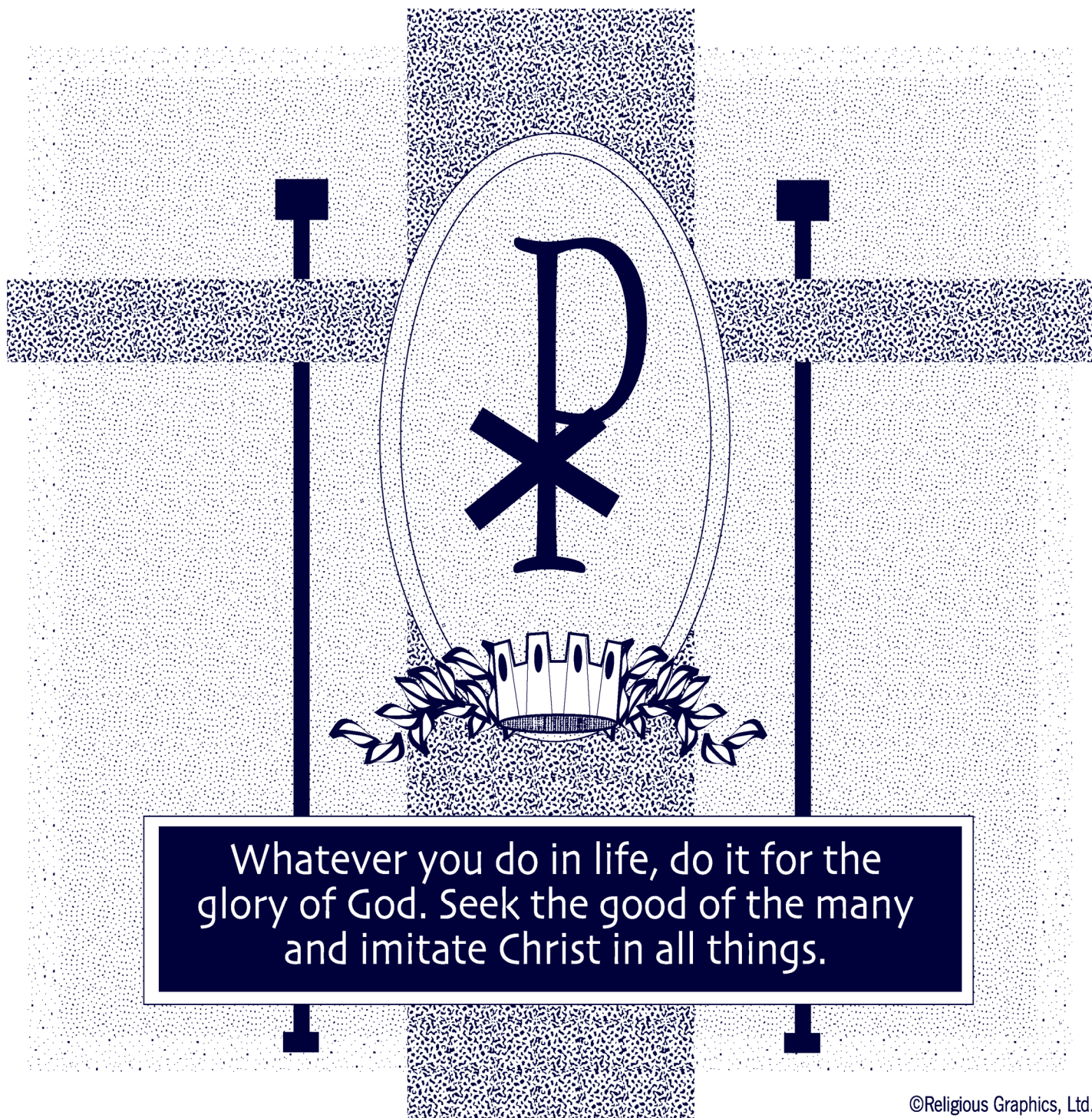


SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 14, 2021



Whatever you do in life, do it for the
glory of God. Seek the good of the many
and imitate Christ in all things.

Week at a Glance

Monday, February 15	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Tom Carroll	Joan Potsch
Tuesday, February 16	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Chris Morkin	The Kisla Family
Wednesday, February 17 Ash Wednesday	Morning Mass Service Service Evening Mass	7:30 am 12:00 pm 4:00 pm 7:00 pm	People of the Parish	People of the Parish
Thursday, February 18	Rosary Adoration	8:15 am 6:00-7:00 pm		
Friday, February 19	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Joyce O'Connell	Alice Hanna
Saturday, February 20	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Barbara Van Natta Tony Klusak	Sr. Marlene Schemmel The Berg Family
Sunday, February 21 1st Sunday of Lent	Mass Mass Mass	9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Carol Grimes Esteban Guzman John O'Connor	Jeff & Shirley Augustyn The Guzman Family The Healy Family

Presider's Schedule for February 13-14, 2021-Mass Time

5:00 pm Fr. Ilo 9:00 am Fr. Barrett 11:00 am Fr. Milek 5:00 pm Fr. Tkachuk



*Adoration will be held this
Thursday, February 18 from 6:00-7:00 pm.
Please reserve your spot on our website at www.sfxlg.org.*

Please Pray For...

Diane Bereckis	Michael Janus	Donna Pekarek
John Bovard	Peter Johns	Carolyn Peters
Jay Carroll	Jerry Johnson	Jessica Phillips
Chili Challenger	Theresa Kandall	James Pridmore
Carol Coughlan	Mark Kiley	Baby Lucia R.
Mary Culin	Robert Kozak	Madison Raupp
Anthony Dina	Jim Martin	Anna Rose
Blake Donegan	Enrique Martinez	Rita Scalcon
Matt Doyle	Lisa Massaro	Matthew Schiek
Joan Dunne	Mary McMahan	Larry Skippet
Wendy Einspar	Patrick Morgan	Greyson Stanley
Lily Fielding	Mike Morrison	James Stapel
Will Fleming	Baby Amy Nesterowicz	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Mary Grand	Carolyn Nesterowicz	Michael Ungari
Lilli Gregory	Bernice Niemiec	Gregory Van Gorp
Wilson Gregory	Gert Ogilvie	Helena Walden
Frank Hoos	Arnold Oppenheim	Marian Ward
Rose Ilo	Jane O'Reilly	Maribeth Watkins
Mary J.	Shawna Palazzolo	Liz Wilk
Jane Jacobsen	Ryan Patyk	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 sfxing@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:

Judith Washburn
Mother of Mark

Readings For The Week of February 14, 2021

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31--11:1/Mk 1:40-45
Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Pastor's Notes

*Whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God.*
1 Corinthians 10:31

What is your “measure of success”? How do you view yourself, members of your family, and those in public life? St. Paul insists that the only measure of a Christian life is the extent to which that person’s words and actions give glory to God. This is not a call to become street corner preachers or to make a public display of our generosity and acts of kindness. Rather, it is *choosing a way of living* that cares for others in ways that become instinctive; that reaches out to others simply because we see a need that we have the time, talent, or treasure to address. It is *shining a light* on those in our families, our community, and our society who devote themselves to loving service. It is *forgiving one another* our faults and *challenging one another* to be the person that God created us to be: to live the mission on which Jesus sends us.

Valentine’s Day stirs a range of feelings in any community. *We celebrate and bless* the love of those among us who continue to live their vocation to love through the Sacrament of Matrimony. *We bless* those among us who have lost a spouse and those who are separated from their spouse by whatever circumstances. *We offer blessings of healing and peace* to those whose marriages are struggling and to those who have experienced the pain of a broken marriage. *We bless and hope* with those who are engaged, those who are hoping to marry, and those who have moved on to new hopes and dreams. May we each continue to discover the ways in which God has called us to make God’s love alive in and through us. May all our relationships grow in the love that is God’s desire for us.

This Wednesday is **Ash Wednesday**. (For Fr, Rich, the day after **Paczki Day!**) Ashes will be distributed at two Masses and two prayer services for which reservations must be made in advance. See the article in this bulletin for details. **Please note:** Due to COVID protocols,

ashes will be distributed only at these four times. I encourage you to check out our Lenten offerings and consider what might help you deepen your relationship with Jesus and our faith community. May our Lenten journey draw us deeper into the mystery of God’s love for us in Christ.

This is the final week to participate in a **periodic ministry evaluation** of your pastor, which is required of all priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The Catholic Leadership 360 Review is directed by an independent, national group. Any parishioner who wants to participate in this process is invited to complete the online parish-wide survey via the Quicklink in the bulletin. Surveys must be submitted no later than February 23. Once I have completed the evaluation process, I will provide a written summary of the insights that I gained from this process and my development plan for the immediate future.

Thanks to all who have offered support and prayers for my full recovery after being struck by a car on New Year’s Day. I now rarely use the sling and have advanced to more aggressive physical therapy for my left shoulder. By the time you read this, I also should be recovering from some minor surgery to open the side of my nose that was blocked when I broke it. God is good. All in God’s time. I am blessed.

Stay warm and be safe!

Peace,

Fr. Bill

Ash Wednesday Schedule

7:30 am Mass
12:00 pm Service
4:00 pm Service
7:00 pm Mass



Registration in advance via the parish website or a call to the parish office is required.

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

ASH WEDNESDAY RITUAL DURING COVID PROTOCOLS

The traditional Ash Wednesday ritual in our part of the world involves the tracing of the Sign of the Cross on each forehead. It has always struck me as odd that we proclaim a gospel on that day that calls us to wash our faces and not appear to be fasting, and then mark our faces with ashes for all to see.

COVID protocols prevent the minister from touching each forehead. Instead, this year, we are adopting a custom from Eastern Europe and other parts of the world in which the ashes are sprinkled over the head of each person. This is closer to the ancient tradition of pouring ashes over one's head. Parishes have been given the option of using an individual cotton swab or cotton ball for each person and then burning them. However, this seems to be a more complicated and less environmentally friendly ritual.


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) 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.



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

Please Make Your Gift to the 2021 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. 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 have received 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

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

Lent 2021

Feb 17 (Ash Wed)
- Mar 31

LENTEN SCRIPTURE SERIES – Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God

Join us as we practice deepening our prayer lives through a series of six video sessions (watch at your own convenience!) and communal reflection together via Zoom. *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 God's presence and resolving to live in and through God's love. [Click here](#) to register. *Meeting times can be adjusted to fit your schedule.*

Details on Lenten groups/events can be found on the website (sfxlg.org -> Parish -> Faith Formation -> Lent 2021)

Join the following events once or every week (beginning Wed, 2/17) – as your schedule allows!

Unless otherwise indicated, all events will occur virtually by Zoom. [Click here](#) for more details on the events listed below.

MONDAYS

7:00 – 7:15 am Women's Morning Prayer ☀️

TUESDAYS

12:05 – 12:30 pm Lunch-time *Lectio* Gospel Reflections

7:00 – 7:15 pm Women's Evening Prayer 🌙

WEDNESDAYS

7:00 – 7:15 am Women's Morning Prayer ☀️

THURSDAYS

8:15 – 8:45 am Morning Rosary (*virtual or in-person at SFX*)

7:00 – 7:15 pm Women's Evening Prayer 🌙

7:15 – 8:00 pm Women's Book Study

Searching for and Maintaining Peace – Fr. Jacques Philippe

FRIDAYS

Watch "Way of the Cross" Meditation on [FORMED](#) (search "Way of the Cross Liguori," video runs ~22 min)

Visit outdoor Stations of the Cross at Carmelite Spiritual Center ([click here for address](#))

DAILY

FORMED – free video reflections. [Sign up here.](#)

Blessed is She – Lenten journal for women (\$25). [Click here to order.](#)

Bishop Robert Barron – free video reflections. [Sign up here.](#)

Daily Mass! (8:30 am every weekday except Thurs)

"Little Black Book" reflections (contact mmcmahon@sfxlg.org if you need a book)

Note: we will pray the following prayer at Mass during Lent. Review it here ahead of time!

Confiteor Prayer

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

RECONCILIATION OPPORTUNITIES

**social distancing is observed during Reconciliation*

Every Saturday (after 2/14): 9:00 – 10:00 am

Unity Hall, via Ogden vestibule

Plus these extended hours:

Thursday, March 18 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Unity Hall, via Ogden vestibule - during Adoration

Friday, March 19 9:00 – 10:00 am

Unity Hall, via Ogden vestibule - after daily Mass

Saturday, March 27 9:00 – 12:00 am

Location TBD

Last chance to register for the Women's Retreat!

Join us for 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. The kick off **Mass is this Saturday morning February 13 at 10:00 am.** You may join us **in the church or via livestream**, and be inspired by scripture and women speakers. Then join us two evening **virtual live video events on February 15 and 16**, (or watch the recordings on your own at your convenience). **[Click here to register](#)** 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 registration.

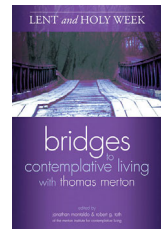
Greetings!



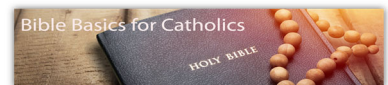
As we near Ash Wednesday (February 17) and a second Season of Lent amidst the constraints of Covid-19, the need to connect is more important than ever. To that end St. John of the Cross cordially invites you to consider one or more of the following *virtual* Lenten Offerings.

(Click on the link for more information)

[Bridges for Lent and Holy Week](#)
(Thursday Evening 7:00 pm)



[Bible Basics Study of Leviticus](#)
(Wednesday Evening 7:00 pm)



[Lenten Soup for the Soul](#)
(Thursday at 12:00 pm)



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 and has the subject line of "Contribution Statement from St. Francis Xavier Parish". Please contact Parish Accountant Jane Bandyk at jbandyk@sfxlg.org or call 708-352-0168 with any questions.

EXPERIENCE OUR FALCON PRIDE...



WELCOME! Experience the vibrant and engaging community of St. Francis Xavier School, LaGrange, IL, where FAITH, ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, and SERVICE blend to develop each child's potential; Preschool through 8th grade. We welcome you to see our Falcon Pride in our [SFX VIRTUAL SCHOOL TOUR](https://vimeo.com/506617250) at <https://vimeo.com/506617250>.

"We Pray, We Learn, We Serve, We Play"

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Interested in setting up a Buona Benefit Night? Email us at fundraising@buona.com!

We encourage all to follow SFX School on social media

SFX School Instagram:
[@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>



Fenwick Performing Arts 2021

Fenwick Blackfriars Theatre Guild will be presenting our annual variety show (Banua) in just two weeks. The show will be live-streamed from the Fenwick Auditorium and showcase some of our top talent. Due to Covid-guidelines we will not have a live audience, but would love for you to join us online right from your living room! We two completely different shows with different performers, so join us on both Friday and Saturday.

We have created a special promo code for you which gives you 50% of your tickets, so we hope you will take advantage of this and plan to join us on February 19th and 20th. For tickets, please visit fenwick.booktix.com and use the promo code **FutureFriar**.

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

"All are Welcome"

Thank you to all who attended the **New Parishioner Prayer Service** either in person or virtually. It was nice to come together in prayer with you as we welcome you to the parish. A huge thanks to Fr. Rich, Maggie McMahon, Kathy Broderick, Nancy Cozzi, Shannon Gannon, Susie Lehuta, Oswaldo Lastres and Jody Wise for all of the effort to create a warm reception for new families. A special thanks to Lisa Krepps and Tamara Tanzillo for helping as Greeters.

If you are new to St. Francis Xavier or you would like to join the Welcome Committee, please contact Laura Duelm at 708-309-9079 or lauraduelm@hotmail.com.

We look forward to future Prayer Services and to social events when we are able to gather together!

St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry

This year brings many challenges to volunteering and giving back to others in our St. Francis Xavier Community. 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.

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).

April

We are partnering with the Salt Creek Watershed Network to clean up garbage at Salt Creek Forest Preserve on April 24th. All supplies will be provided. Please join us if interested, and contact Elizabeth at elizabeth.fanta@yahoo.com. 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 to sign up.

From Your SFX Parish Counselor

[Emerging Adults' Relationships with their Parents](#)

"WHAT CAN GO WRONG? For many emerging adults and their families, the infinite possibilities of emerging adulthood can be a double-edged sword. Infinite possibilities can breed an attitude of pressure and perfectionism. Many emerging adults mistakenly believe that they must achieve deep self-knowledge before making any concrete decisions in life, and that achieving self-understanding, finding the just-right job or meeting the just-right person, will somehow make everything easier. Well-meaning parents reinforce these beliefs by saying things like "Find something you're passionate about and you'll be fine." As a result, small missteps feel like big failures as opposed to learning experiences.
- by Jacob Goldsmith, Ph.D.

Consider reaching out to me at (442) 264-7589 or lolanadan@gmail.com.

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

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

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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40 Days for Life: February 17 – March 28

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers! With God's help, much good has been accomplished in the effort to protect the lives of the unborn. The local 40 Days for Life Vigil in our community this Lent will take place at Access Health Center (in the public right-of-way), 1700 75th St, Downers Grove. Vigil hours: 7:00AM to 7:00PM daily. To learn more, contact Caron at 40daysdq@gmail.com. To sign up for prayer times go to <http://www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove>.

Interfaith Career Network

Questions/Answers With The Career Coach

Join Jody Eriksen, a Certified Advanced Career Coach, for The Coach's Corner on Thursday, February 18 from 7:00-8:30 pm via ZOOM. It is said that searching for a job is the hardest job you will ever have. You likely had years of experience in your previous position. However, you are a novice at job search and much has changed since your last search. Networking during a pandemic? ATS Systems? One or two page resume? Jody will welcome any and all questions and address job search questions you had not yet thought about. Have your questions answered and learn from the questions of other job seekers. Jody Eriksen offers her integrated background in Psychology, Business Administration and Professional Coaching to bring original tools and techniques to enhance your Career Development tool kit.

The link to this ZOOM meeting can be found on our website at:

<http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org/calendar>.

Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend.



Please register for programs at The Well Spirituality Center online: www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048. All programs are on Zoom during this time of Covid-19.

Join us on Ash Wednesday, February 17 from 7:00 -8:00 pm with Facilitator: Pat Bergen, CSJ. Awaken to the deep desire flickering in the soul - ours and the soul of the world.

Lenten At-Home Retreat beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 17 at 7:00 pm through Wednesday, March 3 at 7:00 pm with Pat Bergen, CSJ, and various Spiritual Directors. Come home to your deepest self, into alignment with the Spirit of the Living God. This is the call of Lent.

Breaking Open the Word (series) starting on Tuesday, February 23. The series will be held on Tuesdays from, 9:00-10:15 am with Facilitator: Pat Bergen, CSJ. Each week in Lent, bring Sunday's scriptures into dialogue with our own lives.

Pause-Dive Deep-Live: Lenten Invitations (3 sessions) starting on Thursday, February 25. The series will be held on Thursdays, from 9:30-10:45 am with Facilitator: Kathy Sherman, CSJ. Witness the journey of Jesus, and our own, thru input, music, sharing, quiet.

Where Did Jesus Go? Saturday, March 27 all day retreat from 9:30 am-3:30 pm with Carolyn Toben. Share questions about the great sacred themes of resurrection, forgiveness, and the meaning of Jesus Christ in our own soul-longings.



Renew your spirit at the Lord's table



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.**

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
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Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-8:30 pm
 Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
 Saturday9:00 am-5:00 pm
 Sunday9:00 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 morning9:00-10:00 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.

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.

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

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

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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.

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