

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH FAMILY

FOUNDED IN 1874 AS ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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SACRED HEART
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(location only-no mail serv)

Bulletin Deadline
Monday, 12:00 noon

SFX Office Hours
Monday - Friday
9:30 am - 12:30 noon

SUNDAY & WEEKDAY MASSES *St. Francis Xavier Church*

Mon. - Sat

Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:55 am

Monday - Saturday Mass..... 8:30 am

Mon. - Fri. Spanish Mass.....6:00 am

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday English 9:00 & 11:00 am

Spanish 1:00 pm

Portuguese..... 7:00am & 6:00pm

CONFESSIONS AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Monday: 6:30 to 7:30 am (Es/Pt)

Tuesday: 6:30 to 7:30 am (Es/Pt)
9:00 to 10:00 am (English)

Thursday: 6:30 to 7:30 am (Es/Pt)
6:00 to 7:00 pm (English)

Friday: 6:30 to 7:30 am (Es/Pt)
6:00 to 7:00 pm (Es/Pt)

Saturday: 9:00 to 10:00 am (English)
2:30 to 3:30 pm (English)

SACRED HEART CHAPEL *Weekend Masses*

First Saturday (1962 Missal)9 am

Saturday 4 pm

Sunday 8 am
(1962 Missal) 11 am

CONFESSIONS at CHAPEL
Saturday..... 3 - 3:30 pm

Mission Statement: Originally founded in 1874 as St. Patrick's, St. Francis Xavier Parish in 1903 embraced all immigrant people by following the missionary zeal of our patron. In response to this call, we now embrace English, Brazilian, and Spanish speaking Roman Catholics and due to the respect of our heritage, includes a Mass using the 1962 Missal. In our love and zeal as disciples of the Lord, we strive to remain true to our Holy Roman Catholic Faith. We witness to this Faith: by our celebration of the Sacraments, by our continual formation in the teachings of the Church, and by striving always to serve the needs of the community in Hyannis, especially the poor.

***Sacrament of Baptism:** Parents should call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Baptismal preparation is required if this is your first child being baptized at St. Francis. Baptisms and classes are held by appointment.

Walking with Moms Ministry:
Call: 774-534-2185 for Spiritual and material support for pregnant and parenting moms.

Monthly Rosary for Life

Is held at St. Francis Xavier Church on the 3rd Friday of each month at 7PM

***Faith Formation: Ext. 105**

First Eucharist: two-year program, starting on 1st Grade.

Confirmation: two year program, starting on 8th Grade.

Grades 3 to 7: specific program for each grade.

Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, Pastor
fr.michael@sfxhyannis.org
508-737-0575 (cell)

Rev. Marcelo A. Da Silva, Parochial Vicar
frmarcelo@sfxhyannis.org
Brazilian Community

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Spanish Community
508-568-4896 (cell)

DEACONS

Deacon David R. Boucher
Deacon Bruce Baxter
Deacon Steven Minninger

PARISH CONTACTS

Mrs. Pollyanna Lemos ----- Office Manager
Mrs. Fran Ferias ----- Religious Ed Director
Mr. Donald DiChiappari ----- Music Director

We suggest that you check the website for updates and more extensive information

Web.....www.sfxhyannis.org
Emailstfrancis@sfxhyannis.org
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***Sacrament of Marriage:** Please consult the Pastor 508-737-0575 at least one year in advance of the intended date to allow adequate time for Parish and Diocesan Marriage preparation.

Home-Bound: Please call the Office to schedule a Eucharistic Minister to come to a home bound parishioner with Communion.

Knights of Columbus: Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7PM. Our Lady of Victory Parish, 230 So. Main St., Centerville - 508.775.4054.

Saint Vincent De Paul
phone :508-775-3073

Tuesday & Friday: 10 am-12 noon
Email: svdphyannis@gmail.com

***Adoration:** From noon to 3PM Monday through Friday at St. Francis.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, HYANNIS, MA

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DIocese of Fall River - DECEMBER 21, 2025

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Christmas Break



NEXT CLASSES:
 Grades 1 to Conf 1: Jan 06
 Confirmation 2: Jan 13



MONDAY MORNING FAITH FOSTERING

Join us for Faith Fostering with
Fr. Michael Fitzpatrick
 Monday Mornings at 10 am
 Lower Church Hall

EUCCHARISTIC APOSTLES OF DIVINE MERCY

Meetings are usually held every other Monday.
 The next meeting is schedule for Monday
December 22 at 4pm.
 For further information, call the office at
508-775-0818



CHRISTMAS CARDS

A Christmas Card with an insert noting a donation to St. Vincent De Paul was made in the recipient's name.

\$25 each

Available now at the Parish Office during regular business hours, after the 9am and 11am. Masses at Coffee and Fellowship in the Lower Church Hall.



~ ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ~

SATURDAY		DEC 20
8:30 AM	Special Intention	
4:00 PM	Members of the Parish	
SUNDAY		DEC 21
9:00 AM	Natalia Tavares Maciel	
11:00 AM	Orabone Family	
MONDAY		DEC 22
8:30 AM	Teresa Ohnemus	
TUESDAY		DEC 23
8:30 AM	John Desantis	
WEDNESDAY		DEC 24
8:30 AM	Jeanne Gordy	
THURSDAY		DEC 25
MIDNIGHT	ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH	
11:00 AM	ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH	
FRIDAY		DEC 26
8:30 AM	Aylward Family	
SATURDAY		DEC 27
8:30 AM	All Souls in Purgatory	
4:00 PM	Peter Corr	
SUNDAY		DEC 28
9:00 AM	Members of the Parish	
11:00 AM	Luz Roque Family	

~ SACRED HEART CHAPEL ~

SATURDAY		DEC 20
4:00 PM	Christopher Chi & Elizabeth Chi-Urias	
SUNDAY		DEC 21
8:00 AM	All Souls in Purgatory	
11:00 AM	Mcelhenny Family	

SATURDAY		DEC 27
4:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory	
SUNDAY		DEC 28
8:00 AM	All Souls In Purgatory	
11:00 AM	Linnell Family	



SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in Honor of:

~ ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH ~

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to book the Sanctuary Lamp, in honor of a loved one *(living or deceased)*.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, HYANNIS, MA

~ Comunidade Brasileira ~

SEGUNDA DIA 22 -

Confissões a partir 6:00pm

TERCA DIA 23 -

Confissões:

10 às 11 da manhã

6 até 7:30 da noite

QUARTA DIA 24-

Santa Missa às 8:00 da noite

QUINTA DIA 25

Santa Missa às 9 manhã

DOMINGO 28

Santa Missa 7:00 am e 6:00 pm

Que o nascimento do Menino Jesus renove em nossos corações a fé, a esperança e o amor.

Que este Natal seja repleto de bênçãos, paz, saúde e união para você e sua família.

A Igreja São Francisco Xavier agradece, com imensa gratidão, a presença fiel de cada irmão e irmã ao longo deste ano. Sua participação, orações e dedicação fortaleceram nossa comunidade e tornaram nossa caminhada ainda mais abençoada.

Que o Senhor recompense cada gesto de amor e que o novo ano seja guiado pela luz de Cristo, sob a intercessão de São Francisco Xavier.



Um Santo e Abençoado Natal!

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP

Join us each Sunday morning for coffee and fellowship, in the Lower Church Hall, after 9 and 11AM Masses, at St. Francis. We would like to thank **The Daily Paper on West Main Street**, Hyannis, for their donation of coffee.



Homebound Parishioners

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to receive Communion at home, please let the office know, or contact Deacon Bruce at deaconbrucebaxter@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 2525 – 500 Club Monthly Raffle

Congratulations December 500 Club Winners!

- **\$250 Winner:** Gemma Telling - # 77, Bedford, OH
- **\$100 Winner:** Gemma Telling- # 110, Bedford, OH
- **\$50 Winner:** Annette Schofield - # 179, N.Scituate
- **\$50 Winner:** Dorian Walsh- # 128, Centerville
- **\$50 Winner:** Mike Ostrowski - # 11, Hyannis

You can join anytime for **\$50**, you'll be entered into **12 consecutive monthly raffles** - that's **60 chances to win** great cash prizes! Applications available at the parish office or in the drop box outside the K of C Hall entrance.

Email: Council2525@yahoo.com

Phone: (508)775-4054.

Prayer Shawl

All Members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry are invited to the First Meeting of the Year on Saturday, January 3rd, at the Duffy House.
ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT

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Diocese of Fall River *Office of the Bishop* *Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., D.D.*

Christmas Message 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our celebration of Christmas 2025 comes during our Jubilee Year of Hope—a Holy Year inaugurated by Pope Francis and continued by Pope Leo XIV. How wonderful a blessing this is for us for hope is at the very heart of our Christmas joy. In the Incarnation, as the divine and human are united, hope becomes flesh in Jesus Christ.

St. Luke's Gospel conveys this hope in the first words of the Angel Gabriel to the shepherds at Christ's birth: *"Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy... A Savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord"* (Luke 2:10–11).

The hope and joy of Christmas offer us an opportune time to pause and reflect on our lives, giving thanks to God for our blessings—especially for our loved ones gathered with us in this holy season, and for those whom prayerfully we remember who have been called to eternal rest.

Throughout this Jubilee Year, we have been inspired by the many young people who have turned to God and to the Church in search of answers and meaning in an increasingly complex world. This is truly a sign of hope for the Church, our Diocese and for our world. We have also witnessed the very best in humanity as countless generous and selfless individuals have worked to make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters who are suffering. In them, we see the darkness of despair overcome by the light and love of Christ.

An honest reflection must also acknowledge the challenges we face in our personal lives and as a nation. We are called to this reflection amid the noise and divisions of our time.

In his recent document *Delexi Te (I Have Loved You)*, Pope Leo XIV calls us to respond to the many "faces of the poor and of poverty," including "the poverty of those who lack material means of subsistence" and those "who are socially marginalized and lack the means to give voice to their dignity and abilities" (9). The Holy Father has also consistently urged world leaders to come together to find peaceful solutions to conflicts that inflict suffering and destroy the lives of the innocent.

This Christmas, I invite all of us to turn to God in fervent prayer for peace in our world. Let us unite in prayer that no one, especially innocent children, is forced to spend another year in fear, uncertainty, hunger and wondering if they will live to see another day or embrace their loved ones once again. This holy season calls us to renew our confidence that, with prayer, hearts can be changed and peace is possible, and that each of us has a part to play in building it.

Even in the midst of division, uncertainty, and conflict, God continues to enter our lives and our world to bring hope, light, and renewal. Christmas invites us to look beyond the darkness that may surround us and to recognize in the simple manger of Bethlehem an enduring sign of God's love for humanity. Hope will not disappoint, and God will continue loving, caring for, and protecting each of us, our families, and our world.

Please be assured of my prayers for a happy, joyful, and Merry Christmas. May God bless you and your loved ones now and in the coming year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V.
Bishop of Fall River

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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES SCHEDULE



CELEBRATIONS AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

Dec 24-Christmas Eve

4pm - English

6pm - Spanish

8pm - Portuguese

Dec 25 - Christmas Day

Midnight - English

9am - Portuguese

11am - English

1pm - Spanish

Dec 31 - New Year's Eve

4pm - English

6pm - Spanish

8pm - Portuguese

Jan 1st - New Year

Solemnity Mary Mother of of God

9am - Portuguese

11am - English

1pm - Spanish

CELEBRATIONS AT SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Dec 24-Christmas Eve

4Pm - English

Dec 25 - Christmas Day

8am - English

10:30am - Latin

Dec 31 - New Year's Eve

4Pm - English

Jan1 - New Year

Solemnity Mary Mother of of God

8am - English

10:30am - Latin

NEW YEAR'S VIGIL

From 11pm on December 31st
until 1am on January 1st

At Sacred Heart Chapel

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