

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

4:30PM Liberato Carreiro da Mota (O); José Pacheco & Family; Adelino Campos; Francisco Nunes (Birth Remb); Delia & João Carlos Botelho; Eduino Faria (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv) & Maria da Ascensão Faria & Family; Emily Perry (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv); Rui Oliveira, Joe Medeiros & family, John Carvalho & Family

**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday of Advent**

8:00AM Rev. Joel Oliveira (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv) (O); José Franklin Brum; António Medeiros, José & Ana Pimentel, In Honor of St. Joseph; Teófilo & Fátima Pinto; Dorvalino Cardoso & Wife; Odete dos Anjos Delgado (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) & Family;

9:30AM Hilda Leitão (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv) (O); Manuel Pacheco; António Escobar & Family; Odete dos Anjos Delgado & Family; Emily Perry (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

11:30AM Duarte Fernando Ferreira & Family (O); 50<sup>th</sup> Wed. Anniv: Intentions of António & Fernanda Vieira (O), Francisco & Antónia Nunes, António & Albertina Vieira, Mary Vieira, Eduardo Leitão; Rev. Joel Oliveira (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv); João & Idalina de Quadros & José & Maria B. Silva; Sofia & Natália Leitão; Carlos Rodrigues, father & sister; José Alves Menino & Family; Duarte Pacheco; Luís Gouveia & Family; Augustinho & José Macedo; Faustino & Urcelina Casador, Manuel Soares Torres & Estrela Rodrigues Torres, Manuel Rodrigues Torres & José Rodrigues Torres, Eric Anthony Medeiros; Francisco Leandro, João & Inezia Botelho; Manuel S. Medeiros; Belmira & Cesaltina Botelho; Maria José Correia, Souls in Purgatory, Michael Knowles, Manuel & Gloria Botelho;

**Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

6:00PM Edmund Moniz; Maria C. Maia & Family; Luis Correia & Family; Honorino Dutra; Joao Sequeira; Kailyn Newton (Month's Mind)

**Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**

12:05PM Manuel Bettencourt; Manuel & Ana Goulart & Sons; Beatriz Morais, Parents, in laws & Sister in law; In thanksgiving, Intentions of Correia Family

**Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

6:00PM Manuel Inacio Bettencourt; Frank Peixoto & Souls; Manuel & Tiago Avelar; Albano Brazao; Intentions of the Members of Charismatic Prayer Group, in thanksgiving of graces received

**Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>**

12:05PM Mary & Manuel Taveira; Matilda Nascimento; Carlos Rosa & Linda Rosa, Filomena & Francisco Jorge & Family, In Honor of St. Anthony

**Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

12:05PM Fred Bittar  
6:00PM Manuel & Hortência Lima; Angelina Simões; Intentions of Maria Sequeira

**Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>**

4:30PM Sebastião & Maria Da Luz Costa (O); Angie Simoes; António Gouveia (14<sup>th</sup> Anniv); Manuel & Conceição Piques, Francisco & Antónia Nunes; Albertina Macedo, Elaine Johnson; Gilberto Martins; Deceased Cabral & Paiva Families; Paulo De Barros, Eugénia Martins, Eduardo S. Esteves, John Silva & Wife, Maria Barros, Ernesto Oliveira & Wife

**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Advent**

8:00AM José de Sousa Medeiros (O); José & Nuno Pascoal; Manuel Simão Pereira & Ana de Deus Roias & Manuel Francisco Roias Pereira & Souls; Alfred Melo & parents, Diamantina & Manuel Rosa; Arturo Rose Sousa; Eduardo Sampaio, Mary & Manuel Taveira; Manuel D. Cabral (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv);

Maira Meirinho (Birth Remb); Cláudio Amaral; Manuel da Rosa, Ana & Francisco Maciel (O); Catherine Rose Botelho; António Medeiros; Jorge & Francisco Moreira, Mario Moreira; Gilberto da Costa, Intentions of Fatima Costa

11:30AM Maria da Glória Bettencourt (O); Gilberto Bettencourt; José & Dina Cunha; Afonso Pinto & Family; Maria Madalena Faria & Family; João & Maria Faria & Family; Duarte Pacheco; Joe Medeiros; Bobby Pereira & Maria dos Anjos Cabral, António José Mendonça, Artur Leite Mendonça, Deodata Pimental, Maria Lúcia Mendonça, José Piedade;



**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**  
**Tuesday, December 24, 2019**  
 4:30 PM -English Mass  
 11:30 PM – Choir Concert  
 12:00AM- MIDNIGHT MASS

**Wednesday,**  
**December 25, 2019**  
 10:30AM – Bilingual

**Rectory office will be closed on**  
**Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**



**Grateful for God's Providence Campaign**

Thank you to all who have donated to the Grateful for God's Providence Campaign. So far we have raised \$313,120, which is 60% of our goal [\$524,025]. If you have not yet participated in the campaign, please consider making a contribution to help reach our goal. Saint Francis Xavier will keep 40% of all funds raised. Thank you.

**Christmas Giving Trees**

We are planning Christmas for our needy children. You may select an ornament from the tree on the left and purchase a gift of your choice.

**(PLEASE NO CLOTHING).**

***Please bring it UNWRAPPED or put it in a bag and place it under the tree on the left before December 18<sup>th</sup>.***



The tree on the right is for the children of Angola. Please take an envelope and mail your check to Project Forgotten Child, Villa Fatima Convent, 90 County St. Taunton, MA. 02780 or you can leave your donation marked Angola in the rectory mail slot. Thank you for your continued help.

**Christmas Flower Donation**

Please make a donation for flowers in memory of your deceased loves 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.



**Blessed Sacrament Lamp**  
*In thanksgiving, Special Intentions*  
*of the Realejo Family*

**Retirement Fund for Religious Collection**

*This collection brought in the amount of \$ 1,787.00. Thank you for your generosity.*



**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES 2019  
All Penance Services are at 7:00 PM**

Monday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> - St. Elizabeth, Bristol  
Monday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> - Holy Name of Jesus, Prov.  
Tues., Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> - St. Thomas the Apostle, Warren

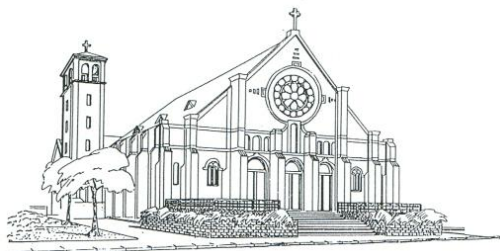
**TV MASS**



This Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> the 11:30am Mass will be televised and shown again on the Portuguese Channel at 7:00PM. Please know that your support with this ministry is greatly appreciated. *At this time we are asking for donations for this Mass. Thank you for your continued support.*

**RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Have you received your Confirmation? Do you know someone who wants to be Catholic? Join us for RCIA - the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. *Classes begin on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and run every other week on Mondays from 6-7:30 until Easter.* Please call the rectory at 434-1878 to sign up!



***Mark Your Calendars!***

***St. Francis Xavier  
105<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Dinner/Dance  
Rego Auditorium***

***Saturday, January 25, 2020  
More info in upcoming bulletins!***

**Faith Formation News:**

**Grades K – 5**

10:30am to 11:30am - All classes are in session

**Grades 6-7-8**

Classes meet on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>  
from 6:00PM – 7:00PM

**Grade 9- Confirmation**

Classes meet on Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>  
from 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Part of our Faith formation program is that our students attend one of our weekend Masses. Sacramental years meaning grade 2 and 9 must sign in the student roster located at the front of the church. Feel free to e-mail me anytime if you should have questions.

[sfxfaithformation4u@gmail.com](mailto:sfxfaithformation4u@gmail.com).

**Christmas break:**

Grade k – 5 last day of class December 15<sup>th</sup> - returning January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Grade 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> December 16, Fall session ends.

Winter session begins for grade 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> on January 6<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 7 pm. Please register early, see registration information below.

Grade 9: Last day of class is December 17<sup>th</sup> 2019. Students return on January 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Confirmation News:**

Confirmation date is scheduled for 4/1/2020 at 6:30 pm at Saint Francis Xavier Church.

***Please register before classes start in January. Both, new and existing families must renew their child's registration. Form of payment by check or cash. All checks are made out to Saint Francis Xavier. And addressed to Attention Faith Formation.***

**Registration information for 2019/20:** Please visit our website. <http://Saintfrancisxavierchurch.com>. You will find our Faith Formation Calendar 2019-20, Registration forms, Video release forms and more.

**Training Session for New Altar Servers**

There will be a training session on  
Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at  
11:00am to 12:30pm in the Church.  
Please email Marilyn if you have any  
questions or call 508-496-7956.

***Mothers That Pray For Their Children***

*Restoring the family through the power of prayer  
will meet on **Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
at 7:30PM In the Our Lady of the Angels Room  
(Library of Church)  
This group is conducted in Portuguese.*

***Legion of Mary Prayer Group***

*Meet on **Mondays at 6:30** in the Our Lady of the  
Angels Room (Library of Church)  
This group is conducted in Portuguese.*

***Charismatic Prayer Group***

*Meet on **Wednesdays at 7:00PM** in the Church  
This group is conducted in Portuguese.*

***Holy Rosary Sodality***

*Meet on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month at  
6:00PM** in Our Lady of the Angels Room  
(Library of Church)  
This group is conducted in English*