

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
The Body and Blood of Christ
June 11, 2023



REMAIN



“Whoever eats my flesh and
drinks my blood remains in
me and I in him.”

JOHN 6:56

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, June 12	Mass	8:30 am	Dale Wagner Herbert & Mary Schrack Raymond Besch	Tom & Jennifer Crooks Richard Hayes & Family
Tuesday, June 13	Mass	8:30 am	Gary Molinari	The Molinari Family
Wednesday, June 14	Mass	8:30 am	Greg Freda	Lou Freda, Nancy Cozzi & Family
Thursday, June 15	Rosary Adoration	8:15 am 6:00 pm		
Friday, June 16	Mass	8:30 am	Dick & Besse Parlon	Pam Oplawski
Saturday, June 17	Mass	8:30 am	Edna Barry	The Zahorik Family
	Reconciliation	9:00 am		
	Mass	5:00 pm	Jim Kraft	Steve Eaton
Sunday, June 18 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	7:30 am	Nick Caldruo	JoAnn & Dave Urani
	Mass	9:00 am	James Mooney	The Stephenson & McKenna Families
	Mass	11:00 am	Sam Cuba	The Moskos & Marske Families
		No 5:00 pm Mass		

Presider's Schedule for June 10-11, 2023

5:00 pm Fr. Milek

7:30 am Fr. Tkachuk

9:00 am Fr. Milek

11:00 am Fr. Tkachuk

5:00 pm Fr. Milek

Please pray for . . .

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

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

Born Into Eternal Life



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

Weddings



Katie Mortell & David Rosone
Lindsay Leiber & Jake Schultz

Summer Rectory Hours

**The rectory will be open from
8:30 am until 4:30 pm
starting now
Monday through Friday and
Saturdays 9:00 am until 12:00 pm.**

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



Pastor's Letter

We, though many, are one body.
1 Corinthians 10:17

This is what it means to be a Eucharistic people. Christ offers us his Body; in our Amen we are joined to him and all others who say Amen. We become one body in all the richness of our diversity. St. Paul uses the image of the body several times in his writings as an image of us as church. We are people of many diverse gifts; not one of us intended to be all for all others. It is our coming together and encouraging one another to share what we have been given to share that we become church. And it is in our going out from our house of worship after having been re-formed once again as one body in Christ that we serve as the hands and feet and voice and heart of Christ in the world.

Our vibrancy as a faith community comes from the willingness of each of us to share what we have been given – to serve as the part of the body that corresponds to our gifts and talents. During the most intense period of the pandemic, our ministries were limited both in number and diversity. During those years, many parishioners discerned that it was time to retire from a former ministry and discern a new way to serve. As a result, many of our ministries are eager to receive new people who feel called to serve. It may be as lector, communion minister, or greeter several times each month. It may be offering hospitality at parish weddings or funerals. It may be gardening or knitting or building homes in Mississippi. It may be praying the Rosary on Thursday morning or coming to Adoration on the third Thursday of the month. As Christ feeds you this day, how does he invite you to feed others as you go forth into your week.

This weekend we celebrate our annual week that focuses on **service to our community**. Thank you to all who are participating in any of the many opportunities that our Outreach Coordinator, Mary Freeman, has organized for this year. God has been so good to us. Christ continues to desire to dwell in us. The Spirit continues to send us into the world with precious gifts. May our service be an act of gratitude for God's many blessings.

Four parishioners were honored last Saturday evening for their dedicated service to the Well Spirituality Center, a ministry closely connected to the Congregation of St. Joseph. The first sisters of St. Joseph came to La Grange over 100 years ago to teach the children of this parish. Through The Well, they now offer faith enrichment and spiritual experiences for all adults in our community and beyond. Several decades ago, **Bill and Janet Stauffer and Bob and Carol Dobis** became lay associates of the community and have since dedicated themselves to the mission of The Well and the efforts necessary to keep it vibrant and growing. They continue the tradition of a close relationship between our parish and the women of the Congregation of St. Joseph. God bless you all.

Finally, **congratulations to all the graduates of the Class of 2023** as you complete your years in elementary school, high school, or college education. We give thanks for your diverse blessings and talents and offer our prayers as you move on to the next chapter in your life. I hope that this will continue to involve that faith community of St. Francis Xavier, and give thanks for whatever communities you may serve in the future.

Summer Peace,

J. Bill

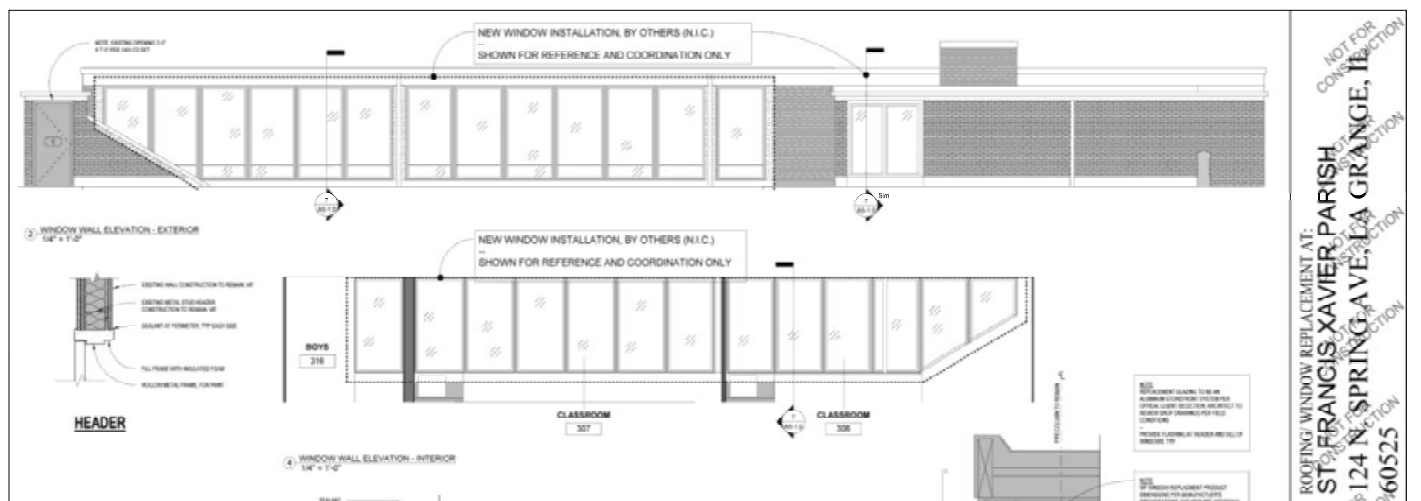
COMING THIS SUMMER TO SFX MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Last fall in our Annual Report, we noted that a major construction project for the Education Building was in the works. Summer is upon us, and it is time to begin! Ward Contracting and Building Restoration will oversee the demolition of our existing second floor roof and third floor classroom masonry and windows (southern exposure). The windows and roof are decades-old, and the Buildings and Grounds Committee has been prioritizing their replacement for several years. The photos demonstrate how the roof retains water after rainfall. In order to pitch the new roof to facilitate drainage, the third floor Education Building south-facing wall needs to be raised, and so the B&G Committee recommended the old windows be replaced at the same time to reduce the impact of harsh elements from southern exposure. It was further determined that, while Ward is up there, additional tuckpointing and masonry work should be completed beyond the scope of the original project.

This summer, in our school parking lot, you may see evidence of this construction project: forklifts, dumpsters, brick, vacuum trucks, cranes, etc. The project is expected to be completed by early August. The Finance Council recommended allocation of parish savings to cover this project, costing almost \$700,000.

We are grateful to have solid parish savings to enable us to move forward with this critical project without a capital campaign. Fundraising completed by organizations including the Catholic Women's Club has also been instrumental in covering a portion of this project. Thank you to all whose financial support continues to bless the parish as we strive to maintain our thriving campus!

Jennifer Zeisloft, Director of Stewardship and Development
Antonio Franceschi, Facility Manager
Buildings and Grounds Committee:
Jim Andreoni, Keli Dudek, Clay Edwards, Frank Mungo, and Patrick Lach





COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

This weekend, there will be a special collection for the Retired Priests. There are over 200 Retired Archdiocesan Priests. They represent 30% of all the priests serving in the Archdiocese. Normal retirement age is 70 for Chicago priests. Sixty-five priests still live in a rectory and assist the parish on a regular basis. Close to 140 retired priests celebrate Sunday Mass weekly, perform marriages and baptisms; and visit the sick in hospitals. Without these dedicated men, many parishes would not be able to offer the full range of Masses and sacraments that are currently available.

This collection is solely for the retired priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The retired priests of the Archdiocese receive no funds from the Religious Retirement Collection taken up in December. Those funds go for religious nuns and brothers and religious order priests.

The Archdiocese of Chicago is committed to caring for our retired priests, but we need your assistance and the generosity of every parish community.

To donate, [click here](#) or visit our parish website, or place your donation in an envelope marked "Retired Priest's Collection" and drop it off in the rectory mail slot or in a church collection box.

Thank you for your generosity.

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.

ONGOING PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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.

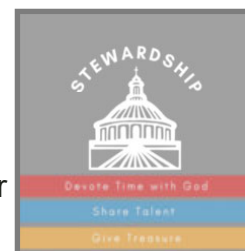
2) Personnel Management

- 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.



An update on Mission Work in Africa

In March 2022, our bulletin included the wonderful news of an irrigation system implemented in Burkina Faso. With the assistance of a donor from SFX Parish, this project was completed in December 2021. Below is a synopsis of a letter from Béatrice Faye, Sister of Immaculée Conception de Castres, which updated us on the impact this project has had on the local community.

By taking into account the way people organize themselves locally and learn to live in their environment, with openness to integrate external knowledge and practices, this project has demonstrated the synergistic link between culture and development within the context of their mission.

Access to drinking water for both consumption and market gardening has been accomplished. Each group of 5-8 women, having their own plot can sow the vegetables of their choice (beans, okra, salad, cucumbers, peppers, etc.). It serves both for their own consumption and for sale to others. The little money earned is used to pay for children's schooling or care.

More than 40 women have benefited from this project. Behind every woman there is a family of 8 to 10 people. This project indirectly reached at least 400 people.

The women thank the parish for our support and send us their blessing!





Your Gift, God's Hands

Total Collection

This Year through May 2023:	\$1,636,441
Last Year through May 2022:	\$1,619,833
Annual Offertory Budget:	\$1,832,950

A message from Father Bill:

We approach the end of a parish year marked by the return to a fuller parish life. The Men's Club Pig Roast, the Women's Club Pre-Lenten Event, Parish Service Day, all four parish choirs, the on-site School of Religious Education, and Name Tag Sundays are some of the ways we have been renewed our life as a faith community. The investment of parishioners made this possible.

We hope to expand the ways we have helped people to connect more deeply with our personal experiences of God and the love and mercy of Jesus, such as the Women's Retreat and "That Man Is You." Next year we will explore even more ways to bring the fire of the Spirit into our families, neighborhoods, and community. Each year I pray about how God is asking me to expand my contribution to our mission with the gifts with which God has blessed me. And each year, God shows me how to stretch a little bit further.

F. Bill

Our fiscal year closes at the end of this month. Our plans for next year rely in part on how we close out the current year. Please prayerfully consider making or increasing your gift within the next two weeks. You can use this QR code; or visit the parish website at www.sfxlg.org and click DONATE. We are so grateful for your support.



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 either Lauren Desmond lauren.e.desmond@gmail.com or Erin Thunander erin.thunander@gmail.com if you'd like to get involved.

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.

Religious Education News **Your Gift and Talent is Needed!**



Are you ready to share your faith with the youth of our parish?! WE NEED YOU! You don't need training as a teacher, you just need a love for Jesus! Catechesis will be offered both online and in person this year by grade level bi-monthly, so I am looking for many volunteers to step forward to join in this new journey. Please contact me if you are interested in becoming a catechist or catechist assistant for the 2023-2024 school year at sfxreligious@sfxlg.org.

Register Today!

Register Now for K – 8 Religious Education, Don't Delay!

The School of Religious Education is now accepting registration for the 2023-2024 school year.

We are happy to be able to offer two options to families:

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!

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

Click "**Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is now open!**" to register.

St. Francis Xavier School Early Childhood Education



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Pre - K 4
All Day or
Half Day Mornings

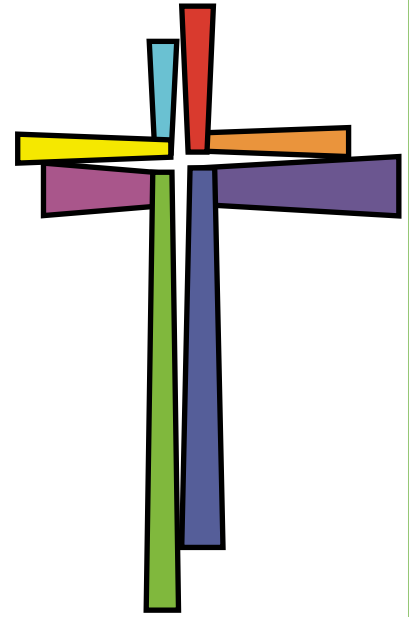
Kindergarten
All Day or
Half Day Mornings

COME GROW WITH US!

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



Thanks to Everyone for Supporting our
All Parish Service Days



May Christ's
Light
continue to shine at

BEDS, Bethlehem Woods,
Challenger Baseball, Companions Journeying Together,
Congregation of St. Joseph, First Congregational Church,
Fisher House, Food Pantry, Fuller Center for Housing,
Helping Hand, Interfaith Community for Detained
Immigrants, Interfaith Community Partners,
La Grange Farmers Market, Mission OLA, Plymouth Place,
Rosary, SFX Food Pantry, Versiti Blood Drive, and the
St. Francis Xavier Parish Community

AUDITIONS



If You Missed the Auditions for
LATTE Theater's
Murder on the Orient Express
SUMMER PROGRAM!

Please contact Felicia Pfluger, Producer/Artistic Director at 708-655-0989 by texting or calling to schedule your appointment!

<https://www.lattetheater.com/make-your-summer-amazing-murder-on-the-orient-express/>

Knights of Columbus LaGrange Council 6483



Catholic men 18 years and older are invited to our monthly meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm in Unity Hall at St. Francis Xavier Parish. Our social is held on the third Wednesday of the month.

For more information, please contact Mark Azzi at 708-732-5289.



Kitchen Angels

The Kitchen Angels are a group of parishioners who help people by bringing meals to their homes. The Kitchen Angels have been in existence for many years yet many of our parishioners are not aware of this outreach ministry.

If you know of a person or a family who could use some meals, or if you are interested in becoming a Kitchen Angel, please contact **Susie Lehuta** at 708-354-6380 or lehutams@gmail.com.

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.



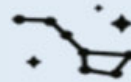
June 28 Dinner at Buck's Pit Stop

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

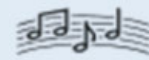


July 12 Gather for Music Under the Stars

Where: Memorial Park in LaGrange Park

When: 7:00-8:30 pm, Wednesday, July 12

What: South of Disorder (Jimmy Buffet Band). Bring lawn chairs or a blanket. Free.



July 29 West Suburban Symphony at Cantigny

Where: Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road
Wheaton, IL

When: 7:00 pm, Saturday, July 29

What: **SIMPLY THE BEST MOVIE MUSIC**

The concert includes tunes from *E.T.*, *Jurassic Park*, *Pirates of the Caribbean*, Disney, and Pixar movies, and much more. Cost: \$15 per car.

Please email Jane with any questions at janeLGPark@gmail.com.

BODY BLOOD
SOUL DIVINITY



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

Pastor
Associate Pastor
Deacon
Deacon
Pastoral Associate
Director of Community Outreach
Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister
Weekend Sacramental Minister

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Parish Accountant
Pastor's Secretary
Parish Secretary
Staff Secretary
Facilities Manager

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Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday.....8:30 am-4:30 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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