

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

4th Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

Happy Mother's Day



Our First Communicants

Rachel Adams	Charlie Ellis	Mia Lambert	Ainsley Quenneville
Violet Ahrens	Finn Enright	Francis Lech	Josephine Quinn
Frank Albi	Grace Erickson	Juliana Lee	Gwendolyn Ramoley
Jackson Bach	Packy Farnan	Oliver Lotus	Sarah Riboul
Maeve Bender	Emma Favel	Alex Loulousis	Claire Rimkus
Katherine Bersnak	Thomas Fijal	James Lowery	Anais Rivera
Elizabeth Betlinski	Giuseppe Fiordirosa	Madelyn Lutzow	Jorge Esteban Rivera
William Bilecki	Cooper Flickinger	Andrew Mack	Leo Robertson
Elliott Bolen	Jack Flynn	Alexander Mackenzie	Henry Robinson
Maxwell Boughamer	Jack Gallagher	Will Mackenzie	Anabella Romano
Jack Brekan	Sylvie Gamache	Emma Mackenzie-Bianco	Gwenyth Rucinski
Michael Burns	Nataly Garcia	Luciana Macko	Samuel Schmitz
Edward Byrne	Frances Gawne	Marty Mahoney	Jacob Shimerdla
Colin Callahan	Emmeline Gergits	Eisley Maliszewski	Carter Simpson
Benji Carrillo	Evelyn Gonzalez	Claire Malone	Kevin Sloan
Maeve Cherry	Jack Goode	Carlie Maresso	Harper Stritch
Viviana Chierici	Thomas Graham	Mabel Martens	Amelia Thomas
Francesco Cirolia	Anna Grogan	Addison May	Wyatt Thompson
Estelle Coia	Alexander Hernandez	Jackson McDonnell	Maggie Thunander
Ella Connors	Anne Hewitt	Fiona McGarry	Jabez Torres
Max Cusack	Mary Hogerty	Matthew McMurray	Jerry Tovar
Amos DeGregorio	Conon Hyland	Valentina Medina	Elsa Trottier
Eleanor Dekoj	Ava Iovinelli	Kaitlyn Miller	Kingsley Unger
Thomas Dekoj	Matthew Janiszewski	Lincoln Miller	Luke Unger
Milo DeMonte	Michael Janiszewski	Emily Murphy	Giada Virgilio
Penelope Depa	Greyson Johnson	Gemma Novak	Grace Wagner
Nora Desmond	Michael Joyce	JJ O'Connor	Lucas Washburn
Joseph Doyle	Peter Karam	Kylie Pak	Ruby Webster
Haley Drew	Clara Keach	Dylan Palmer	Shae Widuch
Jordan Drew	Eleanor Kozlowski	Marie Pawasarat	Amanda Woss
Ethan Duda	Benjamin Kramer	Daniel Peele	Henry Zib
James Duda	Mila Kuc	Jackk Piszczor	Estelle Zimont
Adrian Durk	Maeve Lach	Elise Pochopien	
Connor Dwyer	Luke LaLonde	Fiona Prinz	

Week at a Glance

			Intention	Requested By
Monday, May 9	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Carol Grimes Dorothy Wiegand John Thoms Marian Hannigan	Donna Kurcz The Bovard & Wiegand Families Joan Thoms Mike Flood
Tuesday, May 10	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Al Tassi	Katie Filbin
Wednesday, May 11	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Josephine Balkwill	The Shanahan Family
Thursday, May 12	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, May 13	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Michael Goggin	The SFX School Community
Saturday, May 14	Mass	8:30 am	People of the Parish	
	Reconciliation	9:00 am		
	Mass	5:00 pm	Tom Heaney	Katie & Mark Sedlacek
Sunday, May 15 5th Sunday of Easter	Mass	7:30 am	Robert Johnson	The Bier Family
	Mass	9:00 am	Joseph Accardi	The Filbin Family
	Mass	11:00 am	Kevin Wright	The Wright Family
	Mass	5:00 pm	Amanda Terese Papuga	The Papuga Family

Schedule for May 7-8, 2022~Mass Time

5:00 pm Fr. Ilo

7:30 am Fr. Tkachuk

9:00 am Fr. Milek

11:00 am Fr. Tkachuk

No 5:00 pm Mass

Please pray for . . .

Edward Barrett	Lisa Massaro
Linda Bienik	Linda McMahon
Paul Bryon	Patrick Morgan
Jay Carroll	Mike Morrison
Chili Challender	Gert Ogilvie
Jerry Cooney	Jane O'Reilly
Tionna Dawson	Lorraine Ovnik
Blake Donegan	Ryan Patyk
Victoria Donile	Donna Pekarek
Barbara Doyle	Baby Lucia R.
Matthew Doyle	Madison Raupp
Lily Fielding	Anna Rose
Jim Fitzgerald	Rita Scalcon
Lilli Gregory	Sr. Marlene Schemmel
Wilson Gregory	Richard Schmuhl
Rose Ilo	Santa Snieg
Mary J.	Barbara Stewart
Jane Jacobsen	John Stopka
Theresa Kandall	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Mark Kiley	Olivia Tarsney
Mary Jane Kowal	Gregory Van Gorp
Janet Krueger	Liz Wilk
Art Lyons	

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

Know that our parish prays daily for the sick and the dying.

Born Into Eternal Life



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

Greg McDonnell

Father of the late Mercedes, Joseph,
Bridget, Michael, Erin, Jeanelle,
Kathleen, Honor and Shevawn

Weddings

Lauren Dawson & Anthony Larios



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

Pastor's Letter

*"The one who sits on the throne will shepherd them,
and lead them to springs of life-giving water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
Revelation 7:17*

This year the Fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday, coincides with the date on which we pause to honor mothers, both in our personal lives and in our society. Motherhood comes into our lives in many ways and various forms. Some mothers carry life in the womb and give birth to a child. A child is nourished, guided, and sheltered by the mother who birthed them, the mother who adopted them, or the mother who came to them through marriage. Mothers often have the support and guidance of the mother who raised them or their spouse, or a godmother who honors a promise to set an example for a child. Children and youth may experience mothers as teachers and coaches, mentors and faith leaders. And many of us feel a mother's guidance long after they have completed their mission on this earth and await us in heaven.

Mothers live the vocation of Jesus, the Shepherd. They attempt to guide us in right paths and lead us to places that nourish and help us to grow. Mothers let us learn by doing and are there to dry the tears when the experience is painful or difficult. And mothers live with the awareness of their failures to be all that they could, should, or want to be for the children entrusted to their care. In this, they need love, patience and forgiveness.

Happy Mother's Day to all who live this vocation in our lives and in this faith community!

This weekend, we welcome to the table of Eucharist over 200 of our second grade children who received the Eucharist for the first time at one of three special Masses on Saturday.

Children, we are so glad to share with you the Presence of Jesus who forms us into one body, His Body, so that we can bring his love to others, wherever we are.

We continue to make adjustments to our weekend Mass celebrations. Those who are comfortable holding hands for the Our Father or shaking hands at the Sign of Peace are welcome to do so. Those not yet comfortable doing so are invited to use a simple gesture, such as a hand over your heart, to connect with others and wish them peace without physical contact. All of us will strive to respect the diversity among us. We are recruiting liturgical ministers to serve as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and ushers at all Masses to serve those who gather for worship. Our ministry coordinators will welcome you and provide all necessary training.

Each weekend, we see a few more faces returning for the first time, and a few new faces who are new to the parish. Being a welcoming community involves greeting those we do not know and introducing ourselves by name. It involves doing our best to make an unfamiliar face feel that we are glad they are here and hope to see them again. Such spirit was what led to the tremendous growth of the early Christian communities. May it be so for us!

Easter Peace,

J. Bill



Mother's Day Speakers

This Sunday, May 8th we invite Eleanor O'Reilly to speak at the 9am Mass and Pam Devitt to speak at the 11am Mass.



Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection

This weekend our second collection will be for the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection. Nearly 60 percent of the people who seek help from Catholic Charities are women, most of them mothers and grandmothers. From helping pregnant mothers deliver and care for healthy babies to supporting aging mothers and grandmothers, Catholic Charities offers a full range of services to mothers throughout the entire cycle of life. Thank you for your friendship and making the best give you can today.

To donate, [Click Here](#), visit our parish website, or place your donation in an envelope marked "Catholic Charities" and drop it off in the rectory mail slot or in a church collection box. Thank you for your generosity.



GIVING AT SFX

Easter
Collection

Easter Budget Target: \$73,000
Easter Offertory (through April 19) \$63,753

We are grateful to all those whose financial support makes the mission of St. Francis Xavier Parish possible. You can make an Easter gift by accessing this QR code or placing an envelope marked "Easter" in the boxes near the church exit or at the rectory. For those joining us online, [click here](#) to donate.



ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH BRICK PAVER ORDERS

Brick Paver Orders

Become a part of history by purchasing a personalized paver brick in Unity Garden! Visit our website for more information. Our current bricks include messages that:

- Celebrate a Wedding or special Wedding Anniversary
- Honor a past or present student, faculty member, coach or leader
- Commemorate a Baptism, First Holy Communion or Confirmation and much more!



Please [click here](#) to order!

Faith Formation

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

Easter Season! Alleluia!

New Parishioner Welcome: *Prayer Service & Social!*

We invite all new parishioners from the past two years (and all “seasoned” parishioners who’d like to help welcome!) to a prayer service and social in the church on:

Wed, May 11 at 6pm

30 min prayer service in the church with social to follow in Unity Hall



Elizabeth Ministry: *Prayer Service & Social for Moms!*

Tuesday, May 31 at 630pm
30 min prayer service with social to follow!

Join a community of spiritual, biological, adoptive, foster, or future mothers to pray and journey together through all the ups and downs of motherhood!

We welcome all women of varying experiences of motherhood:

- ◆ pregnant mothers
- ◆ new mothers
- ◆ trying to conceive
- ◆ seeking to foster or adopt
- ◆ mourning the loss of the child (no matter how recent/long ago)
- ◆ grandmothers, godmothers, spiritual mothers!

DID YOU KNOW? The Church of God is convoked in Synod.

“Synod” is not a familiar word for most Catholics. It’s a Greek word, basically meaning to “walk with,” or “journey together.” Throughout our history, it’s been used to refer to the gatherings of the Church to “walk with” one another and with the Holy Spirit, to read the “signs of the times” and discern in a spirit of prayer how the Church is being called to respond.

Right now the Church is gathering around this question:

A synodal Church, in announcing the Gospel, “journeys together.” How is this “journeying together” happening today in your local Church? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our “journeying together?”

Keep an eye out for future listening sessions and conversations on this topic at SFX or join the national consultation below to participate!

Discerning Deacons National Consultation

Wednesday May 11, 12-2pm ET • Sunday May 15, 3-5pm ET

Be a participant in the largest consultation with human beings ever conducted in history! Pope Francis wants to hear from YOU.

Visit: <https://discerningdeacons.org/serving-the-synod/>

All are welcome





SFX Parish Party

SERVE
PRAY
CELEBRATE

Join us for the SFX Parish Party on June 18! RSVP Today!

As our faith community moved through the challenges of the past two years, we grew stronger as a parish and leaned even more deeply into God's healing grace. Moving forward we want to celebrate with our incredible parishioners!

Parishioners will have many opportunities to participate:

- **9:00am-4:00pm:** Serve as a part of our Annual Service Day (see opposite page for more details)
- **5:00pm:** Pray together at Mass
- **6:00-8:00pm:** Celebrate in the parking lot (rain location: Joyce Hall). Food and beverages will be served along with desserts from the Misericordia Bakery Truck!

To help us plan food and beverages, please **RSVP** as soon as possible by visiting www.sfxlg.org or click here.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU AND CELEBRATE WITH YOU!

Questions about the Party?

Maggie McMahon, Pastoral Associate, mmcmahon@sfxlg.org
Jennifer Zeisloft, Director of Stewardship and Operations, jzeisloft@sfxlg.org.



SERVICE PARTNER	SITE	TIME	PROJECT	AGE	TEAM LEADER
Rosary* (6/16)	Mary Garden	8:15am	Pray	All	Katie Kanzer
St Agatha*: Deontay Wilson & Fr Larry Dowling (6/16)	Unity Hall	7-9pm	Westside Stories: Documentary/Q&A about Chicago's North Lawndale community	All	Jane Bandyk Heather Fitzpatrick Maureen Windmoeller
Blood Drive* (6/17)	GYM	10am-4pm	Donate Blood	16+	Frank Mungo
BEDS	Rectory lower level	1-2pm	Pack shelf stable meals	All	Lynn Regan Alice Vida
Challenger Baseball	Sedgwick Park	10:45am-12:15pm	Play ball with a buddy	10+	John Walsh
Companions Journeying Together (Prison Ministry)	Rectory Courtyard Room	9-10am	Write notes	12+	Marge Branecki
Congregation of St Joseph Cemetery Clean-Up	Queen of Heaven	9-11am	Clean up CSJ plots	10+	Emily Bersnak
Exodus World Service	Chicagoland	TBD June or July	Set up apartment for a refugee family	10+	Tammy Walczyk
First Congregational Saturday Meal Program	La Grange	10am-1pm	Prepare & Serve Lunch	12+	Rachel Peterson Ana Dimailig
Fuller Center for Housing (Formerly Habitat for Humanity)	Clarksdale, MS	Week in June or July	Build & Paint Home	14+	Chris O'Hea
Greater Chicago Food Depository	Chicago	9-11:45am	Sort & pack food	14+	Mike Hattie
Helping Hand	Willow Springs	9:30-11:30am	Clean up group home yard	12+	Lisa Radville
Project Linus	Unity Hall	10-11:30am	Make blankets (geared toward families with young kids)	5 and under	Maggie McMahon
Random Acts of Kindness & Interfaith Community Partners	Education Building	9am-noon	Repurpose flowers & deliver to seniors and nursing homes	All	Margie Hull
Food Pantry	Rectory	1-2pm	Sort & Stock Food	All	Lynn Regan Alice Vida

ONLINE SIGN-UPS BEGIN WEEK OF MAY 16, 2022.

If you have any questions or ideas or would like to lead an outreach team, please contact Mary Freeman mfreeman@sfxlg.org



Your Gift, God's Hands

How your gift comes to life at St. Francis Xavier Parish

Offertory Report
July 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022

Sunday & Christmas Offertory	\$ 1,433,519
Easter	<u>\$ 64,943</u>
Total Offertory	<u>\$ 1,498,462</u>
Easter Budget	\$ 73,000
Annual Budgeted Offertory	\$ 1,747,399

Each month we feature how your stewardship contributes to the Parish mission. Featured this month: ***That Man Is You* men's group.** Each week 20 or so men of all ages meet together for fellowship, video content, and small group discussion, walking together through the intersection of work, family life, and faith as Catholic men.

Quotes from the men of the parish after their first year of *That Man Is You* (TMIY):

Very positive experience! It was my first participation in a men's group. I was somewhat reluctant but was surprised by interaction and discussion in a very positive way.

I have enjoyed TMIY, and it has been something that I needed in order to grow my faith and challenge me. Hearing [the] experience of others has been really powerful and has allowed me to reflect on my own life more.

It was an amazing experience. Better than expected. Really enjoyed getting to know the men in the group and growing in our faith journey together.

Men's faith discussion group this year often leaves me still thinking on the small group prompts even after the session. I felt I was able to open up in TMIY in a format that made it easy and comfortable to share and listen.

The men will begin a 30-day St Joseph devotion beginning mid-late May, meeting early on Saturday mornings for small group discussion! In the fall they will return to their usual *That Man Is You* programming. Keep an eye on the bulletin for more information about the fall semester.

To get involved with the 30-day St Joseph devotional group or to learn more about TMIY, contact:

Patrick McMahon
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Mike Jakubisin
mike.jakubisin@gmail.com

John Fix
fixlupo@yahoo.com



Mother's Day Baby Shower Collection

Monday, May 9, 2022
9am-Noon
benefitting the

Women's Care Center

The Collection is
co-sponsored by
St Cletus
St John of the Cross
and St Francis Xavier
Area Respect Life
Ministry.

How to Donate

Items may be dropped off
at St Francis Xavier
124 N Spring Avenue at
the side door of Rectory
off the Church Parking lot

Wish List

Books	Nursing Covers
Newborn clothes	Baby toiletries
Diapers (NB-6)	Desitin
Wipes	Swaddle
Pull-Ups	Blankets/wraps
Baby Clothes	Diaper backpacks
Toddler Clothes	Breastmilk storage bags
Breastfeeding Pillows & Covers	Nursing pads
	Sleepsacks
	Bathing tubs

**Thank You
For your
Generosity!**

African Mission Project #2

In our March 13, 2022 bulletin, we shared with you the good news of an irrigation system, funded by an SFX parishioner and completed in Burkina Faso. In addition to this project, contributions from SFX parishioners over the past few years completely funded a well in Africa. Father Stan Ilo advised us on this project. In the past few weeks, we received the pictures and message below from the Madebe parish community.

Greetings of love and peace! It is my great pleasure to inform you about our yard opening ceremony by our bishop was organized well in Madebe. People were happy and grateful for your support.

On behalf of my Christians in Madebe Parish, I thank you so much for your love and care.

*Fr. Babu
Parish Priest of Madebe*



Father Babu (left) and Bishop Hiiboro Kussala (center) help tie a water can to a bicycle.



Location of well in Madebe, Africa



The Madebe Parish thanks the SFX Community



School of Religious Education News

**Register
Today!**

Register Now for K – 8 Religious Education 2022-2023, Don't Delay!

The School of Religious Education is accepting registration for the 2022-2023 school year.

The 2022-2023 program will offer families two options.

We will offer an in person bi-monthly grade level program held on Wednesday afternoons or Sunday mornings (family preference) and we will offer a virtual asynchronous grade level program with lessons being released bi-monthly on Sundays.

Students enrolled in the in person or online program will receive their own book to take home to work on.

Visit our website for complete information on registration and tuition: <https://sfxlg.socs.net/vnews/display.v/SEC/Religious%20Education%7CAbout%3E%3ERegistration%20Information%20for%202022-2023>

Your Gift and Talent is Needed!



Are you ready to share your faith with the youth of our parish?! WE NEED YOU! You don't need training as a teacher, you just need a love for Jesus! Catechesis will be offered both online and in person this year by grade level bi-monthly, so I am looking for many volunteers to step forward to join in this new journey. Please contact me if you are interested in becoming a catechist or catechist assistant for the 2022-2023 school year at eguidice@sfxlg.org.

**CONTACT
US TODAY!**

[SFXLG.ORG/SCHOOL](https://sfxlg.org/school)



NOW ENROLLING for the
2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

**Early Childhood Education, enriching
faith-based education in a loving,
safe & secure environment.**

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PRE-KINDERGARTEN 4

KINDERGARTEN

ENROLLMENT@SFXLG.ORG

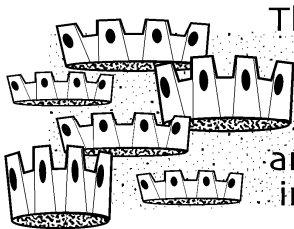
(708) 352-2175



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 am-Noon and we will forward the information to Scott McDonald, who coordinates our minister of care team.



These are the ones who have survived the time of distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb

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Interfaith Community Partners

How to Respond to Difficult Interview Questions

Have you wondered about how to best respond to difficult interview questions? Join us for a highly interactive meeting on Thursday, May 19 from 7-9 pm. Ever wonder what the recruiter is wanting to hear when they ask you a challenging question? John McCarthy is a highly experienced developer of talent and has interviewed hundreds of candidates in his 35 years as a sales executive. John will review challenging interviewing questions he and other recruiters use, and discuss some of the best responses for those questions. This is a not-to-be missed evening of insight and information to assist you in your job search.

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

Visit www.interfaithcareernetwork.org for additional resources.

Ministry of Care Serving those in Need

The Ministry of Care is a wonderful opportunity to serve others. We provide communion for homebound parishioners and for patients at AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center, LaGrange. We conduct Prayer and Communion Services for the residents of Plymouth Place, Meadowbrook Manor, and Aspired Living. Please consider this rewarding ministry. You'll be so grateful and blessed.

Training will be conducted in May and October.

Where: Carmelite Spiritual Center, 8419 Bailey Road, Darien, IL 60561, 630-969-4141

When: Saturday, May 14th 9:00AM – 1:00PM Or Saturday, October 1st and 8th 9:00AM – 1:00PM

Registration Required.

Please contact Scott McDonald for registration details.

St. Francis Xavier Parish
Ministry of Care Coordinator

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847-528-1434





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
- **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
- **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
- **1st Lieutenant Mitchell Ciszewski, USMC**—son of Bob & Pat Ciszewski
- **1st Lieutenant Michael Sullivan, U.S. Army**—son of Gene & Mary Pat Sullivan

**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
Director of Community Outreach
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Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister
Weekend Sacramental Minister

Rev. William Tkachuk
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Parish Accountant
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Parish Secretary
Staff Secretary
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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 by appointment only. Staff members will now be answering phones Monday through Friday from 8:30 am-5:00 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, Friday and Saturday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every 3rd Thursday 6:00-7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning.....9:00-10:00 am
The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the tabernacle prayer area.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

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

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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.

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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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