

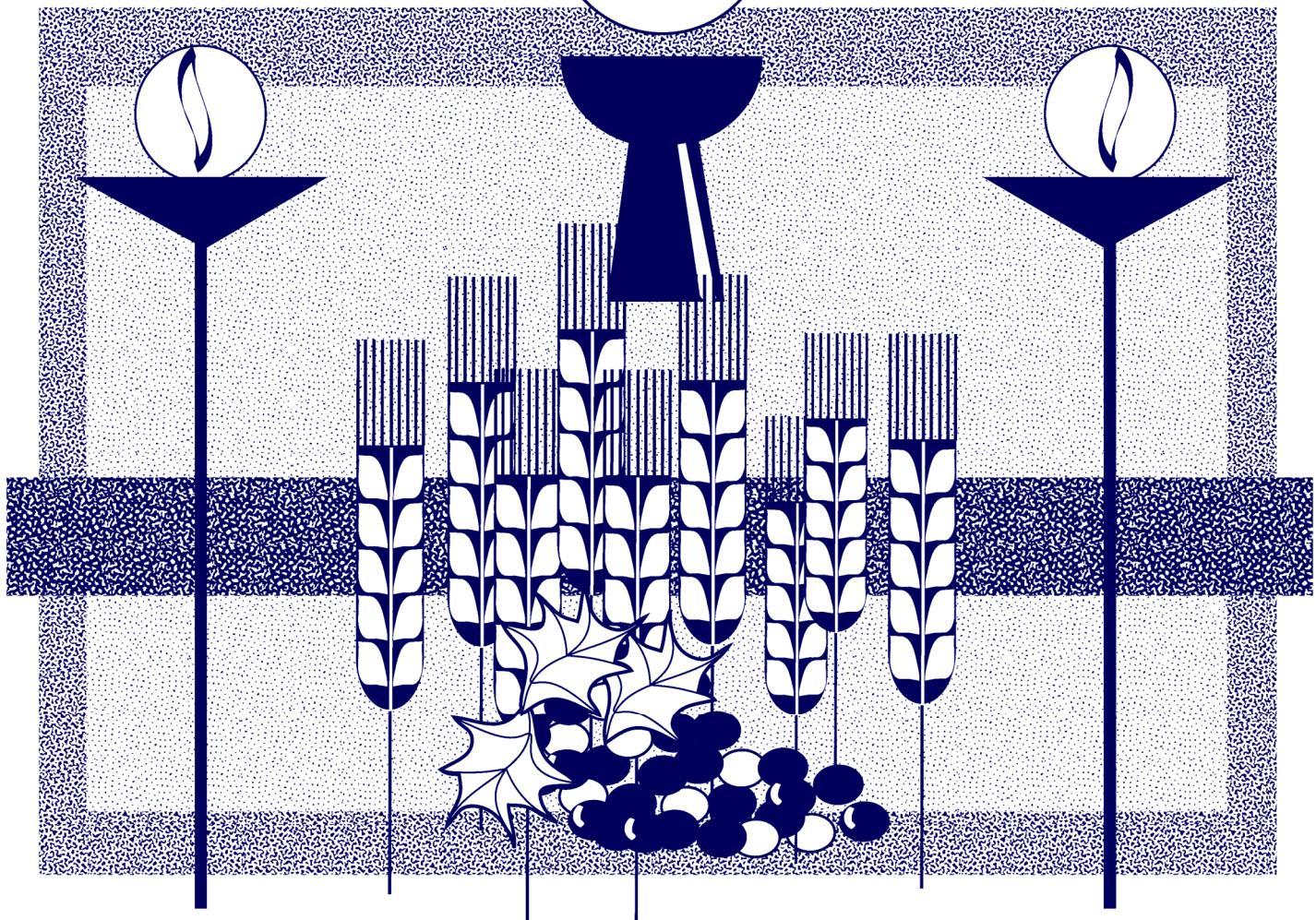
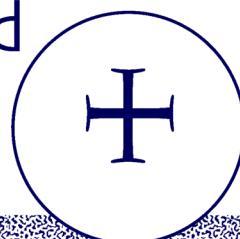
SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

The Body & Blood of Christ

June 14, 2020



Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
has eternal life and I will raise him up
on the last day,
says the LORD.



Holy Week

Monday, June 15
Tuesday, June 16
Wednesday, June 17
Thursday, June 18
Friday, June 19
Saturday, June 20
Sunday, June 21 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Dear St. Francis Xavier Parish Community,

We welcome you to Sunday Mass at St. Francis Xavier. A pre-recorded Sunday Mass will continue to be posted on the parish website (www.sfxlg.org), and on Facebook and Instagram. We encourage you to worship with others at the time you usually attend Mass on weekends. In addition to this link, we are providing words to the hymns being sung. Be daring and join the virtual choir that will be singing with you throughout the LaGrange area. Let us hold one another in communion.

And please send your feedback to wtkachuk@sfxlg.org. Your feedback will help us make adjustments in the weeks to come.

Peace,
Fr. Bill Tkachuk

Please Pray For...

Sue Beyer
Jack Boyd
Jay Carroll
Chili Challender
Americo DiGianfillippo
Anthony Dina
Blake Donegan
Lily Fielding
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick
Wilf Fleming
Lilli Gregory
Wilson Gregory
Brian Hahn
Patricia Hassler
Frank Hoos
Rose Ilo
Mary J.
Jane Jacobsen
Michael Janus
Peter Johns
Theresa Kandall
Mark Kiley
Benny Kilman
Jerry Kolman
Lou Ellen Krueger
Enrique Martinez
Patrick Morgan

Mike Morrison
Bernice Niemiec
Bert Ogilvie
Arnold Oppenheim
Jane O'Reilly
Shawna Palazzolo
Ryan Patyk
Donna Pekarek
Carolyn Peters
James Pridmore
Madison Raupp
Anna Rose
Marilyn Rutkowski
Matthew Schiek
Larry Skippet
Greyson Stanley
Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Anne Titzer
Michael Ungari
Gregory Van Gorp
Helena Walden
Carl Walsh
Marian Ward
Liz Wilk
Malcolm Young
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:

Daniel Thomas Murphy

Husband of the late Jean

Father of Kathleen, the late Pamela Jean, Marylou, John, Julia, Janice and Caroline

Kathi Parisi

Wife of Charles and

Mother of Caitlin, John & Robert

Doris Murray

Mother of Anne McDermott

Sharon Sundstrom

Mother of Barbara, Michael & Elizabeth

Readings For The Week of June 14, 2020

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11/1 Jn 4:7-16

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

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

Pastor's Notes

*Because the loaf of bread is one,
we, though many, are one body.*

1 Corinthians 10:17

We live in a moment of history in which forces within and around us attempt to divide us: by political party, race, creed, social class, education, or any one of many labels. Labels can fool us into believing that we “know” another person before they even open their mouth. And so, we stop listening to one another. We begin to focus on our counterattack before the other person has finished their thought. We get caught up in an argument with predictable results, each of us convinced that the wall between us will never be breached.

Yet we gather each weekend, whether virtually or in person, for a ritual that seeks to break down walls and unite us; to re-form and send us as one body in Christ. We are created as diverse members of one body; but when we divide ourselves into opposing groups, we become a *dis-eased* body that cannot bring Christ’s light into the world. Still God persists. God fed the people of Israel in the desert despite their stubbornness and hardness of heart; so Christ continues to feed us with his own Body and Blood despite our resistance to living in harmony. Christ continues to hope that we will open to the breath of the Spirit and the transforming power of the Eucharist – that we might become what we eat and drink: his saving Bread and life-giving Blood for the world.

We are confronted with the ugly sin of racism that has been alive in our land for over 400 years. Those of my generation lived through a civil rights movement over 50 years ago that made radical changes in the ways race was a tool to separate, divide, and degrade people because of the color of their skin. Many of us were foolish enough to think that the work was done. We paid little attention to the painful stories of our sisters and brothers of color. We thought of those stories as exaggerations, exceptions

to the rule, or a problem that people had brought on themselves.

The events of recent weeks call us all to a new and deeper commitment to listen to one another; to hear the painful stories of the lived consequences of racism. They are seen in a pandemic that disproportionately claims the lives of people of color and acts of violence for which justice is obtained only when the violence is caught on video. Many young people have been showing us that they get it; they have stood side by side in peaceful protests, one body of many colors, many voices, and many expressions. I think it may be time for us to learn from them. They may not yet join with us on Sunday as often as we hope. Nonetheless, they reveal Christ in our world: one body of many diverse members; learning from one another; affirming the dignity of each person; opposing anything that would treat another as undeserving of honor, dignity, and respect.

Are we willing to *listen and to learn* from the people we have placed on the “other side” of a wall we helped to build? Are we willing to *forgive* the one whose words or actions helped to build that wall? Are we willing to *seek* the spark of the divine in the other that might poke holes in the wall that divides us? Are we willing to *let Christ be*, within and among us, what we cannot be on our own? Are we willing to *be what we receive* – the Body of Jesus? In the words of Kathy Sherman, CSJ,

*We are the Body of Jesus,
broken and given,
that others might live.
We are the Body of Jesus,
creating God’s reign when we love and forgive.*

Summer Peace,

F. Bill

Daily and Sunday Mass Intentions

Father Bill is celebrating a daily Mass for the intention that had been requested for that day. Any Sunday intentions that he is unable to cover at this time have been rescheduled for a later date. We also continue to accept requests for Mass intentions at a future date. Please call the office on weekdays from 9-12. We can send the Mass card via regular post as you direct.



RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is being celebrated on Saturday mornings, from 9-10AM in the lower Unity Hall vestibule. Enter from the parking lot through the courtyard between the church and education buildings. Please observe the outside markings for social distancing and wear a mask. In bad weather, please line up your cars and wait in the car until the prior person leaves the vestibule.

ANointing OF THE SICK

The Archdiocese has issued the following guidelines for celebration of the Anointing of the Sick until further notice.

"Under the State's exemption for essential services, the Archdiocese of Chicago is including Anointing of the Sick as an essential service. However, **out of an abundance of caution only a select number of priests will be allowed to administer this sacrament to any confirmed COVID-19 patients until further notice.** When a request is made for a priest to administer this sacrament, the priest must inquire if the ill person is a confirmed COVID-19 patient.

- **If no,** the priest may proceed under the following guidelines.
 - The priest must maintain social distance with everyone present so as to offer comfort without making physical contact.
 - The priest must wash or sanitize his hands with soap and warm water both before entering the room and after leaving.
 - The anointing must be done with a cotton-tipped swab or a cotton ball which will be burned or buried after use.
 - Bleach wipes or soap and water will be used to sanitize all supplies both before and after the anointing.
 - If the sacrament is celebrated in a health care facility, the priest must follow the protocols and protective guidelines of that facility.
- **If yes,** the family must be notified that, due to guidelines set forth by the archdiocese to ensure everyone's health, another priest must take the call and that the family will be contacted by that priest. Explain to the family members that out of an abundance of caution **only a select number of our priests are allowed to administer this sacrament to any confirmed COVID-19 patients until further notice.** (4 priests will be designated priests in each Vicariate who are under age 60 and in good health). These priests will follow special precautions established by the Archdiocese."

CHRISTIAN BURIALS

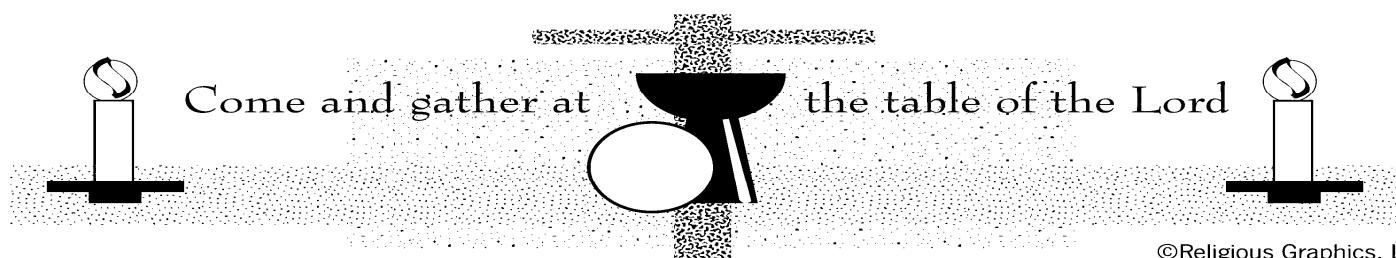
The Archdiocese has issued the following guidelines for funeral services and burials until further notice.

"Burials at Catholic Cemeteries may continue and are not suspended at this time; however, attendance limit and social distancing requirements apply per below. Please note that our churches are still closed; therefore, funeral Masses are not possible.

However, if a family requests a funeral, there are two options:

1. A funeral service, not a Mass, may take place at the funeral home
 - a. the limit for attendees remains 10 people at this time (inclusive of the funeral director, priest, mourners, etc.)
 - b. All attendees must practice social distancing
2. A funeral service may take place graveside at the cemetery before committal/burial.
 - a. the limit for attendees remains 10 people at this time (inclusive of the funeral director, priest, mourners, etc.)
 - b. All attendees must practice social distancing"

Please note that the family can plan to celebrate a Funeral Mass at the church once restrictions have been lifted, even when the burial already has occurred.





A CALL TO PRAYER

Bringing a light in the midst of darkness



Are you feeling overwhelmed by the effects of the pandemic and in need of prayer? We are here to pray with you and ask God for your needs.

Who we are: Volunteers from parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago who feel called to **accompany through prayer anyone who feels the need** for support during this time of uncertainty and isolation.

What we offer: A phone line staffed with people from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day, as well as 24-hour voice mail and e-mail connections. Our prayer partners are here to pray with you: opening our hearts to God, asking for His blessings and peace.

312.741.3388 praywithme@calledtoprayer.org

Blessing for Physicians and Healthcare Workers

May you always heal and be healed.
May those who come to you find in you
one who cares deeply
Whose knowledge includes knowledge
of the spirit's movements.

May you take pride in your gifts and
use them humbly.
May the suffering and the vulnerable
be your teachers.

May you see in others the goodness of a tender God.

May compassion encircle you carry you
Strengthen you and give you insight.

May your presence be hope to those in pain.
May your skill ease the way and instill trust.

May you know the Healer of all.
May your own heart be held in the
compassion and tenderness of God.

Amen.

Open Wide Our Hearts Prayer to Overcome Racism

Mary, Friend and Mother to All,
through your Son, God has found a way
to unite himself to every human being,
called to be one people,
sisters and brothers to each other.

We ask for your help in calling on
your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times
when we have failed to love and respect
one another.

We ask for your help in obtaining from
your Son
the grace we need to overcome the evil
of racism
and to build a just society.

We ask for your help in following your Son,
so that prejudice and animosity
will no longer infect our minds or hearts
but will be replaced with a love
that respects
the dignity of each person.

Mother of the Church,
the Spirit of your Son Jesus
warms our hearts:
pray for us.



Amen.

www.usccb.org/racism

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the
Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to
receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this
moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually
into my heart.
I embrace You as if
You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be
separated from You.

Amen.



Habitat For Humanity

Through the generous contribution of time, talent, and treasure, the St. Francis Xavier community has been supporting the Clarksdale Mississippi Habitat for Humanity program for 25 years. Every summer SFX sends several teams to Clarksdale to work on homes and we have provided new homes to over 50 deserving families. To build a home, the local Habitat chapter must raise about \$50,000. Upon completion, the resident is provided an interest-free loan to pay for the home. Through your generous support last year, we were able to drywall and paint the home we started the previous year and it is now nearly ready for a family. We also performed repair work on several current Habitat homes, enabling the families to secure insurance.

While the pandemic may affect our ability to send teams this summer to continue our work to provide affordable housing for those in need, the needs of the Clarksdale Habitat Chapter and community have not changed. In fact, in many ways their situation has become more dire because no other church groups or volunteer organizations have been able to go to Clarksdale. Therefore, we are asking for your support. If we are able to send groups, your support will go directly to funding the construction materials for the Habitat houses. The volunteers fund their own food and expenses for the trip. If we are not able to send groups, your support will go toward supporting the local Chapter in providing needed services and to fund repairs to the existing Habitat homes.

We understand that during this time you have many competing requests or personal situations, but please be as generous as you are able. Your donations have a direct effect on our ability to provide affordable housing to well deserving families. If you would like to donate on line, we have set up a Give Central account specifically for Habitat, located at:
<https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/event/13243>.

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

Religious Education Registration

Religious Education Registration is open to New Families. Registration Packets can be found on the website sfxlg.org.

If you have any questions, please email Terri Simeoni at tsimeoni@sfxlg.org.

What's going on in Youth Ministry???

Final Confirmation Request Forms

All Youth Ministry-related communication should be directed to youthministry@sfxlg.org.

Parish Food Pantry Ministry



The parish Food Pantry Ministry continues to operate on **Tuesdays 9:30-11am**. We will update hours of operation as circumstances warrant. To maintain safe distances, we are offering guests pre-packed bags and drive-thru service.

Volunteers

We appreciate all the volunteer offers but are currently limiting our small crew to staff and their family members. We look forward to welcoming back all our volunteers!

Food Donations

Mondays 9am-Noon. Nonperishable items (canned soup, vegetables, fruit, beans, chicken, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, tomato sauce, rice, cereal and coffee & tea) can be dropped off at the Rectory side door (parking lot side). **Cereal and items for hot beverages are especially appreciated.**

Monetary Donations

We make large purchases through the Greater Chicago Food Depository, including meat, fresh produce and bread at discounted prices.

Monetary donations can be made via:

Parish Give Central - click link

[https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/
category/1057/event/5199](https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/category/1057/event/5199)

Text **PANTRY** to **708-340-6630** for directions to contribute via Give Central.

A check made payable to SFX Food Pantry and dropped off through the Rectory mail slot or mailed to 124 North Spring LaGrange, IL 60525.

**Thank you for your continued support
and generosity!**

Interfaith Career Network

Successfully Navigate the ATS With Your Resume

When you apply online, your resume goes into an Applicant Tracking System (ATS). There are a multitude of ATS Systems, old and new, rigid and flexible, all reading your resume differently. Join us on Zoom, Thursday, June 18 from 7-9 pm and learn the secrets to craft an ATS-friendly resume that reaches the hands of the hiring manager. Our speaker, Jim Fergle is the Manager of Job Search and Veterans Services at workNet DuPage Career Center in Lisle. Jim has held the position of veteran's counselor, career assessment counselor and employment trainer during his tenure. He has a wealth of knowledge and over 20 years of experience in the employment field to share with you! This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend.

To attend this must-see Zoom meeting, go to:
<http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org> and click on the link shown at the time of the meeting.

Meeting ID: 895 1232 7726

Password: 300957

May the Wellspring of Compassion
be opened in you.

May soothing words find a home in you.

May Tenderness bless you
as you reach out to Comfort
in body, mind and spirit.
In the midst of fear or frustration
may Courage be given you.

May Patience keep vigil with you and
Peace of Mind calm you.

May your heart find a song to sing
even when you are weary.

May Abundant Love lift you and
Gratitude bless you as you
live the mission of Care entrusted to you.



Blessing for a Caregiver by Pat Bergen, CSJ courtesy of ministryofhearts.org

Sew...We Need Your Help!

If you can sew, we need your help! Disposable face masks are in short supply and fabric masks can help our healthcare workers and senior citizens. There are many designs online but simple is best. The instructions below for a simple mask can be adapted depending on what you have available. Tightly woven cotton fabric is best. If you don't have flannel for the lining, use two layers of cotton fabric. If you don't have elastic, use bias tape or fabric to edge the short end of the mask and make 10-12" ties on each corner.



A collection box has been placed in the vestibule of the Oak Lawn Village Hall by the police desk on the west side of the building. The address of the Village Hall is:

9446 Raymond Avenue
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Please put your completed masks in a plastic bag and drop them in the box. They will be distributed as needed to local health care providers, nursing homes, etc.

For any questions please email community.mask.initiative@gmail.com
Dig into your fabric stash and be creative! Happy sewing!

Since many stores will be mandatory closed, fabric can be purchased at Walmart, Amazon or mail order from Joann Fabrics.

How to make a Face Mask

Materials Needed:

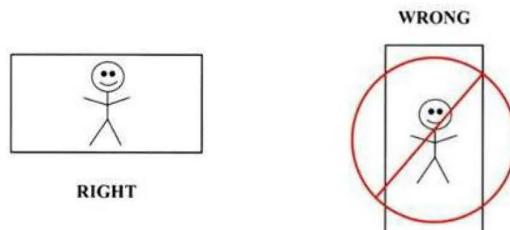
Fabric 1 - Cotton Fabric

Fabric 2 - Cotton or Flannel for the backing

1/8" Flat elastic (If you don't have elastic, use bias tape or fabric to edge the short end of the mask and make 10-12" ties on each corner.)

1. Put right sides of cotton fabric together.
2. Cut 9" x 6"
3. Starting along one of the 9" sides from about 3 inches from the corner, begin sewing the bottom edge, sew to the first corner, stop. Place the elastic into the corner and sew back and forth a couple of times to make sure it is secure.
4. Continue sewing along the 6" side and stop before the corner. Bring the other end of that same elastic to the corner and sew back and forth a couple of times.
5. Next sew across the top of the mask to the next corner. Again put the elastic in the corner and sew back and forth.
6. Continue sewing to the next corner and place the elastic into the corner and sew back and forth.
7. Sew across the bottom leaving about 1.5" to 2" open. Stop, cut the thread. Turn in-side out.
8. Pin 3 tucks on each side of the mask. Make sure the tucks are the same direction.
9. Sew around the edge of the mask twice.

Be sure the fabric design is place horizontally.





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

- **Sgt. David Phillips**—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- **Commander Robert O'Donnell**—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- **Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT**—
son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- **Technical Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF**—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- **Lt. Jonathan Devitt Brown, U.S. Navy**—nephew of the Devitt Family
- **LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC**—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- **Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC**—
son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- **Staff Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Capt. Maura Hoffman & Capt. Christopher Hoffman**—niece and nephew of Margie & Steve Hull and
cousins of Kate, Janie & Caroline Hull
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy & Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and
sons of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **Staff Sgt. Scott Blunk**—husband of Brianne and son-in-law of Maureen Becker
- **Lt. Daniel McGue**—grandson of Sue Ryan
- **Lt. Col. Jeremy Hutchins, USAF**—brother-in-law of Valerie & Michael Schierl
- **Commander Brian Riegler, U.S. Navy**—husband of Elizabeth and father of Kaylee, Mackenzie, Grace & Liam
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Capt. Trent McMullen, USAF**—son-in-law of Tom & Maureen Hunt
- **Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army**—friend of Liz Wilk
- **Spec Timothy Lucas U.S. Army**—nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas, and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Robert Weiler, U.S. Navy**—brother of Rebecca Dionisio
- **Joseph Somers, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Maureen & Nick Burriesci
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **1st Lt. Alexander Dale Fisher, USMC**—nephew of Michelle & Bill McKeown and cousin to Elizabeth & Liam
- **PFC Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 19K**—son of Kathi & Chuck Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack
and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **Capt. Richard Hoover, U.S. Army**—nephew of Lorraine Donegan
- **Capt. Matt Waite, U.S. Army**—cousin of Justin, Maggie, Winona & Bea Waite

**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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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 9:30 to 11:00 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 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.

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

Private Prayer at St. Francis Xavier Church

Sunday-Monday 9:00 am-1:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning 9:00-10:00 am
Saturday afternoon 4:00-5:00 pm
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-Noon
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus
St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday) 8:00 -10:00 am

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