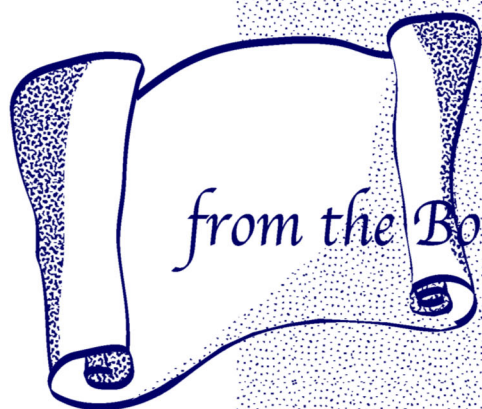


**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH**  
**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 28, 2022**



*from the Book of Sirach*

*Conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins.*

## Week at a Glance

|  |                |          | Intention                       | Requested By                              |
|--|----------------|----------|---------------------------------|---|
| Monday, August 29                                      | Morning Mass   | 8:30 am  | James Stukel<br>Roman Van Gorp  | Tom & Lucile Nichol<br>Jacquelyn Van Gorp |
| Tuesday, August 30                                     | Morning Mass   | 8:30 am  | Joseph Doorley<br>Tom Carroll   | Patrick Daly<br>Ellie Carroll             |
| Wednesday, August 31                                   | Morning Mass   | 8:30 am  | Margarite McIntyre              | Jim & Mary Donahue                        |
| Thursday, September 1                                  | Rosary         | 8:15 am  |                                 |   |
| Friday, September 2                                    | Morning Mass   | 8:30 am  | Kathie Peters<br>Richard Sietz  | Susan & Bob Lindsay<br>Ellie Elder        |
| Saturday, September 3                                  | Mass           | 8:30 am  | People of the Parish            |   |
|  | Reconciliation | 9:00 am  |                                 |   |
|  | Mass           | 5:00 pm  | Jim Martin<br>Roseanne Discipio | The Martin Family<br>Joe Discipio         |
| Sunday, September 4<br>23rd Sunday in<br>Ordinary Time | Mass           | 7:30 am  | Elaine O'Connor                 | Rebecca & Aidan Rivan                     |
|  | Mass           | 9:00 am  | Jim Martin                      | Becki Jeka                                |
|  | Mass           | 11:00 am | George Lewis                    | Dolores Lewis                             |

### Schedule for August 27-28, 2022~Mass Time

**5:00 pm** Fr. Ilo    **7:30 am** Fr. Tkachuk    **9:00 am** Fr. Milek    **11:00 am** Fr. Milek    **5:00 pm** Fr. Tkachuk

**Due to the Labor Day Holiday there will be No 5:00 PM Mass on Sunday, September 4**

### Please pray for . . .

|                  |                       |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| Edward Barrett   | Patrick Morgan        |
| Linda Bieniek    | Mike Morrison         |
| Michael Cannon   | James Mose            |
| Jay Carroll      | Beth Nelson           |
| Chili Challender | Gert Ogilvie          |
| Olivia Denson    | Jane O'Reilly         |
| Blake Donegan    | Ryan Patyk            |
| Victoria Donile  | Donna Pekarek         |
| Barbara Doyle    | Geri Pfluger          |
| Matthew Doyle    | Baby Lucia R.         |
| Lily Fielding    | Madison Raupp         |
| Lilli Gregory    | Anna Rose             |
| Wilson Gregory   | Rita Scalcon          |
| John Hronec      | Richard Schmuhl       |
| Rose Ilo         | Santa Snieg           |
| Mary J.          | Rita Mae Spearman     |
| Jane Jacobsen    | Barbara Stewart       |
| Theresa Kandall  | John Stopka           |
| Patricia Kanna   | John Strougal         |
| Mark Kiley       | Kate Frugoli Sullivan |
| Lisa Massaro     | Olivia Tarsney        |
| Linda McMahan    | Liz Wilk              |

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:



***Tiffany Archie***  
Daughter of Sharon Johnson

***Nolan Krolicki***  
Brother of Ty, Janice, Merry Dawn,  
Sterling and the late Roger

***Margaret O'Connor***  
Mother of Maureen, John, Bill, Pat,  
Tom, Bob, Mike, Marge and Jim

***Lorraine Ovnik***  
Sister of Judy, John, Elsie  
and the late Dolores and Marie

### Weddings

Denise Gerda & Ben Femminella  
Carmen Hermosin & Eduardo Mateo  
Kate Mulcahey & Ryan Gartland  
Eileen Baltazar & Matt Maguire



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

# Pastor's Letter

*"When you hold a banquet,  
invite the poor, the crippled,  
the lame, the blind;  
blessed indeed you will be."*  
Luke 14:13-14a

**Whom do we welcome to the table?** It is natural for us to welcome those with whom we have some connection; those who have been kind and generous toward us; those from whom we hope to receive some kindness in turn. This usually is not a matter of judgment or favoritism. These are the people among whom we feel most comfortable. We feel that we have something in common and therefore make it easier to start a conversation and share common interests.

**Whom do we hesitate to welcome to the table?** Not because they have harmed us or want nothing to do with us. But perhaps because they make us uncomfortable, they take us outside of our comfort zone, or with whom we think we have nothing in common. Jesus challenges his host at a banquet to consider these as the most important guests for him to welcome to the banquet.

The next phase of the Renew My Church process will challenge us to learn and adopt the practice of radical hospitality. We, the faith community of St. Francis Xavier Parish, have been described by many newcomers as people who made them feel welcome. We sing our hope that "all are welcome in this place." We host prayer services and dinners for new parishioners and help them to get to know our parish and the ways in which their time, talent, and treasure can strengthen our mission. All of this is holy and good.

Yet Jesus challenges us to take the next step of *radical* hospitality. Are we sharing the story of our community and mission with those who have not yet come to our doors, or who have stopped coming for one reason or another? Do we speak outside of our church walls of why we choose to be here, week after week and believe that, at our banquet table, we have something valuable to offer them? Do we make an effort to invite the newcomer into our circle of friends and help them to make connections with the parish family? Do we make an extra effort to speak to the person sitting near us whose name we do not know but who sits near us and alone each week? Do we view welcoming the

stranger as all our responsibility or only those who are "welcome ministers"?

**Radical hospitality** challenges us to go beyond our comfort zones. Radical hospitality expresses a belief that the most important person at our weekly feast is *the person who is not yet among us* and who awaits our invitation. Jesus challenges us to open our hearts and minds to embrace this part of our mission as his disciples. Despite all our failings and inadequacies, we have been given Word and Eucharist in our weekly banquet that heals our sins, shapes our hearts and minds, and sends us as the presence of Christ for the world. We have been given a mission to find those who most need this treasure and welcome them to join us.

**Welcome** back to the students of our parish elementary school. **Welcome** to our high school youth who are invited this Sunday evening into a new outreach to all area high school youth. **Welcome** to all who are reading this and who have not yet heard that this invitation to come to the feast is for you!

Summer Peace,

*F. Bill*

## NO SUNDAY 5PM MASS NEXT WEEKEND

Due to the Labor Day Holiday weekend, there will be **no Sunday 5PM Mass next Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**. **The Spirit Choir returns the following Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>** and the Mass will be celebrated every weekend after that until Christmas! The Spirit Choir welcomes new members as they begin a new year. Come to church around 4PM on Sunday afternoon and add your voice or instrument to the group.

## Fall and/or Winter Term College Internship

Are you in college and looking for experience to add to your resume? St. Francis Xavier Parish is looking for a college intern to assist with the day-to-day operations of the SFX Instagram account and Facebook page for the parish. (Note: Most of the social media for the school is handled by a school employee, but this internship will involve some posts for the school.) This will include posting "advertisements" for various events at the church, posting uplifting and positive content, and cultivating a sense of beauty and communal connection through parish social media. The Social Media Intern will report to the Pastoral Associate, Maggie McMahon, via occasional Zoom/phone calls.

The time commitment is about 8 - 10 hours per week and is 100% remote, although the intern is encouraged to occasionally participate in our Mass or other on-campus events to become acclimated to our environment. If an internship is a requirement for your degree, SFX will work with you to fulfill the degree requirements. This is an unpaid internship.

To learn more about this position, please contact Maggie McMahon by email at [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org).

NOTE: if you are NOT in college but would like to volunteer for this position, please contact Maggie to see if this is a good fit for you and the parish!



## Parish Open Position: Facility Manager

We are looking to hire a new Facility Manager with the retirement of Frank Roccasalva this fall. The Facility Manager reports directly to the pastor and is an integral member of the parish staff. He or she manages our building operating systems and routine maintenance of all parish facilities. They have oversight of all contractor and purchasing contracts to achieve the smooth operation of the parish's daily logistical requirements. Some examples of duties include:

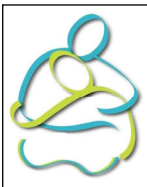
- Monitor and manage routine/preventative maintenance of the parish buildings, grounds, and equipment, including but not limited to HVAC systems, plumbing, electrical, phone systems, and building security.
- Supervise parish custodian staff and external custodial services for all campus buildings.
- Interact with the Elementary School Principal and Director of Religious Education to enhance the learning environment in the Education Building
- Manage work orders for parish events and group meetings in collaboration with the event group contacts, and direct custodial services to prepare for and work at the events as needed.

Please contact Jennifer Zeisloft, Parish Director of Stewardship and Operations, at [jzeisloft@sfxlg.org](mailto:jzeisloft@sfxlg.org) for more information or to apply.



# SFX Men's Club Pig Roast – Save the Date! Friday, October 14, 2022 More details to follow

Contact Matt Hubert at [mthubert@gmail.com](mailto:mthubert@gmail.com) for info.



## Bereavement Ministry at St. Francis Xavier Parish

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."*  
Matthew 5:4

When a member of the Body of Christ dies,  
we are called to a ministry of consolation.

The Church calls us to care for the dying,  
to pray for the dead, and to comfort those who mourn.

As a people of faith, we believe that God created  
each person for eternal life and that as Christ was  
raised from the dead we too will be raised to glory.

When a death occurs, life, for those who live on,  
changes forever.

The Church recognizes this change and offers  
hope and comfort to those who grieve  
the loss of a loved one.

As Jesus comforted Mary and Martha, the parish  
community can reach out to comfort those who mourn.

The Bereavement Ministry under the guidance and  
supervision of Fr. Rich and on behalf of the parish will:

- Pray for the members of the parish community  
who have died and for their families.
- Offer the bereaved family support and  
guidance as they plan the funeral liturgy.
- Visit the family and friends of the deceased at  
the wake to offer support and prayer on behalf  
of their parish community.
- Conduct the wake service if needed or  
requested by the bereaved family.
- Serve as a greeter, lector or Eucharistic  
Minister at the funeral liturgy if needed or  
requested by the family.
- Attend occasional prayer sessions and on-  
going formation to support the ministry.

On behalf of the entire parish we want to thank the  
present Members of SFX Bereavement Committee for  
their service and we invite others to join. If you feel that  
God is calling you to be part of this ministry, please call  
the parish office at 708-352-0168.

For those who are interested, training and more  
information will be provided.

God Bless,  
Fr. Rich



In observance of the Labor Day holiday,  
the rectory phones will be answered by  
the service starting on Friday,  
September 2nd at 5:00 pm through  
Monday, September 5th.

We will reopen on Tuesday, September  
6th at 8:30 am.

### SFX Hospitality Ministry

Are you looking for a small, simple way  
to serve and love others? Look no  
further! St. Francis is expanding our  
hospitality ministry to make it *even  
easier* for anyone to jump in and play a  
part in welcoming others to our  
community.

Through a newly established sign up  
on our website, anyone can contribute  
meaningfully to our culture of hospitality  
and welcome - on your own schedule  
and at your own pace! Offer to write a  
few welcome notes to new  
parishioners, to greet at one or many  
Masses, or to attend a New Parishioner  
Prayer Service.

We are practicing hospitality as a way  
of life here at St. Francis! Even if you  
don't have the capacity to sign up for a  
service spot at this time, just smiling  
and introducing yourself to someone  
new this week makes a huge difference  
in our parish community.

[Click here](#) or visit [sfxlg.org](http://sfxlg.org) - Parish -  
Ministries/Organizations - Hospitality  
Team to sign up for a small act!



# Faith Formation

Educational, formational, and spiritual growth opportunities for all parishioners

## Are you (or is someone you know) thinking about becoming Catholic?

Mid-September we will start a new round of our collaborative RCIA journey with St. John of the Cross and St. Cletus. RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - is the **process of spiritual and educational formation through which adults become fully initiated members of the Roman Catholic Church.**



We are asking for your help identifying and personally inviting anyone who might be considering becoming Catholic. They could be unbaptized or baptized Christians who want to accept the Catholic faith. RCIA is also designed for Catholics who have not yet received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. **The number one reason women and men join the RCIA process is that someone they trust invited them to consider it.** Please give it some thought!

**If you are interested in the RCIA journey** yourself, be bold! We would love to talk with you. No commitment necessary. Plus check out what last year's participants had to say about their journey:

*"I knew very little about the Catholic faith coming in...I loved being able to reflect on the topics as a group. Group. Each RCIA volunteer brought a different perspective which was incredible and eye-opening. It was a long yet necessary journey!"*

*"I most enjoyed being able to share this special journey with others going through the same process."*

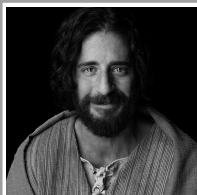
Email [mmcmahon@sfxlg.org](mailto:mmcmahon@sfxlg.org) for more information.



### **That Man Is You Men's Group** Tuesday nights at 8pm in Unity Hall (beginning Sept 13)

Gather for social time, an interesting video, and small group discussion about authentic male leadership in faith, family, and the workplace.

**Interested? Contact**  
[mike.jakubisin@gmail.com](mailto:mike.jakubisin@gmail.com)  
or [click here](#) to register.



Sundays &  
Wednesdays  
starting Sept 18:  
**Video/Discussion  
Series based on  
hit tv show,  
The Chosen!**

For more info, [click here](#) or visit [sfxlg.org](http://sfxlg.org) and scroll down to the "Adult Faith Forum" quicklink!

## SENIOR WOMEN'S GROUP

Stop! Come and hear Joan STOPKA speak!

**September 13 at 9am in Unity Hall**



The Senior Women's Group is pleased to have Joan Stopka as a speaker on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 in Unity Hall immediately following the 8:30am Mass. Joan will tell us about her volunteer involvement in one of the ministries of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Taller de José (Joseph's Workshop). Taller was established to place the clients in contact with the resources that they need to help with their daily lives. An additional step, unique to Taller, is that when necessary they accompany the clients to their appointments.

Joan has been a parishioner of St. Francis for 51 years. She taught Spanish for 38 years before her retirement from Lyons Township High School. She has been a compañera (companion) at Taller de José for 11 years.

Everyone is welcome to join. It is a time to renew old acquaintances and meet new friends. All are welcome. Light refreshment will be offered.

### **...But what is the SENIOR WOMEN'S GROUP?**

The group was started in 2011 by Nancy Morgan and Joan Cushing. We provide an opportunity to gather with women we have not seen for a while *OR* to learn the names of women we have seen many times but don't really know *OR* to get acquainted with women who are new to the parish.

The group meets four times a year. One meeting during Advent or Lent is spiritual in nature. Two meetings are open with general topics of interest. In May there is a luncheon, although from 2020-2022 COVID prevented this celebration.



## Religious Education News

**School is around the corner and so are Religious Education Classes!  
Register NOW for K – 8 Religious Education 2022-2023, Don't Delay!  
Classes are filling up fast!**

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>

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### **Your Gift and Talent needs to be shared!**

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](mailto:eguidice@sfxlg.org).

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Year of Confirmation – Quest Registration**

Quest Group Monthly Gatherings will be once a month where we will gather with the entire Confirmation group and then break out into small groups. These gatherings will be held at the parish in Joyce Hall. They provide opportunities for relationship building, discussion on issues facing teens, service opportunities, growth in the understanding of scripture, and fun.

If your child has completed the 2021-2022 8th grade school year and is ready to sign up for their final year of Confirmation Prep please fill out the attached Google Form and make the payment below. If you have a child who completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade Day School or RE prior to last year they can also register for this year's Quest Program.

\*Please note, your child is not yet registered until form is filled out and payment is made.\*

Register for 2nd Year Quest Confirmation: [Click Here](#)

To make a Quest Confirmation payment online: [Click Here](#)

If you have questions please contact Elis Guidice at 708-352-4555 or [sfxreligious@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxreligious@sfxlg.org).



## Music Notes...

### **Parish Choirs New Singer Invitation!**

*Consider joining one of these choirs for the new 2022-23 season!*

#### **9:00 a.m. Gallery Choir**

*Rehearsals: Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. starting **September 6th.***

*This choir sings at the Sunday - 9:00 a.m. Mass.*

*(1) Sunday a month OFF.*

**\*Open House “Meet & Greet” for interested new members: September 6th**

#### **11:00 a.m. Celebration Ensemble**

*Rehearsals: Thursdays 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. starting **September 8th.***

*This choir sings at the Sunday – 11:00 a.m. Mass*

*(1) Sunday a month OFF.*

**\*Open House “Meet & Greet” for interested new members: September 8th**

#### **5:00 p.m. Spirit Youth Choir**

*Rehearsals: Sundays before Mass – 4:00 p.m.*

*Open to all TEENS. (Grades 9 – 12)*

*This choir sings at the Sunday – 5:00 p.m. Mass starting **September 11th.***

*Interested singers should contact:*

*Allen Sterwalt, Director of Music Ministry*

*[asterwalt@sfxlg.org](mailto:asterwalt@sfxlg.org) / 708-352-0168*

***Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord!***





## 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, 8:30-5:00, or Saturday morning, 9:00 am-Noon and we will forward the information to Scott McDonald, who coordinates our minister of care team.



## Kitchen Angels

The Kitchen Angels are a group of parishioners who help people by bringing meals to their homes. The Kitchen Angels have been in existence for many years yet many of our parishioners are not aware of this outreach ministry.

If you know of a person or a family who could use some meals, or if you are interested in becoming a Kitchen Angel, please contact **Susie Lehuta** at 708-354-6380 or [lehutams@gmail.com](mailto:lehutams@gmail.com).

## Return of Offertory Baskets



Our parish has been returning to our customary Mass practices over time. We already have experienced the return of our choirs, bringing up the gifts during the offertory, and holy water receptacles. Sometimes the gradual return was due to safety. Other times we had to recruit new volunteer ministers, including an entirely new altar server team.

We are now ready for the return of another Mass custom. **In September, we return to our practice of passing a basket during offertory.** The boxes at the entrances will be removed.

About half of those who give regularly to the parish give electronically or through various investment vehicles. The other half of those who give regularly use the Sunday offertory envelope. If you want to join those contributing electronically, please [click here](#) or visit [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org). If you would like to be added to the offertory envelope mailing, please call the parish office.

God bless you for your gift of treasure to the parish to support so many vital ministries here!

Jennifer Zeisloft  
Director of Stewardship and Operations

*Learn from me  
says the Lord  
for I am meek and humble of heart*

# KAIROS 39

SEPTEMBER 29TH TO OCTOBER 2ND



A retreat for all juniors and seniors from  
St. Francis Xavier, St. John of the Cross, and St. Cletus.

Registration for Kairos 39.  
Spots are limited, so be sure to sign up right away!

<https://www.stjohnofthecross.org/K39>

## YOUTH MINISTRY NIGHT

### **HUMAN FOOSBALL**

JOYCE  
HALL



AUGUST  
28TH

FOLLOWING THE TEEN MASS

PLEASE BRING A BAG OF CHIPS  
OR A 2 LITER OF SODA

For questions contact Jenette @  
[jteran@sfxlg.org](mailto:jteran@sfxlg.org)



# SFX ANNUAL GOLF OUTING 2022

**\$200**  
per golfer

Price includes  
grab-n-go lunch, range balls,  
golf and a buffet dinner.

Optional VIP Package.

Each golfer will receive an  
SFX Golf Outing Swag Bag!

The SFX  
Championship  
is back!

## FRIDAY September 16th

11:30 AM CHECK-IN

GRAB-N-GO LUNCH

1:00 PM SHOTGUN START

DINNER, AWARDS & RAFFLE TO FOLLOW

No in person registration on the day of the event.  
All registration payments due two days prior to the event.  
All necessary guidelines will be followed for the  
safety of the golfers and the course.

Please join us  
for our annual raffle,  
closest to the pin,  
longest drive contests,  
and much more!

Event sponsorships are  
available on Give Central.

Please use the  
SFX Golf Outing Link  
below to register for any  
golf package plus  
purchase raffle tickets  
or event sponsorships.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER AT: [SFXGOLFOUTING.COM](http://SFXGOLFOUTING.COM)

Old Oak Country Club, 14200 Parker Rd., Homer Glen, IL 60491

Any questions? Email Lindsey & JB Mackenzie at [sfxgolfchairs@gmail.com](mailto:sfxgolfchairs@gmail.com)

FIND YOUR FORESOME!

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER**  
WE PRAY · WE LEARN · WE SERVE



### Positions Available:

- Spanish Teacher
- Resource Teacher
- Lunch/Recess Monitors
- Substitute Teachers
- Teacher Assistants

Contact: Principal  
Sharon Garcia  
[sfxlgmain@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxlgmain@sfxlg.org)

[SFXLG.ORG/SCHOOL](http://SFXLG.ORG/SCHOOL)



## PRESCHOOL 3 PRE-K 4 KINDERGARTEN

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



## SFX FOOD PANTRY GRATITUDE!!!

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES & RE BLANKETS



A special thanks to our 8th grade Religious Ed families for making tie blankets! The clients were thrilled to see the array of colors filling two tables when they arrived at the food pantry. Everyone loved them!

We were so grateful to share this fun gift with our food pantry guests.

Our food pantry families were so grateful for the school supplies! It is an expensive time of year for families with school-aged children. Thanks to your overwhelming generosity, we served **62 families** totaling **86 kids!**

### PICNIC



A heartfelt thanks to all our food pantry volunteers for their help in planning and providing hospitality at a picnic for our pantry families. It gave our clients a chance to get out of their cars and socialize with the volunteers and one another.

The Zaney Dogs hotdog cart was a big hit!

We also had a chance to visit with some of our volunteers who have not been back since March 2020. It was a wonderful morning of community building!



### SUMMER VOLUNTEERS

A special thanks to our volunteers who are returning to high school and college this Fall: **Miles Hayford, Caroline Hull, Emily Lietz, Riley & Finn McCarthy, Colleen Mulcahey and Sophia Zich**. Their positive energy and willingness to do whatever was needed was appreciated by all the volunteers and guests. We pray that all our students have a safe & healthy school year!



**Please Pray For...all those Serving Overseas in the Military including:**

- **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
- **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
- **Sgt. Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 7ATC**—son of Chuck and Kathi 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
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# St. Francis Xavier Personnel

## Pastoral Ministry

Pastor  
Associate Pastor  
Deacon  
Deacon  
Pastoral Associate  
Director of Community Outreach  
Retired Weekend Sacramental Minister  
Retired Weekday Sacramental Minister  
Weekend Sacramental Minister

Rev. William Tkachuk  
Rev. Richard Milek  
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School Office Coordinator  
Parish School Secretary  
Advancement Director  
Tuition Accounts  
Director of Religious Education  
Religious Education Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Sharon Garcia  
Mrs. Janice Carr  
Ms. Ashley Augustyniak  
Mrs. Peggy Evans  
Mrs. Mary Tassi  
Mrs. Jennifer Zeisloft  
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## Youth Ministry

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## Music Ministry

Director

Mr. Allen Sterwalt

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## Parish Office Staff

Director of Stewardship and Operations  
Parish Accountant  
Pastor's Secretary  
Parish Secretary  
Staff Secretary  
Facilities Manager

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Mrs. Melissa Westerhoff  
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## **Rectory Hours**

Monday-Friday.....8:30 am-5:00 pm  
Saturday.....9:00 am-12:00 pm

## **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-12:00 pm

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**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**

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## **Food Pantry**

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## **Home or Hospital Visitation & Communion Calls**

If you would like a priest or Minister of Care to visit, please contact the Parish Office directly. In the case of hospitalization, specifically request that the hospital contact the parish. Hospitals do not routinely inform churches of admissions due to Privacy Laws.

## **Infant Baptisms**

Please call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism or email Missy Westerhoff at sfxinlg@sfxlg.org to schedule a date.

## **Marriage**

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## **Parish Counselor**

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

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, Georgina Lopez, from the Claret Center (Georgina is also bilingual in English and Spanish. She can be reached by phone 323-487-2359 or email glopez.claret@gmail.com.

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