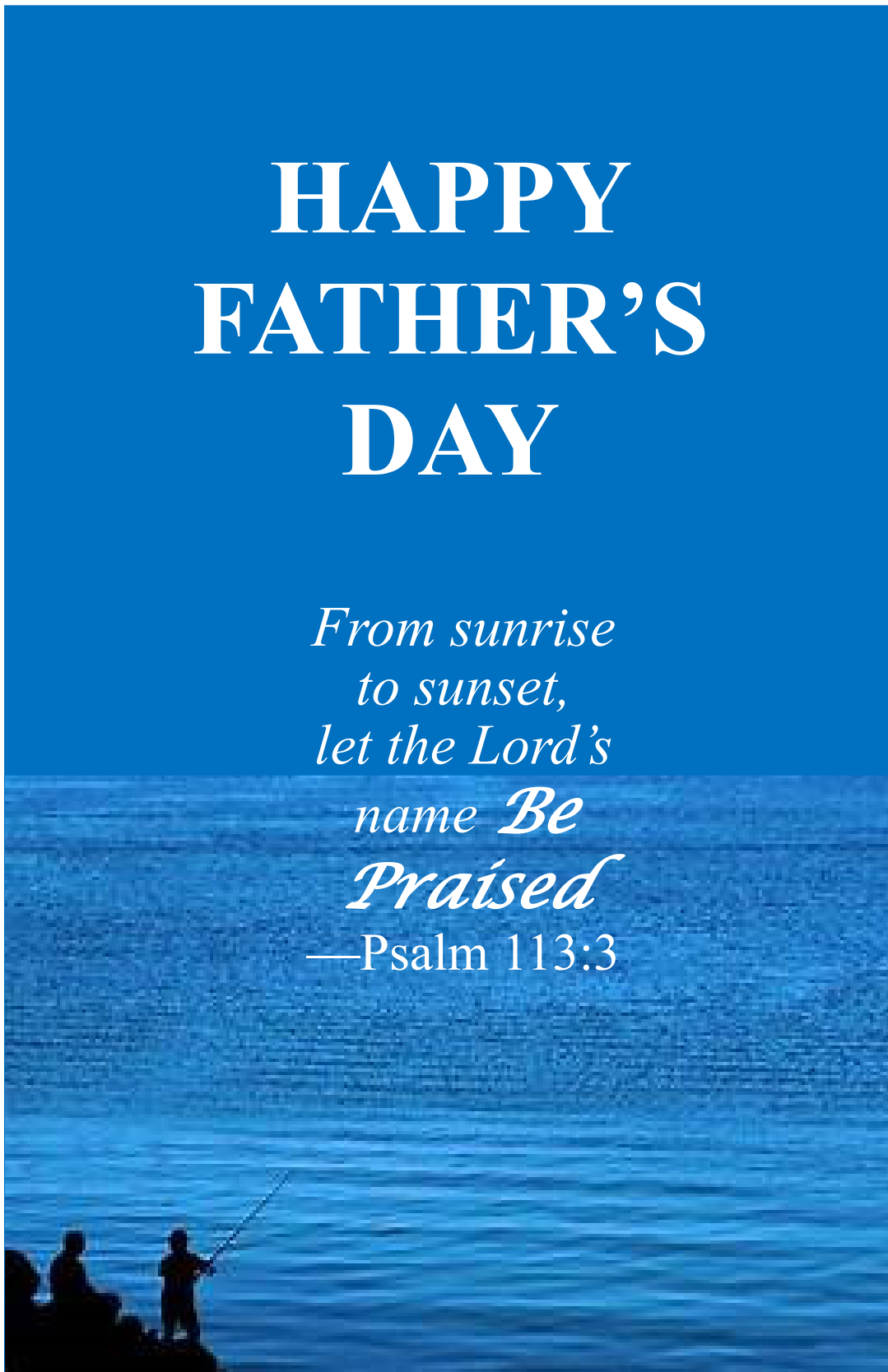


SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 20, 2021



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

*From sunrise
to sunset,
let the Lord's
name **Be**
Praised
—Psalm 113:3*



Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, June 21	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Carol Grimes Dolores Nauheimer Frank Martino	Phil Hannigan Lorraine & Judy Ovník The Brian Stephenson Family
Tuesday, June 22	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Mary & Bill McLaughlin	The McLaughlin Family
Wednesday, June 23	Morning Mass	8:30 am	No Intentions	
Thursday, June 24	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, June 25	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Peg Gallagher	The Enderle Family
Saturday, June 26	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Dick Zeiler	George & Mary Lou Braasch
Sunday, June 27	Mass	7:30 am	Anne Czachorski	Rosemary Kubik
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	9:00 am	Brian Stephenson	The Milligan Family
	Mass	11:00 am	Bob O'Malley	Jeff & Shirley Augustyn
	Mass	5:00 pm	People of the Parish	

Presider's Schedule for June 19-20, 2021~Mass Time

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

Please Pray For...

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

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:

Lisa Durham

Wife of Bruce Young and Mother of Kristen

Kevin McCann

Son of the late Dorothy and Brother of Janice Kocek

Lawrence Skippet

Brother of Nancy Panson

Angelo Pirozzi, USMC

Friend of John Rogers

Fred Ferris

Readings For The Week of June 20, 2021

Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/2 Cor 8:7-9, 13-15/
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Pastor's Notes

*A violent squall came up and waves were
breaking over the boat,
so that it was already filling up.
Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion.*
Mark 4:37-38

When I was five years old, our mom was diagnosed with tuberculosis and confined to a sanatorium until she returned to full health. Our father, with the help of our maternal grandmother, became sole parent of three children, ages 5, 3, and one and a half, while continuing to work full time. The day we learned that mom would have to leave us for a while was a day of many tears. Yet, I recall the months that followed as a time of hope and joy. We would fill dad's pockets with "contraband" that he would "sneak" to mom on his regular visits; he let my sister and me sit in the car, outside the gates, so that we could feel near to mom even if we could not see her. (Yes, it was safe to do that in those days; and we had the guard at the gate to keep an eye on us.) Dad came up with projects to occupy and distract us. He shared the news of their visits, including the anticipated arrival of our youngest brother, who had begun to grow within mom when she entered the sanatorium.

Dad gave us confidence that all would be well. I cannot imagine all that dad must have been carrying inside him during those months: caring for us and worrying about mom and the child in her womb. Yet, as far as we could see, he was like Jesus in the storm-tossed boat, peacefully asleep on a cushion. That, for me, is the gift of a father's love.

Fatherhood was a changing and often confusing vocation during my childhood. I came to appreciate my father more as I grew older. I will be forever grateful for the loving relationship we developed as adults. This weekend, our nation honors the men among us who live the vocation

of fatherhood as fathers (by birth and adoption), foster fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers, godfathers, mentors, and coaches. We give thanks for those who blessed our lives through their loving guidance. Perhaps some among us seek the grace of forgiveness and peace for fathers who caused harm by what they did or failed to do. We pray for them all and offer them our love and support. **Happy Father's Day!**

This is my last column for the summer. I will take some of my own advice, slow the pace, and give God some extra space in my life. So, I take this opportunity to thank Ms. Terri Simeoni for her years of dedicated ministry to the people of St. Francis Xavier Parish. I first met Terri's family in 1980 as a deacon in the parish in which Terri grew up. I got to know her better when I came to SFX in 1990; Terri was then a teacher in the parish elementary school. I was here as she became coordinator of youth ministry and then coordinator of the parish School of Religious Education, still serving in that role when I returned 25 years later. Terri was willing to postpone her retirement for one year so that she could develop an interim virtual School of Religious Education. **Thank you, Terri, for the blessing of 32 years of loving and dedicated service to this parish!**

A lilac bush has been planted in the Unity Hall courtyard garden in honor of Terri and in memory of her mother, Mary, who became part of her ministry and this parish over the years. God bless you, Terri, in all that awaits you in your retirement journey. You always have a home among us.

Summer Peace,

J. Bill

Collection For Retired Priests



There are over 200 Retired Archdiocesan Priests. They represent 30% of all the priests serving in the Archdiocese. Normal retirement age is 70 for Chicago priests. Sixty-five priests still live in a rectory and assist the parish on a regular basis. Close to 140 retired priests celebrate Sunday Mass weekly, perform marriages and baptisms; and visit the sick in hospitals. Without these dedicated men, many parishes would not be able to offer the full range of Masses and sacraments that are currently available.

This collection is solely for the retired priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The retired priests of the Archdiocese receive no funds from the Religious Retirement Collection taken up in December. Those funds go for religious nuns and brothers and religious order priests.

The Archdiocese of Chicago is committed to caring for our retired priests, but we need your assistance and the generosity of every parish community.

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

Bringing Communion To You

We are aware that there are many parishioners who are not homebound due to a physical limitation, but who are not yet comfortable returning to weekend Mass for a variety of reasons. We hope you have been able to view our weekly livestreamed Mass via the parish Facebook page or the parish website. In addition, several ministers of care are now available to bring the Eucharist to you at your home. Frequency and day of the week may depend on the number of requests we receive. Please call the parish office 708-352-0168. Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30, or Saturday morning, 9:00-Noon and we will forward the information to Scott McDonald, who coordinates our minister of care team.

Outreach From Catholic Charities

Counseling Support Line:

If the pandemic has you feeling anxious or depressed and you'd like to talk with a counselor, please call the Catholic Charities Counseling Support Line at 312-948-6951 anytime Monday-Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Spanish-speaking counselors are available. If you leave a message after hours, a counselor will call you back.

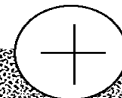
Legal Assistance Available:

Catholic Charities Legal Assistance Department has attorneys and volunteer attorneys available to provide advice in numerous areas of law. If you are unsure about your legal rights or lost in the legal system, they can help. Services include in-depth advice and possible direct representation on many issues, including landlord/tenant disputes, family law, consumer and debtor rights, foreclosure, employment issues, orders of protection, power of attorney, and more. CCLA provides free to low-cost legal services to eligible low-income individuals. For help and more information, contact the legal advice line at 312-948-6821.

The Archdiocese of Chicago Is Hiring

Are you seeking an opportunity to draw closer to our Lord through your work? Consider applying your professional strengths and experience at the service of sharing Christ with others. The Archdiocese of Chicago is in the midst of exciting changes as we renew our local Church. With our competitive salary and benefit packages, the archdiocese provides many opportunities for professional and personal growth and development. For the listing of current openings, please visit archchicago.org/careers or follow us on LinkedIn.

The Archdiocese of Chicago, pastored by Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, has more than 15,000 employees that serve more than 2.2 million Catholics in Cook and Lake Counties. Our elementary and secondary schools comprise one of the largest U.S. private school systems and have garnered more U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon Awards than any system of any type.



The Body of Christ. Amen!

Phase 5 Reopening Guidelines for St. Francis Xavier

On June 11, the State of Illinois moved to Phase 5 of the State reopening plan. **Thank you** to the many volunteers who made it possible for us to keep our parish church open over the past eleven months, and to those who have been praying for our return to full communion. The following changes are now in effect:

- ◆ **Reservations** are no longer required for weekend or daily Masses. There will be no reservation sheets at the Ogden Avenue doors.
- ◆ Those requiring **gluten free hosts** must now **come to the sacristy before Mass** to inform the sacristan.
- ◆ The **Ogden and Spring Avenue doors** are both available for all worshippers. As of June 26, the west transept and exterior Unity Hall doors (with access to the lift) also will be open.
- ◆ **Greeters** will greet people at the door and answer any questions. **Hand sanitizer** will be available at the door for people to use but is not required. Through June 20, masks will be required for everyone over age 2. As of June 26, face masks will be required only for those not fully vaccinated.
- ◆ **Ribbons** have been placed across the ends of every other pew in the back of the nave and in the east transept. This provides a 6 foot social distance for those uncomfortable with being any closer. All pews in the rest of the church are available for seating. Worshippers will seat themselves.
- ◆ **Unity Hall** will reopen to allow families with small children the option to view Mass remotely at the Saturday 5PM Mass and the Sunday 9AM and 11AM Masses. At all other Masses, the doors from the church into Unity Hall will be locked.
- ◆ **Ushers** are meeting this week and eventually will take responsibility for finding seats for people and guiding the communion procession.
- ◆ No **collection** will be taken during the Preparation of the Gifts. Offerings can be deposited in the collection boxes at the Ogden and Spring Avenue doors, and a new collection box at the west transept door (yet to be installed).
- ◆ Within the next few weeks, we will invite the assembly to join the cantor in **singing**. Stay tuned for more.
- ◆ We ask worshippers to respect the comfort level of others during the **Sign of Peace**.
- ◆ Until the ushers have returned, a greeter will continue to let each pew know when to come forward for **communion**. Sanitizer will be available at the front of the aisle for those who want to use it before receiving.
- ◆ Restoring will occur only after the Sunday 9AM and 11AM Masses and before the Saturday 5PM Mass.
- ◆ Reconciliation will take place at the top of the steps in Unity Hall with access from the courtyard doors. Since this area can be seen from the bottom of the stairs, a greeter will not be needed. We will move back to the Reconciliation Room once an air purifier has been installed.

Greeters Welcome

We are seeking parishioners who are willing and able to serve as ministers of hospitality (greeters) at the following parish celebrations.

- ♦ **Weekend Masses:** Greeters will welcome people at each of the church entrances and answer any questions. They then can join their families for the remainder of the Mass.
- ♦ **Baptisms:** Greeters welcome the family of the child being baptized, verify the information for the parish records, and assist in the seating process.
- ♦ **Weddings:** Greeters serve as part of our parish Wedding Ministry to welcome guests, answer questions, and assist the bride and groom and their parents with any special needs.
- ♦ **Funerals:** Greeters serve as part of the parish Bereavement Team. They welcome guests at the door, answer questions, and assist the family with any special needs.

If you are interested or would like to learn more about any of these ministries, please email Maureen Pipal at mpipal@sfxlg.org. Your gift of time and talent as one who offers hospitality is a relatively simple gift that can have a great effect on those who attend a service at St. Francis Xavier.

Thank You

We would like to extend a special thank you to our Father's Day Speakers:

Saturday

5:00 pm - Frank Mungo

Sunday

7:30 am - Patrick Olson

9:00 am - Reagan Hogerty

11:00 am - Marko Magajne



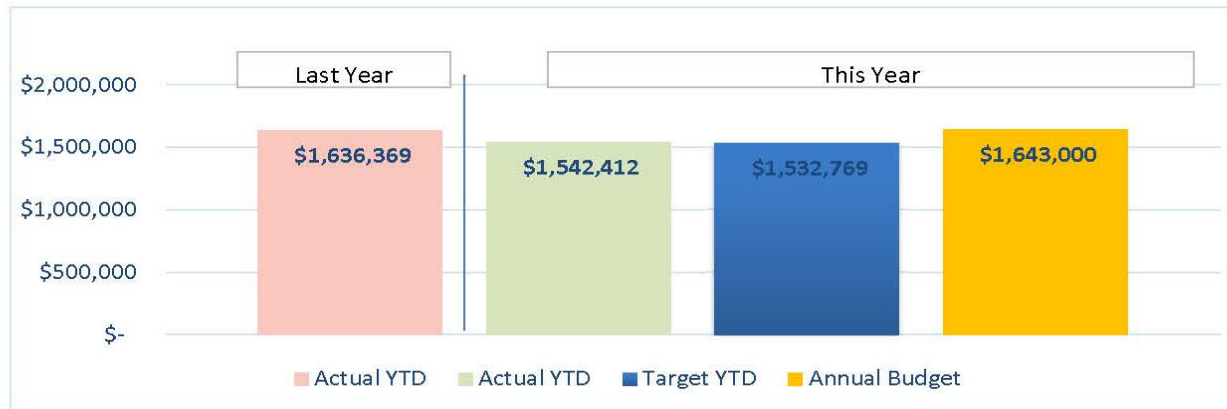
Special Circumstances For Receiving The Eucharist

The Catholic Church has historically recognized the intimate relationship of wheat hosts and wine as matter for the Eucharist. However, if you have Celiac Sprue Disease or a family member suffers from a gluten intolerance or if you are alcohol intolerant, receiving the Eucharist is life-involving in seriously challenging ways. The logistics or manner of accommodating lay persons with gluten or wine intolerance in a parish setting during the Liturgy of the Eucharist is left to the afflicted party and the pastor to decide the best way during Mass for the afflicted party to safely receive the Precious Body or the Precious Blood.

If you or a member of your family is affected by this circumstance, please contact our pastor, Fr. Bill Tkachuk, to discuss the particulars of your situation. Fr. Bill can be reached by calling the Rectory Office at 708-352-0168.



Our Finances as of May 31, 2021



Note: This budget target of \$1,643,000 assumes an operating deficit of \$148,000 by the end of the fiscal year. At this time, expense reduction is expected to substantially reduce this operating deficit.

Sunday Offertory	EFT/Credit Card	+	Basket	+	Other Offertory*	=	May Totals
May 2021	\$ 72,582		\$ 34,282		\$ 5,428		\$ 112,292
May 2020	\$ 70,795		\$ 36,174		\$ 3,640		\$ 110,609

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

Our fiscal year is drawing to a close. Your steadfast financial support throughout this year, with restricted access to weekend Masses, has enabled the parish to continue all of our major ministries in some form, while pivoting our resources to other demands during the pandemic. We were able to restore two significant pastoral positions (Fr. Rich, Associate Pastor, and Maggie McMahon, Pastoral Associate), both of whom have brought their beautiful gifts to uplift our community. Thank you to so many who are steadfast with their envelopes, give electronically via Give Central, or use other financial methods! We are grateful that the Holy Spirit is guiding us through these days. **God bless you for your continued stewardship!**

Electronic Giving

Now that we may be traveling more often, consider signing up for electronic giving! Please visit our website and click on Donate (in the Quicklinks) or use the Give Central link here <https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/category/167>.

Annual Catholic Appeal

As of May 2021, St. Francis Xavier parishioners have pledged \$110,000 toward the Annual Catholic Appeal (goal of \$122,897). If you would like still like to pledge or make a contribution, you can do so by visiting the Archdiocese of Chicago website (www.archchicago.org), or [Click Here](#).

OUR INVESTMENT IN SFX FACILITIES

Our Investment in SFX Facilities (from 2014-2021):

UNITY HALL

- ◆ Addition to our worship space, with two bathrooms, an ADA accessible lift, meeting space, and just a whole lot of beauty!
- ◆ Digital audio visual system, including the ability to view/hear church services and live stream technology

JOYCE HALL

- ◆ New family/ADA accessible bathroom
- ◆ Partitioned walls that allow for two additional meeting rooms
- ◆ Ductwork, floor tile, paint
- ◆ Acoustical ceiling to dampen sound transfer from gymnasium, with dimmable LED lighting
- ◆ Asbestos removed
- ◆ New, digital audio/visual system with two side monitors and a center screen

GYMNASIUM

- ◆ LED lighting
- ◆ Higher ceilings, new ductwork, fresh air returns under stage
- ◆ Wood floor, with new concrete subfloor (added to accommodate all thresholds in the gymnasium)
- ◆ Asbestos removed
- ◆ Digital AV system
- ◆ ADA accessible gym bathrooms, updated office space
- ◆ ADA accessible viewing area during sporting events

EDUCATION BUILDING

- ◆ New fire alarm annunciator panel and control panel, with Fire detection devices in all school hallways
- ◆ Interior accessible handicap ramp from Unity Hall to gym
- ◆ Second buzzer security system added to interior Education Building doors
- ◆ New roof over third floor
- ◆ Video-recording cameras at entrances

EXTERIOR PROJECTS

- ◆ Renovated entrance to Unity Hall from the south (Unity Garden) with engraved brick pavers
- ◆ New ADA accessible ramp and stairway between school and church
- ◆ New retaining wall between school and church; south retaining wall renovated
- ◆ Tuck pointing of all buildings on our campus
- ◆ Improved exterior parking lot lighting and dumpster enclosure
- ◆ Garage for priests' cars and storage
- ◆ Church cooling tower replacement

CHURCH

- ◆ West transept plaster repair and paint
- ◆ Fire detection system using laser technology



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

SUMMER 2021

It's been awhile since we last reported on the Capital Campaign. For those who are new to our parish, a little background: our Prophetic Plan, discerned through prayer and the hard work of staff, volunteers, and parishioners, identified eight goals. One was to "continue building strong relationships within our parish and beyond." Another was "to maintain, enhance, and expand the parish facilities." To work toward these two goals, the 125th Anniversary Capital Campaign was launched: *We Gather in Faith...We Give with Love*. Fundraising began in 2013 to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of the parish. Our first of several sharing contributions to St. Agatha and Ascension – St. Susanna Parishes were made in 2015, and construction to our campus commenced in 2016.

Now in 2021, our last project under the Capital Campaign umbrella is almost complete. You will see evidence of the installation to a fire detection system throughout the church, including the east transept entryway and near the statues of Francis Xavier and Therese of the Little Flower above the transept doors. Our final campaign payment was received in December 2020. All projects within the original scope, AND MORE, were completed with the \$4.2 million in parishioner contributions and \$800,000 in bequests received. The opposite page summarizes it all. I expect that we will have a little left over that we can use toward the new Education Building roof over the second-floor classrooms. We will continue to install engraved bricks in Unity Garden for the foreseeable future.

It has been a blessing to manage these capital projects after taking over the reins of a successful fundraising campaign under my predecessor, Clara Jurivich. On behalf of Fr. Bill Tkachuk and Fr. John Hoffman, I thank the Capital Campaign Committees, Building and Grounds Committee, and Finance Council for their leadership throughout the past 8 years, as well as over 1,000 families who supported the campaign and projects with their time in prayer, sharing of talents, and financial support.

It is with overwhelming gratitude that I use this symbol at right for the last time.

Jennifer Zeisloft
Business Manager
Capital Project Manager



P.S. A few anniversary books commemorating our 125 years are still available for sale.
Call the rectory if you are interested!

☀️ Happy Father's Day!



***That Man Is You* - COMING THIS FALL!**

Watch Promo Video [here](#).

Interested in helping launch this leadership program for men?

Email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org for more info.

St. Joseph Prayer for Fathers

O blessed St. Joseph, loving foster father of Jesus and most chaste spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, I ask your intercession on behalf of all fathers, especially _____.

Pray that like yours, their actions be loving, understanding, and wise. Implore your beloved Son to instill in them every grace they need to be the best fathers they can be.

And dear St. Joseph, when their earthly life is complete, may they enjoy the beauty of everlasting life in union with you and all the angels and saints. Amen.

Written by Ann Fitch

***Laudato Si'* and the U.S. Catholic Church: A Conference Series on Our Common Home**

Virtual Conference, July 13-15

[Register here for free](#)

Keynotes by His Eminence Blase Cardinal Cupich and Maureen Day, PhD. Together they will assess why the U.S. Catholic response to *Laudato Si'* has not been commensurate with the urgency and gravity of the climate crisis.

Interested in Becoming Catholic or completing your Sacraments?

Email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org to inquire about RCIA!

Fast facts:

- Typically begins in September + concludes at Easter
- Weekly meetings
- Communal journey of faith with fellow parishioners and catechumens!

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Summer Scripture Series – 7pm via Zoom

Thurs, June 24

Book of Acts: Female Leaders in the Early Church

Meet some **amazing women** who preceded us in faith and continue to teach us valuable lessons of **bold courage, fidelity, leadership in the Church, and sacrificial love.**

All sessions will include a presentation and discussion. Recommended reading will be emailed ahead of time, but prep-reading is not required; content will be reviewed during the presentation!

[Click here](#) or email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org to register

We encourage all to follow SFX School on social media



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

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

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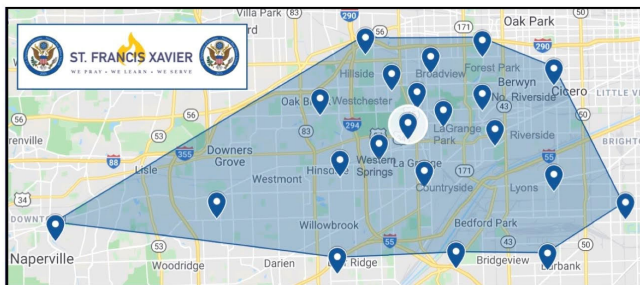
SFX School Website:
<https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/School>

SFX VIRTUAL SCHOOL TOUR

<https://vimeo.com/506617250>

See the latest happenings at the day school:

Spotlight on the St. Francis Xavier Parish School Class of 2021 <https://vimeo.com/554327101>



LA GRANGE *and* BEYOND

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

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

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

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



Please register for programs at The Well Spirituality Center: email www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048.

Forest Bathing, Salt Creek Nature Preserve, on Saturday, July 17 from 9:00-10:30 am *in person*. We will walk slowly, take deep breaths, and mindfully move through the landscape to cultivate presence and open the senses. Forest Bathing helps people remember that we are a part of nature, not separate from it, while spending time intentionally outdoors has scientifically proven health benefits that endure 7-30 days after a walk.

Boundless Compassion Virtual Retreat, on Sunday, July 18–Friday, July 23 *on Zoom*. Compassion can change a heart, change a life, and change a world. Discover the seeds of compassion planted across the spectrum of faith traditions in this 5 day retreat with Mary Dean Pfahler, SND.

Virtual Summer Retreats: Legacy, August 15–20. For those of us of a certain age, this retreat entertains two central questions: What am I leaving? To whom am I leaving it?



Interfaith Community Partners

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

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

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



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Your donation directly impacts our school,
staff and students. Make yours today!

SFXschoolfund.com



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
- **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
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **PFC Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 19K**—son of 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 & Neil Donegan, U.S. Navy**—nephew and grandson of Lorraine Donegan
- **Capt. Matt Waite, U.S. Army**—cousin of Justin, Maggie, Winona & Bea Waite
- **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...
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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday..... 8:30 am-8:30 pm
 Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
 Saturday.....9:00 am-5:00 pm
 Sunday.....9:00 am-1:00 pm

At this time due to COVID-19 the rectory offices are closed. Staff members will now be answering phones Monday through Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and on Saturdays from 9:00 am-12:00 Noon. The answering service will answer calls after that time.

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning.....9:00-10:00 am
 Reconciliations are being heard in the lower vestibule of Unity Hall between the church and education building.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus

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

Bulletin Deadline

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

Domestic Violence Resources

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Food Pantry

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

Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

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

Infant Baptisms

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

Marriage

Please call the rectory office at the time of your engagement to schedule your wedding. We ask that you are a registered parishioner for 6 months before requesting your wedding date. Saturday wedding times are 1:00 and 3:00 pm. Rehearsals are usually scheduled on Friday evening. We do not schedule weddings during Lent.

Parish Counselor

At this time, our counseling sessions will be virtual/online.

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