

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 24, 2021



*come,
follow me
and i will
make you
fishers of men*



Week at a Glance

Monday, January 25	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Chris Morkin
Tuesday, January 26	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Rosemary Vargas
Wednesday, January 27	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Carol Grimes
Thursday, January 28	Rosary	8:15 am	
Friday, January 29	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Tyler Duelm
Saturday, January 30	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Susan Walsh and Pete Capellani
Sunday, January 31	Mass	9:00 am	People of the Parish
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	11:00 am	Bernard Urycki
	Mass	5:00 pm	Johanna Vizgirda

Presider's Schedule for January 23-24, 2021~Mass Time

5:00 pm Fr. Tkachuk

9:00 am Fr. Milek

11:00 am Fr. Ilo

5:00 pm Fr. Milek

Please Pray For...

Diane Bereckis	Baby Amy Nesterowicz
John Bovard	Carolyn Nesterowicz
Jay Carroll	Bernice Niemiec
Chili Challenger	Gert Ogilvie
Mary Culin	Arnold Oppenheim
Americo DiGianfillippo	Jane O'Reilly
Anthony Dina	Shawna Palazzolo
Blake Donegan	Ryan Patyk
Matt Doyle	Donna Pekarek
Joan Dunne	Carolyn Peters
Wendy Einspar	Jessica Phillips
Lily Fielding	James Pridmore
Will Fleming	Baby Lucia R.
Lilli Gregory	Madison Raupp
Wilson Gregory	Anna Rose
Frank Hoos	Rita Scalcon
Rose Ilo	Matthew Schiek
Mary J.	Larry Skippet
Jane Jacobsen	Greyson Stanley
Michael Janus	James Stapel
Peter Johns	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Theresa Kandall	Michael Ungari
Mark Kiley	Gregory Van Gorp
Jim Martin	Helena Walden
Enrique Martinez	Marian Ward
Lisa Massaro	Maribeth Watkins
Mary McMahan	Liz Wilk
Patrick Morgan	Scott Young
Mike Morrison	

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:

Lottie Snopek
Mother of Barbara Snopek

John Sassone
Father of Mary Caiafa

Marilyn Fallon

Readings For The Week of

January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
 Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
 Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41
 Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Pastor's Notes

*"This is the time of fulfillment.
The kingdom of God is at hand."*

Mark 1:14

What does it mean that God's kingdom is "at hand"? The first followers of Jesus understood this to mean that Christ's coming in glory would happen at any moment. Hence St. Paul calls us to live without attachments to the things of a world that is "passing away." Over time, it became clear to the early Christians that the end of the world as we know it was not imminent. So, what did Jesus mean when he proclaimed the kingdom to be "at hand"? Did God change his mind? Was Jesus wrong? Has God abandoned us?

These are questions many may be asking amid the crises and tensions of the moment; they are made more real to us by 24-hour news reports and ever-present (though not always factual) social media. We who choose to be disciples of Christ cannot "know" the answers, any more than did Peter, Andrew, James, and John when they abandoned their nets on the seashore to follow Jesus. *We pray* for God's kingdom to come into our world, and *we believe* that, one day, it will indeed come into this world in its fullness. But what did Jesus mean when he proclaimed that God's kingdom **is** at hand?

Jesus came to plant the seeds of God's kingdom among us. God's kingdom *is* here, growing among us. *We are called* to nurture its growth through our attitudes, words, and actions toward one another. *We are commissioned* to reveal God's kingdom to others as God works in and through us to transform our world. *We are sent* to be agents of transformation in our families, communities, and society in the ways we respect one another and show a special care for the poor, the vulnerable, and the suffering. **God's kingdom is here, at hand, within and among us.** Will we respond to the call of Jesus to reveal the presence of God's kingdom to those most in need of its hope?

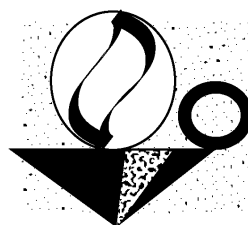
Every priest of the Archdiocese is asked to

engage in a periodic evaluation of his ministry. This evaluation has taken various forms over the years, always inviting parishioners to participate in some manner. The current evaluation tool of the Archdiocese, the Catholic Leadership 360 Review, is directed by an independent, national group. As part of this process, I have been asked to submit the names of at least 15 parishioners whom I believe can provide an honest and accurate evaluation of me and my ministry as priest and pastor. In addition, any parishioner who wants to participate in this process is invited to do so via a separate, online parish-wide survey. In this bulletin you will find a letter from our Vicar, Bishop John Manz, that tells you how to participate. You also can go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/englishsurvey-2020-2021> or use the Quicklink on the parish website. Surveys must be submitted no later than February 23. At the end of the process in late April or early May, I will provide you with the insights that I gained from this process and my development plan for the remaining years until I retire.

May we all be messengers and witnesses that **the kingdom of God is at our hands**, if only we work toward its realization in our interactions with one another. May we all be an instrument of physical, emotional, and spiritual healing at a time when our world feels wounded and broken. Let us leave behind on the seashore all that would weigh us down and follow Jesus.

Peace,

F. Bill



*Guide me
O Lord
in your truth*



Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Near the Colombia–Venezuela border, Venezuelan emigrants and refugees present the Church with an urgent need for pastoral and material support. In response, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Subcommittee on the Church in Latin America worked with the human rights office of the Archdiocese of Caracas, Caritas Venezuela, and the social justice ministry office of the Colombian conference of bishops to organize a January 2020 pastoral visit to programs serving refugees. During the visit,

bishops and ministry leaders from Venezuela and Colombia met to assess and to raise awareness of the crisis in both countries.

Your support for the Collection for the Church in Latin America allowed the subcommittee to award an emergency grant of \$10,000 to support humanitarian aid to migrants in the Diocese of Cúcuta in Colombia in February 2020. Located on the border, the Diocese of Cúcuta is a primary point of entry for fleeing Venezuelans who migrate to and through Colombia. In 2018 and 2019, the diocese was awarded three grants totaling \$125,000 from the collection to assist with its migrant outreach programs. However, in 2020 the need became unprecedented.

By early 2020, two diocesan welcome centers for migrants were providing thousands of meals daily. What was once a parish initiative had become a systemic diocesan effort to support the growing number of migrants in need. This emergency grant provided a much-needed supplement to ensure that the programs continued. By supporting the Collection for the Church in Latin America, you help local parishes address the immediate pastoral and material needs of these vulnerable refugee families. Thank you for your generosity to the collection.

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.



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.

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.

Religious Education Registration

Religious Education Registration Packets can be found on the website at sfxlg.org. If you have any questions, please email Terri Simeoni at tsimeoni@sfxlg.org.

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



Most. Rev. John R. Manz
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

Dear Parishioners,

Your pastor, Fr. William Tkachuk, will soon be participating in the Catholic Leadership 360 Review process. This review process is part of the ordinary structure required by Archdiocesan Policy of every diocesan priest approximately every five years. It is an opportunity for Fr. Tkachuk to recognize his talents and to grow to become a better priest and pastoral minister. Selected members of the parish staff and parish leadership, your Dean, and myself will be asked to be reviewers using this instrument.

According to Archdiocesan policies lay leadership and parishioners are to be given the opportunity to recognize Fr. Tkachuk's gifts and to share their sentiments about his ministry. So, we are providing a parish-wide survey as part of his review process. The survey can be easily accessed by going to the Archdiocese's web page (<https://www.archchicago.org/>) and clicking on Offices and Ministries on the top panel. This will bring you to an alphabetical listing of offices. Under 'M', select Ministerial Resources for Parishes. You will then be directed to the Ministerial Resources for Parishes webpage. In the middle of the page, you will find "Parish-wide survey review for priests". The survey is available in English, Spanish, and Polish. Please click on the work 'Link' next to your appropriate language to access the survey.

If you have any concerns or comments pertaining to Father's review, feel free to contact me directly. If you have any further questions or suggestions about the review process you may contact Fr. Bob Heidenreich, Coordinator of Ministerial Review and Priests Programs, by email (rheidenreich@archchicago.org) or by phone at the Priests' Placement Office (312-534-5237).

When the Catholic Leadership 360 Review process has been completed Fr. Tkachuk will be asked to share the insights he has received and his further developmental plans with you in the parish bulletin and on the parish web site.

Thankyou in advance for your willingness to participate and provide constructive information.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+ John R. Manz". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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Our Finances as of December 31, 2020 (Reprinted from last week's bulletin)



Note: This budget target of \$1,643,000 assumes an operating deficit of \$148,000 by the end of the fiscal year, which will be covered by operating savings.

	<i>EFT/Credit Card</i>	+	<i>Basket**</i>	+	<i>Other Offertory*</i>	=	<i>December Totals</i>
Sunday Offertory							
December 2020	\$ 76,517		\$ 46,137		\$ 43,872		\$ 166,526
December 2019	\$ 70,210		\$ 67,179		\$ 35,328		\$ 172,717

** 4 Sundays in December 2020 vs. 5 Sundays in December 2019

* Includes donations from stock, donor-advised funds, Holy Day contributions, and other miscellaneous gifts

As noted above, our offertory budget of \$1,643,000 anticipates an operating deficit of \$148,000. Typically, we set our collections budget to break even with expenses. However, with the restrictions in church attendance, we did not expect our collections to be at normal levels. This is evidenced in the graph above, whereby our collections to date are lower than the previous year at this time. The Payroll Protection Loan covered parish and school payroll from April until June, enabling us to conserve the offertory received during that time to cover the deficit with parish savings if needed.

Please note that our offertory through December is higher than where we expected to be at this time – every extra dollar reduces the anticipated operating deficit. God bless you for your stewardship of St. Francis Xavier Parish – we are so very grateful for your continued support through this pandemic!

Christmas

Our Christmas Budget has been met!

Christmas 2020 Collections Year-to-date: \$140,858

Reduced Christmas 2020 Budget due to limited attendance: \$130,000

Last Year's Christmas 2019 Collection: \$151,504

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WOMEN of SFX and our neighbors, join us for ...

WELCOME BACK

an opportunity to quench your thirst for companionship with each other and with the Lord. **Bring nothing but yourselves and be filled with the gifts of sisterhood in Christ as we prepare for Lent together.** Come gather for **Mass on Saturday morning February 13 at 10:00**, either in **the church or via livestream**, and be inspired by scripture and women speakers. Then join in two evening **virtual live video events on Feb 15 and 16**, (or watch the recordings on your own at your convenience). **Registration will be live on our webpage ([click here](#)) in the next week.**

And there's more... for anyone who wishes to return to the well and journey together in faith during Lent, there will be options for community prayer, book study, rosary, reconciliation, and more! Details to follow.

Looking ahead: LENT 2021

JOIN A SMALL GROUP – If you are looking for communal reflection and preparation during this Lenten season, fill out [this form](#) to find a small group that fits your needs/preferences.

REQUEST A “LENTEN BLACK BOOK” – Due to COVID-19, we cannot distribute the “Lenten Black Books” at Mass as usual. Fill out [this form](#) by Feb. 5 to request a book (or multiple) and we will be sure to get the book to you!

TAKE A “DEEP DIVE” INTO PRAYER & SCRIPTURE – Join us as we practice deepening our prayer lives through a series of six video sessions and communal reflection together via Zoom. *Lectio: Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God* captures the secret to opening our hearts and minds to Scripture as the means to hear from God and then respond in conversation, basking in his presence and resolving to live in and through his love. Fill out [this form](#) to register.

More information on Lent 2021 can be found on the website ([sfxlg.org](#) -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> Lent 2021)

Emerging from the Pandemic Together

Thurs. 7-8:15pm

Even if you missed the first session, join us for one or both of the remaining conversations!

Session Two, Jan 28:

“The Good Samaritan: Who is my Neighbor?”

Session Three, Feb 4:

“Self-gift as the Key to Deeper Fulfilment”

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, to register for any session, or to watch the session recordings, please [click here](#) or visit [sfxlg.org](#) -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> Events -> Fratelli Tutti

[Click here for more information about Faith Formation at SFX.](#)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Parish Council which meets every first Monday of the month will now have the minutes of the meeting published the following week in the bulletin. If you have any questions related to St. Francis, please feel free to contact us at ppc@sfxlg.org

PPC Meeting Minutes 01.11.2021

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|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Fr. Bill | 6. Mike Hattie | 10. Bernadette |
| 2. Curt Aronson | 7. Barbara Kalnes | McMahon |
| 3. Beth DiMarco | 8. Marko Magajne | 11. Antonio Pangan |
| 4. Laura Duelm | 9. Tom Marthler | 12. Carolyn Simone |
| 5. Chris Grech | | 13. Jody Wise |

1. Fr. Bill adventures in traffic... Healing progress after auto accident
2. Parish mission statement
3. Prayer – Fr. Bill
4. Reflection Gospel Reading John 1:35-42...
5. Discussion / Action Items
 - a. Review minutes of the meeting 12/13/2020.
 - i. To be published to parish website so need review...
 - b. SFX new PPC email system ppc@sfxlg.org with password
 - i. All PPC members can see & respond...
 - ii. No messages received yet
 - iii. Gmail account so log in that way...
 - c. Christmas reflection & silver linings in COVID time.
 - i. Virtual gathering...
 - ii. Less materialism & more about how to gather...
 - iii. Creative new celebrations...
 - iv. New Christmas experiences & conversations...
 - v. Parish services were different but still special...
 - vi. Will this year change future celebrations...
 - d. Christmas Mass update
 - i. Some church reservations not available because some people booked multiple Masses or larger groups than actually attended...
 - ii. Volunteer experiences...
 - iii. Greeting has been a good experience... Will greeters continue after COVID...

- e. Christmas budget update
 - i. Budget goal reduced due COVID reduced attendance; we are exceeding the revised budget
 - ii. Give Central giving continues strong
 - iii. 60% of collections are electronic...
 - iv. Some weekends have reached "normal" levels for "basket giving" but the current pace is not sustainable beyond COVID... We will need to focus on building attendance back up once restrictions have been lifted.
 - v. Give Central helps with budgeting
 - vi. Fundraisers have been creative in finding ways to gather and have fun virtually...
 - vii. PPC trivia team for February with Valentine theme...
- f. Vicar Pastor review questions...
 - i. Annual request from Arch about the parish / parishes...
 - ii. Plans influenced by actual events & actions...
 - iii. Renew My Church & parish councils & influence by the plan & events & actions...
 - iv. SFX PPC can reach out to St Cletus & St John of the Cross councils about the plan...
 - v. Renew My Church evangelization challenges & in action...
- g. FORMED - a social media outlet will appear in bulletin this Sunday
 - i. New ways for more people to connect to the parish & each other...
 - ii. Check it out...
 - iii. "Catholic Netflix"...
 - iv. Parishioners already connecting...
 - v. See the bulletin for more info...
- h. Next Meeting February 8, 2021
- i. Mike Hattie recording the minutes of the meeting, with Tom Marthaler taking the next two meetings...
- j. PPC formation thoughts...
- k. New business...
 - i. Ash Wednesday sprinkling of ashes...

6. Closing Prayer



DOUBLE your DONATION

Your **Building Our Future** donation can make an even BIGGER impact!

Thanks to the generous support of a group of committed parishioners, we are able to offer a 2:1 donation matching program for our Building Our Future fund. This is the school's BIGGEST fundraiser every year; be sure to take advantage of this unique, LIMITED TIME opportunity in support of our school.

..... HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

Between **January 24 – February 6**, visit **SFXschoolfund.com** to make your donation. All funds received, up to \$10,000 total, will receive a 2:1 match. It's that easy!

..... WHY DONATE?

We all benefit from Building our Future fundraising – whether it is building or technology related, supporting required staff, providing tuition assistance to our neighbors or promoting the school's overall financial health.

We appreciate the decades-long support of our matching donors and to all of you who support the mission of Saint Francis Xavier School year over year.

Visit SFXschoolfund.com to make your donation and receive a 2:1 match (up to \$10,000 total). Don't delay, this offer is only available January 24 – February 6, 2021!

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!
Click Here!**

This Database Will:

- Connect SFX alumni past and present
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- 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.

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<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>

MILKSTOP

café cocktails

LAGRANGE

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

11:00am – 8:30pm

Restaurant Fundraising Day with Milkstop Café!

Order from Milkstop Café anytime on Tuesday, January 26 and they will generously contribute 10% of your order total to St. Francis Xavier School. The fundraiser is valid on the pre-tax/gratuity total of your bill and is valid all menus (Week day Lunch, Dinner, After Dinner, Cocktails, Kids, Wine and Family Meals). Give them a call at 708-937-9158 to place your order and tell them that you are participating in the St. Francis Fundraiser. They are located at 700 West Burlington Avenue, LaGrange and you may visit them online at: <https://www.milkstopcafe.com/>. Please consider supporting our local restaurants who are so generously willing to support our school!

Fine Print:

- Only orders placed by phone will be eligible (please do not place your order online, it won't be eligible).
- The fundraiser is valid for carry-out/pick-up only – no delivery.
- In the event that Milkstop Café is able to offer dine-in, those orders would also be eligible for the fundraiser.
- Orders for Family Style Meals must be placed between noon and 3pm for same day pick-up between 5-7pm.

St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry

This year brings many challenges to volunteering and giving back to others in our St. Francis Xavier Community. We have met and decided that we will find the best way to minister to people who need our help. We came up with a few opportunities and hope you can join us.

The idea behind the Family Ministry is to give families a chance to have fun and work together while serving others in need. Please help us make a difference.

February

On Wednesday, February 10, 2021 SFX is going to deliver letters to the seniors at Bethlehem Woods. We need people to write notes and jokes for the seniors. We can ask our younger members of the parish to draw pictures and contribute a candy bar, or lotion. There are 27 seniors in assisted living and have no contact due to COVID and then there are 180 seniors who have limited contact. If families would please reach out to Ana at apd3@core.com with questions and please feel to contribute items. The collection will be the week of February 1st.

March

Sue Devers of Beds is coordinating dinners for homeless people staying in local motels and individuals living in the resident building on Ogden Avenue. They are in need of families to prepare and deliver meals on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays in March and beyond. This would be a great volunteer opportunity for families to do in their homes. Please reach out to Sue Devers at Beds (dever@beds-plus.org).

April

We are partnering with the Salt Creek Watershed Network to clean up garbage at Salt Creek Forest Preserve on April 24th, 2021. All supplies will be provided. Please join us and contact Elizabeth at elizabeth.fanta@yahoo.com, if you are interested. This is a tentative event due to COVID. More details to follow.

October through May

Some of you may already be aware that the guests of the BEDS program are not staying at St. Francis Xavier due to COVID-19 concerns. The guests are staying at various locations, so for now, please drop all dessert donations on Monday mornings before noon at the BEDS Plus facility on the corner of East Avenue and Ogden Avenue but please contact Theresa Sullivan at thsully28@yahoo.com to sign up.

From Your SFX Parish Counselor

"...the silver lining of coronavirus is that it is making more of us aware of our fear of mortality so that we are more likely to ask ourselves the questions of whether we are living in full accordance with our highest values..."

"...Say I love you to a loved one you have not said those words to before or recently. Express gratitude to those you have not yet thanked for something or for being who they are. Do something—even if it is small—to make this world a bit better or someone else's burden a little lighter. Smile to strangers. And I am sure you can think of a myriad of other ways to act on these principles..."

- Excerpt from "Sacred Anxiety and the Silver Lining of COVID-19" by Richard Zinbarg Ph.D.

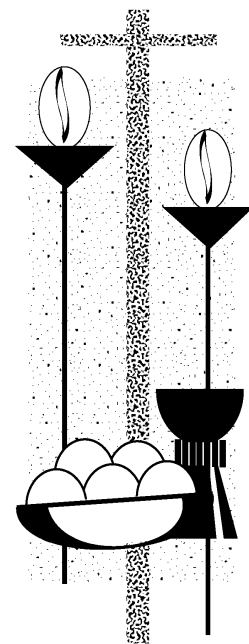
Wanna learn more about self-care? Consider reaching out to me at (442) 264-7589 or lolanadan@gmail.com.

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

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

Lolan P. Adan, MAPC~Parish Counselor

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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 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
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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
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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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