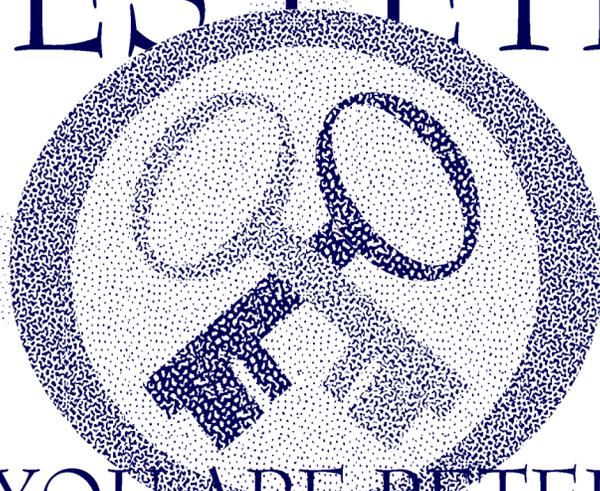


SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 23, 2020



TU ES PETRUS



YOU ARE PETER

and upon this rock
I will build my church
and the gates of the netherworld
shall not prevail against it.
I give to you the

KEYS to the KINGDOM

Week at a Glance

Monday, August 24 Private Prayer	8:30 am & 9:00 am	
Tuesday, August 25 Morning Mass	8:30 am	Louis Mangione
Wednesday, August 26 Private Prayer	8:30 am & 9:00 am	
Thursday, August 27 Private Prayer	8:30 am & 9:00 am	
Friday, August 28 Morning Mass	8:30 am	Sean Stephenson
Saturday, August 29 Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Roseann Discipio and Dan Murphy Jim Foy (Living Intention)
Sunday, August 30 Mass Mass 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	9:00 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm 4:00 pm	Roman Van Gorp Linnea Dobner Confirmation Mass Confirmation Mass

Please Pray For...

Diane Bereckis	Lisa Massaro
Sue Beyer	Patrick Morgan
Jack Boyd	Mike Morrison
Jay Carroll	Bernice Niemiec
Chili Challenger	Gert Ogilvie
Mary Culin	Arnold Oppenheim
Americo DiGianfillippo	Jane O'Reilly
Anthony Dina	Shawwna Palazzolo
Blake Donegan	Ryan Patyk
Lily Fielding	Donna Pekarek
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick	Carolyn Peters
Will Fleming	James Pridmore
Jim Foy	Baby Lucia R.
Lilli Gregory	Madison Raupp
Wilson Gregory	Anna Rose
Patricia Hassler	Matthew Schiek
Frank Hoos	Larry Skippet
Rose Ilo	Greyson Stanley
Mary J.	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Jane Jacobsen	Anne Titzer
Michael Janus	Michael Ungari
Peter Johns	Gregory Van Gorp
Theresa Kandall	Helena Walden
Mark Kiley	Marian Ward
Benny Kilman	Liz Wilk
Jerry Kolman	Scott Young
Enrique Martinez	

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Father Bill and Father Rich are offering a daily private Mass for the intention that had been requested for a day on which no public Mass is offered. 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.

Born Into Eternal Life



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

James Coogan
Husband of Marianne

Readings For The Week of August 23, 2020

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20
Monday: RV 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 22:23-26
Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Mk 6:17-29
Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
FR. STAN!**

Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

On Saturday, August 8, there was an online concert given in honor of Fr. Stan's 50th birthday. It was called One World One Love 2020 by the Canadian Samaritans for Africa.

Please go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vn4WkCJMoZA> if you would like to view the video.

Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

**SCHOOL SPIRIT
TASTES GREAT**



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support St. Francis Xavier School. Come in to the Chipotle at **40 North LaGrange Road** in LaGrange on **Wednesday, August 26th** between **4:00** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to St. Francis Xavier School.



Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.



SUMMER MISSION APPEAL – COVID STYLE

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, this summer's Mission Appeal is taking a different form. Each parish selects from an Archdiocesan list of missionary groups. We have chosen the Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga, a missionary group that comes highly recommended by Fr. Stan Ilo, one of our regular weekend presiders. Below is a little bit about the Brothers and how you can contribute.

Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga

Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga is an indigenous Order. It is the most outstanding African Religious Order of Brothers in Africa, founded in 1927. Since 1927 the Brothers have been dedicated to offering support and education to children in marginalized communities. With special grace of the Lord and support from well-wishers we have transformed the lives of thousands of Children in Africa by establishing Primary and Secondary Schools, Vocational Training programs, and orphanages.

We serve as elementary teachers, high school principals, and social workers. We are committed to the rehabilitation and development of children, especially orphans who are victims of AIDS, children from the streets, children forced into child-headed households, and those families who suffer from severe poverty, among others.

We are dedicated to the well-being and education of children to enable them to realize their future in an empowered community through rehabilitation, development, and education based on the Christian values of charity and love. At our schools we work hard to foster dignity and respect for each other. We believe that the most fulfilling thing in life is helping people to help others.

Our major problem is water, and our target is to buy water tanks and harvest rainwater and/or dig a WELL at St. Leo's Primary School Mbarara so that these kids can have running water at school.

To make an online donation to support the mission of the Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga, please go to <https://www.bannakaroli.org/>. You also can reach this site by a Quicklink from the parish website. If you indicate that you are from St. Francis Xavier Parish–LaGrange when you make your donation, the Brothers will report the total number of parish online donations to the Archdiocese. **Or, you can write a check** to St. Francis Xavier Parish and place it in an envelope that indicates that this is a donation to the Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga. We ask you to make your donation before August 17th. We will then forward one check to the Brothers.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

Please help spread
the Word...
to those who might want
to become Catholic
or complete their sacraments



St. Francis Xavier & St. John of the Cross are beginning a new round of our collaborative RCIA Process. 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. If you or someone you know might be interested in becoming Catholic, we would be thrilled to speak with you!

You can contact Maggie McMahon (mmcmahon@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168) or attend our **Information Session on September 15th at 7pm** via the attached Zoom link. An RSVP (to Maggie) is requested, but certainly not required.

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. Additional details can be found on the parish website: www.sfxlg.org, under Parish/Sacraments/“Becoming Catholic.” Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, meetings will be conducted primarily via virtual platform until it is possible to do otherwise.

RCIA Information Session Zoom Link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83859905318>



**The Well
Spirituality Center
1515 Ogden Avenue
in LaGrange Park**

The Well Spirituality Center, sponsored by the Congregation of St. Joseph in LaGrange Park, is still alive and vital during the Coronavirus, holding all of our programs and retreats virtually on Zoom. Join us! If you are new to Zoom, we will give you any help you may need getting started. To find out more register: www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048.

**St. Francis Xavier
Scripture Study
Thursdays 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
virtual by Zoom**

**Sept 10- Nov 5, 2020
Proverbs, Ecclesiastes,
Psalms part 1
and
Jan 14 - March 11, 2021
Job, Psalms part 2**

Please register with
Sr. Marianne Race, CSJ
708-363-6728 or mrace@csjoseph.org

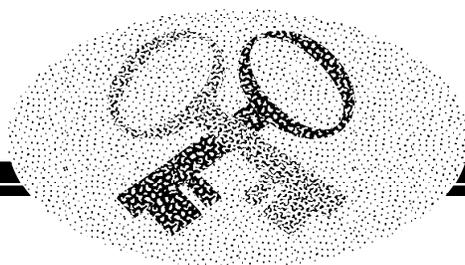
**Seasons of Hope
is right for you if...**



- A 3 to 6 month window of time as elapsed since the loss of your loved one.
- Ready to move forward but don't know how.
- Want to meet other who have experienced loss and draw support and encouragement within a group setting.
- Want to learn how your Christian faith is ideally suited to help you process your loss and grow spiritually.
- You're tired from carrying the burden alone.
- You are looking for friends to share the journey.

Seasons of Hope meets over a six week period. Anyone mourning the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend.

All sessions take place on September 14 through October 26 at 7:00 pm; St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, Western Springs, IL 60558. For further information, please call 708-246-4404 or email questions to: sweigand@stjohnofthecross.org.



Position Available

The Facilities Team is seeking to hire someone to work every Saturday OR every other Saturday from early afternoon until 7pm. Responsibilities include:

- live streaming our 5pm Mass using computer software provided
- post the Mass to our social media platforms
- light cleaning in the church
- assisting parishioners who may need help accessing the church
- others tasks which may be assigned on an as-needed basis

Applicants should be proficient in English, very comfortable working with computers and social media, and demonstrate the ability to work independently. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent. Please email our business manager, Jennifer Zeisloft (jzeisloft@sfxlg.org), if interested in learning more and how to apply.

VOLUNTEERS

We continue to recruit and train volunteers to provide support for all church services. This includes celebrations of Sunday and weekday Mass, Baptism, Marriage, and Funerals. We especially seek volunteers to wipe down pews after weekend Masses (including weddings and funerals). Preferred volunteers are between 15 and 65, in good health, and have no underlying health conditions. Volunteers can select the dates, times, and services for which they are available and willing to serve and will serve in a regular rotation from week to week or month to month. To volunteer, send an email to mpipal@sfxlg.org. You will be contacted by a volunteer coordinator to arrange for a brief training session.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Over the past few months, parishioners have asked questions about why we do what we do at Mass under the current guidelines. Some also have suggested changes in what we do. The parish Leadership Team takes parishioner feedback questions and concerns seriously and discusses how best to respond. This new bulletin column will provide responses each week to some of the questions or concerns that arise.

Why can't we sing?

A parishioner noted the irony a few weeks ago when the closing hymn was "How Can I Keep from Singing?". There is a diversity of opinion about singing at religious services. Some suggest that singing is safe if all are wearing masks and are at least six feet from one another. However, the Archdiocese has taken the more conservative view and made the cantor the only one who is to sing and who must be at least 10 feet from the nearest person when singing without a mask.

Humming is allowed and can produce a wonderful sound when an assembly chooses to hum together. (Plus, you do not need to know the words to the hymn.) So, consider adding your "hum" to the sound of the assembly the next time you attend Mass.

Why do I have to sanitize my hands a second time before receiving Communion?

The initial hand sanitizing, when you enter church, is to eliminate and germs on our hands from the outside before we touch surfaces within the church. However, by the time of the Communion Procession, our hands may have touched many things, including clothes and face. Sanitizing our hands a second time avoids the transmission of germs when the priest or minister places the host in our hands and keeps the priest and ministers from having to sanitize their hands before each person receiving. Of course, the purpose of this "second sanitizing is defeated if we then rub our hands on our clothes to dry them before receiving. We have shifted to a water-based sanitizer at Communion. It has the same concentration of disinfectant but dries more quickly than the gel form.

TIPS FOR ALL WORSHIPERS – SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASSES

We are grateful that we can gather for Mass again! Please remember that all present will have varying degrees of comfort with the situation. Do not take offense at any gesture, or lack thereof. Please understand the need of our volunteers to require certain things of you about which we have no choice. We ALL gather for one purpose to be in communion with God.

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE, YOU WILL NEED:

- ✓ A reservation via www.sfxlg.org or via a call to the parish office.
- ✓ A Mask or other covering for the mouth and nose.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE YOU MUST:

- ✓ Enter through the center door on Ogden Avenue (unless you indicated on your reservation that you need to use the Spring Avenue ramp).
- ✓ Keep your face covering or mask on at all times.
- ✓ Sanitize your hands as you enter.
- ✓ Observe social distancing at all times (look for green tape marks on floor).
- ✓ Sit in the location to which the greeters guide you. (Because of the need to manage seating distances, you are not able to choose your seat.

DURING THE SERVICE:

- ✓ Masks must be worn the entire time you are in the church.
- ✓ No physical sign of peace will be exchanged between those with whom you do not share living space (but gestures of peace are welcome!)
- ✓ A greeter will let you know when to leave your seat to receive Communion, and will offer a spray of hand sanitizer in preparation to receive the Host.
- ✓ Use the green tape marks on the floor to maintain a 6-foot distance from the person in front of you. (Those who share living space can remain closer if you wish.)
- ✓ With you mask on, extend a single hand to receive the host.
- ✓ Then move 6 feet to the right or left to the green X on the floor. Remove your mask and consume the host. (Adults may help others in their family who need assistance.) Replace your mask, and return to your seat.

AFTER THE SERVICE:

- ✓ Everyone must leave the church after the closing hymn.
- ✓ Follow the instructions of the greeters, who will invite people to leave one row at a time. Those in the body of the church will leave through the Ogden Avenue doors using the side aisles. Those in the side sections of the church will leave through the side doors.
- ✓ Please use only the designated exit doors.

PLEASE NOTE:

You will find a more detailed description of current procedures on the parish website. Our Parish Staff and volunteers will take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities and the Archdiocese. Please understand that you assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 anytime you enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

Offerings: If you do not contribute electronically at present, please use boxes at the exits or the rectory mail slot to make your contribution. Thank you!

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS AND SERVICES

Reconciliation is 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. While waiting, please observe the outside markings for social distancing and wear a mask. In bad weather, wait in your car until the prior person leaves the vestibule.

Anointing of the Sick. The office must refer a request to anoint someone who has tested positive or is suspected of having COVID-19 to one of the archdiocesan priests that have been designated to confer these anointings. Fr. Bill and Fr. Rich remain available for all other anointings, following established safety guidelines. Contact the parish office (708.352.0168) to arrange for an anointing. Our answering service can contact one of the priests in an emergency.

For all remaining Sacraments and services, masks are required, and social distancing must be maintained for those who do not share a living space.

Baptisms. We celebrate Baptisms on both Saturday and Sunday afternoons, one family at a time, with a limit of 25 people in attendance. All those attending must register in advance and provide names and contact information. Contact Missy Westerhoff (mwesterhoff@sfxlg.org) to schedule a Baptism.

Marriages. Wedding ceremonies are limited to 100 people in attendance. All attending must be registered in advance through the bride and groom. The opening procession is limited to the bride and whoever will accompany her down the aisle. Contact Maureen Pipal (mpipal@sfxlg.org) to schedule a wedding.

Funeral Masses. Funeral Masses are limited to 100 people in attendance. All those attending must register in advance through the family. All except for the immediately family will be escorted to a designated seat before the Funeral Mass begins.

Holy Hour of Adoration. A Holy Hour of Adoration is celebrated on the third Thursday of each month. All attending must register in advance through the parish website (www.sfxlg.org).

Private Prayer. The church is be open for one hour of private prayer on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:30-9:30AM. All those attending must be registered in advance through the parish online reservation system.

To the LORD
Be Glory Forever.
AMEN ✝

Meet Your New SFX Parish Counselor Through Claret Center

We are living through unprecedented times. Losses and dislocations abound, threatening our overall sense of identity, agency, and belonging. Time feels shapeless. Through all this, we are doing our best to live lives of meaning, courage, and faith.

My name is **Lolan P. Adan**, and as your new psychotherapy-counseling resident through the Claret Center, I look forward to attending to the mental health needs of **St. Francis Xavier** parishioners. I received a *Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling* (MAPC) degree from **Loyola University Chicago's Institute of Pastoral Studies** and have recently accompanied clients with anxiety, depression, and adjustment challenges, incorporating mainly person-centered, existentialist, and ACT modalities in my therapeutic approach.

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 reaching out to me at 442-264-7589 or lolanadan@gmail.com.

I aspire to accompany you as you navigate challenges and celebrate triumphs with intention, grace, and hope.

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

(Video format: <https://youtu.be/Fisg-SrOcVM>)

Lolan P. Adan, MAPC

Parish Counselor Resident

St. Francis Xavier Parish

124 North Spring Avenue

LaGrange, IL 60525

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To the Senior Women's Group

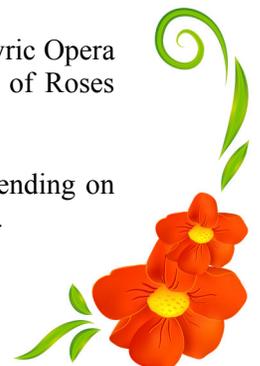
Our current situation is something we could never have imagined when we agreed to become co-chairs of the Senior Women's Group in May, 2019. Our September meeting with financial advisor, Bob Westrick, and our December meeting with Sister Marianne Race were well attended. Our March program with Gabe Oppenheim was limited because of the impending stay-at-home order.

We had hoped to begin this year with the luncheon we postponed in May, 2020. That will not happen. At this time any meeting in September remains too uncertain. Social distancing and face masks also take away one of the aims of this group: fellowship.

We are in good company, though. The Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Lyric Opera have officially canceled their remaining 2020 performances. The Tournament of Roses and the Cubs Convention have also been canceled for January 2021.

We will continue to consider an opening meeting in December or March, depending on the regulations at that time. Meanwhile we hold you in our thoughts and prayers.

Mary Sue McDonald
Clare Froemel





SFX ANNUAL
GOLF
OUTING 2020

GAME ON!

Save the date for a slightly different spin on our annual golf tradition.

Friday, September 18th

DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Please join us for course competitions and more!
Social Distancing Guidelines will be followed.

REGISTRATION LINK GOES LIVE IN AUGUST!

Old Oak Country Club, 14200 Parker Rd., Homer Glen, IL 60491

Any questions? Email Sandy & Jeremy Toczylowski at sfxgolfchairs@gmail.com

FIND YOUR FORESOME

STAY HOME TO KEEP US ON THE ROAD

This year, for the safety of our ICP community, we're replacing our 2020 Fall Benefit with a special NON-Event fundraiser.

We love our wonderful friends and supporters, but we do NOT want to see your lovely faces at this NON-Event. We mean it. Stay on your couch. If you show up, we will NOT be there.

Instead, show your support by making a donation from your couch or office chair.

➔ Because this very important event is NOT happening. ➔

NON-EVENT DETAILS INCLUDE:

VENUE

Your home,
or anywhere!

DRESS

Cocktail attire,
or pajamas!

COCKTAILS

Served at
4pm, or 7pm,
or noon!



Driving Independence for Older Adults

THE EVENT IS IMAGINARY, BUT THE NEED IS REAL!

Grab your “ticket” before they’re gone so you can NOT attend!

Included with your “ticket”

~~cocktails~~ ~~appetizers~~ ~~music~~ ~~dancing~~ ~~wine pull~~ ~~silent auction~~

Wait, it gets even better... You do NOT need to wear a mask or practice social distancing because this event is NOT actually happening!

And now for the BEST part of this NON-Event...

While we will miss seeing everyone in person, with no event costs this year we can funnel as much money as possible toward our mission!

100% of your “ticket” purchase/donation is tax deductible and will go toward reinstating our mission to maximize the independence and well-being of older adults by enabling connections with others in their community.



SHOW YOUR SUPPORT WITH A DONATION

Online: <http://bit.do/fGfGY>

Text: ICP to “88793”

Email: interfaithcommunitypartners@gmail.com

Mail check to: P.O. Box 310, La Grange, IL 60525

Phone: (708) 354-9328



Scan me to donate!

Donation levels start at \$XX. Please look into your heart and consider donating whatever you would have contributed at our fall benefit.

For a minimum \$50 donation, you will receive an ICP logo mask and a cocktail and appetizer recipe from a local restaurant.



We appreciate your participation in this special Non-Event and plan to be back in person celebrating with you in 2021!

(708) 354-9328 | interfaithcommunitypartners.org

Interfaith Community Partners is a 501(c)3 charitable organization. We are funded by private donations, grants, special events, and church support. Contributions are tax deductible.

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.

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

Scripture Reflection

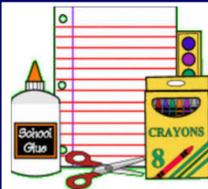
In the gospel Jesus questions his disciples asking, “Who do people say that I am?” They mention biblical figures and the prophets. But Jesus is interested in the response of his own followers. Peter, prompted by the Father, answers, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus then tells Peter, “You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church.”

Despite Jesus' elevation of Peter, he is not a perfect disciple. Peter disappoints in many ways – and that should bring us hope. We also are not perfect disciples – we fail many times and yet if we are faithful Jesus uses us to help build his church. And because that church is comprised of humans, it is sinful and always in need of purification and renewal. But Jesus promised that it would not be overcome by evil.

Jesus knows who he is. He needs his disciples to recognize both his humanity and his divinity. It isn't until after his resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit that his followers begin to understand who Jesus really is. Jesus has faith in them even though they are not perfect and make mistakes. But he is going to employ these imperfect followers to build his church.

Jesus asks each one of us, “Who do you say that I am?” Really knowing someone intimately is a gift. It takes a lifetime to know your parents, spouse, or children – even then there can be surprises! It takes a lifetime to know Jesus, for as Paul tells us, “how inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways? For who knows the mind of the Lord.”

So even in our imperfect state Jesus is relying on us to continue his work to bring about the kingdom.



St. Agatha Needs School Supplies

Again this year the children of St. Agatha's parish are in need of school supplies. Although the school has closed, the students in the parish are still in need.

If you would like to make a monetary contribution to help in the purchasing of these school supplies, please drop off or mail a check to the rectory made out to St. Francis Xavier, with a notation that it is for St. Agatha school supplies. We will then forward the donation to Fr. Larry Dowling at St. Agatha's.

Thank you for your consideration.

MISERICORDIA WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEW MEMBERSHIP MEETING



MISERICORDIA
HEART OF MERCY

We are looking for new members!

Misericordia provides a caring environment for more than 600 children and adults with developmental and physical disabilities. Our league supports Misericordia through fundraising and service.

Please join us:

**Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 10:00 am
at Katherine Legge Memorial Park
5901 South County Line Road**

(Bring a lawn chair and a morning drink)

For more information contact:

Diane Fritz

dfritz0728@sbcglobal.net

Theresa McClear

growitgreenerchicago@gmail.com

Janet Meyer

JMCilella@gmail.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. 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 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
- **Neil Donegan, U.S. Navy**—grandson of Lorraine Donegan

**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
Pastoral Associate
Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister
Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister
Weekend Sacramental Minister

Rev. William Tkachuk
Rev. Richard Milek
Mr. Andrew Allison
Mrs. Margaret McMahon
Rev. William Killeen
Rev. Ed Barrett
Rev. Stan Ilo

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Assistant Principal
Administrative Assistant
Parish School Secretary
Advancement Director
Tuition Accounts
Religious Education Coordinator/Sacrament Prep
Religious Education Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Sharon Garcia
Mrs. Janice Carr
Mrs. Mary Hoffman
Mrs. Peggy Evans
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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. Phones will be answered by a staff person Monday through Friday from 9:00 am-12:00 Noon. The answering service will answer calls after that time.

Private Prayer at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:30-9:30 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

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 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.

(Video format: <https://youtu.be/Fisg-SrOcVM>)

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, Lolan Adan, from the Claret Center who can be reached by phone 442-264-7589 or email lolanadan@gmail.com.

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