

# 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

Headmaster ~ Robert Murphy • Vice-Principal ~ Shannon Mazza
Sacred Heart School ~ PreK3 - Grade 4 & St. Francis Xavier School ~ Grades 5 - 8
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Family Faith Formation ~ email sfxfamilyfaith@gmail.com ~ phone 781-331-6264







## Saturday, April 2, 2022

8:15 am (SAG) Thomas J Kelly ~ Healing 4:00 pm (SFX) Ann & Jack Hall ~ Memorial

## Sunday, April 3, 2022

7:30 am (SFX) Jane Connolly 9:30 am (SFX) James Quinn ~ 2nd Anniversary 11:00 am (SAG) Joseph Maloney ~ 1st Anniversary

> Monday, April 4, 2022 (SAG) 9:00 am Marie E Catalano Birthday Remembrance

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 (SFX) 9:00 am Catherine Connolly ~ Healing

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 (SFX) 9:00 am Marian Litchfield

Thursday, April 7, 2022 (SFX) 9:00 am Jean & Joe Olivier Herb & Kay Nachtrab

Friday, April 8, 2022 (SFX) 9:00am Jeanne M Smart

Saturday, April 9, 2022

8:15 am (SAG) Mass of Thanksgiving 4:00 pm (SFX) William Hartnett, James Corkum

### Sunday, April 10, 2022

7:30 am (SFX) People of St. Albert the Great & St. Francis Xavier 9:30 am (SFX) Paula DePari-4th Anniversary

11:00 am (SAG) Edward L Drea 2nd Anniversary

Visit our website to learn of Catholic Weymouth's Lenten Mission, Walking in the Dark, Living in the Light of Christ. It will be held at Immaculate Conception and St. Jerome's Churches.

> The second collection for Ukraine that was held at St. Albert the Great and Saint Francis Xavier parishes raised \$8,706.00. This response reflects the generosity and

community of faith and compassion that exists in our Collaborative. Thank you all for your donations.

#### 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 Brinkman, Ruthie Linehan, Jackie, Cliff Malo-

ney, Russell, Pam, Ed L. and Mary Humphrey.



# 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.

## April 3, 2022 ~ 5th Sunday of Lent ~ Gospel Meditation

We love to make examples out of those who have erred and done wrong. Publicly punishing others serves as a means of demonstrating the consequences for what is deemed inappropriate or wrongful behavior. While this may appear an effective way of achieving conformity to established rules, it runs the real risk of distorting motivation. Obviously, we want people to do what is right and pursue healthy, virtuous behaviors and ideals. But is fear of punishment ever the best motivation for avoiding one action in favor of another?

Doing something out of fear is never healthy. Focusing exclusively on our behavior and what others expect or think, leads to living life with a self-focused superficiality. We become more concerned about protecting ourselves from something negative and unpleasant, than investing ourselves in the freedom, wonder and awe of being human! We can still find our way to the unacceptable or inappropriate behavior as long as we do not get caught! Being a whole, focused, and Godcentered human being requires more. It demands an investment of the heart. Virtuous, moral, and mature lifestyles reflective of the Gospel necessitate love.

When we experience and recognize love, God's unconditional love, in the depth of our soul, we fall in love with what we have found. We then find ourselves leaving destructive and sinful actions behind in search of something more holy, dignified, true, integral, and loving. This is really "mercy realized." God's tremendous, loving, eternal forgiveness and willingness to bring us back to something more real and tender is transformational. The respect for myself that I receive from God is so life changing that it causes me to run quickly away from anything sinful and self-destructive to things that are whole and holy.

There are many people who want nothing more than to judge or criticize us. What would actually stoning the woman caught in adultery really accomplish? Nothing more than the inflation of the already self-righteous egos of a few men who think they have power. They have no power because they are sinners too, just like everyone else. What all of us have is the humble ability to express sorrow for pursuing destructive thoughts and actions and receive the power of God's mercy. Then, Jesus' request to "go and sin no more" will be one we proudly heed and follow.

## 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 St. Joseph, which was done last fall. Weekly meetings will be held in the parish on Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm, beginning 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). Please visit our website for full details. To register please contact the parish office at 781-337-2171 or email, sfxprsh@gmail.com.

## **Stations of the Cross & Adoration**

Please join us for the **Stations of the Cross** on Friday evenings throughout the season of Lent. St. Albert the Great Church at 7:30pm, and St. Francis Xavier Church at 4:00pm. And, in addition to First Fridays' Adoration held after the 9:00am Mass in SFX Church, there will be **Eucharistic Adoration** held in the Chapel in the Parish Center Office.

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

## 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.

One of our young parishioners, Andrew Van Luling is organizing a **New Sock Drive for Kids**. Andrew is a first year confirmation candidate. All new socks will be donated to the non-profit Cradles to Crayons and distributed to local children in need. The sock drive will be one weekend only - April 9 & 10. There will be a bin at the back of the church the weekend of the sock drive.

# Fr. Bill's & Mainstay Ministry

The Collaborative of St. Albert the Great & St. Francis Xavier will continue our bagged lunch ministry for Fr. Bill's & Mainspring. Thank You all for your generosity last month. On Sunday April 10th we will be collecting bottled water, cold cuts & sliced cheese. If you would like to donate you can drop off items to the kitchen in McShea between 10:30am - 12:30pm. Any questions can be addressed to Stephanie Dwyer (781) 413-4787.

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