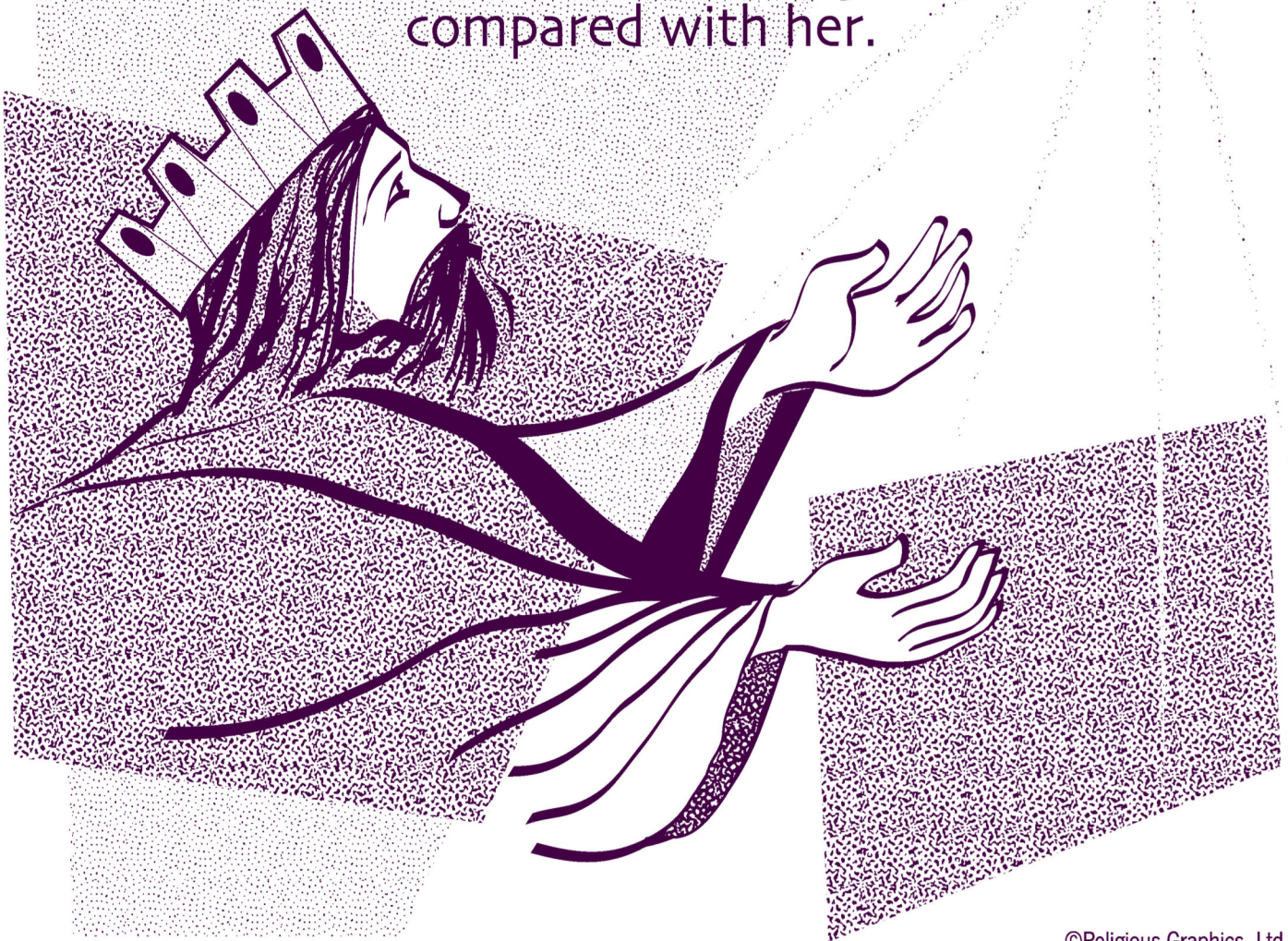


SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 10, 2021



I prayed,
and prudence was given to me.
I pleaded,
and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I preferred her to scepter and throne
and deemed riches as nothing
compared with her.



Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, October 11	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Carol Grimes	The Westerhoff Family
Tuesday, October 12	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Marie Ann Barry	Barb Zahorik
Wednesday, October 13	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Betty & Bernard Martin & The Swieton Family	The Martin Family
Thursday, October 14	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, October 15	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Bill Purcell, Sr. Madeline White	The Bock & Purcell Families Liz Wilk
Saturday, October 16	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Fred Westhoff	Barb Zahorik
Sunday, October 17	Mass	7:30 am	James M. Daly	Patrick Daly
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	9:00 am	Corey Sean Chakeen Richard & Marilyn Ryan Ken Kostal Norm Wasz	The Welch Family Bob & Jennifer Driscoll John & Marilyn Lux Shirley Wyrembek
	Mass	11:00 am	Bob O'Malley	Karen Fourreau
	Mass	5:00 pm	Mary Ann Slowik	Lenore Caprata

President's Schedule for October 9-10, 2021~Mass Time

5:00 pm Fr. Barrett

7:30 am Fr. Milek

9:00 am Fr. Tkachuk

11:00 am Fr. Milek

5:00 pm Fr. Ilo

Please pray for . . .

Jay Carroll	Gert Ogilvie
Chili Challender	Jane O'Reilly
Blake Donegan	Ryan Patyk
Barbara Doyle	Donna Pekarek
Matthew Doyle	James Pridmore
Lily Fielding	Baby Lucia R.
Terry Gazdziak	Madison Raupp
Lilli Gregory	Marjorie Reimann
Wilson Gregory	Nicholas Rink
Rose Ilo	Anna Rose
Mary J.	Bill Sanders
Jane Jacobsen	Kristin Sandoval
Theresa Kandall	Peter Sannasardo
Wayne Kardatzke	Rita Scalcon
Mark Kiley	Jerry Spearman, Sr.
Robert Kozak	Gavin Stella
Juliette Lopez	John Stopka
Lisa Massaro	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Ron Minella	Thomas Trauscht
Patrick Morgan	Gregory Van Gorp
Mike Morrison	Liz Wilk
Bernice Niemiec	

To add a name to the prayer list for friends and relatives who are sick, please call the rectory at 708-352-0168.

Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

Born Into Eternal Life



Mark Buzzelli

Brother of Lisa, John, Lauren & Dan

Margaret LaLonde

Mother of Dan

Daniel Lisek

Uncle of Brian Lisek

Weddings

Becca Hamilton & Isaac Bustos
Magdalena Szakola & Willem de Koning
Sydney Schubert & Sam Gutilla
Katherine Bindon & Robert Goshorn



Readings For The Week of October 10, 2021

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Heb 4:12-13/
Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/
Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Pastor's Notes

*"I prayed, and prudence was given me."
Wisdom 7:7*

The author of the Book of Wisdom praises the gift of prudence, good judgment, above all else. He praises neither riches nor power nor social status, but rather the ability to discern how such things are best to be used in God's service and the pursuit of a holy life. Such is the poverty of the young man in today's gospel. He knows the great commandments of a holy life and has lived by them all; but he seeks more. Mark tells us that Jesus looked on him, with love, and tells him that he is but lacking in one thing. He asks him to be prudent in relation to the things in his life. If his true desire is to become a disciple, he must sell all his possessions, which apparently have become a preoccupation in his life, and then give the money to the poor.

Some hear this gospel and ask, "What's wrong with being wealthy?" Nothing! The heart of the story is that, for this young man, his possessions are clouding his judgment and keeping him from pursuing the call he hears in his heart. Nonetheless, Jesus, we are told, looks at him with love before asking what he knows will, at first, seem impossible to the young man. Only the grace of prudence will allow him, in time, to let go of what holds him back to as to embrace what calls him forward.

Last weekend was an active one for our parish elementary school community. The entire student body gathered for the first time in one place for an outdoor Homecoming Pep Rally. The youngest of our students returned that evening for the return of the Ice Cream Social, also an outdoor event this year. A track meet, the Homecoming Parade and tailgate party, and two football games filled out the weekend. The parish School of Religious Education launched a new year with grade level sessions provided

by catechists in an asynchronous, virtual format. During our gradual move beyond a world shaped by COVID, this year's program will offer opportunities for parents to be more involved in their children's religious formation. This includes a request for each family to attend weekly Mass in person or to watch the livestream on Sunday or during the week, and then to discuss what they learned and experienced.

Last Sunday also was the annual Christifideles Ceremony at Holy Name Cathedral, honoring women and men from across the Archdiocese for their servant leadership in their home parish. Those who receive the award have been nominated by their Parish Council or other parish leadership. Our Parish Pastoral Council created a large list of candidates and finally chose Elizabeth Cooley as the St. Francis Xavier recipient for 2021. If you do not know Elizabeth personally, you probably have seen her at the doors of church as she worked with another parishioner to coordinate the greeters who made it possible to provide Masses, Baptisms, Weddings, and Funerals within the COVID protocols. But well before this, Elizabeth has been an advocate for youth, including leading Quest groups for high school teens during all of the years her own children have been in high school. She has been active in a variety of parish ministries, and ready to invest her time and talent to serve others and our shared parish mission. Thank you and congratulations, Elizabeth!

May we all pray for the prudence to use well what God has given us.

Autumn Peace,

J. Bill



Indigenous Peoples' Day

In observance of the Indigenous Peoples' Day/Columbus Day holiday, the rectory phones will be answered by the service starting on Friday, October 8 at 5:00 pm through Monday, October 11. A staff person will be answering phones beginning on Tuesday, October 12 at 8:30 am.

Weekend Mass Updates at St. Francis Xavier!

The CDC has revised its recommendations on wearing masks in indoor, public spaces, following evidence that the COVID delta strain can spread rapidly even among fully vaccinated individuals. The parish Leadership Reopening Team has determined how we will respond to provide the safest possible environment for all who worship at St. Francis Xavier.

The following **changes** to our Sunday Mass protocols are **now in effect**.

- ◆ **Masks are required for everyone** over age 2, regardless of vaccination status.
- ◆ **We invite everyone to sing with your mask in place!** Pick up a bulletin as you enter church for the words to the hymns. As you leave, place any bulletins you are not taking home in the recycle baskets at each door.
- ◆ Please wait for an usher to invite your pew to come forward for communion. With your mask in place, receive the host in your hand and move six feet to the side before removing your mask to consume the host.

The following protocols remain **unchanged**.

- ◆ **All church doors remain open** for all worshippers.
- ◆ **Unity Hall remains open to families with small children** to offer a remote viewing option on Saturdays at 5PM and Sundays at 9AM and 11AM. This is only for families with small children and no cold symptoms.
- ◆ Every other pew in the back of church and in the east transept is not available for seating. These areas provide social distance for parents with infants, those with immune issues, and those not yet comfortable being closer than six feet. All other pews are available for general seating.
- ◆ Please avoid physical contact with those not of your own household, especially during the **Sign of Peace**. A nod or a wave is always appropriate.

Thank you for your continued understanding and patience.

Fr. Bill

Greeters Welcome

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

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

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



That Man Is You: "BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART"

Fellowship and formation for men!
Every Sunday night in Unity Hall from 8:00pm to 9:30pm

Join the 25+ men already participating as we learn about and discuss men's leadership in our families and the church.

Watch Promo Video

www.youtube.com/watch?v=4mT35KvINvM.

Interested? Contact

mike.jakubisin@gmail.com or
www.admin.paradisusdei.org/location_details/st-francis-xavier-la-grange to register.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES 2021 Fall Drive

Please join the Knights in helping families & seniors struggling to make ends meet.

For links to click instead of typing, text or email F4F



to 708-207-2780 or Council6483@gmail.com or point your phone camera at the QR codes below.



Donate to St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry or point your phone camera at the QR code to the left.

www.givecentral.org/location/218/category/167/event/5199



GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY.

Donate to Chicago Food Depository or point your phone camera at the QR code to the left.

www.chicagosfoodbank.org



Donation pick-up at your home.

Text or email F4FPICKUP to 708-207-2780 or Council6483@gmail.com

Questions? Text or email Mike Hattie at 708-207-2780 or Council6483@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

SFX Alumni News

Fenwick High School has announced that the following alumna of St. Francis Xavier School, LaGrange, IL, has been named a Commended Student in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program. Some 34,000 Commended Students throughout the United States are recognized for their exceptional academic promise. We congratulate:



Lisa Grace Dillon SFX '18, Fenwick HS '22

In May, 2021, Nazareth students took AP exams in 12 different areas. The following alumni of St. Francis Xavier School, LaGrange, IL, have earned Advanced Placement Scholar Awards in recognition of their exceptional achievement. We congratulate.



AP Scholars with Distinction

Daniel Metzger SFX '17, Nazareth Academy '21
Jordan Veome SFX '17, Nazareth Academy '21

AP Scholars with Honors

Jack Flynn SFX '18, Nazareth Academy '22
Ethan Man SFX '18, Nazareth Academy '22

AP Scholars

Brigid Anderson SFX '18, Nazareth Academy '22

SFX Alumni / LTHS AP Scholars

SFX Alumni at Lyons Township High School have been named Advanced Placement Scholars in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Program Exams. Students took AP exams in May 2021 after completing challenging college-level courses.

AP Scholar with Distinction

Ryan Dunn SFX '17, LTHS '21
Will Houston SFX '17, LTHS '21
Tiernan Kelly SFX '18, LTHS Senior
Eddie Navarro SFX '17, LTHS '21
Emma Newman SFX '18, LTHS Senior
Joe O'Connell SFX '17, LTHS '21
Evan Madden SFX '18, LTHS Senior



AP Scholar with Honor

Will Carroll SFX '18, LTHS Senior
Ella Fix SFX '17, LTHS '21
Dailey Newcomb SFX '18, LTHS Senior

AP Scholar

Connor Carroll SFX '19, LTHS Junior
Nora Daley SFX '17, LTHS '21
Sawyer Mafell SFX '17, LTHS '21
Emmet Mahoney SFX '18, LTHS Senior



Congratulations to All!



Nazareth Academy In-Person Open Houses Sunday, October 17 & Monday, October 18

Prospective students and families are encouraged to Discover Nazareth Academy high school at an in-person Open House this fall. Visit on Sunday, October 17 at 10:00 am or Monday, October 18 at 6:30 pm. Learn all about Scholarship, Service, Spirit and Unity at Nazareth through formal presentations, guided tours and time to visit with students, faculty, staff and coaches. **Pre-registration is REQUIRED** at www.nazarethacademy.com. **Space is limited.**

Nazareth Academy is a Catholic, coed, college prep high school dedicated to living Jesus' mission of unity and committed to educating the whole person. Nazareth is located at 1209 West Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park.

Alena Murguia, Class of 1989
Communications Manager
amurguia@nazarethacademy.com
708-387-8536

NAZARETH ACADEMY
Create Your Legacy!

CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL



Church League Boys Basketball is Back!

All high school boys in 9th-12th grade are invited to play friendly, competitive basketball games against other church teams in the vicinity.

Practices are one night/week and games are usually played on Saturday nights (possible Sundays). Location: TBD. Practices start in November and games begin in December. The cost is \$125/player and includes gym practice time and a T-shirt.

To register, please go to Youth Ministry page on SFX website:

<https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Youth%20Ministry%7Church%20League%20Bball%3E%3EBoys>

Covid protocols currently call for everyone to wear a mask; however, this is subject to change based on State and Archdiocese Covid rules.

We would love to have teens involved in our 5pm Sunday Mass as Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers!

Trainings will be held this weekend:

Lector training will be BEFORE mass at 4:40

EM training will be AFTER mass at 6:00 on

Please contact Katie McCarthy directly if interested in participating.

Katie McCarthy:
EMAIL - kmccarthy@getblueprint.com
or TEXT - 312-953-9281



The 16th Annual SFX Falcon 5K is back LIVE!

We are excited to announce that the race will be **Saturday, November 6, 2021.**

Please check out our website:
www.sxfalcon5k.com to register and see the changes for the 2021 race.

It is very important to register by Sunday, October 17 to receive a technical race shirt.

DON'T DELAY! REGISTER TODAY!

Want to volunteer or sponsor? Questions?

Please contact Meghan Fijal at
Falcon5KSFX@gmail.com

SFX Family Outreach Ministry

The SFX Family Outreach Ministry Committee is looking for new families to join us in planning volunteer opportunities in and around our community. The Family Ministry Committee gives families a chance to have fun and work together while serving others in need. Please consider joining us and help us make a difference! Interested? Email Ana Dimailig at apd3@core.com or Rachel Peterson at petersonrtw@sbcglobal.net.

*Lord of the Harvest,
bless the work of our hands*



**Our Finances as of
September 2021**



**Monthly Electronic Offerings
(EFT and Credit Card)**

September 2021 \$70,236
September 2020 \$71,370

Monthly Basket Offerings

September 2021 \$38,807
September 2020 \$30,782

**Other offertory
(stock, donor advised funds, etc.)**

September 2021 \$16,609
September 2020 \$8,794

God bless you for your support of
St. Francis Xavier Parish!

**SFX Men's Club
Pig Roast 2021**

The 2021 Pig Roast is being rescheduled.
More details to follow.
Contact Matt Hubert at
mthubert@gmail.com
for more information.

**Kitchen
Angels**

The Kitchen Angels are a group of parishioners who help people by bringing meals to their homes. The Kitchen Angels have been in existence for many years yet many of our parishioners are not aware of this outreach ministry.

If you know of a person or a family who could use some meals, or if you are interested in becoming a Kitchen Angel, please contact **Susie Lehuta** at 708-354-6380 or lehutams@gmail.com.

**Eagle Scout Service Project
by Peter Geneser**



Hello parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Church, My name is Peter Geneser and I am a Life Scout with Boy Scout Troop 117 in Western Springs. I am a Junior at Nazareth Academy High School and I am working on my Eagle Scout Service Project to provide religious items and personal care items to U.S. Veterans. I am asking for your help to collect travel-size toiletries and gently used or new religious items to be distributed to U.S. Veterans hospitalized in local VA Healthcare Centers. All donated religious items will be blessed by a member of the clergy before distribution. My hope is to distribute these items on Veterans Day, November 11, 2021. A collection box and flyer has been placed in the parish Narthex for your donations.

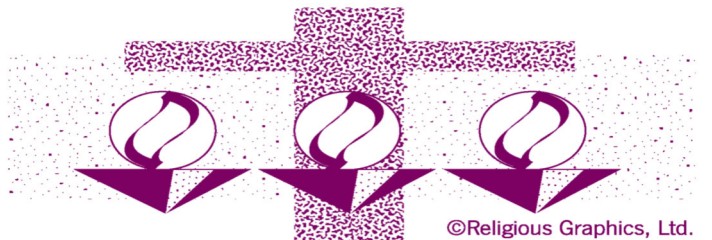
All cash donations should be made in an envelope marked Eagle Scout Project-117 and donations by check should be made payable to BSA Troop 117. All monetary donations should be dropped off at the SFX rectory and not in the mass collections.

Travel-size toiletries needed:

- Deodorant
- Toothpaste / Toothbrushes
- Shaving cream / Disposal razors
- Shampoo
- Liquid soap or body wash (no bar soap please)
- other travel size toiletries.

New or gently used religious items needed:

- Small crosses
- Rosaries
- Prayer cards
- Saint necklaces or medals





**Songs for October 10, 2021
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Opening Hymn: "The Summons" *7:30 – vss. 1 & 2 only

Verse 1

Will you come and fol-low me If I but call your name?
Willl you go where you don't know And nev-er be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown In you and you in me?

Verse 2

Will you leave your-self be-hind If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind And nev-er be the same?
Will you risk the hos-tile stare Should your life at-tract or scare?
Will you let me an-swer prayer In you and your in me?

Verse 3

Will you let the blind-ed see If I but call your name?
Will you set the pris-'ners free And never be the same?
Will you kiss the lep-er clean, And do such as this un-seen,
And ad-mit to what I mean In you and you in me?

Verse 4

Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but fear in-side And nev-er be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found To re-shape the world a-round,
Through my sight and touch and sound In you and you in me?

Responsorial Psalm 90: "Fill Us With Your Love"

**Refrain: "Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy."**

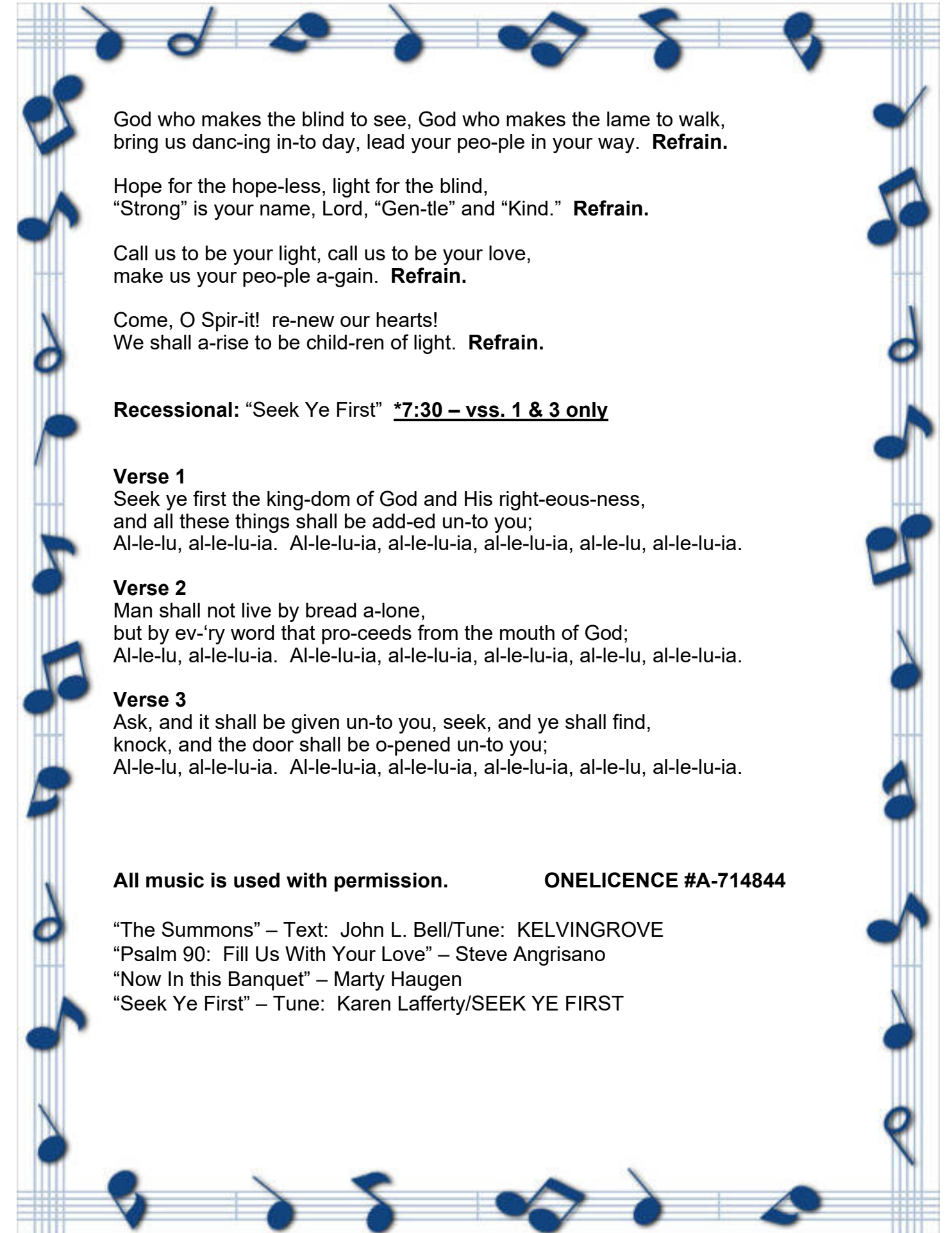
Communion Hymn: "Now In this Banquet"

Refrain.

**Now in this ban-quet, Christ is our bread; Here shall all hun-gers be fed.
Bread that is bro-ken, wine that is poured, Love is the sign of our Lord.**

You who have touched us and graced us with love,
make us your peo-ple of good-ness and light. **Refrain.**

Let our hearts burn with the fire of your love;
o-pen our eyes to the glo-ry of God. **Refrain.**



God who makes the blind to see, God who makes the lame to walk,
bring us danc-ing in-to day, lead your peo-ple in your way. **Refrain.**

Hope for the hope-less, light for the blind,
“Strong” is your name, Lord, “Gen-tle” and “Kind.” **Refrain.**

Call us to be your light, call us to be your love,
make us your peo-ple a-gain. **Refrain.**

Come, O Spir-it! re-new our hearts!
We shall a-rise to be child-ren of light. **Refrain.**

Recessional: “Seek Ye First” *7:30 – vss. 1 & 3 only

Verse 1

Seek ye first the king-dom of God and His right-eous-ness,
and all these things shall be add-ed un-to you;
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.

Verse 2

Man shall not live by bread a-lone,
but by ev-‘ry word that pro-ceeds from the mouth of God;
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.

Verse 3

Ask, and it shall be given un-to you, seek, and ye shall find,
knock, and the door shall be o-pened un-to you;
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.

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“The Summons” – Text: John L. Bell/Tune: KELVINGROVE

“Psalm 90: Fill Us With Your Love” – Steve Angrisano

“Now In this Banquet” – Marty Haugen

“Seek Ye First” – Tune: Karen Lafferty/SEEK YE FIRST

“We believe that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is a ‘Gospel of life.’ It invites all persons and societies to a new life lived abundantly in respect for human dignity.”

Living the Gospel of Life: A Challenge to American Catholics, Statement by USCCB

OCTOBER – RESPECT LIFE THEMES

Oct 3	Life & Creation
Oct 10	New Life <i>Families & Children in the Womb, Foster Care, Adoption</i>
Oct 17	Life & Dignity
Oct 24	Life & the Common Good
Oct 31	End of Life

TAKING ACTION FOR NEW LIFE:

- Check out our new “Elizabeth Ministry” serving women and families through the joys, trials, and sorrows of the childbearing years
- Pray with Romans 8:15 - In Jesus we “have received a spirit of adoption through which we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’”
- Visit Catholic Charities Adoption Services web page <https://www.catholiccharities.net/GetHelp/OurServices/Adoption.aspx>

UPCOMING/ONGOING RESPECT LIFE EVENTS

Month of October: Annual **Women’s Care Center Baby Bottle Donation Drive**

Envelopes will be available October 16th & 17th or online donations can be made at:

www.supportwomenscarecenter.org/donate/ Choose the Chicago/LaGrange location.

Sept 22 – Oct 31: 40 Days for Life. Help save lives through the power of prayer. <http://www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove>

Oct 12, 7-8pm: Area Respect Life Meeting with St. Cletus & St. John of the Cross. Contact Kendall at kgrant@stcletusparish.com for zoom meeting link.

Oct 27, 6-8pm: Women’s Care Center Fundraiser at Soldier Field
<https://supportwomenscarecenter.org/youre-invited-to-something-special>

RESOURCES

Women’s Care Center – 136 N La Grange Rd, La Grange | 708-352-5000

Provides free, confidential counseling, support, education, pregnancy tests and ultrasounds to women facing unplanned pregnancies. Since opening in May 2018, the La Grange WCC has welcomed and supported over 1100 babies and their families.

PILLARS | Hotlines: Domestic violence: 708-485-5254 | Sexual assault: 708-482-9600

Provides health and social services. Domestic and sexual violence staff serve clients through free 24-hour hotlines. 708-PILLARS for all services including mental health.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI): The Living Room | 4731 Willow Springs Rd, La Grange | 708-524-2582

Provides free peer counseling to anyone feeling scared, anxious, angry, sad, or just needs someone to talk to. Open every day 1pm - 9pm, must be 18 or older.

GOSPEL OF LIFE PRAYER

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life: Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life. – St. John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*

CROP HUNGER 5K WALK

CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS & QUEST GROUPS
GREAT SERVICE OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL AGES!

October 17, 2021 @12:30pm

Meet at St. John's Lutheran Church
(Corner of 47th Street & Brainard Avenue)

Suggested Donation: \$5/person.
Please bring a nonperishable food item
to be shared with local pantries.

Walk will start and end at St. John's.

You may register and donate in person or
go online to

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/st-francis-xavier-lagrange>

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Please join keynote speaker Coach Lou Holtz
at this fun, one-of-a-kind event

Wednesday, October 27

United Club at Soldier Field

*benefiting the moms and babies of our community
served by Women's Care Center.*



1,893 babies

were born last year to our Chicago area
Women's Care Center moms.

Your support of this event helps young women from
our community choose life for their babies, have healthier
pregnancies, and become more self-sufficient parents.



For more information, please visit:

www.supportwomenscarecenter.org/youre-invited-to-something-special

Questions? Contact Charlie Williams by phone at (574) 387-1332 or email Charlie@supportwcc.org



Please register for programs at The Well Spirituality Center www.csjthewell.org.

Introduction to the Enneagram on Saturday, October 16 from 9:30am-12:00 pm with Facilitator: JoAnne McElroy. Gain a greater understanding of yourself using the Enneagram, a powerful spiritual and psychological tool for transformation. \$30.

Ripening: The Spiritual Harvest of Poets in Their Later Years Retreat on Friday and Saturday, October 29 from 7:00 pm-October 30 at 3:00 pm with Facilitator: Mark S. Burrows. This retreat invites participants into the probing wisdom of selected contemporary poets, harvesting the gifts of their "late" writings that come from the depths of long experience. \$75.

The Our Father: Entering Into the Consciousness of Jesus on Mondays, November 1-15 from 7:00-8:00 pm with Facilitator: Jack Shea. The Lord's Prayer/Our Father is easy to take for granted. But it may contain more than we suspect. It is a detailed set of evocative images that align us with the mind of Jesus. \$75 series.

Interfaith Career Network

Learn from A Millennial Recruiter How to Prepare to Promote Your Experience in Advance of Your Next Interview

Looking for a new job? Join us for this in-person event on Thursday, October 21, 7:00-8:30 pm. With more Millennials and Gen-Z-ers ascending into the workplace, navigating and understanding a multi-generational workplace is vital. Our speaker, Nicole Magats, is a millennial career coach and recruiter. She will share what we can learn from younger generations about the job search and how to best work with Millennials and Gen-Z recruiters and hiring managers. We look forward to seeing you again at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, in Western Springs.

Quarterly Resume Review

Join us in-person on Saturday, October 23 from 9:00-11:00 am for a helpful 20-minute, one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional. Pick up some new ideas and suggestions that could enhance or refresh your resume. Need some coaching with your elevator speech? Want to brush up on LinkedIn? This is your opportunity to add impact and clarity to your existing resume. We look forward to seeing you at St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 West 55th Street, in LaGrange.

Please note: this review will be in-person and **masks are required**. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend. Visit us at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org for additional resources.

Fall Adult Confirmation

The Adult Confirmation Program is a pre-sacramental program intended for adults who have received the sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion and seek to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Preparation sessions are available this fall. The preparation program will be offered in English and Spanish over Zoom. There is a fee of \$60 per participant.

English sessions will occur on Tuesday evenings, 7:00-9:00 pm (October 12-November 30). Learn more and register familyministries@archchicago.org.

Spanish sessions will occur on Wednesday evenings, 7:00-9:00 pm (October 6-December 1, excluding the week of Thanksgiving). Learn more and register familyministries@archchicago.org.

The celebration of the sacrament will occur on Friday, December 10 at Our Lady of Charity Catholic Church. For more information contact familyministries@archchicago.org.

Thank You

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Sincerely, Angel Gutierrez, Vice President of Institutional Advancement



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Rectory Hours

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

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

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning9:00-10:00 am
Reconciliations are being heard in the lower vestibule of Unity Hall between the church and education building.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday - Friday)9:00 am-Noon
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus
St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday)8:00 -10:00 am

Bulletin Deadline

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

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Food Pantry

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Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

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

Infant Baptisms

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

Marriage

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

Parish Counselor

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

All counseling services are confidential and respectful. If you are curious about self-exploration, need help managing your mood and anxiety, long for a quiet and safe space, or feel the need to recalibrate, consider making an appointment, with our parish counselor, Georgina Lopez, from the Claret Center (Georgina is also bilingual in English and Spanish. She can be reached by phone 323-487-2359 or email glopez.claret@gmail.com.

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