



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
1st Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2025

First Sunday of
ADVENT



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Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, December 1	Mass	8:30 am	Grace Geary James Holt Special Intention	Patty Lannen The Driscoll Family
Tuesday, December 2	Mass	8:30 am	Helen Rizzo Jessica Barry Richard Griffin	The Rizzo & Costello Families The Zahorik Family The Michael Griffin Family
Wednesday, December 3	Mass	8:30 am	Erica Daly	Patrick Daly
Thursday, December 4	Rosary	8:15 am		
	Mass	8:30 am	Cookie Hofstetter Jennifer Buchta	The Westerhoff Family John Lowrey
Friday, December 5	Mass	8:30 am	Grace E. Geary	The Lannon Family
Saturday, December 6	Mass	8:30 am	Louie Marasovic	April Pesut
	Reconciliation	9:00 am		
	Mass	5:00 pm	Sr. Donna Baker	Bridget Glynn Manning
Sunday, December 7 2nd Sunday of Advent	Mass	7:30 am	Tammy Bohringer	Nancy Cozzi & Lou Freda
	Mass	9:00 am	Louise Szybowski Carol Pratali	Stan, Merry & Dawn Szybowski The Pratali Family
	Mass	11:00 am	Dolores Crilly	Susan Ramirez
	Mass	5:00 pm	People of the Parish	

Presider's Schedule for November 29-30, 2025

5:00 pm Fr. Cyscon

7:30 am Fr. Milek

9:00 am Fr. Ilo

11:00 am Fr. Chrzan

5:00 pm Fr. Cyscon

Please pray for . . .

John Baggio	Robert McMahon
Poppy Booth	Amy Miller
George Braasch	Brandon Moffett
Vivian Brickhouse	Greg Molinari
Joe Canepa	Patrick Morgan
John Clinch	Bill Mroz
Bruce Dold	Ann Marie Niedo
Blake Donegan	Jim O'Brien
Nathan Emkow	Connie O'Dette
Lupe Baker Garcia	Mark Reilly
Allen Godlewski	Richard Reveles
Vincenzo Guzzo	Amy Robinson
Junie Haase	John Shramek
Angela Hill	Rita Mae Spearman
Jessi Rita Hoffman	Gregg Stephenson
Richard Holbach	Barbara Stewart
Michelle Jackson	John Stopka
Patricia Jones	Sophie Stratton
Nora Lou Kampe	Catie Sullivan
Terri Bergen Klein	Olivia Tarsney
Michelle Kram	Joe Vargas
Ella Mae Kuzel	Baby Emma Wallace
Eleanor Love	Liz Wilk
Baby Grace Mangano	

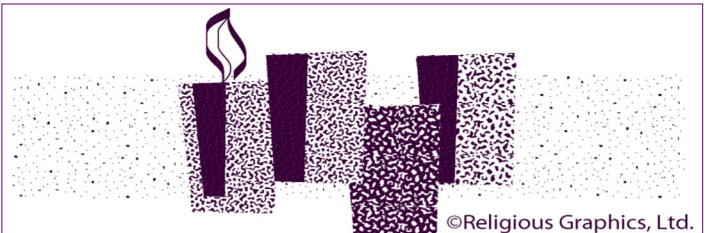
To add a name to the prayer list who are sick, please call the rectory at 708-352-0168. Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

Born Into Eternal Life



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

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



Pastor's Letter

Dear friends in Christ,

Advent begins today with a stirring invitation to spiritual awakening and watchfulness. St. Paul, writing to the Christian community in Rome, urges: "It is the hour now for you to awake from sleep." Advent is not a sentimental countdown to Christmas, but a sacred summons to renewed clarity, purpose, and attentiveness. Paul reminds us that Christ's nearness is not merely a future hope - it is a present reality that asks something of us. To "put on the Lord Jesus Christ" is to clothe ourselves in His compassion, integrity, and courage today.

Psalm 122, with its rich imagery, gives that watchfulness a home. "Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord," the psalmist sings - a song of people stepping into God's peace with joyful expectation. Jerusalem is described as a city "compact," gathered tightly together, a place where God's people draw near to pray and to be formed in faith. Advent invites us to make that same pilgrimage of the heart: to step into God's dwelling with renewed desire, to let His peace gather the scattered places within us, and to root our deepest longings in Him.

Paula Gooder, theologian and chancellor of St. Paul's Cathedral in London, captures Advent's spiritual heart: "Most of all," she writes, "Advent summons us to the present moment, to a still yet active, a tranquil yet steadfast commitment to the life we live now. It is this to which Advent beckons us, and without it our Christian journey is impoverished." Advent is not only about what God has done or what God will do - it is about the grace that God is offering in this very moment. To be awake is to be present; to be present is to be capable of love.

As we begin this holy season, may we walk attentively together. May the peace of Psalm 122 draw us toward God's dwelling, and may Paul's call to watchfulness open our eyes to the sacredness of each ordinary day. Let us "go rejoicing," trusting that Christ is already near, already at work, already shining His light upon our path. Advent calls us to stay awake - not in fear, but in joyful hope - so that when Christ comes, He will find our hearts ready, spacious, and filled with love.

A blessed Advent to you and your loved ones,
Fr. John

Reflection For the 1st Sunday of Advent

Liturgy Planning Team #2

Carol Aronson, Margie Goc, Bernadette McMahon, Diane Redmond, and Joan Stopka

Advent means arrival. As we await the coming of Christ, today's readings give us certain instructions for our preparation. Advent begins with a vision of peace. The first reading describes the gathering of nations to be with the Lord. He will teach us his way to turn our weapons into tools of peace. We are instructed to "Come let us walk in the light of the Lord." In the second reading we are urged to wake up from sleep and throw away the works of sin and darkness and live as children of the light. The gospel admonishes us to "Stay awake!" We are to be prepared and ready for the Son of Man to return. We are to be spiritually alert.

Let us live each day as if Christ could come at any moment. Let us be light, let us be vigilant, and let us be aware.



Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve
Wednesday, December 24th
St. Francis Xavier Church
3:00 p.m.* and 5:00 p.m.

Alexine Chapel
3:00 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier Church
7:00 p.m.

Midnight Mass in Church
preceded by Christmas Carols
at 11:00 p.m.

* Livestreamed

Joyce Hall will be open to accommodate overflow.

Christmas Day *New Year's Mass Schedule*

Christmas Day
Thursday, December 25th
9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Regular Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday, December 27th
5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 28th
7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

New Year's Eve
Wednesday, December 31st
5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day
Thursday, January 1st
10:00 a.m.

We're grateful for your support.
To donate to the Christmas Offertory
visit www.sfxlg.org or use this QR Code.



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OPLATKI



The Christmas Wafer (also known as "Oplatki") is available at the Rectory.

The word "Bethlehem" means "the house of bread." The breaking of the bread is a sign of charity, unity and friendship. Religious family customs bring the truths of faith into the home. One of these beautiful Christmas Eve customs is the Christmas Wafer. The thin wafer bearing the Christmas characters is broken by the head of the family and distributed to each member. With a simple prayer for God's grace and the welfare of all members of the family, those present as well as those who are absent, the head of the house breaks the wafer and distributes it, one piece to each person at the table. While doing so, each member of the family is kissed and wished a joyful feast. Members then greet one another in the same way.

The spiritual lesson in this age-old custom is that the unity of the family is grounded in God's love for us. May you experience unity and love through this simple celebration.

prepare yourself
for the coming
of the LORD

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Advent at St. Francis Xavier: *Be Still*



Advent Pray25 Parish Prayer Challenge on Hallow Begins December 1

The theme for our Advent Pray25 challenge is: *Be Still*. This Advent, we invite you to discover deeper stillness amidst the chaos of the holiday season, just as Mary did that first Christmas. Join millions around the world as we dive into the story of the Nativity through reflections on the infancy narratives, powerful excerpts from *The Reed of God* by Caryl Houselander and *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry* by John Mark Comer, and moments of silence and prayer.

Prayer challenges are always free to parishioners via our Hallow parish page, sign up for this challenge now. Scan the QR code at the bottom of this page or visit sfxlg.org to get set up.

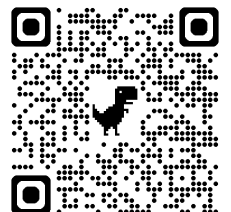
Seasonal Advent Table in the Back of Church

Advent wreaths, candles, and family prayer books for you to take home (while supplies last)

Little Blue Books — available for free at all doors!

Area Reconciliation Service

6:00PM on December 6—St. John of the Cross
(following first reconciliation)





Jim Donahue State Farm Cereal Collection For St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry



To celebrate the season of giving, Jim Donahue State Farm is collecting breakfast cereal for the St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry for the month of November. Cereal is one of the most requested items at food pantries, and our office has partnered with St. Francis Xavier to help those in our community impacted by food insecurity. Cereal boxes of all varieties and sizes welcome. Donations can be dropped off Mondays through Fridays, 9:00am to 5:00pm at our office located at 1005 East 31st Street in LaGrange Park.



Senior Women's Group

**Feast of St. Francis Xavier
Doing God's Work In The World**

**Speaker: Mary Freeman
Director of Community Outreach**

**Wednesday, December 3
9:00 am Gathering
9:30 am Presentation**

No RSVP Needed All Are Welcome



YOUR CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Your Christmas donation is instrumental
to the parish's ongoing mission!
Our Christmas goal is \$177,000 (9% of our budgeted offertory).

Ways to Give:

1. Father John's Christmas letter includes an envelope for your offering
2. To make your online gift:
 - Click [here](#)
 - Use the QR code at right.

God bless you for your support!

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



Looking For St. Francis Xavier Day School Alums

Are you a graduate of St. Francis Xavier Day School? We are trying to create a database of *all* graduates. Please e-mail the following information to Erin Smith at esmith@sfxlg.org or call 708-352-2175:

Name
Year of Graduation from SFX
Mailing Address
E-mail Address
Telephone Number

We would also appreciate knowing if your children subsequently attended or are attending SFX.

In addition, we would like to know of any alumni who may have passed away. Finally, if you have an interest in helping to organize alumni activities, please let us know that as well.

HEARTS ON FIRE

THE 120: YOUTH GROUP

LIVES ON MISSION




HIGH SCHOOL TEENS & PARENTS

The 120 exists to lead young hearts into a transformative encounter with Jesus Christ, rooted in prayer, community, and mission. This high school youth group (9th-12th) is inspired by the early Church. We gather to grow in faith, be filled with the Holy Spirit, and be sent out as bold witnesses to the Gospel by:

- Coming together as a community in social events
- Dedicating time to serve the community
- Taking on leadership roles
- Leading each other through prayer
- Supporting each other in faith and friendship



WANT TO JOIN THE 120?

CHECK OUT THE PARISH WEBSITE AND CLICK THE YOUTH MINISTRY TAB FOR MORE INFORMATION.

YOU CAN ALSO EMAIL CHRISSY (OUR YOUTH MINISTER):
CALAGNA@SFXLG.ORG



Religious Education News

Our Registration for the In Person Program is now closed, BUT registrations for our 1-8 Online Program are still open until November 30th.

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!

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



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



Nazareth Academy invites 8th Graders to Test at Nazareth Academy on December 6, 2025. Preference for admission and scholarships will be granted to students who test with Nazareth on that day. The exam begins at 8:00am and concludes at approximately 11:15am. **Pre-Registration is Required.** More information and registration can be found at nazarethacademy.com.

Nazareth Academy is located at 1209 West Ogden Avenue in LaGrange Park. Questions can be directed to Mrs. Kristen Stojetz at 708-397-8505.

Toddler Moms' Monthly Prayer Party

First Wednesday of the Month at 8:00pm!



Location rotates between homes. Email Claire Jakubisin claire.jakubisin@gmail.com or join the Toddling Together Group on the parish Hallow page to stay up-to-date on the location.



Support our Religious Education Program with Little Caesars!

It's pizza time! Starting November 1st and for the next 4 weeks, we're selling Little Caesars Pizza Kits and Meal Deal Codes to raise money for SFX Religious Education Program. We are happy to bring back a beloved fundraiser again this year. Help us to raise funds by purchasing some delicious Little Caesars items that will be delivered right to your home. To reach our goal, we need everyone's help. It's easy to join the fun!

Click the link:
<https://fundraising.littlecaesars.com/products?support=45e675b2-7641-44ac-9311-43c904f6cc74> or Scan the QR code to head to the order form and place your order. Code #48258.



Thank you in advance for your support.

St. Francis Xavier Parish presents:

YULE FLIP PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH IN JOYCE HALL

8:00 AM - 12:30 (LAST SEATING AT 12:15)



MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW FOR THE YULE FLIP PANCAKE BREAKFAST!
PLEASE PAY DIRECTLY AT GIVE CENTRAL THROUGH THE QR CODE BELOW.



CLICK HERE

Regular Admission: \$12

Children 12 & Under: \$5

Seniors 65 & Older: \$10

Any questions contact the Rectory at
708-352-0168

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SANTA'S WORKSHOP

IN THE GYM FROM 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

ENJOY VISITS WITH SANTA - BRING YOUR WISHLIST!

Create a Festive Christmas Ornament

Make Cozy Scarves and Cheery Christmas Cards for our Food Pantry Families

THERE IS A SEPARATE FEE FOR THE FOLLOWING SANTA'S WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES

(PAYMENT IS HANDLED IN THE GYM)

Paint-Your-Own Mini Canvas with Bottle & Bottega \$10 Each

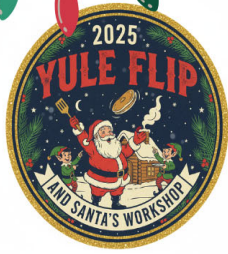
Christmas Cookie Decorating \$3 per Cookie

**** please note there are no advanced reservations for Santa's Workshop Activities**

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Catholic Women's Club
St. Francis Xavier - CWC





YULE FLIP PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH



Name: _____

Regular Admission: _____ x \$12 = _____

Children 12 & Under: _____ x \$5 = _____

Seniors 65 & Older: _____ x \$10 = _____

Total = _____



Please return this form with payment Cash or Checks (payable to St Francis Xavier Parish) to the rectory by December 4th. Any questions contact the Rectory at 708-352-0168

You may also pay and make reservations by scanning the QR Code and paying directly through Give Central

Please help our cooks by selecting from the below an expected time of arrival.

- ☐ 8:00 am - 8:30 am
- ☐ 8:30 am - 9:00 am
- ☐ 9:00 am - 9:30 am
- ☐ 9:30 am - 10:00 am
- ☐ 10:00 am - 10:30 am
- ☐ 10:30 am - 11:15 am
- ☐ 11:15 am - 12:15 pm

GIVING TREE Our Tradition Continues!



Tags for both gift cards and specific items will be available at all the masses the weekend of December 6 and 7. We ask that wrapped gifts and gift cards be returned to Unity Hall no later than 11:00AM on December 14.

Online monetary donations will be collected through
December 14 via Give Central.

[Click here](#) or you can scan the QR code to make a donation.

The Giving Tree will support outreach organizations including
St. Simon of Cyrene (formerly St. Agatha's)
Food Pantry families and migrant and refugee families.

Thank you for continuing to spread Christmas Cheer!

Any questions, call 708-352-0168.



CHRISTMAS PARTY!

PARENTS, WILL YOUR SFX GRADUATES BE HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS?

THE SAINT FRANCIS SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD IS GATHERING FORMER STUDENTS WHO GRADUATED FROM SFX IN 2018 AND 2021 ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 29TH.

WE'RE GATHERING AT LUCCA'S FROM 6PM-9PM. PIZZA IS ON US.

WE DON'T HAVE EVERYONE'S EMAIL. IF YOUR KIDS WILL BE IN TOWN, PLEASE SHARE THIS WITH THEM.

MONDAY | DEC 29 | 6:00-9:00PM

LUCCA'S 108 W. BURLINGTON AVE,
LA GRANGE

ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE EMAIL
SCHOOLBOARD@SFXLG.ORG

SFX PINK RIBBON COMMUNITY

Connect with Breast Cancer Survivors
at SFX for fellowship & support.



LIVING IN UNITY WITH SPIRIT, EARTH, AND ONE ANOTHER

At Home Advent Retreat

Opening Session December 1 at 6:30pm

In-Person at The Well or Zoom

Closing Session December 12 at 6:30pm

In-Person at The Well or Zoom

Tickets: \$175. Look, Listen, Feel! Now is the time to wake up from sleep! Everything in the world is calling to us: Wake up and come to God this season! Participants in this retreat will gather for the opening session. Promise to pray ½ hour a day and meet with their assigned spiritual companion 4-5 times during the retreat and then gather together to share the graces of the retreat. Spiritual Companions: Dr. Sara Conneely, Sr. Celeste, CSJ, Sr. Mary Lou Pleitner, CSJ, Sr. Pat Bergen, CSJ.

Come and Paint

These reunion sessions bring participants to a greater self-awareness through painting.

Participation open to previous "Come and Paint" or "Paint Your Soul" retreat participants. Facilitators: MaryHelen Crispo and Gillian Romano. Meets Monthly: First Saturdays: 9:30am-12:00pm. \$10 per session. Virtual Only.

Learn more & register:

<https://csjthewell.org/programs/>



Wanted

Our parish's fathers whose youngest child is now in high school (or beyond) where ol' Coach Dad is now available to bear more fruit in our community.

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a youth multi-level state free-throw contest this winter and we'd like our biggest basketball fans to join us to help make it great.

We're a fraternal Order that is an international Catholic men's ministry that is first in support of those with the most need. "Vivat Jesus!" has been our Latin motto since our 1882 founding because Jesus is central to our mission. Your home council has been leading good works in the greater LaGrange community since 1973. We could do much more with you involved, and we're inviting you to join us. It's easy. Simply send a text message to Brian Lisek at 630-939-2626 to get started. Today. To Knight! www.KofCLaGrange.org.

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, December 2

Contact Matt Hubert mthubert@gmail.com or Jack Horrigan jfhorrigan@gmail.com for more information.

The St. Francis Xavier Music Ministry presents...
Christmas Epiphany Concert & Candlelight

Star of Love

Saturday, January 3, 2026  7:00 p.m.

with the St. Francis Xavier...

- Gallery Choir
- PRAISE! Ensemble
- Seraphim Children's Choir
- Chamber Collective



Donate to the **SFX Music Ministry** by scanning the QR code below...



...or clicking on this link!

<https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/218/category/1057/event/20641>

The **SFX Music Ministry** thanks you
for your generous support!

Engage Community Events Building community with neighbors and friends

December 7: Deck The Halls *Presented by* West Suburban Symphony

Where: 4:00-5:30pm at Hinsdale Central Auditorium, 5500 South Grant Street, Hinsdale

Details: Sparkling sounds of the season. Tickets for general admission seating are \$35, discounted to \$30 for seniors age 65 and up and to \$10 for teenagers. Children 12 and under are admitted free with a ticket and an accompanying adult. Advance sales by phone or online at <https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/westsubsymphony/1734>. Participants must buy their own tickets. **PURCHASE tickets EARLY!** Seating is unassigned so we'll try to meet-up before the concert and, if interested, grab a beverage afterward at the York Tavern. RSVP's strongly encouraged.



December 18: Christmas treats and "White Elephant" exchange

Where: 7:00-8:30pm in Unity Hall

Details: Have you received a gift that just isn't at home in your home? Now is your chance to give it to someone who might appreciate it. We're having a **White Elephant Party!** Bring a wrapped gift and a sense of humor! Refreshments will be potluck. RSVPs by December 18 or just join us!

For questions or to RSVP, please email Jane at janeLGPark@gmail.com. Engage focuses on building Christian community through a variety of social and service activities. All are welcome, parishioners and non-parishioners, adults of all ages and life stages.



Give back this Holiday Season!

Volunteer this holiday season with
Project CARE to help adults strengthen
their English skills and confidence.

Share your time to build community,
which is the true spirit of the Holiday Season.

Tutor requirements:

Be age 18 or older

GED or high school diploma

1 hour per week minimum

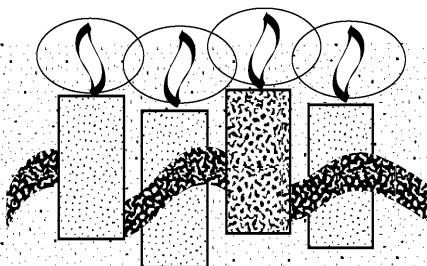
15 hours of training provided

Minimum 6-month commitment



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come, LORD jesus

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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
- **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
- **Lt. Matthew Edinger, DO, U.S. Navy**—son of John Edinger & Maria Niedos
- **ETNC Andrew Cihak, U.S. Navy**—grandson of John & Marilynn 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

Pastor
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Deacon
Deacon
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Tuition Accounts
Director of Religious Education
Religious Education Administrative Assistant
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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 (Door #5).

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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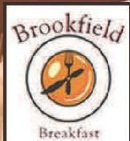


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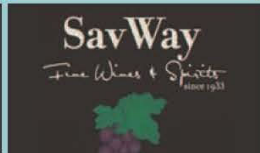


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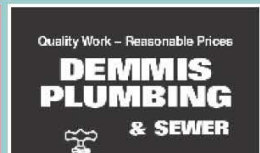
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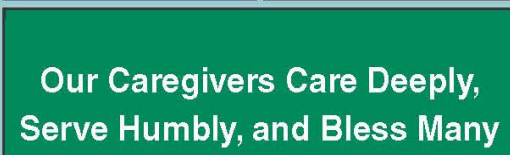
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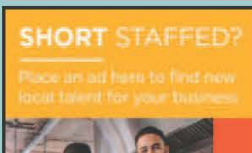


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