

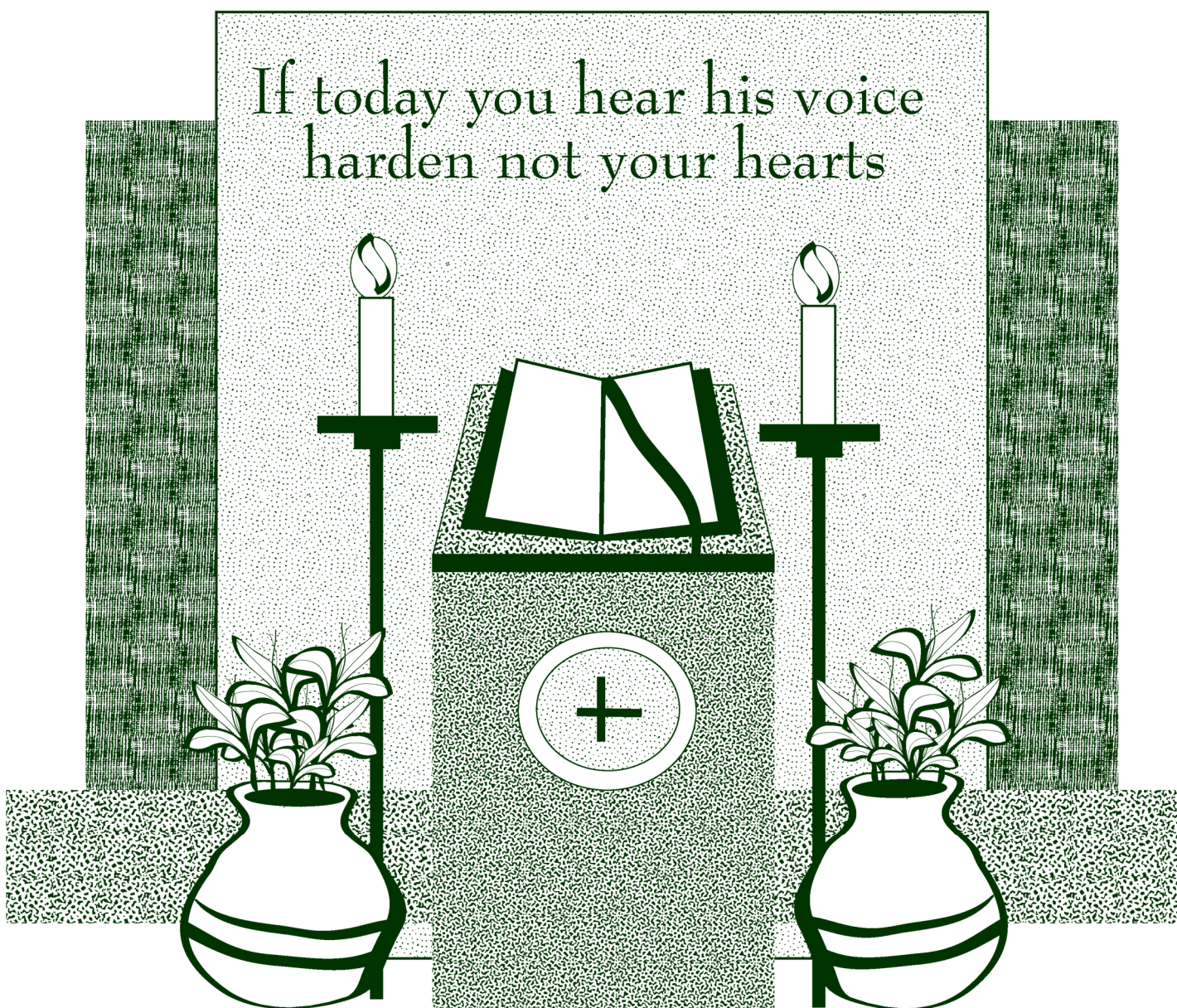
# SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

## 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### January 31, 2021



If today you hear his voice  
harden not your hearts



## Week at a Glance

Monday, February 1	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Mary Anne Blyth Mary Cannon	Don Blyth Colleen Cannon
Tuesday, February 2	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Chris Morkin	The Tennis Group
Wednesday, February 3	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Pat Hassler Peter Janettas	Clare & Ernie Fromel Eileen, Megan & Bridget
	Prayer Service to Welcome New Parishioners	6:00 pm		
Thursday, February 4	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, February 5	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Carol Grimes	Maureen & Mike Masek
Saturday, February 6	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Lisa Burres	Mike & Lisa Kelly
Sunday, February 7 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	9:00 am	Clemensia & Martin Ronan	Mary Spain
	Mass	11:00 am	Rita Giordano	Pam Oplawski
	Mass	5:00 pm	People of the Parish	

### Presider's Schedule for January 30-31, 2021~Mass Time

**5:00 pm** Fr. Milek

**9:00 am** Fr. Tkachuk

**11:00 am** Fr. Milek

**5:00 pm** Fr. Tkachuk

### Please Pray For...

Diane Bereckis  
John Bovard  
Jay Carroll  
Chili Challenger  
Carol Coughlan  
Mary Culin  
Anthony Dina  
Blake Donegan  
Matt Doyle  
Joan Dunne  
Wendy Einspar  
Lily Fielding  
Will Fleming  
Lilli Gregory  
Wilson Gregory  
Frank Hoos  
Rose Ilo  
Mary J.  
Jane Jacobsen  
Michael Janus  
Peter Johns  
Theresa Kandall  
Mark Kiley  
Ken Kostal  
Jim Martin  
Enrique Martinez  
Lisa Massaro  
Mary McMahan  
Patrick Morgan

Mike Morrison  
Baby Amy Nesterowicz  
Carolyn Nesterowicz  
Bernice Niemiec  
Gert Ogilvie  
Arnold Oppenheim  
Jane O'Reilly  
Shawna Palazzolo  
Ryan Patyk  
Donna Pekarek  
Carolyn Peters  
Jessica Phillips  
James Pridmore  
Baby Lucia R.  
Madison Raupp  
Anna Rose  
Rita Scalcon  
Matthew Schiek  
Larry Skippet  
Greyson Stanley  
James Stapel  
Kate Frugoli Sullivan  
Michael Ungari  
Gregory Van Gorp  
Helena Walden  
Marian Ward  
Maribeth Watkins  
Liz Wilk  
Scott Young

Prayers are requested for our relatives and friends who are sick. To add a name to the prayer list, please call the rectory at 708-352-0168.

Names of the sick are listed for two months in the bulletin. If there is a recurrence of illness, names can be listed again. Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

### MASS INTENTIONS

We continue to accept requests for Mass intentions at a future date. Please call the office on weekdays from 8:30 am-4:30 pm or you can email Missy Westerhoff directly at [sfxinlg@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxinlg@sfxlg.org). We can send the Mass card via regular post as you direct.

### Born Into Eternal Life



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

**Bob O'Malley**  
Husband of Marie and Father of Mike

### Readings For The Week of

#### January 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

## Pastor's Notes

*Jesus said, "Quiet! Come out of him!"  
The unclean spirit convulsed the man and with a  
loud cry came out of him.*

Mark 1:25-26

Jesus shows compassion for a suffering person and calls out the spirit that has possessed and tortured the man. In both acts, he acts decisively. From the beginning of his mission Jesus proclaims a kingdom already in our midst even as it is coming into its fullness. The mission of the kingdom is both to reach out lovingly and heal the person in pain and to call out forcefully the evil spirits that want to hold this man bound.

Those in the crowd marvel at the authority demonstrated by Jesus. He confronts the evil so that he might bring healing and wholeness. Jesus names the problem without judging any person as the problem. He calls the evil spirit out of the man because it does not belong to the man, even as it has hold of his body and spirit. But he makes it clear that the evil spirit *possesses* the man but *is not* the man. In so doing, Jesus breathes God's spirit into the man once more so that he might be who God intended him to be.

After a year of living with the coronavirus and facing the racial and ideological divisions in our country and even in our church, we can be tempted to withdraw or lose hope. Yet it is to this very moment, amid the confusion and darkness, that Jesus calls us to be the light. Jesus is our cause for hope. The breath of his Spirit in us can free us from whatever holds us bound. Even more importantly, the breath of his Spirit in us sends us into the world to make a difference; to name and confront the evils that hold others bound without condemning the person who is bound; to offer love in the face of hate and to bring light into the darkness.

Next weekend, all Catholics in the Archdiocese will be asked to participate in the **Annual**

**Catholic Appeal** through a pledge that funds much of the critical work of the church in Chicago and that helps us to be God's light in the darkness and God's voice of hope to those who despair. Many of you, like me, may already have responded to the 2021 Appeal by going online or returning the envelope you received in the mail. If you have not yet done so, I invite you to pray about how you can support the work of the church in Chicago this year. Envelopes will be available as you leave the church next weekend or can be sent to you from the parish office.

This weekend begins **Catholic Schools Week**. If you would like a virtual tour of our excellent parish elementary school, [click here](#). Our school is a two-time recipient of the Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon from the U.S. Department of Education. I am grateful for the administration, teachers, and staff, as well as our many volunteer parents, who do so much to provide this excellent opportunity for our parish families.

Stay warm and be safe!

**Peace,**

*J. Bill*



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## PASTOR EVALUATION

Every priest of the Archdiocese is asked to engage in a periodic evaluation of his ministry. This evaluation has taken various forms over the years, always inviting parishioners to participate in some manner. The current evaluation tool of the Archdiocese, the Catholic Leadership 360 Review, is directed by an independent, national group. As part of this process, I have been asked to submit the names of at least 15 parishioners whom I believe can provide an honest and accurate evaluation of me and my ministry as priest and pastor. In addition, any parishioner who wants to participate in this process is invited to go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/englishsurvey-2020-2021> or use the Quicklink on the parish website to find the parish-wide survey. Surveys must be submitted no later than February 23. At the end of the process in late April or early May, I will provide you with the insights that I gained from this process and my development plan for the remaining years until I retire.

**Peace,**  
Fr. Bill

## Parishioner Volunteers Needed

Our ability to celebrate Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, and weekday and Sunday Masses depends on the ability of the parish to provide ministers to offer a welcoming and healthy environment. We have been blessed by scores of parishioners who share their time and spirit to keep us moving forward. To establish a regular rotation of volunteers, we seek additional people, especially to greet and seat people, or to wipe down the seating areas after each service. We welcome anyone of high school age or older who is in good health.

Please contact Maureen Pipal ([mpipal@sfxlg.org](mailto:mpipal@sfxlg.org)) who will forward your name to one of our volunteer coordinators. Basic training is provided.

## Bringing Communion To You

We are aware that there are many parishioners who are not homebound due to a physical limitation, but who are not yet comfortable returning to weekend Mass for a variety of reasons. We hope you have been able to view our weekly livestreamed Mass via the parish Facebook page or the parish website. In addition, several ministers of care are now available to bring the Eucharist to you at your home. Frequency and day of the week may depend on the number of requests we receive. Please call the parish office 708-352-0168. Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30, or Saturday morning, 9:00-Noon and we will forward the information to Scott McDonald, who coordinates our minister of care team.

## Follow the Parish on Social Media!

Did you know the Parish has Instagram and Facebook accounts? Follow us to stay up to date with SFX happenings, a weekly scripture reflection, and more!



@sfxlg\_parish



St. Francis Xavier Parish LaGrange, IL



COME, FOLLOW ME...  
**and bring hope to  
the world**

**Please Make Your Gift to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal**  
*Come, follow me...and bring hope to the world.*

The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer Jesus' call to "Come, follow me ... and bring hope to the world." This is especially important during these trying and challenging times. Many in our parishes are affected financially by the pandemic, and we encourage giving at all levels to support this initiative.

When we financially support the work of our parish, our archdiocese and the Catholic Church throughout the world, we experience a feeling of deep gratitude, especially when we contemplate God's many gifts to us personally. By sharing our wealth through gifts to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal, we demonstrate our commitment to the Church and each other.

This year, our goal is \$122,897. A paperless in-pew process will take place next week at Mass. Alternatively, you can give online by **CLICKING HERE** OR using these "Text-to-Give" instructions:

1. Using a mobile device, open your text message application.
2. Enter the phone number **345345** in the To: section.
3. Type the keyword "**ACA2021**" (not case sensitive) in the message of your text application.
4. Hit the send button.
5. A text reply to your phone will give you a hyperlink to a secure online giving form.

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes and schools who receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible.

# Faith Formation

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## WOMEN of SFX and our neighbors, join us for ...

### WELCOME BACK

an opportunity to quench your thirst for companionship with each other and with the Lord. **Bring nothing but yourselves and be filled** with the gifts of sisterhood in Christ as we prepare for Lent together. Come gather for **Mass on Saturday morning February 13 at 10:00**, either **in the church or via livestream**, and be inspired by scripture and women speakers. Then join in two evening **virtual live video events on Feb 15 and 16**, (or watch the recordings on your own at your convenience). **Registration** is live on our webpage ([click here](#)) or go to [sfxlg.org](#) -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> Retreats -> Women's Welcome Back Retreat

And there's more... for anyone who wishes to return to the well and journey together in faith during Lent, there will be options for community prayer, book study, rosary, reconciliation, and more! Details to follow.

### Prayer Service to Welcome New Parishioners!

**Wednesday, Feb 3 from 6 - 6:30pm**

Join us as we welcome newly registered parishioners to the SFX family via communal prayer. Registration found at [sfxlg.org](#)

### Emerging from the Pandemic Together

*Even if you missed the first two sessions, join us for the remaining conversation! Recordings of the first two sessions are available on our website, see information below.*

**Session Three, Thursday, Feb 4 from 7-8:15pm**  
**"Self-gift as the Key to Deeper Fulfilment"**

Interested individuals can attend one or more than one session. All background materials will be provided prior to the events. **It is not necessary to have read *Fratelli Tutti* to participate.** For more information, to register for any session, or to watch the session recordings, please [click here](#) or visit [sfxlg.org](#) -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> Events -> Fratelli Tutti

### Looking ahead: LENT 2021

**JOIN A SMALL GROUP** – If you are looking for communal reflection and preparation during this Lenten season, fill out [this form](#) to find a small group that fits your needs/preferences.

**REQUEST A "LENTEN BLACK BOOK"** – Due to COVID-19, we cannot distribute the "Lenten Black Books" at Mass as usual. Fill out [this form](#) by Feb. 5 to request a book (or multiple) and we will be sure to get the book to you!

**TAKE A "DEEP DIVE" INTO PRAYER & SCRIPTURE** – Join us as we practice deepening our prayer lives through a series of six video sessions and communal reflection together via Zoom. *Lectio: Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God* captures the secret to opening our hearts and minds to Scripture as the means to hear from God and then respond in conversation, basking in his presence and resolving to live in and through his love. Fill out [this form](#) to register.

**More information on Lent 2021 can be found on the website ([sfxlg.org](#) -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> Lent 2021)**

[Click here for more information about Faith Formation at SFX.](#)

## Thank You



Thank you for your donation to the Retirement Funds for Religious in the amount of \$1,300. All of the religious are appreciative of this recognition of our needs.

These funds help support the needs of many of our senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders.

## 2020 Contribution Statements

A listing of your 2020 donations along with a letter from Fr. Bill Tkachuk was emailed to all parishioners on January 29, 2021. The email comes from [notifications@ondemandmail.com](mailto:notifications@ondemandmail.com) and has the subject line of "Contribution Statement from St. Francis Xavier Parish". Please contact Parish Accountant Jane Bandyk at [jbandyk@sfxlg.org](mailto:jbandyk@sfxlg.org) or call 708-352-0168 with any questions.



Due to the Coronavirus, The Well's Winter programs are all on Zoom. We have some wonderful programs lined up.

Please visit [www.csjthewell.org/offerings/](http://www.csjthewell.org/offerings/) for more information.

## From Your SFX Parish Counselor

...Realistic Ways to Improve Your Mental Health...

### Nurture your relationships

1. Value and cultivate the relationships in which you can be both imperfect and loved.
2. Stay connected. It takes effort to connect with people amidst a busy life, but taking the time to visit, have people over or send a thoughtful text is beneficial in the long run.
3. Take a risk with someone you trust and share about your struggles. Be vulnerable and ask them to just listen and understand.
4. Remember that no human interactions are perfect. It is a process of "Tear and Repair" to preserve your relationships.
5. Share something beautiful, especially if it doesn't cost anything, with someone else.

- *Featuring Tips from The Family Institute's Therapists*

**Wanna learn more about self-care? Consider reaching out to me at (442) 264-7589 or [lolanadan@gmail.com](mailto:lolanadan@gmail.com).**

*At this time, our counseling sessions will be virtual/online. Video format: <https://youtu.be/Fisg-SrOcVM>.*

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Lolan P. Adan, MAPC~Parish Counselor

St. Francis Xavier Parish, 124 North Spring Avenue, LaGrange, IL 60525

The Claret Center, 5536 South Everett, Chicago, IL 60637

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# St. Francis Xavier Parish Food Pantry



See below for a note from one of our clients. There is no better way to say thank you for the generosity from our parish community and all the care and concern the volunteers give our food pantry guests each week.

“Dear Mary,

So Many, Many Thanks for the generous gift cards I received today! I was so touched by the generosity during this uncertain time and I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to you and your staff for all you do. I will put them to good use and they come to us at a perfect time. The time that is taken with each member is truly remarkable and makes us all feel very special. Thank you to you and your amazing staff for helping us provide for our families every week. Thank you for having a staff of caring folk that takes the time to ask how you are doing while they are standing in the cold and wind to help others. The love and care we receive is not just a physical blessing but an emotional one as well.

Wishing you and your staff a joyous Christmas and a Healthy, Happy New Year. God bless you all. Thank you for all you do!  
Love and virtual hugs”



## FOOD DONATIONS

Received **4336** boxes of cereal since mid-March. Please keep them coming!

## OTHER NEEDS

Cans of fruits, veggies, soup, pasta, rice, peanut butter, coffee, tea & diapers (sizes 4,5 & 6)

**We kindly request NO EXPIRED Food**

*Since mid-March, when shelter in place took effect, we have distributed a weekly average of **130 bags** of food serving **370 individuals**.*

## DONATION DROP OFF

**Mondays 9am-Noon**  
south door of Rectory.

## MONETARY DONATIONS

**Over \$139,000** since mid-March!

In addition, we appreciate Giving Tree donations totaling **\$4853** which provided holiday assistance to our families in need.

## THANK YOU!

Donations can be made via:

- (1) Parish Give Central - [Click Here](#)
- (2) text **PANTRY** to **708-340-6630**
- (3) Checks made payable to  
**SFX Food Pantry**

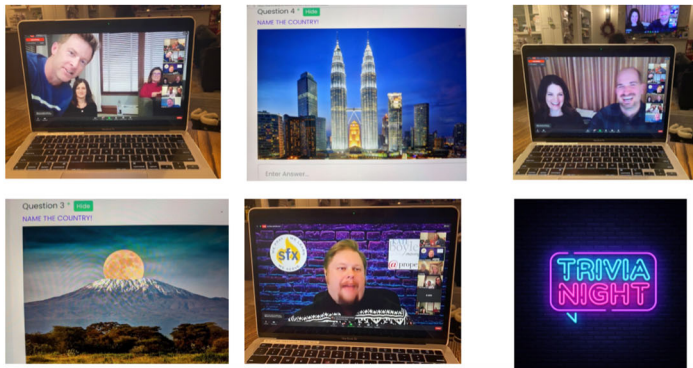
Drop off to Rectory mail slot or mail to  
124 N Spring Ave  
La Grange, 60525

*Loving God,  
Give us our daily bread and remind  
us to share what we have so all  
people have their daily bread.  
Amen*





Congrats To The Winners! **KBG** (The Boyles, The Sheehans, The Dunnes, The Burkes, and Mike Morkin) 1/15/2021



Thanks to all who participated in the first SFX Trivia Night! What fun we had! Congratulations to the winning team "KBG" - The Boyles, Sheehans, Dunnes, M. Morkin & Burkes.

Register now for our next SFX Trivia Night on February 12th from 7:00-9:00 pm at <https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/event/29077>

Grab the family, fellow parishioner, past alum, friend, neighbor, or play as a single to enjoy a night of trivia! Your team can play from multiple locations at the same time! No team? No problem! Play solo or we can add you to a team!



*Tell 'em* *"Joe sent me"*

## THE FAMILY PIZZERIA SINCE 1959

**St. Francis Xavier School Restaurant  
Fundraising Night with Aurelio's  
Thursday, February 4  
from 4:00 – 8:00pm**

On Thursday, February 4, we have another fundraising night with Aurelio's pizza! 20% of all sales (pre-tax/tip/delivery) will be donated to our school. Place your order between 4:00-8:00 pm on February 4 and mention that it is for the SFX Fundraiser. Give them a call at 708-579-0900!

Aurelio's is offering both pick-up and delivery. Be sure to specify your preference when you place your order and speak to the operator (and mention our fundraiser).

Delivery Options: pay cash at your door or credit at time of order (you can add gratuity if desired, then they can do a contact free delivery by calling you as they leave it at your doorstep) \*essentially they are offering cash, charge and/or contact free delivery (let phone operator know)\*

Pickup: can pay cash or charge when you arrive OR charge over the phone and they will do a curbside drop off---let the phone operator know ahead of time what you would like.

We are extremely grateful for their generous, recurring commitment to support our school via these fundraisers. Tell your friends and enjoy your pizza!

<https://www.aureliospizza.com/location/lagrange/>



# DOUBLE your DONATION

Your **Building Our Future** donation can make an even BIGGER impact!

Thanks to the generous support of parishioners and SFX School alumni families (with graduates ranging from 1975-2020!), we are able to offer a 2:1 donation matching program for our Building Our Future fund. This is the school's BIGGEST fundraiser every year; be sure to take advantage of this unique, LIMITED TIME opportunity in support of our school.

## ..... HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: .....

Between **January 24 – February 6**, visit **SFXschoolfund.com** to make your donation. All funds received, up to \$10,000 total, will receive a 2:1 match. It's that easy!

## ..... WHY DONATE? .....

We all benefit from Building our Future fundraising – whether it is building or technology related, supporting required staff, providing tuition assistance to our neighbors or promoting the school's overall financial health.

We appreciate the decades-long support of our matching donors and to all of you who support the mission of Saint Francis Xavier School year over year.

**Visit [SFXschoolfund.com](https://www.sfxschoolfund.com) to make your donation and receive a 2:1 match (up to \$10,000 total). Don't delay, this offer is only available January 24 – February 6, 2021!**

## Calling All Saint Francis Xavier School Alumni

Stay connected with your school classmates by creating an alumnus profile today!

**SFX is collecting a database of all alumni over the last 80 years and we need your help!**

This Database Will:

- Connect SFX alumni past and present
- Inform alumni of current state of SFX school and vision for the future
- Celebrate our teachers and their teaching accomplishments
- Celebrate current student and alumni accomplishments
- Provide an opportunity to share photos, athletic records and more
- Keep you updated on notable school events and projects

Questions? Please contact [sfxgrad@gmail.com](mailto:sfxgrad@gmail.com) for more information.

## Religious Education Registration

Religious Education Registration Packets can be found on the website at [sfxlg.org](http://sfxlg.org). If you have any questions, please email Terri Simeoni at [tsimeoni@sfxlg.org](mailto:tsimeoni@sfxlg.org).

We encourage all  
to follow  
SFX School on social media



SFX School Instagram:  
[@sfxlg\\_school](https://www.instagram.com/sfxlg_school)

Facebook SFX School site:  
<https://www.facebook.com/SFX.LG/>

Facebook SFX Alumni site:  
<https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/ART/595d889cdee3e>

SFX School Website:  
<https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/School>

**See the latest happenings at the day school:**

A very very nice congratulatory message to the SFX community from Dr. Jim Rigg, Superintendent of Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Schools. <https://vimeo.com/465845503>

Socially distanced Rosary: <https://vimeo.com/465845340>

"Father Christmas" (Fr. Rich) makes a surprise appearance: <https://vimeo.com/489897966>

CandyGram to Falcon Families  
<https://vimeo.com/488728809>

#BetterTogether - 2020 - A Year in Review at SFX Parish School" <https://vimeo.com/492240023>



## St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry

This year brings many challenges to volunteering and giving back to others in our St. Francis Xavier Community. We have met and decided that we will find the best way to minister to people who need our help. We came up with a few opportunities and hope you can join us.

The idea behind the Family Ministry is to give families a chance to have fun and work together while serving others in need. Please help us make a difference.

### February

On Wednesday, February 10, 2021 SFX is going to deliver letters to the seniors at Bethlehem Woods. We need people to write notes and jokes for the seniors. We can ask our younger members of the parish to draw pictures and contribute a candy bar, or lotion. There are 27 seniors in assisted living and have no contact due to COVID and then there are 180 seniors who have limited contact. If families would please reach out to Ana at [apd3@core.com](mailto:apd3@core.com) with questions and please feel to contribute items. The collection will be the week of February 1<sup>st</sup>.

### March

Sue Devers of Beds is coordinating dinners for homeless people staying in local motels and individuals living in the resident building on Ogden Avenue. They are in need of families to prepare and deliver meals on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays in March and beyond. This would be a great volunteer opportunity for families to do in their homes. Please reach out to Sue Devers at Beds ([dever@beds-plus.org](mailto:dever@beds-plus.org)).

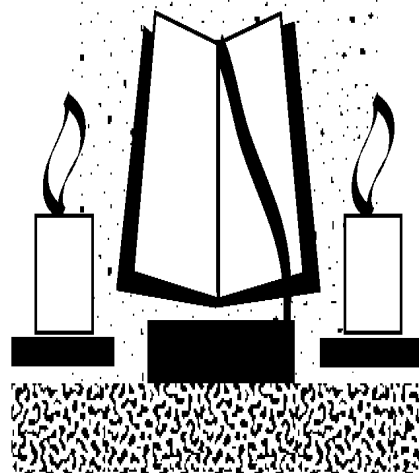
### April

We are partnering with the Salt Creek Watershed Network to clean up garbage at Salt Creek Forest Preserve on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. All supplies will be provided. Please join us and contact Elizabeth at [elizabeth.fanta@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabeth.fanta@yahoo.com), if you are interested. This is a tentative event due to COVID. More details to follow.

### October through May

Some of you may already be aware that the guests of the BEDS program are not staying at St. Francis Xavier due to COVID-19 concerns. The guests are staying at various locations, so for now, please drop all dessert donations on Monday mornings before noon at the BEDS Plus facility on the corner of East Avenue and Ogden Avenue but please contact Theresa Sullivan at [thsully28@yahoo.com](mailto:thsully28@yahoo.com) to sign up.

# The Lord is with us



# in sacrament and word



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

- **Sgt. David Phillips**—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- **Commander Robert O'Donnell**—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- **Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT**—  
son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- **Technical Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF**—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- **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, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC**—  
son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- **Staff Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Capt. Maura Hoffman & Capt. Christopher Hoffman**—niece and nephew of Margie & Steve Hull and  
cousins of Kate, Janie & Caroline Hull
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy & Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and  
sons of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **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
- **Commander Brian Riegler, U.S. Navy**—husband of Elizabeth and father of Kaylee, Mackenzie, Grace & Liam
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Capt. Trent McMullen, USAF**—son-in-law of Tom & Maureen Hunt
- **Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army**—friend of Liz Wilk
- **Spec Timothy Lucas U.S. Army**—nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas, and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Robert Weiler, U.S. Navy**—brother of Rebecca Dionisio
- **Joseph Somers, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Maureen Burriesci
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **PFC Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 19K**—son of Chuck Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **Capt. Richard Hoover, U.S. Army & Neil Donegan, U.S. Navy**—nephew and grandson of Lorraine Donegan
- **Capt. Matt Waite, U.S. Army**—cousin of Justin, Maggie, Winona & Bea Waite

**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](mailto:bulletineditor@sfxlg.org).**

## St. Francis Xavier Personnel

### Pastoral Ministry

*Pastor*  
*Associate Pastor*  
*Deacon*  
*Deacon*  
*Pastoral Associate*  
*Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister*  
*Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister*  
*Weekend Sacramental Minister*

*Rev. William Tkachuk*  
*Rev. Richard Milek*  
*Mr. Andrew Allison*  
*Mr. Phil Gianatasio*  
*Mrs. Margaret McMahon*  
*Rev. William Killeen*  
*Rev. Ed Barrett*  
*Rev. Stan Ilo*

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### Education Ministry

*Parish School Principal*  
*Assistant Principal*  
*Administrative Assistant*  
*Parish School Secretary*  
*Advancement Director*  
*Tuition Accounts*  
*Religious Education Coordinator/Sacrament Prep*  
*Religious Education Administrative Assistant*

*Mrs. Sharon Garcia*  
*Mrs. Janice Carr*  
*Mrs. Mary Hoffman*  
*Mrs. Peggy Evans*  
*Mrs. Mary Tassi*  
*Mrs. Jennifer Zeisloft*  
*Ms. Terri Simeoni*  
*Mrs. Cindy Johnson*

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### Youth Ministry

*Coordinator*

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### Music Ministry

*Director*

*Mr. Allen Sterwalt*

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### Parish Office Staff

*Business Manager*  
*Parish Accountant*  
*Pastor's Secretary*  
*Parish Secretary*  
*Staff Secretary*  
*Facilities Manager*

*Mrs. Jennifer Zeisloft*  
*Ms. Jane Bandyk*  
*Mrs. Maureen Pipal*  
*Mrs. Melissa Westerhoff*  
*Ms. Debra Soulje*  
*Mr. Frank Roccasalva*

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### Food Pantry/Community Outreach

*Coordinator*

*Mrs. Mary Freeman*

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### **Contact Information**

Parish Office 124 N. Spring .....708-352-0168  
 St. Francis Xavier Day School .....708-352-2175  
 School of Religious Education .....708-352-4555  
 S.P.R.E.D. (Special Religious Education) .....708-352-0168  
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 e-Mail .....sfxinlg@sfxlg.org  
 Main Day School e-Mail.....sfxmain@sfxlg.org  
 Main Religious Education e-Mail.....sfxreligiused@sfxlg.org  
 Parish Web Site .....www.sfxlg.org

### **Rectory Hours**

Monday-Thursday ..... 8:30 am-8:30 pm  
 Friday ..... 8:30 am-4:30 pm  
 Saturday .....9:00 am-5:00 pm  
 Sunday .....9:00 am-1:00 pm

**At this time due to COVID-19 the rectory offices are closed. Staff members will now be answering phones Monday through Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and on Saturdays from 9:00 am-12:00 Noon. The answering service will answer calls after that time.**

### **Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 am

### **Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church**

Thursday 8:15 am

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday morning .....9:00-10:00 am  
 Reconciliations are being heard in the lower vestibule of Unity Hall between the church and education building.

### **Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches**

**St. Cletus** (Monday - Friday) .....9:00 am-Noon

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus

**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](mailto: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.

### **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](mailto: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**

**At this time, our counseling sessions will be virtual/online.**

(Video format: <https://youtu.be/Fisg-SrOcVM>)

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, Lolan Adan, from the Claret Center who can be reached by phone 442-264-7589 or email [lolanadan@gmail.com](mailto:lolanadan@gmail.com).

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