



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

4th Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024



**“I am the good shepherd,
and I know mine and mine know me,
just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;
and I will lay down my life for the sheep.”**

- Jn 10:14-15

Week at a Glance

| | | Intention | | Requested By |
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| Monday, April 22 | Mass | 8:30 am | Herbert & Mary Schrack | |
| Tuesday, April 23 | Mass | 8:30 am | Maria Celia Zaragoza | The Maier Family |
| Wednesday, April 24 | Mass | 8:30 am | Mary & Joseph Simeoni Stephen Sfondilias | The Simeoni & McLaughlin Families Patrick Daly |
| Thursday, April 25 | Rosary Mass | 8:15 am 8:30 am | People of the Parish | |
| Friday, April 26 | Mass | 8:30 am | Elizabeth Fagan Living Intention | The Kanzer Family |
| Saturday, April 27 | Mass Reconciliation Mass | 8:30 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm | People of the Parish Richard Hofstetter | The Westerhoff Family |
| Sunday, April 28 5th Sunday of Easter | Mass Mass Mass Mass | 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm | People of the Parish Jerry Spearman, Sr. Paul Sottak People of the Parish | The SFX Staff Mark & Jennifer Zeisloft |

President's Schedule for April 20-21, 2024

5:00 pm Fr. Ilo 7:30 am Fr. Tkachuk 9:00 am Fr. Ahlstrom 11:00 am Fr. Tkachuk 5:00 pm Fr. Cyscon

Please pray for . . .

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| Ed Barrett | Angela Hill |
| Albert Boemo | Jessi Rita Hoffman |
| Dick Callahan | Richard Lavers |
| Tim Deveraux | Eleanor Love |
| Blake Donegan | Tom Mallon |
| Barbara Doyle | Patrick Morgan |
| Matthew Doyle | Rita Mae Spearman |
| Pat Eaton | Steven Stirm |
| Thomas Flynn | John Stopka |
| Kathy Gleason | Richard Szatkowski |
| Lilli Gregory | Olivia Tarsney |
| Junie Haase | 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:

Edward A. Jones
Husband of Anna
Father of Christine Flowers

Geri Pfluger
Mother of Jeffrey

Mike Rayniak
Brother-in-Law of Cathy Bier

Weddings

Maura Boyce & Foster Mullen
Brittany Spindler & Zack Tortorello



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



Pastor's Letter

*"Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed."
1 John 3:2*

I can recall times in my life during which I did not feel "good enough." I may have done something that I feared God would never forgive or, at least, had placed in my "permanent record." I may have said or done something that harmed another person in a way that I could not take back or undo. Or I may have made a series of decisions that left me feeling isolated from others and from the person I was meant to be. It always saddens me when I am listening to another person who expresses fear of God's punishment or who is holding on to some past thought or action for which they cannot forgive themselves.

We are God's children now. This is despite anything we might have thought, said, or done; and not because of anything we have done to "deserve" or "earn" it. We are God's beloved children now because God created us out of love; God cannot do anything except to love us. Nor can we do anything to lose God's love. God's bond of love with us is unbreakable. No matter how many times or in what ways we may pull away from God's love, we cannot escape it. We only prevent our hearts from letting God's love in.

Of course, there are those who insist that God is vengeful; God keeps a record of all our faults and punishes us until we have sufficiently atoned for our sins. The Old Testament is filled with stories of people who understood their misfortunes and suffering as God's punishment for their unfaithfulness. Sacrifices were offered regularly in hopes of gaining God's favor. Even in our day, we have heard some people insist that earthquakes, natural disasters, and even wars are God's punishments for the sins of those who suffer. Their prayers are **motivated by fear of what God might do to them rather than by gratitude for what God has done for them.**

The mystery of Divine Mercy, which we celebrated last Sunday, is that **God loves us deeply no matter what** we may say or do. St. John reminds us that God so loved the world that God sent his Beloved Son so that we might have life through faith in him. Today, Jesus presents himself to us as the Good Shepherd who seeks out not only those who already "belong" to the fold, but also those who have not yet heard his voice. God's desire is for us to be **one flock under** the guidance and protection of **one shepherd**. There is nothing we can or need do to "earn" our place in God's family. We need only open our hearts to receive God's love. As members of God's family, **our mission is to carry the message of God's love** to those who have not yet heard or not yet believed in such a love. **Jesus lives in us and sends us as missionaries**, to seek and welcome others who may become one with us in him.

Do you believe, in this moment of this day, that God loves you unconditionally and wants only that you open your heart to receive God's love? I have come to believe, in those moments when my faith in God's love for me is weak, that God pursues me relentlessly until I allow myself to finally dwell in God's love. More importantly, I believe that **Jesus sends each of us** to bring the message of God's love to those who feel far from it – whether due to illness, loss, worry, fear, or the harsh judgment of others. But that message will only ring true if we have come to believe that **we are God's beloved children now**. Do you need to hear that God loves you? **GOD LOVES YOU!** Is Jesus sending you to tell that to someone else? Now is the moment.

It is not too late to purchase a ticket for next Saturday's **Ignite Benefit** to support our parish elementary school. It will be a fun night for a great cause. All are welcome!

Easter Blessings,

J. Bill



Easter Offertory Report

Easter Collection through April 15, 2024: \$71,863
Easter Budget: \$75,000



It is during the Easter season when your generosity renews others and strengthens our entire Catholic community. We are grateful for your Easter donations as the parish continues its 134-year-old mission to “create a more just world through sacraments and worship, learning and service.” If you would still like to make an Easter gift, you can access this QR code or [click here](#) to donate.



Easter Flowers

In Honor of and In Memory of:

Charles and Dorothy Accardi
Bill Adams
Charles Androwich
Marilyn Artel
Henry S. Azzi
Irene T. Azzi
Tony Banda
Mary Bochenek
Peter Bochenek
Marie Capellani
Pete Capellani
Leonardo Carieato
Mieola Carieato
Rosa Carieato
Rita Cecich
Renee Challos
Michael D. Cipriani
Theresa Cipriani
Susan Conway
Michael Czubik
Joan Dieters
Frank DiSilvio
Laura DiSilvio
George Dowd
Patricia Dowd
Bryan Erler
Greg Fauth
Mrs. Gervasio
Sarah Gramse
John and Bernice Grzeslo
U. Handel
Hannigan Family
Lesley Harvey
Hayes and Roach Families

Tom, Mary, Tom Jr., Jim, Harold,
Patricia and Pat House
Peg and Stan Humecke
Sharon Jacobs
Jim Jasper
Herb Johnson
Keeley Johnson
Kahover and Lewis Families
Josie and Don Kalkowski
Theresa Kandall
Mary Moore Kearney
Joshua Kupfer
Audrej Kasprzak
Jonino Kasprzak
Roy Leslie
George Lewis
Joseph Malek
Mary Malek
Alfonso Mangione
Antoinette Mangione
Louis Mangione
Bernard and Betty Martin
Jim Martin
John and Agnes McAndrews
William and Mary McLaughlin
Bett and Jack McMurray
Michael McMurray
Edwin G. Michalek
Elaine C. Michalek
Eleanor A. Michalek
Eleanor M. Michalek
Lawrence Michalek
Madeline and Jim Miller
Bette Morris
Gene Morris
Pat Morris
Amy Nelson
O. Page
Bernice Partacz

Dorothy Partacz
Maude Partacz
Walter S. Partacz
John Plzak
Geraldine Porto
Joseph Porto
I. Ptak
U. Ptak
Gilbert, Isabel and Richard Riess
Steven Roehl, Jr.
Rosemarie Russell
Richard Schmuhl
Donald Schwendner
Claire Sharkey
Joseph and Mary Simeoni
Mae Smith
Dianne Spala
Rita Stefani
Louis Szacik
Sophie Szacik
Robert Troike
Bronislaw Turek
Wladyslawa Turek
Mary Turk
Richard Turk
Jim and Viv Tvrdek
Carl Walsh
Susanne Walsh
John and Regina Waskowski
David West
Michelle West
West Family
Madeline White
Martin White
Rosemary White
Vince Winkler
Christopher Zegers
Lillian Zydel





Summer Mission Trip Second Collection

Thank you for supporting the mission trip in the second collection this weekend. Teens from St. Francis, St. John of the Cross and St. Cletus will be traveling to Louisville, Kentucky to know, love, and serve the poor in July. If you missed the chance to support this ministry in the second collection at Mass, you can [click here](#) to make a donation at Give Central for the Mission Trip. Thank you again for your support!



New Parishioner Prayer Service and Social

Let's gather for a prayer service in church on
Wednesday, April 24, at 6:30pm, for a special Newcomer Blessing.

Afterwards, if you are able to stay, we hope you will join us for socializing in Unity Hall. Alpine subs, salad, fruit and cookies will be served.

Whether you are new to the parish, have joined us for previous Welcome Events, or have been parishioners for awhile, we hope to see you there!

Who is invited?

Parishioners who have recently joined the Parish * Those who have considered joining officially and have not yet * Individuals who have been members of the Parish and would like to join us * Families with children of all ages * **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Depending on your schedule, please join us for the prayer service at 6:30pm or the social, which will begin about 7:00pm, or BOTH!

If you are able, **please RSVP** to let us know you will be there. Please attend even if you do not RSVP.

RSVP and Questions

Call or text Laura Duelm at 708-309-9079 or email lauraduelm@gmail.com.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Sunday, April 21

We see in Jesus, the Good Shepherd, the heart of every calling. Everyone is called, and everyone has a vocation in the Church. Please pray for an increase in vocations in the Archdiocese of Chicago!

Mass and Adoration with Bishop Mark Bartosic
Friday, May 10, 5:30–7 p.m.
Holy Name Cathedral

All are invited to pray for vocations and all those who will be ordained.

If you have questions regarding your vocation, please contact Fr. Tim Monahan at 847.531.0148 or tmonahan@archchicago.org.

Special
GUEST EMCEE



TIM
GANNON

Executive Director
of Family Service Association
Member & past parent
tim.gannon@sfxlg.org

ONLY ONE WEEK 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!

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!

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!

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

Attention **NEW** Altar Servers
Entering Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth GRADES
For the 2024-2025 School Year

If you are interested in becoming an altar server (and I hope you are).

Training is required for **all NEW servers.**

Please return by Friday, April 26th.

WEEK ONE

Thursday, May 2nd
3:30 – 4:45

WEEK TWO

Thursday, May 9th
3:30 – 4:45

WEEK THREE

Thursday, May 16th
3:30 – 4:45

Altar Server Name _____

Parent Email _____

Parent Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Grade in September: _____ School: _____

All scheduling communication is done through Email.

Please call or email Mrs. Westerhoff at the rectory (708-352-0168) or sfxinlg@sfxlg.org with any questions.

MISERICORDIA HEART OF MERCY



Candy Days



April 26-27, 2024
Will You Help?

For more than 35 years, hundreds of volunteers have given back to the community through Misericordia's annual Candy Days by handing out Jelly Belly candies in exchange for donations and creating online fundraising pages to support Misericordia. The funds raised provide much needed support for the 600 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who call Misericordia Home.

Misericordia provides a network of services and continuum of care for more than 600 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities offering residential placement, employment opportunities, social, recreational, health and fitness programs and therapies to all of their residents.

We need your help to achieve our annual fundraising goals. Misericordia must raise approximately \$34 million to provide services and programs that are not covered by the government. In helping with our annual Candy Days fundraiser as a volunteer or making a donation, we can look towards the future with confidence! All proceeds collected during Candy Days go directly to the Misericordia Foundation in support of our residents.

To volunteer please [click here](#). If you have any questions please call, Kathy Swift at 773-315-5796.

Candy Days will be back in person this year but will be in front of neighborhood shops versus in the streets.



MISERICORDIA
HEART OF MERCY

End of the Year Religious Education Fundraiser



The SFX Religious Education Program partnered with Arcely's Bakery by selling their delicious tamales for our end of year fundraiser. All proceeds will support our program and students. We have taken pre-orders for the tamales and will only have a limited quantity available for sale the day of pick up.

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.sfxlg.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.

Vacation Bible School Registration is Opened Until Sunday, May 5th!



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://vbspro.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.



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.



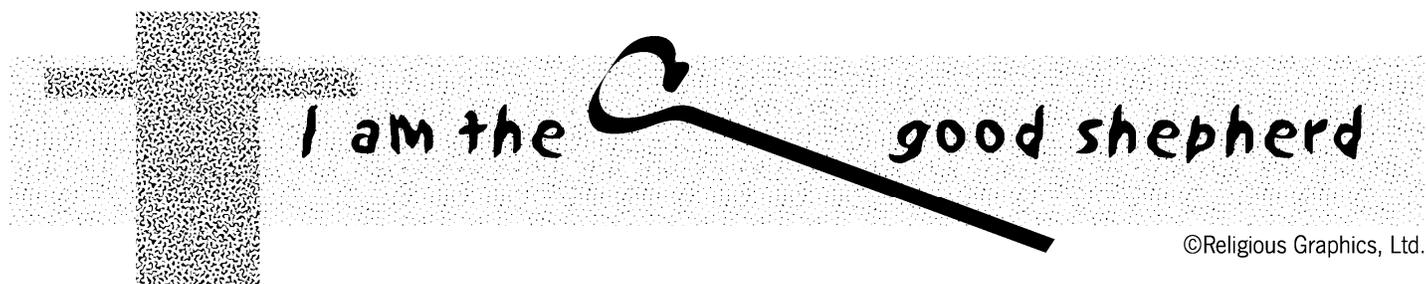
Thank you and we can't wait to see all of our teens involved!

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 25: 7:00pm Unity Hall, Topic: Summer group events planning and a presentation with discussion.

May 30: 7:00pm Unity Hall, Topic: Intro to Chair Qigong (a Chinese system of physical exercises and breathing control related to tai chi). It's relaxing and fun.

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.



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.

Catholic Women's Club

The St. Francis Xavier CWC (Catholic Women's Club) is seeking volunteers to support 2024-2025 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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry



Donated Yarn Request

The bins in our Prayer Shawl Ministry closet are getting a little low with donated yarn. Our members have made beautiful shawls and lap blankets with yarn that has been donated from parishioners. If you have any machine-washable skeins of yarn that you would like to donate, please bring them to the rectory. We are not accepting needles or crochet hooks at this time. Thank you!

Next Prayer Shawl Meeting

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 next scheduled meeting will take place in Unity Hall on **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, please contact Mary Ellyn Witt at mewittlagrange@yahoo.com.

Family Outreach Ministry

Join St. Francis Xavier Family Outreach Ministry on Saturday, May 18 as we prepare and serve a hot meal to our neighbors in need at the First Congregational Church's Saturday Meals Program. There are two time slots from which to choose: 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 please [click here](#) or contact Ana Dimialig apd3@core.com or Rachel Peterson at petersonrtw@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions.

10th Annual All Parish Service Days! JUNE 3-8, 2024

"Many hands, one purpose."



"It was encouraging to experience community through service to our neighbors."



"It's so good to put faith into action."

"Serving is a privilege and a pleasure. It's also fun."

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.

Discerning Diakonia

A PROPHETIC DIACONATE FOR A CO-RESPONSIBLE CHURCH

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.*

REGISTER AT bit.ly/discerningdiakonia

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together in
hope.**



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2-3, AND 4-5.**

**OPEN TO STUDENTS FROM ANY SCHOOL
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**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
- ✓ Daily "Homeroom" with fun summer camp activities

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

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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.

Domestic Violence Resources

Family Shelter Services—24 hr. counseling 630-469-5650
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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.

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 sfxing@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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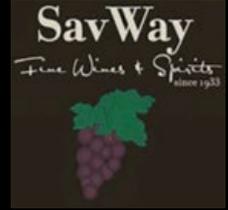
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