

**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH**  
**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 7, 2021**



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

**Annual Catholic Appeal  
Commitment Weekend**

## Week at a Glance

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| Monday, February 8                                 | Morning Mass              | 8:30 am            | Carl Walsh<br>Carol Grimes                             | Diane Walsh<br>SFX Faculty & Staff                     |
| Tuesday, February 9                                | Morning Mass              | 8:30 am            | Irene Boskov   | Cassie Brady   |
| Wednesday, February 10                             | Morning Mass              | 8:30 am            | Pat Hassler  | Jacquelyn Van Gorp                                     |
| Thursday, February 11                              | Rosary                    | 8:15 am            |  |  |
| Friday, February 12                                | Morning Mass              | 8:30 am            | Jim Coogan   | Mara & Jim Mangan                                      |
| Saturday, February 13                              | No Reconciliation<br>Mass | 9:00 am<br>5:00 pm | Lorraine Pietras                                       | The Pietras Family                                     |
| Sunday, February 14<br>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mass                      | 9:00 am            | Raymond & Ann Marie Barry                              | Barb Zahorik   |
|  | Mass                      | 11:00 am           | George, Jim & Roman<br>Jack Moynahan<br>Daniel O'Neill | The Wives<br>The Kinnucan Family<br>The O'Neill Family |
|  | Mass                      | 5:00 pm            | People of the Parish                                   |  |

### Presider's Schedule for February 6-7, 2021~Mass Time

**5:00 pm** Fr. Tkachuk    **9:00 am** Fr. Milek    **11:00 am** Fr. Tkachuk    **No 5:00 pm Mass due to Super Bowl**

### No Reconciliation This Saturday, February 13 at 9:00 am

### Please Pray For...

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



**Ken Kostal**  
Husband of Judy and Father of Tom, John & Sheila

**Judge Francis Gembala**  
Husband of Bettina

### Readings For The Week of February 7, 2021

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39  
 Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56  
 Tuesday: Gn 1:20--2:4a/Mk 7:1-13  
 Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23  
 Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30  
 Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37  
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10  
 Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31--11:1/Mk 1:40-45

## Pastor's Notes

*Come, follow me, and bring hope to the world.*  
Annual Catholic Appeal 2021

Jesus enters the home of Simon Peter and heals his mother-in-law, who immediately begins to tend to Jesus and his disciples. Simon's mother-in-law responds to her healing with gratitude and a desire to give forward. She offers the greatest gift that one could offer to guests in one's home: hospitality by using the gifts that God has given her. She does what Simon appears not yet to have done. *She welcomes Jesus* into the home *and tends to his needs* and those of his companions. She understands what the disciples in Mark's gospel are slow to understand: discipleship is *putting our God-given gifts to use* by reaching out in love to others. The disciples who enter the house with Jesus are simply *following* him at this point; this woman puts her gratitude and faith *into action*.

The movement from discipleship into action is the theme of the **2021 Annual Catholic Appeal**. We reflect upon God's gifts to us and respond to the call of Jesus. We do so amid a virus that tests our human limits and that has kept us in relative isolation from one another for almost a year. We do so while opposing political camps threaten to tear us apart rather than bring together their diverse opinions in a way that best serves the *common* good. We do so as we confront the realities of racism and seek to learn the life experiences of those who grow up in circumstances different from our own and often lack the advantages that we take for granted.

***But we do so as messengers of hope.*** Jesus assures us that *God's kingdom is already here*, growing among us. Jesus invites us to labor in the fields of God's kingdom with the persistence of faith and love; to be God's light in the darkness and to refuse to be held back or held down by the forces that would tell us that all is hopeless. In simple acts of loving service to others, in gentle words of encouragement, and in the communion that we become in the Body of Christ, we bring hope to our families, our community, our nation, and the world. *We are disciples on a mission*, going out to make a difference.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is a significant way in which we share our treasure with the larger church in Chicago. We support the work of parishes and schools in communities with much heart but limited financial resources. We support efforts across parish boundaries to reach out in love to those who feel separated from God, to

educate and evangelize those seeking to grow deeper in their faith, and to serve the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of *all* God's children.

At all Masses this weekend, I am including part of the homily of Cardinal Cupich for this weekend. To see a You Tube recording of his complete homily, go to the link on the parish website or to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o25CjtPCqjM>.

Pray about what your household can pledge to the work of the larger church through the Annual Catholic Appeal. The contribution of *each* person, in whatever amount, can accomplish great things when we come together in faith and love to bring hope to the world.

Stay warm and be safe!

Peace, *J. 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.

### 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/englishurvey-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...  
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**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 this weekend 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

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

# Lent 2021

Feb 17 (Ash Wed)  
- Mar 31

**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.

**LENTEN 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](http://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](#))

## SATURDAYS

9:00 - 10:00 am Reconciliation at SFX (*Enter through Unity Hall vestibule between church and Education Building*)

## 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](mailto: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.

**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 February 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](http://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.



## **Welcome**

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

Thomas Piane & Monica Schmitt  
Steven & Irene Parnell  
Matthew & Mary Kate Farnan

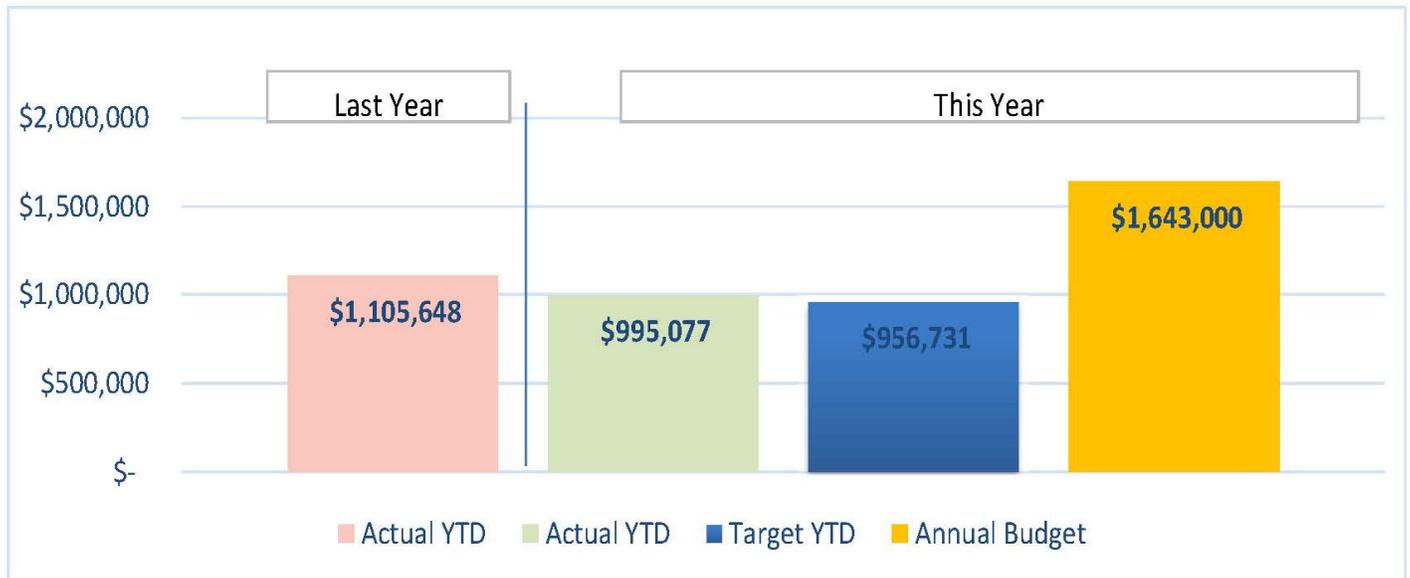
Juan & Tarrah Vergara  
Aimee Dobry  
James & Caitlin Hanson



*do all that you do  
for the sake of the gospel  
in the hopes of having  
a share in its blessings*



# Our Finances as of January 31, 2021



**Note: This budget target of \$1,643,000 assumes an operating deficit of \$148,000 by the end of the fiscal year, which will be covered by operating savings.**

| Sunday Offertory | EFT/Credit Card | + | Basket    | + | Other Offertory* | = | January Totals |
|------------------|-----------------|---|-----------|---|------------------|---|----------------|
| January 2021     | \$ 67,038       |   | \$ 21,705 |   | \$ 9,484         |   | \$ 98,226      |
| January 2020     | \$ 65,805       |   | \$ 49,203 |   | \$ 19,572        |   | \$ 134,580     |

\* Includes donations from stock, donor-advised funds, Holy Day contributions, and other miscellaneous gifts

**God bless you for your generosity to St. Francis Xavier Parish!**

## 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.



# DOUBLE your DONATION

**Thank you to all of our generous donors;**  
you have helped us reach our  
Building Our Future matching goal!

This means that in one week's time, we have raised \$10,000 that will be DOUBLED by a generous group of parishioners who are SFX School alumni or parents of alumni (with graduating classes ranging from 1975-2020!).

This \$30,000 total will help us work toward achieving our larger goal for the 2020-2021 school year.

## ..... HAVEN'T DONATED YET?: .....

Though we've met our matching goal, we still need your help in order to achieve our annual goal! This is the school's BIGGEST fundraiser every year; we appreciate your support.

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

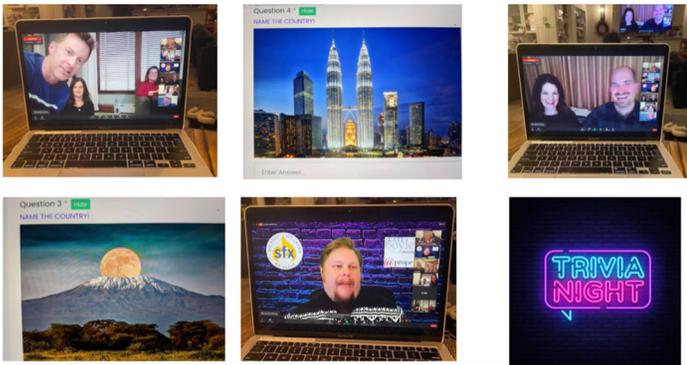
We all benefit from Building our Future fundraising – whether it is building or technology related, supporting required staff, providing tuition assistance to our neighbors or promoting the school's overall financial health.

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](http://SFXschoolfund.com) to make your donation today. Thank You!**



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!

## 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, 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>. All supplies will be provided. Please join us if interested, and contact Elizabeth at [elizabeth.fanta@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:thsully28@yahoo.com) to sign up.



**MAY OUR GIFTS  
BECOME THE  
FOOD AND DRINK  
OF ETERNAL LIFE**

## 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 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>

## From Your SFX Parish Counselor

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

*"During the pandemic, **ambiguous grief** has certainly been ongoing for many of us. Most of us have lost relationships, lost in-person connections and lost our ability to move around our communities. Most people do not realize that the primary emotion being triggered in them is ambiguous grief, and typically, if we do not know what we are feeling and where it comes from, then we cannot effectively address it. People may believe that they are feeling anxious, scared or lonely when, in reality, their deep grief is being triggered and the felt awareness is anxiety and fear. Also, because there is no real sense of when the pandemic will be over and no sense of a projected closure date, ambiguous grief is constantly present and creating ongoing insecurities for many people.*

*- From "Grief and the COVID-19 pandemic" by Sophia Caudle*

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/Fisq-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  
#LPAdanAccompany (Under supervisor IL license # 071-005991)

## **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 [40daysdg@gmail.com](mailto:40daysdg@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.csithewell.org](http://www.csithewell.org) or call 708-482-5048. All programs are on Zoom during this time of Covid-19.

Join Paula D'Arcy: A Greater Light on Saturday, February 13 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm. The renowned author, on moving through life's challenges, laying the foundation for a larger life and a greater consciousness.

Join us for Ashes to Fire 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.

Join us for a 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.

Join us for 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.

Join us for our Lenten Invitations (series) 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.

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





## 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
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### Pastoral Ministry

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*Rev. Richard Milek*  
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*Religious Education Administrative Assistant*

*Mrs. Sharon Garcia*  
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### Parish Office Staff

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### Food Pantry/Community Outreach

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### **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  
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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](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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