



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

April 12, 2026



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 20:29

BELONG • BELIEVE • BE LOVE

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, April 13	Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
Tuesday, April 14	Mass	8:30 am	Fr. Pat Lee Michael Fagan Living Intention	The Griffin Family The Kanzer Family
Wednesday, April 15	Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
Thursday, April 16	Rosary Mass Adoration	8:15 am 8:30 am 6:00 pm	Jose M. Guerrero	The Guerrero Family
Friday, April 17	Mass	8:30 am	Margaret Ann Bregenzer	The Wright & Stanford Families
Saturday, April 18	Mass Reconciliation Mass	8:30 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm	People of the Parish Margaret Brooker	The Reilly Family
Sunday, April 19 3rd of Easter Sunday	Mass Mass Mass Mass	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	The Kalkowski Family People of the Parish Besse & Dick Parlon People of the Parish	The Reale Family Pam Oplawski

Presider's Schedule for April 18-19, 2026

5:00 pm Fr. Milek

7:30 am Fr. Milek

9:00 am Fr. Chrzan

11:00 am Fr. Milek

5:00 pm Fr. Chrzan

Please pray for . . .

John Baggio	Mickey Manos
Poppy Booth	Kathleen McElroy
Robert Borchardt	John McMurray
Kent Borkovec	Jan Meyers
George Braasch	Amy Miller
Vivian Brickhouse	Katie Miller
Leonard Bruce	Brandon Moffett
John Clinch	Christopher Moon
Tom Davis	Patrick Morgan
Blake Donegan	Bill Mroz
John Donegan	Pat Murphy
Craig Eaton	Ann Marie Nidos
Nathan Emkow	Connie O'Dette
Dale Friedman	Cathy O'Leary
Lupe Baker Garcia	Mark Reilly
Allen Godlewski	Amy Robinson
Vincenzo Guzzo	Juan Silva
Junie Haase	Rita Mae Spearman
Angela Hill	Gregg Stephenson
Jessi Rita Hoffman	Gary Sterwalt
Richard Holbach	Jean Sterwalt
Michelle Jackson	John Stopka
Nora Lou Kampe	Sophie Stratton
Deb Kash	Olivia Tarsney
Terri Bergen Klein	Joe Vargas
Ella Mae Kuzel	Liz Wilk
Laura Leide	

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:



Kathleen Grippio

Mother of Josephine, Janine, Joseph, Anthony & the late John

Brian Mangano

Husband of Kristine
Father of Jack & Reese

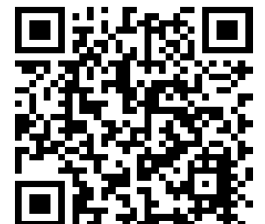
Weddings

Andrea Nudo & Richard Lecaros
Madison Bachle & Matthew Berger
Sonya Joseph & Raju Anthony Kolenchery



Make a gift to the Regular Sunday Offertory by [clicking here](#) or using the QR Code.

Thank you for your support!



Pastor's Letter

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Francis Xavier,

As we continue to rejoice in the Easter season, I would like to take a moment to offer heartfelt thanks to all who contributed, both in large and small ways, to the magnificent celebration of Holy Week and Easter here in our parish.

In the words of St. Paul to the Thessalonians: "We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly." These words beautifully reflect what we experienced together over these sacred days.

I am especially grateful to Maggie McMahon and her OCIA team for their outstanding work in preparing 17 individuals to be fully initiated into the Catholic faith. What a joyful and grace-filled moment for our parish!

My sincere thanks to our parish staff, especially Missy Westerhoff and Debbie Soulje, for their tireless efforts in preparing the liturgical texts and attending to the many details behind the scenes that made our celebrations so seamless and prayerful.

To Allen Sterwalt and our talented musicians, singers, and accompanists: thank you for leading us in such beautiful worship. The music of Holy Week and Easter is among the most solemn and moving of the entire year, and your ministry added profound depth and majesty to our prayer.

I am deeply grateful to Celine Heraty and her team for creating such warm and beautiful worship environments throughout our campus. Your work helped make our sacred spaces truly radiant for the Easter celebration.

To our many liturgical ministers: our sacristans, lectors, commentators, cantors, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, and all who worked behind the scenes to ensure that everything was prepared with care; thank you for your faithful and dedicated service.

Special recognition goes to Antonio Franceschi and his maintenance team, whose hard work ensured that our church, school and grounds were clean, safe and welcoming for the thousands who joined us.

I am also grateful to our parish leadership and clergy - Fr. Rich, Deacon Andy, Deacon Phil and visiting priests - for your prayerful and joyful ministry as presiders during these sacred days.

Finally, I would like to thank each and every one of you, every individual and every family, who joined us for our Holy Week and Easter liturgies. Your presence and participation are a powerful witness to the vibrant faith and vitality of this parish community.

Let us continue to lift one another up in prayer, asking the Lord to bless us abundantly, to deepen our faith, and to fill us with Easter joy throughout this season.

With gratitude and blessings,
Fr. John

Prayer for Peace, Healing and Love

God of justice and mercy,
You created every person in Your image
and call us to honor the sacred dignity of all human life.
We lift before You all communities and groups who are hurting.
Move our hearts to solidarity with all those burdened by violence,
injustice, fear, and division.

In Your Church, remind us that we **belong** to one another
as brothers and sisters in Christ.
Strengthen our faith so that we may **believe**
in the power of Your grace to overcome hatred and despair.
Send us forth to **be love** in a wounded world—
rejecting violence, seeking understanding,
and working for peace rooted in justice and truth.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

"Let me be clear:
the Church stands with
migrants...Families are being
torn apart.
Children are left in fear and
communities are shaken by
immigration raids and
detentions...our parishes and
schools will not turn away
those who seek comfort,
and we will not be silent
when dignity is denied
in the enforcement of the law."

Cardinal Cupich

Easter Season

Unless otherwise indicated, the following event will occur in the church:

MONDAY at 7:00 pm
hosted by the Alpha Team

Continuing into Easter:

April 20 Embracing the Holy Spirit



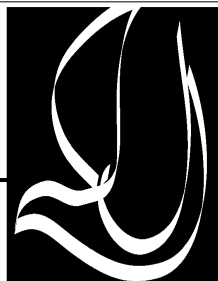
Thinking About Becoming Catholic?

WE'D LOVE TO CHAT WITH YOU!

Email mmcmahon@sfxlg.org to
start the conversation

PEACE

Be with you



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Divine Mercy Sunday APRIL 12, 2026

2:00 PM RECONCILIATION
IN ST. FRANCIS XAVIER 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.



Easter Giving at St. Francie Xavier

We are grateful to all those whose financial support makes the mission of St. Francis Xavier Parish possible. You can make an Easter gift by accessing this QR code or using an envelope at the church entrances. For those joining us online, [click here](#) to donate.



Engage Community – Events Building community with neighbors and friends



April 14: Dinner Get-together
Where: 5:30pm, **Mattone Restaurant**,
9 East 31st Street, La Grange Park
<https://mattonerestaurant.com/>. Separate
checks. **RSVPs are required by April 11.**

Please email Jane at janeLGPark@gmail.com.

Engage focuses on building Christian community through a variety of social and service activities. All are welcome, parishioners and non-parishioners, adults of all ages and life stages.



April 24: Guided Tour of the Bishop's
Mausoleum
Where: 2:00-3:30pm, **Mount Carmel
Cemetery**

Details: The Bishop's Mausoleum is the final resting place of the Bishops and Archbishops of Chicago and is the focal point of the entire Cemetery. Commissioned by Archbishop James Quigley in 1905, the structure follows the Romanesque Classical design. The interior features mosaics that reference Celtic, Nordic, Slavic, and Latin saints, reflecting the Archdiocese's many ethnic groups. Deacon Glenn Tylutki will be leading our journey into its art and history. **RSVPs are required by April 21.** You'll receive parking and other information after you respond. Please email Jane at janeLGPark@gmail.com.



That Man Is You

**All men are invited to join the
Spring Sessions of *That Man is YOU (TMIY)*,
on Tuesdays at 8:00 pm
in St. Francis Unity Hall**

THAT MAN IS YOU! is an interactive men's program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. Christ didn't say, "Behold, I make new things." He said, "Behold, I make all things new."

A new day is dawning for Catholic men. Now is our hour! The future of the world and the Church is happening on our watch. His mercy is new every morning. A new hope is rising!

Interested?
Contact Patrick McMahon at
patrick.mcmahon65@gmail.com
or scan the QR code or [click here](#)
to register.



SFX PINK RIBBON COMMUNITY

Connect with
Breast Cancer Survivors
at SFX for
fellowship & support.



St. Francis Xavier Men's Club

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

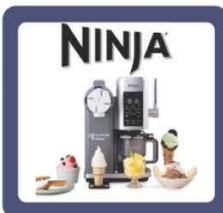
Next meeting is Tuesday, May 5

Contact:
Peter Brown pbrown@sfxlq.org
for more information.

New This Year- Sweepstakes!

Purchase tickets for a chance to win one or more of these awesome prizes!
Ticket sales go live on **April 13 at 6:00pm!**

**SWEEPSTAKES
GET YOUR
TICKETS HERE!!**



Ignite 2026 Raffles Are Live

Christmas Eve Reserved Pew Raffle

Two winners will receive a reserved parking space and a reserved pew (up to 10 seats) at the 3:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass on December 24, 2026.



\$5,000 Tuition Raffle

One winner will receive a \$5,000 tuition credit for the 2026-2027 school year.

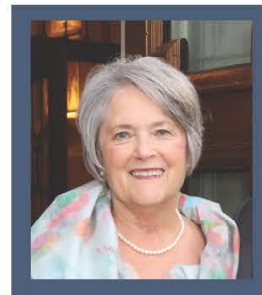
Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 6:00 PM on March 25 through OneCause.

Attendance at Ignite is not required to win. We recommend setting up your OneCause account in advance to ensure smooth checkout when sales open.

IGNITE MEDAL AWARD HONOREE:

PATSY BROWN

This year, the recipient of our annual Ignite Medal Award will be Patsy Brown. Patsy, the founder of the SFX Enrichment Program in the 1990's and former School Advisory Board member, continues to be a bright light in the parish.



Click here or scan the QR code to visit OneCause to purchase raffle, sweepstakes, and Ignite tickets!





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Mindfulness Under Pressure: Staying Calm Through Exams & Big Decisions

SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH
6:00PM-7:00PM, UNITY HALL
ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

Presenter: Brian Drelicharz, LCSW

Feeling the pressure of AP exams, finals, and college decisions? You're not alone – and you don't have to power through these stressors on your own, either. This interactive session introduces simple, practical mindfulness strategies designed specifically for teens navigating high-stakes moments. You will learn how to calm your mind before and during exams, manage anxiety when it spikes, and stay focused when it matters most. We will cover techniques like breathing exercises, grounding strategies, and ways to break out of negative thought loops – tools you can use immediately in real-life situations. Whether you're aiming to boost performance, feel more in control, or just get through the next few months with less stress, this session will give you a toolkit to handle the pressure with confidence.

Free Resume Review

Looking For a New Job?

Interfaith Career Network offers FREE assistance; OPEN TO ALL!

“Energize Your Job Search Using Your New LinkedIn Profile”

Denis Curtin, Presenter

Thursday, April 16th at 7:00pm at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road in Western Springs.

LinkedIn is more than just a job board – it is a powerful tool that can help you elevate your job search, grow your professional network, and accelerate your career growth. Denis Curtin is a LinkedIn Trainer and Coach who helps job seekers and companies optimize their LinkedIn profiles and is recognized as one of the leading LinkedIn experts in the Midwest. We look forward to seeing you!



Religious Education News

**Registration for our 2026-2027
K—8 Religious Education Program is now open!**

We are happy to continue to offer two in-person sessions and a virtual option for families for the 2026-2027 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 22nd will be entered into a raffle for free tuition.
The drawing will take place at our last class in person event on April 27th.
You must be present at the event to win!***

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

www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Religious%20Education



aracely's bakery
cupcakes, pastries & more...

Religious Education Fundraiser

The SFX Religious Education Program is once again 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.

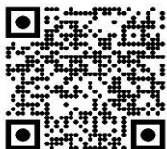
- 4 Tamale Options:**
- Pork in Red (Rojo) sauce
 - Chicken in Green (Verde) sauce
 - Pepper and Cheese
 - Bean and Cheese

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



Order deadline is April 19, 2026

[Click Here](#) for the link or scan the QR code to your left 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 Year Religious Education Event which will be held in the Education Building. Pick up for Tamales will be in the Gym on Sunday, April 26th from 12:30-2:30PM. Thank you so much for your continued support!

Young Adult Ministry
GAME NIGHT

Bring your favorite card games, board games, and snacks to share!

Monday
April 20, 2026

6:30 pm | SJC Parish Center
 5005 Wolf Rd, Western Springs

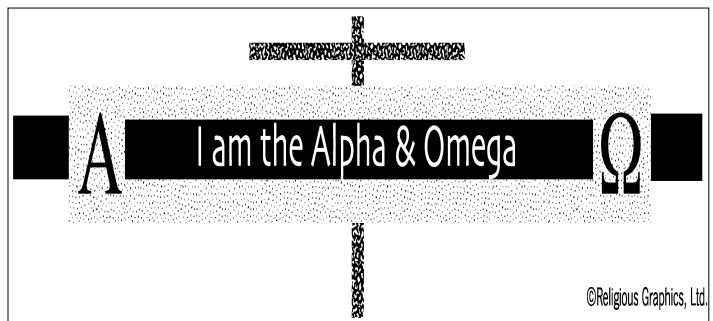
Want to join YAM?
 Scan the QR Code below!

Join our Young Adult Ministry (YAM)

Groupme! Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to get updates on upcoming events and connect with other young adults.

Join our Toddler Moms'

Groupme! Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to get updates on upcoming events and connect with other toddler moms'.



VBS Registration Is Opened

Registration for VBS 2026 is opened! You can register by using the QR code or the link found below. The code and link will take you to the registration site. Here you will find some important information about VBS registration.

What is VBS: VBS is a faith based, week long adventure for children. Songs, crafts, stories, snacks and other activities are included. This years theme is "Rainforest Falls" and promises to be lots of fun for participants and volunteers!

When: VBS will run June 22-26 from 9:00am-12:00pm each day.

Who can register: Traditional VBS is open to children 4 years old to 4th grade. 5th and 6th graders can register for the "Service Crew." The Service Crew spends the week doing various service projects, some Bible study, other activities and of course snacks!

Where: All participants will meet at Grace Lutheran Church each day. The Service Crew will move to the Saint Francis Xavier Day School as base camp for their activities.

Cost: Cost of VBS is \$75 for one child. If you register 2 or more children cost is \$60 per child. If one parent volunteers for the entire week cost is 50% off.

Volunteering: A successful VBS requires a small army of volunteers. We expect each family to provide one or more volunteers in some capacity. The registration site lists the various volunteer opportunities available and a sign up option. We will be in touch with you after registration to follow up. Opportunities range from a couple of hours to one week of time commitment. There are also before and after set up and break down opportunities as well. 7th, 8th graders, teens and college can also volunteer and earn service hours!

Questions: Contact Phil Zadeik pjzadeik@gmail.com for general questions. Contact Karl Olson regarding volunteer opportunities Olson.Karl@gmail.com.

To register go to vbspro.events/p/fa96ee or use the QR Code.

Space is limited and last year VBS sold out, so please register early!





**St. Francis Xavier Parish
Blood Drive
Sunday, April 12, 2026
9:00am-1:00pm
145 North Waiola Avenue
(Ogden & Waiola)
LaGrange**

Drive Goal: 18

Schedule appointments:

https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11634244

Helpful tips before donating:

- ◆ Get a good night's sleep
- ◆ Eat a healthy meal before donating
- ◆ Be well hydrated
- ◆ Make sure to bring your ID, such as your driver's license



**Knights of Columbus
Neighbors Helping Neighbors
Food for Families Spring Food Drive
April 18, 2026**

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." Mother Teresa

How Can I Help?

Feed the Hungry

Look for the Knights of Columbus volunteers at your Jewel store in LaGrange Park from the hours of 8:00 am until 6:00 pm and add a food or monetary (cash/check/QR code) donation to our storefront collection!

Be a Financial Giver

Your monetary donations benefit those in need. The need is great. Any amount donated is appreciated. Donate Online to St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry at <https://sites.google.com/view/kofclg/food-for-families> or point your phone camera at the top QR code to the right and tap on the pop up.



Donate Online to the Chicago Food Depository at <https://myfooddrives.org/team/408834> or the bottom QR Code.



For more information, please call or text Craig Jacklin at 708-738-5930. This good cause, which occurs twice each year in spring and fall, is a partnership of the Knights of Columbus, SFX Food Pantry, Chicago Food Depository, and the local community. Thank you for your support!

Catholics Are Responsible Environmental Stewards (CARES)

PEACE 

An environmental ministry in collaboration with St. John of the Cross and St. Cletus.

CARES is called to protect all of Creation and our Common Home. With a Christ-Centered focus, **CARES** models, promotes, and integrates environmentally sustainable and socially protective actions and practices throughout the parish and surrounding communities.

Advocacy: Raise awareness and inspire transformative actions

Education: Provide educational resources and opportunities

Programs: Organize events and plan initiatives

CARES follows the directives and guidance from the 2015 Laudato Si Papal Encyclical, Catholic Doctrine, and Social Justice teachings, and the Chicago Archdiocese Office of Parish Vitality and Missions. For more information, please use the QR Code or go to: https://www.stjohnofthecross.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=543577&type=d.



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On the first Saturday of each month from 9:00am-12:00pm, there is forest restoration work being performed by volunteers at the north end of Bemis Woods South area entrance on the northside of Ogden Avenue, between Wolf Road and I-294. If anyone would like to consider helping, contact Kevin McGann kevin.mcgann.us@gmail.com for more information.

On Saturday, April 25th at 10:00am at Bemis Woods South, Dave Lloyd, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Steward for Bemis Woods South is leading an annual wildflower walk, which is the prime time to view the carpet of wildflowers that is the direct result of his coordinated efforts. Dave will talk about the re-wilded woods as a haven and a refuge in these times. Usually, the leisurely walk and chat is a 60-90 minute experience, but Dave understands that some people may not be able to spend the whole 60-90 minutes. If anyone would like to attend, contact Kevin McGann kevin.mcgann.us@gmail.com for more information.

Any questions, contact SFX CARES Rep. Kevin McGann at kevin.mcgann.us@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

ALL PARISH SERVICE DAY
SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026*

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

*Events will be available June 1-6, 2026

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.

Volunteers Needed

My name is Jim Tvrdik, and I would like to introduce you to a benevolent organization by the name of Project C.U.R.E. PC (as I like to call it) was founded in 1987 to address the staggering shortage of medical resources around the world. Each week, PC delivers approximately four-to-five semi-truck sized cargo containers packed with medical equipment and supplies that are desperately needed to save lives in hospitals and clinics in resource-limited countries outside the United States. In this way, PC continues to address critical issues such as maternal and infant mortality, natural disasters, victims of violence and strengthening of healthcare systems. In addition, many healthcare professionals travel with PC to provide medical treatment and training to communities in need. Currently, PC is supported by over 30,000 volunteers annually and operates a local distribution warehouse in Woodridge, IL.

Personally, I have been volunteering for PC for over 7 years and find the time spent very fulfilling. Our warehouse team in Woodridge is continually looking for volunteers with flexible schedules to keep the mission moving forward; volunteer groups are also most welcome.

Please feel free to checkout www.projectcure.org for additional information, or feel free to send an inquiry email to chicagovolunteer@projectcure.org.



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CANDY DAYS



MARCH 2026



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CHICAGO LOOP
COLLECTION

APRIL 24-25

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CHICAGOLAND

For Volunteer locations, please go to:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/lagrange2026?useFullSite=true#/>

No matter how much
you're hurting

No Marriage is Beyond Hope

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES
RETRouvaille
OF JOLIET ILLINOIS

There is a light at the
end of the tunnel.

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Retrouvaille is a program designed to help married couples who are struggling. We will help you learn to communicate on a deeper level, approach conflict constructively, build a stronger marriage, and rediscover the love you once had for each other.

Our next weekend is coming on :

April 24 – 26, 2026

at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL

For more information call us at (815) 246-2080, email us at JolietRegistration@HelpOurMarriage.org, or visit us online at www.HelpOurMarriage.org/Joliet



Church Audio Update—Adaptive Audio System

SFX has installed a Bluetooth accessible Listening System. To access this new system you must have a smartphone along with earphones or Bluetooth capable hearing aids. Follow the steps to connect your device:

Step 1) (At home or at SFX) Download the Listen Wi-Fi App from your app store or scan the provided QR Code below.

Apple Users



Android Users



Step 2) (In SFX Church) Download the Assistive Listening Wi-Fi Connection by scanning the provided QR Code below Please make sure to turn on Wi-Fi for auto detection in your settings.

Assistive Listening Wi-Fi Connection



We plan to have non-Bluetooth options available in the upcoming months. For assistance please call the rectory at 708-352-0168 or email sfxinlg@sfxlg.org to set-up an appointment.



Please Pray for All Those Serving Overseas in the Military:

- **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
- **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 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 Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Capt. Jack Albertini, USMC**—son of Bob & Susan Albertini
- **Micah Peralta, DC3 U.S. Navy**—daughter of Mila Esleta
- **Private Julian Vela, U.S. Army**—friend of Joe, Cari, Maddie & Mike Ramaglia
- **Specialist Esteban Vela, U.S. Army**—friend of Joe, Cari, Maddie & Mike Ramaglia
- **Lt. Matthew Edinger, DO, U.S. Navy**—son of John Edinger & Maria Niedos
- **ETNC Andrew Cihak, U.S. Navy**—grandson of John & Marilyn Lux
- **Capt. Michael Sullivan, U.S. Army**—son of Gene and Mary Pat Sullivan
- **Capt. Sean Kampe, U.S. Army**—grandson of Nora Lou Kampe, nephew of Anne & Rob Knez, cousin of Sarah Dybalski and Rachel Patterson
- **Capt. Michael Shriber, U.S. Army Reserves**—friend of the Mackey Family

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
Pastoral Associate
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Director of Stewardship and Development
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Parish Secretary/Receptionist
Staff Secretary/Bulletin Editor
Facilities Manager
Communications Manager

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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

Weekday Masses at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday-Friday) 8:00 am
St. John of the Cross (Monday-Saturday) 9:00 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.

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.

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 10:00 to 11:30 am. The pantry serves clients who live in the 60525 and 60526 zip codes. Donation drop off Mondays 9:00 am-Noon at South door of rectory (Door #5).

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 counselor, Benjamin Horen, from the Claret Center. Please call for an appointment at 630-923-8380.

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