

**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH**  
**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 1, 2019**



*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.*



## Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, September 2 Labor Day	8:30 am	Joseph Frank Schiavi	Sharon Sims
Tuesday, September 3 Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church	8:30 am	Roman Van Gorp	The Van Gorp Family
Wednesday, September 4	8:30 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack George Lewis Tink Gunkelman	Dolores Lewis The Gunkelman Family
Thursday, September 5 Saint Teresa of Calcutta	8:30 am	Special Intention	
Friday, September 6	8:30 am	Karyn Beaty	Teachers & Staff of SFX School
Saturday, September 7	9:00 am 9:30 am 1:00 pm 4:15 pm 5:00 pm	Lamar Whitmore Sacrament of Reconciliation Wedding~Kelley Kappmeyer & David Purtell Sacrament of Reconciliation Vlast Vincenik	Jacquelyn Van Gorp    John & Rosemary Skach
Sunday, September 8 23th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:30 am 9:00 am  10:30 am 12:00 pm 6:00 pm	People of the Parish Erin Lucas Peggy Schultz Luis Cruz Leonard Stanczyk Bill Carroll Jim Curtis	Rosemary Lucas The Girouard Family The Walsh Family The Stanczyk Family Dolores Carroll The Freeman Family

## Please Pray For...

Julie Amato	Virginia Kottaridis
James Boardman	Lou Ellen Krueger
Jay Carroll	Mary Ann Lewis
Chili Challender	Marian Lucas
Tom Challos	Emmett Miller
Josephine Cindric	Patrick Morgan
Anthony Dina	Mike Morrison
Blake Donegan	Bernice Niemiec
Pat Eaton	Arnold Oppenheim
Lily Fielding	Jane O'Reilly
Baby Collins Fitzpatrick	Ryan Patyk
Nancy Gibbs	Donna Pekarek
Lilli Gregory	James Pridmore
Wilson Gregory	Madison Raupp
Patricia Hassler	Anna Rose
Loretta Haxel	Marilyn Rutkowski
Sr. Marci Hermesdorf	Matthew Schiek
Linda Hillsman	Gretchen Sterwalt
Rose Ilo	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Mary J.	John Thoms
Jane Jacobsen	Anne Titzer
Theresa Kandall	Michael Ungari
Benny Kilman	Gregory Van Gorp
Jerry Kolman	John Zotti

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:

### *Eleanor O'Connor*

Sister of Irene O'Connor and  
the late Fr. Jim O'Connor

### *Peter Janettas*

Husband of Karen and Father of Nicholas

## Weddings



Kelley Kappmeyer & David Purtell  
Josiane Umuhoza & Nelson Ntwali  
Sarah Copeland & Alexander Wood  
Ali McCracken & Patrick Singleton  
Anne Phillip & Eric Gaylord  
Caitlin Hillsman & Devin Marino

## Pastor's Notes

*“When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.”*

Luke 14:14

To whom do we give the honored places at the table – a table that has been entrusted to us by God? Jesus teaches those who would be his followers that we must give the most honored places to those whom society might deem the least important: the children, the unborn, those who experience racism or rejection, those who have been told that they are unworthy of human dignity and respect. These are the ones who merit our most sincere welcome and our deepest gratitude that they have joined us at God's table. May we always have eyes and hearts open to notice and welcome them.

Last week our parish elementary school got off to a great start. Thank you to the teachers, the administrative support staff, and all our parents who contributed to a smooth beginning Under One Roof. This week we welcome our children in preschool 3 and prekindergarten 4. Drivers on or near our campus are asked to be especially alert during our extended drop-off hours from 7:50 AM until 8:20 AM. The last 20 minutes include our youngest children, so be especially careful and kind.

Two and a half years ago, the parish elementary school initiated a strategic planning process to ensure a strong and effective future for the school. In the first eighteen months, the School Advisory Board and Strategic Planning Committee have accomplished the following:

- Brought back all early childhood students to the Education Building, designing age-appropriate spaces for preschool and kindergarten and creating two fully renewed classroom spaces.
- Revised the position description for a new Advancement Director, Mary Tassi.
- Enhanced the school's presence on social media (Facebook, Instagram, etc.)
- Began working with parents, staff, administrators, and parishioners to update school's mission and vision statements.

- Restructured School Advisory Board (SAB) into a committee structure specifically designed to enhance the school's unique qualities and ensure long-term viability.
- Developed Training materials for new SAB members.
- Enhanced the school's application of differentiated Instruction through
  - o Faculty receiving training and taking professional development courses.
  - o Developing new differentiated learning strategies and programs for all grade levels, with a focus on math and language arts.
  - o Improving STEM offerings both during and after school

I am grateful to the members of the school faculty and staff, parish staff, school parents, and other parishioners who continue to devote their time and talent to implement the goals of the strategic plan. If you want to learn more, please visit the school's website or contact me or Dan Hayes, the chairperson of the School Advisory Board.

This weekend we honor those who labor in jobs that we often take for granted but upon which we rely. For more than a century, the social teachings of the Catholic Church have challenged Catholics to be a voice for the just treatment of all laborers. As we recommit ourselves to this call, perhaps we can take a moment this weekend to thank in person the laborers with whom we cross paths.

Beginning this week we welcome retired priest, Fr. Ed Barrett (a classmate of Bill Stenzel, John Hoffman and Bill Killeen). He reached out to us to see if we could use his assistance. He will be presiding at most Thursday weekday masses, as well as weekend masses. Thank you Fr. Ed!

Peace,

*J. Bill*

## Scripture Reflections

Our liturgies, prayers, Catholic culture, and more do much to promote a high Christology and rightly so. But a gospel reading like the one we have today reminds us that Jesus was a human being who attended dinner parties, told stories at such parties, and even offered sage advice. One modern teacher made the point that in the Gospel of Luke there are so many meals that Jesus attends that one can eat one's way through the story! Is it no wonder then, that by the conclusion of this gospel the disciples come to know Jesus through the breaking of the bread? And this is the way the risen Christ is made known to believers ever since. Each meal, and even the liturgical Eucharist, is a foreshadowing of the heavenly banquet. Let's tap into this aspect of Christ, the one who enjoyed a good dinner party, to learn from him about the life that awaits us.



The Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, September 2 in observance of the holiday. There will only be one mass on Monday, September 2 at 8:30 am. We will reopen on Tuesday, September 3 at 8:30 am.

### Why Buy Fair Trade Coffee??

The coffee sold at St. Francis Xavier is purchased from *Equal Exchange Fairly Traded*. There is a lot behind this coffee. “We work closely with our farmer partners, year after year, to better understand each other’s needs. The result is a trusting relationship and delicious coffee.”

Beth Ann Caspersen, Quality Control Manager

Fair Trade builds right relationships between buyers and sellers that are rooted in the principles of human dignity and solidarity.

Fair Trade:

- Respects human dignity
- Promotes the common good
- Advances economic justice
- Empowers disadvantaged people
- Connects us with the people who create the things we buy
- Cultivates global solidarity

The Catholic Relief Services Fair Trade Program creates opportunities for us to bring these core values of our faith to bear on the choices we make as consumers—choices that have the power to lift our brothers and sisters out of poverty.

Effort is made to see that these coffee farmers are given a fair wage!!!



### Kitchen Angels

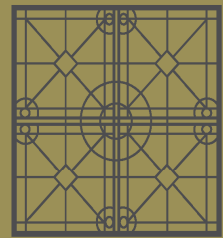
The Kitchen Angels are a group of parishioners who help people by bringing meals to their homes. The Kitchen Angels have been in existence for many years, yet there are many people who are relatively new to the parish and do not know about them. If you know of a person or a family who could use some meals, or if you are interested in becoming a Kitchen Angel, please call Susie Lehuta at 708-354-6380.

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

### The 125th Anniversary Books Have Arrived!

Please stop by the rectory office to pick up your copy!

125 YEARS



1890-2015

### Position Available Parish Director of Development

St. Francis Xavier Parish seeks a candidate for the position of Director of Development to serve as strategic leader and professional manager of all aspects of mission development and fundraising for the parish and parish elementary school. The Director of Development will be accountable for all fundraising initiatives and specific special events. The ideal candidate is a self-starter with at least 5 years of development experience, and is a person of faith committed to Gospel values. He or she understands and prioritizes the organization and responsible management of resources and helps the parish fund and fulfill its mission and purpose, including the parish mission to provide quality, affordable Catholic elementary education to families who want to provide this for their children.

This position is part time and a description is posted on the parish website ([www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org)). If you are interested, please send a cover letter and copy of your resume to Jennifer Zeisloft, SFX Business Manager, via the parish rectory.



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

### 6pm Mass & Ice Cream Social

The 6pm Mass will be resuming Sunday, September 8, with an ice cream social to celebrate the start of the year. All are invited to stop by God's Garage & the Unity Garden for sundaes and floats after Mass.

### Quest Confirmation Parent/Teen Meeting

All teens who want to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this April and their parents are asked to attend a parent/teen meeting on Thursday, September 12 from 7-8pm OR Sunday September 15 from 2-3pm, both in Joyce Hall. We will review the Quest program and highlight important information. Please plan to attend!

### Liturgical Ministers

Are you a teen in high school? Do you regularly attend the 6pm Sunday Mass? Are you trying to find ways to get more involved? As a new year starts, consider joining the Spirit Choir or training to become a Lector or Eucharistic Minister. All high school students are invited (and encouraged!) to participate in these very important ministries. If interested, contact Olivia Zurowski.

### Position Available

St. Francis Xavier School is looking for a Middle School Math Teacher. Must have current references and a valid Professional Educator's License. Interested applicants should contact Sharon Garcia at [sgarcia@sfxlg.org](mailto:sgarcia@sfxlg.org).

### Religious Education Registration

Classroom placement will be emailed to families the week of September 9. Religious Education begins for ALL sessions on September 22 with Meet & Greet anytime from 8:45am-10:15am. ALL are EXPECTED to come with parent(s) to meet catechists and receive important information. Registration will reopen AFTER September 22. Thank you for helping us to get the year off to a great start!

**VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS STILL NEEDED.**  
**Please call 708-352-4555 for information.**



Friday, September 13th  
11:30 am Check-in & Lunch  
1:15 pm Shotgun Start (Scramble Format)  
Dinner, Awards & Raffle to Follow

\$175 per golfer  
Price includes patio lunch, range balls, golf, beer, wine and soda after golf and buffet dinner.  
Each golfer will receive a SFX swag bag.

Please join us for our Large Raffle, Closest to the Pin Contests and much more!

Hole Sponsors and Event Sponsors are available to purchase on Give Central!

Register: <https://www.givecentral.org/location/218/event/7320>

Old Oak Country Club, 14200 Parker Road, Homer Glen

Any questions? Email John & Julie Schaff at [sfxgolfchairs@gmail.com](mailto:sfxgolfchairs@gmail.com)

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

### Class of 1960 Reunion

*Refresh old memories! September 26, 2019*

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September 26, 2019*

Looking for class of '60 alumni!  
For details contact: Chuck (Mike) Edwards  
(708) 354-0137 [cmp.edw@gmail.com](mailto:cmp.edw@gmail.com)



Make a *Joyful* noise

Consider joining one of our **CHOIRS** for the \*2019-2020 liturgical season!  
\*starts in September 2019.

**The Gallery Choir – 9:00 a.m. Mass**  
\*voices: grade 9 – adult  
 (rehearsals: Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

**Celebration Ensemble – 10:30 a.m. Mass**  
\*voices: grade 9 – adult  
 (rehearsals: Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

**Spirit Youth Choir – 6:00 p.m. Mass**  
\*voices: grades 9 – 12

**Resurrection Funeral Choir**  
 10:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. weekdays/Saturdays  
\*Adult voices available during morning hours.

Please contact our Director of Liturgical Music,  
 Allen Sterwalt  
 asterwalt@sfxlg.org / 708 352-0168

*St. Francis Xavier Parish  
 New Parishioner Welcome*

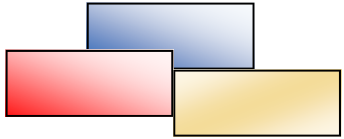
**DINNER**



Monday, September 16th  
 6:30 – 8:00 pm  
 St. Francis Xavier Rectory  
 124 N. Spring Ave., LaGrange

Welcome to St. Francis Xavier!  
 We look forward to meeting you!!!  
 Please join us for a casual dinner  
 and fellowship with other parishioners  
 and the SFX Welcome Committee.

Please RSVP by Friday, September 13th  
 Call or text Laura Duelm 708-309-9079  
 or email lauraduelm@hotmail.com



St. Francis Parishioner  
 Contact Changes

**Please help us keep our records current! We are asking for any changes.**  
**Also, if you could please update phone numbers and emails and specify**  
**as to who the information is for we would really appreciate it.**  
**This will hoep to keep our data base current. Thank you!**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number Home \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address Family \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. \_\_\_\_\_

Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH



*We sing as one family of faith!*

**Grades 1 – 8**

*\*(District Schools & SFX Day School...All children are welcome!)*

**It's time to join!!**

*Weekly commitment: **Tuesday rehearsals 3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.***

*Sing once a month at the 5:00 p.m. Mass (Saturday)*

**Registration DUE DATE!!**

***\*Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>***

**First rehearsal: Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> (in church)**

**St. Francis Xavier Parish Children's Choir  
Registration Form 2019 - 2020**

**PLEASE PRINT**

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (month/day) \_\_\_\_\_

I am available to be a parent helper at rehearsals. (circle one)      Yes      No

I am available to be a parent helper at Masses. (circle one)      Yes      No

*\*Please e-mail, mail or drop off this form by September 16<sup>th</sup> to the attention of:*

*Mr. Allen Sterwalt, Director of Liturgical Music*

*St. Francis Xavier Church·124 North Spring Avenue·LaGrange, IL 60525*

*asterwalt@sfxlg.org*





# ST FRANCIS XAVIER DAY SCHOOL & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ORDER FORM



**Bricks are available in 2 sizes:**

Small 4" x 8" **\$175 each**

Large 8" x 8" **\$300 each**

**Deadline for orders is  
September 9th  
for the  
October installation.**

**Small Bricks – 3 lines**

**Large Bricks – 6 lines**

All engraving will be uppercase only.  
Spaces between words count as  
characters.

**Day School Icon: Allow SIX  
consecutive spaces on 2 lines &  
THREE consecutive spaces on the  
3rd line.**

**RE Icon: Allow 3 consecutive spaces  
on 2 lines for small brick and 6  
consecutive spaces on 3 lines for  
large brick.**



*Day School*



*Religious Education*

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**For Large Bricks**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Messages are subject to approval. Please  
return this form to the Rectory.

You can pay by check payable to: St.

Francis Xavier Parish or

Credit card payment can be done

**online only by [clicking here.](#)**

Email all Questions to:

[bricksforsfx@sfxlg.org](mailto:bricksforsfx@sfxlg.org)

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## ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH BRICK PAVER ORDER FORM



**Bricks are available in 2 sizes:**

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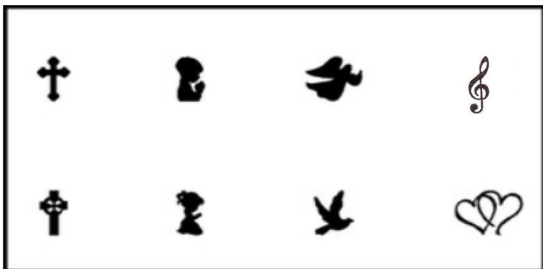
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**Small Bricks – 3 lines**

**Large Bricks – 6 lines**

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**Optional icons:** If you wish to include an icon, please **circle one** from the options below. **Allow 3 consecutive spaces on 2 lines.**



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Please return this form to the Rectory with check payment payable to: St. Francis Xavier Parish.

*Credit card orders can be done **online only** through the SFX website [sfxlg.org](http://sfxlg.org)*

**Email all Questions to:**  
[bricksforsfx@sfxlg.org](mailto:bricksforsfx@sfxlg.org)

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## Fall Support Group Offerings at St. John of the Cross

### Support For Divorced and Separated Adults

St. John of the Cross Parish is offering a weekly support group for those who have been or are in the midst of the divorce process. Divorce and Beyond meetings are faith-based and designed to bring hope and eventual healing to one life's most painful and difficult experiences. Topics include; dealing with stress, anger, loneliness, forgiveness, and healing. Trained facilitators create an open and welcoming environment conducive to discussion, reflection and sharing, free of judgment or guilt.

Register at: [www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond/](http://www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond/)

### Nourish For Caregivers

Support for Caregivers support group meets the second Thursday of each month from 1:00-2:00 pm at St. John of the Cross parish and connects others going through similar experiences of caring for a loved one. This monthly support group helps renew and empower caregivers with emotional and spiritual support in addition to providing helpful and practical advice. **September 12 Topic:** One Is Enough! Learning to Live One Day at a Time.

Register at: [www.stjohnofthecross.org/nourish-support-group/](http://www.stjohnofthecross.org/nourish-support-group/)

### Healing Our Church

From Renew International HOC a pastoral response to the current sexual abuse crisis will take place in a small group setting at St. John of the Cross parish. Healing our Church helps parishioners deal with the complex and varied emotions associated with the sexual-abuse scandal, leading toward healing and moving forward as a family of faith.

Register by September 15: [www.stjohnofthecross.org/healing-the-church-support-group/](http://www.stjohnofthecross.org/healing-the-church-support-group/)

You may register online for any of these topics by calling St. John of the Cross Parish at 708-246-4404 ext. 137.

## *Senior Women's Group* of St. Francis Xavier Parish \_\_\_\_\_

INVESTMENT CORPORATE PUBLIC ASSETS CURRENCY LOAN  
FINANCE PRACTICE RISK  
TIME FUNDS MANAGEMENT ALLOCATION CAPITAL  
VALUE RETURN MONEY SERVICES BANK BUDGET  
MANAGEMENT MONEY SERVICES BANK BUDGET  
BUSINESS CONDITION ANALYSIS

*Bob Westrick*  
*Private Vista Wealth Management*

*\$Family Finance \$*

*Bring your questions*

Thursday, September 5, 2019

Fellowship @ 9:00am

Presentation @9:30 am

St. Francis Xavier Unity Hall

124 N. Spring Avenue

No RSVP Needed



## It's Time to Sign Up for RCIA! *The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process of spiritual and educational formation through which adults become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church.

### What Is the Goal of RCIA?

RCIA is all about conversion – growth and change taking place in our hearts and minds so that we can more fully live in relationship with God and each other. It is about deepening our faith, and exploring what belief in God means for our lives and how it is reflected in our actions. The purpose is not to check off a class requirement or to see how much information you can learn, but rather to assist you in becoming a living, breathing, active disciple of Christ!

A note for those with mixed feelings: We are all on a journey. Many of us come to this process with different experiences of life and faith. Your thoughts about starting this process might range from “Great! When can I start?” to “Gee, this seems like an awful lot!” Wherever you are on that spectrum, we are excited about and open to walking with you as you explore how God might be inviting you into a deeper relationship.

The RCIA process is definitely a commitment of time and energy, but each Easter we hear folks say it was time well spent and the months really flew by. We work hard to give you the experiences and tools you need to not only make this commitment of faith, but also to keep it!

If you are unsure this is the right step for you, you are not alone. RCIA at its best helps people find their way on their spiritual journey. If in that process you discern this isn't the right fit for you, or not the right time, that is ok, too!

### Next Steps

Let us know of your interest, and we will put you in touch with an RCIA Team Member. They will meet with you to share details about the process, and answer any questions you might have. Contact Susan Lindsay at [selindsay22@yahoo.com](mailto:selindsay22@yahoo.com) or call the parish office: 708-352-0168.

*\*Additional details, and the complete article can be found at [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org), under Parish/Sacraments/Becoming Catholic.*





## Small Flower Vases Needed

Interfaith Community Partners (ICP) is in need of small vases for our Petal Pusher program (think small mason jar size that can fit in a car cup holder). We have local garden clubs who come to our office twice a month to arrange donated flowers that would otherwise be thrown away. We then have volunteers deliver them to clients and business partners in the community.



**Please drop off vases until September 8 at 150 South Ashland Avenue in LaGrange Monday-Friday from 8:30 am until 2:30 pm.**

*ICP's mission is to maximize the independence and well-being of older adults by enabling connections with others in their community. ICP is a non-profit organization that works together with volunteers to provide rides to older adults in the Lyons Township, south Proviso and Riverside townships. Over 115 volunteers provide accompanied transportation to medical appointments, and life-enhancing errands such as the grocery store, hairdresser, bank, and church.*

In 1999, extensive community research undertaken by Community Memorial Foundation identified the plight of isolated adults in our communities. ICP was founded with grants from the Community Memorial Foundation and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (Faith in Action). Seven local congregations, including SFX, formed Interfaith Community Partners to better meet the needs of older adults in the Greater Lyons Township. ICP began as a visitation service with teams of volunteers from the seven founding churches. It became evident that loss of mobility is one of the biggest causes of isolation.

To learn more about our services and volunteer opportunities, please go to our website [InterfaithCommunityPartners.org](http://InterfaithCommunityPartners.org).



Questions? Please contact Executive Director and SFX parishioner, Janet Garreau [jgarreauicp@gmail.com](mailto:jgarreauicp@gmail.com) or 708-354-9328.

## St. Francis Xavier Scripture Study

**Thursdays 9:15-10:45 am**  
(New Time)  
Unity Hall

September 12-November 14, 2019

Gospel of Mark  
and

January 9-March 5, 2020

Dynamic Couples, Siblings, Companions  
and Friends in the Bible

Please register with Sr. Marianne Race, CSJ  
708-363-6728 or [mrace@csjoseph.org](mailto:mrace@csjoseph.org)

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## Noche de Gala

Friday, September 20, 2019, 7:00 pm

IUOE Local 399 Union Hall  
2260 South Grove Street  
Chicago, IL 60616

All are cordially invited to join Cardinal Blase J. Cupich to celebrate the very best in Hispanic Ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago at the 20th celebration of **Noche de Gala - Con Sabor Latino**. The festive evening will include dinner, live music, and more.

**To purchase tickets and for more information, please visit [archchicago.org/NDG](http://archchicago.org/NDG).**

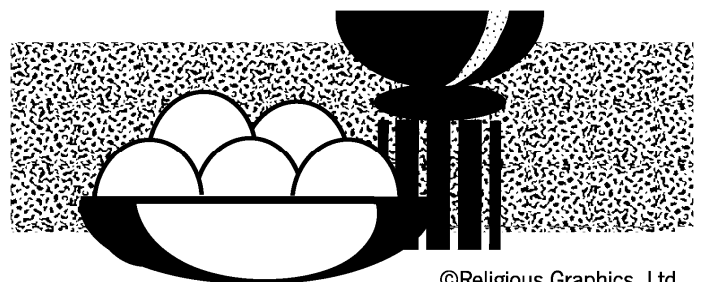
¡LOS ESPERAMOS!

## Interfaith Career Network

Join us on Thursday, September 19 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Stephani Peterson, Sr. Manager of Careers in Nonprofits, will offer her insight on the nonprofit sector. Stephani will address the various types of nonprofits, advantages of working in the nonprofit sector, how to tailor your resume while showcasing transferable skills for your next position, and how to best succeed in this candidate driven market. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend. We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs.

## Job Opportunity

Ss. Barbara and Louise de Marillac Parish has an immediate opening for a **receptionist**, on the south campus in Brookfield. **Bi-lingual (Spanish) a must for this position**. Please email your resume to the north campus rectory at [parishoffice@slmparish.org](mailto:parishoffice@slmparish.org) and request a job description regarding this full-time position.



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**Nature Therapy Walk** on Saturday, September 7 from 9:00 to 10:30 am with Facilitator, Kim Ruffin, Certified Nature & Forest Therapy Guide. Forest

Therapy puts people in direct contact with the therapeutic benefits of non-human nature through short distanced, easy-paced and sensory-focused walks. This unique wellness practice has growing scientific support for its positive impact on human health. Cost: \$20.

**God as Us—the Sacred Feminine and the Sacred Masculine** on Wednesdays, September 11, 18, 25; October 2, 9, 16, 23; November 13, 20 duplicate 90-minute sessions at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm with Facilitator, Shelby Boblick. Based on a DVD presentation by Richard Rohr, OFM and Cynthia Bourgeault, this program will help participants open their inner eyes and ears to insights on gender, spirituality and Divine awareness taught in the Christian Scriptures. Cost: \$15 per session.

**Introduction to the Enneagram** on Saturday, September 14 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm with Facilitator: Marci Madary, D. Min. The Enneagram describes nine different ways of thinking, feeling, behaving, and seeing the world. Combining psychology and spirituality, this personality system aids in one's search for self-awareness and self-acceptance, and can help improve relationships with family, friends and co-workers. Cost: \$40.

**Season of Creation Film Series: The Human Element** on Monday, September 16 from 1:00-7:00 pm. Environmental photographer James Balog uses his camera to reveal how climate change is affecting the lives of everyday Americans. A member of Citizens Climate lobby will facilitate discussion after both showings. Cost: Free will offering.

**Online Course: Integral Conscious Evolution: 10 Currents of Change** on September 16–November 18 with Facilitator, Patricia M. Bombard, BVM. Our personal and collective consciousness are affected in this 21<sup>st</sup> Century by positive currents of change. By naming these currents and consciously stepping into each one, we can more deeply claim the potential for our own growth, and decide to act differently: for the flourishing of ourselves, our relationships and the Community of Life of our precious planet. Cost: \$100.

**Helen Prejean – River of Fire: My Spiritual Journey** Talk/Book signing/Reception on Wednesday, October 30 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Sister Helen Prejean, CSJ returns to The Well to speak about her latest book and her own spiritual journey from near cluelessness to social activism. Known the world-over for her efforts to abolish the death penalty and her book *Dead Man Walking*, the spirit and joy of this remarkable woman is infectious. Cost: \$25, books will be available for purchase.

To register online and see a complete list of our new 2019 Programs, please go to [www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or call 708-482-5048. The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 West Ogden Avenue in LaGrange Park.

**Peace and Justice Meeting**



All Are Welcome!

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

7:00-8:30 pm

St. Francis Xavier Rectory Courtyard Room

Refreshments will be served.

To RSVP please contact: Mary Freeman at [mfreeman@sfxlg.org](mailto:mfreeman@sfxlg.org) or 708-352-0168.

The group meets the first Wednesday of each month to discuss and share information about Peace & Justice events in community and Chicagoland. Past Topics included: *Climate Change, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, Gun Violence, Incarcerated Youth, Immigrants and Refugees.*

*If you want peace, work for justice.*

Pope Paul VI

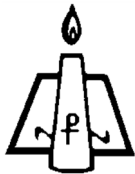


**Those who  
exalt  
themselves  
will be  
humbled  
and those who  
humble  
themselves  
will be  
exalted**

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## Baptisms

We celebrate and welcome the newest members of our faith family, who were baptized:



### ***Carmella Marie Conforti***

Daughter of Alex & Marie (Melendez) Conforti, III

### ***Rocco Carmine Conforti***

Son of Alex & Marie (Melendez) Conforti, III

### ***Amber Skye Gonzalez***

Daughter Alejandro Gonzalez & Michelle Lebron

### ***Camila Gutierrez***

Daughter of Orlando & Pauline (Alvarez) Gutierrez

### ***Benjamin R Mikuta***

Son of Nicholas & Gina (Mollo) Mikuta

### ***Penelope Grace Mullen***

Daughter of Daniel & Katharin (Kelliher) Mullen

### ***Theodore Steven Grunow-Garapolo***

Son of Robert & Katherine (Grunow) Garapolo

### ***Olivia Grace Hudgins***

Daughter of Ryan & Cristina (Davies) Hudgins

### ***Trip Simmons Jaworski***

Son of Jeffrey & Jessica (Simmons) Jaworski

### ***Riley James Lannon***

Son of Keegan & Catherine (Cannon) Lannon

### ***Dean Martin Minchella***

Son of Daniel & Heather (Walter) Minchella

### ***Benjamin Rusin***

Son of Chris & Kasia (Kobylarczyk) Rusin

### ***Mae Elizabeth Martin***

Daughter of Ryan & Molly (Fitzsimmons) Martin

### ***Thomas Joaquin Gamboa***

Son of Francisco & Kerry (O'Connor) Gamboa

## Welcome

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

Matthew & Mary Byrne  
Junichi & Regina Sato  
Louis & Sarah Ruszkowski  
Theodore & Alison Gemkow  
Ryan & Molly Mahoney  
David & Megan Flynn  
David & Katherine Smart  
Dennis & Katie Gallagher  
Roger & Eva Martinez  
Charles Lawler & Sarah Sipek  
John Altobelli & Jenny Rothas  
James Voy & Darragh McDermott  
Chris & Lauren Rabbitt  
Kevin & Shannon Rischow  
Edward Baker & Kristin Love  
Roxana Hernandez  
Philip & Jane Steger  
Mary Agnes Dwyer  
Ryan & Nellie Neary  
Debbie Drolenga  
Alison Healy



## Are You Registered As Parishioners? Do We Have A Record of Your Children?

We invite all to register as parishioners. If you are not receiving periodic mailings from the parish, you are not in our database. A registration form can be picked up at the back of the Church or printed out from our website, [www.sfx-lg.org](http://www.sfx-lg.org).

To help with our planning, we also ask that you let us know about your children, so that they can also be included in the database. Sometimes children are baptized elsewhere or families move into the parish after their children have been baptized. Consequently, we don't know about them until it is time to register for the Day School or for Religious Education. Again, the registration form available at the back of the Church or on the website can be used for this purpose.

Thank you for helping us keep our information as up-to-date as possible!



## Diversity Days in LaGrange 28th Annual Race Unity Rally

Sunday, September 8 at 3:00 pm  
Village of LaGrange, Village Hall Auditorium  
53 South LaGrange Road in LaGrange

Theme: League of Women Voters Addresses Diversity

Featuring:

- Audra Wilson, Executive Director, League of Women Voters of Illinois
- Village of LaGrange Unity Proclamation
- "Watch My Feet" Performers, The LeaderShop
- CDG Diversity Achievement Award:

Discussion of White Fragility by Robin Diangelo:

- \* Thursday, September 12, 7:00 pm  
LaGrange Library (downstairs)
- \* Wednesday, September 25, 7:30 pm  
Marian's Universalist Unitarian Church,  
17 West Maple Street, Hinsdale
- \* Thursday, September 26, 6:30 pm  
Western Springs Library

This was the summer reading project for several groups, including the "Uncomfortable Conversations" group started here in La Grange after showing *The Long Shadow* last January.

Please pass the word! Look forward to seeing many of you there!

Questions: Contact [beckylorentzen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:beckylorentzen@sbcglobal.net)  
Mary Klonowski, LWV of the LaGrange Area



## Season of Creation September 1~October 4

The Season of Creation is our special time for the Creator and each other.

From September 1 to October 4, Christians around the world celebrate the Season of Creation.

Some of us pray, some of us do hands-on projects, some of us advocate.

**We all protect creation. It's powerfully good work that's urgently needed.**

The momentum continues long after the season ends through ongoing prayer, changes in lifestyles and advocacy.

**During the Season of Creation,  
we live out our faith to care for creation.  
If you're new to this movement, welcome!  
If you've participated for years, welcome home.**

For more information: <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

## Catholic Women's Club

All women of the parish are members of the Catholic Women's Club. If you would like to get involved or if you would like to receive monthly newsletters about our upcoming events via email, please contact Tiziana Lambert at [tizianalambert@gmail.com](mailto:tizianalambert@gmail.com).

## SFX Men's Club

All men of the parish are welcome.  
For further information, please contact:

Matt Hubert at [mthubert@gmail.com](mailto:mthubert@gmail.com) or  
Joseph Enright at [joseph\\_owen@hotmail.com](mailto:joseph_owen@hotmail.com).

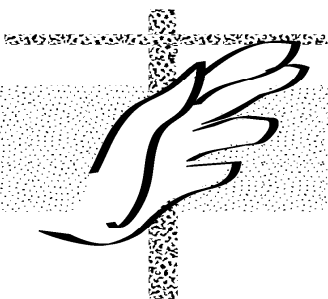
## Married in 1969? Join us to celebrate 50 years of marriage at the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass!

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 2:45 pm. The Mass will be held at St. John Brebeuf in Niles, Illinois.

To register online go to:  
[bit.ly/goldenweddingchicago](http://bit.ly/goldenweddingchicago).



**We hope to see you there!**



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of your people



## 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
- **Lt. Christopher Ocasio, U.S. Army**—friend of the Berger Family
- **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 Jack & 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**—grandson of Marian, nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas,  
and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia and granddaughter of Harold Held
- **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
- **Sgt. David T. Benson**—son of Linda & Charles Benson
- **Sgt. Matthew Alvis, U.S. Army**—cousin of the Tschaikovsky Family
- **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

**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

Pastor  
Deacon  
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Weekend Sacramental Minister

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Mr. Andrew Allison  
Rev. William Killeen  
Rev. Stan Ilo

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### Education Ministry

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Assistant Principal  
Assistant to Day School Principal  
Day School Secretary (Main Campus)  
Advancement Director  
Tuition Accounts  
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Religious Education Administrative Assistant  
Religious Education Office Staff

Mrs. Sharon Garcia  
Mrs. Janice Carr  
Mrs. Mary Hoffman  
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### Parish Office Staff

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Parish Secretary  
Staff Secretary  
Facilities Manager

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### Food Pantry/Community Outreach

Coordinator

Mrs. Mary Freeman

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### **Contact Information**

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School of Religious Education .....708-352-4555  
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Fax Number .....708-352-4904  
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Parish Web Site .....www.sfxlg.org

### **Rectory Summer Hours**

Monday-Thursday..... 8:30 am-7:30 pm  
Friday ..... 8:30 am-4:30 pm  
Saturday.....9:00 am-5:00 pm  
Sunday.....9:00 am-1:00 pm

### **Sabbath Liturgy**

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon and  
(6:00 pm September until first weekend of May)

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday morning.....After 9:00 am Mass  
Saturday afternoon.....4:15 pm  
The Reconciliation room is located off the walkway behind the  
tabernacle prayer area.

### **Liturgy Schedule**

Monday through Friday .....8:30 am  
Saturday .....9:00 am  
St. Cletus (Monday - Saturday).....8:00 am  
St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday).....9:00 am

### **Bulletin Deadline**

The deadline for submitting all bulletin articles is 9:00 am on the Monday preceding the Sunday of publication. If a holiday falls on a Monday, articles are due by 12:00 Noon on the previous Thursday. Please email all articles to the [bulletineditor@sfxlg.org](mailto:bulletineditor@sfxlg.org).

### **Domestic Violence Resources**

Family Shelter Services—24 hr. counseling 630-469-5650  
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.

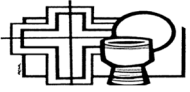
### **Marriage**

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, call our parish counselor, Patrice Nerone, 312-884-9879 at the Claret Center or email [patricenerone@protonmail.com](mailto:patricenerone@protonmail.com).





## Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—September 7-8, 2019

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Cantors	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	D. Veverka M. Bruni H. Fitzpatrick	M. Becker T. Conwell J. Denson S. Devitt D. Dunlap K. Kanzer M. Milligan D. Mulvenna K. Preussner	A. Edwards N. Edwards M. Kudlacz	C. Kline	M. Becker
7:30 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	G. Schuler G. Rutkowski T. Marthaler	S. Augustyn S. Hayes N. Kalkowski D. Challender T. Nichol	K. Adams B. Stetz M. Kanzer	J. Pfluger	C. Urbain
9:00 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	A. Stowe J. Spearman J. Stopka	R. Barker M. Branecki V. Bracht J. Cogelja A. Gargano L. Hill M. Hull L. Krepps E. Olsen	M. Merchant B. Griffin S. Parkes	A. Rago	J. Burson
10:30 AM	Fr. Stenzel	C. Dillon D. Andenbruck K. Justak	L. Egan N. Cummings M. P. Flaherty J. Garreau M. Joscelyn A. Krol S. Martin P. McGinnis J. Nowak	M. Kachmarik M. Mullen R. Nowak	L. DiGianfilippo	M. Joscelyn
12:00 PM	Fr. Stenzel	D. Lewis L. Freda C. Pietrzak	K. Borawski A. Chimento L. Donegan N. Dekoker B. Edelmann	K. Grubish T. Mulcahy E. Kostal	L. Hoigard	D. Foss
6:00 PM	Fr. Cyscon	Quest Teen	Quest Teens		Spirit Choir	

*Learn from the Lord  
who is meek and  
humble of heart*

### Readings For The Week of September 1, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/  
Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

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