - \$ 413

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - MAR 17 - 19, 2017

"He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him." Let us answer God's call to make our marriages the best they can be by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are March 17-19, 2017 in South Kingstown, RI and Jun 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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY FOOD PANTRY - *HELP NEEDED*****

Through the generosity of Trader Joe's we receive between 10 and 20 cases of fresh fruit, vegetables, cheese, and bread every Friday morning. It is our responsibility to pick up the food, deliver it to our Food Pantry, unload the crates/boxes and set out the items for our clients, who start arriving by 10:00 AM. It is very taxing work and requires "strong arms" to accomplish this. We are in need for "strong arms" to help us with this work. If you are interested in helping us with this work, please call us at 508 775-3073 or come to the Pantry on a Tuesday or Friday morning from 9:00 AM to 12:00.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If a loved one needs the Sacrament of the Sick, please do NOT wait until death is imminent to call the Parish Office. As you know, with only one priest at the Parish and the other at his Hospital Ministry, there are days on which a priest may not be available to attend to these matters. Keep in mind that the Sacrament of the Sick is not solely reserved for the death bed. It is better to make arrangements, at the beginning of declining health or serious illness, so we can provide holy communion (viaticum) to your loved one, until The Lord calls them home. On that note, family, not the Hospice Nurse, should call the office to make that arrangement. Also, if the patient has been in hospital, recently, please be aware that he or she may already have received the Sacrament of the Sick. Usually, a six-month interval is fine, if a person has been ill.

OFFICE FOR CHILD PROTECTION

The Office for Child Protection is responsible for overseeing abuse response and reporting; counseling; prevention training and education; and compliance. If you would like to learn more about how the Diocese of Fall River is working to keep your children safe, please call Debora Berg, Safe Environment Coordinator, at (508) 997-7337. (1)

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The Knights of Columbus is seeking a field agent for a career opportunity representing their Insurance, Annuity and Long Term Care Program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information on this exciting career opportunity, please contact Michael R. Capobianco, General Agent at (508) 238-2300.

K of C Council 2525, 500 Club monthly raffle January winners are:

\$250	Mary Deschenes	Centerville
\$100	Lynne Kilmartin	Osterville
\$ 50	The Kleeman Family	W.Yarmouth
\$ 50	John Leone	Plantation, FL
\$ 50	Liz & Joe Graves	Hyannis

You can join anytime for \$50.00 and you will participate in 12 consecutive Monthly drawings with 60 chances to win. Applications are available in the box outside of the K of C Hall entrance at Our Lady of Victory Parish. For more information see kofccouncil2525@comcast.net or call 508.775.4054.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SAVE THE DATE!!

EIGHTH ANNUAL FATHER/DAUGHTER

VALENTINE'S DANCE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2017 - 7 PM TO 10 PM

MUSIC, DANCING, LIGHT REFRESHMENTS and

PHOTOS WITH DAD

TICKETS ARE \$5.00 PER DAD AND DAUGHTER (S) AND

CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE PARISH OFFICE

DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS



ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL AND ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Missed Open House?

It's not too late to visit!

ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL

Mini Open House, Wednesday, January 25, 5 - 7:00 P.M

Meet the team! Head of School, Guidance Director & College Advisor, Student Life Co-Ordinator and Vice Principal, Athletic Director, Admissions Director, and students will all be available to answer your questions and give you a tour of the school.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PREPARATORY SCHOOL,

Grades 5 - 8,

Mini Open House, Friday, January 27, 9:30 - 11 A.M.

Take a student led tour. See Classes in session. Learn about the rigorous academics, numerous co-curricular opportunities, and our faith-filled, structured environment. Meet middle school principal, Elizabeth Kelley, teachers, and students. For more information, please contact Mrs. Jenn Canzano, Admissions Director at [508-862-6336](tel:508-862-6336).