

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, HYANNIS, MA

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

HEART OF THE WORLD XXXIX

~ ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ~

In #1324, the Catechism of the Catholic Church quotes from a document of Vatican II where it explains that like the heart in the body, the very center and life-moving force of the Church is the Eucharist—the Heart of the World.

This year (2017) also marks the 100th Anniversary of the appearance of Our Lady to the three children (Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco) at Fatima. September 13th will commemorate Our Lady’s penultimate visit.

With Our Lady’s messages and the prayers the Angel taught the children as a backdrop, we have been looking at how we arrived at the current practice of receiving Holy Communion on the tongue *or* in the hand. I mentioned last week how the practice of receiving in the hand had a surprisingly convoluted beginning.

A few areas (dioceses) in Europe began the practice in the early 1960’s without any consultation with Rome or even neighboring areas. After Vatican II concluded, and because chaos was ensuing, Pope Paul VI began to attend to this situation. After consulting with the bishops of the whole world, in 1969 the Congregation for Divine Worship issue a document (*Memoriale Domini*) which concluded that allowing Communion on the hand “...would be offensive to the sensibility and spiritual appreciation of these bishops and of most of the faithful.”

Despite this clear opinion of the world’s bishops, later in 1969, the Holy Father decided to strike a compromise. He decided that he would not *authorize* Communion in the hand, however, he did offer to bestow an indult (an exception to the law) *temporarily* allowing it, provided that some conditions were met.

The first condition was that this indult could not be given to a country in which Communion in the hand was not an already established practice. Second, the bishops in countries where it was established must approve of the practice “by a secret vote and with a two-thirds majority.”

In addition to these conditions, he also instituted seven regulations. Today we summarize the 1st three: 1) “The new manner of giving communion must not be imposed in a way that would exclude the traditional practice” (of receiving kneeling and on the tongue); 2) “The rite of communion in the hand must not be put into practice indiscriminately.” It must be introduced gradually and with catechesis; and 3) “The option offered to the faithful of receiving the Eucharistic bread in their hand and putting it into their own mouth must not turn out to be the occasion for regarding it as ordinary bread or as just another religious article.” (The laity’s faith in the real presence must be strengthened not weakened.)

Next week we will look at the other four regulations. We will then look at how this practice came to the US, and finally, if the regulations have been met.

Saturday		Sept 9
8:30 AM	Stephane Laroche	
4:00 PM	Sylvia Mondor	
Sunday		Sept 10
9 AM	Members of the Parish	
11AM	Beverly Allen	
1 PM	Jose and Adelaide Carvalho	
Monday:		Sept 11
8:30 AM	Lucille DiLorenzo	
Tuesday:		Sept 12
8:30 AM	Margaret Moran	
Wednesday:		Sept 13
8:30 AM	Stephane Laroche	
Thursday		Sept 14
8:30 AM	Special Intention	
Friday		Sept 15
8:30 PM	All Adopted Children	
Saturday		Sept 16
8:30 AM	Anna Sanchez	
4:00 PM	Rene Barrette	
Sunday		Sept 17
9 AM	Joseph Chilli	
11AM	Eileen Perry	
1 PM	John Shaughnessy	

~ SACRED HEART CHAPEL ~

Saturday		Sept 9
4 PM	Stanley Koss	
Sunday		Sept 10
8 AM	John Garrahan	
Saturday		Sept 16
4 PM	Joseph Mahoney	
Sunday		Sept 17
8 AM	Members of the Parish	

**PLEASE KEEP ALL THE
VICTIMS OF 9/11
AND THEIR FAMILIES
IN YOUR PRAYERS
AS WE REMEMBER THEM**

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ADORATION

MONDAY

THROUGH

FRIDAY

NOON TO 3PM

COME PRAY

AN HOUR WITH ME.



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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.

EMMAUS RETREAT – November 3-5

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 November 3-5 at Cathedral Camp in East Freetown, MA. For more information or to apply online, email us at emmausretreats@gmail.com or visit our website: www.emmausretreats.com.

ULTREYA GATHERING SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

There will be an Ultreya Gathering following the 5:30 Mass at Holy Trinity Parish, 246 Main St., (Route 28), Harwich, MA. Normally, on the first Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be held at their Parish Center (across the Street from the church) September 10, due to the Holiday. For more information, call Betty Quadros at 508-255-8248.

CALIX

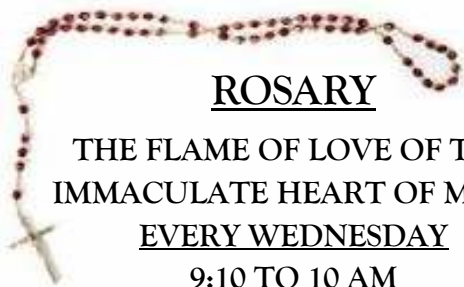
Calix is an association of Catholic alcoholics who are maintaining their sobriety through affiliation with, and participation in, the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. Our first concern is: to interest Catholics with an alcoholic problem in the VIRTUE of total abstinence. Our second stated purpose is: to promote the spiritual development of our membership. Calix of Cape Cod- will meet at the Fr Duffy Center on Friday, September 22 at 7:00- 8:30 p.m. For information call: Deacon Steve [508.237.1154](tel:508.237.1154)

ROSARY

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

9:10 TO 10 AM

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YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

SFX Young Adult Group is a Catholic young adult group 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 on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 5:30 pm at '357 South Street, Hyannis, MA (Fr. Duffy Pastoral 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:

JOHN PETER LEARY

COLLECTIONS

St. Francis Xavier Church
Sacred Heart Chapel

September 3, 2017 - \$ 10,745
St. Vincent DePaul - \$ 1,116

EUCCHARISTIC APOSTLES OF DIVINE MERCY

Meetings are usually held every other Monday. However, the next meeting will be held on **September 18, 2017**. 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.



LUNCH WITH A SPEAKER

Nurse Nancy Valko, RN will talk on "Fighting Back: One Nurse's Battle with the Culture of Death," on Saturday, September 23 in Corpus Christi Parish Hall and sponsored by Massachusetts Citizens for Life. Having worked in many medical situations including oncology, dialysis and other specialties, Nancy has powerful information regarding her own and other experiences with euthanasia. She has received, among others, the USCCB "People of Life Award." Please join us for luncheon at 12:30 with the talk to follow. Reservations please by calling Agatha 508-888-3808 or ABodwell@comcast.net. By registering before September 14 you will receive a ticket to win one of several gift baskets!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The St Vincent dePaul Society Food Pantry has some clients who are home bound and cannot get to the pantry. We are in need of a few volunteers that can help us deliver to these clients on Tuesday mornings between 10:00 and 10:30. With a few volunteers you will have to do only one Tuesday a month. If you can help please call the food pantry at 508-775-3073.

ST. JOSEPH CHAPEL - N EASTON, MA

Family Healing Mass – All families face challenges. Come pray with your family about these trials and seek strength and healing. A prayerful afternoon starting at 1:00 with Adoration, Reconciliation, Rosary and Mass ending at 3:00 will unify your family. We hope to see you on Sunday, September 17 for this prayerful event. Join us at St. Joseph Chapel near The Father Peyton Center, 500 Washington St., N. Easton, MA 02356. Event is free, family-friendly, handicap accessible and open to the public. For more info call Family Rosary at 508.238.4095.

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CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION FREE CLASSES

**Complete Registration on
Monday to Thursday - 9AM - 5PM
Course Length: 8 weeks
Start Date: September 28, 2017
5 - 7 PM - Thursdays only
English fluency to be qualified
Questions: 508-771-6771
Catholic Social Services
261 South Street
Hyannis, MA 02601**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



PASTA DINNER

Knights of Columbus Council #2525 will hold a pasta dinner at Our Lady of Victory Church Hall (230 South Main St, Centerville). The dinner will commence right after the 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday September 16, 2017. Dinner will be served starting about 5:45 pm. All are welcome. Dinner includes ziti, meatballs, salad, bread sticks, and dessert. A free-will offering will be accepted to help defray expenses. Come and enjoy a great dinner with neighbors and friends!

Please contact Catholic Social Services if you would like to teach English in the ESL Program, in Hyannis. Teaching experience is not necessary. We will offer 'New Teacher' Preparation. For more information, please call Ken Gavin at 508-619-4433 or 508-771-6771 and ask for Claudia or Cheryl.

Love ♥♥♥♥
one another

OFFICE FOR CHILD PROTECTION

Want to keep your child extra safe? Create a code word for you and your child to be used in a variety of ways. It can be a signal that your child needs to talk to you immediately; it can be the password a trusted adult needs to pick up your child in an emergency; or it can Bulletin Points 2015-2016 5 be a code to signal to you that the child is in danger. Practice handling these situations just as you would have family fire drills. Safety is too important to leave to chance! (34)

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.” Discover how to more easily love one another by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Sep 16-17, 2017 in Medway, MA and Oct 21-22, 2017 in Contoocook, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800.710.9963 or visit us at <https://wwmema.org/>.



'Walking with Purpose', A Women's Bible Study Group, will be holding **2 OPEN HOUSE** events on Tuesday, September 12 from 9 - 11 AM and Thursday evening, September 14 from 7 - 9 PM, for your convenience, in Classroom B at Christ the King Parish, Mashpee. For more information: call 508.420.0443 or WWPMashpee@aol.com.