



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2024

HOMAGE



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

MATTHEW 2:10-11A

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, January 8	Mass	8:30 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack Joan Deiters Living Intention-Bob & Donna Schmisser Special Intention	The Aronson Family Ron Skupien
Tuesday, January 9	Mass	8:30 am	Richard Hofstetter	The Westerhoff Family
Wednesday, January 10	Mass	8:30 am	Richard Unger	The Amendolo & Gobby Families
Thursday, January 11	Rosary Mass	8:15 am 8:30 am	Jeffrey C. Olson	The SFX School Community
Friday, January 12	Mass	8:30 am	John Rogers	Maureen Becker
Saturday, January 13	Mass Reconciliation Mass	8:30 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm	People of the Parish Susanne Walsh & Pete Capellani	Pat DeMars
Sunday, January 14	Mass	7:30 am	John Healy	The Coffey Family
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	9:00 am	Jock Brown	Donna Wasz
	Mass	11:00 am	Helen Wargo	Sangiaco & Martens Families
	Mass	5:00 pm	Jodi McMahon	The McMahon Family

Presider's Schedule for January 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. Milek

Please pray for . . .

Baby Finley Adkins	Rick Mahoney
John Baggio	Darren Masier
Ed Barrett	Lisa Massaro
Dick Callahan	Patrick Morgan
Jay Carroll	Rosemary Nash
Chili Challenger	Muriel Nerad
Marion Coogan	Gert Ogilvie
Blake Donegan	Jane O'Reilly
Barbara Doyle	Larry Plansky
Matthew Doyle	Laureen Rabe
Nancy Duffy	Rob Roper
Tom Flynn	Anna Rose
Kathy Gleason	Santa Snieg
Lilli Gregory	Jerry Spearman, Sr.
Angela Hill	Rita Mae Spearman
Dave Hyland	Steven Stirn
Rose Ilo	John Stopka
Jane Jacobsen	Charlie Swafford
Tiffany Kahn	Richard Szatkowski
Richard Lavers	Olivia Tarsney
James Lowry	Bill Witowski

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:

Jay Meehan

Husband of Nancy
Father of Jennifer, John, Megan & Erin

Make a gift to the
Christmas Offertory with
this QR Code.
Thank you for your
support!



Pastor's Letter

*They saw the child with Mary, his mother, and did him homage.
And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod,
they departed for their country by another way.
Matthew 2:11a,12*

The magi end their quest in the humble home of a young family in which they find Jesus, no longer an infant, but a little child. They bow before him and offer their precious gifts from the East. When they began their quest, they knew nothing about Israel or the prophecies concerning the birth of a savior. They were awed at the appearance of a star in the night sky that meant to them that something wonderful had happened. They set out on a long journey with the guidance of those who themselves are oblivious to what has occurred in their midst. In the Bethlehem home of Mary and Joseph, their hearts are opened and their lives forever changed. They allow themselves to be guided by the voice of the Spirit, who steers them clear of Herod and his treachery.

How do we leave the Christmas season this year? How has the celebration of God becoming one with us in Jesus directed our path as we journey into a new year? As we put away the decorations for another year, are we aware of ways in which our lives are a bit different for having gone through another Christmas? It may be the result of a treasured gift, a healed relationship, or a sense of peace in allowing God's love into our lives. As we enter this new year, are we attentive to the Spirit, who continues to speak to us in dreams and guide us safely home?

In the words of the poem below, **"now the work of Christmas begins."** We journey from Christmas carrying precious treasures: the light of the Star to guide our path and the love of God made flesh who dwells in our hearts. With the magi, we share these gifts in our mission to those who have not yet heard. By now you have seen the "squares" that offer an opportunity to grow closer to God this winter. We ask you to hand them to family, friends, and neighbors who may be on a quest of their own. A team of parishioners has been eagerly preparing to offer "Alpha" as an opportunity for individuals to explore questions and to explore answers among other seekers. But the ability of Alpha to become that blessing relies on your willingness to extend the invitation to others or yourself. To whom is the Spirit guiding you to extend the invitation? Invite them to try it.

*Now the Work of Christmas Begins
When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among all,
To make music in the heart.
-Howard Thurman*

Thank you to all who shared your gifts in beautifying our liturgies, feeding or gifting families in need, visiting a neighbor who lives alone, or setting aside time to share a child's joy. **God bless us, every one!**

Christmas peace,

J. Bill

YOUR CHRISTMAS OFFERING



Your Christmas donation is instrumental to the parish's ongoing mission!
Our Christmas goal is \$154,000 (7.5% of our budgeted revenue).

To date, we have received about \$146,000!

If you would like to help us close the \$8,000 gap you can make your gift online by:

- Clicking [here](#)
- Texting JOYFUL to 708-340-6630
- Using the QR code inside the front cover of this bulletin

In addition, there are still Christmas envelopes available in church or at the rectory.

God bless you for your support!

SFX Ministry Fair January 20th and 21st



**After the Mass at 5:00pm (Saturday)
7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 (Sunday)**

**We invite parishioners to join these
essential ministries:***

**Edythe Gardening
Welcome Committee
Lectors
Eucharistic Ministers
Engage (over age 55)
Fuller House**

**Ushers
Family Outreach
Kitchen Angels
Wedding Ministers
Prayer Shawl Ministry
Liturgy Teams**

**Please stop by our tables in Unity Hall after mass to meet with our
Ministry Reps and learn more about the ministries.**

**We are grateful for your interest and your
willingness to volunteer.**

***[Click here](#) to see descriptions of these Ministries.**



Have You “Insured” Our Parish?

A life insurance gift is a powerful and simple way to provide future support for our parish. Here are two ways to give a gift of life insurance to St Francis Xavier Parish or School:

Name our parish as a beneficiary of the policy. Simply update your beneficiary designation form with your policy holder and list the primary or contingent beneficiary as: **“St Francis Xavier Parish (School), The Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a Corporation Sole”**

Make an outright gift of an existing policy. You can irrevocably name our parish as owner and beneficiary of a policy with accumulated cash value that you and your family no longer need. You qualify for a federal income tax charitable deduction when you itemize on your taxes. Also, if you continue to pay premiums on the policy, each payment is tax deductible as a charitable gift, if you itemize.

For more information on making a gift of life insurance to our parish, we recommend you consult with your financial planner, attorney or insurance representative. Please contact Jennifer Zeisloft, Director of Stewardship and Development, with any additional questions – contact information is on the Personnel page of the bulletin.



Save the Date! Knights of Columbus LaGrange Local Council 6483 Blood Drive

You are invited to donate at the blood drive below:

St. Francis Xavier Church-Gym

Sunday, January 21, 2024—9:00 am-1:00 pm

145 North Waiola Avenue (Ogden Avenue and Waiola Avenue in LaGrange)

To make an appointment visit

<http://tinyurl.com/3bh9k8m3> or call 1-800-7TO-GIVE

or scan the QR Code with your smart phone's camera.



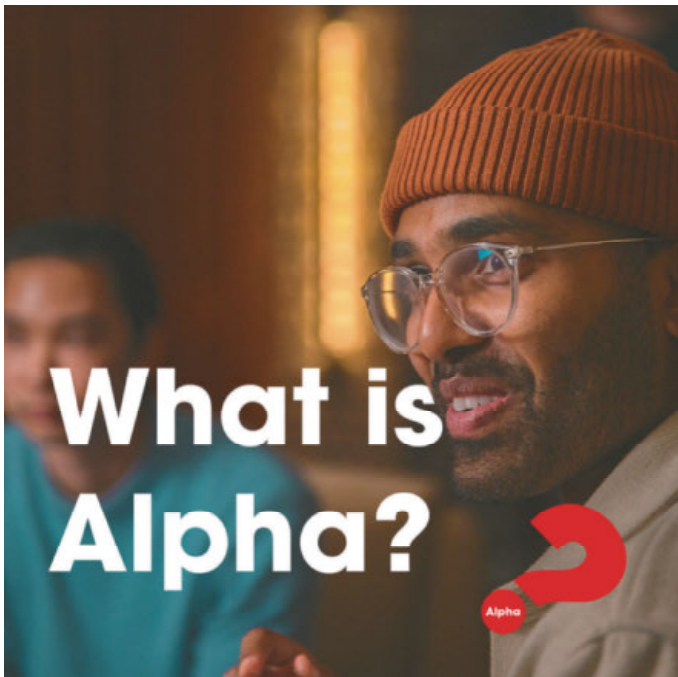
Versiti is the blood provider for 83 local hospitals Giving warms the heart! Donate and keep warm this winter with a limited-edition Versiti beanie, while supplies last.



Helpful tip:

Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.





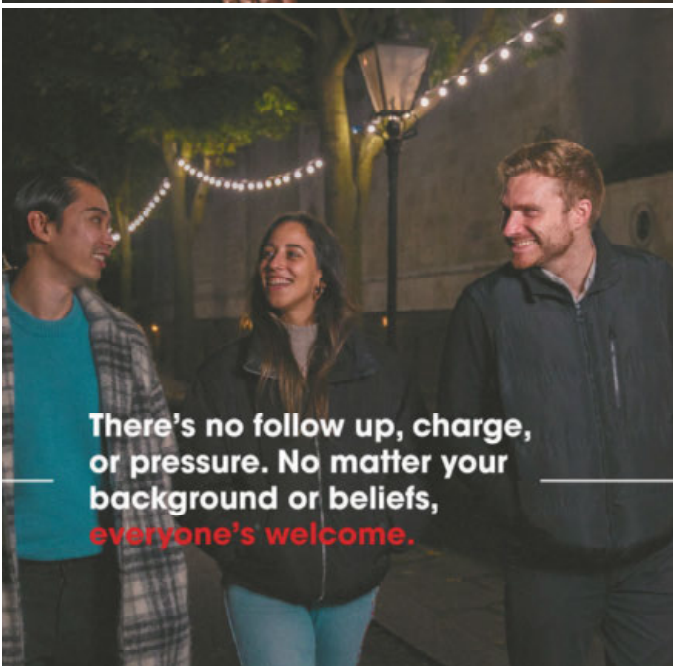
What is Alpha?



Alpha is a place to explore the Christian faith in an easy and friendly environment.



Each session starts with food and a short talk. Then there's plenty of time to share your thoughts.



There's no follow up, charge, or pressure. No matter your background or beliefs, everyone's welcome.

OUR QUESTIONS DRAW US CLOSER.

WHO WILL YOU INVITE?

DINNER & DISCUSSION

JAN 22, 630PM
UNITY HALL

SCAN OR EMAIL
MMCAHON@SFXLG.ORG FOR MORE



NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS *for* 2024-2025

CONTACT US TODAY! ENROLLMENT@SFXLG.ORG

WE PRAY

Our goal is to help our students live a life of generous service, motivated by a love of Jesus and others. We strive to instill and nurture the belief that God is found everywhere, especially in one another.



WE LEARN

TWO time U.S. Dept. of Education NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL and recipient of Chicago Archdiocese St. Thomas Aquinas Award.



WE SERVE

Our All-School Service Program exemplifies who we are as a school.

National Catholic Education Association Maxine Donahue Award recipient for service.



COME TO OUR OPEN HOUSE ON JANUARY 28TH 10:00AM-12:30PM

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR:

- STRONG CORE CURRICULUM
- DIFFERENTIATED INSTRUCTION
- INTEGRATED ARTS (ART, MUSIC, SPANISH, PE, AND LRC)
- ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES
- ESTABLISHED & MEANINGFUL USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Accept our gifts also, Lord



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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.)

Toddling Together Playtime & Social

Where: St. Francis Preschool Classroom

When: Sunday, January 14th at 10:00am

(between 9:00 & 11:00am masses, meet in Unity Hall to walk over together)

What: Gather with other families of littles to run off some energy and socialize pre/post mass.

Questions? Contact mmcmahon@sfxlg.org for more information.

Join our Facebook group: SFX Toddling Together!

YOUTH NIGHTS @ ST FRANCIS
SUNDAYS JAN 21 - APR 7

FOR TEENS BY TEENS

Bring your friends for: social time, dinner, a video, and small group (where you can share your thoughts or just listen.)

All are welcome. Bring your atheist friend from school, bring your Lutheran buddy, bring that new kid on your sports team. **Seriously, any teen is welcome.**

Sundays at 6pm, Jan 21- Apr 7
Unity Hall, St Francis Xavier
(with St John of the Cross & St Cletus Youth Ministry)

[Click here or scan QR code to RSVP \(and vote for food!\) for Jan 21](#)

**THERE IS A
PLACE FOR YOU.**



Save The Date

Kairos 42
February 22-25, 2024

We will open Kairos 42 registration on January 9 at 9:00AM. We have limited spots.

2024 Summer Mission Trip
June 9-14, 2024 in Louisville, KY

Rising Sophomores through Graduating Seniors join us for a life-changing week of service, faith and fun. St. Francis, St. Cletus and St. John of the Cross Parishes are partnering for another Summer Mission trip to Love, Serve and Connect with Catholic Heart Workcamp in Louisville, Kentucky. We will join other teens from across the country as we serve community members painting, gardening, building, and volunteering with social service agencies. Teens will earn 30 hours of service for our Summer Mission Trip. Registration opened on December 20 at 9:00AM [click here](#) or go to our website for more information and to access the registration link. We anticipate these spots will go quickly; we require a \$150 non-refundable deposit to secure your spot.

Youth Ministry...in the meantime

After a series of interviews over the past seven months, we have not been able to offer someone the staff position of Coordinator of Youth Ministry. This leaves us without current leadership for several important ministries to our high school teens, especially:

- ♦ Planning and directing our bi-monthly program for teens on the evening of the first Sunday of the month (we alternate with St. John of the Cross).
- ♦ the ongoing coordination of the SFX Church League teams.
- ♦ our Kairos Retreat team (in collaboration with St. John of the Cross).
- ♦ our team for the summer mission trip.

Your stewardship of talent in any of the above programs would be a great gift to our teens. We can provide staff guidance and resources. If you are interested in ministering to our teens in any of these ministries, please contact Fr. Bill (wtkachuk@sfxlg.org).

Finding My Faith Story: A Half-Day Retreat

January 27, 2024 from 9:00am - 12:30pm
in Unity Hall (*optional lunch to follow*)



Using the four-door method of narrative spirituality, this retreat helps people find and tell their faith story by giving participants the spiritual tools to identify each of the following four elements in their own life story:

- a main character
- who encounters a compelling problem to solve
- identifies the power or talent needed to solve it, and
- takes action with this power to address the problem

Seeing our life story in these spiritual terms equips us to live the story in which we take action to use our own unique powers and talents to address the need that most touches our heart.

Retreat cost is \$10/person. [Click here to register!](#)

Any questions, please contact Maggie McMahon at mmcmahon@sfxlg.org.

Catholic Women's Club

The St. Francis Xavier CWC (Catholic Women's Club) is seeking volunteers to support 2022/2023 efforts including service projects, event planning (including Ladies Day Out) and more.

Join the fun and reach out to either Lauren Desmond lauren.e.desmond@gmail.com or Erin Thunander erin.thunander@gmail.com if you'd like to get involved.



BUY YOUR TICKET TODAY!

FOR THE
St. Francis Xavier
Catholic Women's Club

LADIES DAY OUT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10
THE ELM
3:00 - 6:00 PM

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY:
FIDDLE STICKS

For tickets and more information,
please [click here](#).

Welcome

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

Carl Buck & Kathryn Heeke
Manon Burns
Peter & Sylvia Costello
Theodore & Diane Dietz
Lawrence & Catherine Fey
Michael & Barbara Harvey
Jake & Lea Labuz
Nicholas Genova & Victoria Lesnicki
Andrew & Laura McElligott
Mike & Katrina McSherry
Clinton & Holly Miller
Stephen & Mary Margaret Mizera
Robert & Stephanie Neisler
Daniel & Mary Rankin
Thomas & Mollie Russell
Jordan & Shannon Simonovich
Scott Werner & Elizabeth Lattyak
Scott Yorde & Megan Coronado





Save the Date

4th Annual Building Inclusive Community Conference



Keynote Speaker: DR. Rachael Mahmood

Dr. Mahmood was born a cultural mosaic of Russian Jewish and Indian Hindu heritage, and she later married a Pakistani Muslim. With humor, vulnerability and insight, Dr. Mahmood will share lessons from her life and experience as an educator on how we can create spaces that foster a sense of genuine belonging for all.

SEVERAL WORKSHOPS TO CHOOSE FROM ON TOPICS SUCH AS:

Transgender Issues, Disability Etiquette, Bystander Intervention, Judaism/Anti-Semitism, Coping with Stress, Hate Crimes, Bridging Political Divides, Equity in the College Journey, and more.

Plus Poet Luis Tubens will share some poetry, LTHS Steppers will perform and youth will lead small group discussions based on what an inclusive community means to all of us.

For updates on the conference
sign up here



tinyurl.com/BICCrsvp

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024
9:00A-1:00P | LTHS SOUTH CAMPUS
4900 WILLOW SPRINGS RD.
WESTERN SPRINGS, IL



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 fall programs and retreats, please register in advance at: www.csjthewell.org/offerings/.

Radiance in the Ordinary: Discovering Abundance When We Need it Most on Thursday, January 18 from 6:30 - 8:00pm (CT) with Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Mark Burrows, PhD. Beauty is the gift present, if often hidden, in the most ordinary of moments. Drawing on poets and artists, we will explore how our awakening to beauty can lead us to see things "whole" in ways that inspire and encourage us to flourish in our lives. Hybrid. Cost: \$25.

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, February 6

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



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.

Interfaith Career Network

Helpful Advice from HR While Conducting Your Job Search

Join us on Thursday, January 18 from 7:00-9:00pm:

- Think your resume is good? You may be way ahead of others who you are competing against! You may not!
- Think your business protocol during your search is good? You may be way ahead of your competition! You may not!
- Think you may want to learn more from the corporate, "other side" of recruitment - YES!

Get out ahead of your competition! Be the best you can be during your job search. Our speaker is Leslie Kelley, Director of Human Resources for Chervon North America, Inc. in Naperville. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in HR and a Master's Degree in Organizational Behavior. Leslie is actively involved in recruitment each week and can share some important tips that may launch your job search to the next level in a market that is topsy turvy!

We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road in Western Springs. Everyone is welcome!

Visit www.interfaithcareernetwork.com for additional resources.

Engage Community For January

Our next outing:

Tuesday, January 9 at 1:00 pm
to the **Elmhurst Historical Museum**
(120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst) for their exhibit:
Lost Chicagoland Department Stores.

Take a nostalgic trip back to the heyday of Chicago area department stores like Marshall Field's, Sears, Carson Pirie Scott, and more. Learn about the eclectic history of these iconic retailers through an array of artifacts, images, video, and memorabilia. Exhibit collaborator, historian, and author Leslie Goddard will share many fascinating stories and items from popular city and suburban department stores of the past.

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.

Family Outreach Ministry

The St. Francis Xavier Family Outreach Ministry would like to invite you to join us this year to help prepare and serve a hot meal to our neighbors in need at the First Congregational Church's Saturday Meals Program. The dates for the 2024 school year are: January 20, March 16 and May 18. There are two time slots to choose, or come for the whole time: 9:00-11:30am: Food prep and cooking or 11:30am-1:00pm: Food serving and clean up. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old or 13 years if accompanied by an adult.

To register [click here](#) or contact Rachel Peterson at petersonrtw@sbcglobal.net.





**SUMMER 2024
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
IMPORTANT NEWS AND
SAVE THE DATE!**

The Parish Pastoral Council is excited to announce that SFX will be partnering with Grace Lutheran for a Vacation Bible School Program. The Summer 2024 VBS will run the week of June 24th (Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm) so mark your calendars now as you plan your summer activities.

Registration for VBS will open at the end of January. More details about how and where to register as well as volunteer opportunities will be provided early next year. In addition to parent volunteers we will be looking for teen volunteers, a great way to get service hours.

For those of you not familiar with Vacation Bible School, the program is a faith based, one week long (mornings only) filled with fun indoor and outdoor activities. It is open for pre-K through 5th grade children. 6th through 8th graders can participate in a "service crew" which spends the week doing service projects in the community.

The PPC is very excited about providing the opportunity to the SFX community. Watch the bulletin and the SFX Facebook page for more details. You can reach out to Phil Zadeik at pjzadeik@gmail.com for further information about VBS and volunteer opportunities at this time. Thanks and have a Merry Christmas!

**All Women
Welcome To Attend**



Church Women United LaGrange/Western Springs Unit invites all area women to attend their Annual Meeting/Brunch on Friday, January 19 at 9:30am. The event will be held at St. Cletus Parish, 600 55th Street in LaGrange. In addition to breakfast, there will be a brief update on the state of organization followed by guest speaker, Kendall Grant, St. Cletus Director of Social Concerns who will address the topic: "Beyond the Pantry". She will explore how the St. Cletus Food Pantry collaborates to provide food for people in need and support people beyond "just" groceries. A tour of the departmentalized pantry will be included.

Cost for the morning is \$10. Advance reservations are requested by January 12th. Questions and reservations may be directed to 708-710-0644 or email cwulgws@gmail.com.

Church Women United is a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive, international Christian women's movement, celebrating unity in diversity and working for a world of peace and justice. Their motto is: Agreed to differ, resolved to love, united to serve. The local unit was established in 1941 and will soon celebrate its 103rd anniversary.



Kitchen Angels

The Kitchen Angels are a group of parishioners who help people by bringing meals to their homes. The Kitchen Angels have been in existence for many years yet many of our parishioners are not aware of this outreach ministry.

If you know of a person or a family who could use some meals, or if you are interested in becoming a Kitchen Angel, please contact **Susie Lehuta** at 708-354-6380 or lehutams@gmail.com.





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
- **Warrant Office 3 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
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **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
- **Lt. Ryan Lavine, U.S. Army**—nephew of Kim & Vince Henehan
- **Chief Petty Officer Marko Mandac, U.S. Navy**—husband of Anna, son-in-law of David & Lynn Rogers

**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, 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.

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 11:30 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.

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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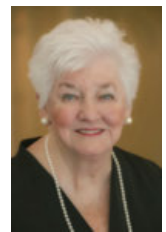


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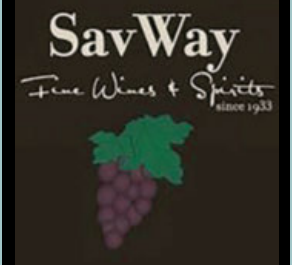


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