

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
Pentecost Sunday
May 28, 2023



PEACE



Jesus said to them again,
“Peace be with you. As
the Father has sent me,
so I send you.”

JOHN 20:21

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, May 29 Memorial Day	Mass	8:30 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack	
Tuesday, May 30	Mass	8:30 am	Cass Francis Mack	The Carr Family
Wednesday, May 31	Mass	8:30 am	Thomas & Patricia Shanley	The Metzger Family
Thursday, June 1	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, June 2	Mass	8:30 am	Deceased Members of the Parlon Family	Pam Oplawski
Saturday, June 3	Mass	8:30 am	Bess Mulhern Louie Marasovic	Marge Branecki April Pesut
	Reconciliation	9:00 am		
	Mass	5:00 pm	Denise Graney	The Driscoll Family
Sunday, June 4 The Most Holy Trinity	Mass	7:30 am	Wladyslawa Sliwa	The Dybas Family
	Mass	9:00 am	Rich Young	Lynn Regan
	Mass	11:00 am	Terry Conwell	Toni Conwell
	Mass	5:00 pm	People of the Parish	

Presider's Schedule for June 3-4, 2023

5:00 pm Fr. Ilo 7:30 am Fr. Milek 9:00 am Fr. Tkachuk 11:00 am Fr. Milek 5:00 pm Fr. Tkachuk

Please pray for . . .

Baby Finley Adkins Andy Allison John Baggio Dick Callahan Michael Cannon Jay Carroll Chili Challenger Laurie Coughlan Nancy Cuppage Rose Delabar Blake Donegan Barbara Doyle Matthew Doyle Jack Ferritor Lily Fielding Jim French Kathy Gleason Mary Grand Lilli Gregory Wilson Gregory Angela Hill Rose Ilo Mary J. Jane Jacobsen	Theresa Kandall Laurel Karlo Mark Kiley Rick Mahoney Mike Marro Lisa Massaro Ralph Metzger Patrick Morgan Gert Ogilvie Jane O'Reilly Gregory Osowski Rita Pantoni Beth Pfluger Geri Pfluger Madison Raupp Anna Rose Santa Snieg Rita Mae Spearman John Stopka John Strougal Carol Swiderski Olivia Tarsney Theresa Toher Liz Wilk Bill Witowski
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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:

Olivia Gilliland Denson

Mother of David, Grandmother of Olivia Denson

Judith Gusland

Wife of the late James
Mother of Mark, Peter & Alicia

Marge Reimann

Mother of Pat, Paul, Therese,
Archie, Matt, Jean & Peter

Winnie Sinnott

Mother of Jim, the late Joyce, Rick, Tom & Susan

Weddings



Katie Mortell & David Rosone
Lindsay Leiber & Jake Schultz

Make a gift to the Sunday
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Pastor's Letter

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled....
Acts of the Apostles 2:1

In the Jewish agricultural calendar, the Feast of Pentecost, or *Shavuot*, marked the celebration of the first harvest of the year. The life that returned to the earth with the coming of spring had begun to bear fruit. We tend to associate harvest with autumn. But in a desert climate, each harvest was significant, given the uncertainties of weather and other threats to crops. The feast brought people from all over the Jewish diaspora to Jerusalem for the celebration. Thus, it was not only a time ripe for the harvest of the earth, but a moment ripe for the first harvest of new disciples of Jesus from many lands.

On Pentecost Sunday, we hear two accounts of how the first disciples received the Holy Spirit. In John's gospel, Jesus gently breathes over the apostles on the morning of his Resurrection as he says, "Receive the Holy Spirit." The Spirit dwells in them; but they remain behind locked doors even after Jesus appears a second time to dispel the doubts of Thomas. In Luke's Acts of the Apostles, the Spirit appears in that same room fifty days later as "a strong driving wind" and "tongues of fire." They are driven from the room in which they were hiding and begin to boldly preach to peoples of the many lands of the Jewish diaspora in a language that all understand and that leads many to belief in Jesus.

How does the Spirit seek to inspire, breathe into, you this Pentecost? Does the Spirit enter as a gentle breath to stir your heart and lead you to reach out to others in love? Or does the Spirit enter as a strong, driving wind and send you to make Jesus known to others in a language that they will understand? The Spirit comes to inspire each of us that we might bring that breath of life to others. The gifts of the Spirit are many and diverse, as St. Paul reminds us today. It is in our communion of diverse gifts that we, a communion of believers, make Jesus present for others and fulfill our mission to bring his life to the world. We come together for Word and Eucharist each week to be sent out as the Body of Christ, bringing his healing message of God's love through the breath of the Spirit blowing through us.

How does the Spirit seek to inspire our faith community in the call to deepen our efforts to bring the message of Jesus to others in word and action? What is the "new harvest" that God wants to bring to fulfillment in this community through our lives? Are we willing to be the messengers of God's love in Christ through the power of the Spirit?

This weekend, we as a nation pause to remember and give thanks for the men and women who offered their lives in defense of our values. It is appropriate that our day of remembering has its roots in the aftermath of a war in which brothers and sisters fought one another over the future of this country. There are no winners in war. Both sides suffer the loss of loved ones and the painful consequences of taking a life, regardless of how just the cause or necessary the deaths. And so, we not only remember those who sacrificed their lives in war; we pray for the healing of those who still live with the emotional and physical wounds of war. We pray for the wisdom to avoid war whenever possible through peaceful resolution of conflict, so that no one need ever die in vain.

Pentecost Blessings,

J. Bill

ONGOING PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH

On Tuesday, the Illinois Attorney General's office released its completed report on the investigation of the Illinois Catholic dioceses' response to the child sexual abuse crisis. Once again, we mourn the grave damage done to the many people harmed by such abuse.

The Archdiocese of Chicago continues to strengthen and enforce policies and procedures to safeguard children against sexual abuse and provide pastoral support to those abused. Archdiocesan policies and procedures, first developed 30 years ago, endure and serve as a model for organizations and professionals throughout the US and the world that face their own reckonings.

St. Francis Xavier Parish and Elementary School remain in full compliance with these policies and procedures. You can read the Cardinal's statement in response to the report, the joint statement of all dioceses in the State of Illinois, and information from the Archdiocesan Office for the Protection of Children and Youth (OPCY), via the following link <https://agresponse.archchicago.org/>.

Job Opening: Parish Business Manager

The Business Manager is a professional administrator who reports directly to the Pastor. This minister assists the Pastor with stewardship of the financial and personnel resources of the parish, working closely with the Facility Manager, School Principal, Accountant, other staff members and volunteer leadership in managing our parish strategically and responsibly.

Primary Responsibilities are in the areas of:

1) Financial Management

- Prepares and analyzes the annual budget, balance sheet and income statements for the parish and elementary school.
- Supervises the Parish Accountant in maintaining bookkeeping functions.
- Meets with the Parish Finance Council at least five times per year. Advises and informs the Council regarding current giving trends, upcoming capital and annual projects, operating income, cash-flow analysis, and other pertinent information necessary for the Council to provide insight and assistance in the financial strategies of the Parish.
- Supports the facility manager, especially with respect to large capital expenditures and Archdiocesan contracts.
- Advises the pastor and principal on contracts and negotiates with the assistance of Archdiocesan attorneys and facility resources.

2) Personnel Management

- Implements Archdiocesan human resource policies related to hiring and termination, annual staff evaluations, and benefit administration.

3) Administration

- Manages the workforce timekeeping and payroll systems with the Parish Accountant.

Applicants may submit their resume to Jennifer Zeisloft (jzeisloft@sfxlg.org), or contact her for more information.



A Note From the Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Dear SFX Parish Family,

I am sad to announce that I will be leaving my position as Coordinator of Youth Ministry at the end of this summer. It has been such an honor to work with the teens of this parish through the monthly teen nights, Kairos retreats, Church League basketball and the upcoming mission trip. I want to thank you all for welcoming me, supporting the youth ministry program this past year, and making St. Francis Parish feel like home!

Jenette Teran



In observance of the Memorial Day holiday, the rectory will be closed on Saturday, May 27 through Monday, May 29.

We will reopen on Tuesday, May 30 at 8:30 am.

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 13

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

Catholic Women's Club

The St. Francis Xavier CWC (Catholic Women's Club) is seeking volunteers to support 2022/2023 efforts including service projects, event planning (including Ladies Day Out) and more. Join the fun and reach out to Lauren Desmond lauren.e.desmond@gmail.com or Erin Thunander erin.thunander@gmail.com if you'd like to get involved.

Our Parish Counselor

May can be the time of anticipation of summer. Many schools will be letting out in a few weeks, and the weather gets warmer. It looks as if the cold has finally ended. Much like the cold, some of our struggles can linger longer than we hope or anticipated. It can seem like freedom from these difficulties will never arrive. Though this can be a normal experience, it can also be disheartening because change is not coming fast enough. But, this does not mean you have to go at it alone. If you are looking for some help navigating through life's challenges, consider reaching out at 704-750-0686 or bc.shelly.claret@gmail.com.

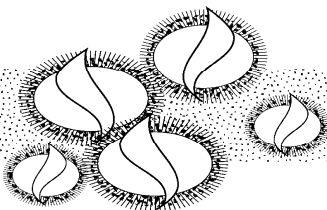


Companions Journeying Together

Thank you to all who provided cards for prisoners to use on Mother's Day. This year we distributed almost 4200 packets to men, women and youth in 17 jails and prisons.

Here's just one response to what that means to them: "It is such a big blessing to know many care about us and to know we're not forgotten. As you can imagine, in prison Mother's Day for most women is a difficult day. The cards go to Grandmothers, Mothers, Aunts, Children and Friends. It's a happy day in prison when we receive those beautiful packets."

If you wish to continue to reaching out to those in prison, as Jesus suggested, please consider signing up for our Service Day project to write Thinking of You notes.



VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

ALL PARISH SERVICE DAYS!

June 6-10, 2023

Doing God's Work in the World

Kick off your summer 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 ongoing! Go to: sfxlg.org under quicklinks

PAST SERVICE DAY REFLECTIONS

Seeing so many people turn out to help & their enthusiasm & enjoyment of the service renews my faith in God and my friends and neighbors. All Parish Service Day is a happy and social experience. (Helping Hand volunteer)

I had a really great experience at the food pantry while volunteering. It was an eye-opening opportunity to see what people are going through. I am grateful to serve our community in such a great way.

This gave me an amazing new perspective and made me feel more connected to my church and all the people in need out there. (Random Acts of Kindness volunteer)

It was a great feeling to connect with people who might feel forgotten. (Random Acts of Kindness volunteer)

Seeing the big smiles on the kids faces was amazing!! SFX is a special parish. (Challenger Baseball volunteer)

What we learned today is that we can do great work when we come together. (BEDS meals volunteer)

Incredible family experience to do all together on a Saturday. We all individually do so much and this was new and wonderful. (BEDS meals volunteer)

I really enjoyed interacting with the guests at the Saturday Meals Program. They were so appreciative of all our efforts. Many are seniors who just like the company and the good food.

My favorite part about Service Day was being in the presence of friends, both old and new.

SERVICE DAY OPPORTUNITIES

BEDS *servicing & visiting*

BEDS *meal packing (FULL)*

Blood Drive *donating*

Challenger Baseball *ball playing*

Companions Journeying Together *note writing*

Congregation of St. Joseph *gardening*

First Congo Saturday Meal Program *servicing & visiting*

Fisher House at Hines VA *delivering prayer shawls*

Fuller Center for Housing *blissing*

Helping Hand *gardening*

Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants *praying*

Interfaith Community Partners *flower arranging & visiting*

LaGrange Farmer Market *recycling*

Mission Our Lady of Angels *gardening, cleaning and packing*

Rosary *praying*

SFX Food Pantry *servicing, sorting and packing (FULL)*

Questions? Mary Freeman, Dir. of Community Outreach mfreeman@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168.



Sr. Women's Group Spring Luncheon

Thursday, June 15, 2023

Gathering @ 11:30am

Lunch @ Noon

Matrone's
9 E. 31st Street
La Grange Park, Illinois

*This is a reservation event.
RSVP with a payment of \$25 to the
Rectory by Wednesday, May 31.*

If transportation is a problem, call
Clare @ 708-420-2950 or Mary Sue @ 708-616-5474



Retired & Semi-Retired Men's Group
SUMMER BBQ

THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2023
REFRESHMENTS @ 11:30 AM
LUNCH @ NOON

RECTORY COURTYARD PATIO
124 NORTH SPRING AVENUE
LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS

RSVP TO THE RECTORY
@ 708-352-0168
BY NOON MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023



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St. Francis Xavier School is fortunate to have an active School Advisory Board (SAB) that works hard throughout the year on behalf of our parish school community.

WELCOME NEW SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Michelle Muñoz Durk: My husband, Byron, and I have two sons enrolled at SFX Catholic school, Adrian (3rd) and Julian(K), and have lived in the area for over seven years. Currently, I serve as a lector at SFX and am involved with the Advisory Board's finance committee. I grew up near Notre Dame, Indiana where my mother is a faculty member at Mendoza College of Business. I graduated from Notre Dame (Go Irish!) and obtained a law degree from Stanford Law School. My husband grew up in Cleveland and attended St. Ignatius and John Carroll University. After a brief residency in Miami, Florida while I clerked for a federal judge, we came to Chicago in 2012. I started my legal career at the law firm of Winston & Strawn LLP and later spent six years in the Securities & Exchange Commission's Division of Enforcement. Currently, I work in the legal department of JPMorgan Chase Bank on the Government Investigations and Regulatory Enforcement team.

Throughout my career, I have served on boards and teams responsible for developing strategic plans, initiatives, raising funds, organizing events, and engaging with relevant stakeholders. During law school, I was on the board of the Stanford Latino Law Student Association which organized events for the law school community and partnered with the administration on law student recruiting and diversity initiatives. At the SEC, I worked on enhancing diversity and inclusion programming and efforts through my roles on the Diversity Council and the Hispanic Advocacy and Leadership Organization group. I am excited to serve on the advisory board and carry on the stewardship efforts of those who have served in the past.

Wendy McCarthy: I have been the Development Director at Church of the Holy Family in Chicago for the past three years. Previously, I served as Major Gifts Officer, followed by Director of Alumni Relations for ten years at Saint Ignatius College Prep. I earned a B.A. in English from Loyola University of Chicago after graduating from Saint Ignatius College Prep. My husband, Dan, and I have been parishioners of St. Francis Xavier since 1992. Our daughters, Jessica and Abigail, were graduated from St. Francis Xavier. We have one granddaughter in kindergarten at St. Francis and a grandson beginning this fall. I specialize in alumni relations and fundraising.

Molly Olson: I have been a parishioner at St. Francis for the past six years, along with my husband, Karl, and our two children. Our son, Soren, is currently in Kindergarten, and our daughter, Saoirse, will be joining the SFX school family in the 2023-2024 school year. I've spent my professional career as a writer and editor, and for the past decade, I have worked for the American Society for Clinical Pathology, where I am the Director of Communications. I'm excited to step into the role of SAB board member, not only to help continue to foster the school's outstanding reputation but also to support our thriving community of families and teachers.

Katie Word: I am a proud mom to three wonderful kids: Jacqueline (5th grader SFX), Jonathan (4th grader SFX) and Evie (3-year-old future Falcon). My husband Mike and I moved to La Grange 9 months ago from the Lakeview neighborhood in Chicago and have loved our new community at SFX school and parish. Before SFX, we belonged to St. Josaphat Parish in Lincoln Park and our children attended school there. I was actively involved at St Josaphat, having served as secretary and vice president on the school's PTO board and volunteering frequently for parish events. I have worked at Google for the past 11 years, having roles in both our sales and product development organizations. Prior to Google, I worked in fundraising at the Adler Planetarium where I managed the museum's membership program and Annual Fund. I look forward to serving on the SFX school advisory board and believe in the value that a Catholic education provides our children. With my experience in project management, marketing, communication and fundraising, I hope to help shape the policies and practices that will support the growth and development of the school ensuring a vibrant school and parish community for years to come.

2023-2024 SFX SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD



Mike Stritch, Yr. 3
SAB Chairperson



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Development



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Wendy McCarthy, Yr. 1
Development



Molly Olson, Yr. 1
Marketing & Communications
Chair



Katie Word, Yr. 1
Strategic Planning

Open Staff Position: Youth Ministry Coordinator

We have been blessed to have Jenette Teran on staff as we restructured our program for high school youth this past year. Confirmation will now occur in the fall, beginning with the freshman class of 2023-2024. Freshmen then will join the parish youth ministry program, which is open to all high school students.

With Jenette's decision to leave at the end of this summer, we have begun the search for a new person to fill this position. The position description can be revised to accommodate a part time person; or expanded to cover one program that ministers to teens from both St. Francis Xavier and St. Cletus Parishes.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree (theology or pastoral ministry preferred, but not required)
- Excellent people skills with a heart for high school youth
- An approach to ministry rooted in personal prayer and scriptural reflection
- Experience working in a collaborative environment
- Excellent organizational skills
- Able and willing to work evening and weekend hours

If you or someone you know is qualified and interested, please contact Fr. Bill at wtkachuk@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168 x302.



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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708-352-2175 sfxlg.org/school

The flyer features a central illustration of a child sitting on a large pencil. To the right, a circular collage shows children engaged in various activities: playing with blocks, working with clay, and praying. The 'sfx' logo is prominently displayed in the center of the collage. The overall design is bright and inviting, with a color palette of blue, yellow, and red.



2023 Divorce and Beyond Support Spring Series

Thursday Evenings (7:00-8:15 pm) in Unity Hall
May 18 through June 29

Divorce and Beyond is a faith-based process for divorced adults designed to offer support, fellowship, and healing to those recently divorced or going through a divorce. Topics include: stress, anger, forgiveness, and healing. There is no cost to attend. There is a participant guide that may be ordered online when you register.

Register on line [Click Here](#) or call Melissa Westerhoff at 708-352-0168.



Grief Support Group

For 6 Weeks Beginning June 12
Mondays at 9:00 am
following the 8:30 mass in Unity Hall

Seasons of Hope at St. Francis Xavier Parish will meet over a 6-week period to help participants navigate the grief process. Anyone mourning the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend. It is suggested that participants allow 3-6 months from the time of loss before attending. Attending Mass is *not* a requirement for the group!

Participants say:

"The focus on prayer and scripture reminds me that God is within me."

"This group was just what I needed at this time."

"Meeting wonderful people because of difficult times is a blessing."

"Helpful and comforting for my healing."

[Click here](#) or call the rectory at 708-352-0168 for more information or to register.



The Well Spirituality Center
1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park
To register or find out more go to
www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048.

Bloom in June Annual Fundraiser on Saturday, June 3 at 4:00 pm Mass followed by Courtyard Cocktails, Dinner, and Good company, delicious Italian food, fabulous silent auction items, games and other delights await at The Well's annual fundraiser. This year we honor Carol and Bob Dobis and Janet and Bill Stauffer for their years of service to The Well. Ticket price: \$80 find out more information at: one.bidpal.net/bloominjune2023/welcome.



Summer Guided Retreat, with Option for Direction on Sunday, June 4 at 7:00 pm through Friday, June 9 at 4:00 pm Each morning retreatants will gather for a communal session of prayer and a presentation regarding the themes of Laudato Si', followed by the option for spiritual direction. In the evenings, gather for a sharing of the graces of the day. Retreatants will also gather communally for an opening session and a closing session. This retreat is a hybrid. Cost: \$600 overnight/\$500 Commuter/\$300 Zoom.

Interfaith Career Network

Quarterly Resume Review

Join us on Saturday, June 3rd from 9:00-11:00 am for a helpful 20-minute, one-on-one conversation with an HR, or other search-related professional. Pick up some new ideas and suggestions that could enhance or refresh your resume. Need some coaching with your elevator speech? Want to brush up on LinkedIn? This is your opportunity to add impact and clarity to your existing resume. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend. We look forward to seeing you at St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 West 55th Street, in LaGrange.

Visit us at www.interfaithcareernetwork.com for additional resources



Retired? Semi-retired?
Open the Doors of Your Heart!

Join the Ignatian Volunteers Corps! IVC is a program for retired adults which provides service, spiritual formation, and community. Volunteers are matched with meaningful opportunities to serve the poor and marginalized two days each week from September until June. Monthly, we come together for presentations, conversations and prayer based on Ignatian spirituality. Mass, lunch, and fellowship enrich these gatherings. Individual meetings with a spiritual reflector and an annual, two-night retreat help make IVC quite unique. Detailed information is online at www.ivcusa.org/chicago

To learn more about Ignatian Volunteer Corps, volunteer opportunities and to meet current volunteers, please attend an information session on Thursday, **June 8** at 2:00 pm here at **St. Francis Xavier in Unity Hall**.

Register online www.ivcusa.org or contact Jacqueline Fitzgerald 312-961-6206 or by email at jfitzgerald@ivcusa.org.

Engage Community Spring and Summer Events

All are welcome. Engage focuses on adults over 50 single, married, divorced, widowed, parishioners and visitors to foster Christian community through social and service events.



June 8 Lizzadro Museum Excursion

Where: 1220 Kensington Road
Oak Brook, IL 60523

When: 1:00 pm Thursday, June 8

What: The museum is dedicated to the lapidary arts with displays of gemstones, jewelry and bejeweled objects, and exhibits on earth science.

The local libraries offer discount passes. With the pass the fee for seniors is \$4

RSVPs are required for this event by June 5 to janeLGPark@gmail.com



June 28 Dinner at Buck's Pit Stop

Where: 6501 Kane Avenue
Hodgkins, IL 60525

When: 5:30 pm Wednesday, June 28

What: Homey and hospitable bar & grill with NASCAR memorabilia serving a variety of American food, plus beer, wine & cocktails. Participants will be responsible for their tab.

RSVPs are required for this event by June 23 to janeLGPark@gmail.com

Please email Jane with any questions. Save the date for our July 12 and July 29 events; information to follow.



Juneteenth

celebrate freedom

You're invited to join us for an hour of prayer, recognition, restoration, celebration, and continuation of Juneteenth.

Monday, June 19, 2023 • 4:30 p.m.

LaGrange Community Center
200 S. Washington, LaGrange, IL

Rain or Shine • Refreshments Afterward

Featuring Dr. Bessie Emerson Boyd,
Host and Moderator

Honoring Minister Lynn Lacey,
East LaGrange Community Organizer and Resident

Welcome by Mark Kuchler, Village of LaGrange President

The Juneteenth National Independence Day Act (2021) created a federal holiday to commemorate the freedom for black slaves in Texas and Louisiana on June 19, 1865. Though President Lincoln had signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, news of this freedom was obstructed for two more long years of slavery. June 19 has since become a day of restoration and celebration.

No one is free until everyone is free.

– Fannie Lou Hamer

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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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School Office Coordinator
Parish School Secretary
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Tuition Accounts
Director of Religious Education
Religious Education Administrative Assistant

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Parish Accountant
Pastor's Secretary
Parish Secretary
Staff Secretary
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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.

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