

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

2nd Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2020



You have been called to
a holy life because of

**CHRIST
✠ JESUS**

who destroyed
death and
brought life and
immortality to
light through
the gospel

This is my
BELOVED SON
Listen to him!

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, March 9	8:30 am	Ludmilla Mylniec	Nancy & Harry Devereux
Tuesday, March 10	7:45 am	Word & Communion Service	The Michael Griffin Family
	8:30 am	Susanne Griffin	
Wednesday, March 11	8:30 am	Bill White	Pam Oplawski
Thursday, March 12	7:45 am	Word & Communion Service	Antonio & Teresa Franzese
	8:30 am		
Friday, March 13	8:00 am	Stations of the Cross	Jerry & Nancy Johnson
	8:30 am	Claire Sharkey	
Saturday, March 14	9:00 am	Billy Wielgos	Raymond Wielgos
	9:30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The Rodgers Family
	4:15 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	5:00 pm	Elizabeth Hughes Special Intention	
Sunday, March 15 Third Sunday of Lent	7:30 am	Michael Bannach	Lillian Bannach
	9:00 am	Rose Curtsinger	Don & Nancy Leonard
	10:30 am	William Tomazen	Judy & Lorraine Ovnik
	12:00 pm	Linda Johannis-Risley	The Kiowka Family
		Bea Nelligan	Dolores Lewis
6:00 pm	Thomas Sorquist	The Eicken Family	

Please Pray For...

Jack Boyd	Brian Lisek
Jay Carroll	Patrick Morgan
Chili Challenger	Mike Morrison
Americo DiGianfillippo	Bernice Niemiec
Anthony Dina	Bert Ogilvie
Blake Donegan	Arnold Oppenheim
Lily Fielding	Jane O'Reilly
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick	Shawna Palazzolo
Lilli Gregory	Ryan Patyk
Wilson Gregory	Donna Pekarek
Brian Hahn	James Pridmore
Patricia Hassler	Madison Raupp
Linda Hillsman	Anna Rose
Rose Ilo	Marilyn Rutkowski
Mary J.	Matthew Schiek
Jane Jacobsen	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Michael Janus	Anne Titzer
Theresa Kandall	Michael Ungari
Mark Kiley	Gregory Van Gorp
Benny Kilman	Marian Ward
Jerry Kolman	Liz Wilk
Lou Ellen Krueger	Malcolm Young

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:

William Mattas

Husband of Dorothy and Father of Bill & Nancy

Patricia McAvinchey

Mother of Daniel

Eileen Weilandt

Mother of John, Maureen, Suzanne,
Patricia & Christopher

This weekend, don't forget
to Spring ahead one hour as
Daylight savings time will
begin. Be sure to replace the
batteries in your smoke
alarms.



Time to
Spring Ahead

Pastor's Notes

*"The Lord said to Abram,
"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk
to a land that I will show you."
Genesis 12:1*

Christians, Jews, and Muslims all look to Abraham as their ancestor in faith. We are told that Abram was seventy-five years old when he heard the Lord's call to leave behind all he knew and go to a new land. Yet he responded to the Lord's call in trust and became a wanderer until arriving at the land that God had promised. Twenty-four years later, he and his wife Sarai would be given new names, Abraham and Sarah; they who had been barren conceived a son and promised that, through his offspring, Abraham would be the father of many nations.

Imagine the openness and trust of someone settled in his life and advanced in age to recognize the call of God and upset his life to follow God's call. This is the openness and trust of the Lenten journey we have begun. We fast from that which leads us to overindulge to connect with deeper hungers that only God can satisfy. We set aside time to be with God, especially in quiet moments to be open to the voice of God that may speak to us as a stirring in our hearts or through the voice of another. We give alms to surrender our dependence on material things and connect ourselves to our mission in Christ that connects us to all others, especially those in need. We hope that all of this will lead us to surrender with Jesus when, at the end of this season, we celebrate the gift of the Eucharist, the

redemption of the Cross, and the promise of the empty tomb.

This weekend begins a week that celebrates the gift of religious women and their mission within the Church. Members of the Congregation of St. Joseph offer reflections at all of the Masses this weekend. We become more aware of the roots of their call and are encouraged to nurture that call when it arises in the hearts of women in our community of all ages. We give thanks for all those among us who are following God's call to serve the mission of the Church in some specific way, leaving behind what was familiar, with openness and trust in where God is leading. This parish has been blessed for over 100 years by the Congregation of St. Joseph, who founded and taught our children in elementary school and high school, who served on our parish staff, and who continue to encourage and assist us in living out our gospel mission. God bless all the women religious of several communities who continue to worship with and serve among us.

What does the Lord call you to leave behind this Lent? Where would the Lord lead you to go if you are willing to be led? May we each be open to God's call and strengthened in our willingness to follow.

Lenten Joy,

J. Bill

Reflection for the Second Sunday of Lent

Liturgy Planning Team #6

Susie Lehuta, Susan Lindsay, Sue Martin and Susan Nedza Lastres

Today St. Paul reminds Timothy, *"to bear your share of the hardship of the gospel with the strength that comes from God."* But what is this hardship? Is it death, loss of material wealth, or rejection by our friends, family or a community who prefer to ignore the gospel message? If we struggle to answer this question, perhaps it is because we have not yet embraced the call as Abram did to go where the Lord directs.

During our Lenten journey, may we answer the call to a holy life as Saint Oscar Romero did when he accepted Jesus' touch, rose up, and proclaimed the Gospel. He fearlessly faced death as he had faith that in accepting the hardship of the cross and all that it represents, he was manifesting the light of Christ and thus was worthy of eternal salvation. As Romero said, *"if we are worth anything, it is not because we have more money or more talent, or more human qualities. Insofar as we are worth anything, it is because we are grafted onto Christ's life, his cross and resurrection. That is a person's measure."*

Lent Events Calendar 2020

Daily Mass

Monday through Friday 8:30 am

Word & Communion Service

Tuesday and Thursday 7:45 am

Stations of the Cross

The Fridays of Lent 8:00 am

3/19 Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-7:00 pm in church.

Area Reconciliation Services

3/15 SFX Quest Reconciliation after

6:00 pm Mass; all welcome

3/16 St. Cletus, 7:00 pm

3/24 St. Francis Xavier, 7:00 pm

4/10 Morning Prayer/Living Stations

Thursday 8:30 am

4/11 Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-7:00 pm in church.

CRS Rice Bowl

Our Religious Ed Program is collecting for the CRS Rice Bowl program to alleviate hunger and poverty in other countries (65%), and in our own community (35%) www.crsricebowl.org.

Almsgiving

Make sacrifices, and give to the poor. St. Vincent de Paul boxes are at the church entrances.

Little Black Book

As a parish we will be praying daily Catholic Lenten devotions presented in the Little Black Book. The book contains brief meditations based upon the readings of the day. Books are available in church and at the parish rectory.

4/10-4/25 LaGrange Knights of Columbus Food Pantry Spring Food Drive

Have your donation picked up or donate online at www.MyFoodDrive.org/?LGKofC2020.

Call or text Mike Hattie at 708-207-2780 or council6483@gmail.com.

Every \$1 and food donation helps families & seniors struggling to make ends meet.



For weekly Lenten resources to deepen your relationship to Christ and those in need, visit:

www.solidaritybridge.org/lent.

Holy Week Services

4/5 Palm Sunday

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:30 am, Noon & 6:00 pm

4/8 Tenebrae

A Service of Darkness, Wednesday 7:00 pm. A beautiful tradition of prayer and scripture, which portrays the final hours of our Lord's life on earth.

4/9 Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer/Living Stations 8:30 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
Church open for visitation until midnight

4/10 Good Friday

Morning Prayer 8:30 am

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
3:00 & 7:00 pm

4/11 Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer 9:00 am

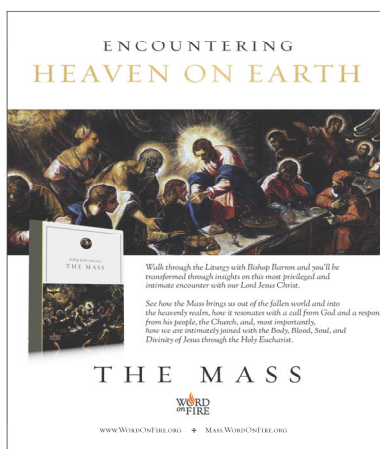
Blessing of Easter Baskets 1:00 pm
Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

4/12 Easter Sunday Mass

In church: 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:30 am & Noon

In gym: 9:15 am & 10:45 am

No 6:00 pm Mass



Lenten Opportunity from the Catholic Identity Committee of the SFX School Advisory Board

For most Catholic adults, the Mass is a most familiar part of the Faith. But, that familiarity can prevent us from appreciation of and reflection on the "source and summit" of our faith life. **"The Mass,"** a DVD series led by Bishop Robert Barron, beautifully explains the Mass in detail: what we do, why, and the significance it has in our lives. It's a long, complex prayer. Every movement, gesture, & response is Biblical, and/or traditional, and it all has meaning. As Catholic adults, we may not know the significance of all the details.

This Lent, let's take the opportunity to learn more about the Mass, not only for ourselves, but for our kids, neighbors, and community. They ask questions, and they want more than, "we go to Mass because we HAVE to."

The Catholic Identity Committee of the SFX School Advisory Board will present this 6-episode series over three Monday nights in March. All are welcome to join us on **Mondays, March 9, 16, and 30th from 7:00-9:00pm in Unity Hall for a DVD presentation and discussion. Please RSVP to Katie Kanzer k.f.kanzer@gmail.com or Katy Newcomb katynewcomb@hotmail.com. Walk-ins are welcome---bring a friend!**

Updated Mass Guidelines From the Archdiocese

The Archdiocese of Chicago has issued guidelines to be implemented immediately in all parish Masses within the Archdiocese. For the remainder of Lent we are making the following changes:

- ✓ **All holy water fonts will remain empty.** You still can make the Sign of the Cross as you enter and leave church.
- ✓ **Refrain from holding hands during the Our Father.** Instead, extend your arms forward, palms up, in a gesture of offering.
- ✓ **Refrain from physical contact during the Sign of Peace.** You may nod, smile, wave, or use the American Sign Language gesture for peace.
- ✓ **Refrain from receiving the Eucharist on the tongue.** Reverently practice the gesture of receiving in open hands.
- ✓ **We temporarily will discontinue sharing the Eucharist from the cup.** If this poses any difficulties for you, please speak with Fr. Bill.

You are not obligated to attend Mass when you are ill. At these times, the most charitable thing may be to remain at home. All are reminded that the best prevention measures are careful hand washing (at least 20 seconds), not touching the face, and covering all sneezes and coughs with a tissue or elbow. Thank you in advance as we demonstrate our care and concern for one another.

Women's Choir: Good Friday

Women's Choir rehearsals will begin this **Thursday, March 12th** from 8:30 to 9:30 pm in the church...after Celebration Ensemble rehearsal. A call goes out to all women who have an ear for singing and like to sing but do not have the time to commit to an entire season, or are thinking about joining on a more regular basis and would like to give it a try.

This choir will meet for four rehearsals:

Thursday, March 12 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm
Thursday, March 19 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm
Thursday, March 26 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm
Thursday, April 2 – 8:30 to 9:30 pm



...in preparation for the 3:00 pm Lord's Passion on **Good Friday, April 10th** of Holy Week.

New singers are asked to please contact our Director of Liturgical Music, **Allen Sterwalt**, in advance of the first rehearsal date if at all possible.

asterwalt@sfxlg.org
708-352-0168



On Sunday, March 1st, 2020, Jen Ohlman took the next step in her period of preparation for full membership in the Catholic Church. At the Noon Mass, accompanied by her daughter Anneliese, she was affirmed and welcomed by our Parish, as she is called to the Easter sacraments.

Following Mass and joined by members of the St. John of the Cross RCIA team, we participated in the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion celebration at Holy Name Cathedral.

Bishop John Manz warmly welcomed Jen and hundreds of other candidates and catechumens in a beautiful ceremony. As Jen said, "Yesterday was such a moving experience. It will be in my heart forever".

Susan Lindsay
St. Francis Xavier RCIA Team member



St. Vincent de Paul

Next weekend, our second collection will be taken up for St. Vincent de Paul. The donations collected will help to provide one time assistance for those in need of rent, utility bills and other necessities.

Thank you for your generosity.

What's going on in Youth Ministry???

Quest Lenten Reconciliation Service



There will be a Lenten Reconciliation Service after the 6:00pm Mass (starting around 7:15pm) on Sunday, March 15. This meditative-based celebration of Reconciliation is open to everyone,

but is geared especially towards those preparing for Confirmation.

Good Friday

Again this year, we are asking teens to fill all the ministry roles at the 7:00pm Good Friday liturgy (Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers). If you are interested in participating, please contact Olivia Zurowski at 708-352-0168 or by email ozurowski@sfxlg.org.

Souper Bowl of Caring Collection

THANK YOU for your generosity! On Super Bowl weekend, Youth Ministry collected \$2,345 to donate to Feed Our Future, a local non-profit founded and run by young adults and teens of St. Francis Xavier to combat hunger and food insecurity of local school children.

Nazareth Academy Honors/AP Open House

Nazareth Academy invites 6th & 7th grade students and their families to join us for an Honors and AP Open House on Thursday, March 19 from 7:00-8:30 pm.

The evening will include a general overview of the Nazareth curriculum, with a focus on Honors and Advanced Placement courses, as well as testimonials from some of Nazareth's current honors students. The Open House will continue with guided tours highlighting the Honors and AP curriculum in English, Math, Science, Social Studies and World Languages.

No RSVP necessary. Nazareth is located at 1209 West Ogden Avenue in LaGrange Park.

Questions about the above event can be directed to Mrs. Kristen Stojetz at 708-387-8505 or kstojetz@nazarethacademy.com.

Religious Education Important Dates & Class Dates

Reconciliation

March 11	Grade 7 During Class
March 8 & March 11	Grade 2 During Class
March 15 & March 18	Grade 3 During Class

Grade 2 Eucharistic Prep Liturgy at 1:30 pm March 15 in Church

Class Dates

Sunday, March 8	Class
Wednesday, March 11	Class
Sunday, March 15	Class
Wednesday, March 18	Class
Sunday, March 22	No Class
Wednesday, March 25	No Class
Sunday, March 29	No Class
Wednesday, April 1	No Class
Sunday, April 5 (Palm Sunday)	Class
Wednesday, April 8	Class
Sunday, April 12 (Easter Sunday)	No Class
Wednesday, April 15	No Class
Sunday, April 19	Class
Wednesday, April 22	Class

Sunday, April 26 RE Fair ALL Sessions
8:45-10:15 am in Joyce Hall

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Saturday evening 5:00 pm 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 AND when a Grade Level Mass is celebrated. 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.

Children's choirs on March 14 and the Grade Level Mass on April 18. Grades K-4 will be invited to join their Reflector in a prayer space on the following Saturdays (subject to change): March 21 & 28; April 28.

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



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
WE PRAY • WE LEARN • WE SERVE

The St. Francis Xavier Parish School is one of the many wonderful ministries within the St. Francis Xavier Parish. We are fortunate to have an active School Advisory Board that works throughout the year on behalf of our school and parish community.

The purpose of the School Advisory Board is to:

- Develop, formulate, and adopt policies which govern the operation of the School
- Review and advise on the annual budget and determine sources of funding for the School
- Provide counsel and advise on the operation of the School
- Participate in the school's development, student recruitment efforts, and long-range plans
- Assist in obtaining the goals and objectives of the St. Francis Xavier School Mission Statement
- Promote the School and support the School's public relations and marketing efforts

The Board currently consists of eleven members who each serve a three-year term. Each Board member serves on one of the following committees:

- Catholic Identity
- Development
- Finance
- Marketing/Communications
- Strategic Planning

Interested in Becoming a School Advisory Board Member?

*****FINAL APPLICATION DEADLINE 3/31/2020*****

The St. Francis Xavier School Advisory Board is accepting applications for a three-year term on the Board. Wonder what it takes or how the process works? Below are some common questions people have about becoming a board member.

Common Questions:

- Do you need to have experience on a board or have a career in education? NO, you do not need to have prior experience on a school board or experience in education to apply.
- How much time is this commitment? We meet once per month plus 1-2 supplementary meetings each month. Expect approximately 6-8 hours per month.
- Do you need to have a child at the school to apply? NO, we encourage parent (guardian) of a Religious Education student, young adult parishioners and alumna/us of SFX. Candidates need not be parents of current SFX students.
- How does the application/selection process work? There is a one page application, a face-to-face meeting with the members of the Board and then the Board votes on the slate of applicants.

To receive an application or for more information regarding the application process and timing, **any interested parishioner or school parent (guardian)** can contact School Board selection committee members Matt Duffy m.duffy@nonnis.com or 708-280-1995, or Katie Kanzer a k.f.kanzer@gmail.com or 773-860-5283.

The application and more detailed information about the Board can be found on the St. Francis Xavier School Web site <https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/School%7CParent%20Volunteers%3E%3ESAB%20-%20School%20Advisory%20Board>. ***Please remember that all submissions for candidacy are valued and will be reviewed.*** We look forward to receiving your application!



Senior Women's Meeting
Thursday, March 12
9:00-10:45 am
Unity Hall

Gabe's Talk

Ask What Your Library Can Do For You

Have you heard that libraries today are about more than books? Gabe Oppenheim, Adult Services Director at the LaGrange Park Public Library, will tell you about some of the coolest technology, services, and more that the library can offer you. He'll also field questions on pretty much any topic.



The Well Spirituality Center
1515 Ogden Avenue
LaGrange Park

Contemplative Music and Prayer in the Spirit of Taize on Wednesdays, March 11 and 25 and 7:00-8:00 pm. These ecumenical evenings of music and chant composed by Jack Crowe will include periods of silent contemplation. We will explore different faith traditions including Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Hinduism which use silence as a foundation for acting in the world. Cost: free will offering, suggested range \$10-20.

Still Searching the Invisible: Small Particles, Loud Voices on Saturday, March 14 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Our Universe is an unfathomably large place, yet the tiniest things yield the biggest impacts on our lives in numerous, subtle ways. Learn about some of the strange mechanisms in the world of particle physics that are being studied by Dr. Adam Schreckengerger at Fermilab. Cost for SFX/SJC parishioners: free. Please register in advance.

To register: www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048.

Cossitt School Clothing Sale



Cossitt School, conveniently located at 115 West Cossitt Avenue in LaGrange, will hold its Bi-annual Children's

Consignment Sale on Saturday, March 14th from 8:00am-1:00pm. Don't miss this huge selection of over 25,000 name-brand items from Infant to Size 16! Find amazing deals on gently-used items including clothing, shoes, baby equipment, sports gear, books and so much more! Come early for the best selection! Many items half-price from 11:00am -1:00pm. Adults only from 8:00-10:00am, children admitted with adult from 10:00am-1:00pm. Please bring a basket or bag to carry your items throughout the sale. For more details, please visit our website at www.cossittptc.org/clothingsale.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago
 West Regional Services invites you to the

17th Annual
St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Thursday, March 12

6:30-9:30 pm

FitzGerald's

6615 Roosevelt Road~Berwyn

Reservations are \$60 each by March 9

\$65 after March 9 or at the door.

Includes outstanding hearty Irish fare, beer, wine, and pop.

Featuring

Entertainment by The Shannon Rovers, The McNulty Irish Dancers, and the Irish Musicians Association-Chicago, a Silent Auction and Grand Raffle with prizes including a Backyard Theater System, a Case of Assorted Fine Wine, and an Apple AirPods set.

Benefiting

This fun celebration benefits the New Hope Housing Program, making permanent housing and self-sufficiency a reality for homeless families.

For more information contact Mike Waters at 708-329-4022 or mwaters@catholiccharities.net

Register online at www.catholiccharities.net/stpats

Reservations will be held at the door.

The tax deductible value per each advance reservation is \$27.

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.

Area Respect Life

Our next Area Respect Life meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 31st, 7:00 pm at St. Cletus Parish Center.

Welcome New Parishioners



A heartfelt welcome to the new parishioners who joined us for an evening of fellowship! It was wonderful to get to know each other. We are blessed to have them as members of our faith community.

Are you new to the parish? We look forward to meeting you! Our next dinner will be held on April 20th.

Feel free to contact Laura Duelm with any questions, at 708-309-9079 or Lauraduelm@hotmail.com.

The Welcome Committee



Interfaith Career Network

Optimize Your Resume for Applicant Tracking Systems

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, March 19 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Our speaker, Denis Curtain, is a LinkedIn Trainer and Coach who helps job seekers and companies optimize their LinkedIn profiles. However, his topic this evening will be how to optimize your resume for Application Tracking Systems (ATS). Learn how to format your resume to be ATS friendly, how to avoid common formatting errors, how to select the best keywords and MORE! Be sure to join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend.



Doors open at 6:00; film starts promptly at 6:30 pm

RSVP with dates you can attend to
lagrangediversity@gmail.com

Expand your circle and help us build community!

For more information, see
www.communitydiversity.org/movieseries/
or email lagrangediversity@gmail.com

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Friday
April 3, 2020

Teach Us All

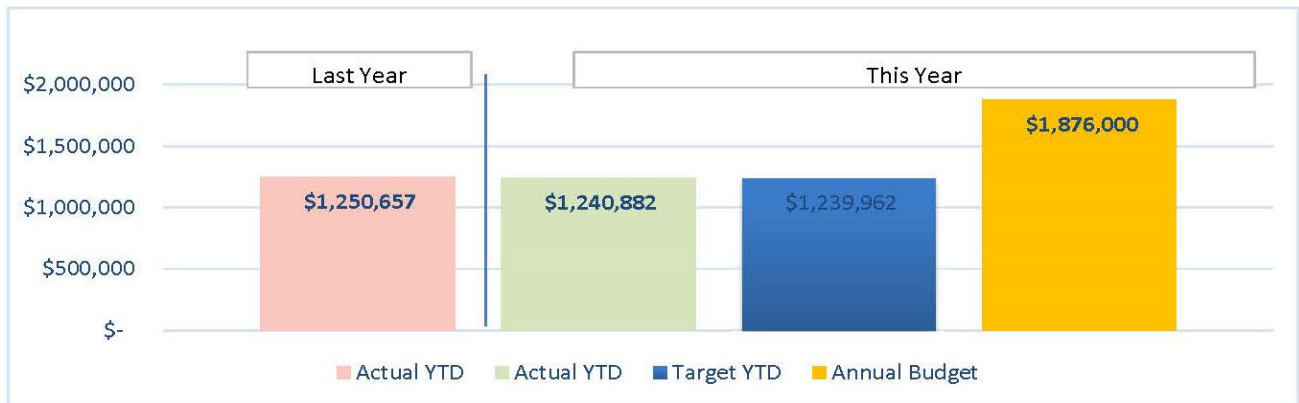
How where you live affects what you learn

Sisters of St. Joseph, 1515 W. Ogden, LaGrange Park
(Ogden entrance)

...Or watch the movie online and come to
Meaningful Conversations
March 10, April 14, May 12
7pm and join discussion at
Emmanuel Episcopal Church, LaGrange



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
YOUR PARISH FINANCE REPORT
AS OF FEBRUARY 29, 2020



Sunday Offertory	EFT/Credit Card	+	Basket	+	Other Offertory*	=	February Totals
February 2020	\$ 64,409		\$ 50,446		\$ 21,058		\$ 135,912
February 2019	\$ 63,730		\$ 51,306		\$ 3,500		\$ 118,536

* Includes donations from stock, donor-advised funds, Holy Day contributions, and other miscellaneous gifts

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



Habitat for Humanity

For the past 20+ years, during the months of June and July, St. Francis Xavier has sent as many as four separate groups of volunteers, for a week at a time, to build homes with Habitat for Humanity in Clarksdale, Mississippi. The exact dates for this summer's trips will be firmed up soon, but in the meantime, if you think you'd like to make the journey, or you'd like more information, please contact Chris O'Hea at chris.ohea@yahoo.com. No prior construction experience is necessary. Volunteers must be at least 13 years old, and anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. We hope you can join us!

Position Available
Parish Director of Development

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

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

THE ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MEN'S CLUB



NCAA WATCH PARTY

Friday March 20th
5:30 pm to Midnight in Joyce Hall



\$25 PER PERSON
\$40 COUPLE

WATCH YOUR FAVORITE TEAM ON THE BIG SCREEN!

WEAR YOUR SCHOOL COLORS!

PLAY SQUARES AND OTHER GAMES OF CHANCE!

OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS OVER THE AGE OF 21!

Keg Beer, Coppola Wines, White Claw, Soft Drinks & Light Snacks Provided!
Food Trucks on site Serving Mexican/Lenten Fare
& Misericordia Sweet Truck for Dessert



Misericordia

Please contact Matt Hubert for any questions: mthubert@gmail.com/773-619-0554

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Please Pray For...all those Serving Overseas in the Military including:

- **Sgt. David Phillips**—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- **Commander Robert O'Donnell**—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- **Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT**—son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- **Technical Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF**—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- **Lt. Jonathan Devitt Brown, U.S. Navy**—nephew of the Devitt Family
- **LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC**—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- **Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC**—son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- **Staff Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Capt. Maura Hoffman & Capt. Christopher Hoffman**—niece and nephew of Margie & Steve Hull and cousins of Kate, Janie & Caroline Hull
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy & Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and sons of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **Staff Sgt. Scott Blunk**—husband of Brianne and son-in-law of Maureen Becker
- **Lt. Daniel McGue**—grandson of Sue Ryan
- **Lt. Col. Jeremy Hutchins, USAF**—brother-in-law of Valerie & Michael Schierl
- **Commander Brian Riegler, U.S. Navy**—husband of Elizabeth and father of Kaylee, Mackenzie, Grace & Liam
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Capt. Trent McMullen, USAF**—son-in-law of Tom & Maureen Hunt
- **Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army**—friend of Liz Wilk
- **Spec Timothy Lucas U.S. Army**—nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas, and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
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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)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Liturgy Schedule

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

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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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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

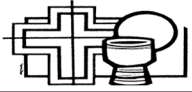
Please call the Parish Office for scheduled 1:30 pm Sunday Baptismal dates. Baptism Preparation Classes: 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm. We encourage participation in this program before the baby's birth or adoption.

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, our parish counselor, Patrice Nerone, from the Claret Center can be reached by phone 312-884-9879 or email patricenerone@protonmail.com.



Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—March 14-15, 2020

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Cantors	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	Children's Liturgy L. Whelton J. Hayford	L. Bannach M. Becker T. Conwell C. Cooke S. Devitt K. Kanzer F. Kudia C. Witt N. Veihman	M. Kachmarik J. O'Halloran B. Griffin	K. Kelly	P. Devitt
7:30 AM	Fr. Barrett	R. Hillsman D. Walsh G. Schuler	K. McNerney T. Nichol D. Challender N. Kalkowski P. Olson	J. Nisivaco M. Kanzer M. Kudlacz	B. Kalnes	J. Augustyn
9:00 AM	Fr. Killeen	E. Fix K. Hayes A. Fix	A. Gargano M. Branecki V. Bracht C. Froemel E. Froemel L. Hill M. Hull B. McMahon P. O'Malley	Q. Filbin A. Culin M. Mullen	S. VanOrdstrand Gallery Choir	G. Nalumansi
10:30 AM	Fr. Barrett	T. Serafin D. Arkenbruck M. Atseff	A. Clark J. Clark S. Martin P. McGinnis J. Nowak L. Ovník M. Joscelyn A. Krol O. Lastres	N. Olson E. Justak D. Quinlan	L. DiGianfilippo Celebration Ensemble	P. Sbertoli
12:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	C. Anderson C. Grech B. Hemminger	L. Donegan B. Edelmann T. Bogart Open Open	K. Grubish A. Grech A. Grech	L. Hoigard	O. Lozano
6:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	Quest Teen	Quest Teens		Spirit Choir	



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Readings For The Week of March 8, 2020

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/
 Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

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