



“WHOEVER WISHES TO  
BE GREAT AMONG YOU  
WILL BE YOUR SERVANT;  
WHOEVER WISHES TO BE  
FIRST AMONG YOU WILL  
BE THE SLAVE OF ALL.”  
- MK 10:43-44

29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

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

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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

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

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, October 16, 2021

8:15 am (SAG) Rosario Zaccari-Birthday Remembrance  
4:00 pm (SFX) Thomas Belton 7th Anniversary

### Sunday, October 17, 2021

7:30 am (SFX) Mary, Charles & Denis Mooney  
& Teresa Harrington  
9:30 am (SFX) Donald Burke & Mary Orlandino  
11:00 am (SAG) James Anderson-Birthday Remembrance

### Monday, October 18, 2021 (SAG)

9:00 am Mary Callahan

### Tuesday, October 19, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am Michael J Fitzgerald ~ 22nd Anniversary

### Wednesday, October 20, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am John J Lacey ~ Birthday Remembrance  
John Roanowicz ~ Birthday Remembrance

### Thursday, October 21, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am Francis Fidler

### Friday, October 22, 2021 (SFX)

9:00 am Debra Zabrowski

### Saturday, October 23, 2021

8:15 am (SAG) Barbara Devane  
4:00 pm (SFX) Ann Corkum ~ 9th Anniversary  
Sandra Aldrich ~ 7th Anniversary

### Sunday, October 24, 2021

7:30 am (SFX) People of St. Albert the Great  
& St. Francis Xavier  
9:30 am (SFX) Deacon Joseph V Vitello ~ 5th Anniversary  
11:00 am (SAG) Ken Peterson ~ 1st Anniversary

**TRUNK OR TREAT** ~ On Friday, October 29th from 6-8 pm, St. Francis Xavier School and the SAG/SFX Collaborative will be hosting a Trunk Or Treat in the school parking lot. Costumes are encouraged. There is no charge to participate, however we will be collecting canned goods for the Weymouth Food Pantry on the 29th. If you have any questions, please email Stephanie Dwyer at Feffie365@gmail.com.

\*We are also asking for donations of individually wrapped candy to give out. Donations can be left in the bins at the back of the churches following Mass or dropped off at the Parish Center. \*

**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 Koning, 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, DJ and Daniel Adams, Carl Moriarty, Paul, Helen Dignin, Jody O'Brien, Sandy C.

## CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

To conclude this year dedicated to St. Joseph, I will offer a program leading to consecration to St. Joseph. We will be following Fr. Don Calloway's book "Consecration to St. Joseph". This is thirty-three days of reading and reflection on the various titles of St. Joseph with a weekly meeting as a group. We will begin on Wednesday, November 3rd, and make our consecration on Sunday, December 5th. This is something both spouses can do even if only one is able to make it to the weekly meetings. Please contact the parish center to register. Email [sfxprsh@gmail.com](mailto:sfxprsh@gmail.com) or call 781-337-2171. Fr. Cannon

## FRIENDS OF THE UNBORN BABY SHOWER



The St. Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting their annual Baby Shower for the Friends of the Unborn on Saturday, October 30th and Sunday, October 31st. Members of

the Council will be at the doors of St. Albert the Great and St. Francis Xavier churches before and after all Masses over the weekend to receive your gifts and donations. Diapers, baby wipes, baby blankets, outfits (up to one year) etc. all make wonderful gifts. Cash donations or checks made payable to *Friends of the Unborn* are also welcome. Thank you for our generosity and support of this wonderful ministry. Please call Francis O'Brien at 781-337-3115 with questions.

## October 17, 2021 ~ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Gospel Meditation



“What do you wish me to do for you?” Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It’s an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.

Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today’s Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive more of God’s attention. That’s not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It’s a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God’s kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It builds the strength of character necessary to bring God’s Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words “thy will be done” will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God’s eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God’s definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.



### **Sale of the Saint Francis Xavier Rectory**

Since 2012 the parish has been trying to lease the rectory property across the street from the parish. When I arrived last year, I asked the Cardinal for permission to sell said property because no one was interested in an extended lease. The parish Finance Council agreed with this decision. Working with the Archdiocesan Real Estate Office, we put this property on the market.

Last week we received a purchase and sale agreement from Ryder Development Corporation, who will close the sale on January 3, 2022. The proceeds from this sale will allow the parish to retire its debt and other obligations to the Archdiocese. It also will provide the funding needed to renovate and convert the north wing of the old convent into a rectory.

### **Parish Grand Annual**

You should be receiving a grand annual letter this week. The grand annual is essential to the health and well-being of our parishes, and it allows us to take on projects we could not otherwise afford. At Saint Albert the Great Parish, I would like to repair the air-conditioning in the church; three units no longer work. At Saint Francis Xavier Parish I would like to go ahead with a planned upgrade of the sound system. Fr. Higgins looked into this before he left but the shutdown related to COVID-19 put this on hold. It is important for me to go forward with this upgrade.

Eleven years ago this week, I had surgery on my cervical spine fusing the C6 and C7 vertebrae. The doctor went in from the front of my neck and unfortunately caused the paralysis of my right vocal cord. The following year I had corrective surgery and extensive voice therapy to allow me to optimize my ability to speak. However, I cannot generate much force when I speak and so I am dependent on a good sound system. God bless you. Fr. Cannon



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