

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

1st Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2020



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, March 2	8:30 am	Carol Mae Westhoff	The Barry Family
Tuesday, March 3	7:45 am	Word & Communion Service	The McDonnell Family
	8:30 am	Mercedes McDonnell	
Wednesday, March 4	8:30 am	Jean Bender	The Metzger Family
Thursday, March 5	7:45 am	Word & Communion Service	Jacquelyn Van Gorp
	8:30 am	Ray Wielgos	
Friday, March 6	8:00 am	Stations of the Cross	
	8:30 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack	
Saturday, March 7	9:00 am	Paul Bonoma	The Driscoll Family
	9:30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	4:15 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	5:00 pm	Louis Mangione	The Alfonso Mangione Family
Sunday, March 8	7:30 am	People of the Parish	
Second Sunday of Lent	9:00 am	Peggy & Brian Schultz	The Hennebry Family
	10:30 am	Michael J. O'Donnell	The Wright Family
	12:00 pm	People of the Parish	
	6:00 pm	People of the Parish	

Please Pray For...

Jack Boyd
 Jay Carroll
 Chili Challender
 Americo DiGianfillippo
 Anthony Dina
 Blake Donegan
 Lily Fielding
 Baby Collins Fitzpatrick
 Lilli Gregory
 Wilson Gregory
 Brian Hahn
 Patricia Hassler
 Linda Hillsman
 Rose Ilo
 Mary J.
 Jane Jacobsen
 Michael Janus
 Theresa Kandall
 Mark Kiley
 Benny Kilman
 Jerry Kolman
 Lou Ellen Krueger
 Brian Lisek

Patrick Morgan
 Mike Morrison
 Bernice Niemiec
 Bert Ogilvie
 Arnold Oppenheim
 Jane O'Reilly
 Shawwna Palazzolo
 Ryan Patyk
 Donna Pekarek
 James Pridmore
 Madison Raupp
 Anna Rose
 Marilyn Rutkowski
 Matthew Schiek
 Larry Skippet
 Donna Suchoski
 Kate Frugoli Sullivan
 Joseph Tarin
 Anne Titzer
 Michael Ungari
 Gregory Van Gorp
 Marian Ward
 Liz Wilk
 Malcolm 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.

Born Into Eternal Life



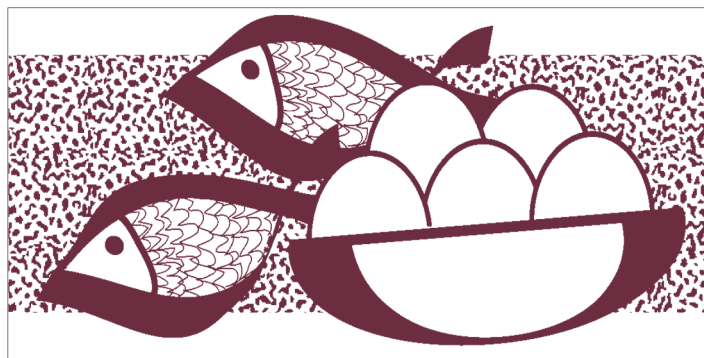
Please remember in your prayers,
 those who have died,
 as well as their families:

Jim Potsch

Husband of Joan and
 Father of Jim & Jennifer

John Paul Heil

Friend of Matt Kanzer



Pastor's Notes

*“The moment you eat of it,
your eyes will be opened,
and you will be like gods who know
what is good and what is evil.”*

Genesis 3:5

The serpent beguiles the first human persons with the temptation to be like gods and to have the knowledge of good and evil. Suddenly the fruit that God had forbidden them to eat seems “pleasing to the eyes and desirable for gaining wisdom.” The serpents promise proves true, and they quickly gain knowledge of what is evil, unaware that, up to this point, they had known, only and instinctively, what is good. What had seemed pleasing and desirable becomes an obstacle in their relationship with the Creator. They are separated from the good that is God, and instead become like “gods” who hunger for food that cannot satisfy and wisdom that leads to ignorance.

Our ancestors told this story out of their awareness of the human temptation to choose that which will harm us in order to find a quick fix for our hungers. As a result, we lose the grace of humility and begin to hide the naked truth of our dependence on God and our temptations to grab onto something other than God that might give us independence and power and end our hunger for good. In the process, we become dependent on the very things that we thought would give us independence – sometimes to the point of addictions that threaten our life and sanity.

It is for this reason that the Spirit leads Jesus into the desert, the exact opposite of the garden of the first temptations. After forty days in the desert, hungry and

tired, Jesus faces three temptations from the devil: to satisfy his hungers without God; to test God's love by creating a crisis for God to prove God's love; to turn to a false god to obtain at least a fleeting sense of power. Without the pleasures of a garden, Jesus looks within to God's love and the centrality of that relationship in his life. He rejects short-term pleasures with trust that only God can provide what will satisfy. This is the message Jesus will bring to the world through his preaching, his healing, and his willingness to surrender his life in trust that God is more powerful than death.

What tempts me at this point in my life to become “wise” by choosing quick fixes that fail to satisfy the hunger that can only be satisfied by God, and only fully satisfied when I dwell fully with God in the kingdom that awaits us all? What is pulling me away from God with the false promise that I can become like a god and control all my needs and protect myself from all harm? What started as a good thing in my life that now threatens to take over my life? What do I need to let go of, at least for the next forty days, if only to gain perspective and more deeply root myself in God's love?

The answer is different for each of us. May we encourage one another to face the challenge of the desert so that we may rejoice in the good news of the garden that now holds an empty tomb.

Lenten Joy,

J. Bill

Reflection for the First Sunday of Lent

Liturgy Planning Team #4

Sr. Marci Hermesdorf, Shirley Augustyn, Beth Olson and Diane Walsh

Every First Sunday of Lent, we hear the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. After his time there, Jesus had a clearer idea of who he was and what God was asking of him and calling him to do—to bring about God's kingdom.

Lent is a time for us to find a “desert,” somewhere that is quiet and away from the routine and distractions of daily life—not for forty days, of course, but for a little time every day, if possible. Only there can we reflect on, contemplate, who we are as followers of Jesus. There we can see how faithful we have been—or not—to what God is calling us to be and do.

In our desert, we can see whether we have been distracted from our discipleship by the “things of this world”—often very good things, but ones that have become overly important. After our time in the desert this Lent, let us re-commit ourselves to our vocation of building the Kingdom of God through our acts of almsgiving, love, kindness, compassion, forgiveness, and peace making.

Lent Events Calendar 2020

Daily Mass

Monday through Friday 8:30 am

Word & Communion Service

Tuesday and Thursday 7:45 am

Stations of the Cross

The Fridays of Lent 8:00 am

3/19 Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-7:00 pm in church.

Area Reconciliation Services

3/15 SFX Quest Reconciliation after

6:00 pm Mass; all welcome

3/16 St. Cletus, 7:00 pm

3/24 St. Francis Xavier, 7:00 pm

4/10 Morning Prayer/Living Stations

Thursday 8:30 am

4/11 Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-7:00 pm in church.

CRS Rice Bowl

Our Religious Ed Program is collecting for the CRS Rice Bowl program to alleviate hunger and poverty in other countries (65%), and in our own community (35%) www.crsricebowl.org.

Almsgiving

Make sacrifices, and give to the poor. St. Vincent de Paul boxes are at the church entrances.

Little Black Book

As a parish we will be praying daily Catholic Lenten devotions presented in the Little Black Book. The book contains brief meditations based upon the readings of the day. Books are available in church and at the parish rectory.

Small Faith Groups

Visit www.sfxlg.org or contact Mary Sue McDonald: at 708-409-9595 or email marysuecdonal@yahoo.com to join a small faith group.

4/10-4/25 LaGrange Knights of Columbus Food Pantry Spring Food Drive

Have your donation picked up or donate online at www.MyFoodDrive.org/ #LGKofCSpring_2019.

Call or text Mike Hattie at 708-207-2780 or council6483@gmail.com.

Every \$1 and food donation helps families & seniors struggling to make ends meet.

Holy Week Services

4/5 Palm Sunday

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:30 am, Noon & 6:00 pm

4/8 Tenebrae

A Service of Darkness, Wednesday 7:00 pm.

A beautiful tradition of prayer and scripture, which portrays the final hours of our Lord's life on earth.

4/9 Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer/Living Stations 8:30 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm

Church open for visitation until midnight

4/10 Good Friday

Morning Prayer 8:30 am

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

3:00 & 7:00 pm

4/11 Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer 9:00 am

Blessing of Easter Baskets 1:00 pm

Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

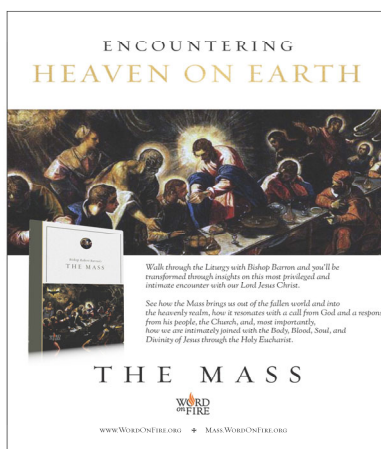
4/12 Easter Sunday Mass

In church: 7:30 am, 9:00 am,

10:30 am & Noon

In gym: 9:15 am & 10:45 am

No 6:00 pm Mass



Lenten Opportunity from the Catholic Identity Committee of the SFX School Advisory Board

For most Catholic adults, the Mass is a most familiar part of the Faith. But, that familiarity can prevent us from appreciation of and reflection on the "source and summit" of our faith life. **"The Mass,"** a DVD series led by Bishop Robert Barron, beautifully explains the Mass in detail: what we do, why, and the significance it has in our lives. It's a long, complex prayer. Every movement, gesture, & response is Biblical, and/or traditional, and it all has meaning. As Catholic adults, we may not know the significance of all the details.

This Lent, let's take the opportunity to learn more about the Mass, not only for ourselves, but for our kids, neighbors, and community. They ask questions, and they want more than, "we go to Mass because we HAVE to."

The Catholic Identity Committee of the SFX School Advisory Board will present this 6-episode series over three Monday nights in March. All are welcome to join us on **Mondays, March 9, 16, and 30th from 7:00-9:00pm in Unity Hall for a DVD presentation and discussion. Please RSVP to Katie Kanzer k.f.kanzer@gmail.com or Katy Newcomb katynewcomb@hotmail.com. Walk-ins are welcome---bring a friend!**

The Church in Central and Eastern Europe

This weekend, our second collection will be for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation will help restore the Church and build the future in over 25 countries still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection help support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. For more information, please visit the website at www.usccb.org/cee. Thank you for your generosity.

Baptisms

We celebrate and welcome the newest members of our faith family, who were baptized:



Ronan Hennessy Budny
Son of Daniel & Kaitlin (Ford) Budny

Patrick William Baker
Son of Raymond & Rebecca (Miller) Baker

Eric Daniel Jung, Jr.
Son of Eric & Lily (Salinas) Jung, Sr.

Addison Elba Smith
Daughter of Kenneth & Nicole (Pach) Smith

Aria Rose Imirie
Daughter of Christopher & Meghan (Goran) Imirie

Lily Anna Wickert
Daughter of Thomas & Kathleen (Goran) Wickert

Oliver Morgan Zmuda
Son of Michael & Christine (Steinbeiss) Zmuda

Welcome

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

Eric & Kay Bonza
Juliet Dawson
Christopher & Samantha Aranda
Matthew & Natalie Maline
Bruce & Phyllis Boemo
Senona Hernandez
Christopher & Shannon Lanus
Alyssa Lavorata



WOMEN'S Choir: Good Friday

Women's Choir rehearsals will begin on **Thursday, March 12th** from 8:30 to 9:30 pm in the church...after Celebration Ensemble rehearsal. A call goes out to all women who have an ear for singing and like to sing but do not have the time to commit to an entire season, or are thinking about joining on a more regular basis and would like to give it a try.

This choir will meet for four rehearsals:

Thursday, March 12 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm
Thursday, March 19 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm
Thursday, March 26 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm
Thursday, April 2 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm



...in preparation for the 3:00 pm Lord's Passion on **Good Friday, April 10th** of Holy Week.

New singers are asked to please contact our Director of Liturgical Music, **Allen Sterwalt**, in advance of the first rehearsal date if at all possible.

asterwalt@sfxlg.org
708-352-0168

Special Hearing Devices...

Please be aware that the parish is equipped with special hearing devices for those who need hearing assistance.

Those devices can be found in the priests' sacristy. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Next weekend, don't forget to Spring ahead one hour as Daylight savings time will begin. Be sure to replace the batteries in your smoke alarms.



Time to Spring Ahead



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PUNCH BOWL DONATION

SFX is looking for the donation of one large GLASS punch bowl that will be used on Holy Thursday for the washing of hands.

We prefer something similar to the look of the image at left (diameter about 15", depth about 7").

Please contact the rectory at 708-352-0168 or email bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.

What's going on in Youth Ministry???

Kairos Retreat: K35



Calling all current Juniors and Seniors! The next Kairos retreat will be Thursday March 12 - Sunday March 15 and is hosted by St. John of

the Cross. To sign up, visit the SFX Youth Ministry website. This is the last chance to register. For more information, contact Olivia Zurowski at 708-352-0168 or ozurowski@sfxlg.org.

Position Available Parish Director of Development

St. Francis Xavier Parish seeks a candidate for the position of Director of Development to serve as strategic leader and professional manager of all aspects of mission development and fundraising for the parish and parish elementary school. The Director of Development will be accountable for all fundraising initiatives and specific special events. The ideal candidate is a self-starter with at least 5 years of development experience, and is a person of faith committed to Gospel values. He or she understands and prioritizes the organization and responsible management of resources and helps the parish fund and fulfill its mission and purpose, including the parish mission to provide quality, affordable Catholic elementary education to families who want to provide this for their children.

This position is part time and a description is posted on the parish website (www.sfxlg.org). If you are interested, please send a cover letter and copy of your resume to Jennifer Zeisloft, SFX Business Manager, via the parish rectory.

Religious Education Important Dates & Class Dates

Reconciliation

Grade 7	March 11	During Class
Grade 2	March 8 & March 11	During Class
Grade 3	March 15 & March 18	During Class

Grade 2 Eucharistic Prep Liturgy at 1:30 pm
March 15 in Church

Fourth Grade Reconciliation (Four Services)

March 7	1:00 pm and 3:00 pm in Church
March 8	1:30 pm and 3:30 pm in Church

Class Dates

Sunday, March 1	At Home Lesson
Wednesday, March 4	At Home Lesson
Sunday, March 8	Class
Wednesday, March 11	Class
Sunday, March 15	Class
Wednesday, March 18	Class
Sunday, March 22	No Class
Wednesday, March 25	No Class
Sunday, March 29	No Class
Wednesday, April 1	No Class

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Saturday evening 5:00 pm Mass offers the opportunity for children in Grades Kindergarten-Fourth to experience hearing and reflecting on the Word of the Lord in a way that is an empowering experience. Children in these grades are invited to follow their Reflector of the Word to a prayer space away from the gathered assembly to hear the Scriptures in words they can understand.

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place in church whenever the children's choirs lead us in song/prayer AND when a Grade Level Mass is celebrated. The Scriptures we hear will then be taken from the Children's Lectionary and the homily will be given in a way that children are able to relate a little more readily.

Children's choirs on March 14 and the Grade Level Mass on April 18. Grades K-4 will be invited to join their Reflector in a prayer space on the following Saturdays (subject to change): March 7, 21 & 28; April 28.

You can call 708-352-0168 and direct your calls to: Allen Sterwalt, Director of Music or Terri Simeoni, Coordinator of Religious Education.



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
WE PRAY • WE LEARN • WE SERVE

The St. Francis Xavier Parish School is one of the many wonderful ministries within the St. Francis Xavier Parish. We are fortunate to have an active School Advisory Board that works throughout the year on behalf of our school and parish community.

The purpose of the School Advisory Board is to:

- Develop, formulate, and adopt policies which govern the operation of the School
- Review and advise on the annual budget and determine sources of funding for the School
- Provide counsel and advise on the operation of the School
- Participate in the school's development, student recruitment efforts, and long-range plans
- Assist in obtaining the goals and objectives of the St. Francis Xavier School Mission Statement
- Promote the School and support the School's public relations and marketing efforts

The Board currently consists of eleven members who each serve a three-year term. Each Board member serves on one of the following committees:

- Catholic Identity
- Development
- Finance
- Marketing/Communications
- Strategic Planning

Interested in Becoming a School Advisory Board Member?

*****FINAL APPLICATION DEADLINE 3/31/2020*****

The St. Francis Xavier School Advisory Board is accepting applications for a three-year term on the Board. Wonder what it takes or how the process works? Below are some common questions people have about becoming a board member.

Common Questions:

- Do you need to have experience on a board or have a career in education? NO, you do not need to have prior experience on a school board or experience in education to apply.
- How much time is this commitment? We meet once per month plus 1-2 supplementary meetings each month. Expect approximately 6-8 hours per month.
- Do you need to have a child at the school to apply? NO, we encourage parent (guardian) of a Religious Education student, young adult parishioners and alumna/us of SFX. Candidates need not be parents of current SFX students.
- How does the application/selection process work? There is a one page application, a face-to-face meeting with the members of the Board and then the Board votes on the slate of applicants.

To receive an application or for more information regarding the application process and timing, **any interested parishioner or school parent (guardian)** can contact School Board selection committee members Matt Duffy m.duffy@nonnis.com or 708-280-1995, or Katie Kanzer a k.f.kanzer@gmail.com or 773-860-5283.

The application and more detailed information about the Board can be found on the St. Francis Xavier School Web site <https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/School%7CParent%20Volunteers%3E%3ESAB%20-%20School%20Advisory%20Board>. ***Please remember that all submissions for candidacy are valued and will be reviewed.*** We look forward to receiving your application!



The Well Spirituality Center
1515 Ogden Avenue
LaGrange Park

The Cross and the Lynching Tree on Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 from 7:00-8:30 pm. Lent is an appropriate time to acknowledge and repent for the sin of racism and its tragic consequences for our African American sisters and brothers. Please read chapters 1 and 2 of *The Cross and the Lynching Tree* by James H. Cone prior to the first study and reflective session. Facilitated by Kathy Sherman, CSJ and Franshun Davis-Harris. Cost: \$60 or \$15/session.

Moving Through the Energy of Grief on Monday, March 2 from 9:30 am-2:30 pm with Joanne Scullin. Join us for a day of education and experience of being with our grief from an energy perspective. This offering is an expansion of a shorter session that was held last March. Cost for SFX/SJC parishioners: free (includes lunch).

Lenten Labyrinth on Wednesday, March 4 from 9:30 am-4:00 pm. Labyrinth walking is an ancient form of body-prayer. This moving meditation may be a way to exercise the spirit and the body during this Lenten season. Spend an hour or more meditatively walking our indoor labyrinth laid out in Cavanaugh Chapel. Facilitator: Janet Bolger, CSJ. Cost: free will offering.

Teresa on Teresa de Avila Retreat on Friday, March 6 at 7:00 pm- Saturday, March 7 at 3:00 pm. Workshop only on Saturday, March 7 from 9:30- 11:30 am. Take a journey of the heart with Teresa de Avila through the eyes and lived experience of her namesake Teresa Mateus: author, speaker, trauma therapist, professor and Executive Director and co-founder of The Mystic Soul Project. Come for an overnight to practice exercises to open your heart, or come just for the Saturday morning of reflection. Cost for SFX/SJC parishioners: Whole retreat: \$130, Saturday morning workshop only: free.

Contemplative Music and Prayer in the Spirit of Taize on Wednesdays, March 11 and 25 and 7:00-8:00 pm. These ecumenical evenings of music and chant composed by Jack Crowe will include periods of silent contemplation. We will explore different faith traditions including Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Hinduism which use silence as a foundation for acting in the world. Cost: free will offering, suggested range \$10-20.

Still Searching the Invisible: Small Particles, Loud Voices on Saturday, March 14 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Our Universe is an unfathomably large place, yet the tiniest things yield the biggest impacts on our lives in numerous, subtle ways. Learn about some of the strange mechanisms in the world of particle physics that are being studied by Dr. Adam Schreckenberger at Fermilab. Cost for SFX/SJC parishioners: free. Please register in advance.

To register: www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago West Regional Services
invites you to the

17th Annual
St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Thursday, March 12

6:30-9:30 pm

FitzGerald's

6615 Roosevelt Road~Berwyn

Reservations are \$60 each by March 9/
\$65 after March 9 or at the door.
Includes outstanding hearty Irish fare, beer, wine, and pop.

Featuring

Entertainment by The Shannon Rovers, The McNulty Irish Dancers, and the Irish Musicians Association-Chicago, a Silent Auction and Grand Raffle with prizes including a Backyard Theater System, a Case of Assorted Fine Wine, and an Apple AirPods set.

Benefiting

This fun celebration benefits the
New Hope Housing Program,
making permanent housing and
self-sufficiency a reality for homeless families.

**For more information contact Mike Waters at
708-329-4022 or mwaters@catholiccharities.net**

Register online at www.catholiccharities.net/stpats

Reservations will be held at the door.

The tax deductible value per each advance reservation is \$27.

See the face of Christ this Lent!



Sign up to receive weekly on-line resources.

Deepen your relationship with God and explore
what it means to see Christ in the faces of our
brothers and sisters in need.

www.solidaritybridge.org/lent

*"Perceive in the face of every person a call to encounter,
dialogue and solidarity."* Pope John Paul II

Pope John Paul II

WE WALK THE ROAD TO EASTER

Why Buy Fair Trade Coffee??

The coffee sold at St. Francis Xavier is purchased from *Equal Exchange Fairly Traded*. There is a lot behind this coffee. "We work closely with our farmer partners, year after year, to better understand each other's needs. The result is a trusting relationship and delicious coffee." Beth Ann Caspersen, Quality Control Manager

Fair Trade builds right relationships between buyers and sellers that are rooted in the principles of human dignity and solidarity.

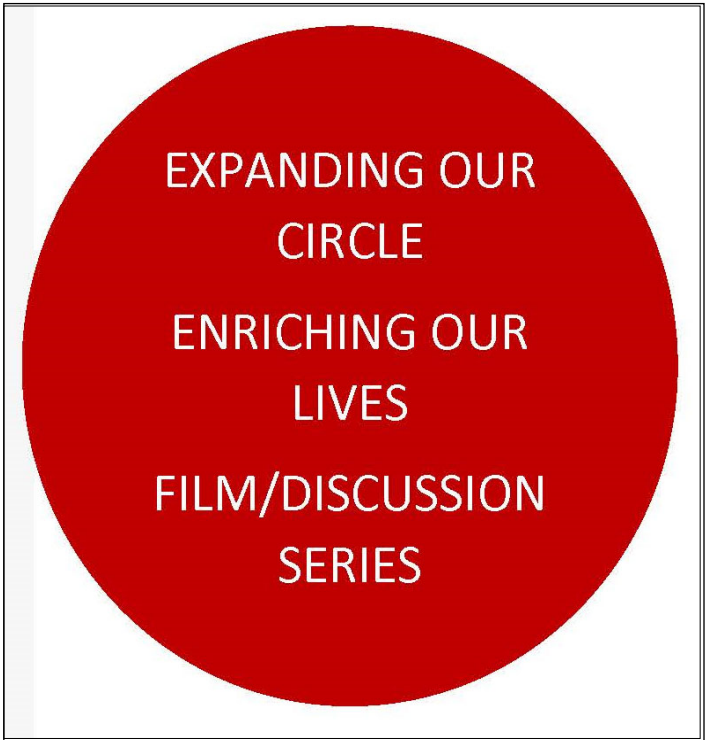
Fair Trade:

- Respects human dignity
- Promotes the common good
- Advances economic justice
- Empowers disadvantaged people
- Connects us with the people who create the things we buy
- Cultivates global solidarity



The Catholic Relief Services Fair Trade Program creates opportunities for us to bring these core values of our faith to bear on the choices we make as consumers—choices that have the power to lift our brothers and sisters out of poverty.

Effort is made to see that these coffee farmers are given a fair wage!!!



Doors open at 6:00; film starts promptly at 6:30 pm

RSVP with dates you can attend to
lagrangediversity@gmail.com

Expand your circle and help us build community!

For more information, see
www.communitydiversity.org/movieseries/
or email lagrangediversity@gmail.com

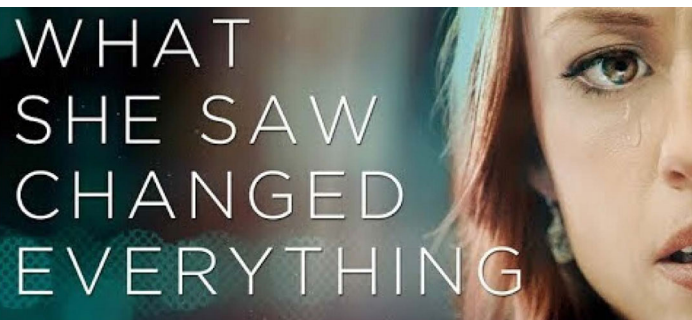
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Friday
March 6, 2020

**100 Years:
One Woman's
Fight for Justice**

What one person can do to correct injustice
in how tribal lands are managed
Grace Lutheran Church, 200 N. Catherine, LaGrange

...Or watch the movie online and come to
Meaningful Conversations
March 10, April 14, May 12
7pm and join discussion at
Emmanuel Episcopal Church, LaGrange



AREA RESPECT LIFE

March 1, 2020 from 2:00-4:00 pm
St. John of the Cross Parish Center
Movie Screening: Unplanned

RSVP: Kendall Grant kgrant@stcletusparish.com
or 708-215-5418.

The St. Cletus/St. John of the Cross/St. Francis Xavier Respect Life Ministry is committed to a culture of life: a world that joyfully sees God in every human person in all

SAVE THE DATE

6th Annual All Parish Service Day June 6, 2020!

Please contact Mary Freeman
mfreeman@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168
if you have an outreach idea and/or
are interested in being a team leader.

Step out like it's the 20's!

**SFX Theatre Night
Wednesday, March 4th**

Roaring 20's reception
6:45-7:45 pm
Includes light bites, beer & wine
Live Performance 8 pm

Tickets \$35 each
Save when you buy
four or more for \$30 each



THE
THEATRE
OF
Western Springs

THE GREAT GATSBY

ALL
proceeds
benefit
SFX Parish
and their
ministries

BTW: SFX's very own **Beth (Brewick) DiMarco** is in the dance ensemble!



Attending the SFX Theatre Night with The Great Gatsby on Wednesday, March 4th?

Consider making a night of it and join your fellow parishioners and school families for dinner at Palmer Place before heading to the theater!

St. Francis Xavier School and Palmer Place have partnered together for the school's March Restaurant Fundraising Night.

Palmer's will generously donate 20% of sales* back to SFX School. Simply show this flier (or a digital copy) to your server.

We hope to see you there!

*-excludes alcohol; sales tax and gratuity; dine-in only

Palmer Place 56 South LaGrange Road, LaGrange, IL 60525 708-482-7127

THE ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MEN'S CLUB



NCAA WATCH PARTY

Friday March 20th
5:30 pm to Midnight in Joyce Hall

\$25 PER PERSON
\$40 COUPLE

WATCH YOUR FAVORITE TEAM ON THE BIG SCREEN!

WEAR YOUR SCHOOL COLORS!

PLAY SQUARES AND OTHER GAMES OF CHANCE!

OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS OVER THE AGE OF 21!

Keg Beer, Coppola Wines, White Claw, Soft Drinks & Light Snacks Provided!
Food Trucks on site Serving Mexican/Lenten Fare
& Misericordia Sweet Truck for Dessert



Misericordia

Please contact Matt Hubert for any questions: mthubert@gmail.com/773-619-0554

BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY AT SFXNCAAPARTY.COM





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
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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

Sabbath Liturgy

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon and
 (6:00 pm September until first weekend of May)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning.....After 9:00 am Mass
 Saturday afternoon.....4:15 pm
 The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the
 tabernacle prayer area.

Liturgy Schedule

Monday through Friday8:30 am
 Saturday.....9:00 am
St. Cletus (Monday - Saturday).....8:00 am
St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday).....9:00 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.

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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

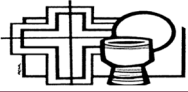
Please call the Parish Office for scheduled 1:30 pm Sunday Baptismal dates. Baptism Preparation Classes: 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm. We encourage participation in this program before the baby's birth or adoption.

Marriage

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

Parish Counselor

All counseling services are confidential, respectful, understanding, and take place in a safe environment. Counseling and psychotherapy services are available for individuals, couples, and families experiencing difficulty with anxiety, depression, grief, relationship conflicts, work stress or job loss problems, or feelings of being overwhelmed. For further information or to make an appointment, our parish counselor, Patrice Nerone, from the Claret Center can be reached by phone 312-884-9879 or email patricenerone@protonmail.com.



Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—March 7-8, 2020

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Ilo	L. Mackenzie D. Mulvenna D. Veverka	L. Bannach K. Casamassimo T. Conwell K. Corrigan A. DiMarco K. Kanzewr M. Milligan K. Preussner M. Zeisloft	M. Kachmarik E. Kostal C. Hull	R. MacEntee
7:30 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	M. Hermesdorf M. Kalkowski T. Marthaler	K. McInerney G. Rutkowski P. Olson S. Augustyn D. Walsh	E. Geraghty B. Stetz C. Shanley	C. Urbain
9:00 AM	Fr. Killeen	M. Budak G. Soulje O. Washburn	J. Fix V. Bracht B. McMahon L. Nichol C. Pratali R. Pratali D. Nighswender D. Sherman B. Olson	M. Merchant T. Mulcahy B. Gannon	D. Sherman
10:30 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	M. Justak B. Boyd S. Lastres	A. Clark J. Clark N. Cummings L. Egan J. Garreau L. Ovník J. Nowak B. Sorice Open	D. Collins M. Doyle R. Nowak	P. Sbertoli
12:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	D. Newcomb L. Freda L. Freda	B. Edelmann A. Chimento Natalie DeKoker Open Open	E. Siffermann S. Parkes D. Dudek	J. Svehla
6:00 PM	Fr. Cyscon	Quest Teen	Quest Teens		



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Readings For The Week of February 23, 2020

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

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