

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 25, 2019



Thanksgiving and Farewell Celebration
For Dr. Kate DeVries
This Sunday, Following the 10:30 Mass

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, August 26	8:30 am	Fern Michopoulos Living Intention~The Jacklin Family	Ernie & Clare Froemel Jacquelyn Van Gorp
Tuesday, August 27 Saint Monica	8:30 am	Virginia Hirsch	The Wielgos Family
Wednesday, August 28 Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	8:30 am	Ellamae King	Tom King
Thursday, August 29 The Passion of Saint John the Baptist	8:30 am	Word & Communion Service	
Friday, August 30	8:30 am	Janice Nigida	Jeff & Shirley Augustyn
Saturday, August 31	9:00 am 9:30 am 4:15 pm 5:00 pm	Bob Vida Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacrament of Reconciliation Jean Murphy Pam Murphy Nessler	The Vida Family Dan Murphy The Murphy Family
Sunday, September 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	People of the Parish Peggy & Brian Schultz James Heinlein Donald Cushing	Mary Lou & George Braasch Marlene Heinlein The Cushing Family

Please Pray For...

Julie Amato	Virginia Kottaridis
James Boardman	Lou Ellen Krueger
Jay Carroll	Mary Ann Lewis
Chili Challenger	Marian Lucas
Tom Challos	Emmett Miller
Josephine Cindric	Patrick Morgan
Anthony Dina	Mike Morrison
Blake Donegan	Bernice Niemiec
Pat Eaton	Arnold Oppenheim
Lily Fielding	Jane O'Reilly
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick	Ryan Patyk
Nancy Gibbs	Donna Pekarek
Lilli Gregory	James Pridmore
Wilson Gregory	Madison Raupp
Patricia Hassler	Anna Rose
Loretta Haxel	Marilyn Rutkowski
Sr. Marci Hermesdorf	Matthew Schiek
Linda Hillsman	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Rose Ilo	John Thoms
Mary J.	Anne Titzer
Jane Jacobsen	Michael Ungari
Theresa Kandall	Gregory Van Gorp
Benny Kilman	John Zotti
Jerry Kolman	

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:

Louis Buffardi

Husband of Claire and Father of Ali,
Elizabeth and Christopher

Richard J. Martin, Sr.

Father of Richard Martin, Jr.

Amanda Valerugo

Niece of Rick & Michele Rius

Jim Hanna

Father of Allison Hanna

Weddings



Kelley Katpmeyer & David Purtell
Josiane Umhoza & Nelson Ntwali
Sarah Copeland & Alexander Wood
Ali McCracken & Patrick Singleton
Anne Phillipp & Eric Gaylord
Caitlin Hillsman & Devin Marino

Pastor's Notes

*Praise the Lord, all you nations!
Give glory, all you peoples!
The Lord's love for us is strong;
the Lord is faithful forever*
Psalm 117

Welcome home to all our summer travelers. Greetings to parents who sent young people off to college or celebrated their weddings. Blessings to parents who sent a child off to school for the first time, especially if it was your youngest child. Good starts to all our children and youth beginning a new year of studies, and to young people beginning a new job or new phase of your life. God be praised for new beginnings.

This past Wednesday we welcomed our first through eighth grade students to the parish elementary school. Thursday, we welcomed our kindergarten students; this week our preschool students join us to bring all children under one roof in the parish Education Building. In a few weeks we will welcome our religious education children and Quest high school youth. It is good to have you here. We are grateful for your presence.

Thanks to all who worked hard this summer to incorporate our former East Campus into a refurbished Education Building that accommodates all our children, preschool through eighth grade. Special thanks to Jennifer Zeisloft, our Business Manager, Frank Roccasalva, our Facilities Manager, and our maintenance team; your extra special efforts in planning, moving, building, and remodeling made the transformation possible within ten weeks. Thank you to Mrs. Garcia and the school administrative team, and to our teachers, almost all of who moved to a new classroom for the current school year. We are blessed by your generosity, patience, and dedication!

Our welcomes this weekend are balanced by a farewell. In late July, Dr. Kate DeVries, our Pastoral Associate for the past 5½ years, informed me that she would be returning to a teaching position in mid-August. Kate has been a tremendous blessing to this faith community, coordinating adult formation programs such as RCIA, the Lenten small faith groups, and programs made possible through our collaboration with the Congregation of St. Joseph. She recently established a parish Adult Spirituality Board to brainstorm and coordinate parish offerings for adults; this included the parish mission talks offered by Fr. Stan Ilo this past spring. Kate coordinated the celebrations to commemorate the parish's 125th Anniversary and has been a pastoral advisor to the Parish Pastoral Council. Her presence and her spirit will be missed as Kate pursues one of her other loves and callings in working with children.

Kate chose the 10:30 Sunday Mass on the last weekend of August as the moment for us to say thanks and celebrate the gift and blessing that she has been for this parish. Kate offers her reflections at the 10:30 Mass this weekend, followed by coffee, lemonade, and sweets in Unity Garden (between the church and education buildings). If you are reading this before 11:30 on Sunday, please join us to say thanks. The parish office also will forward any written greetings to Kate that you choose to leave with us.

Praise the Lord of all beginnings and endings, and all the moments in between!

Peace,

J. Bill

Scripture Reflections

A relationship with Christ is not an insurance policy whereby we pay our premiums and expect to receive a settlement when needed. This relationship with the Son of God is not so transactional that we do x, y, and z and Jesus in return grants salvation. If such were the case we would be effectively earning our own salvation by our works. But salvation is a free gift undeserved, no matter how much we might feel we deserve it. The master locks the door on the evildoers barring entry to them. The frightening thing is that some of those locked out know the Lord. Would they consider themselves evildoers? Not likely. Where are we in this story? Are we striving to enter through the narrow door? Are we waiting until later before we make up our minds? When will the door be shut, not in some apocalyptic sense, but when we come to the end of our own personal life? There will be a reversal of fortune. Let us be prepared and manage our expectations lest we be disappointed.

Thank You

You may recall Fr. Joseph Demfeh from the Catholic Diocese of Sunyani, Ghana, the speaker at the Masses on July 1. Our parishioners contributed \$13,877 to provide wells for clean drinking water! Here is a note we received:

Fellow Missionary Disciples:

We in the Mission Office are eternally grateful for your donation through the Missionary Cooperation Plan. Your willingness to welcome missionaries in your parish, listen to their stories, and respond with generosity is a true sign of Gospel love and missionary spirit.

The missionaries supported through this initiative depend on your contributions in their work to proclaim the Good News of Jesus in our world, especially among those facing poverty, turmoil, and persecution. They walk alongside the vulnerable and marginalized, respond to spiritual and material needs, and build bonds of love among communities in conflict. Now, with your contributions, they do these things in the knowledge that you stand with them as fellow members of the Body of Christ.

About 90 percent of every donation through the summer Missionary Co-op directly supports missionaries in their work. The remaining 10 percent supports the operations of the Mission Office, on whom missionaries from across the globe rely to build connections with supporters like you within the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Thank you for joining us in continuing the mission of Jesus Christ in our world!

Sincerely,
The Society for the Propagation of the Faith

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

**The 125th Anniversary Books
Have Arrived!**

**Please stop by the rectory office
to pick up your copy!**

125 YEARS



1890-2015

REJOICE

in the LORD our GOD

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Position Available Parish Director of Development

St. Francis Xavier Parish seeks a candidate for the position of Director of Development to serve as strategic leader and professional manager of all aspects of mission development and fundraising for the parish and parish elementary school. The Director of Development will be accountable for all fundraising initiatives and specific special events. The ideal candidate is a self-starter with at least 5 years of development experience, and is a person of faith committed to Gospel values. He or she understands and prioritizes the organization and responsible management of resources and helps the parish fund and fulfill its mission and purpose, including the parish mission to provide quality, affordable Catholic elementary education to families who want to provide this for their children.

This position is part time and a description is posted on the parish website (www.sfxlg.org). If you are interested, please send a cover letter and copy of your resume to Jennifer Zeisloft, SFX Business Manager, via the parish rectory.

What's going on in Youth Ministry???

6pm Mass & Ice Cream Social

6pm Mass will be resuming Sunday, September 8, with an ice cream social to celebrate the start of the year. All are invited to stop by God's Garage & the Unity Garden for sundaes and floats after Mass.

Quest Confirmation Parent/Teen Meeting

All teens who want to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this April and their parents are asked to attend a parent/teen meeting on Thursday, September 12 from 7-8pm OR Sunday September 15 from 2-3pm, both in Joyce Hall. We will review the Quest program and highlight important information. Please plan to attend!

Quest Confirmation Group Leaders

Leaders are needed for *at least* 2 more groups! No previous catechesis or education experience necessary and you don't even need to be a parent of a teen to lead a group. You just need to be at least 21 and Virtus compliant. The Quest Confirmation program is based on discussion rather than catechesis and lasts from September to April/May. The time commitment isn't more than 5 hours a month. If you have any questions, are interested, or would like to sign up, please contact Olivia Zurowski at ozurowski@sfxlg.org or (708) 352-0168.

Liturgical Ministers!

Are you interested in singing in the Spirit Choir? Or how about lecturing at the 6pm Mass? Or being a Eucharistic Minister at the 6pm Mass? All high school students are invited (and encouraged!) to participate in these very important ministries. If interested, contact Olivia Zurowski.

Religious Education Registration

Religious Education Registration will close on August 30. Parents are reminded to get their child (ren)'s registration form in to the RE Office. We need to close registration on that date so that children can be placed in classrooms. Classroom placement will be emailed to families the week of September 9. Religious Education begins for ALL sessions on September 22 with Meet & Greet anytime from 8:45am-10:15am. ALL are EXPECTED to come with parent(s) to meet catechists and receive important information. Registration will reopen AFTER September 22. Thank you for helping us to get the year off to a great start!

VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS STILL NEEDED.
Please call 708-352-4555 for information.



Friday, September 13th
11:30 am Check-in & Lunch
1:15 pm Shotgun Start (Scramble Format)
Dinner, Awards & Raffle to Follow

\$175 per golfer
Price includes patio lunch, range balls, golf, beer, wine and soda after golf and buffet dinner.
Each golfer will receive a SFX swag bag.

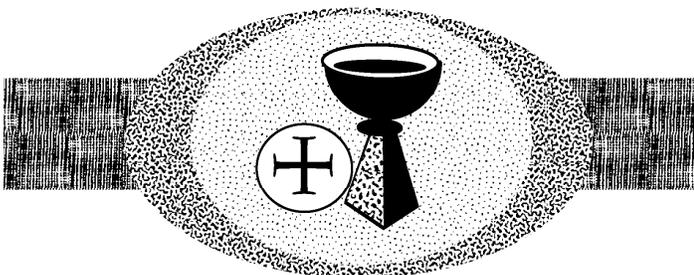
Please join us for our Large Raffle, Closest to the Pin Contests and much more!

Hole Sponsors and Event Sponsors are available to purchase on Give Central!

Register Now at:
<https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/event/7320>

Old Oak Country Club, 14200 Parker Road,
Homer Glen, IL 60491

Any questions? Email John & Julie Schaff at
sfxgolfchairs@gmail.com





Make a *Joyful* noise

Consider joining one of our **CHOIRS** for the *2019-2020 liturgical season!
**starts in September 2019.*

The Gallery Choir – 9:00 a.m. Mass
**voices: grade 9 – adult*
(rehearsals: Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

Celebration Ensemble – 10:30 a.m. Mass
**voices: grade 9 – adult*
(rehearsals: Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

Spirit Youth Choir – 6:00 p.m. Mass
**voices: grades 9 – 12*

Resurrection Funeral Choir
10:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. weekdays/Saturdays
**Adult voices available during morning hours.*

Please contact our Director of Liturgical Music,
Allen Sterwalt
 asterwalt@sfxlg.org / 708 352-0168

*St. Francis Xavier Parish
 New Parishioner Welcome*

DINNER



Monday, September 16th
6:30 – 8:00 pm
 St. Francis Xavier Rectory
 124 N. Spring Ave., LaGrange

Welcome to St. Francis Xavier!
 We look forward to meeting you!!!
 Please join us for a casual dinner
 and fellowship with other parishioners
 and the SFX Welcome Committee.

Please RSVP by Friday, September 13th
 Call or text Laura Duelm 708-309-9079
 or email lauraduelm@hotmail.com

Small Flower Vases Needed



Interfaith Community Partners (ICP) is in need of small vases for our Petal Pusher program (think small mason jar size that can fit in a car cup holder). We have local garden clubs who come to our office twice a month to arrange donated flowers that would otherwise be thrown away. We then have volunteers deliver them to clients and business partners in the community.

Please drop off vases at the side altars or Rectory until September 8.

ICP's mission is to maximize the independence and well-being of older adults by enabling connections with others in their community. ICP is a non-profit organization that works together with volunteers to provide rides to older adults in the Lyons Township, south Proviso and Riverside townships. Over 115 volunteers provide accompanied transportation to medical appointments, and life-enhancing errands such as the grocery store, hairdresser, bank, and church.

In 1999, extensive community research undertaken by Community Memorial Foundation identified the plight of isolated adults in our communities. ICP was founded with grants from the Community Memorial Foundation and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (Faith in Action). Seven local congregations, including SFX, formed Interfaith Community Partners to better meet the needs of older adults in the Greater Lyons Township. ICP began as a visitation service with teams of volunteers from the seven founding churches. It became evident that loss of mobility is one of the biggest causes of isolation.



To learn more about our services and volunteer opportunities, see InterfaithCommunityPartners.org. Questions? Please contact Executive Director and SFX parishioner, Janet Garreau jgarreauicp@gmail.com or 708-354-9328.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

Children's Choir

We sing as one family of faith!

Grades 1 – 8

**(District Schools & SFX Day School...All children are welcome!)*

It's time to join!!

*Weekly commitment: **Tuesday** rehearsals **3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.***

Sing once a month at the 5:00 p.m. Mass (Saturday)

Registration DUE DATE!!

***Monday, September 16th**

First rehearsal: Tuesday, September 24th (in church)

St. Francis Xavier Parish Children's Choir Registration Form 2019 - 2020

PLEASE PRINT

Name of Child _____

Name of Parent(s) _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Home Phone Number _____

Cell Phone Number _____

School _____

Grade _____ Age _____

Birthday (month/day) _____

I am available to be a parent helper at rehearsals. (circle one) Yes No

I am available to be a parent helper at Masses. (circle one) Yes No

**Please e-mail, mail or drop off this form by September 16th to the attention of:*

Mr. Allen Sterwalt, Director of Liturgical Music

St. Francis Xavier Church·124 North Spring Avenue·LaGrange, IL 60525

asterwalt@sfxlg.org

Why Buy

Fair Trade Coffee??

The coffee sold at St. Francis Xavier is purchased from *Equal Exchange Fairly Traded*. There is a lot behind this coffee. "We work closely with our farmer partners, year after year, to better understand each other's needs. The result is a trusting relationship and delicious coffee."

Beth Ann Caspersen, Quality Control Manager

Fair Trade builds right relationships between buyers and sellers that are rooted in the principles of human dignity and solidarity.

Fair Trade:

- Respects human dignity
- Promotes the common good
- Advances economic justice
- Empowers disadvantaged people
- Connects us with the people who create the things we buy
- Cultivates global solidarity

The Catholic Relief Services Fair Trade Program creates opportunities for us to bring these core values of our faith to bear on the choices we make as consumers—choices that have the power to lift our brothers and sisters out of poverty.

Effort is made to see that these coffee farmers are given a fair wage!!!

St. Francis Xavier Scripture Study

Thursdays 9:15-10:45 am
(New Time)
Unity Hall

September 12-November 14, 2019
Gospel of Mark
and

January 9-March 5, 2020
Dynamic Couples, Siblings, Companions
and Friends in the Bible

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

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO | 

Noche de Gala

Friday, September 20, 2019, 7:00 pm

IUOE Local 399 Union Hall
2260 South Grove Street
Chicago, IL 60616

All are cordially invited to join Cardinal Blase J. Cupich to celebrate the very best in Hispanic Ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago at the 20th celebration of **Noche de Gala - Con Sabor Latino**. The festive evening will include dinner, live music, and more.

To purchase tickets and for more information, please visit archchicago.org/NDG.

¡LOS ESPERAMOS!

Catholic Women's Club

All women of the parish are members of the Catholic Women's Club. If you would like to get involved or if you would like to receive monthly newsletters about our upcoming events via email, please contact Tiziana Lambert at tizianalambert@gmail.com.

SFX Men's Club

All men of the parish are welcome.
For further information, please contact:

Matt Hubert at mthubert@gmail.com or
Joseph Enright at joseph_owen@hotmail.com.

Job Opportunity

Ss. Barbara and Louise de Marillac Parish has an immediate opening for a **receptionist**, on the south campus in Brookfield. **Bi-lingual (Spanish) a must for this position**. Please email your resume to the north campus rectory at parishoffice@slmparish.org and request a job description regarding this full-time position.



SFX MEN'S CLUB NIGHT GOLF MEADOWLARK GOLF COURSE
Thursday, August 29, 2019
8:30PM Shotgun Start

Come out to Meadowlark for Night Golf with the SFX Men's Club!!
11599 31st Street~Hinsdale, IL 60521
708-562-2977

\$50 per person / \$200 per foursome
Registration includes: 9 Holes of Golf~Beer~Pizza

This event is for Men in the Parish over 21. It's a great way to reconnect with old friends and an opportunity to meet new men in the Parish.

If you have questions or would like to reserve your foursome,
contact Mike Milligan at mjmilligan@sbcglobal.net or Matt Hubert at mthubert@gmail.com

Limited to the first 78 golfers.

Senior Women's Group of St. Francis Xavier Parish



Bob Westrick
Private Vista Wealth Management

\$Family Finance \$

Bring your questions

Thursday, September 5, 2019

Fellowship @ 9:00am

Presentation @9:30 am

St. Francis Xavier Unity Hall

124 N. Spring Avenue

No RSVP Needed

If you have ever thought about
Becoming Catholic...
Consider RCIA
*The Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults*



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process of spiritual and educational formation through which adults become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church.

What Is Involved? When Does It Start?

RCIA is comprised of 4 stages, each with a different focus, and a ritual to mark the transition.

1. Our journey begins Tuesday, September 17 with the **Inquiry** period. We will meet weekly, Tuesday nights from 7:00–8:30 pm, to reflect upon how God is calling us and what it means to have faith in Jesus. There is plenty of time to ask questions and decide if this is the right step for you. Early in December, we celebrate the **Rite of Acceptance and Welcome** at a Sunday Mass, which publicly marks our desire to enter formation into the Church.
2. Next is the **Catechumenate** period. Here we reflect on Scripture, and delve into Catholic beliefs, teachings, customs and traditions. To end this period, we celebrate another ritual: the **Rite of Election**. That Rite recognizes our progress of being formed in the faith and affirms our readiness to begin final preparations for receiving the sacraments.
3. The third period, **Enlightenment**, begins when Lent begins, on February 26, and includes gathering for Mass over the weekend. This period is reflective and prayerful, including special celebrations and rituals passed down from the early Church. We **Celebrate the Sacraments** and our full initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Service after sundown on Holy Saturday, April 11, the evening before Easter Sunday
4. The final period, called **Mystagogy**, is not the end, but rather the beginning of your life as a fully initiated disciple! We will gather a few times during the Easter Season (the 50 days after Easter) to help launch us into the next step of our faith journey and the rest of our lives as Catholic disciples of Christ.

Next Steps

Let us know of your interest, and we will put you in touch with an RCIA Team Member. They will meet with you to share details about the process, and answer any questions you might have. Contact Susan Lindsay at selindsay22@yahoo.com or call the parish office: 708-352-0168.

* Additional details, and the complete article can be found at www.sfxlg.org, under Parish/Sacraments/Becoming Catholic.





Nature Therapy Walk on Saturday, September 7 from 9:00 to 10:30 am with Facilitator, Kim Ruffin, Certified Nature & Forest

Therapy Guide. Forest Therapy puts people in direct contact with the therapeutic benefits of non-human nature through short distanced, easy-paced and sensory-focused walks. This unique wellness practice has growing scientific support for its positive impact on human health. Cost: \$20.

God as Us—the Sacred Feminine and the Sacred Masculine on Wednesdays, September 11, 18, 25; October 2, 9, 16, 23; November 13, 20 duplicate 90-minute sessions at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm with Facilitator, Shelby Boblick. Based on a DVD presentation by Richard Rohr, OFM and Cynthia Bourgeault, this program will help participants open their inner eyes and ears to insights on gender, spirituality and Divine awareness taught in the Christian Scriptures. Cost: \$15 per session.

Online Course: Integral Conscious Evolution: 10 Currents of Change on September 16–November 18 with Facilitator, Patricia M. Bombard, BVM. Our personal and collective consciousness are affected in this 21st Century by positive currents of change. By naming these currents and consciously stepping into each one, we can more deeply claim the potential for our own growth, and decide to act differently: for the flourishing of ourselves, our relationships and the Community of Life of our precious planet. Cost: \$100.

To register online and see a complete list of our new 2019 Programs, please go to www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048. The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 West Ogden Avenue in LaGrange Park.

Diversity Days in LaGrange 28th Annual Race Unity Rally

Sunday, September 8 at 3:00 pm
Village of LaGrange, Village Hall Auditorium
53 South LaGrange Road in LaGrange

Theme: League of Women Voters Addresses Diversity

Featuring:

- Audra Wilson, Executive Director, League of Women Voters of Illinois
- Village of LaGrange Unity Proclamation
- “Watch My Feet” Performers, The LeaderShop
- CDG Diversity Achievement Award:
Mary Klonowski, LWV of the LaGrange Area

MISERICORDIA WOMEN’S LEAGUE NEW MEMBERS GATHERING



**MISERICORDIA
HEART OF MERCY**

We are looking for new members!!

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

Please join us

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

7:00 pm

At the home of Cara Long

1115 Longmeadow Lane

Western Springs, Illinois 60558

For more information please contact
Cara Long at carahlong@gmail.com
or MK Dungan at mkdungan@gmail.com

Married in 1969?

Join us to celebrate

50 years of marriage at the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass!

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 2:45 pm. The Mass will be held at St. John Brebeuf in Nilus, Illinois.

To register online go to:
bit.ly/goldenweddingchicago.



We hope to see you there!

Catholic Charities

On Sunday, September 22, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago, Post Adoption Services is hosting a Homecoming Mass and Reception for adopted persons who were placed from St. Vincent’s Orphanage in Chicago. Former St. Vincent’s staff and child care technicians are also invited. This event is free, but registration is required. For details, contact Lisa Francis at 312-655-7093 or lholmes@catholiccharities.net.



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
- **Lt. Christopher Ocasio, U.S. Army**—friend of the Berger Family
- **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 Jack & 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**—grandson of Marian, nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas,
and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia and granddaughter of Harold Held
- **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
- **Sgt. David T. Benson**—son of Linda & Charles Benson
- **Sgt. Matthew Alvis, U.S. Army**—cousin of the Tschaikovsky Family
- **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

**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

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Weekend Sacramental Minister

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Rev. Stan Ilo

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Assistant to Day School Principal
Day School Secretary (Main Campus)
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Religious Education Coordinator/Sacrament Prep
Religious Education Administrative Assistant
Religious Education Office Staff

Mrs. Sharon Garcia
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Mrs. Mary Tassi
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Rectory Summer Hours

Monday-Thursday..... 8:30 am-7:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
Saturday.....9:00 am-5:00 pm
Sunday.....9:00 am-1:00 pm

Sabbath Liturgy

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon and
(6:00 pm September until first weekend of May)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning.....After 9:00 am Mass
Saturday afternoon.....4:15 pm
The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the
tabernacle prayer area.

Liturgy Schedule

Monday through Friday8:30 am
Saturday9:00 am
St. Cletus (Monday - Saturday).....8:00 am
St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday).....9:00 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
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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

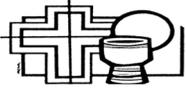
Please call the Parish Office for scheduled 1:30 pm Sunday Baptismal dates. Baptism Preparation Classes: 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm. We encourage participation in this program before the baby's birth or adoption.

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

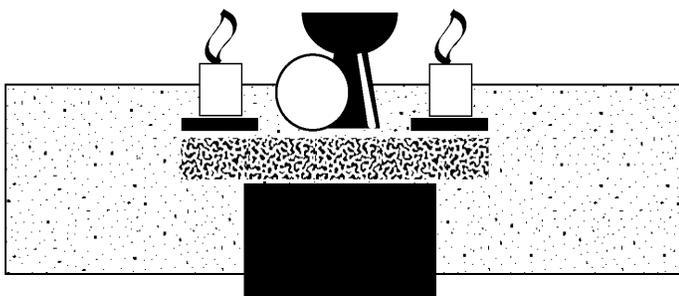
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Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—August 31-September 1, 2019

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Cantors	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	D. Veverka M. Bruni H. Fitzgerald	M. Becker T. Conwell J. Denson S. Devitt D. Dunlap K. Kanzer M. Milligan D. Mulvenna K. Preussner	E. Geraghty B. Gannon D. Janiszewski		M. Becker
7:30 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	G. Schuler G. Rutkowski T. Marthaler	S. Augustyn S. Hayes N. Kalkowski D. Chalender T. Nichol	N. Strayer J. O'Halloran D. Dudek		C. Urbain
9:00 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	A. Stowe J. Spearman J. Stopka	R. Barker M. Branecki V. Bracht J. Cogelja A. Cargano L. Hill M. Hull L. Krepps E. Olsen	D. Collins E. Justak A. Culin		J. Burson
10:30 AM	Fr. Ilo	C. Dillon D. Ankenbruck K. Justak	L. Egan N. Cummings M. P. Flaherty J. Garreau M. Joscelyn A. Krol S. Martin P. McGinnis J. Nowak	A. Brown C. Shanley J. Nisivaco		M. Joscelyn
12:00 PM	Fr. Ilo	D. Lewis L. Freda C. Pietrzak	K. Borawski A. Chimento L. Donegan N. Dekoker B. Edelmann	A. Grech A. Grech M. Doyle		D. Foss

**Our 6:00 PM Mass will resume on Sunday, September 8.
Please watch the bulletin for further information.**



Readings For The Week of August 25, 2019

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mk 6:17-29
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

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