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ONE CHILD SUCH AS
THIS IN MY NAME,
RECEIVES ME.”
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25TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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

Pastor ~ Fr. Kenneth Cannon

Deacon ~ Joseph Canova • Music Director ~ Ann Ryan

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Mass Schedule

St. Albert the Great, 1140 Washington Street, Weymouth ~ Sunday 11:00 am
St. Francis Xavier, 234 Pleasant Street, Weymouth ~ 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

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THE COLLABORATIVE OF ST. ALBERT THE GREAT & ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 18, 2021

8:15 am (SAG) Priscilla McNally
4:00 pm (SFX) James J King 4th Anniversary

Sunday, September 19, 2021

7:30 am (SFX) Michael McDonagh ~ Months Mind
9:30 am (SFX) Mario Di Pietro ~ Birthday Remembrance
Edilia DiStefano & Guiseppe DiPietro
11:00 am (SAG) Janet Larkin ~ 3th Anniversary

Monday, September 20, 2021 (SAG)

9:00 am Noreen Burns ~ 22nd Anniversary

Tuesday, September 21, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am Peggy Folan ~ Healing

Wednesday, September 22, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am Ruth Folan ~ First Anniversary

Thursday, September 23, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am Ronnie Barker ~ Healing

Friday, September 24, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am Vincent Kleponis ~ Birthday Remembrance

Saturday, September 25, 2021

8:15 am (SAG) Patrick J McCarthy
4:00 pm (SFX) Edith McGrath ~ 1st Anniversary
Gerald McGrath ~ 9th Anniversary

Sunday, September 26, 2021

7:30 am (SFX)
9:30 am (SFX) Mary Orlandino
11:00 am (SAG) Parishioners of St. Albert the Great
& St. Francis Xavier

Please pray for: Nicholas Watts, Glenn M., Maddie Alexander, George Moussa, John Tangherlini, Dennis Leahy Jr., 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, Mary Duseau, Paul Duseau, Audie, Marilyn D., John Barchey, Diane Sinclair, Baby Ava, Annie Murphy, Richard Dubois, Beth & Zoe Bodine, Deborah Konding, Teresa Donnelly, Paul Meehan, Linda & Jim Gavin, Kevin M. Kelley, Beverly Giuffre, Elinor Healy, Robert Russo, Stephen Chermka, 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, DJ and Daniel Adams., Lance Corporal William Gilmour and Carl Moriarty.

The students at the Partnership Schools have returned to their classrooms, and the enthusiasm was high! The boys and girls were able to greet their friends and teachers with a smile!



At St. Francis Xavier School there was a flag-raising ceremony in honor of the new planter and flagpoles that are a wonderful addition to the entrance of the school. They were constructed by the school custodian, Quinn Nguyen, and Grade 8 student, Sean Byrne.

Annual Mission Appeal

The St. Albert the Great & St. Francis Xavier Collaborative will be hosting Bishop Raymond Mupandasekwa from the Diocese of Chinhoyi, Zimbabwe during the weekend of September 25th and 26th. Bishop Raymond will be speaking at all the Masses and a second collection will be taken up as part of the Archdiocesan Missionary Cooperative Plan.

The reception last Sunday was a lovely tribute to Deacon Joe Canova and his family. Thank you to all who stopped by. Visit our website sagsfx.org and click on Photo Gallery to see more photos.



September 19, 2021 ~ 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Gospel Meditation



There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

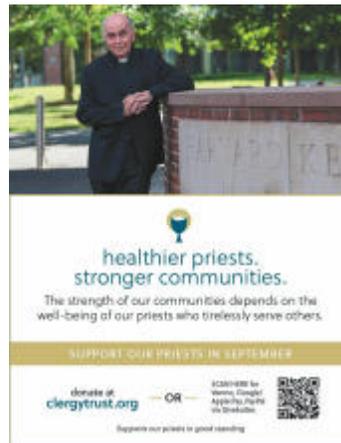
Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.



Beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 21, and continuing Wednesday, Sept. 22, we will be setting up the hall. We are seeking some strong arms and backs to help us move bags and boxes off the stage.

Hours are 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, and 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. We also need some volunteers to help put items on the tables. Please enter through the side entrance of the church. We will also need at least two volunteers to help with the furniture on the day of the sale. Your job will be to help arrange furniture in front of the garage area starting at 7:30 am. This will require heavy lifting. And remember, the yard sale will take place on Saturday, Sept. 25th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the hall at St. Albert's Church. Please contact me at: June.bisognano@gmail.com.



Today's second collection will benefit Clergy Trust which provides programs and support to care for the health and well-being of all active and senior diocesan priests in good standing. This collection is a critical source of funding for the Trust so whatever you can give is greatly appreciated.



As of October 1, 2021 I will be retiring from my position as Music Director. Beth Buonocore will be assuming the position. I will continue to be a Cantor and Leader of Song periodically in the future.

I have loved the six years I have been the Music Director for the Collaborative. I will miss singing with the choirs. At this time in our lives, Steve and I have decided to spend more time with our family. I would like to thank Father Cannon for his understanding and continued support. I would also like to thank all of you for the kindness and support you have shown me throughout my years here at the Collaborative. God Bless You and Your Families, Ann

On behalf of myself and all my brother priests who benefit from the support of Clergy Trust, thank you for your generosity. Don't forget to join us on Tuesday night for the virtual Celebration of the Priesthood. If you haven't registered yet, please visit www.clergytrust.org and click on "Annual Celebration".

God Bless You, Fr. Cannon

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