

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, HYANNIS, MA

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER**

**MAY 21, 2017**

**STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER**

### HEART OF THE WORLD XXIII

~ 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. This series is organized around that fact.

100 years ago, in his third apparition, this Angel was holding a consecrated Host and Chalice filled with the precious Blood of Our Lord. He taught the children 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.*

In this part of the series, we will take this prayer piece by piece.

*"By the infinite merits..."* (Part II)

God gives and always has given Himself to us completely. That gift requires a response, a reciprocation. Even after the Original Sin, He continued to give Himself to us in Love. The problem is that we have never been able to reciprocate in the same manner because of the disordered self-love we inherit from Original Sin.

In light of this, He initiated the Covenant with us and renewed it five times. (Initially with Adam, and then renewed with Noah, Moses, Abraham, and David.) "Time and again you offered them Covenants and through the prophets taught them to look forward to salvation."(Eucharistic Prayer IV)

The way God established the Covenant itself made accommodation for this problem of our inability to reciprocate appropriately. Instead of offering ourselves in a complete act of Love, we could offer things that were valuable to us instead. This did two things. It showed that we do love, but not completely, and allowed us to still honor His Love as we are able.

*For this reason, when he came into the world, he said: "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight in. Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll, Behold, I come to do your will, O God.'" First he says, "Sacrifices and offerings, holocausts and sin offerings, you neither desired nor delighted in." These are offered according to the law. Then he says, "Behold, I come to do your will." He takes away the first to establish the second. By this "will," we have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. (Heb 10:5-10)*

The Act of Love in which Christ offered Himself for us on the Cross was so complete and mature that it completely fulfilled the Old Covenant/Testament. It was (and is) an act of infinite merit.

<b>Saturday</b>		<b>May 20</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Teresa Ohnemus	
<b>4:00 PM</b>	Richard and Jeannette Donahue	
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>May 21</b>
<b>9 AM</b>	Al Starinskis	
<b>11AM</b>	Rose Bouchard	
<b>1 PM</b>	Rose Cecilia Klonowski	
<b>Monday:</b>		<b>May 22</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Mary Louise Frawley	
<b>Tuesday:</b>		<b>May 23</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	John Desmond	
<b>Wednesday:</b>		<b>May 24</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Jack Pendergast	
<b>4:00 PM</b>	Dr. John Scarpato	
<b>Thursday</b>		<b>May 25</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Kathryn White	
<b>12:10 PM</b>	Deacon Manuel H Camara	
<b>Friday</b>		<b>May 26</b>
<b>8:30 PM</b>	Marjorie Keenan	
<b>Saturday</b>		<b>May 27</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Dr. William Paul Luke	
<b>4:00 PM</b>	Robert Mondor	
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>May 28</b>
<b>9 AM</b>	Kenneth & Anna Toppin	
<b>11AM</b>	Holland & Neenan Families	
<b>1 PM</b>	Special Intention	

~ SACRED HEART CHAPEL ~

<b>Saturday</b>		<b>May 20</b>
<b>4 PM</b>	David Nelson	
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>May 21</b>
<b>8 AM</b>	Members of the Parish	
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<b>Saturday</b>		<b>May 27</b>
<b>4 PM</b>	Penelope & Rick Small	
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>May 28</b>
<b>8 AM</b>	Members of the Parish	



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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](mailto: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.

### **EUCHARISTIC APOSTLES OF DIVINE MERCY**

Meetings are held every other Monday. The next meeting will be held on **May 29**. For further information, call the office at 508.775.0818.

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

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



### **MASSES FOR THE HOLY DAY ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017 ALL HOLY DAY MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH**

**May 24 - Vigil - 4PM**

**May 25 - Ascension Thursday**

**8:30 AM, 12:10 PM - English**

**2:00 PM - Latin**

### **OFFICE FOR CHILD PROTECTION**

Did you know that between 75% and 95% of abuse of young children is caused by someone who is close to the child? If your child reports a trusted friend or a relative, or shows a reluctance to be near that person, talk to your child! Never dismiss a concern because it's about a friend or relative. Listen to your child and take appropriate actions. For more information, contact your DRE or the Office for Child Protection at (508) 997-7337. (18)

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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:

**ARTHUR JOSEPH CLOUTIER**

### COLLECTIONS

May 14, 2017 - \$ 6,716

St. Vincent DePaul Society - \$ 446



### **ST. PIUS X YOUTH AWARD RECIPIENT**

On May 9, the Pope St. Pius X Award for Youth was awarded to Vincent Collucci. Vinny has assisted our Parish as an Altar Server since he received his First Communion. He served each Sunday all the way through his years at St. Francis Xavier Preparatory School and is still serving almost every 9AM Mass. Each spring, our Diocese singles out a parish youth, who exemplifies discipleship of service to their parish faith community. Congratulations, Vinny as you celebrate this Diocesan honor for your service to St. Francis Xavier Parish. The Lord will be with you when you go off to DeSales University in the fall. We will miss you and are very proud of you. You are in our prayers..!

### **ST. VINCENT DePAUL SOCIETY TOP HAT AWARD**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society Top Hat Award was presented to Dick and Irene Roberts of our SVDP Society recently. The award is the highest recognition given to St. Vincent de Paul members for their dedication and service to those in need. The Top Hat Award was inspired by the society's founder, Blessed Frederick Ozanam. He wore a top hat as a sign of his status in Paris, but removed it when helping the poor to show his belief that all people are children of God and deserve respect. Congratulations to Dick and Irene!



### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION**

If you've ever considered Catholic Education for your student, but have thought it was out of your reach financially, now is the time to reconsider. The Foundation to Advance Catholic Education (FACE) has financial aid available for K-8 students in all Catholic elementary schools. Contact your local school or if you need help finding your local school contact Sarah Heaton at (508)678-2828 or [sheaton@dfrcs.org](mailto:sheaton@dfrcs.org).

### **YEARLY CANDLES**

We began lighting the yearly candles on May 1, 2017. They will remain lit until April 30, 2018. You may have a candle lit for the year for \$50. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements for yearly candles. You are also able to light daily candles at the shrines for a lesser amount.

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### ***"FIRED UP!" A SPIRITUALITY FOR EVERYDAY LIVING - MAY 31, 2017***

'Fired Up!' mini-retreat on the theme of the transformational power of God, led by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out*, will be held Wednesday, May 31 at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA from 10:00am -12:30pm. (Coffee at 9:30) Cost is \$20. Pre-registration required. Contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or [timeoutretreats@comcast.net](mailto:timeoutretreats@comcast.net).

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### ***FAMILY PRAYER EVENT - JUNE 3, 2017***

**It doesn't get better than faith, food, and family fun!** Join us on Saturday, June 3 at 1:30, for an inspired afternoon that will bring your family together in prayer. From an interactive skit, a shared meal, to powerful prayer experiences, you and your family will be enriched and uplifted. Event to be held at The Father Peyton Center, 518 Washington St., N. Easton, MA 02356 and is free, family-friendly, handicap accessible and open to the public. For more info: 508-238-4095.

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### ***EMMAUS RETREAT - JUNE 9-11, 2017***

Emmaus is a retreat for men and women (ages 20+) who seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, regardless of their present level of faith or practice. We want to invite you to join us on our next Emmaus weekend. You will be welcomed by a loving community, spend time in personal and communal prayer, and celebrate the sacraments. The next Emmaus is June 9-11, 2017 at Cathedral Camp in East Freetown, MA. For more information or to apply online, email us at [emmausretreats@gmail.com](mailto:emmausretreats@gmail.com) or visit our website: [www.emmausretreats.com](http://www.emmausretreats.com).

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### ***WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTERS - JUNE 10-11, 2017***

"And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love Him and reveal myself to Him." Expand your married love by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are June 10-11, 2017 in Medway, MA and Sep 16-17, 2017 in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at <https://wwmema.org/>.

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### ***UPCOMING RETREATS WITH EDWINA GATELEY – JUNE 26-30, 2017***

Upcoming Retreat with Edwina Gateley will take place at LaSalette Retreat Center in Attleboro, MA: "Mothers, Sisters, Daughters," June 26-30 and "I Hear God Laughing" on Wednesday, June 28. For more information contact Charlotte at 508-222-8530 or [office@lasalettecenter.com](mailto:office@lasalettecenter.com) OR Peggy at 508-548-9149 or [timeoutretreats@comcast.net](mailto:timeoutretreats@comcast.net).

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### ***HEALING MASS WITH FR. PAT - JUNE 28, 2017***

Our Lady of The Cape Church is honored to be hosting Fr. Andre Patenaude, M.S., internationally known as "Father Pat" for a Healing Mass, on Wednesday June 28, 2017 at 6:30 pm. Father Pat is a LaSalette Missionary priest based at the La Salette Shrine in Attleboro. Today, he travels throughout New England and across the globe, spreading the joy of our faith. As a musician, composer and recording artist, Father Pat communicates the last words spoken by Mary at La Salette in France in 1846, when she said "Make It known to all my people." Thousands have experienced the healing touch of his unique ministry! Their lives have been forever changed, spiritually, emotionally, and physically! Please join us for this beautiful healing Mass on June 28. All are welcome! Visit his web page at: [www.fatherpat.org](http://www.fatherpat.org)

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