

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
5th Sunday of Easter
May 15, 2022



I will be with you only
a little while longer.

I give you
a new commandment

LOVE
ONE
ANOTHER

As I have loved you,
so you should love
one another.

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, May 16	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack John Cannon Robert Emmett Hanley Special Intention	The Cannon Family Family & Friends
Tuesday, May 17	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Marian Hutchins Tom Hanna	Family & Friends The Hanna Family
Wednesday, May 18	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Clarke Devereux Edna Barry Willia Clarke Devereux	Ann Burress The Zahorik Family The McKenna Family
Thursday, May 19	Rosary Adoration	8:15 am 6:00 pm		
Friday, May 20	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Marian Hannigan	George & Mary Lou Braasch
Saturday, May 21	Mass	8:30 am	Ken Ballantyne	Joe Cepelcha
	Reconciliation	9:00 am		
	Mass	5:00 pm	John Gaffney	Kevin Kostrewa
Sunday, May 22 6th Sunday of Easter	Mass	7:30 am	James Barrett	The Kelly Cousins
	Mass	9:00 am	Bob Schiffler	Jack & Mary Collins
	Mass	11:00 am	Marian Hannigan	Katie Oplawski Sedlacek
	Mass	5:00 pm	Sylvia Stenson	The SFX Parish Staff

Schedule for May 14-15, 2022~Mass Time

5:00 pm Fr. Killeen

7:30 am Fr. Milek

9:00 am Fr. Tkachuk

11:00 am Fr. Milek

5:00 pm Fr. Tkachuk

Please pray for . . .

Edward Barrett	Linda McMahon
Linda Bienik	Patrick Morgan
Lois Brindisi	Mike Morrison
Paul Bryon	Gert Ogilvie
Jay Carroll	Jane O'Reilly
Chili Challender	Lorraine Ovnik
Jerry Cooney	Ryan Patyk
Tionna Dawson	Donna Pekarek
Blake Donegan	Baby Lucia R.
Victoria Donile	Madison Raupp
Lily Fielding	Anna Rose
Lilli Gregory	Rita Scalcon
Wilson Gregory	Sr. Marlene Schemmel
Rose Ilo	Richard Schmuhl
Mary J.	Santa Snieg
Jane Jacobsen	Barbara Stewart
Theresa Kandall	John Stopka
Mark Kiley	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Stanley Kolodziej	Olivia Tarsney
Art Lyons	Gregory Van Gorp
Lisa Massaro	Liz Wilk

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

Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

Born Into Eternal Life



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

Margaret Crofton

Wife of John

Mother of Michael, Eddie & Brian

Joseph Kossman

Husband of Maria

Father of Thomas, Barbara & Raymond



Make a gift to the Sunday
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Thank you for your support!

Pastor's Letter

"This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:35

The disciple of Jesus is known by their *love in action*. Jesus shares a final supper with his disciples and begins to offer his life for us all; he makes it clear that the love of his disciple must imitate his love. Christian love is not expressed in nice words or showy gestures. *Christian love involves sacrificing for the sake of another in need*. It seeks no reward and expects no recognition. This witness to selfless sacrifice inspired so many of different backgrounds to join the first disciples and imitate their way of life.

St. Francis Xavier Parish continues to be blessed by the witness of so many who give of themselves in love, expecting nothing in return. You will not know most of them by name. Some are here each Monday or Tuesday, rain or shine, ensuring that those experiencing food insecurity will have what they need to feed their household. Some offer their time and talent to enhance our weekend liturgy through beauty, music, proclamation of scripture, offering the Eucharist, or providing a safe and ordered environment. Some regularly visit those unable to join us in person, bringing the Eucharist and a connection to the larger community. Some provide counsel and emergency assistance to those in crisis. Some set aside time this past year to provide pre-recorded religious formation for our children and families. Some have given countless hours to provide the social gatherings and fund raisers that have supported our mission and ministries, even within the restrictions of COVID, and have brought people together to deepen our bonds as a community of faith. If you are any of the above, **THANK YOU!**

Some of the most powerful expressions of love in action go unnoticed by most of us. They may occur within the home, in the grocery store, in traffic, or in a moment of frustration or disappointment. Someone acknowledges their human limits and allows God to do in and through them what they cannot possibly do on their own. They become instruments of a divine love that allows them to go further for the sake of a greater good. And sometimes, these acts of sacrificial love incite others to ask what makes it possible for some people to love like this. In that moment, we can become a living witness to our faith and God's love.

Over 130 of our children are being welcomed into Communion with us. What actions on our part will inspire them and their parents to join us more frequently? Over 110 of our youth recently chose to be Confirmed as Catholic Christians. How will our living inspire them to live *their* faith boldly and serve others compassionately? What witness of ours will inspire them *to want to be with us* regularly?

The love of God for us in Jesus Christ is without question or limit. When that love flows *through us and out to others* and our world, we all are transformed. This is not thinking too much of ourselves; it is being grateful for what God chooses to do through us. It is *living our mission to be God's love in the flesh*. It is *being the church* whose love is deeper and stronger than anything that would separate us from one another; it is *being the presence to others of God's love in action*.

Easter Peace,

J. Bill

Parish Council Engagement Survey Feedback

Thank you for your great response to the parish-wide engagement survey. You provided input on how we, as a parish community, can become more engaged in our faith and more connected within our community. The ideas you shared were broad and expressed a resounding desire to deepen faith. You immediately will see activities and programs that are a direct result of your input; and your input will help us chart a course forward to deepen faith and connection. You will hear more from us as we complete the task of sorting through and prioritizing what you have said. We encourage everyone to jump in: participate in a small faith group; get involved in a ministry; or attend a social activity. *Your* talents and *your* participation are appreciated and welcomed.



**Sunday, May 15
9:00 am Mass
BSA and Cub Scouts**

Troop and Pack 33 welcome all scouts/scouters to attend Mass in uniform.



Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection

Last weekend our second collection was taken up for the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection.

Nearly 60 percent of the people who seek help from Catholic Charities are women, most of them mothers and grandmothers. From helping pregnant mothers deliver and care for healthy babies to supporting aging mothers and grandmothers, Catholic Charities offers a full range of services to mothers throughout the entire cycle of life. Thank you for your friendship and making the best give you can today.

To donate, [Click Here](#), visit our parish website, or place your donation in an envelope marked "Catholic Charities" and drop it off in the rectory mail slot or in a church collection box. Thank you for your generosity.

Follow the Parish on Social Media!

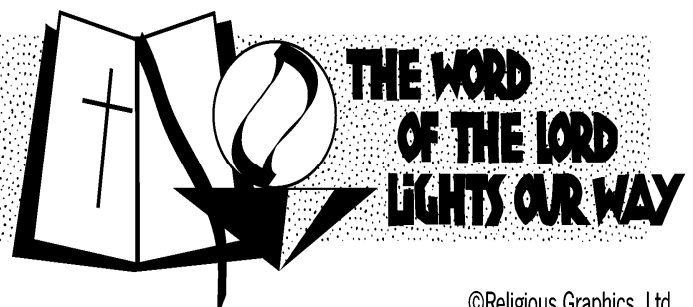
Did you know the Parish has Instagram and Facebook accounts? Follow us to stay up to date with SFX happenings, a weekly scripture reflection, and more!



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St. Francis Xavier Parish
LaGrange, IL



Faith Formation

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

Easter Season! Alleluia!

Father Stu: Movie Watch & Discussion

Gather to watch Father Stu at discount price!



“Based on a true story, Father Stu is an unflinchingly honest, funny and ultimately uplifting drama about a lost soul who finds his purpose in a most unexpected place. When an injury ends his amateur boxing career, Stuart Long (Mark Wahlberg) moves to L.A. dreaming of stardom. While scraping by as a supermarket clerk, he meets Carmen (Teresa Ruiz), a Catholic Sunday school teacher who seems immune to his bad-boy charm. Determined to win her over, the longtime agnostic starts going to church to impress her. But surviving a terrible motorcycle accident leaves him wondering if he can use his second chance to help others find their way, leading to the surprising realization that he is meant to be a Catholic priest.”

Tentative Screening Date: Wed, 5/25 at 7pm
AMC Quarry 14

Discussion: Wed, 6/1 at 7pm
Unity Hall, St. Francis Xavier

You do not have to attend the screening to join the discussion! But you will need to have seen the movie.

Email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org to request your tickets.
Note: Fr. Stu is rated “R”

Elizabeth Ministry: Prayer Service & Social for Moms!

Tuesday, May 31 at 630pm
30 min prayer service with social to follow!



Join a community of spiritual, biological, adoptive, foster, or future mothers to pray and journey together through all the ups and downs of motherhood!

We welcome all women of varying experiences of motherhood:

- ◆ pregnant mothers
- ◆ new mothers
- ◆ trying to conceive
- ◆ seeking to foster or adopt
- ◆ mourning the loss of the child (no matter how recent/long ago)
- ◆ grandmothers, godmothers, spiritual mothers!

DID YOU KNOW? The Church of God is convoked in Synod.

“Synod” is not a familiar word for most Catholics. It’s a Greek word, basically meaning to “walk with,” or “journey together.” Throughout our history, it’s been used to refer to the gatherings of the Church to “walk with” one another and with the Holy Spirit, to read the “signs of the times” and discern in a spirit of prayer how the Church is being called to respond.

Right now the Church is gathering around this question:

A synodal Church, in announcing the Gospel, “journeys together.” How is this “journeying together” happening today in your local Church? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our “journeying together?”

Keep an eye out for future listening sessions and conversations on this topic at SFX.



SFX Parish Party

SERVE
PRAY
CELEBRATE

Join us for the SFX Parish Party on June 18! RSVP Today!

As our faith community moved through the challenges of the past two years, we grew stronger as a parish and leaned even more deeply into God's healing grace. Moving forward we want to celebrate with our incredible parishioners!

Parishioners will have many opportunities to participate:

- **9:00am-4:00pm:** Serve as a part of our Annual Service Day (see opposite page for more details)
- **5:00pm:** Pray together at Mass
- **6:00-8:00pm:** Celebrate in the parking lot (rain location: Joyce Hall). Food and beverages will be served along with desserts from the Misericordia Bakery Truck!

To help us plan food and beverages, please **RSVP** as soon as possible by visiting www.sfxlg.org or click here.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU AND CELEBRATE WITH YOU!

Questions about the Party?

Maggie McMahon, Pastoral Associate, mmcmahon@sfxlg.org
Jennifer Zeisloft, Director of Stewardship and Operations, jzeisloft@sfxlg.org.

SFX Service Day
JUNE 18*

SERVICE PARTNER	SITE	TIME	PROJECT	AGE	TEAM LEADER
Rosary* (6/16)	Mary Garden	8:15am	Pray	All	Katie Kanzer
St Agatha*: Deontay Wilson & Fr Larry Dowling* (6/16) (see bulletin page for details)	Unity Hall	7-9pm	Westside Stories: Documentary/Q&A about Chicago's North Lawndale community	All	Jane Bandyk Heather Fitzpatrick Maureen Windmoeller
Blood Drive* (6/17)	GYM	10am-4pm	Donate Blood	16+	Frank Mungo
Companions Journeying Together (Prison Ministry)	Rectory Courtyard Room	9-10am	Write Notes	12+	Marge Branecki
Congregation of St Joseph Cemetery Clean Up	Queen of Heaven	9-11am	Clean up CSJ plots	10+	Emily Bersnak
Random Acts of Kindness Interfaith Community Partners	Education Building	9am-noon	Repurpose flowers & deliver to seniors and nursing homes	All	Margie Hull
Helping Hand	LaGrange area	9:30-11:30am	Yard cleanup for group home	12+	Lisa Radville Greg Schuler
First Congregational Saturday Meal Program	La Grange	10am-1pm	Prepare & Serve Lunch	12+	Rachel Peterson Ana Dimailig
Project Linus	Unity Hall	10-11:30am	Make blankets (geared toward families with young kids)	5 and under	Maggie McMahon
Challenger Baseball	Sedgwick Park	10:45am-12:15pm	Play ball with a buddy	10+	John Walsh
BEDS	Rectory lower level	1-2pm	Pack shelf stable meals	All	Lynn Regan Alice Vida
Food Pantry	Rectory	1-2pm	Sort & Stock Food	All	Lynn Regan Alice Vida
Fuller Center for Housing Formerly Habitat for Humanity*	Clarksdale, MS	Week in June or July	Build & Paint Home	14+	Chris O'Hea
Exodus World Service*	Chicagoland	TBD Summer	Set up apartment for a refugee family	10+	Tammy Walczyk

ONLINE SIGN-UPS BEGIN WEEK OF MAY 16, 2022.

If you have any questions or ideas or would like to lead an outreach team, please contact Mary Freeman mfreeman@sfxlg.org

***“Here is what we seek: a compassion that can stand in awe
at what the poor have to carry rather than stand in judgment at how they carry it.”***

Greg Boyle, S.J., founder of Homeboy Industries, World's Largest Gang Intervention and Rehabilitation Program

Saint Francis Xavier Peace and Justice Ministry
cordially invites you to **“Paradise Lost”**
a free **Movie Night**
highlighting stories of the West side of Chicago

June 16th, 7 - 9pm

Refreshments will be served

St. Francis Xavier Church - Unity Hall - 124 N Spring, La Grange

Recommended for ages 13+.

Meet executive producer Father Larry Dowling,
pastor of St. Agatha's, our sharing parish and
filmmaker Deontay Wilson
as they introduce us to
resilient residents of North Lawndale and
explore the historical roots of generations of disinvestment
and policies that have destabilized this community,
leading to poverty, violence and unemployment,
in this first of a documentary series entitled **Westside Stories**.

Learn about ways you can help!



*In **“Paradise Lost,”** Deontay delves into Chicago history by treating the subject of the Great Migration. Lifelong west siders trade stories about the paradise in which they grew up and the experience of watching it gradually fade away.*

Westside Stories is a collection of artistic narratives centering on the history and plight of the city's often troubled west side communities. It is reminiscent, in form, of the epic poems of antiquity. In each volume, the narrator – or poet – accompanies the audience on a journey into the past with the goal of providing historical context.



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Brick Paver Orders

Become a part of history by purchasing a personalized paver brick in Unity Garden! Visit our website for more information. Our current bricks include messages that:

- Celebrate a Wedding or special Wedding Anniversary
- Honor a past or present student, faculty member, coach or leader
- Commemorate a Baptism, First Holy Communion or Confirmation and much more!



Please [click here](#) to order!



Blood Drive

St. Francis Catholic Church-Gym
145 North Waiola (Ogden & Waiola) LaGrange
Saturday, June 17
10:00 am-4:00 pm

Hosted by the: Knights of Columbus, LaGrange
Local Council 6483 Blood Drive

Give blood & help us reach our 22-donation target to help supply 83 local hospitals. To make an appointment, visit www.versiti.org or call 1-800-7TO-GIVE or scan the QR Code with your smart phone's camera below.

Helpful to:

Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.



For eligibility questions, please call 1-800-7TO-GIVE

School of Religious Education News

**Register
Today!**

Register Now for K – 8 Religious Education 2022-2023, Don't Delay!

The School of Religious Education is accepting registration for the 2022-2023 school year.

The 2022-2023 program will offer families two options.

We will offer an in person bi-monthly grade level program held on Wednesday afternoons or Sunday mornings (family preference) and we will offer a virtual asynchronous grade level program with lessons being released bi-monthly on Sundays.

Students enrolled in the in person or online program will receive their own book to take home to work on.

Visit our website for complete information on registration and tuition: <https://sfxlg.socs.net/vnews/display.v/SEC/Religious%20Education%7CAbout%3E%3ERegistration%20Information%20for%202022-2023>

Your Gift and Talent is Needed!



Are you ready to share your faith with the youth of our parish?! WE NEED YOU! You don't need training as a teacher, you just need a love for Jesus! Catechesis will be offered both online and in person this year by grade level bi-monthly, so I am looking for many volunteers to step forward to join in this new journey. Please contact me if you are interested in becoming a catechist or catechist assistant for the 2022-2023 school year at eguidice@sfxlg.org.

**CONTACT
US TODAY!**

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**Early Childhood Education, enriching
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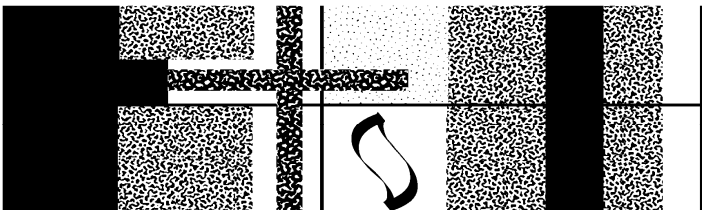
(708) 352-2175



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 am-Noon and we will forward the information to Scott McDonald, who coordinates our minister of care team.



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Interfaith Community Partners

How to Respond to Difficult Interview Questions

Have you wondered about how to best respond to difficult interview questions? Join us for a highly interactive meeting on Thursday, May 19 from 7-9 pm. Ever wonder what the recruiter is wanting to hear when they ask you a challenging question? John McCarthy is a highly experienced developer of talent and has interviewed hundreds of candidates in his 35 years as a sales executive. John will review challenging interviewing questions he and other recruiters use, and discuss some of the best responses for those questions. This is a not-to-be missed evening of insight and information to assist you in your job search.

We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, in Western Springs. Everyone is welcome.

Visit www.interfaithcareernetwork.org for additional resources.



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
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SFX School on social media**

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SFX School Facebook: [facebook.com/sfx.lg](https://www.facebook.com/sfx.lg)

SFX School Website: sfxlg.org/School

SFX Falcon Alumni Facebook:
[facebook.com/sfxlgalumni](https://www.facebook.com/sfxlgalumni)

SFX Virtual School Tour
<https://vimeo.com/506617250>

Kitchen Angels



The Kitchen Angels are a group of parishioners who help people by bringing meals to their homes. The Kitchen Angels have been in existence for many years yet many of our parishioners are not aware of this outreach ministry.

If you know of a person or a family who could use some meals, or if you are interested in becoming a Kitchen Angel, please contact **Susie Lehuta** at 708-354-6380 or lehutams@gmail.com.



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St. Francis Xavier School and Empower Illinois

What is Empower Illinois & the Tax Credit Scholarship Program?

In 2017, bipartisan lawmakers passed the Invest in Kids Act. This historic law – the first of its kind in Illinois – transforms lives by providing up to \$100 million in scholarships for kids from low-income and working-class families in Illinois. Scholarships are funded through private donations to Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs), like Empower Illinois, who then administer the application and scholarship process.

Illinois donors to the scholarship program can designate their gift to **St. Francis Xavier** and are eligible for a 75% state tax credit. Empower Illinois' mission is to expand quality education options for low-income and working-class families across Illinois. Empower Illinois partners with approximately 92% of all Illinois recognized private schools, including **St. Francis Xavier** to ensure families have options to find their child's best fit school. Empower Illinois supports **St. Francis Xavier** in their tax credit scholarship fundraising efforts, assists students and their families through the awards process, and leads advocacy efforts to support and expand the Tax Credit Scholarship Program. All funds designated to St. Francis Xavier will fund students at St. Francis Xavier School.

Why Donate to St. Francis Xavier Through the Tax Credit Scholarship Program?

Donors who give to St. Francis Xavier through the Tax Credit Scholarship Program receive a 75% Illinois state tax credit for their gift and the funds will provide scholarships for students at St. Francis Xavier for the 2022-23 school year.

There are currently eight students enrolled at St. Francis Xavier on the waiting list to receive scholarships for the 2022-23 school year through this program. These students represent \$38,000 in need for scholarships.

How Does the Donation Process Work?

Making your tax credit scholarship donation is a three-step process:

1. **register** with mytax.illinois.gov
2. **reserve** your credit, and
3. **make your donation** through Empower Illinois.

The donation process does include multiple steps, but in addition to helping students in need, your gift earns you a 75% Illinois state tax credit.

Empower Illinois has a dedicated customer service team that can assist with any questions that may arise during the donation process (donors@empowerillinois.org or 800-616-7606). Additionally, parishioner and SFX parent Carolyn Broughton would be happy to help any one through the donation process: carolyn@empowerillinois.org or 708.341.0908.

Questions? Contact Carolyn Broughton at carolyn@empowerillinois.org.



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

- **Sgt. David Phillips**—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- **Commander Robert O'Donnell**—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- **Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT**—
son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- **Technical Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF**—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- **Lt. Commander Jonathan Devitt Brown, U.S. Navy**—nephew of the Devitt Family
- **LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC**—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- **Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC**—
son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- **Staff Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy & Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and
sons of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **Staff Sgt. Scott Blunk**—husband of Brianne and son-in-law of Maureen Becker
- **Lt. Daniel McGue**—grandson of Sue Ryan
- **Lt. Col. Jeremy Hutchins, USAF**—brother-in-law of Valerie & Michael Schierl
- **Commander Brian Riegler, U.S. Navy**—husband of Elizabeth and father of Kaylee, Mackenzie, Grace & Liam
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Capt. Trent McMullen, USAF**—son-in-law of Tom & Maureen Hunt
- **Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army**—friend of Liz Wilk
- **Spec Timothy Lucas U.S. Army**—nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas, and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Robert Weiler, U.S. Navy**—brother of Rebecca Dionisio
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **Sgt. Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 7ATC**—son of Chuck and Kathi Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **1st Lieutenant Mitchell Ciszewski, USMC**—son of Bob & Pat Ciszewski
- **1st Lieutenant Michael Sullivan, U.S. Army**—son of Gene & Mary Pat Sullivan

**Please inform us of those serving Overseas in the Military...
and please let us know when friends and loved ones
return from their deployment Overseas.
Email the bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.**

St. Francis Xavier Personnel

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Deacon
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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday.....8:30 am-5:00 pm
Friday8:30 am-5:00 pm
Saturday.....9:00 am-12:00 pm

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every 3rd Thursday 6:00-7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning.....9:00-10:00 am
The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the tabernacle prayer area.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday - Friday).....9:00 am-12:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus

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

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for submitting all bulletin articles is 9:00 am on the Monday preceding the Sunday of publication. If a holiday falls on a Monday, articles are due by 12:00 Noon on the previous Thursday. Please email all articles to the bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.

Domestic Violence Resources

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

Food Pantry

The St. Francis Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:30 am. The pantry serves clients who live in the 60525 and 60526 zip codes. Donation drop off Mondays 9:00 am-Noon at South door of rectory.

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.

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

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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

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