



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

2nd Sunday of Easter

(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

April 7, 2024



Thomas answered and said to him,
“My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him,
“Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”
Jn 20:28-29

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, April 8	Mass	8:30 am	Bob Saraz Herbert & Mary Schrack	Barbara Prack
Tuesday, April 9	Mass	8:30 am	Rich Slowik	Joyce Cusack
Wednesday, April 10	Mass	8:30 am	Peggy Humecke	Jerry & Nancy Johnson
Thursday, April 11	Rosary Mass	8:15 am 8:30 am	People of the Parish	
Friday, April 12	Mass	8:30 am	Dick Carey	Jim & Mary Donahue
Saturday, April 13	Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Denise Graney	The Graney Family
Sunday, April 14 3rd Sunday of Easter	Mass	7:30 am	Les Whiteaker	Roger & Jennifer
	Mass	9:00 am	Frank Lenti	The Cooley Family
	Mass	11:00 am	Adrian Romero	The Cairns Family
	Mass	5:00 pm	Michael Fagan Living Intention	The Kanzer Family

Presider's Schedule for April 6-7, 2024

5:00 pm Fr. Milek

7:30 am Fr. Tkachuk

9:00 am Fr. Milek

11:00 am Fr. Tkachuk

5:00 pm Fr. Tkachuk

Please pray for . . .

John Baggio	Jessi Rita Hoffman
Ed Barrett	Tiffany Kahn
Albert Boemo	Eleanor Love
Dick Callahan	Tom Mallon
Tim Deveraux	Patrick Morgan
Blake Donegan	Tiffany Nash
Barbara Doyle	Geri Pfluger
Matthew Doyle	Laureen Rabe
Pat Eaton	Rita Mae Spearman
Thomas Flynn	Steven Stern
Kathy Gleason	John Stopka
Lilli Gregory	Richard Szatkowski
Junie Haase	Olivia Tarsney
Angela Hill	Theresa Toher

To add a name to the prayer list who are sick, please call the rectory at 708-352-0168. Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

Born Into Eternal Life



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

Charlie Dougherty
Father of George Dougherty

Josephine Eorio
Aunt of Nina Vittori

Weddings

Aly LaMantia & Jack Richter
Maura Boyce & Foster Mullen



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Blessed are they
who have not seen
and yet have believed.

Pastor's Letter

"These things are written that you may come to believe."
John 20:31

Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God, is Risen! I have long felt that "Doubting Thomas" is a misnomer for the disciple who refused to believe the poor witness of his fellow disciples; they were proclaiming that Jesus had appeared to them; yet they remained hidden behind locked doors. Thomas needed something more if he was to believe them; and he was not afraid to ask for it. Jesus appeared one week later and offered Thomas the proof that he sought. Yet, all Thomas seemed to need that second morning was to be in the presence of the Risen Jesus. Like the disciple John at the tomb on Easter morning, **he opened his heart and believed.** Thomas accepted the **call to be a missionary disciple** and carried the message of Jesus and his Resurrection as far as the west coast of India.

Thomas challenges us: **How far are we willing to go as missionary disciples?** Will we accept the gifts of the Spirit meant to inspire us **to take up the call to tell the story of Jesus** through our words and actions? We need not travel to India or any other country. We are sent **to the members of our family** who may have lost or had their faith weakened by events or things that officials of the Church have said or done. Or perhaps **to friends who seem to be seeking answers** and may be open to an invitation to come and see what we have found. Perhaps they, like Thomas, are simply asking for something more than mere words. **Honest doubt is not a refusal to believe;** it is a natural consequence of placing our trust in something that cannot be proven. **Are we willing to admit our own doubts and, like Thomas, ask Jesus for what we need** to strengthen our faith and open our hearts to his loving touch?

Awesome! It is a perfect word to describe what I experienced among you all throughout Holy Week. The beauty of our gatherings was enhanced by the preaching of our presiders; the talents of Allen Sterwalt and the musicians of our Gallery Choir and Contemporary Ensemble, and Jeremy Michor and the musicians of our Spirit Choir; the witness of Maggie McMahon and the OCIA Team and Elis Guidice and the OCIA catechist for minors; and the unseen efforts of everyone on staff, including Mary Freeman and our outreach ministers, our office staff, our facilities staff. I am blessed to be surrounded by such a talented and faithful team.

Parish leadership provided much more than the staff could have done on its own. We are blessed by Celine Heraty and the Art and Environment Team; Bernadette McMahon and our Liturgy Group; Susie Lehuta and our Lectors; Mike Hattie and our Usher crew; George Rutkowski and our Ministers of Communion; Steve Eaton and all our Sacristans; our Altar Servers, who gave their time during their spring break; our regular and substitute Greeters and so many others who offered their time and talent in many seen and unseen ways.

And **I give thanks to all** you who came together for worship on the holiest days of the Church year. On Easter morning, a total of **approximately 3,135 people** attended one of the five Easter morning Masses, which approximates our pre-pandemic totals. Your presence, participation, and generous support for our shared parish mission are a sign of the presence of the Risen Lord among us. Our communion in Christ, through which we strive to welcome each person who comes to our doors and invite those not yet among us, is key to living out our mission.

Finally, congratulations to our newly baptized and confirmed members whom we celebrated at the Easter Vigil. **Jessica Chia, Sam Ellian, Owen Famulari, Steve Friedle, Jeremy Knickrehm, Dan Kuzniar, Derek Lacosse, Amber McCauley, Dominic O'Brien, and Joe Zarlenga:** we look forward to welcoming the gifts you bring to our mission and ministries.

Easter Blessings,

J. Bill

Divine Mercy Sunday
APRIL 7, 2024

*2:30 PM RECONCILIATION
IN SFX CHURCH*

*3:00 PM—HOLY HOUR WITH THE
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT*



(REFLECTION ON DIVINE MERCY,
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET PRAYER,
SILENT ADORATION, AND BENEDICTION).

*The Feast of Mercy or Divine Mercy Sunday
has been celebrated in many countries,
dioceses and parishes for many years.
Pope John Paul II, the Cardinals,
Bishops and Priests
who have read the diary of St. Faustina have
come to appreciate the significance of this feast.
But now, ever since the Holy See had decreed
that the “Second Sunday of Easter would be
known as Divine Mercy Sunday,”
many more are seeking to go more
deeply into the words of
Our Lord to St. Faustina
that were meant for all humanity.*

*Pope John Paul II in his homily at the canonization
of Sr. Faustina on April 30, 2000 said:
“Jesus shows His hands and His side.
He points, that is, to the wounds of the Passion,
especially the wound in His Heart,
the source from which flows the great wave
of mercy poured out on humanity”.*

*The image of Jesus, The Divine Mercy,
is to have a special place of honor
on the Feast of Mercy,
a visual reminder of all that
Jesus did for us through
His Passion, Death, and Resurrection...and
a reminder, too, of what
He asks of us in return—to trust
Him and be merciful to others.*

*The Eucharist is the “Fountain of Life”.
The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God,
longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.*

STEWARDSHIP



Devote Time with God

Share Talent

Give Treasure

Offertory Report (Easter Sunday)

Easter Collection through April 1, 2024: \$57,716

Easter Budget: \$75,000



Easter Masses in the church and gym were overflowing as we celebrated the resurrection of Jesus Christ! We are so grateful for this blessing. And thank you for participating in our Easter collection. If you would still like to make an Easter gift, you can access this QR code or [click here](#) to donate.



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**ALL YOU CAN EAT
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**AFTER ALL MASSES ON APRIL 14
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145 NORTH WAIOLA AVENUE**

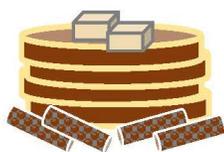


Help the Knights plan food and drink quantities

Please make your reservation at:

<https://forms.gle/4hkTtnMFYpReaHEj8>

**Adults and Teens...\$10
Ages 6 to 12...\$5
Ages 5 and Under...Free**



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Welcome

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

Martin Bobak & Angela Ranieri
Ryan & Candice Daly
Jack Girard
Joseph Hanko
George & Elizabeth Islas
Nicole Jeske
James Liebenson & Christine Fasano
Natalie Pabijan
Fred & Joan Senne
Thomas Tom & Samara Condon



Toddler Moms' Monthly Prayer Night

Where: Check Facebook event for location of the month (SFX Toddling Together group) (subject to change each month)

When: 8:00pm (every 2nd Thursday)

What: Get those littles (mostly) in bed and gather with other toddler moms for prayer and restoration! We meet on 2nd Thursdays of the month (location may vary, be sure to check Facebook or bulletin each month.) Questions, please contact Maggie McMahon at mmcmahon@sfxlg.org.

Engage Community

Our next get togethers:

April 11: 11:30am Lunch at the Stadium Club at the Max in McCook. (separate checks)

April 25: 7:00pm Regular Meeting, Unity Hall, Topic TBD

For questions or [to RSVP](#), please email Jane at janeLGPark@gmail.com

All are welcome. Engage is for adults; single, married, divorced, widowed, parishioners and visitors to foster Christian community through social and service events.



Special
GUEST EMCEE
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TIM GANNON
Volunteer Actor
St. Francis Xavier parish leader,
volunteer & good parent
timof@gannon.com

ONLY FOUR WEEKS AWAY!
PURCHASE TICKETS
ONLINE TODAY
Limited tickets will be sold at
the door the night of the event.



Saturday, April 27, 2024
6PM - 11PM
at Countryside Banquets

IGNITE 2024 CHAIRS
Grace Reilly Burke '02 & Marie Hanson
ignitebenefit@sfxlg.org

St. Francis Xavier Community
You're Invited!

A Great Evening Planned:

- **Gourmet Food**
- **Open Bar**
- **Unique Auction Items**
- **Live Band**
- **And much more!**

SIGN UP PARTIES - SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

MOM CAMP - CABLE LAKE, MI



Ladies, take a break and head to the lake for Mom Camp!
You'll enjoy time with SFX mom's and friends while sitting at the beach, kayaking or making S'mores around the bonfire and enjoying your beverage of choice. Pack your bag for this one night stay at a home generously donated by SFX family and friends in Cable Lake, MI. Transportation, lodging, food, drinks, and all camp activities included. Depart Sat., Sept. 14 and return Sun., Sept. 15, 2024 Tickets are \$150 ea. and only 50 will be sold!

Don't miss this night of laughter, drinks and endless stories!

SILENT AUCTION PREVIEW

SOUND THE ALARM!
FIREHOUSE FUN FOR ONE FAMILY



One family will enjoy breakfast at the Franklin Park Firehouse with the firefighters, tour the firehouse and fire trucks and much more!

Perfect for the budding firefighter in your home!

Your gifts to Ignite '24 will help us to continue our mission of providing families with an outstanding educational choice by integrating our Catholic values of faithfulness, prayer and compassion into an excellent, comprehensive academic program.

THANK YOU for YOUR SUPPORT!

For more information, go to: onecau.se/sfx2024

Frosh-Soph Retreat

Friday, April 19 (6:00 pm)
- Saturday, April 20 (1:00 pm)



*Becoming Who God
Made Me to Be*

Freshmen and Sophomores, join us for the much-anticipated LOCK-IN retreat in the SJC Parish Center.

Yes, we'll be spending the night in the SJC Parish Center! Led by our Juniors and Seniors, it's sure to be a great time.

Join us for Games, Mass, Open Gym, Escape Room, and more!

\$25

Register at
www.stjohnofthecross.org/fsretreat
or by scanning the QR Code



O CIA Congratulations!

We were thrilled to welcome 10 newly initiated members of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil! Responding to God's invitation and the promptings of the Holy Spirit, these men and women have spent months - even years - preparing personally, intellectually, and spiritually for the sacraments of initiation. We can't wait to see what God has in store for them next!

At this weekend's masses some of our newly baptized and confirmed Catholics will share their stories with us.



Top row, from left: (Fr Bill), Jeremy Knickrehm, Dominick O'Brien, Joseph Zarlenga, Steven Friedle, (Fr Rich)
Bottom row, from left: Sam Ellian, Amber McCauley, Owen Famulari, Derek Lacosse, Dan Kuzniar, Jessica Chia



Knights of Columbus LaGrange Council 6483

Catholic men 18 years and older are invited to our monthly meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm in Unity Hall at St. Francis Xavier Parish. Our social is held on the third Wednesday of the month.

For more information, please contact Mark Azzi at 708-732-5287.

SFX MEN'S CLUB

Get involved in the parish – we need your help!
Monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday of the month!

Next meeting is Tuesday, May 7

Contact Matt Hubert mthubert@gmail.com
or Jack Horrigan jfhorrigan@gmail.com
for more information.

End of the Year Fundraiser



The SFX Religious Education Program is partnering up with Aracely's Bakery and selling their delicious tamales for our end of year fundraiser. We hope for this to be our biggest fundraiser of the year. All proceeds will support our program and students. We are asking all our families and community for support. We will be taking pre-orders for the tamales and will only have a limited quantity available for sale the day of pick up.

Tamale Options: Pork in Red (Rojo) sauce or
Chicken in Green (Verde) sauce

You can order in quantities of a dozen or a half dozen.

Order deadline is April 19, 2024



[Click Here](#) for the link or scan the QR code below and it will take you directly to the order form page to order and pay for your tamales.



Pick up for the tamales will be at our End of the Year Religious Education Event which will be held in the Education Parking Lot off of Waiola on Sunday, April 28th from 1:30-3:00pm. Thank you so much for your continued support!

Religious Education News



*Registration for our 2024- 2025
K – 8 Religious Education Program is now open (as of 3/16/24)!*

We are happy to continue to offer two in-person sessions and a virtual option for families for the 2024-2025 school year.

Our options are:

- In person bi-monthly grade level program held on Sunday Mornings and Wednesday afternoons.
- Our virtual asynchronous grade level program has lessons being released bi-monthly on Sundays and is best for families with busy schedules.

Families are strongly encouraged to also attend Mass at least twice a month and will receive a separate weekly Google form to complete for “car ride” home liturgy discussions in our Weekly Parent Newsletter.

Please don't delay in registering your children today as classes fill up fast!

*Families who register by April 24th
will be entered into a raffle for free tuition.
The drawing will take place at our last class in person event on April 28th.
You must be present at the event to win!*

Visit our website for complete information on registration, tuition and calendar:

<https://www.sfxlq.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Religious%20Education>

Click the quick link “RE Registration Information for 2024-2025” on the left-hand side of the page to register.



Teens Needed for Ministries at 5PM Sunday Mass

Being part of the liturgy is such a special gift. And our 5PM Sunday Evening Mass is for teens and run by teens, but we need your help! Since our Confirmation Prep has shifted to 7th and 8th Grade, we are inviting these students to take part in the Mass as ushers and choir members (singing or instrumental). Below you will find the Teen Mass schedule for the rest of the school year. Please review the available slots to usher and sign up for one by clicking on this link: [Click Here](#) or by scanning the QR code.

We need at least four ushers for each Mass. A reminder email/text will be sent to you the week prior to the Sunday's you signed up to usher for. If you are in 8th Grade and are interested in becoming a Lector or Eucharistic Minister please see Katie McCarthy after one of the 5PM Masses or email her at kmccarthy@getblueprint.com.



Catholic Women's Club Happy Hour

Are looking for a way to become more involved in the St. Frances Xavier Parish? Perhaps the SFX Catholic Women's Club is the right fit for you! We encourage all women of the parish to join the Catholic Women's Club on Wednesday, April 17th at MilkStop, 700 West Burlington Avenue in LaGrange from 7:00-9:00pm to learn more about the CWC and the many events they plan for the SFX parish. Hope to see you there!

Catholic Women's Club

The St. Francis Xavier CWC (Catholic Women's Club) is seeking volunteers to support 2023/2024 efforts including service projects, event planning (including Ladies Day Out) and more. Join the fun and reach out to Lauren Desmond lauren.e.desmond@gmail.com or Erin Thunander erin.thunander@gmail.com if you'd like to get involved.

10th Annual All Parish Service Day! SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024



Shelter Homeless Feed Hungry Bury Dead
Clothe Naked Care for Sick Visit Imprisoned

If you have questions, ideas, or would like to lead an outreach team, please contact:
Mary Freeman, Director Of Community Outreach mfreeman@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168.



The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue in LaGrange Park for questions call 708-482-5048. To register visit our website to see our entire lineup of winter programs and retreats, please register in advance at: www.csjthewell.org/offerings/.

Ecology and the Risen Christ Retreat: A Series on the Goals of Laudato Si' on Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, and 23 from 9:30-11:00am with Facilitator Pat Bergen, CSJ. Look around, our human life has gotten out of whack. The state of the world is calling us personally and as a human community to an ecological conversion with no time to waste! As the Body of Christ, this conversion summons us to live in, with, and for Christ. Hybrid; Facilitator is In-Person; Cost: \$80 series.

Christian Meditation at St. John of the Cross

Everyone who perseveres in meditation discovers that although during the time of meditation it might appear that nothing happens, yet gradually the whole of our life is changed.

John Main, OSB

All are welcome to visit one of our weekly groups and join us as we unite with our risen Christ in this prayer of the heart. No experience necessary.

Mondays 11:00 am—phone conference call—Christian Meditation as an 11th Step practice. All are welcome, even if you are not in a 12-step program. Contact Janet, 708-246-4866, jccadc@sbcglobal.net.

Tuesdays 7:30 pm—Zoom only. Contact Joan, 708-246-4110, craw5@att.net.

Wednesdays 2:30 pm—in person, Room 3 in the Parish Center or on Zoom. Contact Joan, 708-699-1002, billjoanbinder@sbcglobal.net.

Thursday 3:00 pm—phone conference. Contact Janet 708-246-4866, jccadc@sbcglobal.net.

Friday 7:00 pm—phone conference. Contact Janet 708-246-4866, jccadc@sbcglobal.net

Saturdays 8:00 am—in person, Room 7 in the Parish Center or on Zoom. Contact Betsy, 708-269-2143, wccmchgo@gmail.com. For more information on the practice, go to www.wccm-usa.org.

See

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RvFneqPA8U8> for "How to Do Christian Meditation."



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Francis Xavier began in 2005. Members knit and/or crochet shawls and lap blankets. They work with their hands and the kindness of their hearts to provide comfort and strength to those needing this support. These handmade gifts are available to anyone who reaches out to the rectory staff and mentions they would like to have a prayer shawl or lap blanket.

Our scheduled meetings in Unity Hall are as follows:

Thursday, April 11 from 7:00-8:00 PM

Wednesday, May 8 from 7:00-8:00 PM

We welcome new members with open arms. New members are required to have basic knitting or crocheting skills.

Any questions, contact Mary Ellyn Witt at mewittlagrange@yahoo.com.



Vacation Bible School Registration is Open!

We are pleased to announce that registration for Summer 2024 Vacation Bible School is now open. As you may know from previous announcements, SFX is partnering with Grace Lutheran for this summer's VBS program. The VBS program will run the week of June 24th (Monday-Friday) from 9am to 12 noon at Grace Lutheran. *VBS is open to children aged 4 through 4th grade. 5th-6th Graders can participate as members of a "service crew" that will spend the week organizing and conducting a variety of service projects.*

Here is link you can use to register your child or children:

<https://vbapro.events/p/events/273552>

or use this QR code to access the registration.



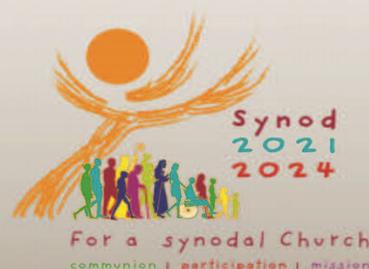
A successful VBS program is not possible without the help of parent and teen volunteers! The registration form will describe the various volunteer opportunities available. Not all of them involve a five-day commitment. Volunteering for some role is not required but it is highly encouraged. We will be reaching out in the near future to follow up on your volunteer preference to provide further information. For those of you who have volunteered in the past you know what a rewarding experience it is for you and your children.

We look forward to a successful 2024 program and are grateful to Grace Lutheran for allowing the SFX community to resume our partnership with them. If you have any questions please contact Phil Zadeik at pjzadeik@gmail.com.

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A synodal encounter with witnesses on the restoration of the permanent diaconate for men and women. Includes a listening presence from synod delegates.



April 29, 2024 | 3:00 PM

*All are welcome. Registration required.
For English and Spanish speakers.*

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Session 1
**JUNE 10-JUNE
21 2024***

*No camp on 6/19

Session 2
**JUNE 24-
JULY 5 2024***

*No camp on 7/4

Admission per Session

\$600
+STEAM fee

Camp Hours 9:00am-12:00pm

- ✓ Daily Art Class
- ✓ Daily STEAM Class
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SFX Summer Camp

145 N. Waiola
La Grange, IL 60525

Registration Link

<https://sfxcamp.campbrainregistration.com>

More Information (708) 352-2175 or camp@sfxlg.org





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

- **Sgt. FC Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Green Beret 10th Special Forces Group**—son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- **Lt. Commander 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**—son of Jon Peterson
- **Major Marcos Melendez, USMC**—nephew of Jon Peterson
- **Major Michelle Melendez, USMC** niece of Jon Peterson
- **Capt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and son of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—son 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
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army**—friend of Liz Wilk
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **Sgt. Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 7ATC**—son of Chuck and Kathi Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **Colonel Jessica Nichol, USAF**—daughter-in-law of Tom & Lucile Nichol
- **Capt. Jack Albertini, USMC**—son of Bob & Susan Albertini

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

St. Francis Xavier Personnel

Pastoral Ministry

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Deacon
Deacon
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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday.....8:30 am-7:00 pm
 Friday.....8:30 am-4:30 pm
 Saturday.....9:00 am-12:00 pm

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every 3rd Thursday 6:00-7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning.....9:00-10:00 am
 The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the tabernacle prayer area.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday - Friday).....9:00 am-12:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus 7:00-8:00 pm

St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday).....8:00 -10:00 am

Bulletin Deadline

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

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 LaGrange Police Emergency Assistance 911 or 708-579-2354

Food Pantry

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Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls

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

Infant Baptisms

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

Marriage

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

Parish Counselor

All counseling services are confidential and respectful. If you are curious about self-exploration, need help managing your mood and anxiety, long for a quiet and safe space, or feel the need to recalibrate, consider making an appointment, with our parish counselor, BC Shelly, from the Claret Center. He can be reached by phone 704-750-0686 or email bc.shelly.claret@gmail.com.



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