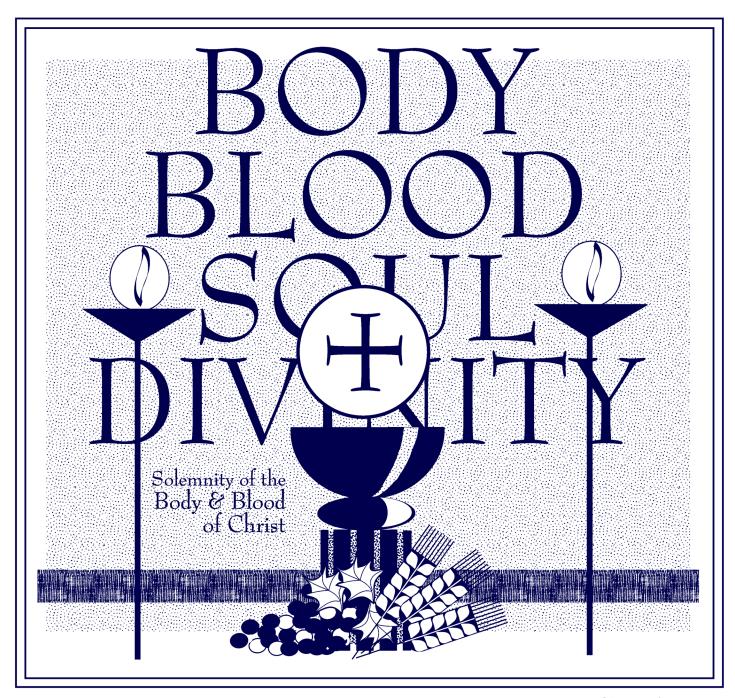
# SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Happy Father's Day June 19, 2022





#### Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, June 20	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Gregory Van Gorp Jerry, Palma, Joseph & Salvatore Frustaci	Marge Schwendner Gina Frustaci
			John Cannon Special Intention	The Cannon Family
Tuesday, June 21	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Juan Antonio Loza	The Clayton Family
Wednesday, June 22	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Jim Branecki	Marge Branecki
Thursday, June 23	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, June 24	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Arlene Koehn Peg Gallagher	The Hannigan Family The Enderle Family
Saturday, June 25	Mass Reconciliation	8:30 am 9:00 am	Tim Johnson (Living Intention)	Ron Skupien
	Mass	5:00 pm	Jim Dunne	The Dunne Family
Sunday, June 26 13th Sunday in	Mass	7:30 am	James Barrett Ray Wielgos	The Kelly Cousins Joan Wielgos
Ordinary Time	Mass	9:00 am	Nancy Droste	Marge Branecki
	Mass	11:00 am	Josephine Knapp	Dolores Lewis
	Mass	5:00 pm	Michael Goggin	The Widuch Family

#### Schedule for June 18-19, 2022~Mass Time

5:00 pm Fr. Tkachuk 7:30 am Fr. Milek 9:00 am Fr. Tkachuk 11:00 am Fr. Killeen No 5:00 pm Mass

## Please pray for . . .

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

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:

**Frank Borsilli**Father of Helene Spears

## Weddings

Julia Veome & Julian Love Nora Mulcahey & Brett Keim Anna Higgins & Charlie Pasquinelli Mary McGrory & Kirk Bender Rose Brown & Michael Elgeness





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

## **Pastor's Letter**

"Five loaves and two fish are all we have."

Five thousand people all ate and were satisfied.

Luke 9:13,17

How often are we, like the disciples in today's gospel, convinced that we do not have enough? "It would take too much time." "We will never get enough volunteers." There is just not enough money in the budget." Jesus shows that there always is enough to do what God asks of us if we make good use of the "not enough" that we think limits us.

Twenty-seven months ago, a virus forced us to close our doors and end all meetings, ministries, and celebrations. Yet within a week staff and ministers had found a creative way to reopen the parish Food Pantry within the new protocols for parish life. Others worked out the technology to record and post the celebrations of Holv Week and the following Sundays. Within a short time, we had acquired the technology and knowledge to livestream one Mass each weekend. Zoom made it possible for parish councils, prayer groups, and ministries to meet in virtual settings. A Leadership Team of staff and parish leaders applied the ever-shifting protocols so that we could provide the safest possible environment within those protocols. We gradually restored the operations of the parish offices and welcomed three new members to the parish staff. Our parish elementary school immediately implemented newly-learned technologies to teach remotely for the end of one school year and provide a hybrid option to families the following year. Our School of Religious Education developed a grade-level virtual program that will remain an option for families that found benefits for their family in this format.

We gradually have grown toward the Sunday Mass attendance of March 2020. Many are not yet comfortable worshipping in a closed space due to immunity issues or other health concerns. But almost every weekend we welcome back those who are returning for the first time. Groups have returned to an in-person format or a hybrid format that allows participants the ability to make the right choice for them.

Parish life is moving toward a new normal. Renew My Church is calling us to look at new ways to deepen our relationship with Jesus, to increase parish vitality, and to become people who will bear witness to others of how our faith and this faith community give us life.

This weekend we celebrate who we are and who we hope to become as we move forward. We give thanks for the many hours of volunteer ministry that give life to our mission in Jesus. We come together in the Waiola parking lot after a Day of Service and a Mass of Thanksgiving to enjoy one another's company with food, drink, and fun. We gather simply to be with one another, people of all ages and interests. We gather to be fed by the One who promises that we will always be blessed with abundance if we live with open hearts.

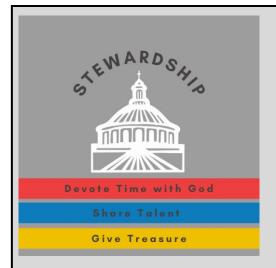
This weekend we also honor the men in our lives who live the vocation of father in its many forms. We begin with our fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, and godfathers. We then extend our thanks to mentors, guides, teachers, coaches, and men who live this vocation in many other ways. God bless you all for the difference you have made in so many lives.

This is my last column until late summer. Make some time to enjoy the blessings of summer. As much as possible, slow down, relax, enjoy time with family and friends, and be aware of the blessings in your life. And set aside some extra quiet time with God.

Summer Peace,







# Your Gift, God's Hands

How your gift comes to life at St. Francis Xavier Parish

Offertory Report
July 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022

Total Offertory Received \$ 1,619,634

Annual Budgeted Offertory \$ 1,747,399

As we draw to the close of our fiscal year on June 30, we recall God's presence during times of struggle and celebrate God's blessings during times of joy. Your commitment to time, talent and treasure provides the foundation to continue our mission!

This weekend, our Parish family comes together to serve, pray, and celebrate on Saturday during our Service Day, 5pm Mass, and All Parish Party. The parish commissioned an engraved stone to commemorate the strength of our community through the past few years, to memorialize all that we lost to the pandemic, and to express our hope for all that God's grace will accomplish in us as we move forward. You will find the stone in the flower bed west of the brick paver path (between the school and the church buildings). When you are celebrating with us this weekend, be sure to check it out.



Thank you for your stewardship of time, talent and treasure over this past year!



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**, call the TCS Hotline at **312.534.2617** or email **tcs@archchicago.org**.

# Peter's Pence Collection



Next weekend there will be a collection for Peter's Pence. This is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.

To donate, <u>click here</u>, visit our parish website, or place your donation in an envelope marked "Peter's Pence" an drop it off in the rectory mail slot or a church collection box. Thank you for your generosity.



You're invited to join us for an hour of prayer, recognition, restoration, celebration, and continuation of Juneteenth.

Monday, June 20, 2022, 4:30 p.m. LaGrange Community Center 200 S. Washington, LaGrange, IL Rain or Shine - Masks Please Refreshments Afterward

Featuring Rev. Wheeler Parker, Jr. Civil rights activist and cousin of Emmett Till

Juneteenth 2022 Honoree: Mrs Ren'ee Hodges

The Juneteenth National Independence Day Act (2021) created a federal holiday to commemorate the freedom for black slaves in Texas and Louisiana on June 19, 1865. Though President Lincoln had signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, news of this freedom was obstructed for two more long years of slavery.

June 19 has since become a day of restoration and celebration.

Our theme this year is:

# No one is free until everyone is free

- Fannie Lou Hamer

Co-sponsored by **LaGrange eastside** community residents and:









The LORD is present with us

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# Faith Formation

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

## Are you (or is someone you know) thinking about becoming Catholic?

In September we will start a new round of our collaborative RCIA journey with St. John of the Cross and St. Cletus. RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - is the process of spiritual and educational formation through which adults become fully initiated members of the Roman Catholic Church.

We are asking for your help identifying and personally inviting anyone who might be considering becoming Catholic. They could be unbaptized or baptized Christians who want to accept the Catholic faith. RCIA is also designed for Catholics who have not yet received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. The number one reason women and men join the RCIA process is that someone they trust invited them to consider it. Please give it some thought!

**If** *you* **are interested in the RCIA journey** yourself, be bold! We would love to talk with you. No commitment necessary. Plus check out what last year's participants had to say about their journey:

"I knew very little about the Catholic faith coming in...I loved being able to reflect on the topics as a group. Each RCIA volunteer brought a different perspective which was incredible and eye-opening. It was a long yet necessary journey!"

"I most enjoyed: being able to share this special journey with others going through the same process."

"It's a great experience and worth the time."

Email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org for more information.

"Meg has done the incredible: she has made the Catholic saints that we know and love (and many that we are just meeting for the first time) more accessible, warm, human, and well ... just like us!"

Join Meg Hunter-Kilmer, author of *Saints Around the World*, to make new friends with the saints and each other! Meg will read from her book and share her love for the saints with both you and your children.

#### Saturday, June 25th at 11am in Joyce Hall

"My children, aged seven to sixteen, were transfixed by the stunning artwork and captivated by the beautifully written biographical details. These intriguing stories are not about make-believe characters, but about real people who are now in heaven and can be powerful intercessors for us. Real heroes that can be our spiritual friends and confidantes, helping us to cope with our fears and anxieties and inspiring us with their bravery and love of God."



RSVP requested, not required! Click here or email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org

### School of Religious Education News

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



Register 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.

Click here for complete information on registration and tuition:

#### 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 equidice@sfxlg.org.







WE PRAY · WE LEARN · WE SERVE



# **Positions Available:**

- Lunch/Recess Monitors
- Substitute Teachers
- Teacher Assistants

Contact:
Principal Sharon Garcia
sgarcia@sfxlg.org



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

- 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
- Colonal Jessica Nichol, USAF—daughter-in-law of Tom & Lucile Nichol
- Capt. Jack Albertini, USMC—son of Bob & Susan Albertini

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

#### **Pastoral Ministry**

Pastor Associate Pastor

Deacon Deacon

Pastoral Associate

Director of Community Outreach Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister

Weekend Sacramental Minister

**Education Ministry** 

Parish School Principal Assistant Principal

Administrative Assistant Parish School Secretary Advancement Director

**Tuition Accounts** 

Director of Religious Education

Religious Education Administrative Assistant

Youth Ministry

Coordinator

Music Ministry Director

Parish Office Staff

Director of Stewardship and Operations

Parish Accountant Pastor's Secretary Parish Secretary

Staff Secretary Facilities Manager

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**Rectory Hours** 

Monday-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

Rev. William Tkachuk Rev. Richard Milek Mr. Andrew Allison Mr. Phil Gianatasio Mrs. Margaret McMahon Mrs. Mary Freeman Rev. William Killeen

Rev. Ed Barrett Rev. Stan Ilo

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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

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.

Infant Baptisms

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

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.

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, Georgina Lopez, from the Claret Center (Georgina is also bilingual in English and Spanish. She can be reached by phone 323-487-2359 or email glopez.claret@gmail.com.