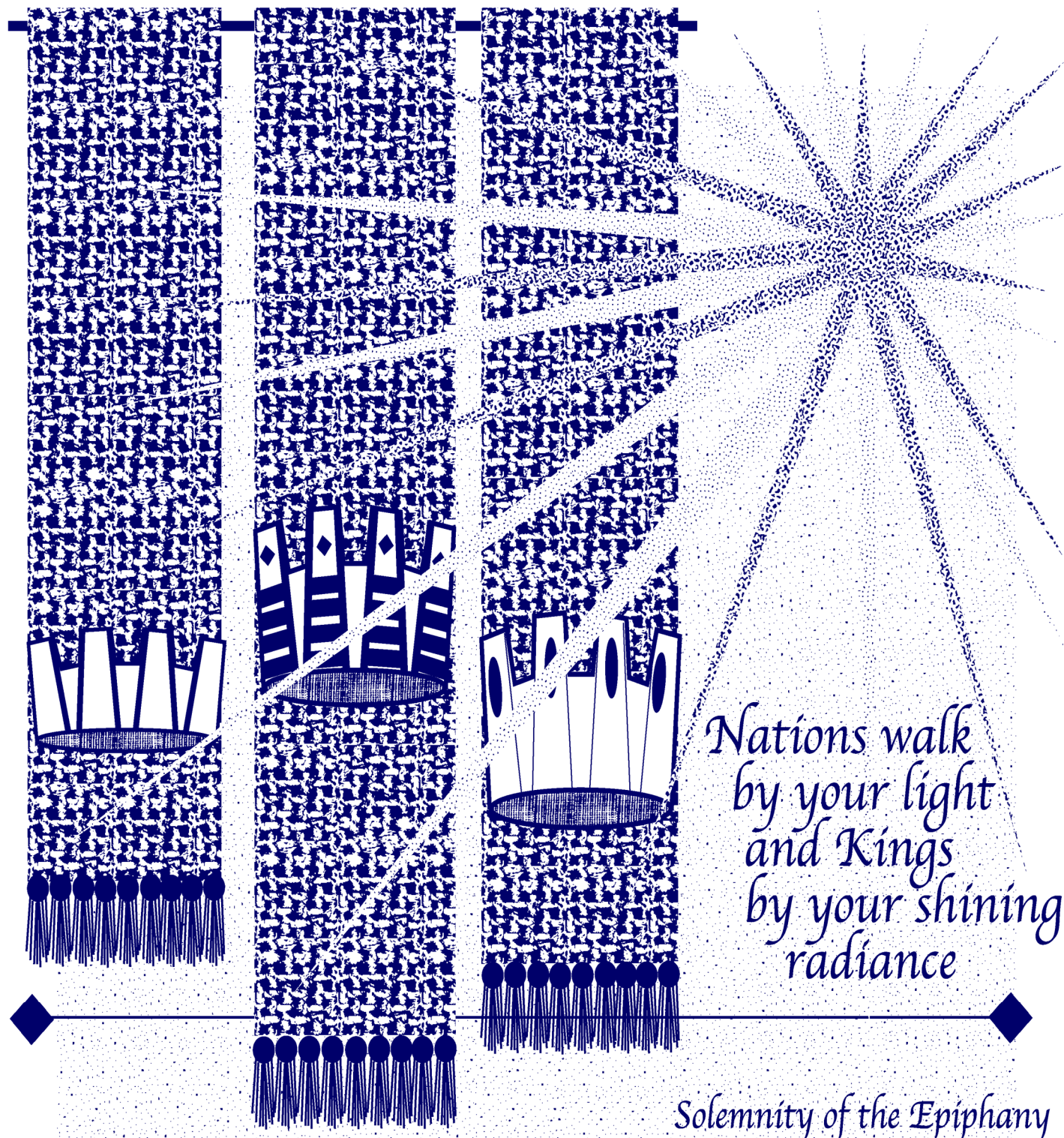


**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

**January 6, 2019**



*Nations walk  
by your light  
and Kings  
by your shining  
radiance*

*Solemnity of the Epiphany*

## Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, January 7 Saint Raymond of Penafort, Priest	7:45 am	Ruth & Anthony Bell Margo Pizzo	The Braasch Family Ann & Bob Blouin
	9:00 am	Peter Lucas	Rosemary Lucas
Tuesday, January 8	7:4 5am	Francis Aubry	The Fitzgerald Family
	9:00 am	Tad MacCartie	Pam Oplawski & Family
Wednesday, January 9	7:45 am	Michelle Maloney	The Jim Donahue Family
	9:00 am	Richard Hofstetter	The Hofstetter Family
Thursday, January 10	7:45 am	Word & Communion Service	
	9:00 am	Special Intention	
Friday, January 11	7:45 am	Stephen Nigida	Jeff & Shirley Augustyn
	9:00 am	Word & Communion Service	
Saturday, January 12	9:00 am	Vlasta Vicenik	Donna Mulvenna
	9:30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	3:00 pm	Wedding~Marie Harlander & Steven Stirn	
	4:15 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	5:00 pm	Charlene Mueller	The Kanzer Family
Sunday, January 13	7:30 am	People of the Parish	
	9:00 am	Elizabeth Barker	The Jacobs Family
	10:30 am	People of the Parish	
	12:00 pm	Joseph Nalepa	The Nalepa Family
	6:00 pm	People of the Parish	

## Please Pray For...

Tony Banda	Virginia Kottaridis
Jim Boardman	Edward Kudia
Jay Carroll	Betty Kuhl
Sam Cibula	Marion Lucas
Terry Conwell	Emmett Miller
Anthony Dina	Patrick Morgan
Blake Donegan	Mike Morrison
Fr. Dave Dowdle	Amanda O'Brien
Pat Eaton	Jane O'Reilly
William Egbert	Ryan Patyk
Lauren Ellsworth	Donna Pekarek
Lily Fielding	Carissa Pessetti
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick	James Pridmore
Lilli Gregory	Baby Madison Raupp
Wilson Gregory	Anna Rose
Patricia Hassler	Marilyn Rutkowski
Martha Heraty	Anthony Scafide
Linda Hillsman	Matthew Schiek
Barbara Hudson	Greyson Stanley
Rose Ilo	Sarah Stanley
Mary J.	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Jane Jacobson	Kristi Tannehill
Theresa Kandall	Anne Titzer
Mike Kelly	Michael Ungari
Benny Kilman	Amanda Valerugo
Jerry Kolman	Gregory Van Gorp

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:

***Josita Witte***  
Mother of Chris Witte

***Bernard McCaffery***  
Father of Dawn Neary



## Weddings

Marie Harlander & Steven Stirn

## Pastor's Notes

*Nations shall walk by your light.*  
Isaiah 60:3

*Happy New Year!*

We know little of the magi of Matthew's gospel, who arrive sometime after the birth of Jesus with their precious gifts. Tradition numbers them as three because of their three gifts; but we do not know their number. Matthew states that they come from "the East"; but we are not told their countries of origin. We know not whether they are men or women, young or old, familiar with one another or meeting on their common quest to find the king whose birth has been announced to them by a star in the heavens.

The early Jewish disciples of Jesus, for whom Matthew writes his gospel, see in the magi the fulfillment of an ancient prophecy: that people from all the nations would one day praise the Lord in Jerusalem. Ironically, the authorities in Jerusalem perceive news of this birth as a threat to their power. The same star that starts the magi on a pilgrimage to meet the newborn king also stirs the King Herod to demand the life of every male child under a certain age. Mary and Joseph become refugees in Egypt to escape Herod's cruelty and protect their child. Matthew's community is told that, from the moment of his birth, Jesus was received as both a sign of hope and a threat to religious and civil authorities. Who are the magi of our day that invite us to welcome the presence of God in our midst with open hearts? Who are the "nations" who seek to walk with us, guided by God's light?

The love of God in Jesus is indeed a light for all peoples and nations. The star in the night sky continues to lead us on a journey into the heart of God. Our journey is more likely to be one of connecting with those around us than with those from faraway lands. Yet we must always be open to the magi from afar who invite to see God acting in new and unexpected ways. We are seekers of the presence of Christ in our midst; and we welcome those who arrive at our door and whose gifts help us to see more clearly the love of God in our midst.

This is the twelfth day of Christmas, when drummers drum as magi bow and the birth of God's Word made human is revealed to all the world. May this feast of God's light and love for all peoples lead all to walk in the light of God's Love.

*Merry "Little Christmas"!*

*Christmas Peace,*

*F. Bill*

## Scripture Reflections

Reflection for the Epiphany of the Lord  
Liturgy Planning Team #1

Marge Branecki, Jude Dumfeh, Maureen Lang, Ed & Michelle Mirecki, Lisa Durham Young

We have all experienced moments or days of darkness. How beautiful the words of Isaiah are: "Rise up in splendor! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you." We probably all agree that a blue sky and warm shining sun is preferable to a gray, cloudy day. Those sunny days can make us smile; so, too, we can smile if we remind ourselves that our light has come, that the glory of the Lord shines upon us. In times of darkness can we remind ourselves of this glorious promise and see not darkness, but light? The light God promises us.

And then St. Paul talks about the stewardship of God's grace that was given to him. At St. Francis we have been thinking about our own stewardship. What can we do? Perhaps we can help people to see the light, not darkness. Perhaps we can remind people of God's glorious promise of light. God's light can be shared with others in many ways—through financial assistance, through physical help, or through positive words and friendly smiles. Any of those actions can be the Star that leads someone to Christ. We can be that Star.



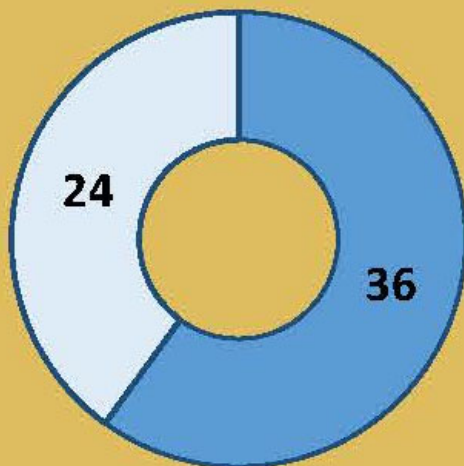
## Christmas 2018 Collection

### Your Parish Finances

Collection as of 12/28/18:	\$121,041
Christmas Budget:	\$155,000

Welcome 2019! Christmas contributions continue to come in. Your contributions supported the liturgical and music ministries that made the Advent and Christmas Masses so special!

### PROGRESS ON ONLINE GIVING GOAL



- New Online Donors as of 12/28/18
- Needed to Meet Goal

To enroll, simply text the word DONATE to 708-340-6630



## A Stewardship “Epiphany” in 2019

**What will a stewardship way of life look like in 2019?** What gifts of stewardship can we give to Jesus, just as the Magi did? The Magi did not seek out Jesus to gawk at Him, they sought to worship the newborn Lord. Part of that worship included offering gifts. I read an article from a priest years ago (I am embarrassed that I forgot his name, but his message stuck with me) that mentioned the three gifts offered to Jesus from the Magi: gold, frankincense, and myrrh and how they relate to gifts of stewardship. He explained that we can find symbolic meanings of stewardship behind these gifts. For gold, we might see this in relationship to treasure, which seems the most obvious out of the three. Frankincense is an ingredient in the incense used at Mass, which then can represent the time we offer in worship and prayer with God. Finally, he went on to mention that it takes effort and knowledge to transform and create perfumes, so myrrh is a fitting symbol for the gift of talent. All three gifts that the Magi presented to Jesus represent gifts of time, talent, and treasure we can share with our parish.

In 2019, let us consider how we choose to join the Magi.

- Our choice to worship together on Sunday, and to extend a warm welcome to an in-pew neighbor, are examples of our commitment to stewardship of time.
- Our choice to share our talents, as a Greeter, Eucharistic Minister, or catechist represents our willingness to share our talents.
- Our decision to place a regular financial gift (online or in the basket) to support the St. Francis Xavier mission and ministries shows care and attention to a shared responsibility for our spiritual home.



Each of us has a role to play!

During 2019, you will have the opportunity to share your time, talents, and treasure and we hope you will engage with the faith community in one or all of these stewardship practices. We are a unique place, made up of parishioners, visitors, Catholics, returning Catholics, de-churched or anonymous Catholics, and faithful from all denominations. **To provide nourishing Liturgies and sacraments, dynamic faith formation resources, and engaging and welcoming ministries, we need everyone's participation to the extent each is able.** As you reflect on your New Year's Resolutions for 2019, consider a resolution to be a good steward. Like the Magi, take a journey to a deeper relationship with Jesus by practicing a stewardship way of life in 2019.

*Adapted from an article by Katie Price  
(Archdiocese of Chicago's Stewardship and Development Office).*



### who

Two & Fall Three year olds!  
A parent or an adult caregiver must be present.  
Open to SFX school families, parishioners,  
and community members.

### what

Lil Falcon Fun: Play, sing, meet new friends!  
A casual, play-based program that would provide an  
opportunity to meet, socialize, and play together. Each  
class will include fun with literacy, music and movement.  
Younger siblings are welcome!

### when

Monday mornings from 9:00-9:45 am  
Twice a Month  
January 14 & 28; February 11 & 25; March 11 & 25;  
April 8 & 29 and May 6 & 20

### where

SFX Early Childhood Building  
21 N. Catherine, LaGrange  
Room 25 (second floor)

### why

Provide families an opportunity  
to engage and develop a sense of community.

### how

Register online at:  
<https://goo.gl/forms/S7DIAehHMYTAcUt73>  
Session fee is \$50/due at the first class.  
(Space is limited. Checks payable to SFX)

We encourage all to follow  
SFX School on social media:



SFX School Instagram:  
[@sfxlg\\_school](https://www.instagram.com/sfxlg_school)

Facebook SFX School site:  
<https://www.facebook.com/SFX.LG/>

Facebook SFX Alumni site:  
<https://www.facebook.com/sfxlgalumni/>

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

## Parish School Job Opening

Half-time PreK4 Teacher Assistant needed  
Monday-Friday from 7:45am-12:45 pm.

Please contact Principal Sharon Garcia at  
[sgarcia@sfxlg.org](mailto:sgarcia@sfxlg.org) or 708-352-2175.

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Saturday evening 5:00pm Mass offers the  
opportunity for children in Grades Kindergarten-Fourth  
to experience hearing and reflecting on the Word of the  
Lord in a way that is an empowering experience.  
Children in these grades are invited to follow their  
Reflector of the Word to a prayer space away from the  
gathered assembly to hear the Scriptures in words they  
can understand.

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place in church  
whenever the children's choirs lead us in song/prayer.  
The Scriptures we hear will then be taken from the  
Children's Lectionary and the homily will be given in a  
way that children are able to relate a little more readily.  
The children in Grades K thru 4 will go to their prayer  
space on the Saturdays that the choirs are not singing.

Here is the tentative schedule with the children's choirs:  
January 5 & 26;  
February 9 & 23;  
March 2; April 6

Children in Grades K-4 will be invited to join their  
Reflector in a prayer space away from the adults and to  
hear the Word of the Lord in words they can better  
understand on the following Saturdays (subject to  
change):

January 12 & 19; February 2 & 16;  
March 9, 16, 23, & 30; and April 27

You can call 708-352-0168 and direct your calls to:  
Terri Simeoni, RE Coordinator  
or  
Allen Sterwalt, Director of Music



## Box Tops For Education Collection

Please help in earning cash for our school. We would like  
your help in collecting Box Tops For Education. There  
will be a drop box located at the back of church in the  
vestibule. Please place Box Tops that you have collected  
inside.

Thank you for your help!

## Religious Education Class Dates

### Sundays

January 6                    At Home Lesson  
 January 13                Class  
 January 20                Class  
 January 27                At Home Lesson

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### Wednesdays

January 9                    At Home Lesson  
 January 16                Class  
 January 23                Class  
 January 30                At Home Lesson

## Religious Education Important Dates

**Grade 2 ~ Eucharistic Prep Liturgy**  
 Sunday, January 13 at 1:30 pm in Church

**Grade 5 ~ Reconciliation**  
 Sunday, January 20 during Class Time in Chapel  
 Wednesday, January 23 during Class Time in Chapel

**Grade 5 ~ Eucharistic Liturgy**  
 January 20 at 12:00 Noon in Church

## Welcome

We welcome the following parishioners who have registered during the month of December:

Rosemary Morman  
 Patrick & Katy Joyce  
 Dominik Bydlon  
 Curtis & Jennifer Musser  
 Stanley & Cynthia Kolodziej  
 David & Suzanne Ankenbruck  
 Anthony & Nancy Colagrossi



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## What's going on in Youth Ministry???

### Freshman/Sophomore Retreat

Interested in being a Eucharistic Minister or Lector for the 6pm Mass? Talk to Katie McCarthy, the 6pm Sacristan, before or after a 6pm Mass or contact Olivia Zurowski at [ozurowski@sfxlg.org](mailto:ozurowski@sfxlg.org) or 708-352-0168 to sign up!

### Quest Confirmation Social Justice Retreat

- If your teen is planning on attending the Feb 10 Social Justice retreat date, please register online!
- The link can be found on the Youth Ministry website.

### 2019 Summer Mission Trip



The 2019 Summer Mission Trip location has been determined: Springfield, KY! St. Francis has 30 (25 teens, 5 adults) spots reserved with Young Neighbors in Action for the June 23-28, 2019 trip to Springfield, KY. The registration form can be found on the Youth Ministry website. Contact Olivia Zurowski for more information.

## Baptism

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



**Monroe Elaine Medeiros**  
 Daughter of Andrew & Sara (McGinn) Medeiros

**Leo Anthony Domanico**  
 Son of Joseph & Alexa (Lopresti) Domanico

**Evelyn Grace Clarke**  
 Daughter of Tony Clarke & Gladys Velasquez

**Vivienne Mae Iliff**  
 Daughter of Stephen & Sarah (Weston) Iliff

**Jacob Michael Lanoue**  
 Son of John Lanoue & Maureen Hollinrabe

**George Auric Patariu**  
 Son of David & Sarah (Allison) Patariu





## Seasons of Hope

The loss of a loved one is a time of deep sorrow in our lives and grief is expressed in many ways.

SEASONS OF HOPE is a faith-based, healing program for those who have suffered such a loss.

To begin healing does not mean forgetting — our loved ones will be remembered forever. We can however, deepen our spirituality and faith by reflecting and sharing while being guided toward a path of healing. Our hope is strengthened in the sure knowledge that one day we will be reunited with our loved ones.

Participants meet in a small group setting guided by leaders who care and can relate to the depth of your sorrow as they too have experienced the loss of a loved one.

SEASONS OF HOPE is co-sponsored by St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross. The upcoming winter season will be at SFX.

Six Saturday mornings at 9:45 a.m.

January 12, 19, 26 - February 2, 9, 16

To register, call our office 708-352-0168 or do so at [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org)

## Respect Life Ministry



**Saturday, January 12, 2019**

**Chicago's Rose Dinner**

Patterinos (150 N. Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60601)  
Doors open at 5:30 pm, Cocktails begin at 6:00 pm

**Sunday, January 13, 2019**

**Youth Rally for Life**

Holy Name Cathedral Auditorium (751 N. State Street, Chicago, IL 60654) \$10, Doors open at 8:00 am

**Archdiocesan Mass for Life**

**(Celebrated by Cardinal Cupich)**

Holy Name Cathedral at 11:00 am

**March for Life Chicago**

Federal Plaza from 2:00-4:00 pm

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**Wednesday, January 16, 2019**

**Pilgrimage Send Off at St. Cletus**

6:00 pm at St. Cletus Parish Center

Join us in welcoming and sending off those participating in the pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. to join the National March for Life!



**Prayer for the World**

**Friday, January 11 from 7:00-8:00 pm**

**(also Friday February 8, March 15, and April 12)**

**Facilitator: Kathy Sherman, CSJ**

How powerful our prayer for the world we love becomes, when we gather together. Once a month, we will strengthen our bonds with one another and the community of our hurting earth, as we grow and deepen the incarnation of love.  
Cost: Free will offering.

**Practicing Peace Contemplative Prayer**

**Mondays from 11:00 am – Noon**

**January 14 & 28; February 11 & 25; March 11 & 25; April 8 & 22; May 13**

**Facilitator: Diane Pfahler, SND**

More than ever in our suffering world, we need to find ways to cultivate peace, kindness, and reverence for life. This prayer form (which includes music, peaceful relaxation and Centering Prayer) helps deepen one's relationship with God through restful silence.  
Cost: \$90 or \$10 per session.

The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, IL  
To register online and see complete list of our new 2019 Winter-Spring Programs:  
[www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or call 708-482-5048.

## **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 20**

**Come watch the NFL Conference Championships with SFX Men's Club**

Doors Open 1:30 PM  
Joyce Hall



\$25 per person  
BYOB

AFC @ 2:05 PM  
NFC @ 5:40 PM

Soda, Water, Food  
Squares Pool

Contact Matt Hubert at [mthubert@gmail.com](mailto:mthubert@gmail.com) for more information.

## 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!!!

## Taizé Prayer

St. Francis Xavier  
and  
Grace Lutheran

*All are invited to our  
Taizé Evening Prayer  
Friday, January 11  
7:30 pm  
at  
St. Francis Xavier*



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 of 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.

# The HATS We Wear

THE ST. FRANCIS XAVIER  
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB

*2019 Ladies Pre-Lent Event*

PROVERBS 31:31

"Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let  
her work bring her praise at the city gate."

Saturday, March 2, 2019

La Grange Country Club

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

*Open House style, come and go as your schedule permits.*

PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES AND FOOD STATIONS  
CASH BAR / LIVE MUSIC / BINGO / VENDORS

Register online at [www.prelentevent.com](http://www.prelentevent.com)

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:mthubert@gmail.com) or  
Joseph Enright at [joseph\\_owen@hotmail.com](mailto:joseph_owen@hotmail.com).



## REGISTRATION FORM

Have you been feeling like something is missing? Do you need a jump start in your faith journey? Do you need some time away with God? Join women just like you from our parish at the 2019 **WELCOME Women's Retreat!** Through stories, prayer, fellowship, and more you will find rest, be refreshed, and witness a new perspective on how God sees you and just how much you are loved. All women, no matter where you are on your spiritual journey, are **WELCOME!**

### Women's WELCOME Retreat Weekend

**Saturday, February 2 - Sunday, February 3, 2019**

Carmelite Spiritual Center

8419 Bailey Road

Darien, IL

Please arrive between 8:00 - 8:30 am on Saturday; we will conclude around 3:00 pm on Sunday. For questions, please contact Therese Bryne at (708) 588.0845

Scholarships are available — please contact Father Bill Tkachuk

You may complete the registration and pay online (please see our Facebook link below), place the registration form/payment in the collection basket or drop off at the Rectory to the attention of Jane Bandyk along with payment (payable to St. Francis Xavier Parish).



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**Women's Retreat Weekend**



**February 2 - 3, 2019**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Single Occupancy: \$140**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Double Occupancy: \$120; Room with:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Music preference: (please check): CD  **OR** Digital Playlist   
Emergency Contact

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list two people we may contact to ask to pray for you while on the **WELCOME** retreat (optional)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please visit our Facebook page for more details  
<https://www.facebook.com/WelcomeWomenSFX/>





## 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
- **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
- **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
- **Michael Rodden, USAF & Christopher Osterhaus, USMC**—son and nephew of John & Vicki Rodden
- **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

**Please inform us of those serving in the Military Overseas...  
and please let us know when friends and loved ones  
return from their deployment Overseas.  
Email the [bulletineditor@sfxlg.org](mailto:bulletineditor@sfxlg.org).**

## St. Francis Xavier Personnel

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*Deacon*  
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*Weekend Sacramental Ministers*

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*Advancement Director*  
*Tuition Accounts*  
*Religious Education Coordinator/Sacrament Prep*  
*Religious Education Office Staff*  
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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

### **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 Wednesday .....7:45 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 12:00 pm on the Friday 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](mailto: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**

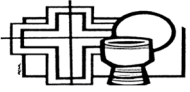
Please call the Parish Office for scheduled 1:30 pm Sunday Baptismal dates. Baptism Preparation Classes: 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm. We encourage participation in this program before the baby's birth or adoption.

### **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**

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, 708-325-8582 at the Claret Center or email [nkennedy4@luc.edu](mailto:nkennedy4@luc.edu).



## Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—January 12-13, 2019

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Cantors	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	C. Grech D. Mulvenna H. Fitzpatrick	L. Bannach T. Conwell C. Cooke K. Corrigan J. Denson S. Devitt K. Kanzer K. Preussner Open	P. Adams N. Strayer K. Adams	TBA	R. MacEntee
7:30 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	T. Nichol P. Olson T. Marthaler	S. Augustyn M. Hermesdorf K. Stetz J. Van Gorp D. Walsh	A. Holmes M. Burriesci C. Stetz	TBA	C. Urbain
9:00 AM	Fr. Muccino	A. Stowe K. Hayes J. Schaffer	R. Barker M. Branecki V. Bracht D. Carlson J. Cogelja A. Gargano B. McMahon P. O'Malley D. Sherman	A. McCarty E. Siffermann E. Fekrat	TBA	D. Sherman
10:30 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	S. Lastres C. Dillon B. Boyd	A. Clark J. Clark J. Garreau M. Joscelyn A. Krol O. Lastres S. Martin J. Nowak K. Witowski	T. Dudek E. Geraghty M. Kachmarik	TBA	M. Joscelyn
12:00 PM	Fr. Ilo	J. Hamilton L. Freda J. Gatsos	K. Borawski C. Gatsos K. Johnson N. L. Kampe M. O'Malley	R. Wheeler M. Merchant N. Olson	TBA	D. Foss
6:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	Quest Teen	Quest Teens		Spirit Choir	



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### Readings For The Week of January 6, 2019

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22--4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19--5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



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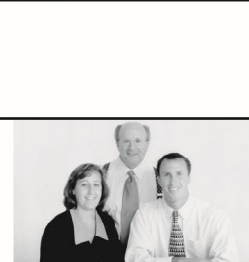


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