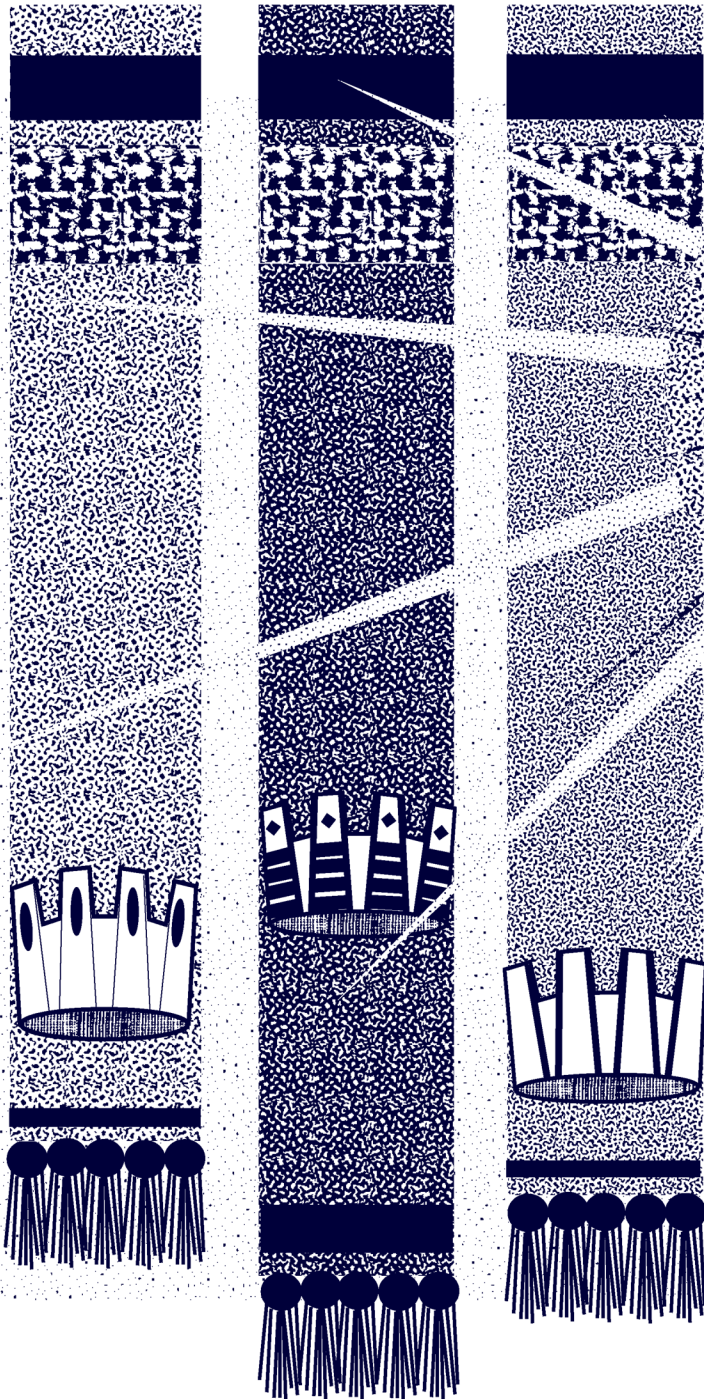


SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2021



*We have seen
his star
at its rising
and have come
to do him homage*

Week at a Glance

Monday, January 4	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Bill and Peg Gallagher, Michael Lang
Tuesday, January 5	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Nancy Nolan
Wednesday, January 6	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Chuck Plummer, Anthony and Ruth Bell
Thursday, January 7	Rosary	8:15 am	
Friday, January 8	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Carol Grimes
Saturday, January 9	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Catherine and Richard Hofstetter
Sunday, January 10	Mass	9:00 am	Carol Grimes
The Baptism of the Lord	Mass	11:00 am	People of the Parish
	Mass	5:00 pm	Nick Burriesci

Presider's Schedule January 2-3, 2021~Mass Time

5:00 pm Fr. Tkachuk

9:00 am Fr. Barrett

11:00 am Fr. Tkachuk

5:00 pm Fr. Milek

Please Pray For...

Diane Bereckis
John Bovard
Jay Carroll
Chili Challender
Mary Culin
Americo DiGianfillippo
Baby Catherine DiMarco
Anthony Dina
Blake Donegan
Matt Doyle
Wendy Einspar
Lily Fielding
Will Fleming
Lilli Gregory
Wilson Gregory
Frank Hoos
Rose Ilo
Mary J.
Jane Jacobsen
Peter Johns
Theresa Kandall
Mark Kiley
Betty Kuhl
Jim Martin
Enrique Martinez
Lisa Massaro
Patrick Morgan
Mike Morrison

Baby Amy Nesterowicz
Carolyn Nesterowicz
Bernice Niemiec
Gert Ogilvie
Arnold Oppenheim
Jane O'Reilly
Shawna Palazzolo
Ryan Patyk
Donna Pekarek
Carolyn Peters
Jessica Phillips
James Pridmore
Baby Lucia R.
Madison Raupp
Anna Rose
Rita Scalcon
Matthew Schiek
Larry Skippet
Greyson Stanley
Brian Stephenson
Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Michael Ungari
Gregory Van Gorp
Helena Walden
Marian Ward
Maribeth Watkins
Liz Wilk
Scott Young

Prayers are requested for our relatives and friends who are sick. To add a name to the prayer list, please call the rectory at 708-352-0168.

Names of the sick are listed for two months in the bulletin. If there is a recurrence of illness, names can be listed again. Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

MASS INTENTIONS

We continue to accept requests for Mass intentions at a future date. Please call the office on weekdays from 8:30 am-4:30 pm or you can email Missy Westerhoff directly at sfxinlg@sfxlg.org. We can send the Mass card via regular post as you direct.

Born Into Eternal Life

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



Victor Manuel Fernández
Father of Martha Walker

Terrence Murphy
Brother-in-Law of Diane Challender

Readings For The Week of January 3, 2021

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22--4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19--5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11

Pastor's Notes

*Rise up in splendor! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord.
Isaiah 60:1*

Merry "Little Christmas"!

Epiphany was celebrated traditionally on the *twelfth* day of Christmas, January 6. Some time ago, the celebration was moved to the second Sunday after Christmas as weekday celebrations became more difficult. This year the Epiphany falls on the *ninth* day of Christmas, when the dancing ladies proclaim the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control. This feast of the arrival of the magi, mysterious figures who travelled from the East by the light of a star, was for many centuries the feast on which Orthodox Christians celebrated Christmas; it was for them the announcement of the birth of the Christ Child to all nations. In Puerto Rico and other countries, it remains a day of sharing gifts.

What light, what gift, has this Christmas brought into our lives? How has this Christmas brought light into the shadows of COVID; or world, national, or family tensions; or financial or other insecurities; or the illness or death of a loved one? ***What light have we been given*** that we are meant to bring to the world as messengers and instruments of hope? What gift do we bring into the new year to be shared with others as a blessing from God?

There is nothing "little" about our return to the Christ Child on this second celebration of Christmas. Jesus came into this world as Light for all peoples. He reaches out to the minds and hearts of all who will be led by His light. He invites us to open the treasures of our heart and then bring His Light to others through word and action. We who carry the name Christian are not a light set apart from others, within high walls and behind closed doors. ***We are sent into the world as Light*** amid all peoples and circumstances. His Light in us is a light *in us for others*.

Like the first magi, we are summoned by angel voices to return to our everyday lives "by another way." The ways of the world too often distract or divert us from our journey. Whether or not we are yet aware, this Christmas has touched our hearts in some way and offered us

something to bring into the new year. As we carefully put away the ornaments and decorations of Christmas for another year, may we not allow the Christmas Light to be wrapped in tissue, stored in bins, and sealed away. May we find ever-new ways to be the Christ Light for others each day. In our coming together as a community of faith, let us be the Christ Light for the communities in which we live and serve. Our physical communion may remain virtual for a while longer. May our spiritual communion inspire us to live our mission vibrantly and creatively. May God's Light shine brightly in us! Happy New Year.

Christmas Peace,

J. Bill

The Epiphany of the Lord

Reflection Liturgy Team #1

Marge Branecki, Jude Dumfeh, Maureen Lang,
Ed & Michelle Mirecki and Lisa Young

"See, darkness covers the peoples, and thick clouds cover the peoples." This part of the readings paints a picture of the pain and despair many have felt in 2020. As we enter a new year it can be hard to see the light, and the hope it brings, in the midst of all the darkness. Yet in the darkest of nights, we get to see the light shine brightest.

The Magi saw the star in the distance but not the Christ child. The star was the hope of what was to come. As they stumbled in the darkness, they fixed their eyes on the star that led them to the Savior. These can be trying times for many, who have suffered at the hands of the pandemic, lost loves ones, or who have lost jobs and their livelihoods. It can be hard to find the star to lead us to the Savior. But the Lord hasn't left us to wander around to find Him. He comes to us!

"Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you"... "upon you the Lord shines and over you appears His glory." The Lord meets us where we are, at our lowest point, and leads us to Himself. The Magi were "overjoyed" to meet the baby Jesus. They showed their gratitude with their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. All that we have is a gift from God. It requires one thing from us: gratitude! No darkness can withstand gratitude!

Parishioner Volunteers Needed

Our ability to celebrate Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, and weekday and Sunday Masses depends on the ability of the parish to provide ministers to offer a welcoming and healthy environment. We have been blessed by scores of parishioners who share their time and spirit to keep us moving forward. To establish a regular rotation of volunteers, we seek additional people, especially to greet and seat people, or to wipe down the seating areas after each service. We welcome anyone of high school age or older who is in good health.

Please contact Maureen Pipal (mpipal@sfxlg.org) who will forward your name to one of our volunteer coordinators. Basic training is provided.

St. Francis Xavier Scripture Study Thursdays 9:30 - 11:00 am virtual by Zoom

January 14 - March 11, 2021
Job, Psalms part 2

Please register with Sr. Marianne Race, CSJ
708-363-6728 or mrace@csjoseph.org

New members welcome!

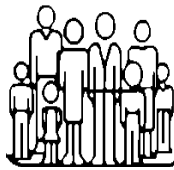
Bringing Communion To You

We are aware that there are many parishioners who are not homebound due to a physical limitation, but who are not yet comfortable returning to weekend Mass for a variety of reasons. We hope you have been able to view our weekly livestreamed Mass via the parish Facebook page or the parish website. In addition, several ministers of care are now available to bring the Eucharist to you at your home. Frequency and day of the week may depend on the number of requests we receive. Please call the parish office 708-352-0168. Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30, or Saturday morning, 9:00-Noon and we will forward the information to Scott McDonald, who coordinates our minister of care team.

Welcome

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

Emmet & Colleen McShane
Philip & Joyce Gianastasio
James & Mary Dempsey



To see how we are Celebrating Sacraments and Services, and to view our Tips for Worshipers, please click on the links below:

[Celebration of Sacraments](#)

[Tips for Worshipers](#)

St. Francis Xavier Honor Roll

St. Francis Xavier School is pleased to announce the 2020-2021 1st trimester Honor Roll of 7th & 8th graders. Congratulations ladies and gentlemen.

High Honors: Sarah Adams, Jack Anderson, Audrey Asleson, Morgan Asleson, Hannah Briscoe, Orion CaceresStaten, Owen Carroll, Lilliana Cerruti, Gordon Cook, Ashley Culin, Colin Cushing, Olivia Denson, Luke Doyle, Michael Doyle, Dominick Dudek, Nora Duffy, Nicholas Edwards, Jenna Eggerding, Bridget Gannon, Abigail Grech, Brenik Griffin, Teresa Holmes, Charles Hopkins, Thomas Hubert, Daniel Janiszewski, Jack Janiszewski, Emily Justak, Michael Kanzer, Molly Kudlacz, Lauren Leader, Daniel Lewis, Finn McCarthy, Tess McElligott, Mia Meuzelaar, William Morkin, Timothy Mulcahy, Alec Mulvenna, Therese Mulvenna, Grayson Musker, Jack Nisivaco, John O'Halloran, Michael Opegard, Sarah Owen, Mason Palmer, Sean Parkes, Elise Rahman, Michael Ramaglia, Patrick Rhatigan, Alexa Robbins, Rachel Santilli, William Siffermann, Caroline Skoufis, William Smith, Benjamin Stetz, Thomas Strama, Audra Strayer, Julian Toczylowski, Elsie Weber, Madeline Wood, and Daniel Wright.

Honors: Thomas Blyth, Brody Collins, James Furlong, Jacob Hood, Caroline Hull, Drew Hyland, Ava Kopczynski, Grace Liston, Bella Madonia, Audrey McCarty, Molly Mullen, Anne Parkhill, Claire Parkhill, Daniel Quinlan, Annie Trayser, Mila Von Ohlen, Bridget Waight, Winona Waite, and Audrey Wheeler.

Christmas Budget

The contributions of parishioners at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses constitute a sizable portion of our annual budget, which funds vital ministries for our parish. Limited attendance at Christmas Masses could impact our offertory. Last year, SFX received \$151,504 in Christmas offertory.

Your generosity through the pandemic has been greatly appreciated. Please prayerfully consider what you are able to share this Christmas to ensure that our parish ministries and operations thrive in the new year. Please know that we remain prudent with our funds and have made some difficult decisions to maintain critical areas of service.

How to give:

- Envelopes were included in the Christmas letter you received from Fr. Bill in mid-December.
- Visit our website www.sfxlg.org and click DONATE.
- Text JOYFUL to (708) 340-6630 and follow the return text's instructions.

Have a Blessed Christmas!

Adult Confirmation Classes

St. Cletus and St. John of the Cross Parishes will be hosting a Confirmation prep program for any adult Catholic who has received First Holy Communion, but not the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is open to all parishioners at St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Sessions will be held on Monday nights on Zoom, January 11, January 18, January 25, February 1, February 8, February 15, and February 22. We will meet on Zoom from 7:00-8:30 pm. Registration is required.

Please use this link to sign up: <https://stcletusparish.com/learn/adultconfirmation/>.

For more information, please contact Barb Campbell at St. Cletus bcampbell@stcletusparish.com or Steve Weigand at St. John of the Cross sweigand@stjohnofthecrossparish.com.



DIGGING A WELL IN AFRICA

Last summer, a parishioner offered to make a very generous contribution toward half of the cost of constructing a well in a sub-Saharan African village to bring fresh water to the community. Many of you met this challenge, and Bishop Eduardo Hiiboro Kussala of the Diocese of Tombura-Yambio expressed his gratitude for the generosity of so many. This solar operated well will serve over 1,000 villagers at a construction cost \$34,000.

We recently learned that unrest in the part of Africa in which the well was to be built has put the project on hold until peace can be restored to the area. Every new crisis in areas such as this results in more suffering, more uncertainties, and more disruptions in daily life and plans. Please keep the people of this part of the world in your prayers this Christmas Season. We will keep you informed as more news becomes available.

Calling All Saint Francis Xavier School Alumni

Stay connected with your school classmates by creating an alumnus profile today!

SFX is collecting a database of all alumni over the last 80 years and we need your help!

Go to: <https://forms.gle/HwtKX8iUdbB27tQV7>

This Database Will:

- Connect SFX alumni past and present
- Inform alumni of current state of SFX school and vision for the future
- Celebrate our teachers and their teaching accomplishments
- Celebrate current student and alumni accomplishments
- Provide an opportunity to share photos, athletic records and more
- Keep you updated on notable school events and projects

Questions? Please contact sfxgrad@gmail.com for more information.



LATTE Theater Fun 2021

LATTE Theater's Teen Acting Training is continuing to evolve in this time. We have been creating a new, virtual program for you that will keep you feeling connected, being creative, and having fun. We want you to have a reprieve to create, and have made this program as close to our "in-person" program as possible.

Also, we are offering online gift cards, if families want to chip in together!

Signup is at www.lattetheater.com.

Happy Holidays! Stay happy and safe!

Felicia Pfluger Producer/Artistic Director
LATTE Theater www.lattetheater.com 708-655-0989.

We encourage all
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SFX School on
social media



SFX School Instagram:
[@sfxlg_school](https://www.instagram.com/sfxlg_school)

Facebook SFX School site:
<https://www.facebook.com/SFX.LG/>

Facebook SFX Alumni site:
<https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/ART/595d889cdee3e>

SFX School Website:
<https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/School>

See the latest happenings at the day school:

A very very nice congratulatory message to the SFX community from Dr. Jim Rigg, Superintendent of Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Schools. <https://vimeo.com/465845503>

Socially distanced Rosary: <https://vimeo.com/465845340>

"Father Christmas" (Fr. Rich) makes a surprise appearance:
<https://vimeo.com/489897966>

CandyGram to Falcon Families
<https://vimeo.com/488728809>

#BetterTogether - 2020 - A Year in Review at SFX Parish School" <https://vimeo.com/492240023>

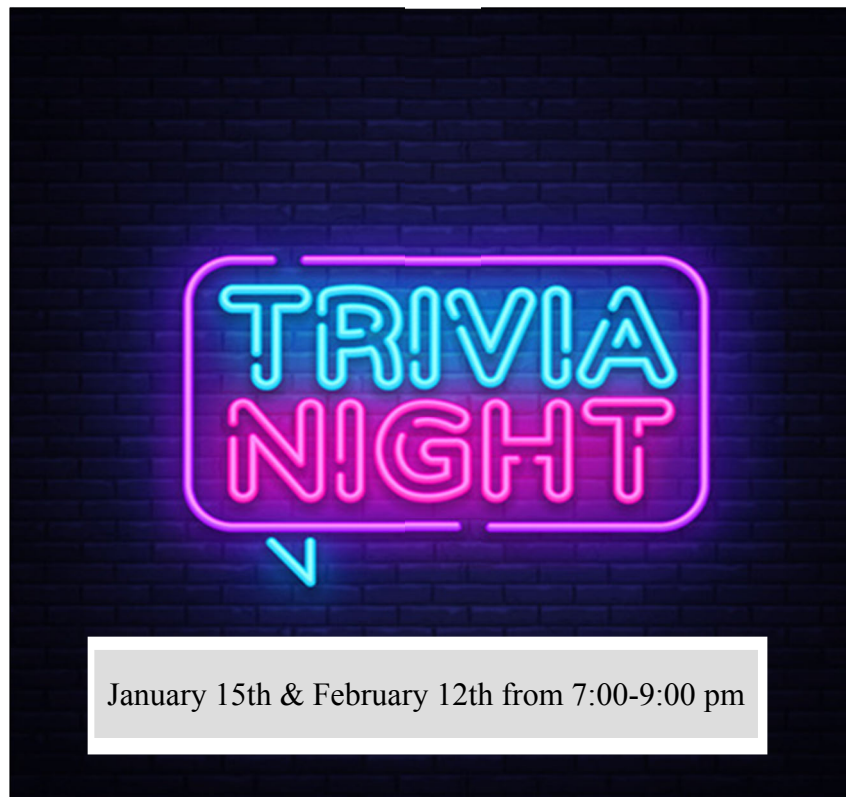
**Restaurant Fundraising Day
with Paisans Pizza
Tuesday, January 5~11am – 9pm**



What better way to start the New Year than to have a Pizza Day at home! Paisans (Brookfield) will generously contribute 15% of all pre-tax/tip sales on **Tuesday, January 5th** to St. Francis Xavier School. **The fundraiser takes place all day (11am – 9pm)** for carry-out and delivery. Please be sure to specify that your order is for the St. Francis Xavier (SFX) Fundraiser when placing your order. Please note that, unfortunately, coupons and special pricing are not valid during our fundraiser.

Paisans is located at 3720 Grand Boulevard in Brookfield, IL 60513. View their menu at: <https://www.paisanspizza.com> and contact them by phone at 708-485-6833 (orders must be placed by phone for the fundraiser).

St. Francis Xavier School Advisory Board Presents...



Come join the St. Francis Xavier community as we bring the full trivia experience to your home! Complete with a live and engaging trivia host provided by TriviaHub Live, you'll get the full pub trivia experience...without having to leave your couch!

The event will run about an hour and a half, you'll be randomly added to a team or have the option of choosing your own to test your knowledge with fun and unique trivia questions. Climb the leaderboard together and compete for bragging rights and a chance to win the traveling trophy!

All ages are welcome. You can play as a single, engage the whole family, invite relatives from out of state, team up with past alum, a friend or neighbor!

We look forward to seeing you there! Sign up is open on GiveCentral [click here](#) for January!

St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry

The Family Ministry committee would like to thank the SFX parishioners and their friends who helped design, color and decorate 326 Cards Of Hope for the non-profit organization, Phil's Friends. The cards will be distributed to cancer patients and offer words of support and encouragement during their illness. We couldn't be more grateful for the generosity and creativity of the SFX community!

Christmas Season

Invitation to Community Conversations:

Emerging from the Pandemic Together

"A worldwide tragedy like the Covid-19 pandemic momentarily revived the sense that we are a global community, all in the same boat, where one person's problems are the problems of all. Once more we realized that no one is saved alone; we can only be saved together." - Fratelli Tutti, 32.

Session One, Jan 21:

"If we want to encounter and help one another, we have to dialogue."

Fratelli Tutti, 198

Session Two, Jan 28:

"The Good Samaritan: Who is my Neighbor?"

Session Three, Feb 4:

"Self-gift as the Key to Deeper Fulfilment"

Each session will run from 7-8:15pm.

Interested individuals can attend one or more than one session. All background materials will be provided prior to the events. **It is not necessary to have read *Fratelli Tutti* to participate.** For more information or to register for any session, please [click here](#) or visit sfxlg.org -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> Events -> Fratelli Tutti

MEN OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

It's the year of St. Joseph – the year of the father, the husband. Is the Spirit moving you to enter more deeply into your faith this year?

Email patrick.mcmahon65@gmail.com to help start a community of Catholic men seeking to love God and their families well.

Living Liturgically

SUN 3	Feast of the Epiphany – Bless Your Homes and "Chalk" Your Doors with 20 + CMB + 21. Click here to see how it's done!
MON 4	Pray the Prayer for Students
TUES 5	Day of Prayer for Catholic Schools
WED 6	
THURS 7	
FRI 8	
SAT 9	

Celebrate the Christmas Season with SFX Families!

Throughout the Christmas season (Dec 25 - Jan 10), some of our SFX families will be sharing their Christmas traditions with us via social media.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page and Instagram (@sfxlg_parish) or go to sfxlg.org -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> 17 Days of Christmas to see the videos!

Families with Young Children:

Are you interested in any of the following events?

- Meeting another family outdoors for a nature walk, Zoo Lights, or other
- Meeting another family via Zoom
- Backyard Babies, Beers, and BBQ
- "Baby and Me" Catholic Gymboree (0-12, 24-24, 24-36 months)

Or do you just want to be kept in the loop?

Email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org to join the listserv!



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

- **Sgt. David Phillips**—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- **Commander Robert O'Donnell**—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- **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
- **Technical Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF**—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- **Lt. 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, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC**—
son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- **Staff Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Capt. Maura Hoffman & Capt. Christopher Hoffman**—niece and nephew of Margie & Steve Hull and
cousins of Kate, Janie & Caroline Hull
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy & Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and
sons 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
- **Commander Brian Riegler, U.S. Navy**—husband of Elizabeth and father of Kaylee, Mackenzie, Grace & Liam
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Capt. Trent McMullen, USAF**—son-in-law of Tom & Maureen Hunt
- **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
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Robert Weiler, U.S. Navy**—brother of Rebecca Dionisio
- **Joseph Somers, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Maureen & Nick Burriesci
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **PFC Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 19K**—son of Chuck Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **Capt. Richard Hoover, U.S. Army**—nephew of Lorraine Donegan
- **Capt. Matt Waite, U.S. Army**—cousin of Justin, Maggie, Winona & Bea Waite
- **Neil Donegan, U.S. Navy**—grandson of Lorraine Donegan

**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
Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister
Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister
Weekend Sacramental Minister

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Rev. Richard Milek
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Mr. Phil Gianatasio
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Religious Education Administrative Assistant

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Food Pantry/Community Outreach

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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-8:30 pm
 Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
 Saturday9:00 am-5:00 pm
 Sunday9:00 am-1:00 pm

At this time due to COVID-19 the rectory offices are closed. Staff members will now be answering phones Monday through Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and on Saturdays from 9:00 am-12:00 Noon. The answering service will answer calls after that time.

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning9:00-10:00 am
 Reconciliations are being heard in the lower vestibule of Unity Hall between the church and education building.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday - Friday)9:00 am-Noon

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.

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.

(Video format: <https://youtu.be/Fisg-SrOcVM>)

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, Lolan Adan, from the Claret Center who can be reached by phone 442-264-7589 or email lolanadan@gmail.com.

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