**Parish of the Holy Trinity** *Roman Catholic Church*

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Fall River, Massachusetts

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 ***Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**Saturday 2/8 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm John Hopkins*(by Mary)*

**Sunday 2/9 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 am John Ponte *(by Sister)*

10:30 am Maria Natalia & Roger Rodrigo Albernaz

 *(by Children)*

**Monday 2/10 Scholastica,** virgin

8:30 am Gervasio Family *(by Family)*

**Tuesday** **2/11 Weekday**

8:30 am Alice Lavoie *(by Holy Trinity Women’s Guild)*

**Wednesday 2/12 Weekday**

8:30 am For the People *of our parish*

**Thursday 2/13 Weekday**

8:30 am Ludgero Tavares *(by Wife)*

**Saturday 2/15 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pmTeddy Karcz 2nd Anniversary *(by wife Sandy)*

**Sunday 2/16 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 amHenry Furtado *(by Family)*

10:30 am Emily R. Silvia & Marie C. Camara

 *(by Children & Family)*

 **Blessed Sacrament Sanctuary Lamp:**

 *Given this week in memory of*

 John Hopkins

 By Mary

** Week of 2/2/25**

 **Budget $3,890.00**

 **Maintenance $2,008.76**

**300**

**Yellow registration forms** are available on the tablesinside Church, near each of the entrances. Please drop them into the collection basket at Mass and **introduce yourself to Father Oliveira** after Mass or call the parish office for an appointment. **We** **hope that you feel very much at home!**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH** and our families especially for those in hospitals, rehabilitation centers, nursing facilities and the homebound. Pray for all those who are undergoing medical treatments at this time.

**THE SECOND COLLECTION** this weekend is the annual national collection for the Catholic University of America. Thank you for all your support!

**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 11:30 a.m. and light refreshments will be served. St. Anthony Parish is located at 126 School St., Taunton, MA 02780. 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 at 508-631 -0533 or by email frdccwannmarie@gmail.com

(Snow date for the meeting is Saturday, March 1, 2025.)

**OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT** All members of the clergy, Directors of Religious Education and teachers in our schools are Mandated Reporters in Massachusetts and required by law to report any suspected child abuse. Many children will not tell anyone they are being abused. Because the Diocese believes in our moral obligation to protect children, we extend the safe environment training to all who minister, work or volunteer. Watch for signs of abuse and, if you are concerned about a child, share those concerns with a mandated reporter at your parish or school. Let us all be a voice for children who may not be able to speak for themselves.

There will be no classes NEXT Sunday, February 16th due to Presidents Day Holiday. Classes will resume on Sunday, February 23rd

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 18th at 7pm here at Holy Trinity by Bishop Edgar da Cunha. **Please keep in your prayers all those who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.**

**JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE**

With the theme, “Pilgrims of Hope,” the Jubilee Year invites the faithful to go on a pilgrimage to enhance one’s faith journey and will offer opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences, and other events intended to strengthen and revive faith.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains, “Pilgrimages evoke our earthly journey toward heaven and are traditionally very special occasions for renewal in prayer.”(CCC 2691)

Pilgrims across the Diocese of Fall River are invited to travel to Vatican City to pass through the Holy Doors of the Jubilee, but they are also invited to answer the call of the Holy Father to participate in a pilgrimage close to home. For those seeking a local pilgrimage, Bishop da Cunha has named pilgrimage sites throughout the Diocese of Fall River, where the faithful can pray and unite themselves with all pilgrims. They are as follows:

* [Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption](https://www.olfallriver.com/)
327 Second St., Fall River, MA 02721
* [National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette](https://lasaletteattleboroshrine.org/)
947 Park St., Attleboro, MA 02703
* [St. Francis Xavier Church](https://www.sfxhyannis.org/)
347 South St., Hyannis, MA 02601
* [Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church](https://olmcnb.com/)
Corner of Rivet and Bonney Sts., New Bedford, MA 02744

**THIS WEEK’S REFLECTION:** Every week we are trying to find intimacy with our Lord in the midst of our everyday life. We use the stories about Jesus in the readings of the week to help us - because our days are so busy - make connections between what we are experiencing and God's Word to us and the desires that are coming to the surface in us. This week we can let various parts of this week's rich scripture readings touch us, depending on what is going on in us. It all begins with our beginning the day, establishing a connection. With the briefest of rising prayers, we can talk with our Lord about what we anticipate needing that day.

One day I might know that, with what I have to face that day, I need to ask that the healing Jesus be with me. I might be able to name what needs healing. "Lord, you know the fear that is developing in me as I face this meeting today." "Lord, take this anger away from my heart." "Most loving Lord, have mercy on me and heal this pattern that plagues me and takes away my happiness, my freedom, my ability to love."

On another day, I may know that I'm right in the middle of the struggle over my disregarding what God really wants me to do, using legalistic excuses to avoid God's will. I might beg, "Lord, I've become such a hypocrite. Purify my heart so I can see as you see, judge as you judge and love as you love. Help me be truly religious, truly compassionate, truly your disciple today."

On other days, I might be in a "foreign" territory, or at least one that seems quite a distance from believing territory. I might ask, "Dear Lord, keep me safe here. Give me courage here. Help me find intimacy with you here. And let me see the faith of so many of your people here."

Some day this week, let's imagine how Jesus has pity on our hunger and feeds us. And every night this week, let's express our gratitude for receiving what we asked for in faith, from the One who is waiting to give us what we need.

