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*The Santo Cristo Parish Community opens wide its doors to you. We hope that you feel at home and among family. Our wish is that you might feel your time among us prayerful, inspiring and uplifting.*

*If you have been away from the Church for a time, we rejoice that you have decided to be with us today. If you are a separated or divorced Catholic, please know that you belong here, that you are and always will be a member of the Church family. If you are divorced and remarried, and wish to annul your first marriage, please ask the Parish Priest to explain the procedure to you.*

*Feeling a part of Church family is very important, and if you are interested in joining this parish community, we would be honored to support you in making that decision.*

### PARISH PRIEST

Rev. Gastão A. Oliveira

### PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Thomas M. Kocik

### PARISH SECRETARY

Deborah Cândido-Pavão

### FAITH FORMATION DIRECTOR

Oswaldo Pacheco

### OFFICE HOURS

Mon., Tue., Wed. & Thurs. 8AM - 2:30PM

### TELEPHONES

Rectory	508-676-1184
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### EUCCHARIST

Saturday	4:00PM (Portuguese)
Sunday	8:00AM (Portuguese)
	9:30AM (English)
	11:45AM (Portuguese)

Daily (In Chapel)

Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 8:00AM  
(No Mass on Thurs.)

Holy Day	8:00AM (Portuguese)
	5:30PM (English)

### Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday 3:00-3:45PM  
or anytime by appointment

We welcome new parishioners.

Please register at the office, or after Mass in the Sacristy.

### **Baptisms**

First Sunday of the Month (Portuguese). Second Sunday of the Month (English)

Parents should call the office at 508-676-1184. For information about the preparation & schedule.

### **Matrimony**

We welcome the opportunity to help you prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. Please contact the office at 508-676-1184 at least 6 months before the intended wedding date.

### **Sacraments of Initiation**

All who are interested in learning more about the Faith of the Church, please call 508-676-1184 for information.

### **Healing For Our Sick**

Please call 508-676-1184 when a family member or friend is ill. Our Eucharistic Ministers bring Communion to the homebound of our Parish.

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## **O RESTAURO DO EDÍFICIO DA IGREJA PRECISA DE TODOS E TODOS SOMOS RESPONSÁVEIS**

*Os paroquianos que nunca contribuíram para a 3ª e última fase exterior, irão receber o cartão de contribuição.*

*Sejam Generosos!  
Pe. Gastão*

### **ANGARIAÇÃO DE FUNDOS PARA A PARÓQUIA**

**SÁBADO, 10 MARÇO, 7PM  
JANTAR DA MORDOMIA - DJ AIRES FERREIRA**

*Sopa, chicharros fritos, e bifanas com inhames  
Bilhetes à venda à saída das Missas*

**PENSÕES DA NOSSA MORDOMIA  
na Sacristia**

**CAMINHOS DE PÁSCOA EM INGLÊS  
(MISSÃO QUARESMA)  
26-28 FEVEREIRO ÀS 7PM NA IGREJA**

*Apresentador com diálogo Pe. Thomas Kocik.*

### **VIA SACRA**

*Esta 6ª-feira às 7:30AM na Capela.*

### **SOCIEDADE DE SÃO VICENTE DE PAULO “CAMPANHA DE COMIDA” PARA A PÁSCOA**

*A nossa Sociedade de S. Vicente de Paulo pede à comunidade paroquial ajuda para os mais necessitados. Aceitam-se comidas enlatadas e empacotadas, e donativos em dinheiro à entrada da Igreja. Sejam generosos.*

### **NORMAS PASTORAIS PARA A QUARESMA**

*Penitência, oração e abstinência têm sido instrumentos ao serviço do crescimento dos Cristãos no relacionamento com o Senhor Jesus e aceitação da Sua Palavra. As normas pastorais para a Quaresma são pedidos feitos pela Igreja ao coração dos fiéis para ajudá-los na caminhada para a Páscoa. São as seguintes: todas as **Sextas-feiras da Quaresma** são dias de **abstinência** (abstenção de refeições de carne, a partir dos 14 anos de idade); **Sexta-feira Santa** é dia de **jejum** - dia em que se toma apenas uma refeição completa (18 aos 59 anos de idade).*

### **CAMPANHA “TIJELA DE ARROZ” (RICE BOWL)**

*Como nos anos passados, a Campanha Nacional “Tijela de Arroz” destina-se às crianças famintas do mundo. **É um programa Quaresmal para o qual pedimos a atenção de todos. Por favor, levai as “Tijelas” à saída das Missas.***

### **FLORES PARA A PÁSCOA**

*Aceitamos ofertas para custear as flores da Páscoa. Por favor, contactem um dos Sacerdotes depois da Missa, ou depositem na caixa do correio da Reitoria.*

### **MESSAGEM DA QUARESMA À PARÓQUIA**

*Caros Cristãos: Precisamos de tempos como a Quaresma -- para nos concentrarmos no exame das nossas vidas. Por tal motivo, São Paulo exorta-nos: “ Transformai-vos pela renovação da vossa mente ” ( Rom. 12,2 ), e São Pedro nos diz para “ estarmos de ânimo preparado ” e colocarmos toda a nossa esperança na promessa de Deus ( 1 Ped. 1,13) A vida Cristã é, igualmente, o deixar que o dom gratuito da graça de Deus realize serenamente em nós o seu trabalho de renovação das nossas mentes. Quando procuramos Jesus, encontramos-Lo. E encontramos uma força a trabalhar em nós – levando-nos a ser como Jesus -- e sabemos que essa força não vem de nós. Sabemos que essa força vem de Deus porque nos faz amar mais, termos mais paz e sermos mais capazes de resistir à tentação. Tudo isto são sinais de uma mente renovada e todas estas transformações você poderá experimentá-las durante os próximos quarenta dias.*

***Boa Quaresma. Os Sacerdotes***

**THE RESTORATION NEEDS EVERYONE &  
WE ARE ALL RESPONSIBLE**

*We will be sending out the contribution card from the 3rd and last exterior phase to parishioners who never contributed.*

*Please be generous!  
Fr. Gastão*

**FUNDRAISERS  
FOR OUR PARISH**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 10 - 7PM**

**MORDOMIA DINNER - DJ AIRES FERREIRA**

*Soup, fried sardines, and bifanas with yams*

*Tickets may be purchased at the end of all Masses*

**PENSÕES FROM OUR MORDOMIA**

*in the Sacristy*

**EASTER JOURNEY IN ENGLISH  
(PARISH LENTEN MISSION)**

**FEBRUARY 26 - 28 @ 7PM IN CHURCH**

*Sung Vespers (Evening Prayer)*

*Mission Presenter by Fr. Tom with discussion*

*Concludes with Benediction of the  
Blessed Sacrament on the 28th*

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL  
FOOD DRIVE FOR EASTER**

*Our St. Vincent de Paul Society **Parish-wide Food Drive** will accept donations of canned goods & non-perishables, or money donations. Please be generous.*

*Thank You!*

**PASTORAL NORMS FOR LENT**

*Penance, prayer & self-sacrifice have always been essential tools to help Christians grow in relationship with the Lord and the acceptance of His Word. Pastoral Norms of Lent, offered by the Church to its faithful, are calls to the hearts of the people to help in the correct observance of Lent. These norms are as follows: **Ash Wednesday & all Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence; a call to sacrifice from eating meals of meat (14 years or older). Also: **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of fast, a call to take only one full meal (ages 18 to 59).*

**WAY OF THE CROSS**

*This Friday at 7:30AM in the Chapel.*

**OPERATION "RICE BOWL"**

*All are encouraged to participate in this **Lenten Sacrificial Program to help the hungry children of the world. Rice Bowls are located at entrance of Church.** Please pick them up after Mass.*

**EASTER FLOWERS**

*If you wish to donate toward the cost of Easter Flowers to decorate our Church, please speak to a priest after Mass, or deposit offering in the mail slot at the Rectory.*

**LENTEN MESSAGE TO THE PARISH**

*Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ: We need seasons like Lent – times to focus on examining our inner lives. It's why St. Paul urges us: "Be transformed by the renewal of your mind" (Romans 12:2), and why St. Peter tells us to "gird up the loins" of our minds, and to set our hope fully on God's promise (1 Peter 1:13). The Christian life is about quietly letting the free gift of God's grace do its own work in renewing our minds. When we seek Jesus, we will find him. We will find a power working in us – moving us to be like Jesus – that we know is not of us. We know that this power comes from God because it makes us more loving, more peaceful, and more able to resist temptation. These are all signs of a renewed mind, and they are all transformations that you can experience during these next forty days.*

*A Blessed Lent, Your Priests*

# MISSAS ~ MASSÉS

## SATURDAY, FEB 17

**4PM** Manuel Furtado e filha / Manuel Benjamin, pais e família / Armando Rego, pais e sogros / Angelina Reis e família / João Brum e pais / Gilberto Martins / Antonio Miudo pais e irmaos / Jose Pimentel, esposa filhos pais e irmaos / Susana Lopes esposo filho e sogros / António Medeiros Silva e Maria Teresa Botelho / Norbina DaSilva / Rual Pereira, esposa e filho / Amario Soares Moniz / Vitor Costa / Eduarda da Piedade e esposo / Dinis Viveiros e Intenções de Fátima Viveiros e de Conceição Benjamin

## SUNDAY, FEB 18

**8AM** Henrique Furtado / Manuel Ferreira / Mariano e Maria C Oliveira / José Ferreira, Teresa Vieira e filho / João Benjamin, filha, genro e pais / Margarida Benjamin e família, e Intenções de Maria Benjamin

**9:30AM** Deodato Pacheco / Lucy Pacheco / Cindy Arruda / Alda Mendonça

**11:45AM** José Nunes Pires / Asterio G de Melo / Maria dos Anjos Almeida / Domingos Almeida / António e Margarida DaLuz André / Manuel deMedeiros, irmãos e cunhados / Antonio Santos, esposa e genro / Agostinho Medeiros e esposa / Rosalina Botelho, esposo, filhos e genro / Maria Augusta Mendes e família

## MONDAY, FEB 19

**8AM** Em acção de graças ao Senhor Santo Cristo e Nossa Senhora do Rosário

## TUESDAY, FEB 20

**8AM** Agostinho M Melo e família / Maria deAguiar e esposo / Veronica Melo, pais e família / Jeremias deMelo e família

## WEDNESDAY, FEB 21

**8AM** Almas do Purgatório

**NO MASS ON THURSDAY**

## FRIDAY, FEB 23

**8AM** José Botelho Raposo e esposa / Almas do Purgatório

## SATURDAY, FEB 24

**4PM** Maria Fátima Oliveira / Alice e Joseph Pavão / Selena Crespo / Joviano Crespo / Jaime Botelho / Fernando Crespo / Natalia Crespo / Albano e Clotilde Machado / Victor Ponte / Norbina DaSilva / Maria Libania Borges / Maria Botelho e família / Manuel Betterncourt e família / António Joaquim & Inês Fernandes / Manuel Pimentel Costa / Dinis Viveiros e Intenções de Fátima Viveiros

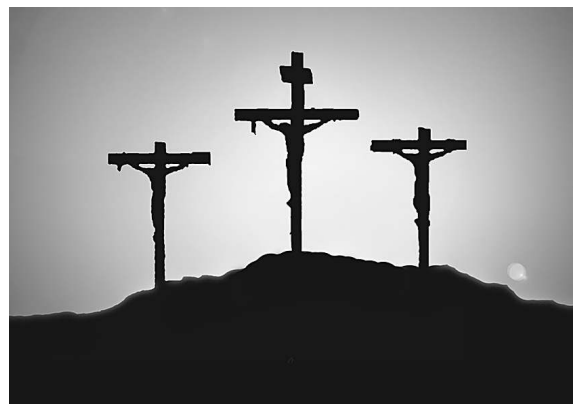
## SUNDAY, FEB 25

**8AM** José e Maria dos Anjos Tavares / Agostinho M Melo e família / Maria deAguiar e esposo / Veronica Melo, pais e família / Jeremias deMelo e família / Mario Jorge Raposo / João Benjamin, filha, genro e pais / Margarida Benjamin e família / Ortulinda Ferreira / João Dias / António Cabral, filha e pais / Intenções de Maria Benjamin

**9:30AM** José Rebelo Santos

**11:45AM** Ildeberto Soares / Luis e Serafina deMedeiros, irmãos e pais / Manuel Tavares / Maria Germana de Sousa / Isaura da Rosa / Gabriel da Silva / Amélia Cabral / Manuel da Silva / Maria dos Anjos de Sousa / João de Sousa e família / Fernando Carreiro / Rosalina Botelo, esposo, irmãos e cunhados / Maria Germana de Sousa / Isaura da Rosa / Gabriel da Silva / Amélia Cabral / Manuel da Silva / Maria dos Anjos de Sousa / João de Sousa e família

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