FR DAVID FREDERICI – CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN – CRSL

As I write these words, I am sitting at the dining hall at UMass Dartmouth (called The Grove). I just finished breakfast and now working on some parish items while being seen by students. One of the advantages of the Roman Collar: free advertising! Often a student will come up to me with a question or seeking advice or looking for help.

Classes are about to change, so there are students who are finishing up their breakfast, running in to grab a quick bite and a cup of coffee or coming from their 8AM class to get breakfast. Some students are sitting by themselves studying, others are meeting up with friends or boyfriends/girlfriends. There are a lot of conversations going on and some laughter. It is a typical scene of a university campus.

What isn’t easily seen is the challenges and struggles that are present. I know a large percentage of them are dealing with issues of anxiety. There are some struggling with addictions, loneliness, stress, broken relationships, family illnesses, etc. But all of that is masked or put on the back burner, at least for a little while.

This is also the case off campus. We can take a snapshot of life throughout the community, see people going about their business—alone, with friends or co-workers, family, etc. We can’t see the struggles that they are dealing with, but they are there.

I was sitting at a red light the other day and when the light turned green, no one moved. I could see from where I was that a funeral possession was going through the intersection. Some cars in the lane next to me couldn’t see that and begin beeping their horns and I could see them waving their arms in frustration. All they saw was the cars in front of them not moving for a green light.

Perhaps one of the greatest needs in our world is patience and understanding. We are quick to presume ill will of others without considering what they are dealing with which would explain an action or lack of action.

Impatience and such presumption are not loving acts. They contribute to the division and problems in our culture. The solution begins with each of us: we need to become more loving, more patient, more understanding. The more we expect it from others but don’t seek to change ourselves, the more we are the problem.
PROTESTANT / EPISCOPAL CAMPUS MINISTRY
Sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts

February 2022

WHO WE ARE
The Episcopal Campus Ministry is open to all Protestant students, faculty and staff on campus and to anyone else who is seeking to be part of a spiritual community regardless of former or current faith tradition or spiritual affiliation. We have a particular outreach to those who have no current or previous church affiliation and to those who are seeking deeper purpose and meaning in life. You do not need to have a prior connection to the Episcopal Church to be part of our community.

We are an inclusive, open-minded, and progressive Christian community on the UMass Dartmouth campus and we have a special outreach to the LGBTQ+ community. We seek to follow Jesus in his way of love and justice through weekly worship, spirituality programs and small group gatherings. Our Campus Ministry is made up of those who are seeking to grow in their personal faith journey and who want to make a difference in the world by helping others in the name of Jesus. Our commitment to social justice provides a connection to community service projects in the community.

In addition to our Campus Ministry Group scheduled meetings, we also provide a listening and supportive presence by offering pastoral care for anyone on campus.

A COMMITMENT TO INCLUSION
The Episcopal Campus Ministry stands for the inclusion of all people and extends a radical welcome to the LGBTQ+ community. All are welcome regardless of self-image, life-story, sexual orientation or gender identity. We invite you to celebrate the fullness of who you are as a beloved child of God.

EPISCOPAL CAMPUS MINISTRY
UPCOMING EVENTS

LGBTQ+ CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP
We are beginning a LGBTQ+ CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP on the UMass Dartmouth campus for students, faculty and staff. The Episcopal Campus Ministry stands for the inclusion of all people. All are welcome regardless of self-image, life-story, sexual orientation or gender identity. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE about this ministry, please email our UMass Dartmouth Episcopal Chaplain at sciosek@umassd.edu.

WEEKLY CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST
No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us in prayer and you are welcome at God’s Table. Our Campus Ministry gathers for worship on Sunday mornings throughout the year at St. Peter’s Episcopal Church (351 Elm Street in Dartmouth) at 10:00AM and at other times during the year. Visit our website at stpetersdartmouth.org.

SUNDAY TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED BY UMASS SHUTTLE
Campus transportation to St. Peter’s Episcopal Church and other area churches is provided by the UMass Shuttle on Sunday mornings due to the generosity of the Carney Family Charitable Foundation. The shuttle departs from outside the Campus Center at 9:30am and returns to campus at 11:30am. Contact us for more information. You may also join us via live stream at stpetersdartmouth.org/watch but we would love to see you in person!

The Center for Religious and Spiritual Life (CRSL)
MUSIC MINISTRY
We are always looking for faculty and student volunteers to be part of our Music Ministry during our worship services. If you PLAY AN INSTRUMENT (guitar, piano, drums, trumpet, flute, saxophone, etc.) or SING and if you are willing to share your gift of music with us during our worship services, please contact us.

CONTACT US
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FREE CAMPUS MINISTRY SHUTTLE
With a generous sponsorship by the Carney Family Charitable Foundation, The Center for Religious and Spiritual Life, is offering a shuttle to St Mary’s Dartmouth, St Peter’s Episcopal, and the Congregational Church of South Dartmouth.

The shuttle departs at 9:30 am from the Campus Center for 10:00 am services at all three churches. The shuttle returns to UMass Dartmouth at 11:15 am.

Note: We have discontinued the Sunday bus for the 5:00 pm St Mary's Sunday evening Mass. Newman Catholic Ministry is providing FREE UBER transportation to that St Mary's for the 5:00 pm Mass.
SEEKER'S RETREAT

February 25-27, 2022
Miramar Retreat Center
Duxbury, MA

Too much going on?
Pulled in a million directions?
You’re not the only one.

In the craziness of life, it doesn’t hurt to pause and take a look at the big picture: What’s important in my life? What am I looking for?
Where does God fit in?
UMass Dartmouth Catholic Campus Ministry presents the Seekers' Retreat. Find out how other young adults answer these questions; learn how faith plays a role in their journeys; and take the time to reflect on your own path.

Retreatants are invited to look at their lives to see where God has been, where God is present, and where God is calling them to be.

REGISTER TODAY at
UMASSDCATHOLICS.ORG

Mass Schedules

Saturday, 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM
12:00 PM and 5:00 PM
St Mary Parish, 789 Dartmouth St,
Dartmouth, MA) - Check our website for transportation to St Mary’s

Eucharistic Adoration
St. Mary’s:
Wednesdays from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Sundays from 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Can’t get to St Mary’s?
All Masses are Livestreamed
stmarysdartmouth.org
FREE TRAVEL TO AND FROM ST MARY’S
Check our website for transportation

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Need to Talk: Are you looking for ways to grow in your spiritual life or deepen your relationship with Jesus? Would you like to talk about what’s going on in your life or how you’re navigating some of the challenging circumstances of our world? If you’d like to discuss important areas of your life, we are available to listen, offer guidance, and share the wisdom and hope our faith provides. Just email us to set up a virtual session.

POPE FRANCIS WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Join us on Tuesday evenings in February for chat sessions to "DREAM ABOUT THE CHURCH WE ARE CALLED TO BE,"

- to make people's hopes flourish,
- to stimulate trust,
- to bind up wounds,
- to weave new and deeper relationships,
- to learn from one another,
- to build bridges,
- to enlighten minds,
- to warm hearts, and restore strength to our hands for our common mission.”

Tuesday Evenings, February 1, 8, 15, 22
University Club - Campus Center
Dinner at 6:30 pm
Chat at 7:00 pm

RSVP https://diocesefr.wufoo.com/forms/synod/
**LAILAT-UL-MIRAJ**

Lailat-ul-Miraj celebrates the Prophet Muhammad's nighttime journey from Mecca to Jerusalem, where he then ascended to heaven. While sleeping in the Ka'bah, the sacred shrine of Mecca, Muhammad was visited by the archangels Jibril and Mikal.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday is a solemn reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God and marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season. It is commonly observed with ashes and fasting.

**PURIM**

Purim is a Jewish holiday that incorporates dressing up in costume, and eating and drinking in celebration. .. At the eleventh hour, Esther revealed to the king that she was Jewish, meaning Haman's plan would result in her death.

**HOLI**

Holi is a popular Hindu holiday celebrated most commonly in India that is also known as the Festival of Colors. It celebrates the triumph of good over evil and the changing of the seasons from winter to spring.
### Holy Days and Holidays

#### Upcoming Feasts, Holy Days, Significant Days

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**Better Together**
Student Organizations

**CRU**
CRU is a space for students to process life’s biggest questions in the context of community. We love Jesus and love people. Our main meetings occur Wednesdays at 7:30 pm CC-006, and we also have weekly small group meetings spread throughout campus.

Staff: Matt Litchfield, matthew.litchfield@cru.org

**Hillel – Jewish Student Organization**
Hillel provides Jewish social, cultural, and spiritual programming and an opportunity for Tikkun Olam (fixing the world). Services and home hospitality are available through the local community for Jewish holidays. Currently we are working with students to reform Hillel. If you are interested, please reach out to Deacon Frank, Coordinator of the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life. Interested in helping to organize this student organization? Please Contact: Deacon Frank Lucca Email: flucca@umassd.edu

**Inter varsity Christian Fellowship**
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship is all about creating community, spreading God’s love across campus, and seeing lives transformed by Jesus. Interested in reforming Intervarsity on campus? Contact Deacon Frank, Coordinator of the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life -

Contact: flucca@umassd.edu

**Muslim Student Association**
MSA serves as a platform to unite all of the Muslim students. We, as an organization, provide education to help remove misconceptions about Islam, its beliefs and practices. Our regular activities are Friday prayer, Ramadan Iftar Dinner and Islamic Awareness Week.

Student contact: Danish Abid dabid@umassd.edu

**Newman Catholic Student Association**
The UMass Dartmouth Newman Catholic Student Association (NCSA) is a student community rooted in the Catholic tradition which strives to foster spiritual, intellectual, and the social growth of all students through faith-sharing, education, fellowship, service and celebration.

Student Contact: Luke Cabral Email: lcabral3@umassd.edu Website: http://www.umassdcatholics.com/

**P.L.A.C.E.S.**
PLACES, which stands for Pagan Living and Collaborative Education Society is a student group with the goal to provide a safe and educational environment for students and non-students to practice and learn about the many different sects within Paganism.

Interested in starting this student organization, let us know.

**Better Together Club**
The Better Together Club is a student group organized to promote the understanding of world religions, the cooperation between people of different faiths, and the support & acceptance of religious diversity. The purpose of the group is for members to grow in an understanding and an appreciation of all faiths as well as to be be affirmed in their own faith tradition, with the realization that we will always live and work with people of different belief systems.

Interested in helping to organize this student organization? Please Contact: Deacon Frank Lucca

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Arnie’s Cupboard
Providing Emergency Food to Corsairs in Need

CUPBOARD HOURS

Monday, 10 - 12 and 2 - 5 pm
Tuesday, 11 - 1 and 3 - 5pm
Wednesday, 2 - 6 pm
Thursday, 11 - 1 and 2 - 5 pm
Friday, 11 - 12 and 3 - 5 pm

IN-CUPBOARD SHOPPING or PICK-UP
Please check the website for the most up to date schedule

Contact less ordering and pick-up
https://app.pantrysoft.com/login/umassdartmouth
Pickup times are listed when you place your order.

Contact foodpantry@umassd.edu or 508-999-8872 with questions.
Visit www.umassd.edu/arniescupboard for schedule updates.
Weekly Friday Prayers
Center for Religious & Spiritual Life
Muslim Student Association

Reflection Room (Campus Center)
EVERY FRIDAY AT 1:30 P.M.

JOIN MSA

The MSA is reforming on campus. If you would like to join the Muslim Student Association, please contact the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life, Room 202 on the second floor of the campus center or contact CRSL coordinator, Deacon Frank at flucca@umassd.edu.
Jewish Campus Ministry

Shabbat services
Saturday mornings 9:30 am - in person and online
Saturday evenings, varies by sundown, see schedule on our website

Information on all religious services, morning and evening every day and holidays, is available on our website tinewbedford.org
Masks required in Tifereth Israel building at all times Vaccination attestation requested for all services

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Meets
WEDNESDAYS
7:00 PM
REFLECTION ROOM
(2nd Floor Campus Center)
BETTER TOGETHER

Better Together is a national movement on college campuses to build bridges across people of all and no faith traditions through shared values and service. Corsairs, if you’re interested in building interfaith community through education, conversation, and participation, connect with Better Together UMass D by emailing fluca@umassd.edu—we’d love to have your help doing great things this coming year!

Join the Movement!

Finding common ground for the sake of tending to humanity is not only a far more effective approach in service, but also the necessary endeavor if we expect peace and successful service to be a realistic goal.

Though we are diverse in belief and thought, we share common values and can accomplish so much more over sharing these values instead of outlining differences. Indeed, we are better together.

Interested in joining the Better Together Club? Contact Deacon Frank, Center for Religious and Spiritual Life, at fluca@umassd.edu. We will hold a meeting in a few weeks so let us know if you are interested!
WELLNESS MONTH PANEL AND CONVERSATION

The role of Faith and Prayers as Coping mechanism: An Interfaith Perspective

This session will get student to discuss the value of their faith to them and the role it plays in the way they cope with stress and challenges. The Center for Religious and Spiritual Life will bring a group of diverse faith leaders to be part of a panel and conversation.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022
6:30 PM
Frederick Douglass Unity House

Sponsored by the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life and the Frederick Douglass Unity House
Refreshments will be served