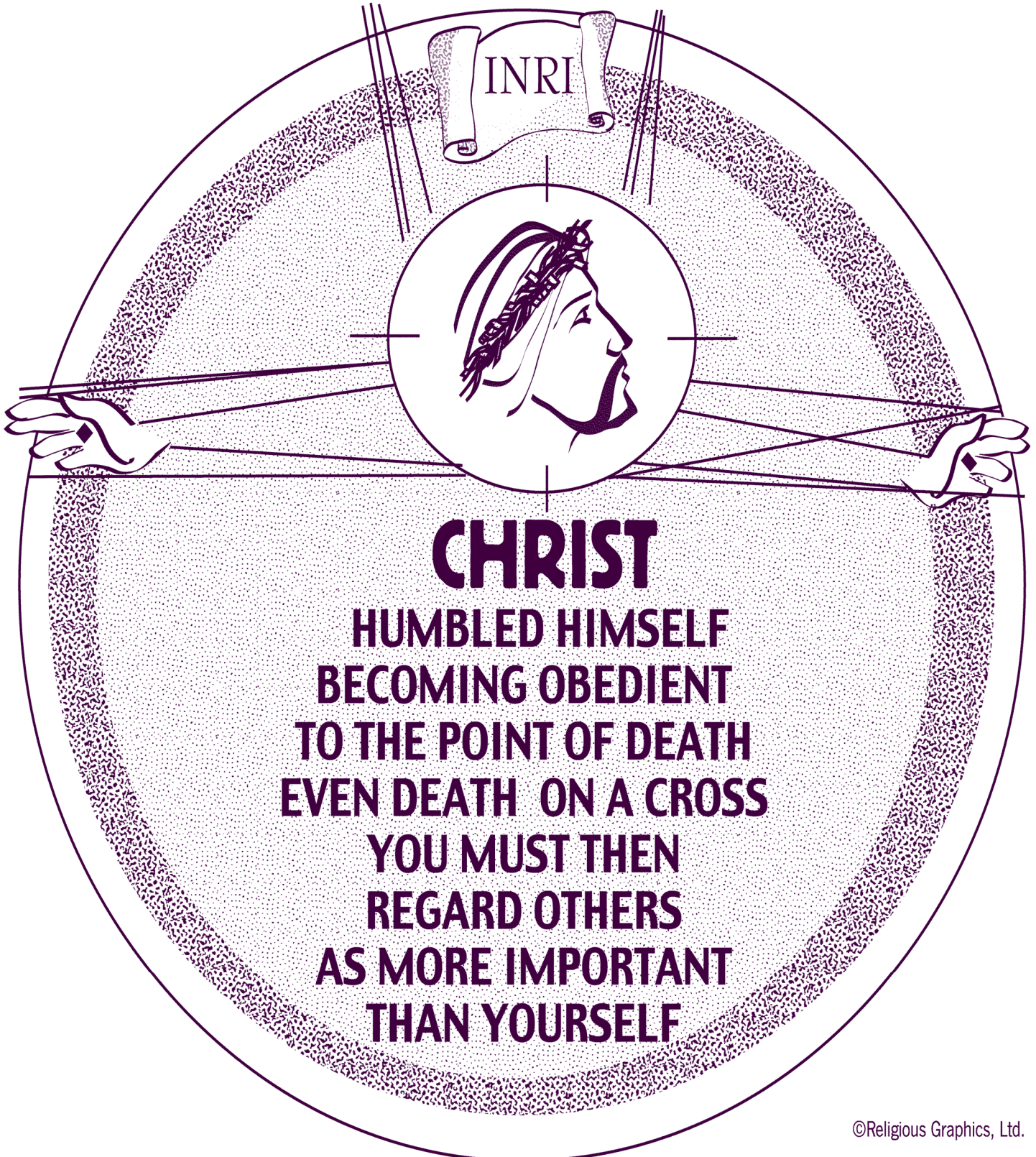


SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 1, 2017



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels	7:45 am 9:00 am	Jim & Sue Hatala Wedding Blessing Anna Lupori Nancy Cairo	Kathryn McInerney The Clayton Family The Potsch Family
Tuesday, October 3	7:45 am 9:00 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack Neva Witt Antonio & Teresa Franese Don Bradley	The Schrack Family Mary Freeman The Oplawski Family
Wednesday, October 4 Saint Francis of Assisi	7:45 am 9:00 am	Mercedes McDonnell Ray Walters Jack W. Byans	The McDonnell Family Lynn Regan Aine Byans
Thursday, October 5 Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest	7:45 am 9:00 am	Word & Communion Service Raymond Barry Jacob Silver Don Cushing	The Barry Family The Dunne Family The Roach Family
Friday, October 6 Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin	7:45 am 9:00 am	Kieran (KJ) Kowal Deceased Members of the Elwood Family Word & Communion Service	Mary Jane Kowal Mary Tio
Saturday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary	9:00 am 9:30 am 1:00 pm 3:00 pm 4:15 pm	Bernard & Betty Martin Alfreda Zvonek No Reconciliation Wedding—Donna O'Neill & Mike Keenan Wedding—Mary Leigh Hayes & Robert Klaus Sacrament of Reconciliation	The Martin Family The Moles Family

**On Saturday, October 7th, Fr. Marc Reszel will preside at the 9:00 am Mass.
We will NOT have confessions that morning.**

Please Pray For...

Tony Banda	Mike Morrison
Keeley Barr	Megan Morton
Marjorie Crnkovich	Fr. Jim O'Connor
Blake Donegan	Jane O'Reilly
Fr. Dave Dowdle	Michael Patena
Pat Eaton	Ryan Patyk
Bill Elliott	Donna Pekarek
Lily Fielding	Carissa Pessetti
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick	James Pridmore
Lilli Gregory	Baby Madison Raupp
Wilson Gregory	Karen Reato
Frank Grippo	Anna Rose
Linda Hillsman	Marilyn Rutkowski
Rose Ilo	Matthew Schiek
Jane Jacobson	Joseph Slavik
Mike Kelly	Linda Spychala
Benny Kilman	Greyson Edward Stanley
Joan Kirby	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Shirley Kollenberg	Jerry Tazic
Jerry Kolman	Marty Thuerk
Virginia Kottaridis	Anne Titzer
Michael Marro	Michael Ungari
Judy McCann	Amanda Valerugo
Molly Anne McKenna	Gregory Van Gorp, Sr.
Emmett Miller	Dawn Wilmsen

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.



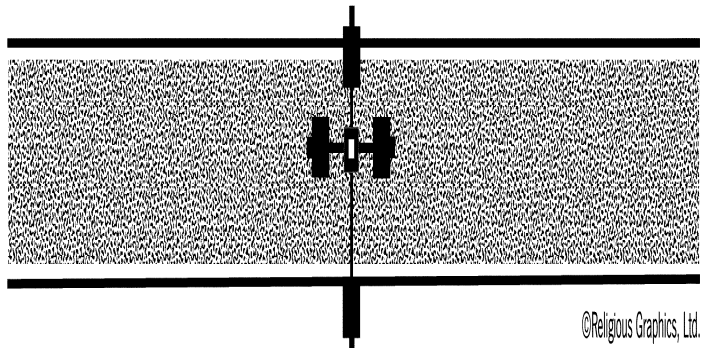
Born Into Eternal Life

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

Marleen Hauch
Wife of John and
Mother of Bob & Linda

Weddings

Donna O'Neill & Mike Keenan
Mary Leigh Hayes & Robert Klaus
Julie Spidale & Matt Schiffler



Pastor's Notes

*"Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves,
each looking out not for your own interests,
but also for those of others."
Philippians 2:3-4*

The Word of God in Jesus continues to stretch our minds and hearts. It is not enough to take care of "our own," whether we define this as our family, community, or people of similar beliefs and interests. Nor is it enough to pay lip service to the command of love through big words and small deeds. Jesus challenges us to do what we may at first be reluctant to do – to open our eyes and hearts to the needs of the person we may not understand; with whom we may not agree; or whom we are tempted to ignore. Last month two recent high school graduates initiated and coordinated a bake sale to help those suffering from this summer's hurricanes. Their efforts raised over \$700 in addition to that received through the second collection. Their actions challenge us to reflect on how we can better respond to the needs of those beyond our awareness.

October is a month in which many significant issues are brought to our attention. It is a month that calls us to deepen our respect for all human life, from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. I am a firm advocate of the seamless garment approach advocated by Cardinal Bernardin, which demands that we consider all areas that threaten the quality of each human life, and instill in one another a deeper respect for the many issues that demean, discount, or threaten the dignity of the human person at any stage of life. Are we so much one in mind and love with Christ that we do not distinguish

human life in the womb from human life in hospice care, in poverty, on death row, or suffering from oppression, racism, or violence in any form?

This core belief inspires our support for two other issues brought before us this month. We are called to greater awareness and understanding of the issues of domestic violence in our homes, families, and community. We are challenged to support and encourage those who are trapped in the cycle of domestic violence and to insist on attitudes, words, and actions in our dealings with one another that respect the dignity of the other person. And do we teach kindness and mutual respect to our children and youth through our example even more than our words? October also calls us to deeper awareness of that which keeps us from being inclusive of all others who hope to join us in prayer, learning, and service. If we live long enough, all of us will experience some physical or mental disability. In what ways might our facilities, plans, or attitudes exclude those who are unable to join us without some accommodation on our part. Do we consider the ramps, the accessible parking, the sound systems (or sign language) that make it possible for them to participate actively?

Sometimes our answers to the above will be "yes" and at other times "no." Sometimes our actions may betray our answer. We are grateful for a loving God who allows us to grown in mind and heart and forgives our resistance in the process.

***Peace,
Fr. Bill***

Scripture Reflection

No matter how good our intentions, sometimes it's difficult to keep a promise. Excuses can be numerous. Not enough time. Something else took priority. Or, simply, I just forgot! On the other hand, we might first decline another's invitation to contribute our talent and time for the common good. Yet, in the end, we decide to shoulder the yoke because the need is evident and our heart tells us it's the right thing to do. At one point or another, most of us can relate to both brothers in today's Gospel as they demonstrate two sides of human nature. One side may pull us away from what we are essentially called to do. The other side, however, draws us beyond ourselves for the benefit of others, perhaps with the recognition that "if not me, then who?" In life, I have walked away from opportunity and responsibility. And, indeed, I've learned valuable lessons from those choices. At other times, I have made 180-degree turn-arounds to help advance justice and truth. Those choices also helped me grow into the person I am today. Each day I strive to say yes to Jesus, God who is with me in every circumstance.

As we journey together through life in Christ, we gain faith, grace, and wisdom along the way. We learn to make better choices. Our confidence and trust in God increases. We see our dreams come to life and honest efforts brought to fruition. Hopefully, we also learn to refrain from judging others harshly, realizing that each soul's conversion and reconciliation is in God's hands, in God's time. The transformation process is a lifelong endeavor in the company of a loving God who understands what it means to be human. God knows that good intentions only carry us so far. And, discipleship requires more than lip service. Fortunately, the Lord is patient and compassionate in his assessment of our abilities and weaknesses; and he deeply values our potential. No matter what, Jesus remains with us, offering consolation, encouragement, and an ongoing invitation to wholeness, wellbeing, and fullness of life.

Planning Team: Gertrude Nalumansi, Barb Kalnes, George Rutkowski and David Sherman

Fr. Bill Killian

DACA RECIPIENTS DINNER

On September 5 an end was put to the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program by President Trump. These Dreamers, many of whom are now young adults who contribute greatly to our society and to our Church, have an unknown and potentially frightening future ahead of them.

Cardinal Blase Cupich is asking each parish to reach out to the Dreamers by inviting DACA recipients to a dinner in our rectory for an evening of conversation, pastoral accompaniment and support.

We would like to invite any DACA recipients to have dinner at the St. Francis Rectory on **Monday, October 16 or Monday, October 23 at 5:30 pm**. To RSVP please call Fr. Bill Tkachuk's Assistant, Maureen Pival at 708-352-0168 or email her at mpival@sfxlg.org.

This is just one small way St. Francis can show our support and let our immigrant brothers and sisters know that they are not alone. Please pass this invitation on to any DACA recipients in our area who may not read our bulletin.

EXCERPTS FROM THE NEW ARCHDIOCESAN POLICY REGARDING THE PRESENCE OF FIREARMS ON ARCHDIOCESAN PROPERTY

The complete policy statement has been posted on the parish website www.sfxlg.org.

I. FIREARMS POLICY

It is the policy of the Archdiocese of Chicago that no firearm will be permitted on any property owned and controlled by the Archdiocese. This prohibition applies to any church, school, administrative facility, or other facility owned and controlled by the Archdiocese, except as otherwise permitted herein.

IV. IMPLEMENTATION

Signs stating that the carrying of firearms is prohibited shall be clearly and conspicuously posted at the entrance of all Archdiocesan owned and controlled facilities. These signs shall be of the uniform design established by the Illinois Department of State Police.

V. EXCEPTIONS

(The policy lists exceptions for those authorized by law to carry a firearm; clergy who possess a weapon for hunting or sport and store it in a lockbox or safe; firearms stored in a vehicle within a locked or secured compartment; and specific exceptions granted by the Archbishop when necessary for the protection of Archdiocesan persons or property.)

INSTALLATION OF THE TENTH PASTOR OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

Fr. Bill Tkachuk will be installed by
Bishop John Manz
On Saturday, October 14th
5:00 pm Mass
Reception to Follow in Joyce Hall

All are Welcome!

Tax Advantaged Way To Support the Parish

Have you considered making a donation of appreciated common stock? Gifts of appreciated securities provide an immediate income tax deduction in the amount of the value of the stock and are not subject to capital gains tax.

If it seems appropriate, please consider taking advantage of this for your Capital Campaign pledge payment.

For more details, please call Jane Bandyk at the rectory office 708-352-0168.

This article is not intended to provide legal or tax advice. Please consult your professional advisors before taking action.

Leave A Legacy

We are grateful for the generous support that you give to St. Francis through your weekly contributions. Have you considered providing for the continuation of that support by including the parish in your Will? Bequests given to the parish through Wills are for the sole use of St. Francis Xavier Parish.

To include the parish in your Will, the correct language is: "I give (a percentage or amount) to the Catholic Bishop of Chicago—A Corporation Sole, for the sole benefit of St. Francis Xavier Parish, LaGrange."

Thanks for giving consideration to leaving a legacy!

Your Parish Finances



Sunday Basket Collection Sept 17, 2017:

\$ 14,129

Prior Month's Offerings:

	EFT/Credit Card	+	Basket	=	August Total
August 2017	\$ 43,882		\$ 59,369		\$ 103,251
August 2016	\$ 37,051		\$ 66,903		\$ 103,954

God bless you for your generosity to St. Francis Xavier Parish!

SUGGESTIONS FOR AN INCREASE IN YOUR PARISH INVESTMENT

Please consider the following for increasing your investment in SFX Parish ministries:

- > Locate your current weekly investment.
- > Prayerfully consider investing an additional 4% or more.

CURRENT WEEKLY INVESTMENT

WITH WEEKLY INVESTMENT INCREASE...

	2.5%	4.0%	5.0%	7.0%
\$ 10	\$ 10.25	\$ 10.40	\$ 10.50	\$ 10.70
\$ 25	\$ 25.63	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.25	\$ 26.75
\$ 50	\$ 51.25	\$ 52.00	\$ 52.50	\$ 53.50
\$ 100	\$ 102.50	\$ 104.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 107.00
\$ 250	\$ 256.25	\$ 260.00	\$ 262.50	\$ 267.50



ELECTRONIC OFFERING PROGRAM

Sign up to have your contribution to the Parish transferred conveniently each month from your checking account directly to St. Francis Xavier. **A voided check is required.**

I/We hereby authorize St. Francis Xavier, to initiate debit entries and, if necessary, debit correction and adjustment entries to my/our account at the financial institution listed on the **voided check attached.** This authority is to remain in full force and effect until St. Francis Xavier has received written notification from the recipient of its termination in such a time and manner as to afford St. Francis Xavier a reasonable time to act upon it.

Option 1:

Please transfer my contribution of \$ _____
Twice a month on the 5th and 20th.

Option 2:

Please transfer my contribution of \$ _____
Once a month on the _____ 5th or _____ 20th.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

CITY: _____

E-MAIL: _____

DATE: _____



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

WE PRAY • WE LEARN • WE SERVE

School Scoop

Monday, October 2

Uniform Grab 'n Go 9:00 AM

Wednesday, October 4

Shop for SFX Orders Delivered
2:00 PM Dismissal

Thursday, October 5

8th Grade Field Trip
Iron Oaks

Thank You

A huge thanks to everyone who helped support Toys for Tyler. With the amazing help of Stephanie Janiszewski and the CWC board, the Girl Scouts who baked, the volunteers at the event and all who so generously donated, a car full of toys will be delivered to the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation. The Treasure Chest will distribute the toys to area hospitals, making the day a little brighter for many children. What a beautiful way to honor our little Tyler and his brave fight against cancer. The parish's continued support makes a huge difference for many kids and their families. Thank you to all for supporting this beautiful, fun event!!



Laura and Brent Duelm



Welcome Wednesdays at St. Francis Xavier School



We would like to invite you to attend a Welcome Wednesday admissions event and learn all about our programs and tour our school. Reservations are suggested, but not required.

2017-2018 Welcome Wednesday dates:

October 18, 2017
February 21, 2018
May 16, 2018

Welcome Wednesday kicks off at 8:30 am at our East Campus with an informal presentation from our principal and an early education teacher, and ends with a school tour.

Our East Campus (preschool 3 – kindergarten) at 21 N. Catherine Avenue, LaGrange morning begins at 8:30 am

Families interested in enrolling a child in grades 1-7, please call the school to arrange for a private tour at your convenience.

To make reservations, schedule a private tour, or request a shadow day for your child, please contact Jennifer Courier at 708-352-2175.

Our all-school **Open House is January 28, 2017**. The "Gym Fair" at the Main Campus will showcase all clubs and extracurricular activities, and teachers will be in their class rooms at both campuses to answer any questions you may have.

Open Enrollment begins mid November. Our early education classes reach capacity very quickly. Contact Jennifer Courier jcourier@sfxlg.org to be placed on distribution list for the application paperwork.



Be a part of the fun.

Register to join us on
Saturday, November 4th!
8:00 am Kid's Fun Run
8:30 am 5K Run/Walk

<https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/LaGrangePark/StFrancisFalcon5KRunWalk>

SFX YOUTH MINISTRY WEBSITE:

www.youthministry.sfxlg.org

Service Opportunity for all Freshmen!

Are you a high school freshman and want to participate in service with other high school freshmen? We have booked 100 slots at Feed My Starving Children in Libertyville for November 11, from 12-2pm. This is a few months away but we want you to get the date on the calendar! If you are interested in participating or being an adult volunteer, please contact Olivia Hollman at 708-352-0168 x338 or ohollman@sfxlg.org to sign up!

We're on social media!



Did you know Youth Ministry has an official Facebook page? Scan the QR code below or search "St. Francis Xavier Youth Ministry" on Facebook. Make sure to like our page!



Men's Church League Basketball

Are you a young man in high school? Do you NOT play on your high school's basketball team? Are you looking for something to do on Wednesday and Saturday nights? If you answered YES to these questions, Church League basketball is for you! Registration forms can be found on the Youth Ministry portion of the Parish website or by contacting Olivia Hollman.



Your Help Needed!



If you are interested in singing in the Spirit Choir, lecturing, or serving as a Eucharistic Minister at 6pm Mass, please contact Olivia Hollman. We are in need of new (and returning!) ministers.

~ *Olivia*

Religious Education Important Dates & Class Dates

Sunday, October 1	Class Fundraiser Begins
Wednesday, October 4	Class Fundraiser Begins
Sunday, October 8	No Class
Wednesday, October 11	No Class
Sunday, October 15	Class
Wednesday, October 18	Class
Sunday, October 22	Class
Wednesday, October 25	Class
Sunday, October 29	At Home Lesson Fundraiser Orders Due
Wednesday, November 1	At Home Lesson

Upcoming Events

Pizza Fundraiser:

Starts~October 1

All Orders Due~October 29

Pizza Order Pick-up~November 8



Nazareth Academy Hosts Coffee & Conversation Dates

Prospective parents are invited to join us for Coffee and Conversation with the Nazareth Administration. Guests will be treated to a light breakfast, informal conversation and a tour of the school. The event begins at 8:30 am and will conclude at 10:00 am. Enter through the main entrance on the west side of the building. Parents are welcome on the following dates:

Wednesday, October 4
Wednesday, November 15

Registration is required, visit nazarethacademy.com and click "Admissions" or contact Kristen Stojetz at 708-387-8505 or kstojetz@nazarethacademy.com.

Boy Scout

Troop #33

Wreath Sales

Boy Scout Troop #33 is selling Christmas wreaths, garland and other fresh greenery items. Orders received by November 6 will be delivered to your home the weekend before Thanksgiving. Order forms can be found in the back of church in the rectory office, or you may email Erika Carr at erikascarr@sbcglobal.net. Thank you for your continued support of Boy Scout Troop #33.



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.

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.

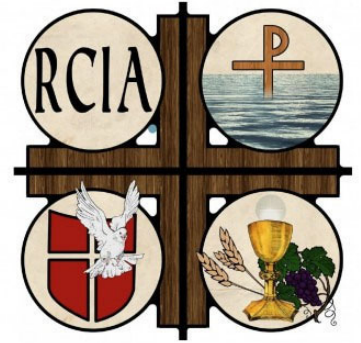
Effort is made to see that these coffee farmers are given a fair wage!!!

Lost and Found

The Lost and Found cabinet located outside the church restroom is emptied each month. Please check it if you think that you have left something in church. In the upcoming week, items in lost and found will be brought to the Community Nurses' Resale Shop.

RCIA News

The SFX Staff and RCIA Team is delighted to announce that the 2017-2018 RCIA Process is off to a great beginning!



New this year is that St. Francis Xavier Church is now hosting the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) collaboratively with St. John of the Cross (SJC) Church in Western Springs. Nine adults from SFX and five adults from SJC, along with sponsors, spouses, and a joint team of twelve began meeting on September 19. Our first session was rich with introductions, faith sharing around scripture, and storytelling around why we were each called into the RCIA Process. This past Tuesday, our group from SFX met in church for a Church Tour. We are so blessed to have such a beautiful worship space, rich in signs, symbols, artwork and grand architecture! This coming Tuesday, October 3, we will meet at St. John of the Cross at 7:00 pm to discuss defining moments in our lives, and how, whether we realize it or not, God has been with us on the journey.

Special "Thanks!" are extended to our dedicated team members: Curt Aronson, Tim Hejna, Susan Lindsay, Donna Mulvenna, Bill Stauffer, and Diane Walsh. Their generosity of time, talent, wisdom, faith sharing and care for our participants is extraordinary. This process could not be the wonderful, faith-filled adventure it is without their love, gifts, and support.

It's not too late. If you or someone you know has been considering joining RCIA, please contact Kate DeVries at kdevries@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168. She would love to have a conversation with you about your desires and how the RCIA Process can support your journey.

Styrofoam Collection in Western Springs

When? October 7, Saturday, from 9:00 to 12:00

Where? Grand Avenue Community Center Parking Lot, Corner of Grand and Chestnut—A bin will be provided, and there will be volunteers present to help you unload.

What? All food related items such as clam shells, cups, plates, food trays from meat and produce, egg cartons, and All Packing Styrofoam/#6 blocks and wedges.

No Peanuts accepted.

Styrofoam items must be clean.

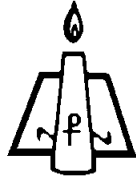
Please put all food related items in the same bag.

Please put all packing Styrofoam items in a separate bag.

This collection will occur every first Saturday of the month for six months as a trial agreement between the Village of Western Springs and DART container in North Aurora.

Baptisms

We celebrate and welcome the newest members of our faith family, who were baptized:



Margaret Jeannette Chromecak

Daughter of Joel & Kathleen (Crema) Chromecak

Zoey Mason Craig

Daughter of Rory & Renee (Fiore) Craig

Theodore Francis Miller

Son of Matthew & Maureen (Ong) Miller

Santino David Pena

Son of David & Melissa (Rodriguez) Pena

Izabelle Olivia Wessendorf

Daughter of Jason & Kimberly (Palacios) Wessendorf

Ellie Alice Wilson

Daughter of Scott & Elizabeth (Burnell) Wilson

Colin Lucian Bender

Son of Kirk Bender & Mary McGrory

Colette Marie Flaherty

Daughter of Michael & Jacqueline (Coverick) Flaherty

Ulrik Samuel Fredriksen

Son of Robert & Tamara (Pechota) Fredriksen

Sadie Francis Gustafson

Daughter of Timothy & Meredith (Conner) Gustafson

Santiago David Linares

Son of David Mercado & Monica Linares

Eleanore Catherine Shimerdla

Daughter of Michael & Stephanie (Smith) Shimerdla

Cashel Charles Thomas

Son of Patrick & Caryn (Schnierle) Thomas

Johnathan Gerald Tomazin

Son of Patrick & Sara (Urbanski) Tomazin

Nora Kathleen Furey

Daughter of Mike & Colleen (Ward) Furey

Welcome

We welcome the following parishioners who have registered during September:

Timothy & Sarah Reynolds
Emily Waters
Nicholas & Caitlin Laga
Michelle Dovel
Tanweer Ahmad
Nichole Magliocco
Enrique & Maria Munoz
Louise Grant
Dora Rodriguez
Jose Madrigal
Paul & Cyndi Betlinski
Olivia Hollman
Eric Schwister & Manju Durairaj
Donal & Pamela McCarthy
Jason & Janet Wolf
James & Syra Postelnick
Stephen & Janine Zulanis
Patrick & Kimberly Woolfe
Joseph Angelillo
Justin & Nichole Hoehn
Marko & Larissa Magajne
Bret & Dorothy Hall
Matthew & Pamela Sullivan
Mary McCrory
Jeffrey & Angela McDonald
Bianca Linares
Matthew & Michelle Palcer
Eileen Grimmer



Taizé Prayer

St. Francis Xavier
and
Grace Lutheran

*All are invited to our
Taizé Evening Prayer
Friday, October 13
7:30 pm
at
Grace Lutheran*



Taizé Prayer is contemplative and most importantly communal, combining simple repetitive melodies that are sung by all, prayerful silence, scripture reading and intercessory prayer. This prayer can promote a kind to inner unity of person, allowing the spirit to be more open and attentive to what is essential. It is our hope that you will join us, especially at this time when our world is much in need of prayer.

100th Anniversary

of the Apparitions of
Our Lady in Fatima
1917-2017

*“Mary identifies herself as Our Lady of the
Rosary and at each Apparition told the
children to pray the rosary daily for
peace – a message that was meant for
every single person.”*

**Let's Gather for a
Community Rosary
October 13, 2017**

8:20am

**School parking lot
(rain location: School Gym)**



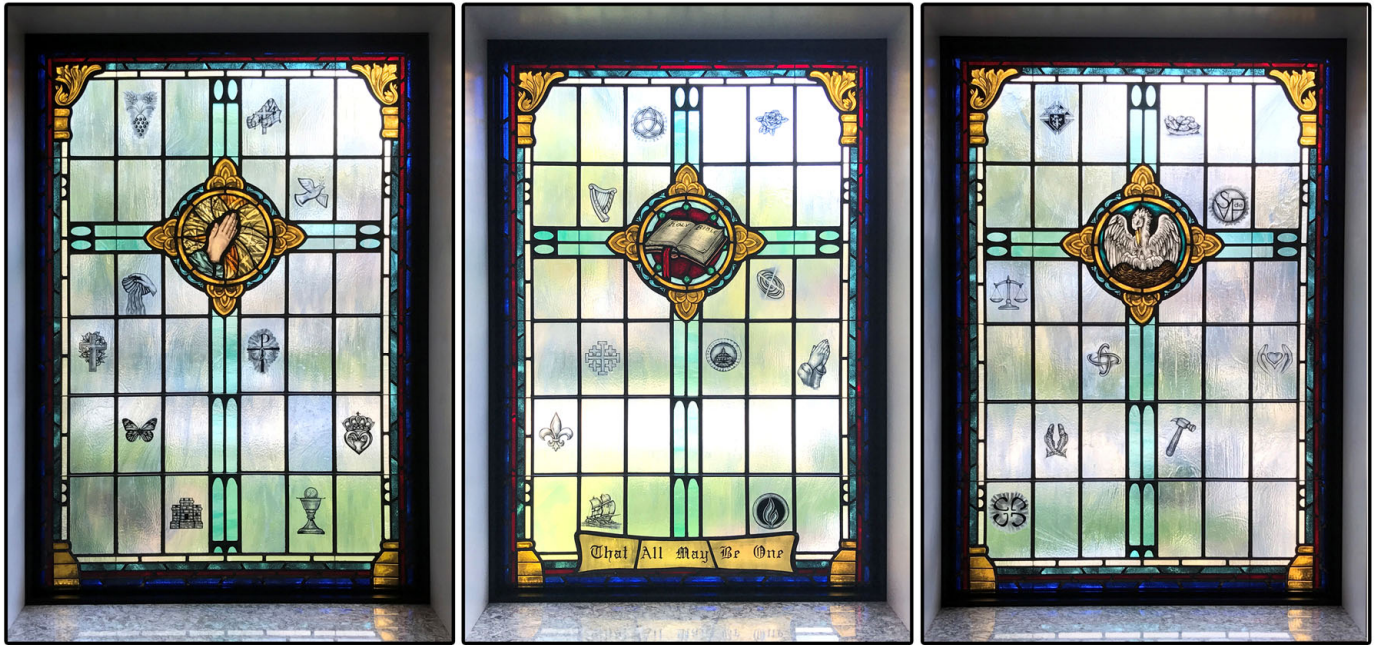
The Story of Our Lady of Fatima

- In May of 1917, Mary appeared to 3 children near their hometown of Fatima in rural Portugal.
- Two of the children, Francisco & Jacinta Marto were siblings and the third, Lucia Santos, was their cousin.
- Mary appeared a total of six times to the children starting on May 13th with the final appearance being October 13, 1917.
- Mary identified herself as Our Lady of the Rosary and at each apparition told the children to pray the Rosary daily for peace.
- At her final apparition, in October of 1917, Mary performed a miracle. The sun danced in the sky, reportedly changing colors and rotating. This was witnessed by thousands of people and even reported in the local newspapers.
- During her appearances, Mary also gave the children three secrets.
- The first secret was a vision of hell. She spoke of the need to pray for all souls to avoid what they saw in hell.
- The second secret promised an end to the “great war” – WWI was going on at the time.
- The third secret involved seeing a vision of a Bishop in white being killed.
- Mary also requested the consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart to usher in a period of world peace.
- Francisco and Jacinta died of a flu pandemic shortly after the apparitions. Lucia became a nun and lived a full life, dying at the age of 97 in 2005.
- Mary requested the following prayer be said after each decade of the Rosary.
“Oh my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.”



UNITY HALL WINDOWS SYMBOLS AND MEANING

MAY WE PRESENT....The story behind the beautiful stained glass windows in Unity Hall!



WE PRAY

WE LEARN

WE SERVE

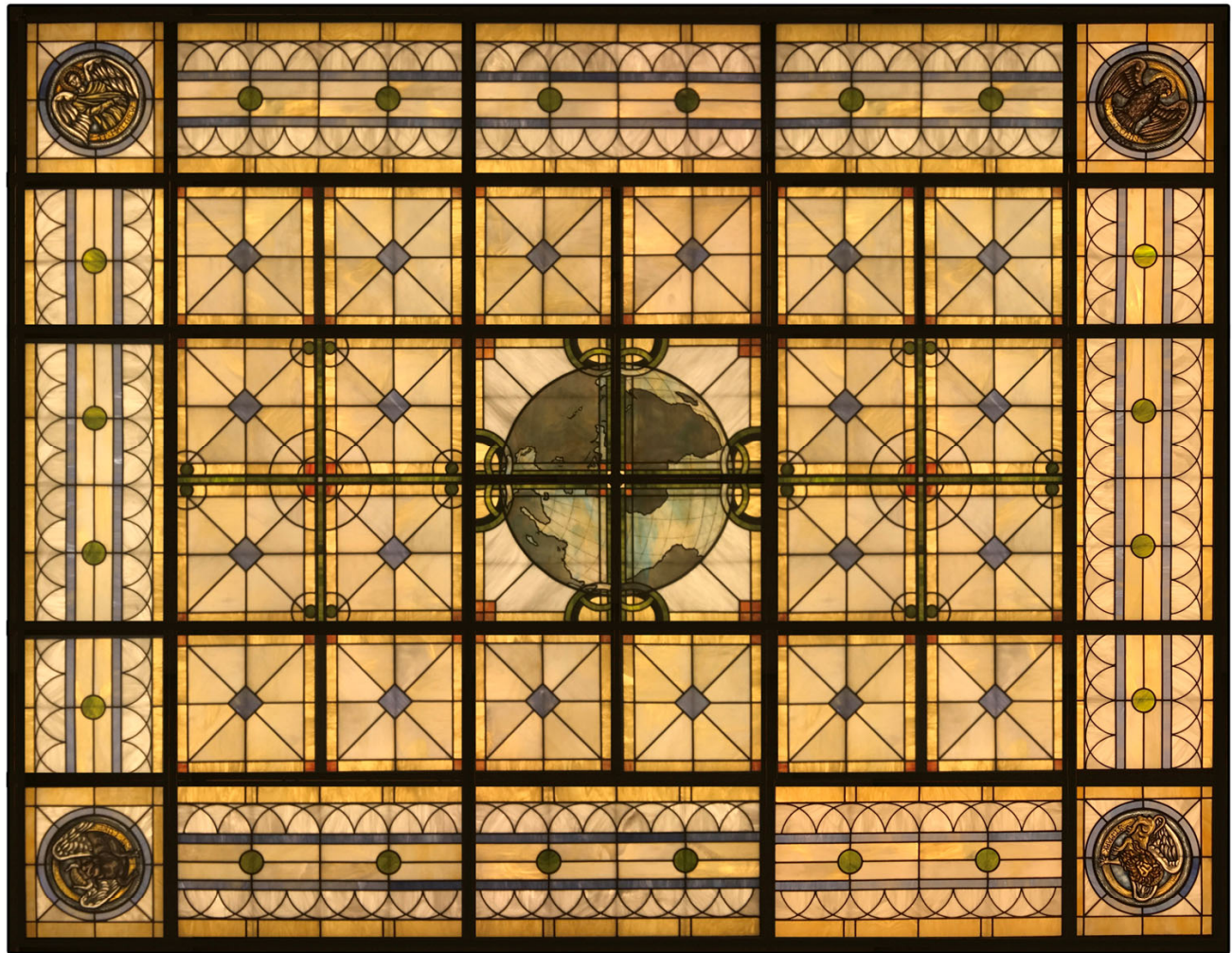
I am thrilled to present to you the symbolism behind Unity Hall's stained glass windows. When we were looking for an artisan, we found Colorsmith Stained Glass Studio. Colorsmith is located nearby (Riverside), and has substantial experience with the art of stained glass. One of the owners has a close relationship with St. Francis Xavier. David Condon's family, (the Charles Patrick and Eleanor C. Condon family), were parishioners from 1960 until the late 1970's, when they moved from the area. All ten children were SFX students, with David graduating in 1964. David and his wife, Gail, were responsible for the design, fabrication, and installation of the Unity Hall stained glass windows and ceiling.

A committee of SFX staff and volunteers helped guide the process, in honor of the Congregation of St. Joseph, to whom the Hall is dedicated. We know you will enjoy the upcoming pages of symbols and their meanings! You may want to play a game with your family...see who can identify the most icons/images BEFORE checking out the next few pages (i.e., the Answer Key)!

That All May be One,
Jennifer Zeisloft
Business Manager

UNITY HALL SKYLIGHT

Heavenly Light of the Christian Faith and Unity Throughout the World



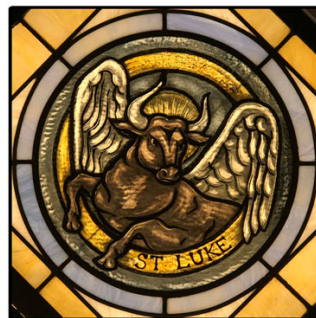
CORNER MEDALLIONS - THE EVANGELISTS



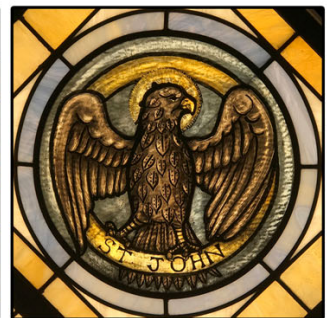
Matthew the Evangelist, author of the first gospel, is symbolized by a winged man, or angel. Matthew's gospel starts with Joseph's genealogy from Abraham; it represents Jesus' Incarnation, and so Christ's human nature. This signifies that Christians should use their reason for salvation.



Mark the Evangelist, author of the second gospel, is symbolized by a winged lion—a figure of courage and monarchy. The lion also represents Jesus' resurrection and Christ as king. This signifies that Christians should be courageous on the path of salvation.



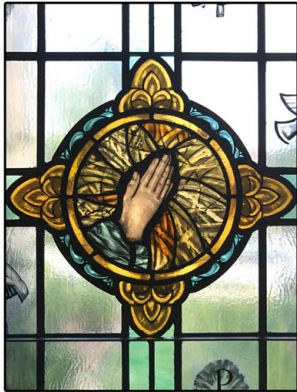
Luke the Evangelist, author of the third gospel (and the Acts of the Apostles), is symbolized by a winged ox or bull—a figure of the sacrifice, service and strength. It represents Jesus' sacrifice in His Passion and Crucifixion, and signifies Christian sacrifice in following Christ.



John the Evangelist, author of the fourth gospel, is symbolized by an eagle, a figure of the sky, believed to be able to look straight into the sun. It represents the Ascension, Christ's divinity, and signifies Christians looking on eternity unflinchingly as they journey towards union with God.

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH SYMBOLS OF THE UNITY HALL WINDOWS

The symbols and icons in the Unity Hall Windows are intended to reflect who we are as a parish today; what we do, and how we pray, learn and serve. The icons represent our sacraments, our ministries and our mission.



Prayer



Learning



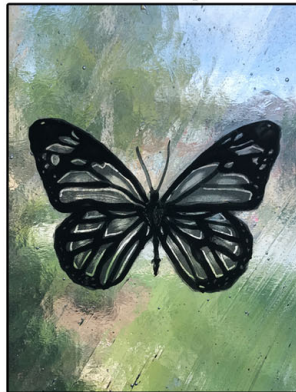
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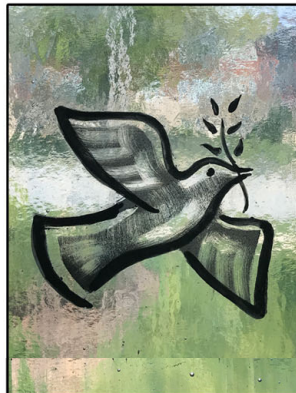
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Eucharist and Prayer



Faith Formation



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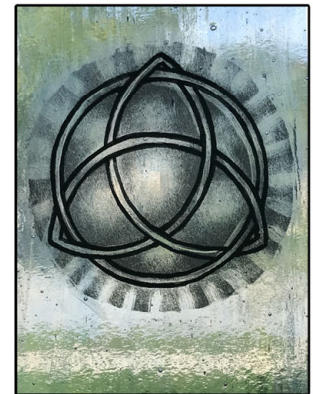
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SPRED



Music Ministry



The Holy Trinity

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH SYMBOLS OF THE UNITY HALL WINDOWS



Knights of Columbus



Society of St. Vincent de Paul



Peace & Justice



BEDS



Food Pantry



Habitat For Humanity



Art & Environment



Sisters of St. Joseph



Pastoral Council



Scouting



Kairos



125 Year Anniversary



CRHP Prayer



Kitchen Angels



Baptism



Ministers of Care



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

Council 6483

Established May 1973

Did You Know?

Knights of Columbus Established the \$2 million Pacem in Terris Fund for the benefit of the Church's pastoral mission to the Christian communities in the Holy Land.

Learn more about your local council at sites.google.com/site/knightsofcolumbuscouncil6483council6483@gmail.com or call or text 708-207-2780.

The Annual Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food For Families Fall Drive Needs Volunteers.

Volunteers are needed to put flyers about the food drive on the front door of local residents. Flyers and rubber bands are provided. A different team of volunteers will handle pick-up of the food donations. Flyers will be distributed October 7-15. Volunteers can choose their own day and time within that week to distribute flyers. Volunteers are asked to choose a street in their community to distribute flyers. One volunteer can do four blocks, both sides of the street, in about one hour. Two volunteers working together can do eight blocks in about one hour. More information about the food drive, food pantry, online option, and the Knights of Columbus can be found at <https://sites.google.com/site/knightsofcolumbuscouncil6483> and www.myfooddrive.org/?LGKnights2017Fall. To volunteer or for more information call, text or email 708-207-2780 or council6483@gmail.com. Mike Hattie.

Thank you for your support!



Coat and Outerwear Drive V Drop-off Boxes at St. Francis Xavier Church

**Saturday, November 11 & Sunday, November 12
(Church Entrances - all Masses)**

The Knights of Columbus SFX Council 6483 is coordinating it's 5th Annual Coat Drive and will be collecting clean, pre-worn outerwear for those in need this winter.

There will be drop off boxes at church entrances to deposit outerwear before each mass on November 11 & 12. Clothing will be donated to Catholic Charities which distributes the coats, sweaters, hats and gloves to the needy, without charge. The Knights thank you for your generosity these past four years. Tax receipts will be provided. God bless you.

Please contact Knights of Columbus with questions at 708-380-3101 or go to <https://sites.google.com/site/knightsofcolumbuscouncil6483/about-the-knights> for more information.

Thank you for your support!



Domestic Violence Awareness

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. Please join us for a service of healing and prayer on Tuesday, October 3 in our church at 7:00 pm. In addition, there will be a powerful presentation on domestic violence at St. Cletus Parish on Friday, October 27 at 6:30 pm titled SILENT WITNESS. This vigil, presented by Pillars, commemorates those who have lost their lives from domestic violence. We hope to see you there.



PARISH COUNSELOR

Hello! I would like to reintroduce myself. I am Nancy Kennedy and this is my second year at St. Francis Xavier Parish as your parish counselor. The assignment is made through a cooperative agreement with Claret Center and the parish. The center has offered faith based psychotherapy, spiritual direction and spiritual retreats since 1979, and has been part of St. Francis for 18 years.

I come to the parish from the Institute of Pastoral Studies at Loyola University Chicago where I have learned to integrate psychology and spirituality in clinical practice. My background is in critical care nursing, as well as, 25 years' experience raising five children, coaching soccer, teaching RE, and leading in a variety of parish and school organizations. I am delighted to be a part of this vibrant parish as your counselor.

Why might you call me for an appointment?

- You are feeling more sad or anxious than you want to feel.
- You are stressed by problems at work or have recently lost a job.
- You struggle with relationships.
- You have trouble controlling your anger, or live with one who does.
- Some event has changed your life and you are having difficulty adjusting.
- You have recently lost someone close to you, or you are about to.
- You are challenged by raising children, understanding your parents or caring for aging parents.
- Your life has lost purpose and meaning.
- You desire a closer relationship with your spouse.

These are just some of the areas I can help you address by providing a safe, respectful and understanding environment where you can gain insight and explore your strengths. I have the use of office space in the rectory at St. Francis Xavier and a flexible schedule in order to meet with you. I also see clients at Assumption Catholic Church in Chicago, as well as in Hyde Park if these locations are more convenient. This may be just the place to start on your path to healing, wholeness and peace. I accept Blue Cross Blue Shield PPO or work on a sliding scale. If you think I could help, please leave a message for me at Claret Center 773-643-6259 ext. 31 or text/voice message at 708-325-8582. Look for my bulletin inserts throughout the year!

I look forward to meeting you.

God bless,
Nancy Kennedy RN, BSN, MA
Parish Counselor
Claret Center Resident
nkennedy4@luc.edu

Food For Families Fall Drive 2017

- ◆ Saturday, October 21 9:00 am-Noon food pick-up.
- ◆ Please leave non-perishable food items on your porch by 9:00 am Saturday morning.
- ◆ Please check the expiration date on your donation. (Expired food cannot be distributed to families)
- ◆ Or donate online to the Greater Chicago Food Depository at:
www.myfooddrive.org LGKnights2017Fall

Nonperishable food items we need include:
Non-sugared cereal, rice, peanut butter, low sodium canned vegetable, pasta, potatoes, jelly, mac n' cheese, tomato sauce, low sugar canned fruits, soup and beans.

St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry mission is twofold: (1) provide supplemental nutritious food assistance to those in need in a safe, respectful and prayerful environment, and (2) partner with our community to support the pantry through food drives and volunteer opportunities. We serve an average of 90 families (or approximately 275 individuals) each week. Each family receives non-perishable and perishable food as well as toilet paper. We also provide "specials" when available, including: coffee, tea, snacks, condiments, baking goods, personal hygiene products, baby items, laundry and dish detergent and paper towels. Our homeless clients receive a bag especially packed to meet their needs (read-to-eat, pop-top cans, paper plates, bowls, utensils, cold drinks, etc.) Leftover perishables are donated to the Constance Morris House, a home for abused women and children. We also share food with BEDS Plus, and overnight shelter organization. We have about 25 weekly volunteers who assist with food pick-ups and preparing and packing the food bags. We are so grateful for the ongoing support of our generous community!

Knights of Columbus LaGrange Council 6483 partners with local community groups to distribute flyers and collect food in the community and deliver it to local food pantries. Projects help local teens get community service hours and help the food pantry to provide nutritional assistance to local residents of the community. Aligning the needs of the local council, local community groups, the local food pantry and local residents benefits all of us when we work together. Experiencing the cooperation and generosity of the community and volunteers renews my faith in God and my neighbors, and our ability to make the world a better place.

Thank you for your Support!

Questions, Missed pick-up? Call, text, or email Mike Hattie at 708-207-2780 or council6483@gmail.com or visit sites.google.com/site/knightsofcolumbuscouncil6483.



Sunday, October 15
First Congregational Church of LaGrange
(corner of Cossitt and LaGrange Road)

12:30 pm~Registration;
5K Walk (3.2 miles) begins at 1:15 pm

Suggested Donation: \$5/pp + a nonperishable food item for local pantries.

Calling All QUEST Groups, Scouts, Teens, Individuals and Families!

Please show your solidarity with people in underdeveloped nations who walk miles each day for access to food and clean water.

CROP Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) provides a means to bring awareness to this daily challenge for so many people.

Questions? Contact Mary Freeman at mfreeman@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168.

While September may be designated as *Hunger Action Month*, our SFX Food Pantry is grateful for all the blessings we receive throughout the year!



Some ways to continue your generous support:

PRAY for an end to food insecurity in our community, nation, and world.

DONATE food and funds. See parish website for list of needed items.

VOLUNTEER at the Greater Chicago Food Depository (www.chicagosfoodbank.org) and designate our pantry (agency #A00419) so we receive labor credits (\$5/hour) for food purchases. Special thanks to our weekly corps of volunteers at the pantry.

WALK to raise awareness and funds. Please visit: www.chicagosfoodbank.org/hungerwalk. **CROP Hunger Walk** on **October 15th** in LaGrange.

SHARE your fresh garden produce with our pantry. Special thanks to *Share the Harvest* partners for their ongoing garden donations.

GIVE THANKS to Trader Joes, Panera, Aracely's Bakery and Marianos for ongoing food donations.

WATCH the documentary *A Place at the Table* with your family.

Any questions, please contact Mary Freeman at mfreeman@sfxlg.org.

Seasons of Hope Grief Support

Monday Evenings (7:00 – 8:30 pm)
October 23, 30
November 6, 13, 20, 27



St. John of the Cross Parish in Western Springs will host a 'Seasons of Hope' support group for anyone grieving the loss of a family member or loved one.

'Seasons of Hope' is a six-session support ministry designed to help participants navigate the grieving process. Weekly sessions present a faith-based topic and include discussion, prayer, personal reflection and Scripture. There is no obligation to share, however it is recommended that participants allow 3-6 months from time of loss before attending.

Seasons of Hope is facilitated by experienced, caring adults who are familiar with the grief process.

To Registration Online:

www.stjohnofthecross.org/grief-ministry

To Register by Phone:

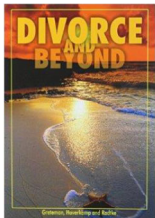
708-246-4404 ext. 137

'Grief only exists where love lived first.'
Franchesca Cox

Disclaimer: 'Seasons of Hope' support groups are not intended to provide or replace professional counseling or individual therapy.

Divorce and Beyond Support

Thursday Evenings (7:00 – 8:30 pm)
October 26
November 2, 9, 16, 30
December 7, 14, 21



The Divorce and Beyond process provides emotional and spiritual support to those who have experienced divorce or those in the dissolution process. It is a faith-based, Catholic Christian support ministry that welcomes other faith traditions as well.

Each session highlights an aspect of the divorce-recovery process. Topics include: *Healing, managing emotions, blame, loneliness, and achieving growth and personal happiness.* Sessions are led by experienced Divorce and Beyond graduates committed to fostering the personal, emotional and spiritual growth of all participants.

To Register Online:

www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond

Cost: \$10.00 fee (Participant Manual)

Disclaimer: 'Divorce and Beyond' support groups neither provide nor replace the possible need for professional counseling or individual therapy.



Rev. Monsignor Michael M. Boland
President of Catholic Charities
and members of the
West Regional Advisory Board
cordially invite you to the

West Region Social
Thursday, October 5, 2017
6:30-8:30 pm

Oak Park Country Club
2001 N. Thatcher Avenue in River Grove

Learn more about the important work
of Catholic Charities and the valuable role
of the West Regional Advisory Board.

Refreshments and Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

For additional Information and to RSVP contact:

Esmeralda Zepeda
West Regional Director
708-329-4022

ezpeda@catholiccharities.net

or

Scott Schram

Catholic Charities Regional Advisory Board
member and SFX Parishioner 708-606-2854



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Grief & Bereavement Support Groups

Evening Grief Group

For any adult grieving loss of a loved one.
6 consecutive weeks starting Monday:
October 30th-December 4th
7:00-8:30 pm
Location to be determined

Parental Loss Grief Group

For any adult grieving loss of a parent.
6 consecutive weeks starting Monday:
January 8-February 12
7:00-8:30 pm
Location to be determined

Advance registration is necessary to ensure small groups for sharing. Cost: There are no fees, but donations are accepted.

To register or if you have questions, contact our Bereavement Coordinator, Chaplain Dave Melzer at 773-570-6606 damelzer@lumc.edu.

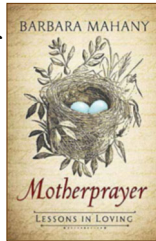
Loyola Medicine Hospice, 2301 West 22nd Street,
Suite 107, Oak Brook, IL 60523, 630-861-5200.



Motherprayer: Lessons in Loving

An evening with author Barbara Mahany
Thursday, October 5
from 7:00-9:00 pm

Author Barbara Mahany will peel back the pages of her exploration into the depths of mothering—its heartache, its joys, its occasional triumphs and certainly, its sacred wisdoms. We promise good conversation and a reading or two, maybe a tear and plenty of laughter. Book signing included. Join us for this “Mom’s/Grandma’s night out.” Refreshments will be served.



Barbara Mahany is an author and freelance journalist in Chicago, who writes these days about stumbling on the sacred amid the cacophony of the modern-day domestic melee. She was a reporter and feature writer at the Chicago Tribune for nearly 30 years, and before that a pediatric oncology nurse at Children’s Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

Mahany’s first book, *Slowing Time: Seeing the Sacred Outside Your Kitchen Door*, has been called “a field guide into the depths of your holiest hours.” A sought after speaker, retreat leader, and writing teacher, she lives in the Chicago area with her husband, the Tribune’s Pulitzer Prize-winning architecture critic, Blair Kamin, and their two sons.

The program is free for St. Francis Xavier parishioners. Advance registration is requested, please call The Well office at 708-482-5048 or thewell@csjoseph.org.

We look forward to welcoming you into our new space and our new program year. We have some exciting new programs coming up – among them:

Forest Therapy Walk: This three-hour sensory-focused guided excursion in the forested area behind the Well will offer encounters with other-than-human nature. Thursday, October 12 from 9:00 am-Noon.

Practicing Peace: an hour of Centering Prayer, music, ritual and sharing. Meets Mondays twice a month; next session is Monday, October 9, 11:00 am-noon.

Trivia Night Fundraising: Gather a team or come on your own for this evening of friendly competition, knowledge-testing, and fun. Friday, October 20, doors open at 6:00 pm, game begins at 7:00 pm. Please register by October 19 for discounted entry.

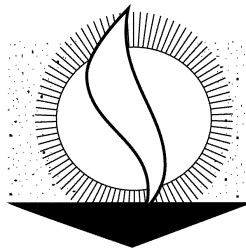
Please see our website www.csjthewell.org to register and for further details on these and many other wonderful programs. Or call us at 708-482-5048.

ONE HOPE: TWO CONGREGATIONS IN CONVERSATION

Jesus prayed “that all may be one.” These words adorn the central window of Unity Hall and are at the heart of our mission in Christ. As we commemorate the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther’s call for reform in the Church, I invite you to gather with our sisters and brothers from Grace Lutheran Church for three nights of conversation and fellowship. We will use the book “One Hope”, a collaborative effort of Lutheran and Catholic scholars, to guide our conversation. The book is small, and is written to be accessible to all; **you need no formal theological background to participate.** Join Pastor Said Ailabouni and me on three Monday evenings, **October 16, October 23, and November 6, from 7:00-8:30** in Unity Hall. We all will converse with one another about shared values that lead us to deeper unity as disciples of Christ. I also invite you to participate in our monthly Taize prayer with Grace Lutheran at Grace Lutheran on Friday, October 13, and with Grace Lutheran at St. Francis Xavier on Friday, November 10. We also have been invited to attend the **9:30 worship service at Grace Lutheran on Sunday, October 29.** Let us all hope toward a church in which “all may be one”.

Please RSVP for the “One Hope” sessions at
<http://gracelutheran-lg.org/One-Hope-Registration>

Peace,
Fr. Bill Tkachuk



The word
of the Lord
lights the way

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Interfaith Career Network

Career Transition Boot Camp - Week 3

ICN invites you to join us on Tuesday, October 3 from 7:00-9:00 pm at The First Baptist Church Church of LaGrange, 20 North Ashland Avenue. Being able to articulate and tell your story is **one of the most critical elements of a job search.** This week Dennis Hamilton will help you craft that all important "Elevator Speech". Time will be allowed to practice your personal elevator speech with fellow attendees. There is no cost to attend the Boot Camp. You are encouraged to attend every session to make the most out of the training. Missed weeks 1 and 2, come anyway. It's never too late to begin a successful job search! For further information, please contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com

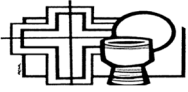


Please Pray For...all those serving in the military including:

- **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
- **Staff Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF**—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- **U.S. Navy James Lynch & Christopher Cugier, Air Force**—cousin and nephew of Sr. Helen Sullivan
- **Ensign Jonathan Devitt Brown**—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
- **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
- **Master Sgt. Andrew Lang**—son of Marge & Ray Lang
- **Scott Conway, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Robert Dunne & Mark Conway
- **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 William Baker, U.S. Army**—son of Meg & Barry Baker
- **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 Julia & Anthony Ciaccia and granddaughter of Harold Held
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **SPC Matthew Alvis, U.S. Army**—cousin of the Tschaikovsky Family
- **Michael Rodden, USAF & Christopher Osterhaus, USMC**—son and nephew of John & Vicki Rodden
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Ensign Julia McKenna, U.S. Navy**—friend of John Rogers
- **Robert Weiler, U.S. Navy**—brother of Rebecca Dionisio

Please inform us of others serving in the military...and let us know when friends and loved ones return from deployment overseas.

Email the bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.



Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—October 7-8, 2017

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Cantors	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	A. Mulcahy J. Kelly N. Whelton	M. Becker S. Devitt K. Kanzer D. Mulvenna K. Murphy K. Preussner C. Witt L. Young Not Filled	E. Newman R. Newman C. Gonzalez	G. Adams	M. Becker
7:30 AM	Fr. Killeen	T. Marthaler G. Schuler R. Hillsman	S. Augustyn M. Hermesdorf N. Kalkowski K. McInerney P. Olson	C. Schodrof B. McGovern K. Smith	S. VanOrdstrand	C. Urbain
9:00 AM	Fr. Killeen	G. Prendergast K. Burns O. Washburn	M.A. Barry C. Pratali R. Pratali J. Prendergast D. Sherman J. Sosnowski T. Urchell J. Van Gorp L. Weyrauch	C. Holmes A. Holmes L. Nowak	C. Kline Gallery Choir	J. Burson
10:30 AM	Fr. Ilo	E. Anderson T. Layden S. Zlatic	M.P. Flaherty J. Garreau A. Gatsos D. Kriha O. Lastres P. McGinnis J. Nowak L. Ovnik Not Filled	E. Madden T. Dudek A. McCarty	J. Pfluger Celebration Ensemble	K. Titzer
12:00 PM	Fr. Ilo	I. Havenaar C. Borowski J. Jagodzinski	A. Chimento L. Donegan B. Edelmann K. Johnson M. K. Pasin	Q. Siegel R. Wheeler H. Labrador	J. Petkus	J. Svehla
6:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	Quest Teen	Quest Teens		Spirit Choir	

Readings For The Week of October 1, 2017

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
 Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10
 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56
 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62
 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12
 Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16
 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24
 Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43



St. Francis Xavier Personnel

Pastoral Ministry

Pastor
Associate Pastor
Deacon
Pastoral Associate
Weekend Sacramental Ministers
Weekend Sacramental Ministers

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Rev. William Killeen
Mr. Andrew Allison
Dr. Kate DeVries
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Day School Secretary (Main Campus)
Day School Secretary (East Campus)
Coordinator (East Campus)
Advancement Director
Tuition Accounts
Religious Education Coordinator/Sacrament Prep
Religious Education Office Staff
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Mrs. Sharon Garcia
Mrs. Janice Carr
Mrs. Mary Hoffman
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Parish Web Sitewww.sfxlg.org

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday.....8:30 am-8:30 pm
Saturday.....9:00 am-5:00 pm
Sunday.....9:00 am-2:00 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)

Holy Days of Obligation as scheduled in bulletin.

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 Wednesday7:45 and 9:00 am
Thursday.....9:00 am
Friday.....7:45 am
Saturday.....9:00 am

Word Communion Services

Thursday.....7:45 am
Friday.....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. All articles must be emailed to the
bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.

Domestic Violence Resources

Family Shelter Services—24 hr. counseling 630-469-5650
LaGrange Police Emergency Assistance 911 or 708-579-2354

Food Pantry

The St. Francis Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 9:30 to
11:00 am. The pantry serves clients who live in the 60525 and
60526 zip codes.

Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

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

Infant Baptisms

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

Marriage

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

Parish Counselor

All counseling services are confidential, respectful, understanding, and
take place in a safe environment. Counseling and psychotherapy
services are available for individuals, couples, and families
experiencing difficulty with anxiety, depression, grief, relationship
conflicts, work stress or job loss problems, or feelings of being
overwhelmed. For further information or to make an appointment, call
our parish counselor, Nancy Kennedy, 773-643-6259 ext. 31 at the
Claret Center or email nkennedy4@luc.edu.