

**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH**  
**6th Sunday of Easter**  
**May 22, 2022**



**THE ADVOCATE, THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHOM  
THE FATHER WILL SEND IN MY NAME,  
WILL TEACH YOU EVERYTHING AND REMIND  
YOU OF ALL THAT I TOLD YOU.  
PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU!**

## Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, May 23	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Antonio & Teresa Franzese Besse & Dick Parlon Bob Kuta Herbert & Mary Schrack	Pam Oplawski The Kisla Family
Tuesday, May 24	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Jeanne Turek	John F. Cooney, Jr.
Wednesday, May 25	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Linda Balkwill	The Shanahan Family
Thursday, May 26	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, May 27	Morning Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
Saturday, May 28	Mass	8:30 am	Margueritte, Tom & Tommy Byrne	Mary Ferguson & Carmel Donnellan
	Reconciliation	9:00 am		
	Mass	5:00 pm	Andre Eagle	Mother
Sunday, May 29 The Ascension of the Lord	Mass	7:30 am	Helen Reizer	The Ferber Family
	Mass	9:00 am	Tony Giannini	Nancy Cozzi
	Mass	11:00 am	Americo DiGianfilippo	Nancy Cozzi

**SUNDAY, MAY 29—NO 5:00 PM MASS DUE TO MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND**

### Schedule for May 21-22, 2022~Mass Time

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

### Please pray for . . .

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

**Gregory Van Gorp**  
Son of Jacquelyn Van Gorp



Make a gift to the Sunday  
Offertory with this QR Code.  
Thank you for your support!

## Pastor's Letter

*"Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved."*  
Acts 15:1

Christianity has experienced tensions from within and without throughout our history. In *Acts of the Apostles*, Luke relays the tensions that led to the first Church Council around 60 A.D. The missionary journeys of Paul and Barnabas were very successful, and the community of believers had expanded well beyond the borders of Israel. Jews and Gentiles both were embracing the Gospel of Jesus, being baptized, and gathering for worship on Sunday. Paul was convinced that baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus freed a person, Jew or Gentile, from observance of the Mosaic Law. This included circumcision, which was not a common practice among Gentiles. The more traditional Jewish Christians became angry and insisted that Gentile Christians must adopt all customs of the Law. The Council of Jerusalem was convened to resolve the dispute.

In Luke's account, Gentile Christians are asked to observe Jewish dietary prohibitions (important since Eucharist was celebrated as part of a larger meal). However, in Paul's account of the same Council, written soon after the Council itself, no such prohibition is mentioned. The Jerusalem church places no obligation on the Gentiles except to be generous to the poor. It appears that some within the church attempted to "edit" the decision of the Council and to express their view of what the Council "meant to say." Yet the charisma of unity amid diversity took firm root.

Similar tensions over time have resulted in many subsequent Church Councils, the most recent being Vatican II in the 1960's. Christians continue to discern how best to live out our mission to bring Christ to the world in this day and time. Some have been excited by the changes of Vatican II; others have resisted and attempted to reinterpret the meaning of Vatican II. Nonetheless, Christ remains alive in us and

the Holy Spirit continues to inspire the people of God to respond to new challenges and to live that deep sense of harmony within a rich diversity. May we always seek and be open to the Spirit's guidance.

**Welcome home** to all those returning from another year of college. **Congratulations** to all who graduate this year and begin a new phase in your life. If you have been serving in some ministry on your college campus and would like to continue to do so during the summer, we welcome your gifts. If we can serve you in some way, please contact us.

**Sunday 5PM Mass** continues this summer during the Spirit Choir "summer break." To allow our liturgical ministers to celebrate the summer holidays, we will not offer a Sunday 5PM Mass on *four summer holiday weekends*: Memorial Day (May 29), Father's Day (June 19), Fourth of July (July 3), and Labor Day (September 4). And **if you can serve as a lector, minister of communion, or usher** on any other summer weekend, please contact the parish office.

What are your plans for the summer? It's not too early to decide how you will allow the blessings of summertime to renew you in body, mind, and spirit. Happy pondering!

Easter Peace,

*J. Bill*





## Second Collection: Fuller Center for Housing



The second collection at this weekend's masses supports the efforts of our parishioners who volunteer their time and talents for one week each summer building homes in Mississippi with The Fuller Center for Housing.

For over 25 years, St. Francis Xavier has been sending groups of volunteers to the Mississippi Delta to build homes with Clarksdale Area Habitat for Humanity. In fact, plans are in place for construction of the 50th volunteer-built house in Clarksdale this summer.

Last year, the local Habitat chapter decided to align itself with a new organization – The Fuller Center for Housing.

Headquartered in Americus, Georgia, The Fuller Center for Housing was founded in 2005 by Millard and Linda Fuller, the same couple who founded Habitat for Humanity in 1976. The Fullers founded the nonprofit as a recommitment to the grassroots, Christian principles with which they launched their original affordable housing movement several decades ago.

Millard passed away in 2009, but Linda remains active in the ministry. The Fuller Center for Housing has been given a 100% score for accountability and transparency by Charity Navigator, and has received GuideStar's highest-level Platinum rating for transparency as well.

The Fuller Center for Housing ([www.fullercenter.org](http://www.fullercenter.org)) builds and repairs homes in more than 70 U.S. communities and more than 20 countries around the world. Much like Habitat, homeowners are full partners in the building process, contributing "sweat equity" as they work alongside volunteers, then repaying the costs of materials on terms they can afford, with no interest charged or profit made.

Please be as generous as you are able. If you would like to donate on line, [Click Here](#), or scan the QR code. Your donations have a direct effect on our ability to provide affordable housing to well deserving families.



Also, if you are interested in volunteering for one of the trips, please contact Bob Albertini at 708-710-5645. No building experience is necessary. Thank you for your support and prayers.

## 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.

## 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.

# Faith Formation

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

## Easter Season! Alleluia!

### Father Stu: Movie Watch & Discussion

Claim your **FREE TICKETS** to see *Father Stu*!



“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 realization that he’s meant to be a Catholic priest.” *Rated R*

**Movie Watch: Wed, 5/25 at 7pm**  
AMC Quarry 14

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

You do not have to attend the movie watch to join the discussion (or vice versa)! But you will need to have seen the movie to participate in the conversation.

Email [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org) to request your **FREE tickets ASAP, space is limited!**

### 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!

## Summer Volleyball League!

All young adults (18-39) are invited to play on the SFX grass volleyball team in a local league

**FRIDAYS 6-8PM | JUNE 3 - JULY 17**  
**PARK AVENUE PARK | 434 COLFAX AVE. | CLARENDON HILLS**

\$15 for the season - come when you can! Official registration and payment will be requested after completion of this [google form](#) (also found on our website [sfxlg.org](http://sfxlg.org) under quicklinks). You may complete the interest form for a friend or colleague as well, we will reach out to invite them! Email [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org) with questions.



# SFX Parish Party

SERVE  
PRAY  
CELEBRATE

**SATURDAY, JUNE 18**

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

To help us plan food and beverages, please **RSVP** as soon as possible by visiting [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org) or [Click Here](#).

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!

**Questions about the Party?**

Maggie McMahon, Pastoral Associate, [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org)  
Jennifer Zeisloft, Director of Stewardship and Operations, [jzeisloft@sfxlg.org](mailto: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 next page in bulletin for details)	Unity Hall	7-9pm	Westside Stories: Documentary/Q&A about Chicago's North Lawndale community	13+	Jane Bandyk Heather Fitzpatrick Maureen Windmoeller
Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants* (6/17)	Broadview Detention Ctr.	6:45-8am	Prayer the Rosary	13+	Maureen Lang
Blood Drive* (6/17)	GYM	10am-4pm	Donate Blood	16+	Frank Mungo
Companions Journeying Together (Prison Ministry)	Rectory Courtyard Room	9-10am	Write Notes	13+	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	12:30-1:30pm	Pack shelf stable meals	All	Lynn Regan Alice Vida
Food Pantry	Rectory	1:30-2:30pm	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+	Bob Albertini
Exodus World Service*	Chicagoland	TBD Summer	Set up apartment for a refugee family	10+	Tammy Walczyk

Visit [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org), [click here](#) or call 708-352-0168 to register by June 10th.  
Questions? Contact Mary Freeman [mfreeman@sfxlg.org](mailto: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*

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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+.

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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.





### TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

# Help a Child Attend Our School

9 children are waiting for the opportunity to attend **St. Francis Xavier School** with the help of the Illinois Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship program.

**Every contribution to the Tax Credit Scholarship Program is eligible for a 75 percent credit on your state income taxes.**

Learn how you can donate to this life changing program. Visit [archchicago.org/tcs](http://archchicago.org/tcs), call the TCS Hotline at **312.534.2617** or email [tcs@archchicago.org](mailto:tcs@archchicago.org).



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



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

SFX School Website: [sfxlg.org/school](http://sfxlg.org/school)

SFX School Instagram: [@sfxlg\\_school](https://www.instagram.com/sfxlg_school)

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

SFX School Website: [sfxlg.org/School](http://sfxlg.org/School)

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

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

## 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!



@sfxlg\_parish



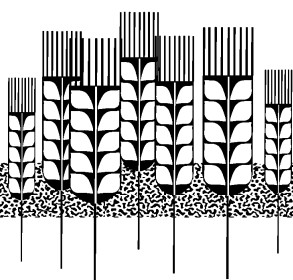
St. Francis Xavier Parish  
LaGrange, IL

## 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



# The LORD makes all things new!



# ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH BRICK PAVER ORDERS

## 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  
Friday, 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](http://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](mailto:eguidice@sfxlg.org).

**CONTACT  
US TODAY!**

[SFXLG.ORG/SCHOOL](https://sfxlg.org/school)



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## **St. Francis Xavier School and Empower Illinois**

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### **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](https://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](mailto: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](mailto:carolyn@empowerillinois.org) or 708.341.0908.

*Questions? Contact Carolyn Broughton at [carolyn@empowerillinois.org](mailto: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](mailto:bulletineditor@sfxlg.org).**

# St. Francis Xavier Personnel

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Deacon  
Deacon  
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Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister  
Weekend Sacramental Minister

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## Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday.....8:30 am-5:00 pm  
Friday .....8:30 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.

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## Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

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## 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.**

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