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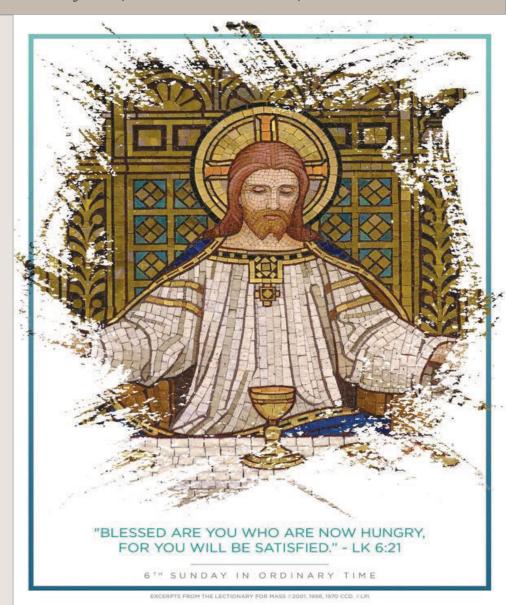
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# WELCOME ~ February 16, 2025

Saturday 4PM ~ Holy Name

Sunday 7:30AM & 10AM ~ Holy Name

Sunday 9:00AM ~ St. Francis

MASS

**SCHEDULE** 

Sunday 11:30AM ~ St. Lawrence

Monday - Thursday 8AM ~ Holy Name

Reconciliation ~ 3:15PM Saturday ~ Holy Name

# HOLY NAME OF THE SACRED HEART

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## FINANCIAL REPORT HOLY NAME

1st collection 2/8 & 2/9 \$2,170
Catholic University \$492

online giving 1st collection \$500
online giving Catholic U. \$10

Thank You!

second collection next week: parish support



### **MASS COUNTS**

(snow storm)

Sat 2/8 HNSHJ 4:00PM 300 Sun 2/9 HNSHJ 7:30AM 22 Sun. 2/9 HNSHJ 10:00AM 60 Sun 2/9 HNSHJ 11:30AM 30

TOTAL 412



The Sanctuary Candle burns in loving memory of

Luis Pereira
birthday remembrance
a special intention



**Apple Pie orders** are now being taken for pick up on 2/22 or 2/23 (after Mass) at the parish center. The ladies guild asks that you order after Masses this weekend or by calling Norma 508-992-3638.

Pies are fresh frozen so you can bake at home.

PAY AT TIME OF PICKUP \$15





Saturday, February 15	4:00PM	Steven Hunt John Santos - 9 year anniversary
Sunday, February 16	7:30AM	Noah Curtis Greany - months mind
Sunday, February 16	10:00AM	Eugene Mierzewski Ruthie Lewis Tony Vieira Jean Giammalvo Mary Paula Harney - 24 year anniversary
Monday, February 17	8:00AM	Stephen Fernandes - birthday remembrance
Tuesday, February 18	8:00AM	Gwendolyn Brengall
Wednesday, February 19	8:00AM	Emilia Marcelino Joseph & Maggie Pacheco
Thursday, February 20	8:00AM	Luis Pereira Louis Coggeshall - birthday remembrance
Saturday, February 22	4:00PM	Antonio Raposo
Sunday, February 23	7:30AM	Jason Arruda - birthday remembrance
Sunday, February 23	10:00AM	Claire Bancroft for all those buried in our NB Catholic Cem.

HOLY NAME S H J	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sat. 2/15 4:00PM	Patrick Hunt	Sue LeBouef Dr Ashley Walecka Kathi McKenna	Aaron Elderkin Angelina Lugo
Sun. 2/16 7:30AM	Stephanie Fiano	Carol Oliver Ted Machado	
Sun. 2/16 10:00AM	Jeanine Sasseville	Gloria Pamplona Eva Marie Fernandes	Jonathan Gonsalves Emelia DaCunha
Sat. 2/22 4:00PM	Kim LeBlanc	Mariette Rose Cathy Novo Kathi McKenna	Aaron Elderkin Angelina Lugo
Sun. 2/23 7:30AM	Dennis Onofrey	Donna Michaud Anne Kelley Jennett	
Sun. 2/23 10:00AM	Chloe Costa	Daphne Costa Sari Almeida	Jonathan Gonsalves Myra McNeilly Liam McNeilly

Everyone is invited to the February 23<sup>rd</sup> **Donuts and Coffee Social** which will follow the 10:00 a.m. Mass of Remembrance,

next Sunday, February 23, 2025



### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Kara McEachern Music Director Diana Henry Organist



## FINANCIAL REPORT ST FRANCIS

 $1^{\text{st}}$  collection 2/8 & 2/9 \$ 359 Catholic University \$ 44 online giving  $1^{\text{st}}$  collection \$ 75 online giving Catholic U. \$ 25



second collection next week: parish support





Saturday, February 15	4:30PM	for our parish family
Sunday, February 16	9:00AM	Shelby Henry - 5 year anniversary Robert Beaudoin - 4 year anniversary Terry Souza - 2 year anniversary
Saturday, February 22	4:30PM	for our parish family
Sunday, February 23	9:00AM	for our parish family

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sun. 2/16 9:00AM	Lydia Murphy	Mary Neves	Molly McEachern
Sun. 2/23 9:00AM	William Guilotte	Jim Ventura	Molly McEachern



# Prayer of God's Blessing

Bless me, Lord, mold my heart in imitation of Yours. Bless me, Lord, help me to see people as You do, and to hear their needs.

Bless me, Lord, replace my understanding with Yours.

Amen. ©LPi

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

February 16, 2025 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Luke 6:17, 20-26

I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.

Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": "Woe to you who are rich... who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of" (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the purpose of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants his to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes."

— Father John Muir ©LPi

### ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR

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## FINANCIAL REPORT ST LAWRENCE

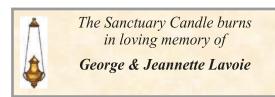
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 \$ 1,076

 Catholic University
 \$ 257

online giving 1<sup>st</sup> collection \$ 75 online giving Catholic U. \$ 25

Thank You!

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Saturday, February 15	4:00PM	for our parish family
Sunday, February 16	11:30AM	Raymond Robitaille Laura Gomes, Sergio Gomes Ana DePina, Joao DePina Domingos Brito, Domincias Brito
Saturday, February 22	4:00PM	for our parish family
Sunday, February 23	11:30AM	Christine Walecka - 2 year anniversary Richard W. Morris - 2 year anniversary Victoria Garzon - 3 year anniversary Janice Machnowski Sergio Pereira

ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sun. 2/16 11:30AM	Rosie Byrnes	Pat Norton Devin Byrnes	Edmaura Cardoza Mauro Teixeira Maura Teixeira Jane Byrnes
Sun. 2/23 11:30AM	Tricia Grime	Anne Marie Lefever Denise McCoy	Jane Byrnes Daniela Mendoza Imyrx Andrade

A DAY WITH MARY ~ St Anthony of Padua Parish 1359 Acushnet Avenue, New Bedford Saturday, March 1 8am - 12:35PM

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# Food Pantry News

## PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE

We desperately need 4 volunteers to help with our food delivery on ONLY 2 mornings a month. Four of our men had to leave us due to school schedules.

We need help on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Our next deliveries will be Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup>. We meet at St. Lawrence Church parking lot. Please call Kathy Boucher for information at 508 991-1042.

## Without food we cannot feed those in need.

Those of you who cannot help, please pray that we find these 4 volunteers quickly. Thank you!!

We will continue to collect for our Soup-A-Bowl Sunday as we know some of you could not get out last weekend. After this week we will let you know how many cans of soup we received. Thank you ALL for your donations to those in need!

## We always need children's cereals.

The Food Pantry will be open on Friday, February 28 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

located in the basement of the rectory 110 Summer St.

Park in St Lawrence Church parking lot.

If you can't feed a hundred people, then just feed one.

~ St. Teresa of Calcutta

The Fall River Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will meet on Saturday, February 22, at St. Anthony Parish in Taunton. All women of the Diocese are invited to take part. Presenter will be Debbie Zane, whose topic will be "Remaining Spiritually Active and Connected Throughout Our Life." The meeting will take place from 9 to 11:30am and light refreshments will be served. St. Anthony Parish is located at 126 School St., Taunton. The DCCW endeavors to offer programs and projects that respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society. Its membership is made up of women from various parishes of the Fall River Diocese. If you have any questions, please call DCCW President Ann Marie Melanson 508-631-0533 or email frdccwannarie@gmail.com. (Snow date for this meeting is Saturday, March 1)

### Mardi Gras

### Question:

Carnivale and Mardi Gras celebrations are linked to Ash Wednesday, Lent, fast and abstinence. Can you tell us more about the connections between these events?

#### Answer:

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the forty days known as Lent. Every year, Christians highlight this penitential season as a time of self-examination, reformation of one's life, and continued development of a deeper spiritual life. The recommended practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving become the focus of Lenten activity and ritual. Each of these spiritual practices is aimed at personal discipline as well as continued concern for the other, especially the poor or alienated.

Forty days is a symbolic biblical period of time, during which personal transformation occurs and out of which people surface as more spiritual, ready to carry out God's mission. Relying on God's providence and care, no matter how difficult life becomes, is crucial to Lenten spirituality. Fasting was initially stricter, permitting only one simple meal a day without meat, fish, or other delicacies. Such things were not even allowed in the house.

In order to prepare for this in an age of no refrigeration, people gathered to consume whatever was not allowed during Lent. This led to parties or celebrations originally referred to as Carnivale, literally meaning "goodbye to meat," or Mardi Gras, literally meaning "Fat Tuesday." The eating and celebrating ended on the Tuesday just before Ash Wednesday. Today we focus more on moderation in all things, as well as a strong concern for the poor. What are you doing for the poor this Lent?

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Augusta Fernandes, Maureen Stewart, Peter Debarros, Kathy Amaral, Tom Soucy, Cliff Soucy,



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#### WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

February 16 Rev. Michael Nagle, Rev. John Oliveira

February 17 Rev. Jason Brilhante

February 18 Rev. Ted Brown, MS

February 19 Rev. Jeffrey Cabral

February 20 Rev. James Ferry

February 21 Rev. Marcos Caldeira

February 22 Pope Francis



Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them, into likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

## IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary "Macy" Ducharme who passed away February 4 and whose funeral was celebrated at Holy Name on February 11

We extend our sympathy and prayers to her family. May Macy share the promise of Eternal Life.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen





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