

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 2, 2023



REWARD



“Amen, I say to you,
he will surely not lose
his reward.”

MATTHEW 10:42

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, July 3	Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
Tuesday, July 4 Fourth of July	Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
Wednesday, July 5	Mass	8:30 am	Bernard Urycki Bill Gallagher	Pat Urycki The Enderle Family
Thursday, July 6	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, July 7	Mass	8:30 am	John Thoms Linda Bieniek Mike Konstant	Joan Thoms Bonnie Falcone The Konstant Family
Saturday, July 8	Mass Reconciliation Mass	8:30 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm	People of the Parish People of the Parish	
Sunday, July 9 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Mass Mass Mass	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	People of the Parish Rosemary Fanta Art Allis People of the Parish	The Huang Family The John & Joan O'Halloran Family

Presider's Schedule for July 1-2, 2023

5:00 pm Fr. Cyscon

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

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:

Camila Flores

Mother of Jenny, Martha, Jacqueline, Amanda, Camilo, Hector and Marilyn

Weddings



Katie Mota & Gino Scalise

4th of July



In observance of the July 4th Holiday, the rectory office will close on Monday, July 3 at 4:30 pm. We will reopen on Wednesday, July 5 at 8:30 am.

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



SUMMER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

In June, our project hummed along on schedule!



All the stones you see on the rooftop were vacuumed up in preparation for the new roof to be installed.



While masons were on our rooftop to do work on the windows, the B&G Committee recommended we add tuckpointing on the chimney stack.

Antonio Franceschi (our Facility Manager) and Frank Mungo (from our Buildings and Grounds Committee) also conferred on the heating system in a classroom on the third floor.



Make an investment in our project by contributing to the Building Fund! Use this QR code or visit our website www.sfxlg.org and click on **Donate**.

DMI SURVEY RESULTS

Dear St. Francis Xavier Family,

Thank you to all who took time this past Lent to complete the Disciple Maker Index survey. **271 parishioners**, which accounts for about **27% of those who attend Mass regularly**, shared their input on several aspects of faith and community life at St. Francis Xavier. As you may recall, the survey asked questions about each parishioner's own journey of discipleship and how well the parish and the pastor are supporting you along the way.

Our Parish Pastoral Council, pastoral staff, our parish Evangelization Team, and I will take time when we resume meeting in late August to review and interpret the results and develop a comprehensive report on what was collectively shared. Following that initial assessment, and guided by our parish Evangelization Team, we will identify actions to address specific areas of growth – whether for the parish or for me, personally, as pastor.

I am grateful to everyone in our parish for what you have contributed through this survey. I welcome further input from any who have not yet participated; the August report will provide more direction for your feedback. In so many ways you have witnessed that we, as a community of faith, are hungry to grow closer to our Lord and to assist one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. I look forward to sharing more in the coming months and working with all of you to continue renewing our local Church and our community of faith.

Summer Peace,
Fr. Bill

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.



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.



Support the Works of the Holy Father Through The Peter's Pence Collection

Be a sign of mercy.

This weekend there will be a collection for Peter's Pence. This is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.

How You Can Help

PRAY

Pray for the Holy Father, for those he reaches out to serve in compassion, and for the ongoing activities of the Holy See, all of which benefit from the Peter's Pence Collection.

SHARE

Share this bulletin insert with anyone who might be interested.

GIVE

Give generously to this collection as a sign of mercy to those who suffer around the globe and in support of the ongoing work of the Holy See. By doing so, you help build up the Church so that it will continue to minister to all for generations to come.

To donate, [click here](#), visit our parish website, or place your donation in an envelope marked "Peter's Pence" drop it off in the rectory mail slot or a church collection box. Thank you for your generosity.

Ushers Needed

We are in need of Ushers for the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass for the summer to help with the collection.

If you are a regular at this Mass and you can help, please call, text or email me.

Mike Hattie, Head Usher at 708-207-2780 mobile
michaelhattie@sbcglobal.net.

Welcome

We welcome the following parishioners who have registered during the month of June:

- Leonel & Eden Alvarez
- George & Kathy Black
- Mary Caiafa
- Matthew & Emilee Carfarelli
- Jeff & Lara Delheimer
- Jason & Elizabeth Lorenzo
- Josh & Mary Markou
- Brent & Meghan Nolan
- Johnathan Silvar & Jenny Mancilla
- Matthew & Erin Smith
- Diane Sopata
- Trent & Claire Warren



ST. CLETUS PARISH

INDEPENDENCE DAY MASS

Tuesday
July 4th - 8 a.m.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL TRADITION AS
WE PRAY FOR AND HONOR ALL MILITARY
PERSONNEL AT OUR 8:00 AM MASS.

MUSIC WILL BE LED BY THE ANNUAL
ST. CLETUS INDEPENDENCE DAY BAND,
AND AN HONOR GUARD WILL PROCESS
AS PART OF OUR LITURGY.

WE INVITE ANY VETERANS OR THOSE ON
ACTIVE DUTY TO WEAR THEIR UNIFORMS
(OR SOME PIECE OF THEIR UNIFORMS) AND
TO SIT TOGETHER BY BRANCHES OF SERVICE.

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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.

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Half Day Mornings



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Prayer Shawl Ministry in Partnership with Fisher House

The Fisher House Foundation builds comfort homes where military and veteran families can stay free of charge while a loved one is in the hospital. Currently 95 of these homes are located worldwide at military and VA medical centers.

We have one in the state of Illinois and it is located on the campus of Hines VA in Maywood, Illinois. It was built in 2010 and has 20 suites with private bedrooms and baths. Families share a common kitchen, laundry facilities, a warm dining room and an inviting living room.

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry contacted the Fisher House Manager at Hines. Holly Wright was very enthusiastic with having a partnership and sharing our prayer shawls and lap blankets with our hospitalized veterans.

Rita Baumgart, Mary Freeman and I went to Fisher House and delivered 6 lap blankets and 4 prayer shawls on June 8th. We hope that when our supply allows, that we can continue to share prayer shawls and lap blankets with our hospitalized veterans.

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry will have one meeting this summer on Wednesday, July 12th from 7:00 until 8:00 in Unity Hall. Our mission is to provide comfort and strength with our prayer shawls and lap blankets to those within our community who need this support. With our new partnership with Fisher House, we would love to encourage more members of our St. Francis community to give thought to joining our ministry. Beginning skills in knitting and/or crocheting is required.

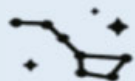
There are volunteer opportunities which would include cooking and preparing meals, donations of household products and more at Fisher House. If interested, please contact Holly Wright at holly.wright@va.gov. The website to Fisher House Foundation is fisherhouse.org.



Any questions regarding the Prayer Shawl Ministry, please contact Mary Ellyn Witt at mewittlagrange@yahoo.com.

Engage Community Spring and Summer Events

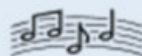
All are welcome. Engage focuses on adults over 50 single, married, divorced, widowed, parishioners and visitors to foster Christian community through social and service events.



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.

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



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.

Free Senior Baseball Outing

Sponsored By: Conboy's Westchester Funeral Home, 10501 West Cermak Road, Westchester

When: Sunday, July 23, 2023~Schaumburg Boomers vs Trois-Rivières Aigles at the Schaumburg Boomers Stadium

Included:

- FREE bus transportation to and from the game
- FREE admission tickets to the game
- FREE lunch with soft drinks served inside the Schaumburg Stadium Club

Schedule:

- Boarding of the buses will begin at 11:00 am
- Departure will be at 11:15 am sharp, from the Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home
- Game time is 1:00 pm
- Return time to Funeral Home is approximately 5:00 pm

Sign Up Now (limited tickets) Registration ends on Monday, July 3rd

Call Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home at 708-562-5900. Please provide your Name, Address, and Phone Number. Postcards will be sent approximately two weeks before the event with more information and Your Bus Number.

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, July 11

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



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

Ignatian Volunteer Corps is hosting an information session at St. John of the Cross, 5005 Wolf Road in Western Springs on Thursday, July 13 at 2:00 pm.

Join the **Ignatian Volunteer Corps!** Members of this Jesuit service program volunteer in underserved, marginalized communities two days per week (September-June), grow deeper in their Christian faith by reflecting and praying in the Ignatian tradition, and meet monthly with other IVC members and a spiritual reflector. IVC members serve as tutors, employment counselors, food pantry volunteers, companions to the elderly, hospital chaplains, and more! Detailed information is online at www.ivcusa.org.

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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 708-732-5287.



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
- **Lt. Ryan Lavine, U.S. Army**—nephew of Kim & Vince Henehan

**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 Web Site.....www.sfxlg.org

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

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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