

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, HYANNIS, MA

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

MARCH 11, 2018

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY IV

~ ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ~

This series began in the column of January 21st. It is an attempt to unpack the most important theological contribution of St. John Paul II. It is called by him a “Theology of the Body” (TOB). This teaching gives a foundation for his vision of the mystery of love as it extends from the Trinity through Christ’s spousal union with the Church to the very bodies of women and men. Therefore, moving in the other direction, Marriage is understood as an icon of the Trinity. This idea is truly revolutionary in the way we view sexuality, sexual relation, love, and human relations in general. It can be transformative when understood correctly.

Last week, we identified a good interpretive key to keep in mind so that we do not get lost in the forest among the trees. It is a line from a poem by St. Therese of Lisieux: “To Love is to give everything and to give oneself.” (*Why I Love You, Mary*, stanza 22) That idea sums up the whole of TOB as JPII intended to present it to us—like all the colors of the visible spectrum are contained in ‘white’ light.

This week we begin to look at the structure of TOB. It is important to do this consistent with JPII’s thought. As we mentioned in this column as we were first introducing TOB, this is not as straightforward a task as may be imagined. TOB was originally intended to be presented to the world as a book. Due to being elected Pope, JPII was not able to complete that project. Knowing how important and timely the topic was, though, he decided to present it to the world in a series in his Wednesday Audiences from September 5, 1979 to November 28, 1984. In order to do this, he revised and broke it into bite sized pieces and presented it in an alternate order from how he originally planned.

I remember studying JPII’s work in seminary. Frequently he was accused of writing repetitiously and in circles. This was attributed to many things, not least of which was his ‘Slavic mind’. Michael Waldstein points out in his introduction that: “It is in large measure due to the omission of John Paul II’s own chapter and section headings in all editions of TOB except the Polish. TOB has a rigorous and clear order of thought throughout. When one follows John Paul II’s divisions of the work with care, the structure and main argument become transparent.”(p. 105)

Waldstein dedicates a significant portion of his introduction to this problem. On page 112, he proposes this division:

Part 1: The three words of Christ on the redemption of the body (TOB 1-86)

Part 2: The sacramentality of marriage according to Eph. 5 (TOB 87-117)

Final Part: *Humanae Vitae* (TOB 118-32)

Saturday:		Mar 10
8:30 AM	Lillian Senteio	
4:00 PM	The Perez Family	
Sunday:		Mar 11
9 AM	Members of the Parish	
11AM	Leo, Rick & Richard Scott	
1PM	Theresa Corcoran	
Monday:		Mar 12
8:30 AM	William Barry	
Tuesday:		Mar 13
8:30 AM	Michael Moran	
Wednesday:		Mar 14
8:30 AM	Rosemary Santos	
Thursday:		Mar 15
8:30 AM	Dr. Yong Min Chi	
Friday:		Mar 16
8:30 PM	Robert F. King, Jr.	
Saturday:		Mar 17
8:30 AM	Harry Diffenderfer	
4:00 PM	Catherine Mary O’Neill	
Sunday:		Mar 18
9 AM	Special Intention	
11AM	Chip Diffenderfer	
1PM	Leo McGrath	

~ SACRED HEART CHAPEL ~

Saturday		Mar 10
4 PM	Angela Loftus	
Sunday		Mar 11
8 AM	Clyde and Rita Hanyen	
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Saturday		Mar 17
4 PM	Frank Maguire	
Sunday		Mar 18
8 AM	Members of the Parish	



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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

March 4, 2018 - \$ 5,619
St. Vincent DePaul - \$ 777

EUCCHARISTIC APOSTLES OF DIVINE MERCY

Meetings are usually held every other Monday. However, the next meeting will be held on **March 19, 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.**



THIRD ORDER OF CARMELITES - CHRIST THE KING PARISH

The Third Order of Carmelites meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at Christ the King Parish, Mashpee for 10:30 AM Mass followed by a teaching in Room A & daytime prayer in St. Jude's Chapel. We meet every Sunday at 6:30 PM, St. Jude's Chapel, for evening prayer. We welcome your presence. The Lay Carmelite Order of St. John of the Cross. Dottie Cawley 508-477-2798 for more information.

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ADORATION



MONDAY
THROUGH
FRIDAY



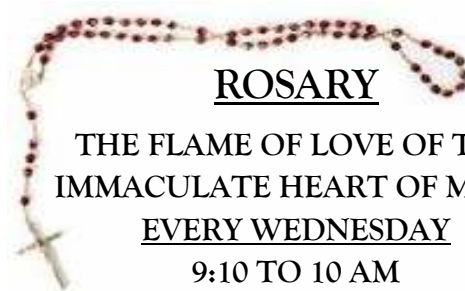
NOON TO 3PM
COME PRAY
AN HOUR WITH ME.

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.

CD's ARE BACK

We have restocked the display rack in the hall on the way downstairs. These are Catholic CD's on various subjects from Lighthouse Catholic Media. We ask for a minimum donation of \$5.00 so that we can keep restocking the display. Please take and enjoy.



ROSARY

THE FLAME OF LOVE OF THE
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
EVERY WEDNESDAY

9:10 TO 10 AM

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LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR - ST. PIUS X CHURCH

St. Pius X Church will be presenting a "Life in the Spirit" Seminar in South Yarmouth. All are encouraged to join in this Catholic spiritual process of seven teaching sessions, one building upon the previous one. It will include speakers, scripture, music, prayer and small groups. The seminar topics are as follows:

- week 1- God's Love
- week 2 - God Saves Us
- week 3 - New Life
- week 4 - Receiving God's Gifts
- week 5 - Receive the Holy Spirit
- week 6 - Growth
- week 7 - Transformation.

This program begins **Tuesday, April 10 (6:30 - 8:30 PM)** and ends **May 22nd**. There is an informational meeting on Tuesday, April 3 at 6:30 PM. The meeting and seminar will take place in the Religious Ed. bldg. Please pre-register by March 23 by emailing Deacon Tony at copperbrook6@comcast.net.

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LENTEN SCHEDULE - ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Daily Mass - 8:30 AM - Mon - Sat
Adoration - Mon-Fri - Noon to 3PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SFX – Friday – 12:10 – 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

MONDAY MORNINGS WITH FATHER MICHAEL

With Lent in gear, our Monday Mornings have morphed from movies to Steven Ray's "Footprints of God" series. Join us on Mondays when this series will be presented at the Father Duffy Pastoral Center, 357 South Street, Hyannis, at 9:40AM, following daily Mass and the Rosary. All are welcome. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." Let our eyes be opened to the love of God in our marriages by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr 21-22, 2018 in Brewster, MA and May 19-20, 2018 in Warner, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

"GOD IN OUR STORY"

'God in Our Story', is a Spirituality for Everyday Living mini-retreat led by Peggy Patenaude of Taking Time Out to be held on **Wednesday, March 14** at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA from 10:00am – 12:30pm. (Coffee at 9:30) Cost is \$25. Pre-registration required. Contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or timeoutretreats@comcast.net. For more information, visit www.timeoutretreats.com

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

SFX Young Adults will be hosting a movie night on Saturday, **March 17, 2018** at 6 PM in the Father Duffy Pastoral Center. All young adults (18-35) are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP via our email sfx-ya@stfrancishyannis.org so that we can prepare accordingly.