

# SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

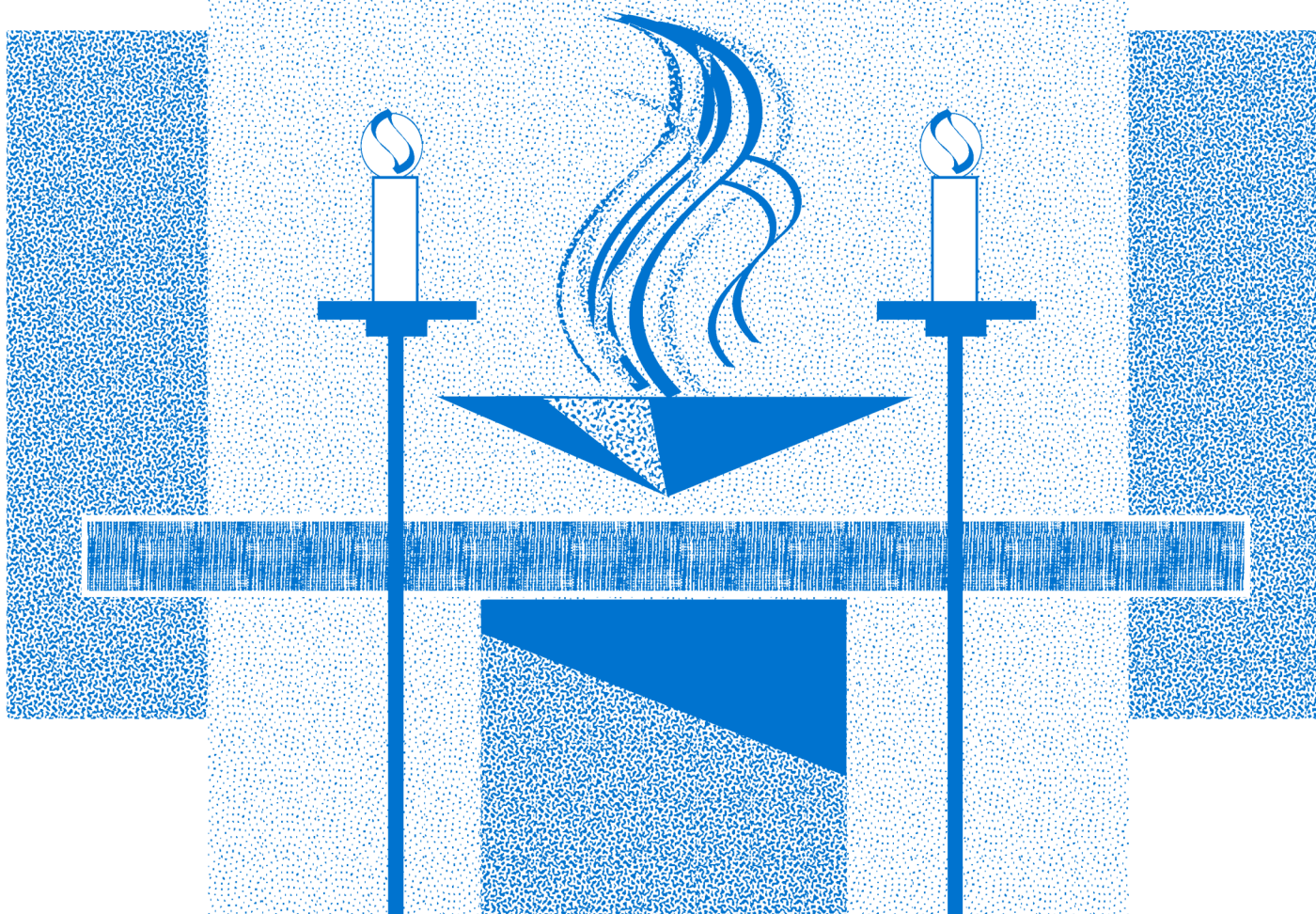
5th Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 10, 2020



We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,  
a holy nation, a people of the Lord's own,  
so that you may announce the praises of  
the Lord who called you into the light.



<b>Holy Week</b>
Monday, May 11
Tuesday, May 12
Wednesday, May 13
Thursday, May 14
Friday, May 15
Saturday, May 16
Sunday, May 17 6th Sunday of Easter

Dear St. Francis Xavier Parish Community,

We welcome you to Sunday Mass at St. Francis Xavier. A pre-recorded Sunday Mass will continue to be posted on the parish website ([www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org)), and on Facebook and Instagram. We encourage you to worship with others at the time you usually attend Mass on weekends. In addition to this link, we are providing words to the hymns being sung. Be daring and join the virtual choir that will be singing with you throughout the LaGrange area. Let us hold one another in communion.

And please send your feedback to [wtkachuk@sfxlg.org](mailto:wtkachuk@sfxlg.org). Your feedback will help us make adjustments in the weeks to come.

Peace,  
Fr. Bill Tkachuk

**Please Pray For...**

- |                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Sue Beyer                | Mike Morrison         |
| Jack Boyd                | Bernice Niemiec       |
| Jay Carroll              | Bert Ogilvie          |
| Chili Challenger         | Arnold Oppenheim      |
| Americo DiGianfillippo   | Jane O'Reilly         |
| Anthony Dina             | Shawna Palazzolo      |
| Blake Donegan            | Kathi Parisi          |
| Lily Fielding            | Ryan Patyk            |
| Baby Collins Fitzpatrick | Donna Pekarek         |
| Lilli Gregory            | Carolyn Peters        |
| Wilson Gregory           | James Pridmore        |
| Brian Hahn               | Madison Raupp         |
| Patricia Hassler         | Anna Rose             |
| Frank Hoos               | Marilyn Rutkowski     |
| Rose Ilo                 | Matthew Schiek        |
| Mary J.                  | Larry Skippet         |
| Jane Jacobsen            | Greyson Stanley       |
| Michael Janus            | Kate Frugoli Sullivan |
| Peter Johns              | Anne Titzer           |
| Theresa Kandall          | Michael Ungari        |
| Mark Kiley               | Gregory Van Gorp      |
| Benny Kilman             | Helena Walden         |
| Jerry Kolman             | Carl Walsh            |
| Lou Ellen Krueger        | Marian Ward           |
| Robert Lynch             | Liz Wilk              |
| Enrique Martinez         | Malcolm Young         |
| Patrick Morgan           | 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.

**Born Into  
Eternal Life**



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

**Sharon Kaye Jacobs**  
Mother of Jason and  
Grandmother of Joseph, James & Thomas

**Margaret Dold**  
Mother of Bruce Dold

**Barry Baker**  
Husband of Meg Shannon Baker and  
Father of Brook & Grant

**Readings For The Week of  
May 10, 2020**

- Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12
- Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17
- Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21
- Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

**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

## Pastor's Notes

*"Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
I am the way, the truth, and the life"*  
John 14:1,6

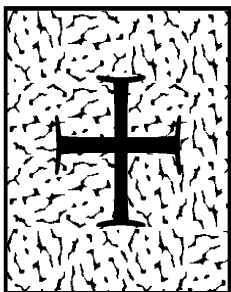
Jesus speaks to us in today's gospel. We can relate to the disciples at the Last Supper, who sensed that something was about to upend life as they had come to know it with Jesus. Jesus speaks to the heart of their anxiety, aware of what they are about to experience in the face of his suffering and death. He challenges them and us to go deeper and join our hearts to the God who never leaves us, who already has prepared a dwelling place of love and peace for us beyond our life on earth, and who is our way, our truth, and our life not only in some distant future, but *in this moment*.

We are offered a choice: to look for the signs of the presence of God in our midst, or to dwell on that which leads us to question, to doubt, or to dwell in anxiety or fear. Gratitude is one of the spiritual attitudes that leads us into the way, truth, and life of Jesus. Do I set aside time to be grateful for the beauty of spring, even on the cloudy or rainy days? Am I grateful for my physical and emotional wellbeing, even amid the aches and pains of growing older or the growing pains of feeling not pretty enough, strong enough, tall enough, thin enough, or whatever some imagined "enough" that is other than who I am? Am I grateful for whatever ability God has given me to reach out to another in compassion, whether that be through an act of kindness, a sacrifice of time or talent, or a prayer?

There are many among us whose hearts truly are troubled by the death of a loved one or the separation and isolation that is a

### Daily and Sunday Mass Intentions

Father Bill is celebrating a daily Mass for the intention that had been requested for that day. Any Sunday intentions that he is unable to cover at this time have been rescheduled for a later date. We also continue to accept requests for Mass intentions at a future date. Please call the office on weekdays from 9-1. We can send the Mass card via regular post as you direct.



The STONE  
rejected by the  
builders has become  
the cornerstone

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result of illness or living alone. There are those who have had to postpone the traditional rites of mourning, who have been unable to cross the barriers of nursing home doorways. There are those among us who rely on us for enough food to feed their families and those who have suffered a job loss or fear the loss of their home. For them, we are called to be the loving presence of Christ. We are challenged to be the hands, the heart, the voice of Christ amid difficulties we can only do so much to alleviate. When we share what we have been given rather than fear we will not have enough, God's love in us works wonders!

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Blessings on this Mother's Day to all women among us who nurture and protect life in so many ways. You are mothers, stepmothers, godmothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers. You are teachers, coaches, mentors, ministers, and leaders of society. For some of you, motherhood has involved pain, worry, and significant sacrifice. Others have been unable, for many diverse reasons, to provide all the love and nurture that a mother is expected to provide for those entrusted to her care. Many of you smile upon us from heaven; some are separated from us because of geography or social distancing. Many of us are grateful for the ability to give you a hug this day; others of us will hug you through a phone call, a Zoom visit, a prayer, or a sweet memory. To all of you, Happy Mother's Day!

### Easter Blessings,

*F. Bill*

### Blessing for Physicians and Healthcare Workers

May you always heal and be healed.  
May those who come to you find in you  
one who cares deeply  
Whose knowledge includes knowledge  
of the spirit's movements.

May you take pride in your gifts and  
use them humbly.  
May the suffering and the vulnerable  
be your teachers.

May you see in others the goodness of a tender God.

May compassion encircle you carry you  
Strengthen you and give you insight.

May your presence be hope to those in pain.  
May your skill ease the way and instill trust.

May you know the Healer of all.  
May your own heart be held in the  
compassion and tenderness of God.

Amen.

## Ringling of the Church Bells

Because some churches do not have bells, we ask parishioners to set their alarms so that they can stop for a moment to join in this common prayer.

Beginning Saturday, March 21, the prayers and intentions for each hour of prayer are below:



9:00 a.m. - Prayer for those infected with the virus and all who are ill.

Lord, place your healing hand on those who suffer illness. Bring them to full health and ease their anxious hearts. May our prayer and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary encourage them that they are not alone. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

12:00 p.m. - Prayer for health care workers and those attending to the sick.

Lord, we are ennobled by those who put their lives at risk in caring for the sick. Keep them safe and embolden them when they are weary. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

3:00 p.m. - Prayer for first responders and essential workers.

Lord, we pray for those who run to danger to keep us safe and those who serve the common good. Embrace them with your mantle of protection and comfort the fears of their families. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

6:00 p.m. - Prayer for people of every nation and their leaders.

Lord, the pandemic opens our eyes to see each other as brothers and sisters in one human family. We pray for people of every nation and their leaders, asking that they be inspired to seek the good of all and quell the voices of division. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

9:00 p.m. - Prayer for those who have died today.

Lord, we grieve the passing of our sisters and brothers who have died this day. We commend them to your tender mercy, confident that nothing, not even death, will separate us from your love. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## Sharing The Light

Leave a light/candle shining in your front window each night:



- for those who are traveling to get home safely;
- for those who are ill, to recover;
- for those who are lonely, to see friendship;
- for those in fear, to see a sign of comfort;
- for researchers, caregivers and all working night/day for our safety, to be strengthened by the warmth of gratitude

I will be putting a light in my window.

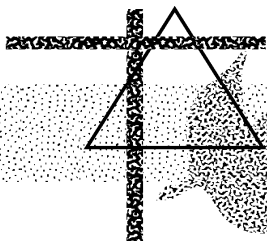
## An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present  
in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to  
receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually  
into my heart.

I embrace You as if  
You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be  
separated from You.

Amen.



Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.



# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE REPORT

AS OF APRIL 30, 2020



Sunday Offertory	EFT/Credit Card	+	Basket	+	Other Offertory*	=	April Totals
April 2020	\$ 70,083		\$ 24,710		\$ 1,400		\$ 96,193
April 2019	\$ 68,022		\$ 64,550		\$ 6,594		\$ 139,167

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

This April financial update is our first full-month report since church closure. With no Easter services in church, we revised our Easter budget down from \$80,000 to \$60,000, which is reflected in the graph above. We are happy to report that we have met this budget! Thank you to so many who walked by the rectory door and slipped their envelopes in the slot, mailed them in, or used an electronic giving method!

To date, we are about \$54,000 below our revised target year-to-date offertory. In April alone, our basket collection fell \$40,000 compared to last year, reflecting the significant impact from the church closure.

Reduced operating expenses related to the open positions of pastoral associate and associate pastor will help offset the lower offertory this year, which ends June 30, 2020. Next fiscal year's budget has been prepared and includes both of these positions.

You may have read about the approval of our CARES Act loan in the parish newsletter. This loan will offset our operating deficit and financially support our parish mission. We expect the majority of the CARES Act loan will be forgiven as long we use the loan in compliance with the provisions of the Act. A huge thank-you to the bankers at FNBC Bank and Trust who worked diligently with us to secure this financing.

We are grateful that the Holy Spirit is guiding us through these days. God bless you for your continued stewardship!

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Archdiocese has issued the following guidelines for celebration of the Anointing of the Sick until further notice.

“Under the State’s exemption for essential services, the Archdiocese of Chicago is including Anointing of the Sick as an essential service. However, **out of an abundance of caution only a select number of priests will be allowed to administer this sacrament to any confirmed COVID-19 patients until further notice.** When a request is made for a priest to administer this sacrament, the priest must inquire if the ill person is a confirmed COVID-19 patient.

- **If no**, the priest may proceed under the following guidelines.
- The priest must maintain social distance with everyone present so as to offer comfort without making physical contact.
  - The priest must wash or sanitize his hands with soap and warm water both before entering the room and after leaving.
  - The anointing must be done with a cotton-tipped swab or a cotton ball which will be burned or buried after use.
  - Bleach wipes or soap and water will be used to sanitize all supplies both before and after the anointing.
  - If the sacrament is celebrated in a health care facility, the priest must follow the protocols and protective guidelines of that facility.
- **If yes**, the family must be notified that, due to guidelines set forth by the archdiocese to ensure everyone’s health, another priest must take the call and that the family will be contacted by that priest. Explain to the family members that out of an abundance of caution **only a select number of our priests are allowed to administer this sacrament to any confirmed COVID-19 patients until further notice.** (4 priests will be designated priests in each Vicariate who are under age 60 and in good health). These priests will follow special precautions established by the Archdiocese.”

## CHRISTIAN BURIALS

The Archdiocese has issued the following guidelines for funeral services and burials until further notice.

“Burials at Catholic Cemeteries may continue and are not suspended at this time; however, attendance limit and social distancing requirements apply per below. Please note that our churches are still closed; therefore, funeral Masses are not possible.

However, if a family requests a funeral, there are two options:

1. A funeral service, not a Mass, may take place at the funeral home
  - a. the limit for attendees remains 10 people at this time (inclusive of the funeral director, priest, mourners, etc.)
  - b. All attendees must practice social distancing
2. A funeral service may take place graveside at the cemetery before committal/burial.
  - a. the limit for attendees remains 10 people at this time (inclusive of the funeral director, priest, mourners, etc.)
  - b. All attendees must practice social distancing”

Please note that the family can plan to celebrate a Funeral Mass at the church once restrictions have been lifted, even when the burial already has occurred.

## RECONCILIATION WHILE CHURCHES ARE CLOSED

The Archdiocese has provided the following information regarding celebrations of the Sacrament of Reconciliation while churches are closed.

“Individual confessions are currently not possible; this includes virtual or phone confessions, which are never permissible, nor drive-thru confessions. Despite the good intentions around such novelty, we must attend to our underlying theological tradition of the sacrament, as well as support the stay-at-home order and its intended purpose – to keep people safe in their homes at this time. In keeping with longstanding pastoral practice when penitents’ access to the sacrament is restricted, they can be assured that their sins are forgiven if they make an act of contrition with a firm resolve to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation after the stay-at-home order is lifted. The faithful should be encouraged to pray particular prayers or meditate on passages of the bible ... to assist them in seeking the mercy and forgiveness of God and the grace of reconciliation.”

I suggest the parables in Chapter 15 of Luke’s gospel.

## What's going on in Youth Ministry???

### Final Confirmation Request Forms

- Quest Confirmation teens: if you have not yet turned in your final request forms for
- Confirmation, please do so! You can scan them or take a picture and email them to Olivia
- Zurowski at [ozurowski@sfxlg.org](mailto:ozurowski@sfxlg.org). Contact Olivia if you have any questions.

### Religious Education Registration

Religious Education Registration is open to New Families. Registration Packets can be found on the website [sfxlg.org](http://sfxlg.org).

Registrations received in the office after May 31<sup>st</sup> will have an increase of \$50 in tuition. If you have any questions, please email Terri Simeoni at [tsimeoni@sfxlg.org](mailto:tsimeoni@sfxlg.org).



**The Well Spirituality Center**  
1515 Ogden Avenue in  
LaGrange Park

FYI, in response to coronavirus precautionary measures recommended by the Centers for Disease Control, The Well programs are suspended until April 30.

Please see our website for a full listing of our  
NEW 2020 programs and to register:  
[www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or call 708-482-5048.

### Parish Food Pantry Ministry

The parish Food Pantry Ministry continues to operate on **Tuesdays 9:30-11am**. We will update hours of operation as circumstances warrant. To maintain safe distances, we are offering guests pre-packed bags and drive-thru service.

#### Volunteers

We appreciate all the volunteer offers but are currently limiting our small crew to staff and their family members. We look forward to welcoming back all our volunteers!

#### Food Donations

**Mondays 9am-Noon.** Nonperishable items (canned soup, vegetables, fruit, beans, chicken, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, tomato sauce, rice, cereal and coffee & tea) can be dropped off at the Rectory side door (parking lot side). **Cereal and items for hot beverages are especially appreciated.**

#### Monetary Donations

We make large purchases through the Greater Chicago Food Depository, including meat, fresh produce and bread at discounted prices.

Monetary donations can be made via:

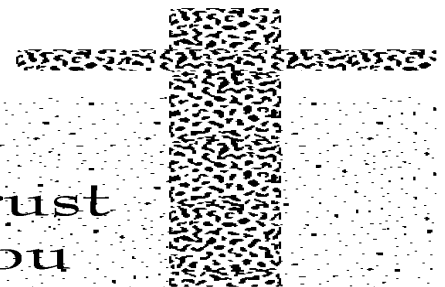
Parish Give Central - click link below  
<https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/category/1057/event/5199>

Text **PANTRY to 708-340-6630** for directions to contribute via Give Central.

**A check made payable to SFX Food Pantry** and dropped off through the Rectory mail slot or mailed to 124 North Spring LaGrange, IL 60525.

Thank you for your continued support  
and generosity!

Lord, let your mercy  
be on us  
as we place  
our trust  
in you



# Mother's Day Baby Shower Collection

Monday, May 11  
1:00-5:00

## Women's Care Center

136 N La Grange Rd,  
La Grange, IL 60525

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

## How to Donate

- Go to Women's Care Center: 136 N La Grange Rd, La Grange, IL 60525
- Please pull up to the back door for drop off
- A staff member will collect your items
- Do not leave your car

## 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

The Women's Care Center helps pregnant women choose life through counseling, ultrasound, parenting classes, literacy training, self-sufficiency education and incentive programs to set goals and finish their education.





## 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. 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 & Nick Burriesci
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **1st Lt. Alexander Dale Fisher, USMC**—nephew of Michelle & Bill McKeown and cousin to Elizabeth & Liam
- **PFC Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 19K**—son of Kathi & 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**—nephew of Lorraine Donegan
- **Capt. Matt Waite, U.S. Army**—cousin of Justin, Maggie, Winona & Bea Waite

**Please inform us of those serving Overseas in the Military...  
and please let us know when friends and loved ones  
return from their deployment Overseas.  
Email the [bulletineditor@sfxlg.org](mailto:bulletineditor@sfxlg.org).**

## St. Francis Xavier Personnel

### Pastoral Ministry

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*Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister*

*Rev. William Killeen*

*Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister*

*Rev. Ed Barrett*

*Weekend Sacramental Minister*

*Rev. Stan Ilo*

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### Food Pantry/Community Outreach

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 St. Francis Xavier Day School .....708-352-2175  
 School of Religious Education .....708-352-4555  
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 Fax Number .....708-352-4904  
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 Main Day School e-Mail.....sfxmain@sfxlg.org  
 Main Religious Education e-Mail.....sfxreligoused@sfxlg.org  
 Parish Web Site .....www.sfxlg.org

### **Rectory Hours**

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

### **Private Prayer at St. Francis Xavier Church**

Sunday-Monday 9:00 am-1:00 pm  
 Saturday 9:00 am-5:00 pm

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday morning.....9:00-10:00 am  
 Saturday afternoon.....4:00-5:00 pm  
 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.

### **Domestic Violence Resources**

Family Shelter Services—24 hr. counseling 630-469-5650  
 LaGrange Police Emergency Assistance 911 or 708-579-2354

### **Food Pantry**

The St. Francis Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:00 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 for scheduled 1:30 pm Sunday Baptismal dates. Baptism Preparation Classes: 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm. We encourage participation in this program before the baby's birth or adoption.

### **Marriage**

Please call the rectory office at the time of your engagement to schedule your wedding. We ask that you are a registered parishioner for 6 months before requesting your wedding date. Saturday wedding times are 1:00 and 3:00 pm. Rehearsals are usually scheduled on Friday evening. We do not schedule weddings during Lent.

### **Parish Counselor**

All counseling services are confidential, respectful, understanding, and take place in a safe environment. Counseling and psychotherapy services are available for individuals, couples, and families experiencing difficulty with anxiety, depression, grief, relationship conflicts, work stress or job loss problems, or feelings of being overwhelmed. For further information or to make an appointment, our parish counselor, Patrice Nerone, from the Claret Center can be reached by phone 312-884-9879 or email patricenerone@protonmail.com.

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