

### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

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Jesus said to them in reply,
"Do you think that because
these Galileans suffered in
this way they were greater
sinners than all other
Galileans? By no means! But I
tell you, if you do not repent,
you will all perish as they
did!" - Lk 13:2-3

## The Collaborative of St. Albert the Great & St. Francis Xavier

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#### Mass Schedule

St. Albert the Great, 1140 Washington Street, Weymouth  $\sim$  Sunday 11:00 am St. Francis Xavier, 234 Pleasant Street, Weymouth  $\sim$  Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 7:30 am & 9:30 am

#### **Daily Masses**

Monday 9:00 am St. Albert, Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am St. Francis, Saturday 8:15 am St. Albert

#### Reconciliation

8:45 am - 9:15 am Saturday - St. Albert the Great, 3:00 pm -3:45 pm, Saturday - St. Francis Xavier

#### The Partnership Schools of Sacred Heart & St. Francis Xavier

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Saturday, March 19, 2022 8:15 am (SAG) Tommy Kussy 4:00 pm (SFX) John McGrath, Mary McGrath & Maryrose McGrath Poor

Sunday, March 20, 2022 7:30 am (SFX) People of St. Albert the Great & St. Francis Xavier 9:30 am (SFX) Dianne Marie Vaughn 10th Anniversary 11:00 am (SAG) Joseph Cellucci

> Monday, March 21, 2022 (SAG) 9:00 am Marion Barbour ~ Healing

Tuesday, March 22, 2022 (SFX) 9:00 am Caitlin O'Leary ~ 1st Anniversary

Wednesday, March 23, 2022 (SFX) 9:00 am Helen McDonagh ~ Healing

Thursday, March 24, 2022 (SFX) 9:00 am Sheila Fennelly

**Friday, March 25, 2022** (SFX) 9:00am Joyce Dabene

Saturday, March 26, 2022 8:15 am (SAG) Kathleen Anderson 4:00 pm (SFX) Florence Rosman 5th Anniversary

**Sunday, March 27, 2022** 7:30 am (SFX) People of St. Albert the Great & St. Francis Xavier 9:30 am (SFX) Joseph S Ralph 11:00 am (SAG) John & Josephine Lally

Fr. Cannon will be offering Confessions at Saint Francis Xavier Church on Monday Evenings from 6:30-8:00pm on March 28, April 4, and April 11.

#### Second Collection to Support Ukraine



There will be a second collection at this weekend's Masses to support the people of Ukraine. Please continue to pray for peace.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Nicholas Watts, Glenn M., George Moussa, John Tangherlini, Robbie G., KJL, Mary G., Jean Elizabeth Conley, John Patrick Conley, Margaret Torio, Ian T. Crowley, Morton Berlan, Tommy Letsche, Paulina, Nancy L., Gerry W., Kevin K., Ruth Thiessen, Kristen, Mary Duseau, Paul Duseau, Audie, Marilyn D., John Barchey, Diane Sinclair, Baby Ava, Annie Murphy, Richard Dubois, Beth & Zoe Bodine, Julie, Deborah Konding, Teresa Donnelly, Paul Meehan, Linda & Jim Gavin, Kevin M. Kelley, Beverly Giuffre, Elinor Healy, Robert Russo, Stephen Cheremka, David B., Sarah Johnson, David S., Margaret, Marie Ortiz, Maureen, Michael Nash, Jonathan W., Gill Dolan, Karen S., Dong Vu, Ruth S., Chuck D., Michael D., George W., Frank Younie, Erin LM, Nancy Pitts, Nancy, Jeanne R., Barbara S., Allison B., Steve, Liz, Ellie, Jill, Mandi Hilton, Christine Lomuscio, Deb M., David Townson, Michael Salvaggio, Marion, Conor, Carmella Parnero, Tom Spooner, Carl Moriarty, Paul, Jody O'Brien, Sandy C. Billy D. and Dan Halpenny, Teresa Beaudoin, Bob Brink-

man, Ruthie Linehan, Jackie, Cliff Maloney, Russell, Pam and Ed L.

#### Holy Week Schedule

St Albert the Great & St Francis Xavier

Holy Thursday ~ April 14, 2022-7:00 p.m. - At the parish church of St. Francis Xavier, the Catholic community of Saint Albert the Great and Saint Francis Xavier will gather around one table to celebrate the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday / April 15, 2022 St. Albert the Great 9:00 a.m. "Were You There" **Prayer Service** 12 noon Stations of the Cross St. Francis Xavier- 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross St. Albert the Great- 7:00 p.m. Solemn Proclamation of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross and **Holy Communion** 

> Holy Saturday ~ April 16, 2022 St. Francis Xavier- 7:30 p.m. The Solemn Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday ~ April 17, 2022 St. Francis Xavier Easter Mass at 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.\* St. Albert the Great Easter Sunday April 17, 2022 Easter Mass at 11 a.m. \* Note time change.

#### March 20, 2022 - Third Sunday of Lent - Gospel Meditation

Deserts can be lonely, isolated, and treacherous places. When a person wanders in a desert, they can easily get disoriented, dehydrated, confused, lost, and vulnerable. Temptation is at its peak, especially when confronted with something that may offer some respite or relief, even a mirage. Deserts can bring us to our weakest moment and tempt our faith. The Christian journey can be described as a desert experience as we vacillate back and forth, falling victim to the mirages of our lives versus the true, life-giving water offered by God. We need a burning bush experience in our lives that convinces us of the power of God and reveals Him as the "I am" of all existence.

Moses was leading his flock across the desert when he found himself at Mount Horeb. Mountains give us a fuller perspective of life, a panoramic view of what would otherwise be hidden from the limitations of our sight. That's when Moses met God. We have to find our way to a mountain experience where our vantage point can take on a wider view of life. Many things can do this for us: the birth of a child, the death of someone we love, the joy that comes from marveling at the beauty of God's work, the pondering of life's mysteries, and the ache of longing found deep within our souls. There are many things in life that can wake us up, give us a clearer, better view of things and become occasions where a bush may burn and God's presence as the eternal uncreated One is revealed.

God is very patient and gives us the time and space we need to figure things out and bear some good fruit. He doesn't rush to cut us down or get frustrated with our barrenness. But we have to remember that the desert journeys of our lives come with some risks. The major risk is that we will mistakenly believe that the mirages are real. Thus, we fall victim to thinking that the respite and refreshment we seek is discovered in a place other than where it actually is. Our faith and the life of the Church are the safeguards we need to keep us properly orientated so that we don't get lost or confused and stay on course.

#### Consecration to Mary

The Collaborative is offering Consecration to Mary using Fr. Michael Gaitley's book, *33 Days to Morning Glory*. The format will be similar to the consecration to Saint Joseph, which was done last fall. Weekly meetings will be held in the parish on Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm. The first meeting will be on April 26th.

Depending on the number of participants, we will meet in the Sullivan Meeting Room or McShea Auditorium. Consecration to Mary will be done on May 31st, the Feast of the Visitation of Mary.

To participate you will need to purchase the book along with the retreat companion. Contact the Divine Mercy Gift Shop in Stockbridge, MA. (shopmercy.org). You should order the participant packet, which includes the book, but if you already have a book, you can order the packet separately.

To register please contact the parish office at 781-337-2171 or email, sfxprsh@gmail.com.

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Please join us for the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings throughout the season of Lent. St. Albert the Great Church 7:30pm, and St. Francis Xavier Church Fridays at 4:00pm. We invite you to 'walk' with us as we make our spiritual pilgrimage through the stages of the Passion of Christ.

#### The Annual Catholic Appeal - Faith In Action

It is through your generosity to the Catholic Appeal that we continue to provide support for our Catholic schools, operational support for our parishes, faith and formation programs at our parishes, and many services for those in our community who turn to our Church for assistance.

We hope that you will respond generously. When you make a gift to the annual Appeal, you are helping put faith into action in countless and far-reaching ways and every gift makes a difference. To make a gift online, visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org.



#### Fr. Bill's & Mainspring Ministry



Thank you to parishioners who donated food and to our assembly volunteers who made our first bagged lunch ministry week a success!

#### **Knights of Columbus Food Drive**

A Food Drive for the Weymouth Food Pantry will be held Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Parking Lot of the Immaculate Conception Church, Broad Street side. This is sponsored by K of C Councils 5027 and 739 of Weymouth. We hope you'll support our neighbors during Lent.

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