



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
4th Sunday of Easter
Happy Mother's Day
May 11, 2025



*Mother's
Day*

*Her children
arise and call
her blessed
Proverbs 31:28*

BELONG



BELIEVE



BE LOVE

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, May 12	Mass	8:30 am	Barbara Dinan Shifley Herbert & Mary Schrack John Bonino Fr. Pat Lee	Patsy Brown & Chuck Shifley Patrick Daly The Michael Griffin Family
Tuesday, May 13	Mass	8:30 am	Dennis Schumacher	Ron Kuchar
Wednesday, May 14	Mass	8:30 am	Stephen Sfondilias	Patrick Daly
Thursday, May 15	Rosary Mass Adoration	8:15 am 8:30 am 6:00 pm	People of the Parish	
Friday, May 16	Mass	8:30 am	Paul Flood	The Flood Family
Saturday, May 17	Mass Reconciliation Mass	8:30 am 9:00 pm 5:00 pm	Louie Marasovic Anna Russo	April Pesut The Cooley Family
Sunday, May 18 5th Sunday of Easter	Mass Mass Mass Mass	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Elizabeth Homan Greg Gauthier Fred Ferber Anne Yelnick	Dave Grimes Jeff & Shirley Augustyn Jeff & Shirley Augustyn Scott & Jill Burson

Presider's Schedule for May 10-11, 2025

5:00 pm Fr. Milek

7:30 am Fr. Tkachuk

9:00 am Fr. Milek

11:00 am Fr. Tkachuk

No 5:00 pm Mass

Please pray for . . .

Vivian Brickhouse	Eleanor Love
Mary Ann Curry	Amy Miller
Blake Donegan	Patrick Morgan
Ernie Froemel	Bill Mroz
Baby Lupe Baker Garcia	Rosemary Nash
Allen Godlewski	Ann Marie Niedo
Mateo Gomez	Connie O'Dette
Vincenzo Guzzo	Laura O'Malley
Junie Haase	Laureen Rabe
Mateo Herhold	Mark Reilly
Angela Hill	Amy Robinson
Jessi Rita Hoffman	Sheila Slonskis
Patricia Jones	Rita Mae Spearman
Tiffany Kahn	Gregg Stephenson
Michelle Kram	John Stopka
Ella Mae Kuzel	Sophie Stratton
Randy Lange	Olivia Tarsney
Richard Lavers	Joe Vargas

To add a name to the prayer list 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:

Jack Farritor

Husband of Elizabeth
Father of Molly, Nora, Aoife, Fiadh, and Jack

Weddings

Maggie McEldowney & John Slowey
Mary O'Callaghan & Justin Chaney
Alison Crivlare & Mitchell Ciszewski
Kate Hanfland & David Nyren



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Pastor's Letter

"My sheep hear my voice"
John 10:27

I was raised in a typical 1960s neighborhood on the northwest side of Chicago. Every mother on the block knew every child on the block. If your mother was calling you from the porch (no cell phones, but strong voices), you would soon know it. Mothers recognized each other's voices and would quickly relay the call from mother to mother until you heard, "Your mother is calling you." And we each recognized our own mother's voice over all else. As children, it was comforting to know that we were always within the reach of her voice.

It was the Lord's voice that led me to St. Francis Xavier twice in my life. The first time, I was re-entering priesthood after a brief career in software consulting. God called me during my third silent retreat in Gloucester. Cardinal Bernardin asked me to consider coming to this parish. I felt at home as soon as I turned onto Spring Avenue. The sidewalks, porches, and Christmas lights all spoke of home. People welcomed me. At my first SFX Easter Vigil, I saw people who reflected Easter joy in the glow of candlelight. For the next five and a half years, the Lord spoke through so many of you and your ancestors and re-formed me as a priest.

Twenty years later, I left a parish that had left me wondering whether I wanted to be a pastor again. By God's grace, I ended up here. With your help, God rekindled my love of being a pastor, following some truly gifted priests. *Because of you*, I will soon retire with deep love and gratitude for the Lord's gift of this ministry.

You are a blessed and a chosen people. In you, I have heard the voice of Jesus.

Blessings to all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, teachers, and all the women among us who share their life and love.

Fr. Bill

A word about our next pastor...

Each week leading up to July 1st, when Fr. John begins his assignment at St. Francis Xavier Parish, the parish Transition Team will share a fun fact that we have learned about him to help us all get to know our next pastor a little better.

At present, Fr. John is focused on the necessary actions to prepare his parish for a transition that was not yet on his radar six weeks ago. He will be working with parish staff and leadership in Grayslake to bring closure to his years with them and to prepare them to welcome their next pastor on July 1. Once he arrives, Fr. John will have many opportunities to share much more about his life and journey.

Here's a little snippet:



Our 11th pastor Fr. John Chrzan (pronounced chur-zan) has been a priest for 22 years. He entered the seminary in his early 30s after working as a commercial banker at Wintrust. For the past 11 years, he has served as pastor at St. Gilbert in Grayslake. Interestingly, his brother and sister-in-law were parishioners there until their recent move to Florida.

Parish Transition Team

Transition Prayer



God of love, you are with us in every transition and change. As we seek our new pastor, we entrust our community to your Holy Spirit. You know the heart of our congregation and the unique gifts and challenges of our parish. May we remain united in your grace and rejoice in the promise of your will to bring the "fullness of joy." May our future pastor, Fr. John, do the same, listening to your Spirit with courage and openness as you lead us to one another. Amen.

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Spring 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Mother's Day celebrates the mothers and mother figures in our lives who are essential to the future of our communities and to the fullness of God's plan for human life.

Helping mothers in need is central to our faith and to the mission of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Your donation to the Mother's Day Collection for Catholic Charities is critical to this urgent work.

Catholic Charities was founded over a century ago as the charitable arm of the Church. Every year their dedicated staff accompanies 60,000 mothers and families in Cook and Lake counties, providing food and nutrition; housing and financial assistance; services for new and expecting mothers; counseling; and support for survivors of domestic violence. This is only possible through the generosity of our Archdiocesan community.

Each spring I encourage you to support the work of Catholic Charities. Your support creates stability in families for generations. May we always be inspired by the mothers in our lives who provide an example in promoting unity, providing encouragement, and demonstrating how the Lord teaches us to listen to the Spirit of Jesus working in our lives.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago



SAVE THE DATE

FATHER BILL TKACHUK'S RETIREMENT

Join us on

Sunday, June 29, 2025

11am Mass

Lunch Reception immediately following

MORE DETAILS TO COME AND A LINK TO RSVP

Blessing of Mothers

God of our mothers!

You are the God of Eve,
the God of Sarah,
the God of Naomi, mother-in-law of Ruth,
the God of Elizabeth and of Ann.

You are the God of Mary,
Spirit's spouse and mother of our Savior,
given by Christ as the mother of us all.

We thank you, God, for the gift of our
mothers,
for grandmothers and godmothers,
for stepmothers and mothers-in-law.

Send your Holy Spirit upon all women
called to motherhood.

Heal their pains and disappointments.
Forgive all that needs to be forgiven.
Give to them the good that they have
given others.

Welcome to your breast those who have
died.

Fill this world, O God, with a mother's love!
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*



GIVING AT SFX

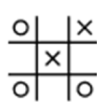
We are grateful to all those whose financial support makes the mission of St. Francis Xavier Parish possible. You can make an Easter gift by accessing this QR code or using an envelope at the church entrances. For those joining us online, [click here](#) to donate.

Easter
Collection



Engage Community Spring Event

Our meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 29**
from 7:00-8:30 pm in Unity Hall.



Game Night

Bring your favorite board game or a deck of cards. We'll choose what to play based on the group's size and interests.

You may also bring carpet-friendly snacks or a beverage to share (no red wine). RSVPs are encouraged.

For questions or to RSVP, please email Jane at janeLGPark@gmail.com.

All are welcome. Engage is for adults of all ages; single, married, divorced, widowed, parishioners and visitors to foster Christian community through social and service events.

Welcome to Our Parish Family!

We recently had the joy of gathering with our newest parishioners at a special Welcome Prayer Service, followed by an evening of fellowship in Unity Hall. Fr. Rich led us in a meaningful time of prayer as we celebrated the beginning of their journey with our Parish community.

The evening was made even more special by the warm hospitality and support of our Welcome Committee. Afterward, parishioners new and longtime enjoyed connecting over a light dinner and delicious desserts. We are so grateful to everyone who made this beautiful evening possible!

Our next event will be in the Fall. If you are new to the parish and you have any questions, please reach out to Laura Duelm at 708-309-9079 or lauraduelm@gmail.com. Also, if you would like to join the Welcome Committee, please let Laura know.

All are Welcome!



SENIOR WOMEN'S GROUP

Spring LUNCHEON

30 North
Plymouth Place
315 N. La Grange Road
La Grange Park, Illinois

Thursday, May 15, 2025
Gathering at 11:30
Lunch at Noon (Cash Bar)

Please RSVP with your choice of 30 North Salad, Eggplant Parmesan,
Club Sandwich Turkey and Bacon, and Tomato Bisque
with payment of \$27.50 to the Rectory by Monday, May 12.



2025 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

We are pleased to announce that registration for Summer 2025 is now open. As you may know from previous announcements, SFX is partnering again with Grace Lutheran for this summer's VBS program. The VBS program will run June 23-27 (Monday-Friday) from 9:00am-12:00 noon. VBS is open to children aged 4 through 4th grade. 5th and 6th graders can participate as members of a "service crew" that will spend the week organizing and conducting a series of service projects.

The little ones will attend VBS at Grace Lutheran. The service crew will be based at SFX school this year. Due to space constraints attendance will be capped at 150 for the little ones and 30 for the service crew so please register early.



Here is the link you can use to register your child or children and also learn about and sign up for volunteer opportunities, please [click here](#), or by using this QR Code.

A successful VBS program is not possible without the help of parent, teen and middle school volunteers. The registration form will describe the various volunteer opportunities available and provide sign up information. Not all opportunities require a five day commitment. Volunteering is not required but one volunteer per family is highly encouraged. Also for teens and middle schoolers, you do not have to have a sibling in VBS in order to participate and you can earn service hours! In particular we need adult and teen volunteers to support the service crew.

VBS IMPORTANT UPDATE

VBS registration is going very well. We are pleased to report that the 5th and 6th Grade "Service Crew" is reaching capacity so if your child has interest in participating please sign up soon. There is still room for the 4 year olds to 4th grade but spots are going fast!

We also encourage any 7th and 8th Graders who would like to volunteer as crew leaders to sign up as well-there is a need for you and you will receive service hours!

We still need adult volunteers for the various activities so if you have not yet signed up for set up or activities during the VBS week please do so. Check the site for volunteer opportunities.

There will be meeting on Wednesday April 23rd at 7:00 pm at Grace Lutheran for all volunteers or those interested in volunteering. Zoom will be available for those who cannot attend in person.

Any questions please contact Karl Olson at olson.karl@gmail.com or Phil Zadeik at pzadeik@gmail.com.

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VOCATIONS EVENTS

On May 17, 2025 at 10:00 am, two men will be ordained to the priesthood by Cardinal Cupich at Holy Name Cathedral. Please pray for the newly ordained as well as all of our priests.

We invite all parishioners to join us in this joyous event via livestream. The livestream link is on the vocations website at www.vocations.archchicago.org/events/priesthood-ordination.

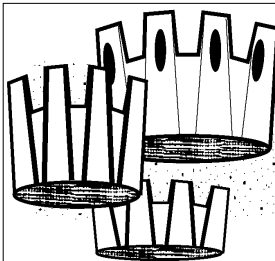
— SAVE THE DATE! —

SFX ANNUAL
GOLF
OUTING 2025

SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

Old Oak Country Club
14200 Parker Rd., Homer Glen, IL 60491
QUESTIONS? ROB & LISA PAROLIN at
sfxgolfchairs@gmail.com

— FIND YOUR FORESOME! —



They have washed
their robes and made
them white in the
Blood of the Lamb

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Religious Education News

*Register today for our 2025- 2026
K – 8 Religious Education!*

We are happy to continue to offer
two in-person sessions and a virtual option
for families for the 2025-2026 school year.

Our options are:

In person bi-monthly grade level program held on Sunday Mornings and Wednesday afternoons.

Our virtual asynchronous grade level program has lessons being released bi-monthly on Sundays and is best for families with busy schedules.

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

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.

Visit our website for complete information on registration, tuition and calendar:
[Click Here](#) or scan the QR Code to take you to the registration page.



Church Audio Update—Adaptive Audio System

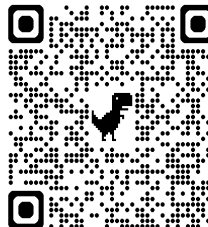
SFX has installed a Bluetooth accessible Listening System. To access this new system you must have a smartphone along with earphones or Bluetooth capable hearing aids. Follow the steps to connect your device.

Step 1) (At home or at SFX) Download the Listen Wi-Fi App from your app store or scan the provided QR Code below.

Apple Users



Android Users



Step 2) (In SFX Church) Download the Assistive Listening Wi-Fi Connection by scanning the provided QR Code below. Please make sure to turn on Wi-Fi for auto detection in your settings.

Assistive Listening Wi-Fi Connection



We plan to have non-Bluetooth options available in the upcoming months. For assistance please call the rectory at 708-352-0168 or email sfxnlg@sfxlg.org to set up an appointment.

Interfaith Community Network

Unlock the Potential of Informational Interviewing

Please join us Thursday, May 15, at 7:00 pm to learn about Informational Interviews. A powerful tool to uncover hidden opportunities, gain greater insights and knowledge, and build authentic relationships within your target industry. With more companies hiring strategically and Networking becoming even more important, there's no better time to master the art of Informational Interviews.

Our speaker, Fred Johnson, has experience within Fortune 100 organizations and entrepreneurial roles in sales management, marketing and strategy across multiple industries.

We hope you can join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road, Western Springs for a night of learning to make your job search more successful! We look forward to seeing you. There is no cost to attend. Everyone is welcome.

Visit interfaithcarrernetwork.com for additional resources.



[The Examen & The Enneagram](#) on Thursdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26 from 6:00-8:00PM. Cost \$100 on Zoom with Facilitator: Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin. This four-week workshop explores how the Ignatian Examen and the Enneagram can work together to foster spiritual growth and self awareness. Discover valuable insights to help you navigate your journey with greater self-understanding and a deeper connection to God.

[Painting the Journey Retreat](#) on Friday-Sunday, June 20-22. Cost \$500 Overnight; \$300 Commuter supplies included, Scholarships Available with Facilitator: Dr. Ann Viernes. This three day retreat where you will immerse yourself in a gently guided intuitive creative process of painting your own portal to your future self. Learn how art can be medicine.

[Wild Belongings: Summer Solstice](#) on Sunday, June 22 from 2 :00-4:00PM In-Person. Cost Free with Facilitators: Ellen Wiggins & Bob Kent. Wild Belongings invites us into a deeper experience of Divine revelation through relationship with the land and creatures near us.

All are welcome as we gather to honor the longest day of sunlight in the Northern Hemisphere. We will be guided by poetry and chant, as well as exchanging wisdom with the land, its inhabitants and each other. Recognized in many circles as the beginning of summer, let's give thanks for the warmth and benefits of Light.

Learn more & register:
<https://csjthewell.org/programs/>

INTELLECTUAL-DISABILITIES FUND "TOOTSIE ROLL" DRIVE • ESSAY CONTEST

An invitation

Is our Order in your calling to serve?



LA GRANGE COUNCIL 6483

Charity is at the heart of our faith and the work of the Knights of Columbus.

If you're a Catholic man from age 18 to 78 with a calling for service by focusing on others, live a life of faith in action.

JESUS CALLS US TO BEAR FRUIT.

Become a Knight. Leaders wanted. Look at all the good work we can do in the communities of the greater La Grange area listed on the blue border of this invitation.

Are you being called?

Text or call Brian Lisek at 630.939-2626 to learn how you can join and help us serve those in our communities with the most need.

To Knight!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST • FRESH CHRISTMAS-TREE SALE • DIGITAL RAFFLE

FOOD DRIVE • WARM-CLOTHING DRIVE • BLOOD-DRIVE SUPPORT • RETIREMENT-HOME BINGO NIGHT

KEEP-CHRIST-IN-CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST • SPELLING BEE CONTEST • FREE-THROW CONTEST

SFX MEN'S CLUB

Get involved in the parish – we need your help!
Monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday of the month!

Next meeting is Tuesday, June 3

Contact Matt Hubert mthubert@gmail.com

or

Jack Horrigan jfhorrigan@gmail.com
for more information.



The Word of the Lord lights our way

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11th ANNUAL ALL PARISH SERVICE DAYS!

June 3-7, 2025

Doing God's Work in the World

Kick off your summer and celebrate Pentecost
by being part of an outreach team with family, friends and fellow parishioners!

**Teens, get a jumpstart on your
Confirmation and high school service requirements!**

Registration is open! [Click Here](#)

SERVICE DAY OPPORTUNITIES

SERVICE PARTNER	PROJECT	TEAM LEADER(S)
SFX Food Pantry (6/3)	Serve pantry guests	Mary Freeman
Fisher House (6/5)	Deliver Prayer Shawls	Barbara Schumacher
Rosary (6/5)	Pray in Mary Garden	Katie Kanzer
Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants (6/6)	Pray at Broadview Detention Center	Mary Freeman
SATURDAY, JUNE 7 ACTIVITIES		
BEDS	Prepare Lunch for Motel Guests and Pack Shelf Stable Meals at SFX	Katie Filbin
Blood Drive	Donate Blood in SFX Gym	Mark Azzi
Challenger Baseball	Play ball with a buddy at Sedgwick Park	Paul Saladino
Companions Journeying Together (Prison Ministry)	Write Notes at SFX	Marge Branecki
Congregation of St Joseph	Clean up CSJ plots at Queen of Heaven Cemetery	Emily Bersnak Clare Pasquesi
First Congregational Saturday Meal Program	Prepare and Serve Lunch	Rachel Peterson
Helping Hand	Garden Cleanup at a home in LaGrange area	Lisa Radville Greg Schuler
Mission OLA (Our Lady of Angels)	Help distribute food, clothing and household items in Chicago	Matt Kanzer
Random Acts of Kindness	Repurpose flowers at SFX and deliver to seniors	Margie Hull Rebecca Riven
SFX Food Pantry	Sort & Stock Food	Lynn Regan Alice Vida
SFX Garden	Help plant annuals around the church	Kathy Skokna

If you have questions, please contact:

Mary Freeman, Director of Community Outreach at mfreeman@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168.



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With over 10,000 guided prayers, meditations, and sessions, Hallow puts over 2,000 years of Catholic tradition at your fingertips, helping you grow in faith, build a habit of daily prayer, and discover different types of prayer.



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hallow.com/parish

Already on Hallow? Join your Parish!

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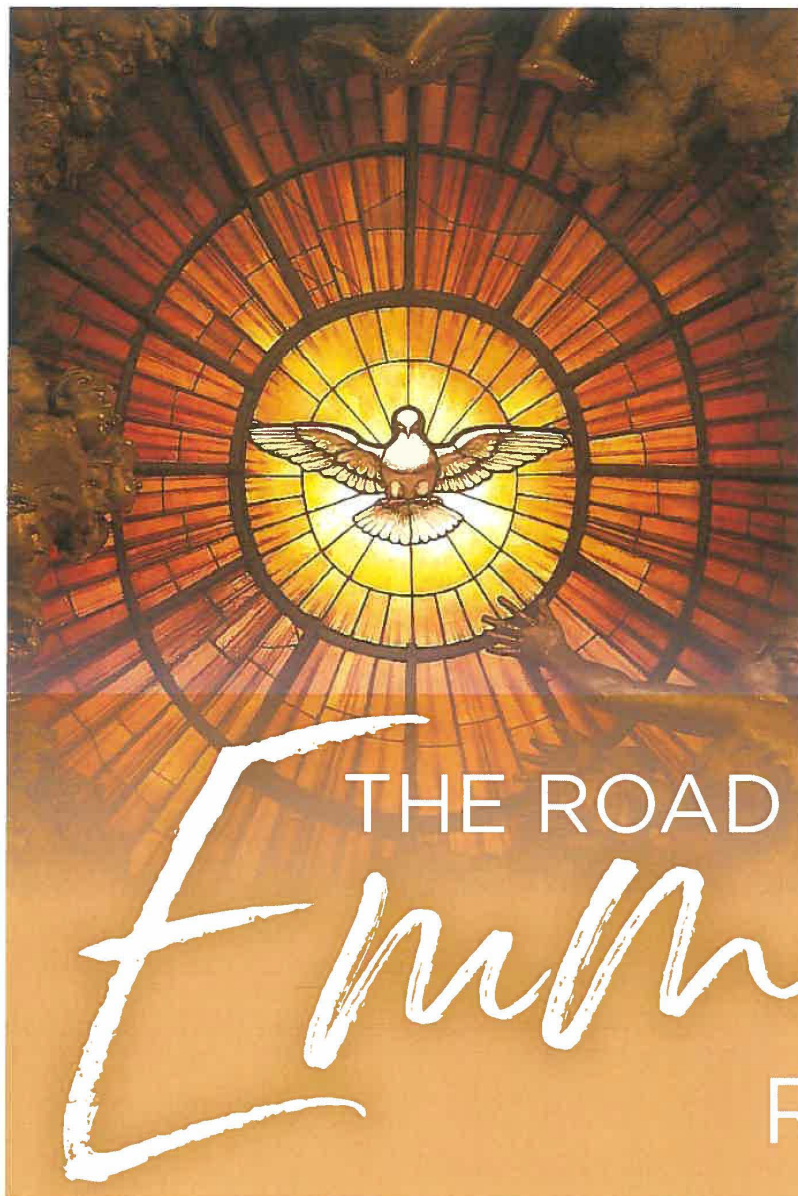
On the bottom right, tap **Community**

Enter your parish's zip code

When you see your parish's name, tap **Join Parish**

New to Hallow?

Receive full access to Hallow for just \$1 by scanning the QR code below or visiting hallow.com/parish. Once you've signed up, follow the steps above to join your parish!



SUNDAY, JUNE 8

3:00pm - 9:30pm

Holy Name Cathedral

735 N. State St., Chicago, IL 60654

All are welcome!



Holy Name Cathedral

THE ROAD TO *Emmaus* REVIVAL

Join us for an inspiring day of **reflection, talks, prayer, Mass, Eucharistic procession, and fellowship** as we embark on the journey of the "Road to Emmaus." This theme captures the essence of our Christian walk, where Christ accompanies us through life's joys and challenges, renewing our hope and guiding us toward a deeper sense of purpose.

SPEAKERS:

- **Katie Prejean McGrady** - Catholic radio host, author, and international speaker.
- **Fr. John Kartje, PhD** - Astronomer and Scripture scholar
- Music by **The Hussey Brothers**



To sign up, please scan the QR code. For more information, email Fr. Ton Nguyen at tnguyen@holynamecathedral.org

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

- **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
- **Capt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **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
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **Sgt. Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 7ATC**—son of Chuck Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **Capt. Jack Albertini, USMC**—son of Bob & Susan Albertini
- **Micah Peralta, DC3 U.S. Navy**—daughter of Mila Esleta
- **Private Julian Vela, U.S. Army**—friend of Joe, Cari, Maddie & Mike Ramaglia
- **Specialist Esteban Vela, U.S. Army**—friend of Joe, Cari, Maddie & Mike Ramaglia
- **Sean Kramer, U.S. Army**—friend of the Cooley Family
- **Lt. Matthew Edinger, DO, U.S. Navy**—son of John Edinger & Maria Nidos
- **ETNC Andrew Cihak, U.S. Navy**—grandson of John & Marilyn Lux

**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
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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday.....8:30 am-7:00 pm
Friday.....8:30 am-4:30 pm
Saturday.....9:00 am-12:00 pm

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

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

Weekday Masses at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday-Friday) 8:00 am
St. John of the Cross (Monday-Saturday) 9:00 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.

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

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