

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 16th

4:00PM Beatriz Morais, Parents & in-laws;
Frank & Maria Duarte;
Joao C. Melo & Maria dos Anjos Melo,
Antonio & Adelino Cabral; Jose N. Braga & Family;
Manuel & Maria Cunha & family; Matilda Nascimento
5:30PM Edmundo Moniz (O); Maria M. & Joseph D. Raposo;
Roberto Cordeiro & family; Jose da Silva Ferreira;
Carlos de Macedo; Rosa de Sousa

Sunday, December 17th- 3rd Sunday of Advent

7:30AM Jose de Sousa Medeiros (60th Anniv) (O) & Rosalina
Medeiros (Birth Remb); Margarida Pereira & Maria da Luz
Fonseca; Kevin Bairos Pereira & Grandparents;
Jose & Nuno Pascoal; Manuel Jose Bettencourt;
Arthur & Rosa Sousa; Intentions of Francisco Rego;
Maria Dionisia Amaral; Antonio Medeiros,
Jose & Ana Pimentel, In Honor of St. Joseph
9:00AM Pro Populo
10:30AM Jorge & Francisca Moreira, Mario Moreira (O);
Catherine Rose Botelho;
Felisbina Rego; Maria Moura (1st Anniv);
Belmira Camara; Manuel Pacheco; Manuel F. De Sousa;
Edmundo & Helena Mateus, Manuel da Costa Valerio,
Rev. Louis M. Diogo; Ardis Gervais
11:45AM Duarte Fernando Ferreira (7th Anniv)(O);
Idalina & Joao de Quadros & Daughter;
Maria B. & Jose da Silva; Benjamin Moniz;
Sofia & Natalia Leitao; Afonso Pinto & family;
Dinis & Genoveva Furtado, Conceicao Cabral & family;
Maria Ines Ferreira; Peter Correia (Month's Mind)



Monday, December 18th

12:05PM Ana & Manuel Goulart & Sons; Eileen Gones;
Eugenia Couto & Souls
6:00PM Manuel & Tiago Avelar; Sister Emily & Parents;
Brenda Campos; Julia Souto; Honorino Dutra;
In Honor of Holy Ghost, In thanksgiving

Tuesday, December 19th

12:05PM Antonio Soito; Mary & Manuel Taveira
6:00PM Rev. Joel Oliveira; Albano Brazao; Clarence Cunha,
Deceased Family of Maria Alice Cunha

Wednesday, December 20th

12:05PM Anthony & Rita G. Cabral;
Joao Moniz, Manuel & Maria Ferreira
6:00PM Aurelia Perry & Family;
In Honor of Nossa Senhora do Monte, In Thanksgiving

Thursday, December 21st

12:05PM Eduardo Sampaio & Souls
6:00PM Maria da Gloria Bettencourt; Albano & Maria Brazao;
Leonor & Manuel da Costa; Antonio Gouveia (12th Anniv);
25th Wed Anniv: Intentions of Andre & Giziet Normand

Friday, December 22nd

12:05PM Mary C. Vincent (50th Anniv); Julia Souto
6:00PM Deceased Cabral Family & Paiva Family;
Manuel Da Rosa & Ana & Francisco Maciel;
Maria Dionisia Amaral & Family

Saturday, December 23rd

4:00PM Liberato Carreiro da Mota & Family; Jose & Dina Cunha;
Edward Francis; Maria Jose Delgado & Family
5:30PM Jose Maria Gouveia (O); Maria Victoria Bettencourt;
David Melo; Manuel Medeiros

Sunday, December 24th -4th Sunday of Advent

7:30AM Tobias & Maria Clara Marques, Joao Inacio de Melo (O);
Jacinto Bairos (4th Anniv) & Virginia Bairos, Kevin Bairos Pereira
9:00AM Pro Populo
10:30AM Sebastian Porto Month's Mind (O); Julia Souto
11:45AM Jose E. & Maria Borba da Silva,
Idalina & Joao Quadros & Maria Zulmira Bettencourt (O);
Manuel Carvalho; Manuel E. Costa; Maria N. Silva & António
Tavares Silva; Laura Brum da Silva; Artur Leite Mendonca,
Antonio Jose & Deodata Pimentel, Maria Lucia, Jose Piedade;
Jacinto Bairos (40th Anniv) & Virginia Bairos, Kevin Bairos Pereira



Sunday, December 24th – Christmas Eve

4:00PM-Mass- Pro Populo
11:30PM Concert
12:00AM Pro Populo-
Midnight Mass- Bilingual



Monday, December 25th – Christmas Day

10:30 AM- Pro Populo – Bilingual

Blessed Sacrament Lamp



***In Memory of
Rev. Joel Oliveira***

Distribution of Calendars

We will be distributing our 2018 calendars this weekend. We would like to thank Rebello Funeral Home for offering the calendars to our parish family.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

As a result of the recent change at St. Francis Xavier Church, having only one priest, there will be a change in the daily Mass schedule beginning on January 2. The daily Mass schedule will be:

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday –
6:00 PM in Portuguese
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday –
12:05 PM in English**

Friday will be the only day with two daily Masses and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will stay the same. There will be also two Masses on Holy Days of obligation. The Holy Hour on the first Friday of the month will remain the same.

There is also the possibility of changes to the weekend Mass schedule.

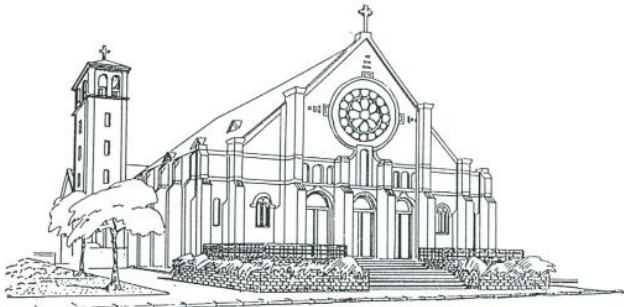
Mass book for 2018

The Mass book is open for Masses from January to March 2018. If you would like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory 434-1878 between 10:00AM and 4:00PM- Mondays through Thursday. You need to remember to call at least 2 weeks before the date that you want the mass to be said.

***Retirement Fund for
Religious Collection***

This collection brought in the amount of \$ 1,502.00. Thank you for your generosity.





**103rd St. Francis Xavier Anniversary
Dinner/Dance
Rego Auditorium
Saturday, January 20, 2018
at 6:30pm**

JAS Sound Entertainment

Menu: Portuguese soup, Salad, Filet of Fish with rice, chicken with roasted potatoes, wine, soda, dessert & coffee

Please call the rectory 434-1878 to reserve your table tickets are limited!

With much thanks

Fraternity St. Francis Xavier

We would like to thank all parishioners for their donations of **Christmas gifts** for the children. Once again, everyone was very generous and we were able give gifts for those who are less fortunate that came to us for assistance. May God bless all of you for your generosity during this Christmas Season. At this time we would like to thank all the volunteers for their hard work, generosity and many sacrifices made in the name of Christ for the poor. They are always working to make sure that those in need do not go without. Thank you and God bless.



HOPE HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS:

Hope Hospice & Palliative Care is in need of volunteers to visit their patients. They are in desperate need of Portuguese speaking volunteers. This is great opportunity to do some charitable works, but first and foremost you need to sign up as volunteers first and have your own transportation.

Anyone interested should call 401-415-4262.

Faith Formation News:



Grades K - 5

All classes are in session

Grades 6-7-8

Classes meet on Monday, December 18th
from 6:00PM – 7:15PM

Confirmation I

Classes meet on Tuesday, December 19th
from 6:00PM- 7:00PM.

Volunteer Catechist - We are in need of a few catechists in the Faith Formation Program for Elementary (Sunday mornings) or Middle School (Monday evenings). Training, materials & support will be provided.

Christmas Flower Donation

Please make a donation for flowers in memory of your deceased loved ones. Use the “Flower Offering” envelope that was enclosed with your budgets. The envelopes will be placed close to the altar, and we will remember those for whom we have been asked to pray in our Mass intentions and special prayers. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



TV MASS



On Sunday, December 24, the 11:45am Mass will be televised and shown again on the Portuguese Channel 80 or 96 at 7:00PM. We are asking for donations at this time.

This allows many of the homebound members of the Portuguese parishes throughout South-Eastern New England to hear the Word of God and be nourished spiritually. Thank you for your support. Please know that your support with this ministry is greatly appreciated.

Mothers That Pray For Their Children

*Restoring the family through the power of prayer
Every Saturday from 4:00PM – 5:30PM
In the Our Lady of the Angels Room (Library of Church)
This group is conducted in Portuguese.*