

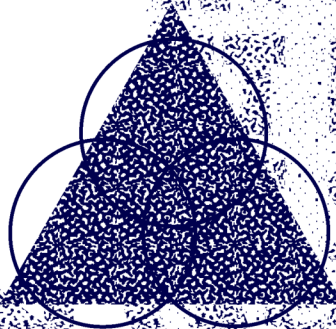
# SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

The Most Holy Trinity

June 7, 2020



**GLORY BE  
TO THE FATHER  
AND TO THE SON  
AND TO THE  
HOLY SPIRIT  
AS IT WAS  
IN THE BEGINNING  
IS NOW  
AND EVER SHALL BE  
WORLD WITHOUT  
END.  
AMEN.**



<b>Holy Week</b>
Monday, June 8
Tuesday, June 9
Wednesday, June 10
Thursday, June 11
Friday, June 12
Saturday, June 13
Sunday, June 14 The Body & Blood of Christ

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  
Jack Boyd  
Jay Carroll  
Chili Challender  
Americo DiGianfillippo  
Anthony Dina  
Blake Donegan  
Lily Fielding  
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick  
Lilli Gregory  
Wilson Gregory  
Brian Hahn  
Patricia Hassler  
Frank Hoos  
Rose Ilo  
Mary J.  
Jane Jacobsen  
Michael Janus  
Peter Johns  
Theresa Kandall  
Mark Kiley  
Benny Kilman  
Jerry Kolman  
Lou Ellen Krueger  
Enrique Martinez  
Patrick Morgan  
Mike Morrison

Bernice Niemiec  
Bert Ogilvie  
Arnold Oppenheim  
Jane O'Reilly  
Shawna Palazzolo  
Kathi Parisi  
Ryan Patyk  
Donna Pekarek  
Carolyn Peters  
James Pridmore  
Madison Raupp  
Anna Rose  
Marilyn Rutkowski  
Matthew Schiek  
Larry Skippet  
Greyson Stanley  
Kate Frugoli Sullivan  
Anne Titzer  
Michael Ungari  
Gregory Van Gorp  
Helena Walden  
Carl Walsh  
Marian Ward  
Liz Wilk  
Malcolm Young  
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:

***Kathy Titzer***

Daughter of Anne and Sister of John

***Richard Sapp***

Husband of Deborah and  
Father of Michael & Christine

### Readings For The Week of June 7, 2020

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

### 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

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.*  
2 Corinthians 13:13

Paul blesses the Christian community at Corinth in the name of the Triune God we celebrate this weekend. At the heart of God is mystery: *one* God whom we come to know through *three* distinct Persons. This mystery is central to Paul's message to the church in Corinth as they struggle with their diversity of culture, language, and way of life. In an earlier letter, Paul used the analogy of the human body to teach them and us that we must bring our diversity into harmony in order to be effective as the living Body of Christ. We are created *neither to be uniform nor divided*; we need both the richness of our diversity and the communion we are offered in Christ and the Spirit.

Now Paul goes deeper. We, a people created in the image and likeness of God, are meant to be expressions of our Triune God. God, whom Jesus called Father, created the world, sustains all things in being, and raises the dead to life. Jesus, the Only Son of God and the Christ, gave us teachings to better realize who we are in God's sight; he then surrendered his life on the Cross to show us the depth of God's love for us. The Holy Spirit, the breath of God that breathes life and spirit into our hearts and minds, sends us into the world with gifts through which we express God's love to others through the message and mission of Jesus. Indeed, *God is three distinct Persons*, each with a distinct purpose. Yet *God is One*, in so intimate a communion that each of these three Persons, each fulfilling a distinct purpose, always moves in harmony with the other two.

This is who and how we have been created to live our lives on this earth: each expressing our distinct, God-given gifts in ways that harmonize and enhance the gifts of others. This is when we reflect God in our world and cause one another to catch glimpses of the God who so

often goes unseen among us. This is the God we name and celebrate as we move into a summer unlike past summers, in which we strive to negotiate safe distance and interaction, masks over our noses and mouths but not our minds and hearts. This is the God who mourns the injuries we inflict on one another through racism, violence, and lack of respect for each person's dignity. God delights when we see one another through God's eyes and speak peace, work for justice, and show compassion for one another.

A most unusual school year has come to an end. **Thank you** to the teachers and staff of our parish grade school who, with one day's notice, successfully took on the extra challenges of e-learning to ensure that our children would remain on track. **Thank you** to all the teachers and school staff in our community. **Thank you** to the parents who juggled work at home and tutoring their children.

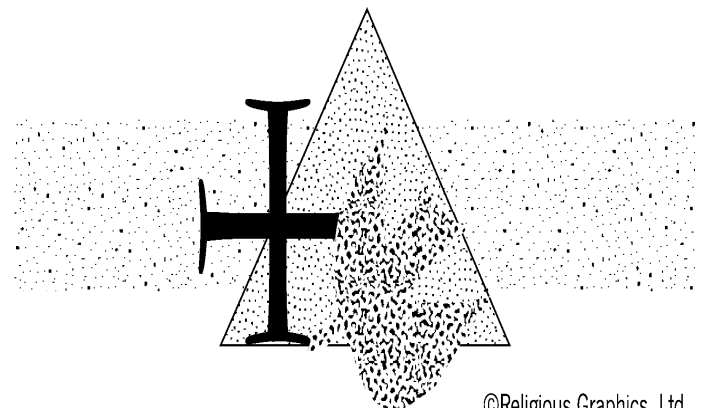
**A special word to our graduates.** Many of you have blessed us with the gift of seeing you grow from pre-school through eighth grade. We send you on to high school with confidence that you are well-prepared for what comes next. Many of you have blessed us with your service, your ministries, and your challenges as you moved through your high school years. We look forward to supporting you as your adult lives take shape. If your next step will take you to another place, we look forward to welcoming you home and hearing your stories. Whatever comes next for you, *may the grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.*

**Summer Peace,**

*F. Bill*

### 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 9-12. We can send the Mass card via regular post as you direct.



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## RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is being celebrated on Saturday mornings, **beginning this Saturday**, from 9-10AM in the lower Unity Hall vestibule. Enter from the parking lot through the courtyard between the church and education buildings. Please observe the outside markings for social distancing and wear a mask. In bad weather, please line up your cars and wait in the car until the prior person leaves the vestibule.

## 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.

All praise to GOD the CREATOR  
to JESUS the REDEEMER  
and to the HOLY SPIRIT the SANCTIFIER

## 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.**

## 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.

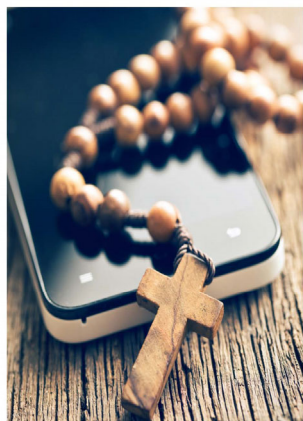
Amen.

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## A CALL TO PRAYER

Bringing a light in the midst of darkness



Are you feeling  
overwhelmed by  
the effects of the  
pandemic and in  
need of prayer?  
We are here to pray  
with you and ask  
God for your needs.

**Who we are:** Volunteers from parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago who feel called to **accompany through prayer anyone who feels the need** for support during this time of uncertainty and isolation.

**What we offer:** A phone line staffed with people from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day, as well as 24-hour voice mail and e-mail connections. Our prayer partners are here to pray with you: opening our hearts to God, asking for His blessings and peace.

**312.741.3388** [praywithme@calleddtoprayer.org](mailto:praywithme@calleddtoprayer.org)

May the Wellspring of Compassion  
be opened in you.  
May soothing words find a home in you.  
May Tenderness bless you  
as you reach out to Comfort  
in body, mind and spirit.  
In the midst of fear or frustration  
may Courage be given you.  
May Patience keep vigil with you and  
Peace of Mind calm you.  
May your heart find a song to sing  
even when you are weary.  
May Abundant Love lift you and  
Gratitude bless you as you  
live the mission of Care entrusted to you.



# Habitat For Humanity

Through the generous contribution of time, talent, and treasure, the St. Francis Xavier community has been supporting the Clarksdale Mississippi Habitat for Humanity program for 25 years. Every summer SFX sends several teams to Clarksdale to work on homes and we have provided new homes to over 50 deserving families. To build a home, the local Habitat chapter must raise about \$50,000. Upon completion, the resident is provided an interest-free loan to pay for the home. Through your generous support last year, we were able to drywall and paint the home we started the previous year and it is now nearly ready for a family. We also performed repair work on several current Habitat homes, enabling the families to secure insurance.

While the pandemic may affect our ability to send teams this summer to continue our work to provide affordable housing for those in need, the needs of the Clarksdale Habitat Chapter and community have not changed. In fact, in many ways their situation has become more dire because no other church groups or volunteer organizations have been able to go to Clarksdale. Therefore, we are asking for your support. If we are able to send groups, your support will go directly to funding the construction materials for the Habitat houses. The volunteers fund their own food and expenses for the trip. If we are not able to send groups, your support will go toward supporting the local Chapter in providing needed services and to fund repairs to the existing Habitat homes.

We understand that during this time you have many competing requests or personal situations, but please be a generous as you are able. Your donations have a direct effect on our ability to provide affordable housing to well deserving families. If you would like to donate on line, we have set up a Give Central account specifically for Habitat, located at:  
<https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/event/13243>.

If you are interested in volunteering for one of the groups, please contact Bob Albertini at 708-710-5645. No building experience is necessary. Thank you for your support and prayers.

## Religious Education Registration

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

If you have any questions, please email Terri Simeoni at [tsimeoni@sfxlg.org](mailto:tsimeoni@sfxlg.org).

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

- **Final Confirmation Request Forms**  
All Youth Ministry-related
- communication should be directed to
- [youthministry@sfxlg.org](mailto:youthministry@sfxlg.org).

**Save the Date!**



**VERSITI™**

**Mark your calendar now and  
SAVE THE DATE  
for the upcoming blood drive  
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church  
June 12, 2020  
11:00 am-5:00 pm**

Appointments are encouraged!

Please click

[https://donate.illinois.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/5585689](https://donate.illinois.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/5585689)  
to schedule your preferred donation time!

**Who benefits from blood donation?**

At Versiti Blood Center of Illinois, formerly Heartland Blood Centers, we never forget the patients who receive blood we collect. Every unit of blood is collected from volunteer donors who meet specific criteria and have been screened according to strict guidelines. Every unit (pint) is collected transported tested and stored according to tightly controlled procedures.

**Examples of transfusion needs are:**

- Cancer: up to 8 units/month
- Bone Marrow Transplant: up to 2 units/day
- Liver Transplant: up to 100 units
- Auto Accident: up to 50 units
- Cardiovascular Surgery: 2-25 units

For specific questions regarding your blood drive, please contact your Account Representative, Lawrence Smith, directly at [LSMITH@HEARTLANDBC.ORG](mailto:LSMITH@HEARTLANDBC.ORG).

Text “**CHARLIE**” to **999-777** to opt into text messaging to receive information about upcoming blood drive events, promotion and blood inventory needs!

# St. Francis Xavier Parish

# All Parish Service Days

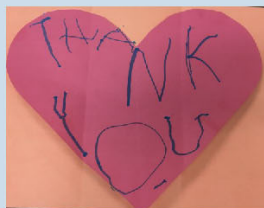
## Doing God's Work in the World

# 2020





*June 6 was scheduled to be our 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ALL PARISH SERVICE DAY but as we've learned these past 12 weeks, COVID-19 has messed with all our plans. It was never about ONE day of service for St. Francis Xavier parishioners of but this year, more than ever, we are reminded of how God works in us and guides us to keep being LIGHT even through the darkness of a pandemic.*



## **WE GIVE THANKS FOR YOUR OUTREACH WITH...**

- BEDS** Meals for people who are living in motels, at St. Barbara's Shelter, and at BEDS residences. [Volunterr@beds-plus.org](mailto:Volunterr@beds-plus.org)
- BERNIE'S BOOK BANK** New or gently used books (infant-6th grade) can be dropped off on the front porch of 234 S. Leitch, LaGrange until **June 10th**.
- CAR PARADES** A sign of the times... showing up to celebrate the special moments of peoples' lives and show appreciation for others... at a safe distance.
- COMPANIONS JOURNEYING TOGETHER** Notes for women, men and children who are in prison. **Notes can be dropped off on Mondays 9am-Noon at the south rectory door.** For instructions, [sfxinlg@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxinlg@sfxlg.org)
- CONGREGATION OF ST JOSEPH GARDEN** The teen mission trip was cancelled so they sought other ways to be of service. Sr Mary Southard, CSJ was delighted to have their help weeding and planting.
- CONNECTED COMMUNITIES PROJECT** Fun cards, care packages, flower seed growing kits and more. Annabelle Porter and her family have started this project to reach out to their elderly neighbors.
- FOOD PANTRY** Monetary and food donations. Special thanks to the small crew of on-site and behind-the-scenes volunteers. The pantry supports local residents, BEDS, LADSE, LTHS Transitions and Township of Lyons families who need assistance. We've received about \$50,000 & 1325 boxes of cereal to date.
- GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY** Volunteers (age 11-60 years old). Provide SFX Agency #A00419 when you volunteer so we receive labor credits for future purchases. [www.chicagosfoodbank.org](http://www.chicagosfoodbank.org)
- INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS** Rides and grocery shopping services for Seniors. Please contact Janet Garreau at [jgarreauicp@gmail.com](mailto:jgarreauicp@gmail.com) to volunteer.
- MASK MAKERS** Who knew this was a thing? Thanks to Barb Budak, Fran Freeman, Francesca, Samantha & Alexandra Fuller, Cathy Gross, Janie Hull, and Cathy (first name only) for sharing their sewing talents. **Masks can be dropped off on Mondays 9am-Noon at the south rectory door.**
- RELIGIOUS ED BOOK DRIVE** Beginner reader books donated by Religious Ed 4<sup>th</sup> graders for food pantry families.
- ROSARY** Believe in the power of prayer! USCCB posted directions on how to pray the Rosary and daily reflections for vulnerable populations. For a copy, [sfxinlg@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxinlg@sfxlg.org)
- ST VINCENT DE PAUL** Clothes & shoe drop off boxes in the rectory parking lot. Monetary donations are also being accepted at the rectory.
- VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE \*June 12th 11am-5pm SFX Gym\*** If you need an additional nudge, Fr. Bill pointed out the blood drive lands on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. To register, [sfxinlg@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxinlg@sfxlg.org)
- WOMENS CARE CENTER** Donated baby items as part of the Area Respect Life Mother's Day collection.

If you are aware of a need for volunteers, please contact Mary Freeman [mfreeman@sfxlg.org](mailto:mfreeman@sfxlg.org)



# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE REPORT

AS OF MAY 31, 2020



Sunday Offertory	EFT/Credit Card	+	Basket	+	Other Offertory*	=	May Totals
May 2020	\$ 70,745		\$ 31,640		\$ 3,640		\$ 106,025
May 2019	\$ 64,800		\$ 45,653		\$ 5,577		\$ 116,030

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

This financial update for the month of May is our second full-month report since church closure. To date, we are about \$70,000 below our revised target year-to-date offertory. Reduced operating expenses related to the open positions of pastoral associate and associate pastor will help offset the lower offertory this year, which ends in a few weeks! Next fiscal year's budget has been prepared and includes both of these positions.

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

### Annual Catholic Appeal

As of May 2020, St. Francis Xavier parishioners have pledged \$113,000 toward the Annual Catholic Appeal (goal of \$128,989). If you would like still like to pledge or make a contribution, you can do so at:

[https://give.archchicago.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=aca\\_donation\\_form](https://give.archchicago.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=aca_donation_form).

**Stewardship:** *Share with love*



Devote Time



Share Talent



Give Treasure



A way of life

## 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 <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!

## Sew...We Need Your Help!

If you can sew, we need your help! Disposable face masks are in short supply and fabric masks can help our healthcare workers and senior citizens. There are many designs online but simple is best. The instructions below for a simple mask can be adapted depending on what you have available. Tightly woven cotton fabric is best. If you don't have flannel for the lining, use two layers of cotton fabric. If you don't have elastic, use bias tape or fabric to edge the short end of the mask and make 10-12" ties on each corner.

A collection box has been placed in the vestibule of the Oak Lawn Village Hall by the police desk on the west side of the building. The address of the Village Hall is:  
9446 Raymond Avenue  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Please put your completed masks in a plastic bag and drop them in the box. They will be distributed as needed to local health care providers, nursing homes, etc.

For any questions please email [community\\_mask\\_initiative@gmail.com](mailto:community_mask_initiative@gmail.com). Dig into your fabric stash and be creative! Happy sewing!

Since many stores will be mandatory closed, fabric can be purchased at Walmart, Amazon or mail order from Joann Fabrics.

### How to make a Face Mask

#### Materials Needed:

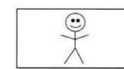
Fabric 1 - Cotton Fabric

Fabric 2 - Cotton or Flannel for the backing

1/8" Flat elastic (If you don't have elastic, use bias tape or fabric to edge the short end of the mask and make 10-12" ties on each corner.)

1. Put right sides of cotton fabric together.
2. Cut 9" x 6"
3. Starting along one of the 9" sides from about 3 inches from the corner, begin sewing the bottom edge, sew to the first corner, stop. Place the elastic into the corner and sew back and forth a couple of times to make sure it is secure.
4. Continue sewing along the 6" side and stop before the corner. Bring the other end of that same electric to the corner and sew back and forth a couple of times.
5. Next sew across the top of the mask to the next corner. Again put the elastic in the corner and sew back and forth.
6. Continue sewing to the next corner and place the elastic into the corner and sew back and forth.
7. Sew across the bottom leaving about 1.5" to 2" open. Stop, cut the thread. Turn in-side out.
8. Pin 3 tucks on each side of the mask. Make sure the tucks are the same direction.
9. Sew around the edge of the mask twice.

Be sure the fabric design is place horizontally.





## 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
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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

### **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  
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### **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**

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### **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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