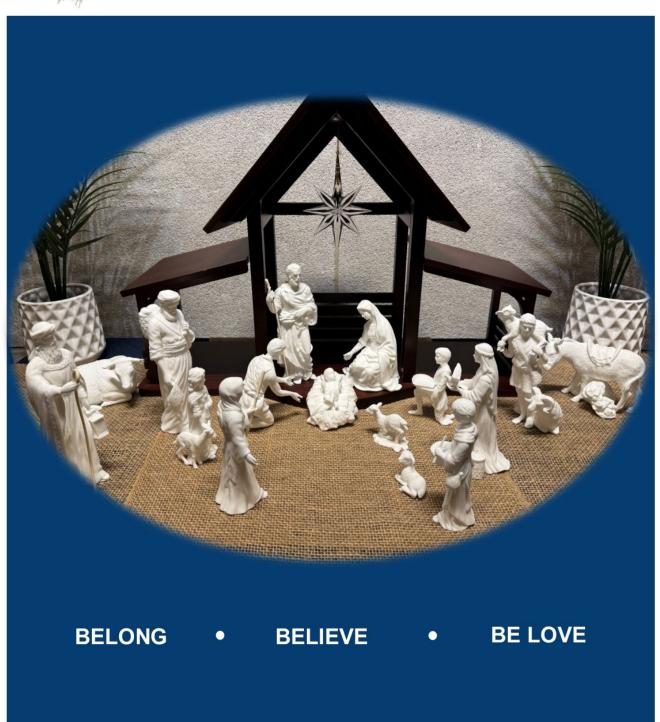


SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH 4th Sunday of Advent, December 21, 2025 Christmas Day, December 25, 2025



Week at a Glance Intention Requested By 8:30 am Herbert & Mary Schrack Monday, December 22 Mass Ernie Froemel 8:30 am Tuesday, December 23 Mass The Froemel Family Wednesday, December 24 3:00 pm Alexine Chapel Mass Christmas Eve Mass 3:00 pm Church (Livestream) (Overflow in Joyce Hall) 5:00 pm Church Mass Mass 7:00 pm Church Mass Midnight Church Thursday, December 25 Mass 9:00 am Church 11:00 am Church Christmas Dav Mass Friday, December 26 Mass 8:30 am Dennis Schumacher Wally & Maryann Wydra Saturday, December 27 Mass 8:30 am Linda McMahon The McMahon Family Reconciliation 9:00 am Mass 5:00 pm Anna Russo The Cooley Family Sunday, December 28 7:30 am Edward Glynn Bridget Glynn Manning Mass 9:00 am Tom & Joan Flynn Mary Lou & George Braasch The Holy Family Mass Mass 11:00 am Kevin Smith The Allinson Family Meg Duranty The Michael Griffin Family Mass 5:00 pm

Presider's Schedule for December 20-21, 2025

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

Presider's Schedule for December 24-25, 2025

3:00 pm Alexine Chapel Fr. Milek 3:00 pm Church Fr. Chrzan 5:00 pm Fr. Milek 7:00 pm Fr. Ilo Midnight Fr. Chrzan

9:00 am Fr. McCarthy 11:00 am Fr. Chrzan

Please Note: Rosary will not be held at 8:15 am on Thursday, December 25 or Thursday, January 1 due to Christmas and New Years Day

Please pray for . . .

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Frank Zolfo, Jr.

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Mary Terese Walsh Sister of Tim Walsh



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Pastor's Letter

Fourth Sunday of Advent - A Light Rising in the Darkness

This Fourth Sunday of Advent brings us to the quiet threshold of Christmas, where hope and fulfillment meet. In today's first reading, the prophet Isaiah promises a sign from God: "The virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel." This is not just a prophecy - it's God's way of saying, "I am with you in every darkness. I am coming close." Joseph, in the Gospel, receives this same assurance in a dream. His fears are calmed, his path is made clear, and he becomes the guardian of God's great promise. Through their humble "yes," Mary and Joseph show us how to welcome Christ: with trust, openness, and quiet courage.

Providentially, the Fourth Sunday of Advent also falls on the day of the Winter Solstice. Today marks the longest night of the year - and the turning point when darkness begins to give way to light. What a remarkable parallel to our Advent journey! Just as the natural world slowly brightens from this day forward, so too our hearts look toward the radiant dawn of Christ's birth. The One whose coming Isaiah foretold, the One Joseph names as Savior, is the true Light who scatters every shadow - fear, sin, grief, confusion - and fills all creation with bright hope.

As we prepare for Christmas in these last days of Advent, let us allow this mystery to touch us personally: God chooses to enter our world exactly where it is darkest, so that nothing in us remains untouched by His light. May this Solstice Sunday remind us that the night will never have the final word. Christ is Emmanuel - God with us - and His light is already rising.

Peace, Fr. John

Reflection For The 4th Sunday of Advent

Liturgy Planning Team #1
Marge Branecki, Jude Dumfeh, Tricia Jacobs, Ed and Michelle Mirecki

The angel of the Lord told Joseph, "Do not be afraid to take Mary into your home." Joseph found out his would-be wife, Mary, was already pregnant and so he wished to divorce her quietly. The angel offered him reassurance that the baby was conceived through the Holy Spirit. Joseph obeyed the angel despite most likely experiencing backlash from his family and the community.

We all do get afraid from time to time, from kids being afraid of the dark to adults afraid of what the future holds after a loss. No matter how hard we try, we will have to come face to face with fear at some point. Joseph did, and so did Mary.

How do we stare fear in the face and still have the courage to overcome? Is it our willpower, our physical strength? All this will fail us at some point. We have been given the answer to fear in the form of a person: Emmanuel, which means "God is with us". As we journey through Advent to prepare for Christmas, it is important to reflect and remind ourselves of this beautiful reality. In this chaotic world, that sometimes seems so full of heartache and fear, God did not leave us on our own to battle it out. He came down to our level, through His Son, to walk this journey with us.

Walking with Christ doesn't mean fear will be forever absent. Mary and Joseph likely had many more fearful moments of their lives with Jesus, after initially saying "yes". In the midst of our pain, what we often long for is not that the pain will disappear. We want to know that we are not alone. Jesus comes not to take away all our fears, but to walk with us and remind us that He is in control, no matter the situation or the outcome. God is here with us! Will we invite Him in?



Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

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

Alexine Chapel 3:00 p.m.

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

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

*Livestreamed

Joyce Hall will be open to accommodate overflow.

Christmas Day New Year's Mass Schedule

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

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

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

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

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

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Just in Time For Christmas New Church Sound System Installed!

St. Francis Xavier Church has completed a full upgrade of our sound system! Thank you for your patience throughout the past months - we know the sound quality over the past months has been challenging!

The sound improvements will ensure that every word, hymn, and prayer can be heard clearly, enhancing the worship experience for all. Highlights of the new system include:

- Advanced Speakers-State-of-the-art speakers distribute sound evenly while reducing echoes, and eliminate the dead spots we had before (such as the balcony and altar).
- Livestream Enhancement-Better sound balance between the cantor and the organ/ piano during livestream recording.
- Assistive Listening-A new Wi-Fi-based system allows anyone to listen through a smartphone, headphones, or compatible hearing aids. Please contact the rectory office at 708-352-0168 if you need help in using this feature.
- New Media Player-Plays both CDs and Bluetooth audio, all easily controlled from a tablet.
- Digital Wireless Microphones-Deliver crystal-clear sound with long-lasting rechargeable batteries.
- Digital Audio Controls-Sound can now be fine-tuned from anywhere in the church for optimal clarity.

We are deeply grateful to all who made this project possible through their prayers and financial support. Your generosity helps St. Francis Xavier continue to grow as a welcoming, vibrant community of faith-where everyone can fully participate in the beauty of the liturgy.





Christmas 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Our Christmas celebrations coincide with the beginning of winter. There is less light at this time of year and more cold than we might want. The contrast is striking for people of faith. We remember God's only begotten Son born of the Virgin Mary. He comes into a dark and cold world as its light and its warmth.

In chapter four of Matthew's gospel at the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus, the evangelist cites words of the prophet Isaiah:

> ...the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned. (Mt 4:16)

Events of this past year could suggest that all we have is indeed a cold and dark world. That seems to be the message of the wars fought around the world, of the tragic school shootings and political assassinations in our nation, and of our frayed connections with each other.

Again, for us as people of faith, the contrast is stark. We are realistic, and we know well the challenges. of our world in this tense moment of the world's history. We also know, however, a larger narrative of God's love incarnate in Jesus Christ, the light that breaks the power of sin and death. Saint John wrote of him: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." (John 1:5) This light enlightens us and warms us. Whatever struggles we face, we are assured because he walks with us.

As you gather with family and friends and fellow parishioners, I urge you to reassure each other with our convictions of faith. Take responsibility in the world to be a sign of hope and a source of encouragement for others. In this way, you will bring Christ the light to those who need him.

Join me and pray for our world, our nation, and our local communities that we can all walk in the light.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago



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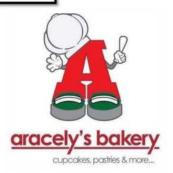


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A Christmas Message of Stewardship



Christmas is a time when Christians make an extra effort to build community. Stewardship comes to life as we spend time in prayer, share our talents, and give our treasure in ways that are unique to the Christmas season. We demonstrate our gratitude for the Father's Gift – His Son – to mankind.

Chatting with Father Rich Milek, he recalled his childhood traditions in his village of Gora Ropczycka, Poland. "Each year during the Christmas season, the priests at St. James Parish set out to visit every home within the parish boundaries. They spent a few meaningful minutes in each household, walking from door to door to offer a blessing and share the warmth of their hospitality.

These visits provided a special opportunity for the priest to present his vision for the parish, speak about significant events, upcoming plans, and to express heartfelt gratitude for the prayers and support of parishioners. At the same time, families were invited to share the important experiences of their own lives, moments of joy as well as times of hardship. In an atmosphere of trust and closeness, they sought spiritual support, consolation, guidance, and offered their personal intentions for prayer. In this way, the Christmas home visit became more than a cherished tradition; it served as a meaningful moment of building community, strengthening mutual understanding, and deepening the bond between the priests and the parishioners.

When I came to the United States, I noticed that parishioners here play a much larger role in the life of their parish community through their strong commitment to stewardship. They not only share their financial resources but also offer their unique talents and skills for the good of the parish. Their willingness to give of themselves is how our St. Francis Xavier parishioners build community and deepen the bond between themselves, the pastoral staff, and people in need. I appreciate the wide variety of ministries and organizations, with parishioners actively participating in the spiritual, social, and practical aspects of parish life. I am amazed at the outpouring of stewardship here, as we ALL build up Christ's Church on Earth! God bless you all for your outpouring of stewardship throughout the year!"

We are so happy that you are with us, worshiping our newborn King and Savior here at St. Francis Xavier Parish. Our mission is possible with your financial support toward a Christmas goal of \$178,000. And wherever you may journey this month, my hope is that you will experience the presence of the Prince of Peace.

Jennifer Zeisloft, *Director of Stewardship and Development*BELONG • BELIEVE • BELOVE



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OPLATKI



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

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

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

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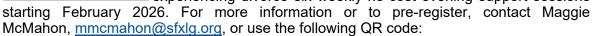
Registration closes 1/31

Have questions? Please email Chrissy (Calagna@sfxlg.org)



Divorce and Beyond 2026 Winter Series

St. Francis Xavier will offer those who are divorced and those experiencing divorce six weekly no-cost evening support sessions







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If you've been feeling the pull toward deeper understanding or noticing places within yourself that feel uncertain or tender, you're not alone. Counseling can offer a gentle space to explore these parts with curiosity and care.

I'm Benjamin Horen, currently completing my Doctorate in Clinical Psychology at the Chicago School. With a background in teaching and health and fitness coaching, I integrate both psychological and physical perspectives to support holistic growth. I work with individuals facing anxiety, depression, trauma, insecurities, and self-doubt—always meeting you where you are.

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



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CHRISTMAS PARTY!

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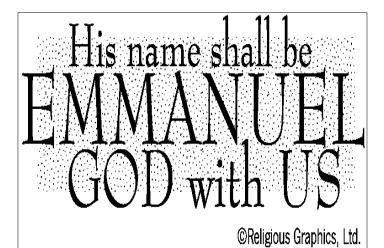
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APRIL 18, 2026 MARRIOTT BURR RIDGE 6:30-11:30PM

Ignite 2026 serves to celebrate the legacy of the St. Francis Xavier School and our enduring family of faith, while helping to raise the vital funds needed to help bridge the \$2,000 gap between the cost of tuition and the actual cost to educate a student at SFX. In addition, Ignite raises the vital funds needed to provide well–earned teacher bonuses to our incredible teachers and staff.

Ignite brings together nearly 400 parents, alumni, parishioners and friends for an evening that includes entertainment, a live and silent auction, a premium bar with heavy hors d'oeuvres and more!



IGNITE MEDAL AWARD HONOREE: PATSY BROWN



We are excited to announce the honoree for Ignite 2026! This award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to his or her community, profession and to St. Francis Xavier School and Parish.

This year, the recipient of our annual Ignite Medal Award will be Patsy Brown. Patsy, the founder of the SFX Enrichment Program in the 1990's and former School Advisory Board member, continues to be a bright light in the parish. Her commitment and dedication have promoted the mission of St. Francis Xavier School through word, action, and deed; like Saint Francis Xavier himself, she continues to set the world on fire!

Family Outreach Ministry

Ring in the new year with SERVICE! Join St. Francis Xavier Family Outreach Ministry as we prepare and serve a hot meal to our neighbors in need at the First Congressional Church's Saturday Meals Program. Our next service date is Jan 3, 2026 and there are two time slots from which to choose:

9:00-11:00 AM: Food prep and cooking 11:00 AM-1:00 PM: Food serving & clean up.

Volunteers must be at least 16 years old or 13 years old if accompanied by an adult.

Questions? More information can be found on our Sign-Up Genius Link: Click Here





SAVE THE DATE 2026 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 22-26

We are pleased to report that our partnership with Grace Lutheran for Vacation Bible School was again a great success in 2025.

We are excited that our partnership with Grace will continue in 2026. This year's theme is "Rainforest Falls". The dates for the summer 2026 VBS are June 22-26. The program runs each day from 9am-Noon. VBS is open to children aged 4 to 4th graders. 5th and 6th graders can participate as members of a service crew that spends the week organizing a variety of service projects including a morning at the SFX food pantry.

The success of VBS relies on teen and parent volunteers. Hours spent volunteering can be used for required service hours. We will provide more details about these opportunities when registration opens.

VBS is an amazing, faith based program that provides many benefits for children and volunteers. We hope you can participate! Registration details will be provided early next year.

Any questions please contact: Phil Zadeik at pjzadeik@gmail.com or Karl Olson at Olson.karl@gmail.com.



Please Pray For...all those Serving Overseas in the Military including:

- LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry—son of Jon Peterson
- Major Marcos Melendez, USMC—nephew of Jon Peterson
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- Lt. Col. Jeremy Hutchins, USAF—brother-in-law of Valerie & Michael Schierl
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- Chris Johnson, USCG—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry Johnson
- Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- Sgt. Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 7ATC—son of Chuck Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- Capt. Jack Albertini, USMC—son of Bob & Susan Albertini
- Micah Peralta, DC3 U.S. Navy—daughter of Mila Esleta
- Private Julian Vela, U.S. Army—friend of Joe, Cari, Maddie & Mike Ramaglia
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- Lt. Matthew Edinger, DO, U.S. Navy—son of John Edinger & Maria Niedos
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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.

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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday	8:30 am-7:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Saturday	9:00 am-12:00 pm

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8:30 am

Weekday Masses at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday-Friday) 8:00 am

St. John of the Cross (Monday-Saturday) 9:00 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every 3rd Thursday 6:00-7:00 pm

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Saturday morning......9:00-10:00 am The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the tabernacle prayer area.

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Food Pantry

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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.

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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 counselor, Benjamin Horen, from the Claret Center. Please call for an appointment at 630-923-8380.

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