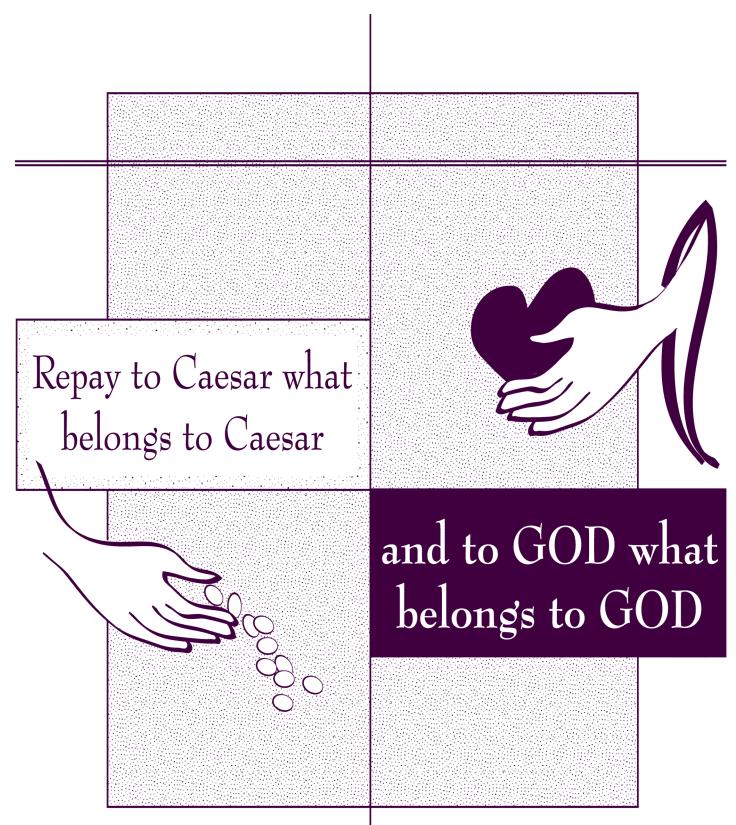
ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 22, 2017





Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, October 23 Saint John of Capistrano, Priest	7:45 am 9:00 am	Fred Westoff Donald Cushing John P. Russell, Sr. Cathy Wheldon	The Barry Family The Simeoni Family Mary F. Russell The Foster Family
Tuesday, October 24 Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop	7:45 am 9:00 am	Ellen Jane Layden Jim Mulvenna Donald Cushing Nancy Ryan	The Layden Family Carol & Dave Grimes The Prendergast Family Jim & Joan Potsch
Wednesday, October 25	7:45 am 9:00 am	Connie Thoms John Swanson Theodore Harris Nancy Ryan	The Schiffler Family Pat & Bob Roach The St. Francis Parish Staff The SFX Sunshine Committee
Thursday, October 26	7:45 am 9:00 am	Word & Communion Service Janice Kent Sam J. Ruffino Megan Murphy Gurley Anne Lewis	The Prendergast Family Dan & Annette Meurer The Dillon Family William Midwood
Friday, October 27	7:45 am 9:00 am	Adolph Augustyn Noreen Collins Robert McDonnell Word & Communion Service	Jeff & Shirley Augustyn Her Children The McDonnell Family
Saturday, October 28 Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles	9:00 am 9:30 am 3:00 pm 4:15 pm	Verona Whitmore Deceased Members of the Martin and Doonan Families Sacrament of Reconciliation Wedding-Kristin Lewis & John Cunningham Sacrament of Reconciliation	Jacquelyn Van Gorp The Martin Family

Please Pray For...

Rose Ilo

Ryne Baird	Jane Jacobson	Baby Madison Raupp
Tony Banda	Mike Kelly	Karen Reato
Keeley Barr	Benny Kilman	Anna Rose
Marjorie Crnkovich	Shirley Kollenberg	Marilyn Rutkowski
Blake Donegan	Jerry Kolman	Matthew Schiek
Fr. Dave Dowdle	Virginia Kottaridis	Greyson Edward Stanley
Pat Eaton	Molly Anne McKenna	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Bill Elliott	Emmett Miller	Jerry Tazic
Lily Fielding	Mike Morrison	Marty Thuerk
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick	Fr. Jim O'Connor	Anne Titzer
Lilli Gregory	Jane O'Reilly	Michael Ungari
Wilson Gregory	Michael Patena	Amanda Valerugo
Frank Grippo	Ryan Patyk	Gregory Van Gorp
Patricia Hassler	Donna Pekarek	Josita Witte
Linda Hillsman	Carissa Pessetti	

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.

James Pridmore

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, a s well as their families:

Joan Flynn
Wife of Tom and
Mother of Maureen,
Tom, Dan, Peggy & Tim

Weddings



Kristin Lewis & John Cunningham Allison Setzke & Chris Macfarlane

Pastor's Notes

"...what belongs to God." Matthew 22:21b

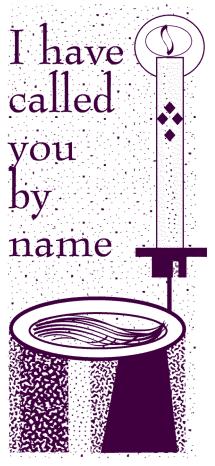
Thank you to all who attended and all who had a part in the planning and coordinating of the installation liturgy and the reception last Saturday. St. Francis Xavier Parish came together in joyous song, powerful prayer, and food and fellowship. Family and friends from other parishes told me that your spirit assured them that I was among good people who would challenge and nourish me in all the right ways. Of course, I have known of the blessing you are for some time now.

The confrontation between Jesus and the religious authorities in Jerusalem intensifies this weekend. Those who would not open their hearts to his message of God's mercy now attempt to entrap Jesus with questions for which they think there is no "safe" answer. Jesus either must support the oppressive tax of an occupying empire, or must refuse to do so and become an enemy of the state. Jesus instead distinguishes between our obligations as members of society and our obligations as children of God. He refuses to limit God by the constructs of religion, or to restrict religion within the political realm. As Christians, we have an obligation to be good citizens who respect the laws and traditions of our country: yet never in a way that contradicts our values and beliefs, or that places God alone at the center of our lives.

This is a challenge in a pluralistic society that too often is polarized by those who benefit from our refusal to listen to one another and protect the unity at the core of our diversity. "Out of the many, one" is *not* our nation's call for uniformity; it echoes the scriptural call for Christians to live as *diverse and distinct* members of *one Body* in Christ. Our communion in Christ is *the light we bring to society*. It is a constant call *to listen and learn* from one another *in the Spirit*; and to discern *what belongs to God* from what belongs to the often-contentious realm of politics.

Our first Monday evening conversation among parishioners of St. Francis Xavier and Grace Lutheran was engaging and nourishing for those of us who gathered. Join us this Monday as our conversation continues around a new area of shared faith and practice. **Next Sunday, we are invited to join our sister and brothers at Grace Lutheran Church for their 9:30 Sunday morning service** and commemorate the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's call for reform in the church. Pastor Said has invited me to participate in the service, and members of our choirs have been invited to their choirs. Come join in this celebration of our shared hope that we will realize the prayer of Jesus, "that all may be one".

Peace, Fr. Bill



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Collection for the **Propagation of Faith**

Today is World Mission Sunday! Every year on the next-to-last Sunday of October, October 22nd this year, the Church reflects its deepest identity as MISSION. As we pray and respond on World Mission Sunday here at home, we share in those celebrations taking place in every parish, seminary, school and convent all over the world. Together with our brothers and sisters in the Missions we offer our prayers and sacrifices so that others may come to know Jesus...and to experience His mercy as we express our merciful concern for those in greatest need! This day provides an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in more than 1,111 mission dioceses.

DACA RECIPIENTS DINNER

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

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

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

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

Veteran's Day Mass and Reception

The 5th grade students of St. Francis Xavier School would like to invite any veterans or active duty service members and their families to a mass



honoring their service to our country. The mass will be held on Friday, November 10th at 9:00 am with a reception immediately following in Joyce Hall. Please RSVP by November 6th to Jeannette Barnicle at 312-504 -0816 or jeannettebarnicle@gmail.com.

November is a Month For Remembering



All Saints Day Mass

We remember All Saints on Wednesday, November 1 at the 7:00 pm.

All Souls Day

We will remember All Souls on Thursday, November 2 at a special Mass at 7:00 pm. We will be remembering, in a special way, all family members and friends that have died this past year. We invite you to bring a picture of your loved one(s). Please place the picture on the table in front of the altar before Mass. After Mass, please take the picture with you as you leave church.

As we remember the dying and rising of the Lord, may we feel the embrace of God, not only for those who have died, but also for all that mourn their loss.

Leave A Legacy

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

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

Thanks for giving consideration to leaving a legacy!

Tax Advantaged Way To Support the Parish

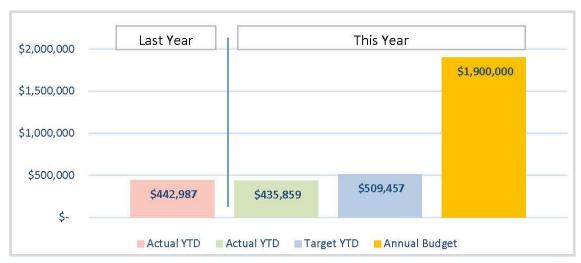
Have you considered making a donation of appreciated common stock? Gifts of appreciated securities provide an immediate income tax deduction in the amount of the value of the stock and are not subject to capital gains tax.

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

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

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

Your Parish Finances



Sunday Basket Collection October 15, 2017:

\$ 15,127

| September | September | Prior Month's Offerings: | EFT/Credit Card + Basket = Total | September 2017 | \$ 44,164 | \$ 64,712 | \$ 108,876 | \$ September 2016 | \$ 38,326 | \$ 71,179 | \$ 109,505

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

SUGGESTIONS FOR AN INCREASE IN YOUR PARISH INVESTMENT	CURRENT INVESTMENT	WITH INVESTMENT INCREASE				
Please consider the following for increasing your investment in SFX Parish ministries:	\$ 10	2.5% \$ 10.25	4.0% \$ 10.40	<u>5.0%</u> \$ 10.50	7.0% \$ 10.70	
 Locate your current investment. Prayerfully consider investing an additional 4% or more. 	\$ 25 \$ 50 \$ 100 \$ 250	\$ 25.63 \$ 51.25 \$ 102.50 \$ 256.25	\$ 26.00 \$ 52.00 \$ 104.00 \$ 260.00	\$ 26.25 \$ 52.50 \$ 105.00 \$ 262.50	\$ 26.75 \$ 53.50 \$ 107.00 \$ 267.50	



ELECTRONIC OFFERING PROGRAM

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

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

Option 1: Please transfer my contribution of \$	Option 2: Please transfer my contribution of \$
NAME:	_
ADDRESS:	
PHONE:	E-MAIL:
SIGNATURE:	DATE:



School Scoop

Tuesday, October 24

Pizza Lunch Day

Wednesday, October 25

East Campus Principal's Coffee 2:00 PM dismissal

Thursday, October 26

Grade 6 Field Trip

Friday, October 27

Field Trips for Grades 1 and 3 Shop for SFX Orders due Monster Mash Bash for grades 4-6 at 7pm

Preschool

We here at St. Francis Xavier School are very excited to announce the expansion of our Preschool Program beginning 2018-2019! Preschool 3 will offer half day classes with three and five day attendance options, and Pre K 4 will run Monday through Friday with half day and full day options.

Our Preschool program combines cognitive and playbased philosophies. We believe purposeful play with experiential learning fully engages the child and develops a true love of learning. In addition, SFX focuses on actively living one's faith and providing an example of character to others in daily life. Our goal is to guide children in their journey to realizing their own personal gifts and learning to value the contribution of others.

Enrollment will begin mid-November! Please contact our Advancement Director Jennifer Courier at jcourier@sfxlg.org for more information or to be placed on the distribution list for applications.

The St. Francis Xavier Book Fair is coming....

When: Tuesday, November 7th - Student browsing during the school day and family shopping 6:00-9:00 pm. On Wednesday, November 8th student orders will be filled and the fair will be open for parents/parishioners from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm.

Where: Main Campus in Joyce Hall Featuring:

- * favorite children's authors
- * young adult titles
- * Bluestem, Monarch, & Rebecca Caudill Award Books
- * holiday books and much, much, more



The Book Fair is open to all parishioners and is available online throughout the year. Anytime you are shopping for a book, please visit www.abcfairs.com and type in St. Francis Xavier, LaGrange in the billing/contact information section during checkout. The books will be delivered directly to your home or you can choose to pick up the books at the Anderson's Bookshop in downtown LaGrange and pay no shipping fees. Remember, 20% of your purchase will benefit SFX.

Join us for the 12th Annual Falcon 5K!



Walk, Race, Run, Cheer,

Enjoy a fall morning.

✓ All ages

✓ Strollers welcome

✓ USATF certified 5K course

✓ Fabulous sponsors & post-race treats
 ✓ Selfie Spot, perfect for alumni (\$10 off under 19)
 Be a part of the fun.

Saturday, November 4th!

Now Recruiting Volunteers: 8 QUEST helpers, 16 Course Marshals, 4 Party prep/clean-up!

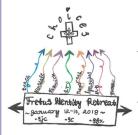
8:00 am Kid's Fun Run; 8:20 am Junior Falcon Dash (FREE); 8:30 am 5K Run/Walk

Register, volunteer, and find more information at:

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

SFX YOUTH MINISTRY WEBSITE: www.youthministry.sfxlg.org

Fretus Identity Retreat: Choices



Calling all freshmen and sophomores! We have a retreat just for YOU! This year, St. Francis Xavier and St. Cletus (formerly Fretus Retreat) are also joining with St. John of the Cross (formerly Identity Retreat) to create the Fretus Identity Retreat. Join us for a weekend of reflection

on choices, transitions, relationships with others and God, and of course, FUN! The retreat is January 12-14, 2018. More information and registration can be found on the Youth Ministry website under Retreats. For more information, please contact Olivia Hollman at ohollman@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168 x338.

Service Opportunity for all Freshmen!

Are you a high school freshman and want to participate in service with other high school freshmen? We have booked 100 slots at Feed My Starving Children in Libertyville for November 22, from 12:00-2:00 pm. This is a few months away but we want you to get the date on the calendar! If you are interested in participating or being an adult volunteer, please contact Olivia Hollman at 708-352-0168 x338 or ohollman@sfxlg.org to sign-up!

Men's Church League Basketball: Players and Coaches

Are you a young man in high school? Do you NOT play on your high school's basketball team? Are you looking for something to do on Wednesday and Saturday nights? If you answered YES to these questions, Church League basketball is for you!



Registration forms can be found on the Youth Ministry portion of the Parish website or by contacting Olivia Hollman

If you are interested in coaching a team, please contact Olivia.

We're on social media!



Did you know Youth Ministry has an official Facebook page? Search "St. Francis Xavier Youth Ministry" on Facebook. Make sure to like our page!

~ Olivia

Religious Education Important Dates & Class Dates

Sunday, October 22 Class Wednesday, October 25 Class

Sunday, October 29 At Home Lesson
Fundraiser Orders Due

Wednesday, November 1 At Home Lesson

Sunday, November 5 Class Wednesday, November 8 Class

Fundraiser Pick-Up

Sunday, November 12 Class

Toy Shower Wednesday, November 15 Class

Toy Shower

Upcoming Events

Pizza Fundraiser:

Started~October 1 All Orders Due~October 29 Pizza Order Pick-up~November 8



Eucharistic Liturgies

Grade 3 Practice November 4~11:15 am
Mass November 5~Noon
Grade 4 Practice November 11~11:15 am
Mass November 12~Noon

Grade 2 First Eucharist Parent Meeting

Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00 pm in Church

Grade 4 Reconciliation Parent Meeting

Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 pm in Church

Toy Shower

November 12 and November 15 Collection of Toys (all week) November 20 Toy Delivery



TIN TOPS SEPUCATION EXPIRES 6/1/17

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!



Please join the Fenwick Mothers' Club for their Annual Black and White Shopping Night to be held at Fenwick High School, 505 West Washington Boulevard in Oak Park on Wednesday, October 25 from 7:00-10:00 pm.

Tickets are \$21 and include 1 free raffle ticket, food, beverages and many vendors! You may register online www.fenwickfriars.com (About, Mothers' Club, Register for Black & White Shopping Night) or pay \$25 at the door the night of the event.

Hope to see you there!

Questions please contact Tammy Mortell at tlmortell@comcast.net.

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.



Coat and Outerwear Drive V
Drop-off Boxes at
St. Francis Xavier Church
Saturday, November 11 and
Sunday, November 12
(Church Entrances - all Masses)

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

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

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

Thank you for your support!



Welcome to RCIA Participants from

St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross!



How exciting it is to have adults from both parishes in the joint RCIA Process (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), seeking to join the Catholic Church and complete their sacraments of initiation at Easter! We will meet almost every Tuesday night between now and Easter, to focus on what it means to be a fully initiated Catholic, and enter into experiences of prayer, community, and service.

The group from SFX will be formally presented to the community at the 9:00 am Mass on November 5. At that mass, the SFX participants will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance for those preparing for baptism, and the Rite of Welcome for baptized Christians. The group from St. John of the Cross also will be presented to their community on November 5. Prior to this rite, those who are not already Catholic are called "inquirers." They are exploring what it means to enter into or deepen their relationship with the Catholic Church. In this ceremony, unbaptized persons are accepted into the order of Catechumens. Those who have been baptized in another Christian church or who are Catholic and completing their sacraments of initiation are welcomed as Candidates for full communion within the Catholic Church.

In celebrating this rite, our inquirers officially and publically declare their intention to respond to God's call and follow the way of Christ as members of the Catholic Church. The Church, in turn, accepts their commitment and pledges its support throughout their journey of faith. This rite marks their entrance into the second stage of the RCIA process, called the Catechumenate.

Biographies and photos will be shared soon.

Please offer your prayers and support for all of them.

RCIA celebrates the Rite of Acceptance and Welcome November 5 at the 9:00 am Mass.



Friday, Nov 10 7PM - 1AM Joyce Hall

\$100 per person Tables of 8 and 10 are also available for purchase"

Cost for Senior members is a donation to the Men's Club. See below for details*.

Featuring Guest Speakers:



Jeff Joniak
Voice of the Bears



Gary Kroeger SNL Alum

Doors open 6:30 pm Dinner served 8 pm

Price includes:

- Full BBQ Spread by Professional Pitmasters
- Open Bar (Beer/Wine/Soda/Mixers)
- Bring your favorite spirit in a bottle



CIGAR TEN TO register, visit https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/14034,14033,14032

*All male parishioners age 70 and over contact Matt Hubert directly at mthubert@gmail.com or (773) 619-0554 to register.



CROP WALK THANK YOU!!!

The Congregation of St. Joseph (CSJ) and St. Francis Xavier (SFX) teamed up to support our local interfaith CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Hunger Walk.

Thank you to EVERYONE -- individuals, groups, families, and Religious Ed, Day School and Quest teams who walked and donated food and funds! We are also grateful to all those who dined at Panera before the Walk. They donated 20% of the proceeds to our local Walk.

Together, we had 95 walkers and raised \$1,490!

The food was distributed to six local food pantries including SFX. 25% of donated funds will be given back to local pantries, including SFX. The remaining funds will be given to current Church World Service programs in Vietnam including Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) promotion, education support and basic healthcare support.



The EnlightIN Communications Team is looking for people with



to help enhance the SFX website and Facebook pages, and document the life of the parish over the past 25 years. If you can help in any of the ways listed below, please contact Kate DeVries, kdevries@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168.

- Photographers
- Video takers
- Web, Facebook & Twitter users
- Interviewers
- Writers
- Video editors



Boy Scout Troop #33 Wreath Sales

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

AARP Tax-Aide Needs Volunteers for the 2018 Filing Season

Looking for a rewarding opportunity to make a difference in your community?

The AARP Tax-Aide Program is now seeking volunteers for the upcoming 2018 filing season. It's not necessary for you to be an AARP member nor have a tax or an accounting background to volunteer. However, some knowledge of your own personal tax matters is very helpful. All returns are prepared on computers, thus volunteers should be somewhat computer literate. Training classes will be held in January, 2018. Minimum time commitment during the filing season is 4 to 5 hours one day per week from early February to mid-April. This income tax preparation and assistance is offered to low and middle income individuals with special attention to those 60 years and older.

To volunteer: www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_tax aide/ or call St. Cletus parishioner, John Wagner, at 708-352-0170 for further details.

Pope Francis Wants To Hear From Young People!

To prepare for the upcoming international Synod on "Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment," the Holy Father wants online feedback from all youth and young adults, ages 16 to 29, from around the world, regardless of how active they are in the practice of the faith.

HELP POPE FRANCIS HEAR YOUR VOICE.

Youth and young adults, ages 16 to 29, are invited to go online and fill out the Vatican survey: https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718

The online survey is open until November 30, 2017.

The results of the online survey will be part of the international listening process that will help Pope Francis and the world's bishops better understand the realities, hopes, and concerns of youth and young adults in preparation for the 2018 Synod.

More details about the Synod process, including links to the preparatory document and the pope's messages to youth and young adults, can be found on the official Synod website.





Constance Morris House: A safe haven for domestic violence victims

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Domestic violence is a pattern of coercive behavior that one person exercises over another to gain power and control. This behavior may include physical violence, sexual abuse, emotional and psychological intimidation, verbal abuse and threats, stalking, isolation from friends and family, economic control, and destruction of personal property.

For more than 30 years, Pillars has empowered adults and their dependent children affected by domestic violence to find a safe haven and rebuild their lives. We make it our mission to cultivate an environment that is physically and psychologically safe, where victims of domestic violence can learn about their options for change and become empowered to make informed decisions about the future.

Safety and Empowerment

Constance Morris House is Pillars' domestic violence shelter, located at an undisclosed location in the western suburbs of Chicago. If you are an adult with or without children and you are fleeing an abusive relationship, the shelter is available to you 24 hours a day.

We also offer the following services, whether you are staying at the shelter or not:

- · A confidential, 24-hour domestic violence hotline staffed by trained counselors and staff: 708.485.5254
- · Individual, family, and group counseling provided by licensed therapists or social workers
- Legal advocacy at Bridgeview and Maybrook Courthouses and assistance with Orders of Protection
- · Links to ongoing support services such as emergency financial assistance and housing programs

Violence Prevention

At Pillars, prevention and education are a priority. We are available to present a variety of programs and trainings out in the community. Topics include:

- · Healthy Teen Relationships
- · Domestic Violence in the Workplace
- · Smack'd, a mix of domestic violence information and a personal story told by a survivor

Consider a presentation to your school, class, staff, or community group during Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October—and remember to wear a purple ribbon to show your support for victims throughout the month of October.

Fast Facts

- · All services are provided at NO COST.
- · The shelter and hotline are staffed 24 hours per day.
- · Services are available for both adult and child victims, in both English and Spanish.
- Services are primarily provided to clients in North Riverside and the Townships of Lyons, Proviso, Cicero, and Berwyn.



DON'T LOOK AWAY:

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FORUM TOPICS:

WHEN I CALL FOR HELP - A PASTORAL RESPONSE IT'S A HEALTH ISSUE! WHY DO THEY STAY? WHAT CAN I DO? IS THE LAW ON MY SIDE?

WHEN AND WHERE:

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24TH 7-8:30 PM NORTH RIVERSIDE COMMONS 2401 DES PLAINES AVE. NORTH RIVERSIDE, IL

PLENTIFUL PARKING
HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE
SPANISH TRANSLATION

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT DV@STMARYRIVERSIDE.ORG

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Seasons of Hope Grief Support

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



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

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

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

To Registration Online:

www.stjohnofthecross.org/grief-ministry

To Register by Phone:

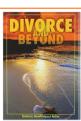
708-246-4404 ext. 137

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

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

Divorce and Beyond Support

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



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

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

To Register Online:

www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond

Cost: \$10.00 fee (Participant Manual)

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

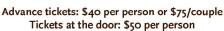




Community Nurse Health Center

NOVEMBER 3, 2017 6:30 PM

Village Club of Western Springs 4221 Lawn Avenue • Western Springs



Join us as the Lions Club of La Grange hosts its annual Lions Share wine tasting event benefiting Community Nurse health Center. It's a festive, holiday themed party with live music and featuring more than a half a dozen wine vendors and lite bites.

Proceeds from this event will go to support Community Nurse Health Center whose mission is to help vulnerable individuals stabilize their lives through supportive services.



Tickets may be purchased at: https://squareup.com/store/lagrange-lions-club-foundation

*Credit card purchases will include a 4% processing fee

To purchase by check or to make a donation, please send a check payable to the La Grange Lions Club Foundation to:

Doug Jensen 823 Lincoln Lane La Grange, IL 60525 ck

For more information please contact Jeanette Quirk, jiq@valekco.com The La Grange Lions Club Foundation is a 501c3 non-profit organization.



Journey Toward Healing

Grief & Bereavement Support Groups

Evening Grief Group

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

Parental Loss Grief Group

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

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

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

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





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

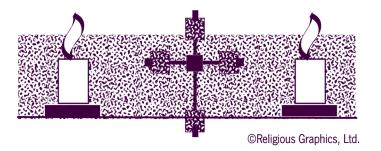
Practicing Peace: an hour of Centering Prayer, music, ritual and sharing. Meets Mondays twice a month; next session is Monday, October 23 from 11:00 am-noon.

Emerging Spirituality in a Chaotic World with Kathleen Duffy, SSJ, PhD on Saturday, October 28 from 9:00 am-Noon. The universe we live in is dynamic, creative, and beautiful. Steeping ourselves in its dynamism, sensing its evolutionary direction, and sinking into its beauty, we come to know a diving immanent presence alive and active in the universe as well as a divine transcendent presence drawing us ever into the future. During the workshop we will consider what the universe reveals about our creator God and how we can become continually more conscious of our part in its ongoing evolution, especially at this time of chaos and breakdown. The program is free for St. Francis Xavier parishioners. Advance registration is requested.

The Freedom and Power of Letting Go...Do you feel controlled by anxiety, triggered by emotions in this challenging world? In this life-changing workshop you'll learn how to dissolve anxiety, fear, and any emotion that hinders your inner freedom and self-knowing. Full workshop: Saturday & Sunday, November 4-5 from 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Optional introductory morning: Tuesday, October 31 from 10:00 am-Noon.

On Your Mark...Get Set...Go! Delve into the Gospel of Mark with popular speaker Sallie Latkovich, CSJ. What was Mark's message to the first hearers of this gospel and what is the meaning of MARK for us? Saturday, November 18 from 9:00 am-Noon. Cosponsored with SJC and SFX parishes.

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



ONE HOPE: TWO CONGREGATIONS IN CONVERSATION

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

Please RSVP for the "One Hope" sessions at http://gracelutheran-lg.org/One-Hope-Registration

Peace, Fr. Bill Tkachuk

Interfaith Career Network

Quarterly Resume Review

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Saturday, November 4 from 9:30-11:30 am. Come in for a helpful one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional for some ideas and suggestions that may enhance or refresh your resume. Looking for some helpful job search strategies? Need some coaching with your elevator speech? This is a great opportunity for you or someone you know in a job search. There is no charge for this service. Please join us in Room 201 at the St. Cletus School Building, 700 West 55th Street in LaGrange.

Look for the ICN sign outside and enter at Door #2. It is just east of the Morrissey Hall Gym, behind the new Parish Center and has an Apple on the door. Please ring the buzzer to come in.

Interfaith Career Network offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org

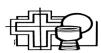


Please Pray For...all those serving in the military including:

- Sgt. David Phillips—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- Commander Robert O'Donnell—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT—son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- Lt. Christopher Ocasio, U.S. Army—friend of the Berger Family
- Staff Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- U.S. Navy James Lynch & Christopher Cugier, Air Force—cousin and nephew of Sr. Helen Sullivan
- Ensign Jonathan Devitt Brown—nephew of the Devitt Family
- LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC—son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- Capt. Maura Hoffman & Capt. Christopher Hoffman—niece and nephew of Margie & Steve Hull and cousins of Kate, Janie & Caroline Hull
- Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy & Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and sons of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- Master Sgt. Andrew Lang—son of Marge & Ray Lang
- Scott Conway, U.S. Navy—nephew of Robert Dunne & Mark Conway
- Staff Sgt. Scott Blunk—husband of Brianne and son-in-law of Maureen Becker
- *Lt. Daniel McGue*—grandson of Jack & Sue Ryan
- Lt. Col. Jeremy Hutchins, USAF—brother-in-law of Valerie & Michael Schierl
- Commander Brian Riegler, U.S. Navy—husband of Elizabeth and father of Kaylee, Mackenzie, Grace & Liam
- Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC—nephew of Noel Cusack
- Capt. Trent McMullen, USAF—son-in-law of Tom & Maureen Hunt
- Private William Baker, U.S. Army—son of Meg & Barry Baker
- Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army—friend of Liz Wilk
- *Spec Timothy Lucas U.S. Army*—grandson of Marian, nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas, and Kate & Beau Medlock
- Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy—daughter of Julia & Anthony Ciaccia and granddaughter of Harold Held
- Chris Johnson, USCG—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- SPC Matthew Alvis, U.S. Army—cousin of the Tschaikovsky Family
- Michael Rodden, USAF & Christopher Osterhaus, USMC—son and nephew of John & Vicki Rodden
- Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- Ensign Julia McKenna, U.S. Navy—friend of John Rogers
- Robert Weiler, U.S. Navy—brother of Rebecca Dionisio

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

Email the bulletineditor@sfxlg.org.



Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—October 28-29, 2017

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Cantors	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	L. MacKenzie M. Petkovich C. Grech	M. Becker K. Kanzer J. Kelly D. Mulvenna K. Murphy K. Preussner C. Witt L. Young Not Filled	W. Carroll C. Carroll F. LaMantia	A. Cherry	M. Becker
7:30 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	M. Kalkowski T. Marthaler D. Walsh	N. Kalkowski K. McInerney J. Morsch R. Nutt P. Olson	J. Eraci A. Justak N. Havenaar	G. Adams	J. Morsch T. Morsch
9:00 AM	Fr. Killeen	C. Broderick T. Gannon J. Stopka	M. Branecki V. Bracht C. Pratali R. Pratali J. Prendergast D. Sherman J. Sosnowski T. Urchell J. Van Gorp	J. Reven C. McLaughlin A. Fix	C. Kline Gallery Choir	D. Sherman
10:30 AM	Fr. Muccino	C. Dillon K. McCarthy M. Justak	A. Clark J. Clark N. Cummings L. Egan A. Gatsos C. Gatsos D. Kriha G. Rutkowski K. Witowski	C. DelGiudice L. Nowak A. Dillon	B. Kalnes Celebration Ensemble	K. Titzer
12:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	B. Hemminger E. McGovern C. Pietrzak	A. Chimento L. Donegan B. Edelmann K. Johnson M. K. Pasin	P. Shanley R. Wheeler C. Kachmarik	K. DeVries	J. Svehla
6:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	C. Ganzel A. Conneely	B. Metzger K. Metzger M. K. Kelly M. Cooley M. Cooley			

Readings For The Week of October 22, 2017

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21 Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59 Saturday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40





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Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday	8:30 am-8:30 pm
Saturday	
Sunday	

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	
The Reconciliation room is located	
tabernacle prayer area.	Š

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Liturgy Schedule

Mrs. Mary Freeman

Monday through Wednesday	7:45 and 9:00 am
Thursday	9:00 am
Friday	
Saturday	9:00 am

Word Communion Services

Thursday	7:45 am
Friday	9:00 am

Bulletin Deadline

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

Domestic Violence Resources

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

Food Pantry

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

Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

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

Infant Baptisms

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

Marriage

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

Parish Counselor

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