

**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH**  
**3rd Sunday of Easter**  
**April 18, 2021**



**JESUS**  
stood in their  
midst and said

“Why are you  
troubled?  
Why do questions  
arise in your hearts?”

Look at my hands  
and my feet,  
and see that it is  
I myself.”

## Week at a Glance

Monday, April 19	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Besse & Dick Parlon Carm Schillinger Mary Duggan Philbin	Pam Oplawski The John & Laura Walsh Family Mary Therese Carlson
Tuesday, April 20	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Brian Stephenson	The Miller Family
Wednesday, April 21	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Bob O'Malley	Rich, Lorraine & Jennifer Venckus
Thursday, April 22	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, April 23	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Dillon Engle James McNamara	The Brian Stephenson Family The Braasch Family
Saturday, April 24	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Linda Hillsman Marilyn Jareczek Martin White Mary & Joseph Simeoni	The Brian Stephenson Family Kate Kelly Liz Wilk The Simeoni Family
Sunday, April 25 4th Sunday of Easter	Mass Mass Mass	9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Lorraine Pietras Bob O'Malley Jim Foy	Marie Kotoulas Dolores Lewis The Foy Family

### Presider's Schedule for April 17-18, 2021~Mass Time

**5:00 pm** Fr. Killeen

**9:00 am** Fr. Milek

**11:00 am** Fr. Milek

**5:00 pm** Fr. Hoffman

### Please Pray For...

Diane Bereckis	Peter Johns	Carolyn Peters
John Bovard	Jerry Johnson	James Pridmore
Nick Bowman	Theresa Kandall	Baby Lucia R.
Jay Carroll	Wayne Kardatzke	Fran Rassi
Larry Cera	Rose Kazan	Madison Raupp
Chili Challenger	Mark Kiley	Anna Rose
Marek Chyczewski	Robert Kozak	Peter Sannasardo
Carol Coughlan	Jim Martin	Rita Scalcon
Mary Culin	Enrique Martinez	Matthew Schiek
Anthony Dina	Lisa Massaro	Larry Skippet
Blake Donegan	Mary McMahon	Greyson Stanley
Matt Doyle	Ed Maloney	James Stapel
Wendy Einspar	Patrick Morgan	Marc Such
Lily Fielding	Mike Morrison	Sarah Such
Will Fleming	Baby Amy Nesterowicz	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Leo Gannon	Carolyn Nesterowicz	Jodee Tuttle
Mary Grand	Bernice Niemiec	John Twomey
Lilli Gregory	Gert Ogilvie	Michael Ungari
Wilson Gregory	Joan O'Halloran	Gregory Van Gorp
Frank Hoos	Arnold Oppenheim	Helena Walden
Rose Ilo	Jane O'Reilly	Marian Ward
Mary J.	Shawna Palazzolo	Maribeth Watkins
Jane Jacobsen	Ryan Patyk	Liz Wilk
Michael Janus	Donna Pekarek	Scott Young

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

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

### Born Into Eternal Life



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

**Tom Mulvenna**  
Father of Kevin, Margie, Brian & Colleen

### Readings For The Week of April 18, 2021

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

# Pastor's Notes

*"Why are you troubled?  
And why do questions arise in your hearts?"*  
Luke 24:38

The resurrection stories that have been handed down to us reveal that the first disciples were slow to take in the reality of Resurrection. When they saw the Risen Lord, they often did not recognize him at first. After each of his appearances, they began to question what they had seen and heard. Yet at some point, the truth of the Resurrection took hold in their hearts and sent them on mission far and wide, proclaiming the presence and message of Christ and gathering others in communion to meet him in the breaking of the bread. They encourage us, despite our moments of doubt, to go out in the same way, strengthened by the Spirit and nourished by the presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

Over the past two years, the parish Finance Council has discussed how to develop short and long-term strategies to best steward existing resources and develop new resources to support the ongoing vibrancy of our mission and ministries. As a result of these discussions, some staff restructuring is about to take place. **Jennifer Zeisloft**, our parish Business Manager, will take on the responsibilities of part-time Development Director for the parish campus. With the assistance of interested parishioners, she will develop stewardship strategies and forward-thinking ways for parishioners to invest in our mission. Eventually, we plan to coordinate all development efforts within the parish, including those of the parish elementary school and all parish organizations. As Business Manager, Jennifer will continue to prepare the parish budget, monitor parish expenditures, and keep us in compliance with the best practices of the Archdiocese in both finances and human resources. We also are shifting several of her current responsibilities to others.

**Frank Roccasalva** joined us two years ago to coordinate our facilities support team and maintenance procedures. He and his team have been invaluable in keeping all buildings on our campus safe and in compliance with COVID protocols. This enabled us to open our elementary school to in-person learning throughout this school year and to make our worship space available for regular Masses and celebrations of Baptisms, Marriages, and Funerals. Frank has joined the parish staff that meets twice each month. Over the next few months, he will become responsible for all matters related to the scheduling, use, repair, development, and maintenance of the parish campus. Frank came to us with a wealth of knowledge and experience that we now will put to full use.

Some financial detail tasks will shift from Jennifer to **Jane Bandyk**, our parish Accountant, as part of a reassessment of the responsibilities of the parish office support staff. With these moves, we hope to be able to accomplish more within our existing resources. I congratulate Jennifer and Frank, and I thank our support team for their efforts in making this possible.

We continue to recruit volunteer greeters and restorers to make it possible for us to resume a Sunday 7:30AM Mass. If you are of high school age or older and in good health, please see the bulletin or call the parish office for more information. **Thanks to all** who give so generously of your time, talent, and treasure to make our mission vibrant! We are the hands, heart, and voice of the Risen Christ in our time and place.

**Easter Blessings,**

*F. Bill*

## Easter Offertory

Easter donations continue to come in! We have received \$55,000 as of April 12. Our Easter Offertory budget is \$80,000. The collections received at this time of the year support the beautiful Holy Week and Easter liturgies as well as the many programs and outreach efforts we offer to those in need. Please be as generous as you are able, and know we remain prudent with your funds. Last year (when we were unable to host any live Easter Masses), SFX received \$68,157 in Easter offertory.

How to give:

- Envelopes are included in the Easter letter you should have received from Father Bill.
- Visit our website ([www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org)) and click DONATE under the Quicklinks section.
- Text EASTER to (708) 340-6630 and follow the return text's instructions.

**God bless you!**



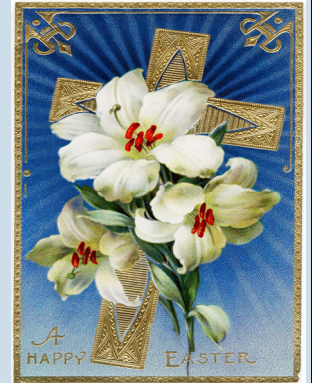


## Thank You For Your Generous Donations Easter Season 2021

Angel  
Henry S. Azzi  
Irene T. Azzi  
Michael Cipriani  
Theresa Cipraini  
Bernadette Crowe  
Donald Crowe  
Frank & Laura Di Silvio  
Bridget Doonan  
Mary B. & George Doonan  
Lillian Gentile  
Lucille & Caesar Gridelli

John & Bernice Grzeslo  
Loretta Haxl  
Warren Kodl  
Terri Kostal  
Joan Lilek  
Betty & Bernard Martin  
John & Agnes McAndrews  
Mary & Bill McLaughlin  
Edwin Michalek  
Eleanor A. Michalek  
Eleanor C. Michalek  
Eleanor M. Michalek

Becca Mueller  
Grace Paldo  
Besse & Dick Parlon  
Helen & John Potock  
Gilbert, Isabel & Richard Riess  
Rosemarie Russell  
James Schoenborn  
Mary & Joseph Simeoni  
Florence & Andrew Swiderski  
Gregg Swiderski  
Carl Walsh



Love gives us memories & faith gives us strength.  
May God's healing touch be your comfort. Our parish family prays with you.

We are so grateful for your donations in memory & honor of your loved ones. These generous contributions will be used throughout the year to add florals and seasonal décor to our worship space at St. Francis. We appreciate your continued support to help us create a peaceful, prayerful and beautiful space for us to gather together as one family. Please stay safe & healthy.

**Celine Heraty**  
**Arts & Environment Ministry**

**WHAT: SFX CWC  
SPRING EVENT**

**WHERE: La Grange**

**WHEN: Saturday, May 8th**



Psalm 46:5 "God Is Within Her She Will Not Fall"

Please join us this year for our annual CWC hosted event! This year, it's been renamed the Ladies Day Out Spring Event in lieu of our traditional Pre-Lenten Event. We created an event to offer women a way to *Relax and Revive* after the past year! We are hoping to bond the women of SFX, while also keeping everyone safe through a combination of Yoga, a Bingo-inspired shopping event, and our famous Raffle. This event will take place on Saturday, May 8th. We hope you can join us!!!

<http://sfxspringevent.org/>

Please also consider becoming an Angel Donor this year! "Angels" help defray the costs of the event through their generous donations and allow us to raise as much money as possible to support the operations of our parish and its ministries. Please use the link below to become an SFX Angel Donor today! Your support is greatly appreciated!

<https://sfxspringevent.org/become-an-angel>

**Spring Event Registration Coming Soon!**

## Interfaith Community Partners



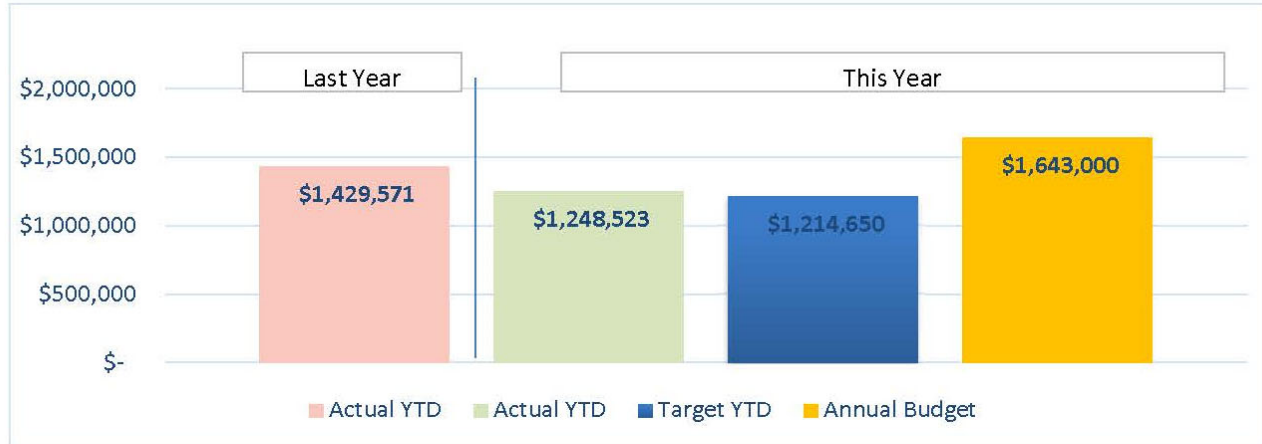
Did you know? ICP volunteers can drive older adults (60+) to get their COVID vaccines if they have no other way to get there. Please think about your older adult neighbors who may need help during this difficult time and share ICP's office phone number: 708-354-9328.

Interfaith Community Partners is a non-profit organization that works together with volunteers to provide escorted transportation for people 60 and better to get to places like physician appointments and therapies. We do not charge our clients and ask for suggested donations, when able.

Interfaith Community Partners also offers Library Home Delivery Service. We need volunteer drivers! We'll train you via Zoom. We'll work around your busy life. Background check required. Find out more about Interfaith Community Partners!



# Our Finances as of March 31, 2021



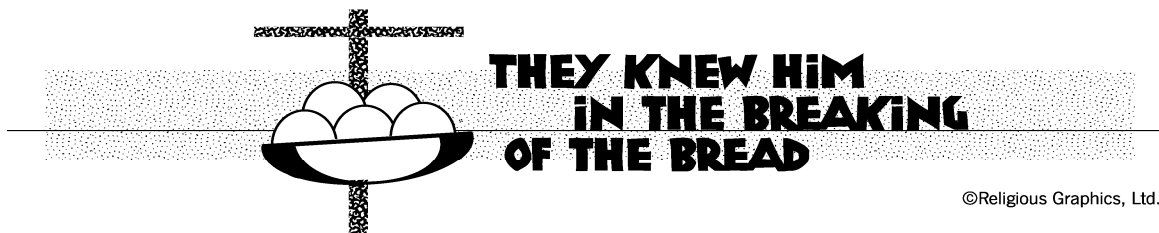
**Note: This budget target of \$1,643,000 assumes an operating deficit of \$148,000 by the end of the fiscal year.**

Sunday Offertory	EFT/Credit Card	+	Basket	+	Other Offertory*	=	March Totals
March 2021	\$ 78,803		\$ 39,993		\$ 3,212		\$ 122,008
March 2020	\$ 76,408		\$ 38,592		\$ 4,857		\$ 119,858

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

The graph above, through March 31, shows our offertory is \$181,000 below a year ago. The parish implemented significant expense controls, including deferred hiring of open parish positions, and the reduction of retirement plan contributions and building-related expenses. The school has reduced expenses, with the most significant reductions due to the elimination by the State of Illinois of this year's standardized testing and lack of professional development opportunities for faculty and staff. The school has also experienced increased revenue through a donor support program and higher than expected tuition receipts. Therefore, we are currently projecting the budgeted deficit to be substantially reduced by the end of our fiscal year on June 30, 2021. We are truly blessed to be a part of this community - thank you for your investment in our mission here at St. Francis Xavier!

As we prepare our annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, we are projecting that the parish will need to return to pre-COVID offertory levels in order to break even. With the reinstatement of the retirement plan contributions, return to normalized staffing levels and other expenses as our campus reopens, our expected breakeven offertory level is in the \$1.85 million range, similar to 2019 fiscal year levels. The 2021-2022 fiscal year budget is currently being developed. Look for an update in our May bulletins.



## We Want to Expand – Parishioner Volunteers Needed

We are hoping to add a Sunday 7:30AM Mass to our schedule. However, our ability to do so depends on the ability of the parish to provide additional ministers to offer a welcoming and healthy environment. We have been blessed by scores of parishioners who have been sharing their time and spirit to make our current Mass schedule possible. We seek additional people to greet and seat people before 7:30 Mass and/or to wipe down the seating areas before the 9AM Mass. We welcome **anyone of high school age or older who is in good health**. A few volunteer comments:

*“The volunteer work is easy, totally flexible and I like being able to attend Mass as part of the experience.”*

*“There isn’t a better way to start my day than seeing familiar, friendly faces. I’ve gotten to know quite a few of the regular attendees and they “fill my bucket” with their gratitude and appreciation. What I looked at as a necessity to do to keep the church open, has turned into something I truly look forward to doing each week.”*

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

## Outreach From Catholic Charities



**Blossoms of Hope – April 25:** Blossoms of Hope Virtual Event will be held on Sunday, April 25 to support the Catholic Charities Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) Program. All are welcome and attendance is free of charge. The event will include keynote speakers, an exciting raffle and silent auction, and the opportunity to remember and honor loved ones lost to suicide and those who survive them. For more information, please contact Kaaron Johnson at [kajohnson@catholiccharities.net](mailto:kajohnson@catholiccharities.net).

## 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](mailto:sfxinlg@sfxlg.org). We can send the Mass card via regular post as you direct.

## 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.

## Offerings from our Neighbor St. John of the Cross

# Divorce and Beyond

Thursdays at 7:00pm via zoom  
beginning April 15

[Click here.](#)



Begins April 12

[Click here to register.](#)



# Faith Formation

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

## Easter Season 🌱 ALLELUIA!

### PEACE & JUSTICE EVENTS

#### Olancho Aid Panel: Understanding Central American Emigration *Why do they leave home?*

Tuesday, 4/20 @ 6pm

<https://olanchoaid.org/why-do-they-leave-home/> for registration.

Thank you to SFX parishioner Susan Nedza for this event!

#### Free Anti-Racism Conference

Saturday, 4/24 from 9am-1pm

[Click here for more info/registration.](#)

### April 22: EARTH DAY 2021



[Click here](#) for a simple individual/family prayer service and reflection.

### SFX is Seeking a Social Media Intern!

Email [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org) if interested.

### C.S. Lewis Book Club

On **Wednesday evenings**, beginning **April 21**, we will meet to discuss *The Screwtape Letters* –

“a classic masterpiece of religious satire that entertains readers with its sly and ironic portrayal of human life and foibles from the vantage point of Screwtape, a highly placed assistant to ‘Our Father Below.’ At once wildly comic, deadly serious, and strikingly original, C.S. Lewis’s *The Screwtape Letters* is the most engaging account of temptation—and triumph over it—ever written.”

[Click here](#) for more information or to register! Email [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org) with questions.

### Families with Young Children

Are you interested in any of the following events with other families of young kids?

- Brews & Babies outdoor social gathering
- Zoo dates
- Park meet-ups
- “Baby & Me” Catholic Gymboree

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

[Click here](#) (or email [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org)) to join the listserv!

### The Sanctuary Course for Catholics:

*Exploring the Intersection of Faith & Mental Health*

Join a group of fellow Catholics as we hear from real people and experts about their experience of faith and mental health. This group can meet virtually or in-person (socially distant, with masks) depending on the interests of those joining us.

Email [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org) if you are interested!

### MEN OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

It’s the year of St. Joseph – is the Spirit moving you to enter more deeply into your faith this year?

Email [Patrick.mcmahon65@gmail.com](mailto:Patrick.mcmahon65@gmail.com) to join a community of Catholic men seeking to love God and their families well.



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## COVID-19 MEMORIAL ROBINHOOD PARK LAGRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS

I am Liam McKeown, of St. Francis Xavier's Boy Scout Troop 33. As my Eagle Project, I have chosen to recognize the impact of COVID-19 on our community with the installation, and dedication of a COVID-19 Memorial Stone Bolder and Plaque to honor those who have lost their lives due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This Memorial will be located in Robinhood Park within the Village of LaGrange Park, Illinois. My hope is that this monument will be a cherished place for the families of those impacted by COVID-19 and a memorial to the memory of those lost to the pandemic.

My project has been approved by the Park District of LaGrange Park, The Boy Scouts of America, and my local Troop Leadership.

I realize that people only donate to causes they find meaningful. I hope you will see my support for those impacted by COVID-19 as meaningful.

In order to make my project a reality, I am asking for the financial support of family and friends. Not only will you be supporting me with this ambitious project but most importantly, you will be supporting those families who have lost loved ones to the COVID-19 pandemic.

I have estimated that the cost of my project will be about \$1,500. If you are willing and able to donate to my project, it would be greatly appreciated. Your generosity of any amount, even \$10, would help me complete my project and ultimately earn my Eagle Rank in Scouting.

Donations may be dropped off at the parish office in an envelope marked "COVID-19 Memorial Eagle Project". Checks should be made payable to "BSA Troop 33". Also, you may donate online at <http://fundly.com/covid-19-memorial>. Any excess funds received will be donated to the Park District of LaGrange Park to fund scholarships.

Thank you for considering making a donation to my project.

### Prison Ministry



This year's Mother's Day collection for prisoners is a need for stamps. If you would like to make a stamp donation, please place the stamps in an envelope marked "Companions Journeying Together," then drop the stamps off in the rectory mail slot. Thank you and God bless you!

## Knights of Columbus Spring Food For Families Drive



Please join the Knights in helping families and seniors struggling to make ends meet.

Donate to St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry online: [www.givecentral.org/location/218/category/167/event/5199](http://www.givecentral.org/location/218/category/167/event/5199)

Donate to Chicago Food Depository online: [www.MyFoodDrive.org/#LGKofC2021](http://www.MyFoodDrive.org/#LGKofC2021)

Donation pick-up at your home:  
Text or email F4FPICKUP to 708-207-2780 or [council6483@gmail.com](mailto:council6483@gmail.com).

Non-perishable food and items needed:  
cereal, pasta & sauce, mac n' cheese, rice, potatoes, tomato sauce, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, low sugar canned fruits, low sodium can veggies, soup, beans, toilet paper, personal hygiene items, baby items, laundry soap, dish soap, coffee and tea.

Questions, please text or email Mike Hattie at 708-207-2780 or [www.council6483@gmail.com](mailto:www.council6483@gmail.com).

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



Please register for programs at The Well Spirituality Center online: [www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or call 708-482-5048. All programs are on Zoom during this time of Covid-19.

**Awakening the Dreamer** on Tuesday, April 20 from 9:30 am-12:00 pm. Based on climate science and indigenous wisdom, this symposium was launched in 2005 to wake the North up, out of our trance. Dip into the dream of a world that works for everyone, with a sustainable human presence on our planet, in this morning of powerful videos and transformative conversation led by Bridget Sperduto.

**Write Your Soul** on Wednesdays: May 5, 12, 19, 26 from 9:30-11:00 am. During Covid hibernation, did you come upon a long-lost journal? Did you begin the habit of using it again? Did you want to but didn't know where to begin? Learn some creative techniques with Diane Pfahler, SND.



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# EARTH DAY 2021: RESTORE OUR EARTH

## Inspiration from Pope Francis' Encyclical on the Environment: *Laudato si'*

"The universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely. Hence, there is a **mystical meaning to be found in a leaf, in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop, in a poor person's face**. The ideal is not only to pass from the exterior to the interior to discover the action of God in the soul, but also to discover God in all things." [233]

"Saint Therese of Lisieux invites us to practice the little way of love, not to miss out on a kind word, a smile or any small gesture which sows peace and friendship. An integral ecology is also made up of **simple daily gestures** which break with the logic of violence, exploitation and selfishness." [230]

## IN THE HOME

**Get a Rain Barrel**

**Compost**

**Replace Paper Napkins with Cloth**

**Fill Sink with Water when Doing Dishes (rather than letting it run)**

**Don't Leave Refrigerator Open**

**Open Windows & Turn Heat/AC Off on Beautiful Days**

**Know Your Plastics!**

"Good" plastics can be re-used/recycled:

Look for: 

Avoid: 

[Click here](#) for more simple actions to  
*Restore Our Earth*

## RESOURCES

TO HELP YOU DO YOUR PART

**Earth911.com**

*Extensive database of recycling info! Search online or call 1-800-CLEANUP to find out where you can recycle difficult items*

**BestBuy Recycling Program**

*Recycles electronics for free! Up to 3 items per household per day.*

**SCARCE.org**

*Accepts & recycles everything beyond the basics: cartridges, hearing aids, keys, wires, and tons of other "hard to recycle" items*

**CatholicClimateCovenant.org**

**Western Springs Recycling!**

Western Springs, IL - Official Website:

<https://www.wsprings.com/>

*Styrofoam recycling on first Saturday of month 9am-12pm. 1500 Walker St.*



## ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH BRICK PAYER ORDER FORM



**For payment by check only use this form.**

**For Credit orders, please [Click here](#)**

**Bricks are available in 2 sizes:  
Small bricks 4"x 8" \$175  
Large bricks 8"x 8" \$300**

***Please submit your order form by June 30th.***

*Installation date is subject to a minimum of 10 brick orders.*

**Each line has 13 characters**

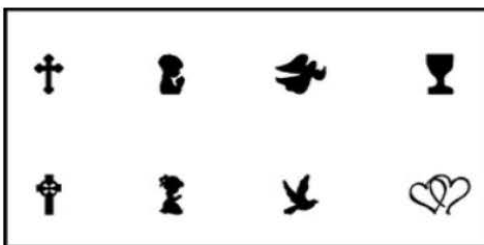
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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

All messages are subject to approval. Please return this form to the Rectory with check payment payable to: St. Francis Xavier Parish.

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## ST FRANCIS XAVIER DAY SCHOOL & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ORDER FORM



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*Day School*



*Religious Education*

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## We encourage all to follow SFX School on social media



SFX School Instagram: [SFXLG.ORG/SCHOOL](https://www.instagram.com/sfxlg.school)

Facebook SFX School site: [facebook.com/SFX.LG](https://www.facebook.com/SFX.LG)

Facebook SFX Alumni site:  
[facebook.com/SFXLALUMNI](https://www.facebook.com/SFXLALUMNI)

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

### SFX VIRTUAL SCHOOL TOUR

<https://vimeo.com/506617250>

### See the latest happenings at the day school:

On behalf of the Food Pantry at St. Francis Xavier Parish, LaGrange, IL, and the Positive School Committee, we thank you for your overwhelming support on Essential Items Day!  
<https://vimeo.com/516377296>

On St. Paddy's Day, a lucky leprechaun won \$1,000 in our early bird drawing. Watch the video below to find out who. Don't forget to enter the drawing for our grand prize of \$15,000!!!  
<http://www.sfxraffle.com>

### Family Reading Night - Dr Seuss Day 2021

<https://vimeo.com/519201281>

### Drawing the Face of Jesus

<https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/527955124>



## LA GRANGE and BEYOND

Saint Francis Xavier School has students from 20 different ZIP Codes.

Contact us today to learn more about what Saint Francis Xavier School can offer your family!

[sfxlg.org/school](https://www.sfxlg.org/school)

## St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry

This year brings many challenges to volunteering and giving back to others in our St. Francis Xavier Community. 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.

### April

**The Family Ministry event Clean the Creek Watershed project scheduled for April has been cancelled.**

### 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](mailto:thsully28@yahoo.com) to sign up.

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Questions? Katie Mulcahy [ktom@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ktom@sbcglobal.net) Tina Orlando [tfrancis21@gmail.com](mailto:tfrancis21@gmail.com)

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## St. Francis Xavier Personnel

### Pastoral Ministry

*Pastor*  
*Associate Pastor*  
*Deacon*  
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*Pastoral Associate*  
*Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister*  
*Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister*  
*Weekend Sacramental Minister*

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*Rev. Richard Milek*  
*Mr. Andrew Allison*  
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### Education Ministry

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*Assistant Principal*  
*Administrative Assistant*  
*Parish School Secretary*  
*Advancement Director*  
*Tuition Accounts*  
*Religious Education Coordinator/Sacrament Prep*  
*Religious Education Administrative Assistant*

*Mrs. Sharon Garcia*  
*Mrs. Janice Carr*  
*Mrs. Mary Hoffman*  
*Mrs. Peggy Evans*  
*Mrs. Mary Tassi*  
*Mrs. Jennifer Zeisloft*  
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### Youth Ministry

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### Parish Office Staff

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*Parish Accountant*  
*Pastor's Secretary*  
*Parish Secretary*  
*Staff Secretary*  
*Facilities Manager*

*Mrs. Jennifer Zeisloft*  
*Ms. Jane Bandyk*  
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### Food Pantry/Community Outreach

*Coordinator*

*Mrs. Mary Freeman*

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### **Contact Information**

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 St. Francis Xavier Day School .....708-352-2175  
 School of Religious Education .....708-352-4555  
 S.P.R.E.D. (Special Religious Education) .....708-352-0168  
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 Main Day School e-Mail.....sfxmain@sfxlg.org  
 Main Religious Education e-Mail.....sfxreligiused@sfxlg.org  
 Parish Web Site .....www.sfxlg.org

### **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 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 morning.....9:00-10:00 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](mailto:bulletineditor@sfxlg.org).

### **Domestic Violence Resources**

Family Shelter Services—24 hr. counseling 630-469-5650  
 LaGrange Police Emergency Assistance 911 or 708-579-2354

### **Food Pantry**

The St. Francis Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:30 am. The pantry serves clients who live in the 60525 and 60526 zip codes.

### **Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls**

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

### **Infant Baptisms**

Please call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism or email Missy Westerhoff at [sfxinlg@sfxlg.org](mailto: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](mailto:lolanadan@gmail.com).



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