

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, HYANNIS, MA

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY INTRO II

~ ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ~

Last week, we began to look at the fairly complicated way of how Theology of the Body (from here on: TOB) has been presented to the world—both by St. John Paul II himself, and also subsequent editors. Let's look at the background that led to what we now call the TOB. The following is from the very excellent foreword to the 1997, The Theology of the Body (Human Love in the Divine Plan).

“Karol Wojtyla, known to the world since 1978 as Pope John Paul II, has always been fascinated by the human person. As a university student in Poland during the dark days of its Nazi occupation, Wojtyla wrote plays with used biblical motifs to explore the suffering and identity of people. Following the war, while Poland continued to suffer under a now Marxist form of totalitarianism, the newly ordained Fr. Wojtyla wrote still more plays wrestling with the meaning of human existence (*Our God's Brother*). As his ministry grew and deepened, so did the range of subjects he treated in his plays. They extended from happiness and failure in marriage (*The Jewelers Shop*), to the situation of fallen humanity confronted by God's redemptive love (*The Radiation of Fatherhood*).

At the same time that his skill as a playwright matured, Karol Wojtyla was also honing his skills as a philosopher. His doctoral dissertation in philosophy attempted to explore the new philosophy of consciousness known as phenomenology as the basis for an exposition of Christian ethics. ... It would also form the basis for his synthesis of St. Thomas' philosophy of being and a phenomenological account of human action and experience in the opus *The Acting Person*.

But Wojtyla's laboratory encompassed more than the library and the lectern. He also learned a great deal from his pastoral ministry as a priest, bishop, and finally cardinal. ... The experience gained in his extensive pastoral work helped him develop a new philosophical account of Catholic sexual ethics in *Love and Responsibility*.

Especially important in his mind was the articulation of a cogent modern rationale for the Church's position on birth regulation. Whereas Catholic moralists of preceding generations had treated contraception as a violation of chastity or a frustration of the natural law, Wojtyla developed a new personalist approach based of his philosophical work. In this view, sexual intercourse in marriage has an inherent meaning of total bodily self-giving. Contraception overlays this meaning with a contradictory language of withholding and refusal. The fertility which is withheld or refused is not simply a superficial, biological component of the person which can be manipulated in the pursuit of other ends, but an aspect of the person as a whole. Contraception therefore violates the dignity of the person because it falsifies the total offering of self which intercourse is meant to express.”

Saturday:		Feb 3
8:30 AM	Ed Dery	
4:00 PM	William E. Walsh	
Sunday:		Feb 4
9 AM	Catherine Marcene O'Neil	
11AM	Dolores Cox	
Monday:		Feb 5
8:30 AM	Rose Almeida Cabral	
Tuesday:		Feb 6
8:30 AM	Adelia Dominic	
Wednesday:		Feb 7
8:30 AM	Gwem Donovan	
Thursday:		Feb 8
8:30 AM	Beverly June Colella	
Friday:		Feb 9
8:30 PM	Adelaide Mello	
Saturday:		Feb 10
8:30 AM	Rev. David Andrade	
4:00 PM	Connie Roberts	
Sunday:		Feb 11
9 AM	Jose and Judite Lima	
11AM	Rose Bouchard	

~ SACRED HEART CHAPEL ~

Saturday		Feb 3
4 PM	Members of the Parish	
Sunday		Feb 4
8 AM	David Long	
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Saturday		Feb 10
4 PM	Thomas Cudmore	
Sunday		Feb 11
8 AM	Members of the Parish	

IRS REPORTING

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE (508.775.0818) IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF A CONTRIBUTION REPORT FORM FOR TAXES. THEY WILL NOT BE SENT UNLESS REQUESTED.

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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:

ROSE BOUCHARD

COLLECTIONS

St. Francis Xavier Church
Sacred Heart Chapel

January 28, 2017 - \$ 5,654
St. Vincent DePaul - \$ 809

EUCCHARISTIC APOSTLES OF DIVINE MERCY

Meetings are usually held every other Monday. However, the next meeting will be held on **February 5, 2018**. For further information, call the office at 508.775.0818.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP...

Join us each Sunday morning after 9 and 11AM Masses, in the Lower Church Hall, at St. Francis, for coffee and fellowship.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – CATHOLIC FOUNDATION - DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

The Diocese of Fall River is standing on the threshold of a life-changing chapter in its 113-year history, and is currently seeking to fill its newly created full-time position of **Executive Director for The Catholic Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts**. This fundraising leader will broaden, deepen and expand the relationships with current and future donors, and will work closely with Bishop da Cunha and the Board of Directors to ensure the appropriate strategies are developed and implemented. This once in a lifetime opportunity will be both challenging and rewarding. For a full description of the position, please go to www.fallriverdiocese.org and click on "Employment Opportunities", or contact Peter Powers, Executive Director of Human Resources and Administration, at (508)985-6507, or by e-mail at ppowers@dioc-fr.org.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Two \$2000 scholarships will be awarded to two High School Graduating Seniors for 2018. These scholarships will be for the seniors first year of college. The applicant must be a graduating high school senior and he/she or family *must be a registered parishioner of Saint Francis Xavier, Our Lady of Victory or Our Lady of Assumption*. The Guidelines and Application are available in the parish office. **PLEASE NOTE: applications and all supporting documentation must be returned to the K of C at 230 South Main Street Centerville, MA 02632 on or before April 13, 2018.**

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a field agent for a career opportunity representing their Insurance, Annuity and Long Term Care Program. We 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.

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ADORATION

MONDAY

THROUGH

FRIDAY

NOON TO 3PM

COME PRAY

AN HOUR WITH ME.



ADORATION COME PRAY ONE HOUR WITH ME

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.

LENTEN SCHEDULE - ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Daily Mass - 8:30 AM - Mon - Sat

ASH WEDNESDAY

ENGLISH - 8:30 AM and 12:10 PM

LATIN - 2:00 PM

PORTUGUESE - 7:00 PM

Adoration - Mon-Fri - Noon to 3PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SFX – Friday – Noon – followed by Adoration until 3:00 PM

SHC– Friday – Noon – followed by Adoration until 1:00 PM

SFX– Friday – 7 PM – followed by Adoration until 8:00 PM

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

SFX Young Adult Group is based at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Hyannis, MA for individuals ages 18-30 who want to explore the role of faith in their daily lives, have fun, meet like minded people, and learn more about the Catholic Faith. They meet once a month on Saturdays, 5:30 pm at '357 South Street, Hyannis, MA (Fr. Duffy Pastoral Center).

CAPE COD HEALTHCARE - COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE - FEB 6

Cape Cod Healthcare will be holding its next Hyannis Community Blood Drive on Tuesday, February 6th at the Barnstable Police Station.

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INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

In cases of inclement weather when the Barnstable School Department cancels classes, the Parish Office, Religious Education classes and other parish events or gatherings are also cancelled. Masses will be held as scheduled. Please check with civil authority (i.e. state of emergency) and use your discretion and good judgment about whether you may safely attend Mass. If you plan to venture forth to the Parish Office, please call first. Sometimes, the weather is such as to warrant closing of the Office, if there is a delay in classes.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“Remember that my life is like the wind.” Let us make the best of our time together with our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Mar 9-11, 2018 in Duxbury, MA and Apr 21-22, 2018 in Brewster, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

SAMARITANS ON CAPE COD

“To listen to someone who has no one to listen to him is a very beautiful thing” St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The Samaritans on Cape Cod and the Islands are looking for volunteers for their upcoming crisis line and Senior Outreach Training on February 5,6,and 7, 2018. Call [508-548-7999](tel:508-548-7999) today to make a difference in someone's tomorrow.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

St Vincent DePaul Food Pantry would like to give a very heartfelt thank you to the students, families and staff of St Francis Preparatory School for filling our shelves with food on Friday, January 19, 2018. It was an amazing sight to watch the students parade to the pantry with their arms laden with groceries. The pantry feeds 70 to 80 families per week and because of such generosity we are able to continue. God Bless You all.

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

In 2015, the Holy Father spoke to the role of inclusion in Catholic schools. He said, “I highlight the importance of promoting education in the fullness of humanity.. I call for inclusive education which makes room for everyone and avoids elitism in selecting the beneficiaries of its commitment.” At this time, St. John Paul II High School and St. Francis Xavier Preparatory School are reaching out to families in the parish to share this new possibility. If you are interested or think this might work for your student, please contact Mr. Keavy directly, at ckeavy@jp.dfrcs.org . He will schedule dialogue sessions to learn your family's needs and share thoughts and plans.



THE PARISH NURSE WILL NOT BE HOLDING OFFICE HOURS THIS MONTH. CHECK THE BULLETIN FOR THE NEXT DATE THAT SHE WILL BE IN THE OFFICE. THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING.
