



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
Easter Sunday
April 9, 2023

SEEK



“Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.”

MATTHEW 28:5B-6

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, April 10	Mass	8:30 am	Alex Marthaler	The Devine Family
Tuesday, April 11	Mass	8:30 am	Peggy Humecke	Jerry & Nancy Johnson
Wednesday, April 12	Mass	8:30 am	Joseph Malek	Marcia Malek
Thursday, April 13	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, April 14	Mass	8:30 am	Sondra & Stanley Burnicks	Jan Mose
Saturday, April 15	Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
	Reconciliation	9:00 pm		
	Mass	5:00 pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday, April 16 2nd Easter of Sunday	Mass	7:30 am	People of the Parish	
	Mass	9:00 am	Alex Marthaler	Liz Babb
	Mass	11:00 am	Mary Beryl Houlihan	Regina MacAskill
	Mass	5:00 pm	Jim Mooney	Katie & Marty Bredemann

President's Schedule for April 9, 2023

7:30 am Fr. Milek **9:00 am** Fr. Tkachuk **11:00 am** Fr. Killeen
(Gym) 9:15 am Fr. Milek **11:15 am** Fr. Tkachuk

Please pray for . . .

John Amato	Mark Kiley
John Baggio	Rick Mahoney
Linda Bieniek	Lisa Massaro
Dick Callahan	Patrick Morgan
Michael Cannon	Gert Ogilvie
Jay Carroll	Jane O'Reilly
Chili Challenger	Gregory Osowski
Laurie Coughlan	Karen Payne
Blake Donegan	Beth Pfluger
Victoria Donile	Geri Pfluger
Barbara Doyle	Lorelei Przybylski
Matthew Doyle	Madison Raupp
Lily Fielding	Anna Rose
Jim French	Santa Sniég
Kathy Gleason	Rita Mae Spearman
Lilli Gregory	John Stopka
Wilson Gregory	John Strougal
Angela Hill	Olivia Tarsney
Normad Hopp	Theresa Toher
Rose Ilo	Rose Wall
Mary J.	Liz Wilk
Jane Jacobsen	Bill Witowski
Theresa Kandall	

To add a name to the prayer list for friends and relatives who are sick, please call the rectory at 708-352-0168. Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

Born Into Eternal Life



Please remember in your prayers,
those who have died, as well as their families:

John Paul Nemeš
Cousin of Vanna Saleh

Sr. Pat Willems
Sister of St. Joseph



Rectory Closed

In observance of the Easter Holiday, the rectory will be closed on Monday, April 10. We will reopen on Tuesday, April 11 at 8:30 am.

Make a gift to the Sunday
Offertory with this QR Code.
Thank you for your support!



Pastor's Letter

*“Behold, there was a great earthquake;
an angel of the Lord descended from heaven,
approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.
The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid. Jesus has been raised.
Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples.”
Matthew 28:2,5-7*

Matthew provides the most dramatic account of the resurrection: an earthquake, a dazzling angel, and a commission to the two Mary's to go and tell the news of Christ's resurrection to the disciples still in hiding. On the way, the Risen Jesus appears to them. Matthew makes it clear that the powers that plotted to prevent just such an event have been defeated. Christ has conquered death!

We bring this hope to one another this day; then we are sent to bring this hope to the world. **Christ is risen!** Death has been conquered once and for all by an empty tomb that should have been death's greatest victory. Darkness has been overcome by the light of a new dawn that could not be prevented. Earthly power has been beaten by a stone that would not remain sealed. This is not to say that death, darkness, or dominance have gone away. This continues to be an imperfect world in which we continue to cause harm through our misuse of God's gift of free will. Yes, the seeds of God's kingdom have been planted and take root among us; yet God's garden will not bear full fruit until Christ comes in glory at the end of time and space as we know it. Our belief that Christ has already achieved the victory impel us to work toward that moment.

In another parish at which I served as pastor, volunteers stuffed plastic eggs with candy and spread them across the lawn outside the worship center. The story is told of one small child who delighted in finding one of the brightly colored eggs, and then immediately placing in another child's basket. After she had done this several times, an adult asked her, "Don't you want to keep any for yourself?" The little girl replied, "No. It's more fun just to give them away!" This is the Easter mission on which we are sent this day. Our joy, our hope is a precious blessing for us to share, especially with those short on hope or joy due to current circumstances. We of this faith community have been so richly blessed: by one another; by the talents generously shared by so many; by young families and little voices; by elders whose efforts over time brought us to this day; by talented singers, readers, decorators, greeters, servers, sacristans, ushers, and ministers of communion who bring beauty and vibrancy to our worship; and by staff and parish leaders who seek to listen to the Spirit and follow the Spirit's lead. God is good!

Whatever way you spend this day, I pray that it will include time for smiles and time to give thanks to God. Thank you to all who regularly bless our place of worship. Blessings to you who are not with us regularly, especially any of you who feel that you are on the fringe for whatever reason. You make us richer and more complete by choosing to be a part of us; we pray that you will always feel at home *in this space and among us*. And welcome to those who are visiting with family or friends. It is good for us to be together.

Blessed Easter,

F. Bill

St. Francis Xavier Church Easter 2023

Holy Saturday—April 8th

Morning Prayer 8:30 am
Blessing of Easter Food Baskets 1:00 pm
Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm
(No 5:00 pm Mass)

Easter Sunday—April 9th

Masses at 7:30, 9:00* and 11:00 am Church
Masses at 9:15 and 11:15 am SFX School Gym
(No 5:00 pm Mass)

*This mass will be live-streamed.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Risen Lord,

At Easter time, we proclaim and celebrate that Christ, our hope, has risen from the dead and is active in the life of the Church. He is our hope as the world faces so many challenges.

Think of our sisters and brothers in Ukraine and people in other parts of the world who daily struggle with war, civil unrest, violence, repression, and natural disasters. Think of those who are homeless and who walk our streets and those whose streets in our city are plagued with violence. Think too of the dark forces that continue to polarize our society and result in our own sinfulness, and the suffering of so many in mind or body with chronic illness. In the face of all this, we clearly know our need for the risen Christ, who is our hope.

I urge you to reclaim your Easter faith and hope in Christ, especially as you gather with your parish community and once again hear the proclamation "Christ is risen!" We sing in response "Alleluia, he is truly risen," to express that on hearing this good news we deepen our faith that by rising from the tomb. Christ has broken the bonds of sin and death, and claims us as his very own daughters and sons of light.

Let this Easter season be a new springtime for us personally, our parishes and our archdiocese as we continue our renewal and commitment to be missionaries of hope to a world so much need.

Finally, let us pray for one another, for all those we love, and for all who have not yet heard or accepted new and lasting hope in Christ our risen Lord.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Most Rev. Cardinal Cyprian".

Archbishop of Chicago

ATTENTION New Altar Servers Entering Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth GRADES For the 2023-2024 School Year

If you are interested in becoming an altar server (and I hope you are).

Training is required for **all NEW servers.**

Please return by Friday, April 21st.

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Grade in September: _____ School: _____

Parent Signature _____

All scheduling communication is done through Email.

Please call or email Mrs. Westerhoff at the rectory (708-352-0168) or sfxinlg@sfxlg.org with any questions.

Your Gift, God's Hands

Witness by Joellyn Cicciarelli



Newly transferred from California, we registered at SFX in late 1996 with our first baby in tow. Not being from the area, we moved to LaGrange on the advice of a friend, and we chose St. Francis Xavier Parish because it was only a few blocks away from our home. I will never forget our first Mass—the music was incredible, the homily uplifting—and by some small miracle, on the way to Communion, I spied someone whom I knew in my teenage years in Michigan where I grew up. What are the odds? We found each other and chatted after Mass, making dinner plans for the next week. It's not an exaggeration to say that it took just one Mass to feel like we had arrived “home,” in other words, to a place where we felt welcomed, accepted, and fed (spiritually *and* literally).

Throughout the years I have been involved at the parish and school in various ways, from RCIA team member, to cheerleading and track coach, to auction program editor (and more). And my husband Paul gave more than a decade to the school talent shows and musicals as a volunteer “sound engineer,” assisting and working with Dave Sherman—special kudos to the volunteer staff who make that magic happen year after year. (Did you know that many of those folks haven't had kids in the school for over 10 years and they keep coming back?!) And while we've sometimes thought, “How did we get ourselves into this?” we've never regretted a single moment. There isn't one message, mission, or ministry that has kept us tied to the parish all these years. Rather, it's the collective sense that the entire parish, families and staff included, are swimming in the same direction—a direction that leads us to Christ's promise of salvation and invites us to engage with open hearts and servant hands. We are inspired by the passion, energy, and creative ways people are trying to build the Kingdom of God by using their various talents through the many opportunities provided by St. Francis Xavier Parish.

Why do we give to SFX on a recurring basis? There are practical reasons to be sure. We were taught as kids that regular tithing is important. And because we give online it is nice to know money is heading into the virtual basket each week even when we miss Mass. But as we think a little deeper on the subject, the answer is this: St. Francis Xavier deserves care and keeping so it can continue to thrive today and long after our family is gone. SFX is an organization that intentionally works to make the world a more peaceful, loving place, often in the form of providing transformative experiences of Christ to those who pray and worship here, parishioners and guests alike. But our parish takes it a step further. SFX invites and allows all of us to express our faith through intentional discipleship—as children, as adults, as family, as community. Our recurring giving shows that we want to help sustain the parish and forward its mission and the great work done here. It's a blessing to be able to give to such a worthy mission.

May God bless St. Francis Xavier Parish and all of you, this Easter and always.



GIVING AT SFX

We are grateful to all those whose financial support makes the mission of St. Francis Xavier Parish possible. You can make an Easter gift by using the box near the exits or by accessing this QR code. For those joining us online, [click here](#) to donate.

Easter
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THE FEAST OF MERCY

(Divine Mercy Sunday)



The Feast of Mercy or Divine Mercy Sunday has been celebrated in many countries, dioceses and parishes for many years. Pope John Paul II, the Cardinals, Bishops and Priests who have read the diary of St. Faustina have come to appreciate the significance of this feast.

But now, ever since the Holy See had decreed that the “Second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday,” many more are seeking to go more deeply into the words of Our Lord to St. Faustina that were meant for all humanity.

Pope John Paul II in his homily at the canonization of Sr. Faustina on April 30, 2000 said: “Jesus shows His hands and His side. He points, that is, to the wounds of the Passion, especially the wound in His Heart, the source from which flows the great wave of mercy poured out on humanity”.

The image of Jesus, The Divine Mercy, is to have a special place of honor on the Feast of Mercy, a visual reminder of all that Jesus did for us through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection...and a reminder, too, of what He asks of us in return—to trust Him and be merciful to others.

The Eucharist is the “Fountain of Life”. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

THE CELEBRATION OF DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT SFX ON SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023

**3:00 PM—HOLY HOUR WITH THE EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
(REFLECTION ON DIVINE MERCY, DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET PRAYER,
SILENT ADORATION, AND BENEDICTION).**



Change, Hope and the Catholic Church

Pope Francis asked us to talk about our Church and the feedback was clear: enlarge the space of your tent! Catholics the world over shared that a greater role for women is critical to the future vitality of our Church. Join us for a “prayerful pep rally” welcoming **Discerning Deacons** back to Chicago and building excitement for Phoebe the Deacon’s day. We’ll hear women preach, and learn about ministry and empowering outreach happening around the globe. Come experience what a transformative, inclusive church feels like: one where women are able to unleash all their gifts. **The future is bright!**

Wednesday, April 19th 6:00pm



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Chicago Discerning Deacons Circle • Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation
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For more info and to register, use this QR Code
or visit: <https://ctu.edu/event/discerning-deacons/>
Walk-ins Welcome





SAVE THE DATE!

Come help us celebrate the ending to a great 2022-2023 Religious Education School Year!

Sunday, April 30, 2023

12:30PM-2:30PM in
The Education Building
Parking Lot

**RAINBOW
ICE CREAM
TRUCK**

IS COMING TO SFX!

10% of sales that day will be donated back to our Religious Education Program!

BLOOD DRIVE

Hope springs
eternal

DONATE
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**Knights of Columbus
LaGrange Local Council 6483
Blood Drive
Tuesday, April 11 at 3:00-7:00 pm**

Helpful tip: Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
145 North Waiola Avenue—Gym
(Ogden & Waiola) LaGrange

Sign up to save lives! Our goal 37 appointments to help supply 87 local hospitals. To make an appointment, visit www.versiti.org, or call 1-800-7TO-GIVE or scan the QR Code:

Save the Next Drive Date:
Saturday, June 10, 2023 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Pedal to save lives! Donate for a chance to win an electric bike!



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Francis Xavier began in 2005. Members knit and/or crochet shawls and lap blankets. They work with their hands and the kindness of their hearts to provide comfort and strength to those needing this support. These handmade gifts are available to anyone who reaches out to the rectory staff and mentions they would like to have a prayer shawl or lap blanket.

We welcome new members with open arms. New members are required to have basic knitting or crocheting skills.

Our scheduled meetings for early 2023 will be from 7:00-8:00 PM in Unity Hall on the following dates:

Wednesday, April 12 is Cancelled

Instead join us on Thursday, May 11.

Any questions, please contact Mary Ellyn Witt at mewittlagrange@yahoo.com.



Religious Education News

*Registration for our 2023-2024 K-8
Religious Education Program is now open (as of 3/18/23)*

We are happy to be able to offer
two options to families for the 2023-2024 school year.

In person bi-monthly grade level program held on Sunday Mornings and Wednesday Afternoons and our virtual asynchronous grade level program with lessons being released bi-monthly on Sundays for families with busy schedules.

Families are strongly encouraged to also attend Mass at least twice a month and will receive a separate weekly Google form to complete for "car ride" home liturgy discussions in our Weekly Parent Newsletter.

Please don't delay in registering your children today as classes fill up fast!

*Families who register by April 23rd will be entered into a raffle for free tuition.
The drawing will take place at our last class in person event on April 30th.
You must be present at the event to win!*

Visit our website for complete information on registration, tuition and calendar:

<https://www.sfxlq.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Religious%20Education>

Click the quick link "RE Registration Information for 2023-2024" on the left-hand side of the page to register.



SFX Raffle

Enter today for your
chance to win up to

\$10,000!*

It's time for St. Francis Xavier School's annual raffle!

Purchase one ticket for \$50 or 5 tickets for \$200 for your chance to win.

* Please see official rules at SFXraffle.org

**GRAND PRIZE DRAWING WILL TAKE PLACE
ON THURSDAY, MAY 18TH**

100% of the proceeds benefit SFX School. No Give Back!

VISIT SFXRAFFLE.ORG TO ORDER YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

Ticket stubs may be picked up in the gym foyer on the following Sundays: 4/23, 4/30, 5/7 and 5/14 from 10am-12:30pm. Tickets may also be purchased on-site (cash or check) at these designated times.

Questions? Contact Mike Keach Email: mike.keach@outlook.com Phone: 312-961-9587

RULES: Must be 18 or older / Winner will be announced at the end of the school day, May 18th. Winner need not be present / If goal of 400 tickets is not met, a 50/50 split between winner and school will occur / All prizes are subject to applicable Federal and State tax. Winner will receive prize money once proper ID and social security number are provided / For complete terms and conditions visit <http://www.SFXraffle.org>

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St. Francis Xavier School Early Childhood Education

Preschool 3

Half Day Mornings

Pre - K 4

All Day or
Half Day Mornings

Kindergarten

All Day or
Half Day Mornings



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Safe and secure
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in a loving, faith-based
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WITH US!**

145 N. Waiola Ave LaGrange, IL
708-352-2175 sfxlg.org/school

Current & Prospective PS3, PK4 & K Parents,

Please join us for...

Coffee and Conversation*

Principal's Early Childhood Coffee with Mrs. Garcia

* There will be a short curriculum
presentation by a SFX Pre-K 4 teacher



When: **Thursday**
April 27th
8:30 - 9:30am

Where: **Unity Hall**
Please enter through Main
School Doors on Waiola

St. Francis Xavier School
Multigenerational SFX School
Alumni Family Spotlight

The Carroll & Veeser
Families

As we prepare to graduate the 106th class in 2023, we would like to highlight alumni with a legacy connection to SFX School.

These connections made from parents to children, grandparents to grandchildren, aunts, uncles and cousins show the pride our alumni feel toward their alma mater.



John and Mollie Carroll became SFX parishioners in 1973... 50 years ago! All six of their children attended and graduated from SFX. While their children were involved in many sports, John was the Athletic Director from 1989-1993 and then Mollie became the AD from 1993-1995. They've all enjoyed a positive experience with SFX academics and athletics. 16 of their 29 grandchildren will/have attend(ed) SFX.

John and Mollie Carroll Family:

- Bridget Murdock SFX '85
- Sheila Chambers SFX '87
- John Carroll SFX '89
- Dennis Carroll SFX '91
- Noreen Veeseer SFX '94
- Peter Carroll SFX '95

Dennis, Noreen and Peter's children (will) attend (or have already graduated from) SFX.

2 Generations, 22 Family Members



Dennis & Christen Carroll Family

- Will SFX '18
- Connor SFX '19
- Owen SFX '22
- Taylor SFX '23
- Shannon SFX '25
- Laura SFX '27
- Finn SFX '29

Noreen & Dan Veeseer Family

- Reagan SFX '24
- Virginia SFX '26
- Evelyn SFX '29
- Thomas SFX '31
- John SFX '31

Peter & Cody Carroll Family

- Quinn SFX '25
- Kenna SFX '26
- Payton SFX '29
- Graham SFX '33



Please Pray For...all those Serving Overseas in the Military including:

- **Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT**—son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- **Lt. Commander Jonathan Devitt Brown, U.S. Navy**—nephew of the Devitt Family
- **LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC**—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- **Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry**—son of Jon Peterson
- **Major Marcos Melendez, USMC**—nephew of Jon Peterson
- **Major Michelle Melendez, USMC** niece of Jon Peterson
- **Staff Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and son of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—son of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **Staff Sgt. Scott Blunk**—husband of Brianne and son-in-law of Maureen Becker
- **Lt. Daniel McGue**—grandson of Sue Ryan
- **Lt. Col. Jeremy Hutchins, USAF**—brother-in-law of Valerie & Michael Schierl
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army**—friend of Liz Wilk
- **Spec Timothy Lucas, U.S. Army**—nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas, and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **Sgt. Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 7ATC**—son of Chuck and Kathi Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **Colonel Jessica Nichol, USAF**—daughter-in-law of Tom & Lucile Nichol
- **Capt. Jack Albertini, USMC**—son of Bob & Susan Albertini
- **Felix Estrada, U.S. Army**—friend of John & Dawn McCormick

**Please inform us of those serving Overseas in the Military...
and please let us know when friends and loved ones
return from their deployment Overseas.
Email the bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.**

St. Francis Xavier Personnel

Pastoral Ministry

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Deacon
Deacon
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Director of Community Outreach
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Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday.....8:30 am-7:30 pm
Saturday.....9:00 am-12:00 pm

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every 3rd Thursday 6:00-7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning.....9:00-10:00 am
The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the tabernacle prayer area.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday - Friday).....9:00 am-12:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus

St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday).....8:00 -10:00 am

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for submitting all bulletin articles is 9:00 am on the Monday preceding the Sunday of publication. If a holiday falls on a Monday, articles are due by 12:00 Noon on the previous Thursday. Please email all articles to the bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.

Domestic Violence Resources

Family Shelter Services—24 hr. counseling 630-469-5650
LaGrange Police Emergency Assistance 911 or 708-579-2354

Food Pantry

The St. Francis Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:30 am. The pantry serves clients who live in the 60525 and 60526 zip codes. Donation drop off Mondays 9:00 am-Noon at South door of rectory.

Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

If you would like a priest or Minister of Care to visit, please contact the Parish Office directly. In the case of hospitalization, specifically request that the hospital contact the parish. Hospitals do not routinely inform churches of admissions due to Privacy Laws.

Infant Baptisms

Please call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism or email Missy Westerhoff at sfxinlg@sfxlg.org to schedule a date.

Marriage

Please call the rectory office at the time of your engagement to schedule your wedding. We ask that you are a registered parishioner for 6 months before requesting your wedding date. Saturday wedding times are 1:00 and 3:00 pm. Rehearsals are usually scheduled on Friday evening. We do not schedule weddings during Lent.

Parish Counselor

At this time, our counseling sessions will be virtual/online.

All counseling services are confidential and respectful. If you are curious about self-exploration, need help managing your mood and anxiety, long for a quiet and safe space, or feel the need to recalibrate, consider making an appointment, with our parish counselor, BC Shelly, from the Claret Center. He can be reached by phone 704-750-0686 or email bc.shelly.claret@gmail.com.