SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 9, 2023



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"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened."

MATTHEW 11:28

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, July 10	Mass	8:30 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack	
Tuesday, July 11	Mass	8:30 am	Gregory Van Gorp	The Van Gorp Family
Wednesday, July 12	Mass	8:30 am	James Tio	Mary Tio
Thursday, July 13	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, July 14	Mass	8:30 am	John L. Barry	The Zahorik Family
Saturday, July 15	Mass Reconciliation	8:30 am 9:00 am	People of the Parish	
	Mass	5:00 pm	Zoe Zurbowski	Bob Driscoll
Sunday, July 16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Mass Mass Mass	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Josie & Don Kalkowski Kathy Ogg Pat Callahan People of the Parish	The Kalkowski Family Barb & Bill Ring Joan Cushing

Presider's Schedule for July 8-9, 20235:00 pm Fr. Killeen7:30 am Fr. Milek9:00 am Fr. Killeen11:00 am Fr. Milek5:00 pm Fr. Cyscon

Please pray for . . .

Baby Finley Adkins Andy Allison Kathy Armstrong John Baggio David Calderone Dick Callahan Jay Carroll Chili Challender Laurie Coughlan Nancy Cuppage Rose Delabar Blake Donegan Barbara Doyle Matthew Doyle Lily Fielding Kathy Gleason Mary Grand Lilli Gregory Angela Hill Rose IIo Marv J. Jane Jacobsen Theresa Kandall Laurel Karlo

Mark Kiley **Rick Mahoney** Mike Marro Lisa Massaro Ralph Metzger Patrick Morgan Ray Monzel Gert Oailvie Jane O'Reilly Rita Pantoni **Beth Pfluger** Geri Pfluger Anna Rose Santa Snieg Rita Mae Spearman John Stopka John Strougal Richie Szatkowski Olivia Tarsney Theresa Toher Rose Wall Liz Wilk **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.





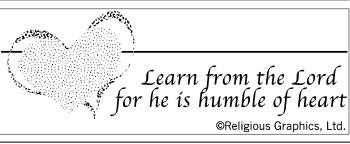
Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, as well as their families:

> Albert Gimesky Husband of Barbara Father of Jill

Weddings



Katie Mota & Gino Scalise



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



SUMMER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

As the month of June ended, our project hummed along on schedule!



The large specialized truck in the photo is a Hydroexcavator used to remove the 10,000 square feet of gravel that covered the old roof.



Ward Contracting & Building Restoration, Inc. spent an entire day vacuuming stone off the rooftop.



Ward roofers installed the new roofing material while torching the seams together.



Make an investment in our project by contributing to the Building Fund! Use this QR code or visit our website <u>www.sfxlg.org</u> 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. 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 <u>all</u> 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 <u>wtkachuk@sfxlg.org</u> or 708-352-0168 x302.

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.

Are you (or is someone you know) thinking about becoming Catholic?

Mid-September we will start a new round of our collaborative RCIA journey with St. John of the Cross and St. Cletus. RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - is the process of spiritual and educational formation through which adults become fully initiated members of the Roman Catholic Church.

We are asking for your help identifying and personally inviting

anyone who might be considering becoming Catholic. They could be unbaptized or baptized Christians who want to accept the Catholic faith. RCIA is also designed for Catholics who have not yet received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. The number one reason women and men join the RCIA process is that someone they trust invited them to consider it. Please give it some thought!

If *you* **are interested in the RCIA journey** yourself, be bold! We would love to talk with you. No commitment necessary. Check out what previous participants had to say about their journey:

"I knew very little about the Catholic faith coming in...I loved being able to reflect on the topics as a group. Each RCIA volunteer brought a different perspective which was incredible and eye-opening. It was a long yet necessary journey!"

"I most enjoyed being able to share this special journey with others going through the same process."

"It's a great experience and worth the time."

Email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org for more information.

Cour Parish Counselor



My practicum training has come to a close, and I want to say thank you to everyone. This past year has been a wonderful experience. After some time away in July, I will be returning to SFX in August for a supplemental practicum. Though I will be returning in a lesser compacity, I will be available for SFX and for any referrals to Claret Center if needed. Thank you very much for a good year and I look forward to seeing you again. I will have the same contact information at 704-750-0686 or <u>bc.shelly.claret@gmail.com</u>.

Are You Registered As Parishioners? Do We Have A Record of Your Children?

We invite all to register as parishioners. If you are not receiving periodic mailings from the parish, you are not in our database. A registration form can be picked up at the back of the Church or you can fill it out on our website at www.sfx-lg.org.

To help with our planning, we also ask that you let us know about your children, so that they can also be included in the database. Sometimes children are baptized elsewhere or families move into the parish after their children have been baptized. Consequently, we don't know about them until it is time to register for the Day School or for Religious Education. Again, the registration form available at the back of the Church or on the website can be used for this purpose.

Thank you for helping us keep our information as up-to-date as possible!



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 <u>mewittlagrange@yahoo.com</u>.

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.

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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 <u>sfxreligioused@sfxlg.org</u>.



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 <u>at least</u> 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.



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 <u>lauren.e.desmond@gmail.com</u> or Erin Thunander <u>erin.thunander@gmail.com</u> 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.



Experience Making a Difference

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 Jesuit service volunteer this program 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.

CASTING NOW AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

For the parts of: General MacKenzie Rogers

Full Length Murder Mystery Play Teens 13 -19 Roles played in any gender Scholarships Available

> Text or Call for your Audition 708-655-0989 https://www.lattetheater.com/register/

Be part of the iconic cast of Agatha Christie's And Then There Were None. Enjoy LATTE's suspenseful thriller that was the basis for Clue, with enough comedy and mystery to leave you on the edge of your seat! Ten strangers on a clandestine island. Each holds a murderous secret. All are welcome. All under false pretenses. Their host, an eccentric millionaire, is missing. A secret recorded message is played accusing each of them of having gotten away with murder. One by one the quests begin to die at the hands of a diabolical avenger via means foreshadowed by a nursery rhyme above the mantel...until there were none. Stranded and haunted, we ask...which of them is the killer? We watch with bated breath, waiting for the killer to strike again. Be part of the cast of this masterfully mysterious and macabre puzzle, directed by Felicia Pfluger.

Practices are Monday-Friday 12:00-3:00 pm Performance Dates: July 28th-30th Mandatory Heck Week: Starts July 20th and continues every day from then to the Performance Dates

You must be available for every practice during Heck Week and all day on all Show Dates. <u>www.lattetheater.com</u>



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
- Chief Petty Officer Marko Mandac, Navy Reserve-husband of Anna, son-in-law of David & Lynn Rogers

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

Education Ministry

Parish School Principal Assistant Principal School Office Coordinator Parish School Secretary Director of Marketing & Enrollment Tuition Accounts Director of Religious Education Religious Education Administrative Assistant

Youth Ministry

Coordinator

Music Ministry Director

Parish Office Staff

Director of Stewardship and Operations Parish Accountant Pastor's Secretary Parish Secretary Staff Secretary Facilities Manager

Contact Information

Parish Office124 N. Spring	
St. Francis Xavier Day School	708-352-2175
School of Religious Education	708-352-4555
S.P.R.E.D. (Special Religious Education)	708-352-0168
Fax Number	708-352-4904
e-Mail	sfxinlg@sfxlg.org
Main Day School e-Mail	sfxmain@sfxlg.org
Main Religious Education e-Mail	sfxreligioused@sfxlg.org
Parish Web Site	www.sfxlg.org

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Saturday9	: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

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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			

Rev. William Tkachuk Rev. Richard Milek Andrew Allison Phil Gianatasio Margaret McMahon Mary Freeman Rev. William Killeen Rev. Stan Ilo

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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

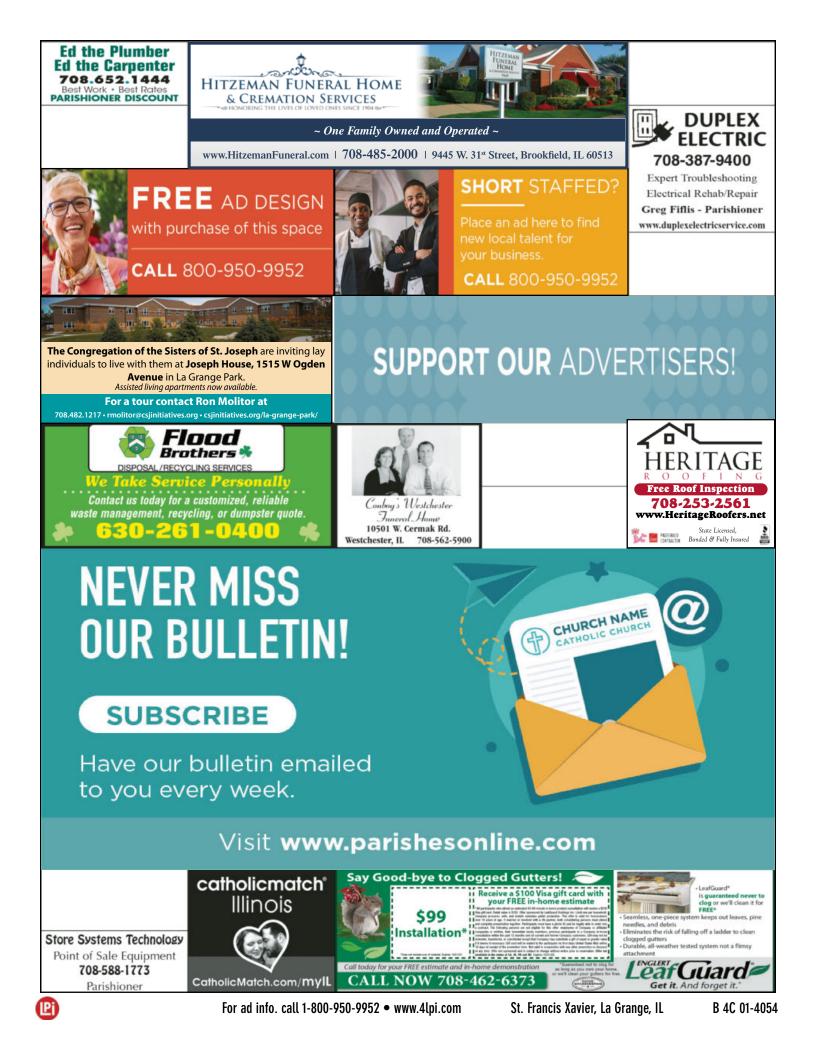
Please call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism or email Missy Westerhoff at sfxinlg@sfxlg.org to schedule a date.

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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