

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 23, 2022



**THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD
IS UPON ME;
THEREFORE HE HAS
ANointed ME.**

**HE HAS SENT
ME TO BRING
GLAD TIDINGS
TO THE POOR,
TO PROCLAIM
LIBERTY
TO CAPTIVES,
RECOVERY OF SIGHT
TO THE BLIND
AND FREEDOM TO
THE OPPRESSED AND
TO PROCLAIM A YEAR
ACCEPTABLE TO
THE LORD.**

Week at a Glance

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| Monday, January 24 | Morning Mass | 8:30 am | Bob O'Malley | The O'Malley Family |
| Tuesday, January 25 | Morning Mass | 8:30 am | Christine McInerney | The Clayton Family |
| Wednesday, January 26 | Morning Mass | 8:30 am | Bob O'Malley John Kinahan | Mike O'Malley Bob & Cathy Schmidt |
| Thursday, January 27 | Rosary | 8:15 am | | |
| Friday, January 28 | Morning Mass | 8:30 am | Michael Bertacchi | Patrick Lambert |
| Saturday, January 29 | Mass | 8:30 am | Bob Kuta | The Cunningham Family |
| | Reconciliation | 9:00 am | | |
| | Mass | 5:00 pm | Mary Therese Divine | Joe & Margie Anderson |
| Sunday, January 30 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mass | 7:30 am | James Barrett | The Shively Family |
| | Mass | 9:00 am | Antonia Pesce Joseph Malek | The Coticchio Family Barb Marshall |
| | Mass | 11:00 am | John Cronin | The Rogowski Family |
| | Mass | 5:00 pm | Patrick Durran | Roger & Jennifer Setzke |
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Schedule for January 22-23, 2022~Mass Time

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

Please pray for . . .

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| Linda Bieniek Andrew Carney Jay Carroll Chili Challender Stephen Cunnane Blake Donegan Barbara Doyle Matthew Doyle Joseph Falconi Lily Fielding Jennifer McFadden Gregory Lilli Gregory Wilson Gregory Darilyn Hockenberry Jessi Hoffman Barbara Hudson Rose Ilo Mary J. Jane Jacobsen Mary Ann Jones Theresa Kandall Mark Kiley Michael Landsman Lisa Massaro | Caitlin McNeily Ron Minella Patrick Morgan Mike Morrison Bernice Niemiec Gert Ogilvie Jane O'Reilly Lorraine Ovnik Ryan Patyk Donna Pekarek Baby Lucia R. Madison Raupp Anna Rose Kristin Sandoval Rita Scalcon Sr. Marlene Schemmel, CSJ Richard Schmuhl Jerry Spearman, Sr. Barbara Stewart John Stopka Kate Frugoli Sullivan Albert Tassi Gregory Van Gorp Jim Vlcek Liz Wilk |
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To add a name to the prayer list for friends and relatives 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:

Mary Kay Carroll
Mother of Kristen, Kevin and Julie

Blaine Cusack
Husband of Phyllis, Father of Brandon, Sean, Ashley and Angela

Michael Igo
Father of Maura Marker

Jeanne Pridmore
Mother of Chip, Annie, Mark, Peggy
and the late James and Sister of Ed Barrett

Christopher Smolen
Father of Bridget & Kate

Weddings



Rachel Janus & Nick Donnelly

Readings For The Week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/
1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
 Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30
 Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41
 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/
 Lk 4:21-30

Pastor's Letter

Renew My Church: Our Grouping Process Timeline

Creating a vibrant parish requires that we evaluate our parish as it is now, to assess where we can more prudently apply our resources to support and strengthen key ministry leadership roles, programs, and activities. We are called to be good stewards of the gifts that parishioners offer today and ensure they're able to support the faith lives of Catholics *both today and in the future*. We hope to establish a firmer foundation that will encourage a vibrant parish. From this foundation, we hope to build a *culture of evangelization* within our parish that lead people to feel a deep sense of belonging and to experience a *fresh* encounter with Christ. This forms and inspires *missionary disciples* who share their faith boldly through word and deed.



[To that end, the St. Francis Xavier Feedback & Discernment Teams joins the other two parishes in our grouping \(St. Cletus and St. John of the Cross\). This Monday evening](#) each team enters a facilitated process of discussing and evaluating the strengths, challenges, and opportunities of respective parish. Additionally, we also will review parish demographics and trends as we move toward a culture of evangelization for now and the near future. Our discussions will take place at five evenings between January 24 and March 7.

In late February, we will provide an opportunity for everyone in our parish to learn about the details of our conversations, to ask questions, and to share your own points of view on the parish and how to proceed. Within the next two weeks, we will provide the exact dates and times of two Parish Town Hall gatherings, which will be held in the church. Your feedback will be important!

Parish Engagement Survey. In September, the Parish Pastoral Council discerned increased parishioner engagement as a goal for the parish in moving beyond COVID. When the PPC received more detailed information on the first phase of Renew My Church, they decided that this would be good information for the parish Feedback and Discernment Team. Next weekend, the PPC will launch an online survey that offers each individual in the parish to share your experience and engagement in parish life: how you have been engaged, how you would like to be engaged, and ways in which the parish could facilitate greater engagement in the life and ministries of the parish. Your feedback is important to us. Look for the survey that will be posted on the parish website and that can be reached by a link from Constant Contact and the bulletin. Paper copies will be available at all Masses next weekend. ***It is brief and easy to complete and submit.*** Your feedback is of great value to parish leadership and staff as we look toward the future.

Winter Peace and Wellness,

J. Bill

Temporary Adjustments for Weekend Mass at St. Francis Xavier

Due to the current effects of the omicron variant, the following temporary changes have been made for all weekend Masses.

- ◆ Every-other-pew seating has been restored in the east transept and in the back of church.
- ◆ The gifts of bread and wine have returned to the table at the altar for the time being.
- ◆ We will continue to have two communion lines in the center aisle for those seated in the main section of the church. Please stay toward the sides of the aisle to avoid standing next to the person in the other line. We will determine from week to week whether the side sections will receive simultaneously or only after the center section has received.

Please continue to respect social distancing guidelines, and pray for the health of all members of our community as we do what we can to maintain a healthy worship environment for one another.



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BLOOD
SOUL &
DIVINITY

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Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America



Check out how you helped translate the Catechism into the Mayan language Q'eqchi' through the Collection for the Church in Latin America! #ShareYourFaith #1church1mission: <https://goo.gl/ZTq2zZ>

The annual national Collection for the Church in Latin America (CLA) will be this weekend. The 2022 campaign highlights the faith of Latin America and the many opportunities we have to *share faith* with them. We also recognize the tremendous benefit of having our Latin American brothers and sisters in the Church and the revitalization their fervor brings to the faith. In addition to offering our help and support to the Catholics of Latin America, we have much to learn from them.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops invite you to aid our faithful brothers and sisters in the Catholic Church of Latin America. To learn more about who the collection benefits, review the information below or visit [How to Give](#) to participate this month.

For more information visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections. To donate, go to: <https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/event/29204> visit our parish website, or place your donation in an envelope marked "Church in Latin America" and drop it off at the rectory or in a church collection box.

Follow the Parish on Social Media!

Did you know the Parish has Instagram and Facebook accounts? Follow us to stay up to date with SFX happenings, a weekly scripture reflection, and more!



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St. Francis Xavier Parish
LaGrange, IL

Faith Formation

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

Ordinary Time

Living the Gospel in Everyday Life

The 13th Apostle

a retreat created by women,
for women,
about women.



Discovering our sisterhood rooted in
God's love

SFX Women's Retreat: The 13th Apostle!

February 5th & 6th

Come learn how the women of the Bible truly were apostles. Enjoy time with friends (both new and old); open your heart to experience the countless opportunities God gives us to share His love; and pray in quiet as well as in fellowship with each other.

Most of all, come find rest, peace and room for the Spirit to fill you with whatever unique gifts God has ready for you!

For more information and to register [click here](#) or visit our website: sfxlg.org -> parish -> faith formation -> retreats



TMIY: "BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART"

Spring semester begins at the end of Jan!

Interested?

Contact mike.jakubisin@gmail.com
or [click here](#) to register.

JESUS IS SPEAKING TO YOU!

January is the perfect time to begin listening:

Fr. Mike Schmitz's "BIBLE IN A YEAR" Podcast!

Available on Apple podcasts or wherever
you get your podcasts!

Is the Holy Spirit Nudging You?

St. John Vianney Seminary Visits

Feb 17-19

High school sophomore, junior and senior men are invited on a two-day adventure to tour the campus and shadow seminarians at St. John Vianney College Seminary in St. Paul, MN. All-inclusive, no cost road-trip – this is an official college visit, for which schools allow an excused absence. Transportation is provided from two convenient pick up/drop off points. Deadline to register is February 15 – see

www.vocations.archchicago.org/events/Vianney-visits

Contact Sharon Porter at shporter@archchicago.org with any questions.

CC: mmcmahon@sfxlg.org so that we can support you as well!

Exploring the Diaconate

The Institute for Diaconal Studies (IDS) invites all men who feel the gentle nudge of the Holy Spirit to attend an Exploring the Diaconate session. It is a time to pray, discuss, and learn more about the discernment process and the formation program that aspirants and candidates pursue. Please join us, with your wives, if married, as we explore the potential of a vocation, engage in dialogue and pray in search of the next step.

7:30–8:30 P.M.

Tuesday, February 15

by Zoom

Tuesday, March 15

Our Lady of Ransom, Niles

Wednesday, April 2

Our Lady of Ransom, Niles

RSVP REQUIRED

Contact Fr. Bill Tkachuk (wtkachuk@sfxlg.org) for more information.



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WE PRAY

Our goal is to help our students live a life of generous service, motivated by a love of Jesus & others.

We strive to instill & nurture the belief that God is found in everyday things & especially in one another



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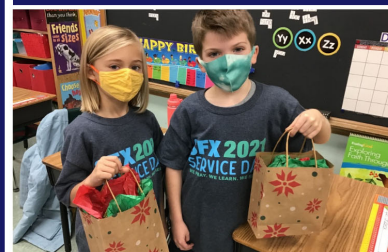
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- FULL TIME KINDERGARTEN TEACHER
- SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

PLEASE SEND RESUME TO PRINCIPAL SHARON GARCIA

sgarcia@sfxlg.org

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ~ JANUARY 18–25, 2022

The theme of this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is
"We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him." (cf. Matthew 2:2)

**EVENING PRAYER IN THE STYLE OF TAIZÉ
FRIDAY, JANUARY 21 at 7:00pm
ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS CHURCH**

Taizé prayer, a contemplative, candlelit prayer service, has its roots in the tiny village of Taizé, located in the eastern part of France. Since 1940, Taizé has been home to an international ecumenical monastic community whose prayer for peace, reconciliation, and unity is the center of their life. Today, visitors of all ages from many and diverse countries and religious traditions go to Taizé in pilgrimage to experience peaceful communion with God and with one another. Taizé prayer consists of simple, repetitive music interspersed with scripture readings and long periods of silence. The repetition of mantra-like musical phrases draws us into deep meditative prayer, to a space where we invite God's voice to speak deep within us. Instruments such as flute, oboe, and cello help to elevate the music and create a truly prayerful environment.

Songs for January 23, 2022
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Hymn: "God Is Here! As We His People"

God is here! As we his peo-ple Meet to of-fer praise and prayer,
May we find in ful-ler meas-ure What it is in Christ we share:
Here, as in the world a-round us, All our var-ied skills and arts
Wait the com-ing of his Spir-it In-to o-pen minds and hearts.

Here are sym-bols to re-mind us Of our life-long need of grace;
Here are ta-ble, font and pul-pit, Here the cross has cen-tral place:
Here in hon-es-ty of preach-ing, Here in si-lence as in speech,
Here in new-ness and re-new-al God the Spir-it comes to each.

"Open My Eyes" (5:00/11:00)

O-pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face. O-pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

O-pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice. O-pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

And the first shall be last, and our eyes are o-pened, and we'll hear like nev-er be-fore.
And we'll speak in new ways, and we'll see God's face in plac-es we've nev-er known.

O-pen my heart Lord. Help me to love like you. O-pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

Responsorial Psalm 19: "Lord, You Have the Words" (5:00/11:00)

Refrain. "Lord, you have the words of ev-er-last-ing life."

Responsorial Psalm 19: "Lord, You Have the Words" (7:30/9:00)

Refrain. "Your words, O Lord, Our Spirit in Life."

Communion Hymn: "Let Us Be Bread"

Refrain.

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, bro-ken and shared, life for the world.
Let us be wine, love freely poured. Let us be one in the Lord.

I am the bread of life, bro-ken for all.
Eat now and hun-ger no more. **Refrain.**

You are my friends if you keep my com-mands,
no long-er ser-vants but friends. **Refrain.**

See how my peo-ple have noth-ing to eat.
Give them the bread that is you. **Refrain.**

As God has loved me so I have loved you.
Go and live on in my love. **Refrain.**

Recessional: "Praise to You, O Christ Our Savior" *7:30 – vss. 1 & 2

Refrain.
Praise to you, O Christ, our Sav-ior.
Word of the Fa-ther, call-ing us to life;
Son of God who leads us to free-dom:
glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

Verse 1
You are the Word who calls us out of dark-ness,
you are the Word who leads us in-to light;
you are the Word who brings us through the des-ert:
glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

Verse 2
You are the one whom proph-ets hoped and longed for;
you are the one who speaks to us to-day;
you are the one who leads us to our fu-ture:
glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

Verse 3
You are the Word who calls us to be ser-vants;
you are the Word whose on-ly law is love;
you are the Word made flesh who lives a-mong us:
glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

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- "God Is Here! As We His People" *Text: Fred Pratt Green/Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH
- "Open My Eyes" - Jesse Manibusan
- "Psalm 19: Lord, You Have the Words" – Michael Guimont
- "Psalm 19: Lord, You Have the Words" – Ed Bolduc
- "Let Us Be Bread" – Thomas J. Porter
- "Praise to You, O Christ Our Savior" – Bernadette Farrell

Sunday
Collection



GIVING AT SFX

We are so grateful to all those whose financial support makes the mission of St. Francis Xavier Parish possible. Out of an abundance of caution, we continue to not pass a basket for our offertory collection. You can make a gift by using the boxes near the exits or by accessing this QR code. For those joining us online, [click here](#) to donate or text SUNDAY to 708-340-6630.

St. Francis Xavier Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)
Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2022

The Pastoral Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month and will have the minutes of the meeting published in the bulletin. If you have any questions related to St. Francis Xavier please feel free to contact us at ppc@sfxlg.org

Attendees:

Fr. Bill Tkachuk, Curt Aronson, Beth Dimarco, Laura Duelm, Chris Grech, Mike Hattie, Barb Kalnes, Maggie McMahon, Bernadette McMahon, Tom Marthaler, Antonio Pangan, and Carolyn Simone.

1. Prayer
 - A. Parish mission statement (all attendees)
 - B. Prayer for guidance of the Holy Spirit (Fr. Bill)
 - C. Discussion of the Gospel reading

2. Discussion/Action Items
 - A. Renew My Church -
 - i. Watch for weekly bulletin articles regarding Renew My Church
 - ii. Formation of Group feedback and discernment Team (7 members)
 1. Father Bill will convene with Maggie, Sharon Garcia and 4 other committee members.
 2. Goal is to define the vision and overall direction.
 - iii. This group will begin meeting in late January.
 - iv. This will be followed by a series of open townhall meetings to present Renew My Church proposal for the entire parish in late February.
 - B. Engagement survey discussion
 - i. We have finalized the structure and content of our parish engagement survey which we plan to distribute with both digital and print options to the entire parish in late January.

3. St. Francis Xavier COVID Update Church & School
 - A. All necessary protocols remain in place. Parish in alignment with Cook County COVID-19 guidelines as well as Archdiocese COVID-19 rules.

4. Upcoming PPC meetings will continue to occur in person, as long as health conditions remain stable or continue to improve.

5. New Business
 - A. Raffle prizes—there was some discussion about appropriateness of raffle prizes. More discussion to occur at the next meeting.

6. Closing Prayer

7. Next Meeting—February 19, 2022 at 8:30 am



The St. Francis Xavier Parish Catholic Women's Club cordially invites you to join us for our annual Ladies Day Out, on Saturday, March 5, 2022.

Those interested can put Passion into Action by volunteering locally in the morning from 10am-12pm. All are welcome to join us for our Ladies Day Out Reception at The Elm from 3-6pm.

Register online to volunteer and celebrate at: www.sfxladiesdayout.com.

Angel Donations, Sponsors and Raffle Item Donations are welcome, as 100% of proceeds will be directed to St. Francis Xavier Church. Please visit our website at www.sfxladiesdayout.com.

Thank you always to this community for your incredible generosity.

Questions? Please email Lindsey Mackenzie at lindseycotter@yahoo.com.

***"I alone cannot change the world,
but I can cast a stone across the waters
to create many ripples."***
Mother Teresa

Become A New Eucharistic Minister

We invite you to share and explore your talents with us at Saint Francis Xavier Parish. We are in great need of Eucharistic Ministers at our Masses. If you feel like you have a calling to engage in this very special ministry of distributing the Body of Christ to your fellow parishioners, please contact George Rutkowski at grutkowski@aol.com or call the rectory office at 708-352-0168. Attendance at a upcoming training class is required. Upcoming classes will be posted when they are scheduled. Ministers are scheduled to serve once or twice a month. The invitation to serve as Eucharistic Minister is open to all (baptized and confirmed) adult and teenage members of the parish. We encourage everyone in the parish to consider this ministry.

Outreach Family Ministry

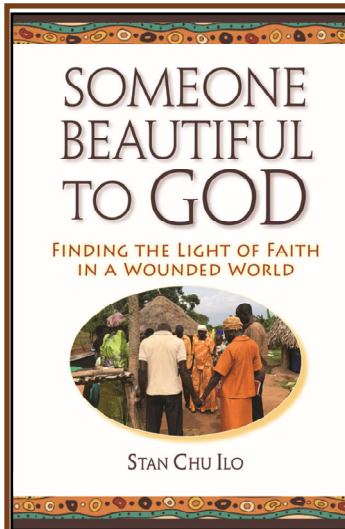
The SFX Family Outreach Ministry Committee is excited to bring volunteer opportunities for families. Please join us on Sunday, February 6, 1:30-3:30pm at Cradles to Crayons. This organization's mission is to provide children from birth through age 12, living in homeless or low-income situations, with the essential items they need to thrive. We will be sorting and inspecting the donated items and prepare them to deliver to children that need them. Email Ana Dimailig at apd3@core.com by 1/30/22 to reserve your spot!

From Your SFX Parish Counselor

According to the World Health Organization, depression affects over 300 people worldwide. Depression is a leading cause of disability to the overall global burden of disease.

Symptoms of depression: Depressed mood most of the day, diminished interest in even pleasurable activities, significant weight changes (loss or gain), loss of energy or fatigue, insomnia or hypersomnia, feelings of worthlessness, lack of concentration and/or attention, psychomotor agitation or retardation, recurrent thoughts of death.

Treatment is available for mild, moderate, and severe depression. If you notice any of these signs in yourself or a loved one, reach out to your parish counselor Georgina Lopez at (323) 487-2359 or glopez.claret@gmail.com (Under supervisor Dr. Worden IL License #071-005991).



SOMEONE BEAUTIFUL TO GOD

Finding the Light of Faith in a Wounded World,
by Stan Chu Ilo

Fr. Stan Ilo is a regular weekend presider at St. Francis Xavier and a research professor at the Center for World

Catholicism and Intercultural Theology, DePaul University. His recently published book, "Someone Beautiful to God," can now be purchased through the parish office. It makes an excellent gift to yourself and/or to lift the spirits of a friend or family member.

Taking personal reflection as his starting point, Fr. Stan writes as an African Catholic priest who has lived and ministered to God's people in Africa, Europe, and North America. "Everywhere I go," he says, "I see the beauty and purpose that give people so much joy and hope when they embrace transformational faith." In addition to having grown up in a typical African village, his theological and biblical studies and pastoral experience and social ministries on three continents have contributed to a treasure trove of stories about people with robust and expectant faith doing extraordinary things for God.

The book can be purchased for \$20.00. Please call the rectory (708-352-0168) to reserve your copy and arrange for pick-up at the rectory or sacristy.

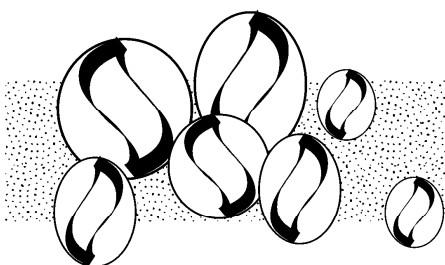


Please register or find out about more about programs at The Well Spirituality Center online: www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048. All programs are currently on ZOOM.

See No Stranger for Ten Mondays, starting January 24-April 4 from 10:00-11:30 am with Facilitators Colleen Gorman and Bridget Sperduto. Book series based on Valarie Kaur's *See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love*. We will explore Valarie's ideas of revolutionary love as "a call for our time, a radical, joyful practice that extends in three directions--to others, to opponents and to our-selves." \$150.

Stillness of Winter: Almost February on Thursday, January 27 from 7:00-8:15 pm with Facilitator Barbara Mahany. February tries its darnedest to turn us into doubters. But now is the time when we're wise to pay closest attention: Listen close for the first stirrings of winter loosening its grip, making room for the light to seep in. \$15.

Re-emerging in a Post-Pandemic World Thursdays, February 3—May 5, 10 at 11:30 AM with Facilitator Bridget Sperduto. The pandemic has lasted far longer than we ever imagined. Let us gather, process and unpack how the pandemic has affected us and how we want to consciously move forward, considering "which parts of normal are worth rushing back to." \$15/session.



*If one member suffers,
all the members suffer with it;
if one member is honored,
all the members share its joy.*



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. 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, 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
- **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
- **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
- **1st Lieutenant Mitchell Ciszewski, USMC**—son of Bob & Pat Ciszewski
- **1st Lieutenant Michael Sullivan, U.S. Army**—son of Gene & Mary Pat Sullivan
- **Col. Jessica Nichol, USAF**—daughter-in-law of Tom & Lucile Nichol
- **Capt. Jack Albertini, USMC**—son of Bob & Susan Albertini

**Please inform us of those serving Overseas in the Military...
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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-8:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
Saturday 9:00 am-5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am-1:00 pm

At this time due to COVID-19 the rectory offices are by appointment only. Staff members will now be answering phones Monday through Friday from 8:30 am-5:00 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, Friday and Saturday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning9:00-10:00 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-Noon

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus

St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday)8:00 -10:00 am
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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
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Food Pantry

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Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

If you would like a priest or Minister of Care to visit, please contact the Parish Office directly. In the case of hospitalization, specifically request that the hospital contact the parish. Hospitals do not routinely inform churches of admissions due to Privacy Laws.

Infant Baptisms

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

Marriage

Please call the rectory office at the time of your engagement to schedule your wedding. We ask that you are a registered parishioner for 6 months before requesting your wedding date. Saturday wedding times are 1:00 and 3:00 pm. Rehearsals are usually scheduled on Friday evening. We do not schedule weddings during Lent.

Parish Counselor

At this time, our counseling sessions will be virtual/online.

All counseling services are confidential and respectful. If you are curious about self-exploration, need help managing your mood and anxiety, long for a quiet and safe space, or feel the need to recalibrate, consider making an appointment, with our parish counselor, Georgina Lopez, from the Claret Center (Georgina is also bilingual in English and Spanish. She can be reached by phone 323-487-2359 or email glopez.claret@gmail.com.

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