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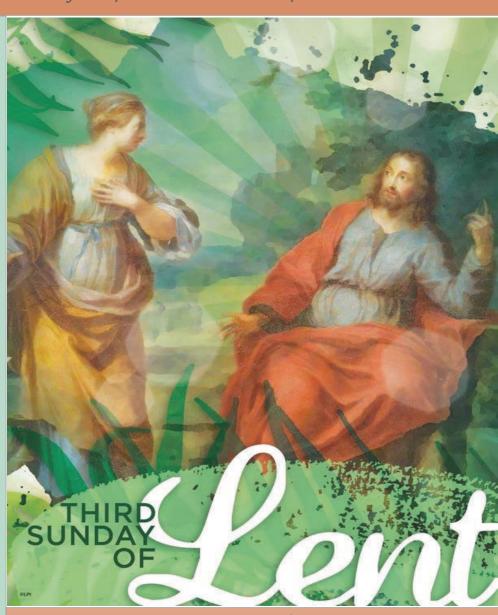
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## WELCOME ~ March 23, 2025

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

 $1^{st}$  collection 3/15 & 3/16 \$2,868 snow removal \$780 online giving  $1^{st}$  collection \$380 online giving snow removal \$110

Thank You!

second collection next week: Catholic Relief Services



#### MASS COUNTS

Sat 3/15 HNSHJ 4:00PM 220 Sun 3/16 HNSHJ 7:30AM 135 Sun 3/16 9:00AM 50 Sun. 3/16 HNSHJ 10:00AM 130 Sun 3/16 SL 11:30AM 120 TOTAL 655

The Sanctuary Candle burns in loving memory of



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Saturday, March 22	4:00PM	Albert A. Dubreuil - birthday remembrance Ed Kelly - 22 year anniversary	
Sunday, March 23	7:30AM	for our parish family	
Sunday, March 23	10:00AM	Eugene Mierzewski Nancy Giusti - 5 year anniversary	
Monday, March 24	8:00AM	for our parish family	
Tuesday, March 25	8:00AM	for our parish family	
Wednesday, March 26	8:00AM	for our parish family	
Thursday, March 27	8:00AM	Rev. Richard Beaulieu - 18 year anniversary	
Saturday, March 29	4:00PM	Victor Mederios - anniversary Louise Richter - anniversary Janice Silvia - months mind	
Sunday, March 30	7:30AM	for our parish family	
Sunday, March 30	10:00AM	Claire Bancroft Those buried in our NB Catholic Cemeteries	

### Wednesday March 26 at 6:30PM Stations of the Cross HNSHJ

HOLY NAME S H J	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sat. 3/22 4:00PM	Patrick Hunt	Cathy Novo Dr. Ashley Walecka	Aaron Elderkin Angelina Lugo
Sun. 3/23 7:30AM	Stephanie Fiano	Donna Michaud Anne Kelley Jennett	
Sun. 3/23 10:00AM	Jee Borra	Donald Buckley Cheryl McCormack	Jonathan Gonsalves
Sat. 3/29 4:00PM	Kim LeBlanc	Mariette Rose Cathy Novo Kathi McKenna	Aaron Elderkin Angelina Lugo
Sun. 3/30 7:30AM	Dennis Onofrey	Donna Michaud Anne Kelley Jennett	
Sun. 3/30 10:00AM	Chloe Costa	Daphne Costa Sari Almeida	Jonathan Gonsalves

Please join together to welcome new members to our Whaling City Catholic Community

Kobe DaSilva & Mariah Rodrigues

Karlyn Butler





Everyone is invited to the *Donuts and Coffee Social* following the 10AM Mass of Remembrance, next Sunday, March 30.

#### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Kara McEachern Music Director Diana Henry Organist



#### FINANCIAL REPORT ST FRANCIS

1<sup>st</sup> collection 3/15 & 3/16 \$510 snow removal \$66

online giving 1<sup>st</sup> collection \$75 online giving snow removal \$30

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Saturday, March 22	4:30PM	for our parish family
Sunday, March 23	9:00AM	Donat Brin - 8 year anniversary
Saturday, March 29	4:30PM	for our parish family
Sunday, March 30	9:00AM	for our parish family

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sun. 3/23 9:00AM	William Guillotte	Jim Ventura	Molly McEachern
Sun. 3/30 9:00AM	Edith Ventura	Mary Neves	Molly McEachern

On June 29<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Fr. Mike's ordination. Musicians from all 3 parishes will come together as a choir for this wonderful liturgy at the 11:30 Mass at St. Lawrence. We are extending an invitation for you to join us. If you would be interested in singing and would like more information please see Fran Gorman, Kara McEachern or Denise Weaver.



#### Experience Taizé Prayer

# AN ECUMENICAL SERVICE OF PRAYER, SONG, AND CONTEMPLATION BY CANDLELIGHT Lenten Taizé Prayer Service

Saint Francis Church 530 Gardners Neck Road, Swansea MA Sunday, March 30, 2025 6:00PM



#### A DAY WITH MARY ~ St Francis of Assisi Church

283 Mill St., New Bedford Saturday, April 5 8am - 12:35PM

A day of instruction, devotion & intersession, based on the message given at Fatima in 1917.

The Women's Guild will offer a very special Lenten treat on both Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday (Good Friday) April 18<sup>th</sup>.

This year they are sponsoring a dinner in the Parish Center from 4:00 until 6:30 p.m. with Clam Cakes, Chowder, Fried Fish and Baked Fish Dinners.

Order-ahead forms for April 4th or April 18th are available at the Church entrances and you pay when you get to the hall.

Please bring the exact amount or you may use credit or debit cards.

all meals MUST be pre-ordered by APRIL 2, and April 16. There is also an option for take out, again, pre order!

This Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., the Holy Name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Women's Guild will sponsor its **Annual Soup Supper** offering eight different homemade soups.

There is no charge but a Free Will Donation is appreciated with 100 percent of the donations going to benefit the **St. Lawrence Food Pantry**. Soups will include all you can eat:

Turkey Noodle, Clam Chowder, French Onion, Corn Chowder, Chicken & Rice, Minestrone, French Pea, and Kale. The very special event will take place at the Holy Name Parish Center



#### ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR

Jackie Shidell Bookkeeper Jackie@whalingcitycatholics.org

Fran Gorman M

Music Director



#### FINANCIAL REPORT ST LAWRENCE

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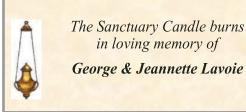
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Saturday, March 22	4:00PM	for our parish family
Sunday, March 23	11:30AM	Edward & Mary Lopes Michel Methot - months mind
Friday, March 28	4:00PM	for our parish family
Saturday, March 29	4:00PM	for our parish family
Sunday, March 30	11:30AM	Alia Moujabber Janice Machnowski John J Fernandes, Lopoldina Rodrigues, Mr. & Mrs. Fonseca, Jose Rodrigues and Joseph Paulo

ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sun. 3/23 11:30AM	Rosie Byrnes	Eileen Frasier Carol Larkin	Jane Byrnes Raelynne Donnelly Elizabeth Frasier Daniella Mendoza
Sun. 3/30 11:30AM	Tricia Grime	Devin Byrnes Denise McCoy	Edmaura Cardoza Mauro Teixeira Maura Teixeira Imyrx Andrade

#### Faith Formation Corner

This Lent I have tried a program called Lent Pray40: The Way

on the Hallow app. Each day, there is a brief reflection based on the book "The Way" by St Josemaria Escriva. One day, the topic was fasting and the suggestion was to fast from noise for a bit that day. Mark Wahlberg was actually the host which is pretty funny. I love hearing his Boston accent and hearing him talk freely about his faith. His point when talking about fasting from noise and distractions was to spend those extra minutes in prayer and getting the chance to hear God speaking to you. To the surprise of no one, I'm already behind with listening to each days' session, but I have been making a very big effort to just sit in silence every day. I hope each of you is able to hear God speaking to you this Lent.

Have a great week!

~ Eileen Frazier

#### Dear God.

As I fast, may Your presence be my sustenance. As I pray, continue to reveal Yourself to me. As I give to others, may I know You even more deeply. Amen. ©LPi

# Food Pantry News

If you happen to shop at Shaws, our Food Pantry will receive \$1.00 for each "\$3.00 GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS" Reusable Bag sold during the month of March.

We are still in need of 4 volunteers to help with our FOOD DELIVERY on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month. Must be able to lift 30 pound boxes of food. We start just before 8:30 a.m. and finish before 11:30 a.m. The next delivery is March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Please call Kathy Boucher at 508 991-1042 for exact details. Thank you for considering this important task.

We will be passing out food for Easter Dinner to 150 families in need. Can you help us by purchasing a can of sliced pineapple to add to our Easter Baskets?

Also, we are ALWAYS in need of children's cereals.

The Food Pantry will be open on Friday, March 28 from 8:30 to 11:00 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

#### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### **Stoking the Lenten Fire**

I think we all can acknowledge that there's a certain fatigue that comes over us all as we near the end of the Lenten season. Next week is Laetare Sunday, and I find that as soon as those pink vestments start coming out of storage, our collective motivation begins to wane.

I get that. Maybe you're fatigued — I am, too. Maybe you're doing well in your resolutions and devotions but you're in danger of coasting. Or maybe, like many of us this year or in past years, you don't feel that you have even really begun your Lenten journey.

Either way, chances are that the fire that was in your belly on Ash Wednesday is burning a bit low. All fires eventually do, once they consume whatever fuels them. So here we would do well to remember what fuels our Lenten fire.

Sometimes we make resolutions that have the appearance of being spiritual, but also have an earthly motive. We give up chocolate hoping to lose weight. We stop gossiping so our friends may like us more. There is nothing wrong with these sacrifices — just with their motivations.

As Moses removes his sandals to approach the burning bush, he sees that the fire burns brightly, strongly — but does not consume. It is propelled by something inexhaustible, something which is not of this world.

Is your Lenten fire fueled by God? Are you daily surrendering yourself to the same voice that boomed from the bush in Genesis — the voice that commanded the Israelites to do what seemed like the impossible?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

David Keighley, Katherine Sullivan, Corrine Lebeau, Joey Kowal, Mary-Lyn Riding, Peter McCoy, Vivian Moniz, Joann Pieknik, Gabriella Rivas, Maria Ferreira, Micele Michaud, Augusta Fernandes, Maureen Stewart, Peter Debarros, Kathy Amaral, Tom Soucy, Cliff Soucy,

Pray For...

Joel Rivera, Joyce Baptista, The Sena Family, Maria Raposo, Terry Ouellette, The McCain Family, Jeanine Sasseville Carla DeMello & Paula Perreira, Henry T. Murphy Jr., Gene Rymszewicz, Rose Fournier, Linda Boswell, Mike McCormack

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

March 23 Rev. John Paul Gallant

March 24 Rev. Joseph Mauritzen

March 25 Pope Francis

March 26 Rev. John Garabedien

March 27 Bishop Edgard da Cunha, SDV.

March 28 Rev. Maurice Gauvin March 29 Rev. Matthew Gill



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

Normand Robitaille who passed away March 7 and whose funeral was celebrated at Holy Name on March 19

Kevin Oliviera who passed away March 6 and whose funeral was celebrated at Holy Name on March 21

Anthony Anselmo, Sr. who passed away March 11 and whose funeral was celebrated at Holy Name on March 22

We extend our sympathy and prayers to their families. May they 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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