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

951Stafford Road

Fall River, Massachusetts

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 ***Third Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**Saturday 1/25 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm Emily & Antone Pacheco *(by Jan & Mike)*

**Sunday 1/26 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 am Robert Benevides *(by wife Jane)*

10:30 am Fr. Dave Andrade

**Monday 1/27 Weekday**

8:30 am David Jarvais *(by Lambert Family)*

**Tuesday** **1/28 Thomas Aquinas**, Priest and Doctor

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

**Wednesday 1/29 Weekday**

8:30 am Jaime DaPonte

**Thursday 1/ 30 Weekday**

8:30 am William & Margaret O’Neil *(by Bill)*

**Saturday 2/1 The Presentation of the Lord**

4:00 pmJonathan Lynn 6th Anniversary *(by Family)*

**Sunday 2/2 The Presentation of the Lord**

8:30 amCanuel & Levesque Families *(by Anna)*

10:30 am Mary Botelho

 **Blessed Sacrament Sanctuary Lamp:**

 *Given this week in memory of*

 Fr. Dave Andrade

** Week of 1/19/25**

 **Budget $3,906.00**

 **Fuel $1,984.00**

**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**

taken up this weekend is for support of Catholic Schools. This will help us to provide much needed support for our parish school. **Part of the responsibility of having a parish school is providing support and assistance for the beautiful gift it is to our parish and community**. We have so much to be proud of. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

**PLEASE NOTE** this weekend is also the annual national collection for the Church in Latin America. Thank you for remembering our brothers and sisters from Latin America.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Irene Souza** whose funeral was celebrated in our parish. We extend our prayerful support to her family and friends. *May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*

**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.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Classes are on Sundays. Grades 1 & 2 (First communion classes) will be held in person in the church hall at 9:30 am. Grades 8 & 9 (Confirmation classes) will be held at the same time in the upper church. We encourage families to either attend the 8:30 or 10:30 am Mass. All other classes grades 3 thru 7 will be provided materials online by accessing the FACEBOOK SITE OF Holy Trinity Parish Fall River MA.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK this year is the week of January 26th.** Please keep our school, teachers, staff and students in your thoughts and prayers.

**HOLY TRINITY YOUTH CHOIR:** thisSunday, January 26th to kick-off Catholic School Week, the Holy Trinity Youth Choir will be singing at the 10:30am Mass.

**SCHOOL MASS** will be celebrated on Monday, January 27th at 9:30am.



**THIS WEEK’S REFLECTION:** This week is set at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and the pictures we get of how challenged and pushed he is prepare us to hear the simple parables he tells us. All of us get challenged and pushed in our daily lives. Even when we are on the right road and following a faithful path, there are forces, conflicting demands, tempting alternatives, differing values that batter us. It takes grace and courage to trust our real mission and that our Lord will be with us through it all.

Each morning this week, we can take a moment, to ask for what we desire. The entire day will be different just by spending 20 seconds sitting at the edge of the bed saying, “Lord, I want to keep my eyes open today. Whatever comes at me today, I want to stay in touch with you. Thank you.” Another morning I may be aware of a big decision I have to execute that day or a conflict I am planning to face, and I might pray, “Okay, Lord, this is the day. This is how I live out my relationship with you. Be with me and give me what I need. Keep reminding me I can't do it without you.”

Each day will offer a different brief moment of connection with our Lord, but each will ground the day. Then it is so very easy, while in the shower or walking down a hall, for just brief moments here and there in the background of our day, to stay in touch with our Lord. These guides can help keep us focused on the nourishing Word which interacts with our daily life. Every day can seem like a living Parable of the Sower. There is seed being scattered all around us and we can see and experience our degrees of receptivity. And while we are doing the best we can, all day, every day, in a variety of things, we can be consoled by the Lord's smile reminding us that the Kingdom is like a mustard seed. The real graces come from very small seeds, the smallest of efforts that make a big difference. Most of all, when things get rough, during any day, we can pause and take a breath and ask him to calm the wind and sea in our hearts.

Every night we can thank him for his presence and ground our growing relationship with him.