

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

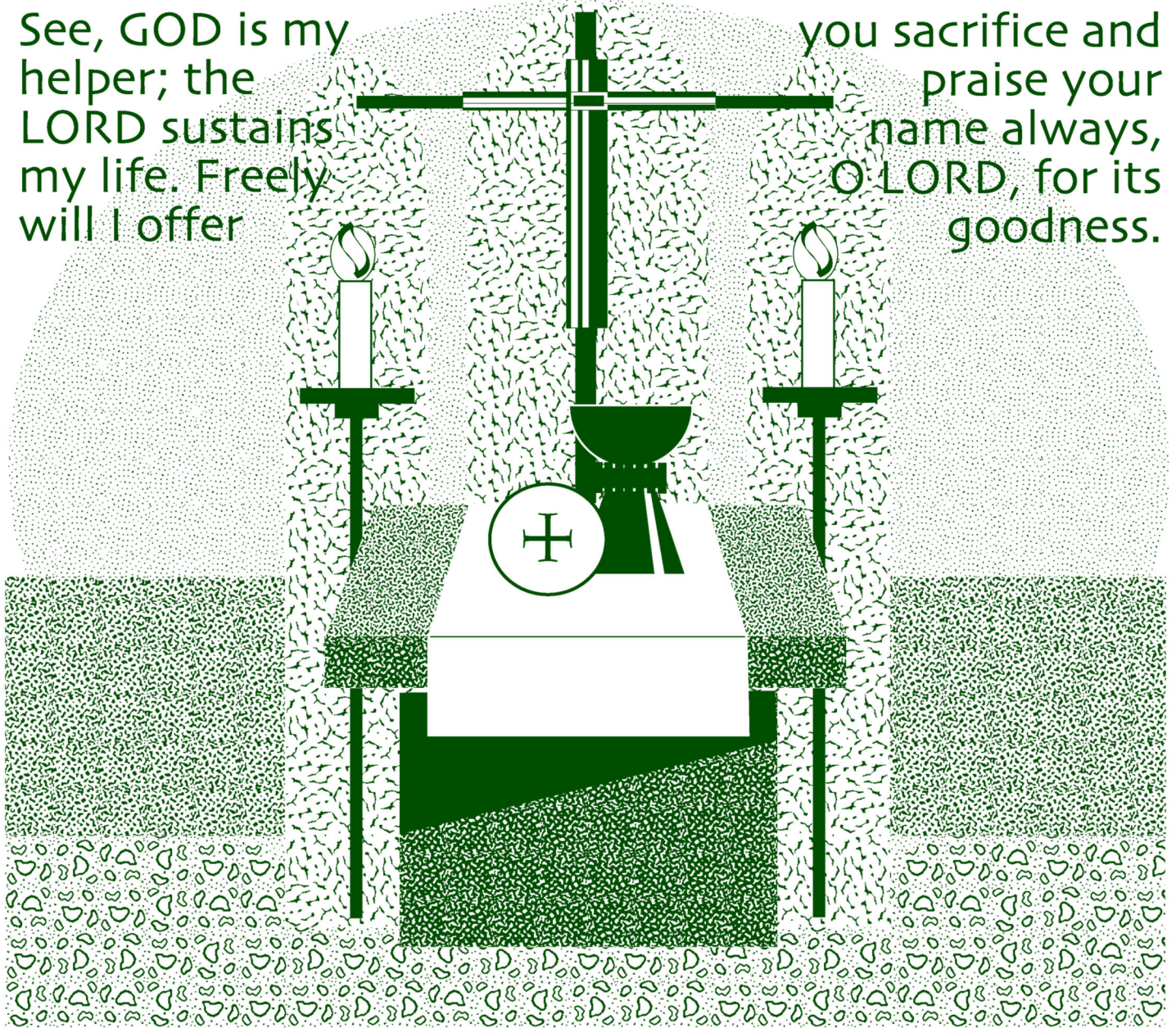
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2021



See, GOD is my
helper; the
LORD sustains
my life. Freely
will I offer

you sacrifice and
praise your
name always,
O LORD, for its
goodness.



Week at a Glance				
Intention				Requested By
Monday, September 20	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Graziano & Alzira Ganz Jack Kinahan Marian Hannigan Tyler Duelm	The Ganz Family Jim & Mary Donahue Scott & Jill Burson The Duelm Family
Tuesday, September 21	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Denise Walls Margaret Nichol	The Metzger Family Tom & Lucile Nichol
Wednesday, September 22	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Edward Hefler	The SFX Rectory Staff
Thursday, September 23	Rosary	8:15 am		
Friday, September 24	Morning Mass	8:30 am	Kevin Wright Martin & Hayes Families	The Wright Family The Martin Family
Saturday, September 25	Reconciliation Mass	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Michael Bannach	Lillian Bannach
Sunday, September 26 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	7:30 am	Joan Dunne	Dave Grimes
	Mass	9:00 am	Agnes Pouba	The Pouba Family
	Mass	11:00 am	Rose Vlcek Virgil & Phyllis Kuta	The Vlcek Family Mike & Rose Frontzak
	Mass	5:00 pm	Andy Harmon Chris Morkin Christina Smith Tim Foley	Katie Oplawski-Sedlacek The McKenna Family The Kostrewa Family The Filbin Family

Presider's Schedule for September 18-19, 2021~Mass Time									
5:00 pm	Fr. Barrett	7:30 am	Fr. Tkachuk	9:00 am	Fr. Milek	11:00 am	Fr. Tkachuk	5:00 pm	Fr. Ilo

Please pray for . . .

Nick Bowman	Mike Morrison
Jay Carroll	Bernice Niemiec
Chili Challender	Gert Ogilvie
Marek Chyczewski	Joan O'Halloran
John Cronin	Jane O'Reilly
Frank DiSilvio	Ryan Patyk
Blake Donegan	Donna Pekarek
Barbara Doyle	James Pridmore
Lily Fielding	Baby Lucia R.
Terry Gazdziak	Madison Raupp
Lilli Gregory	Marjorie Reimann
Wilson Gregory	Anna Rose
Linda Hoffman	Bill Sanders
Rose Ilo	Peter Sannasardo
Mary J.	Rita Scalcon
Jane Jacobsen	James Stapel
Theresa Kandall	Gavin Stella
Wayne Kardatzke	Marc Such
Mark Kiley	Sarah Such
Robert Kozak	Kate Frugoli Sullivan
Juliette Lopez	Thomas Trauscht
Lisa Massaro	Jodee Tuttle
Michael McLynn	Gregory Van Gorp
Ron Minella	Liz Wilk
Patrick Morgan	

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

Donald Cherco

Father of Syra Postelnick

Anthony Dziallo

Husband of Madeline and Father of Ross, Natalie & Lauren

Elizabeth Naughton

Mother of Tom, Michael and the late Barbara

Joseph Riden, Sr.

Father of Joseph Riden, Jr.

Keith Slingsby

Robert Sunyog

Husband of Diana and Father of Scott

Weddings

Lauren Ruzicka & Sean Frain
Becca Hamilton & Isaac Bustos
Magdalena Szakola & Willem de Koning
Sydney Schubert & Sam Gutilla

Readings For The Week of September 19, 2021

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Pastor's Notes

*Where do the conflicts among you come from?
The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace.*
James 4:1, 3:18

The apostle James answers his question before he asks it. So, I have cited the above scripture verses in reverse order. He identifies a range of human weaknesses that produce conflicts between individuals, groups, and nations. We tend to want what we want when we want it, without regard for the cost to others. We are like the little child in the grocery store who pleads for the bright candy wrapper without a sense of its nutritional value or the family budget. We become jealous of what someone else has, even if we had no desire to have it until we saw that another person did. We may expend great effort to obtain something, well beyond its value. We may even risk addiction to have something we think we will die without, without regard to the harm to ourselves and others.

Saint James teaches us that *we must be at peace* with ourselves, with others, with creation, and with God. This demands the deep faith that God has given us everything we need and more to live in peace in *this* moment. We may have experienced the peaceful feeling of being among those who are content with who they are and what they have, even though it is “below the standards” of their family or neighbors. We may have those moments when all is well in our world with no thought of what is “lacking.” As I head to my silent retreat in Colorado this Sunday afternoon, I seek to know gratitude for the graces in my life and a sense of how God wants me to use them. I will ask to be released from that which I think I need or want to have, so that I can experience the peace and gratitude of being with what is.

James challenges us to reflect on what our children and youth see and hear in us. As we heard from his letter last weekend, “Faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.” Does our relationship to the things of this world reflect gratitude for what we have received? Or do our words and actions express a discontent with

what is and an ongoing effort to acquire more? Do we seek lives rooted in peace with self, others, things, and God? Or have we been seduced by the desire for more and better so that our lives have become a constant competition with the world around us?

Last Sunday, a parishioner approached me with a solution to our air conditioning problem. Rather than graciously receiving her suggestion, I “needed to explain” that another expert already had diagnosed the problem. I “wanted to defend myself and prove” that I was doing my job. In the process, I brought anything but peace to either one of us. I soon regretted my words; but she already had left. Since I did not know her by name, I could only pray that God would restore the peace that I selfishly had taken from her that day.

Jesus challenges us to receive with love the child in our midst who has little to give but love. The laughter, bursts of sound, and unexpected actions of our youngest members, when they are among us for worship, are God’s gift to us. They bring a smile to my face and joy to my heart in their honest expression of where they are in the moment. If only we could learn to see one another in the same way. May we all learn the way to *the peace of this moment* and become instruments of God’s peace for others.

Peace,

J. Bill



His word is life

Weekend Mass Updates at St. Francis Xavier!

The CDC has revised its recommendations on wearing masks in indoor, public spaces, following evidence that the COVID delta strain can spread rapidly even among fully vaccinated individuals. The parish Leadership Reopening Team has determined how we will respond to provide the safest possible environment for all who worship at St. Francis Xavier.

The following **changes** to our Sunday Mass protocols are **now in effect**.

- ◆ **Masks are required for everyone** over age 2, regardless of vaccination status.
- ◆ **We invite everyone to sing with your mask in place!** Pick up a bulletin as you enter church for the words to the hymns. As you leave, place any bulletins you are not taking home in the recycle baskets at each door.
- ◆ Please wait for an usher to invite your pew to come forward for communion. With your mask in place, receive the host in your hand and move six feet to the side before removing your mask to consume the host.

The following protocols remain **unchanged**.

- ◆ **All church doors remain open** for all worshippers.
- ◆ **Unity Hall remains open to families with small children** to offer a remote viewing option on Saturdays at 5PM and Sundays at 9AM and 11AM. This is only for families with small children and no cold symptoms.
- ◆ Every other pew in the back of church and in the east transept is not available for seating. These areas provide social distance for parents with infants, those with immune issues, and those not yet comfortable being closer than six feet. All other pews are available for general seating.
- ◆ Please avoid physical contact with those not of your own household, especially during the **Sign of Peace**. A nod or a wave is always appropriate.

Thank you for your continued understanding and patience.

Fr. Bill

Annual Toys for Tyler

Toy Drive

Benefiting the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation
Sponsored by the SFX Catholic Women's Club

Bake Sale • Fire Truck visit from LGFD • Outdoor Movie under the stars!

SFX School Parking Lot

Thursday • September 23rd • 6PM

Please bring your own chairs, blankets, and an unwrapped toy to donate.



Please join keynote speaker Coach Lou Holtz
at this fun, one-of-a-kind event

Wednesday, October 27

United Club at Soldier Field

*benefiting the moms and babies of our community
served by Women's Care Center.*



1,893 babies

were born last year to our Chicago area
Women's Care Center moms.

Your support of this event helps young women from
our community choose life for their babies, have healthier
pregnancies, and become more self-sufficient parents.



For more information, please visit:

www.supportwomenscarecenter.org/youre-invited-to-something-special

Questions? Contact Charlie Williams by phone at (574) 387-1332 or email Charlie@supportwcc.org

Our Finances as of August 2021



Monthly Electronic Offerings (EFT and Credit Card)

August 2021 \$73,948

August 2020 \$69,006

Monthly Basket Offerings

August 2021 \$39,981

August 2020 \$41,267

God bless you for your generosity to the Parish's many ministries, including music, adult formation, outreach, our children's education, and more! Despite the many difficulties this past year and whatever may lie ahead, our parishioners continue to support SFX with their time in prayer, talents in our ministries, and their financial resources.

We are in the process of revising our school budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, which began July 1st. Until this has been finalized and reviewed by the School Advisory Board and the Finance Council this month, we will not be reporting actual collections versus budget.

Greeters Welcome

We are seeking parishioners who are willing and able to serve as ministers of hospitality (greeters) at the following parish celebrations.

- ◆ **Weekend Masses:** Greeters welcome people at each of the church entrances and answer any questions. They then join their families for the remainder of the Mass.
- ◆ **Baptisms:** Greeters welcome the family of the child being baptized, verify the information for the parish records, and assist in the seating process.
- ◆ **Weddings:** Greeters serve as part of our parish Wedding Ministry to welcome guests, answer questions, and assist the bride and groom and their parents with any special needs.
- ◆ **Funerals:** Greeters serve as part of the parish Bereavement Team. They welcome guests at the door, answer questions, and assist the family with any special needs.

If you are interested or would like to learn more about any of these ministries, please email Maureen Pipal at mpipal@sfxlg.org. Your gift of time and talent as one who offers hospitality is a relatively simple gift that can have a great effect on those who attend a service at St. Francis Xavier.

Tootsie Roll Drive



Knights in yellow vests (and facial masks) will be collecting cash donations of all sizes for our area's local intellectual-disabilities charities this weekend of September 17, 18, and 19. You'll see Knights volunteers at popular street intersections, storefronts, and the St. Francis Xavier Church entryways at the Masses that weekend. Of course, individually wrapped Tootsie Roll candy will be available for those donors who would like it, while the supplies last.



Bringing Communion To You

We are aware that there are many parishioners who are not homebound due to a physical limitation, but who are not yet comfortable returning to weekend Mass for a variety of reasons. We hope you have been able to view our weekly livestreamed Mass via the parish Facebook page or the parish website. In addition, several ministers of care are now available to bring the Eucharist to you at your home. Frequency and day of the week may depend on the number of requests we receive. Please call the parish office 708-352-0168. Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30, or Saturday morning, 9:00-Noon and we will forward the information to Scott McDonald, who coordinates our minister of care team.

We encourage all to follow SFX School on social media



SFX School Instagram: [SFXLG.ORG/SCHOOL](https://www.instagram.com/SFXLG.ORG/SCHOOL)

Facebook SFX School site: [facebook.com/SFX.LG](https://www.facebook.com/SFX.LG)

Facebook SFX Alumni site:
[facebook.com/SFXLALUMNI](https://www.facebook.com/SFXLALUMNI)

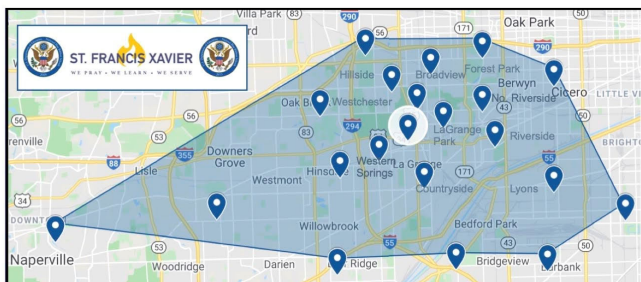
SFX School Website:
<https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/School>

SFX VIRTUAL SCHOOL TOUR

<https://vimeo.com/506617250>

See the latest happenings at the day school:

Spotlight on the St. Francis Xavier Parish School
Class of 2021 <https://vimeo.com/554327101>



LA GRANGE *and* BEYOND

Saint Francis Xavier School has students
from 20 different ZIP Codes.

Contact us today to learn more about what
Saint Francis Xavier School can offer your family!

[sfxlg.org/school](https://www.sfxlg.org/school)



The St. Francis Xavier Cub Scouting Pack is for kids in kindergarten through 5th grade. Cub Scouting is a valuable resource that can help families accomplish worthy goals, while building and strengthening relationships within the family. The Cub Scouts combine fun with educational activities and lifelong values. It also helps parents to help their children strengthen character, develop good citizenship, and enhance both mental and physical fitness.

The Scout program provides youth with positive peer groups and tools to shape their future. In Cub Scouting, kids learn values like honesty, bravery, and respect. This focus helps children make constructive decisions throughout their lifetimes and gives them the confidence they need to grow and develop.

According to a study conducted by Louis Harris & Associates, "Character may be defined as the 'willingness to do what is right regardless of circumstances.' Cub Scouting teaches kids what is right, in part by encouraging them to reflect on lessons learned through Cub Scout activities."

When Cub Scouts become 5th graders, they are eligible to join Scouts BSA. Scouts BSA is for youth ages 11 through 17.

Kids can join at any time of the year. For more information on joining Scouting, please reach Maria Onesto Moran at 708-557-5276 or email maria@ghexperts.com.



**The SFX Class of 1985
is planning an upcoming reunion.**

**Please contact
Mike Magluilo, '85 at
mikemagluilo@yahoo.com.**



**Songs for September 19, 2021
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Opening Hymn: "The Servant Song"

Will you let me be your ser-vant, Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to Let you be my ser-vant, too.

We are pil-grims on a jour-ney, We are trav-‘lers on the road;
We are here to help each oth-er Walk the mile and bear the load.

When we sing to God in heav-en We shall find such har-mon-ny,
Born of all we’ve known to-geth-er Of Christ’s love and ag-o-ny.

Will you let me be your ser-vant, Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to Let you be my ser-vant, too.

Responsorial Psalm 54: "The Lord Upholds My Life" (7:30/9:00)
Refrain: "The Lord upholds my life."

Psalm 54: "The Lord Upholds My Life" (5:00/11:00)
Refrain: "The Lord upholds my life. The Lord upholds my life."

Communion Hymn: "I Am the Bread of Life"

Refrain

And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hun-ger;
and who be-lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me un-less the Fa-ther beck-ons.

Refrain.

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread, you shall live for ev-er, you shall live for ev-er. **Refrain.**

Un-less you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood, you shall not have life with-in you. **Refrain.**

I am the Res-ur-rec-tion, I am the life. If you be-lieve in me, e-ven though you die,
you shall live for ev-er. **Refrain.**

Yes, Lord, I be-lieve that you are the Christ, the Son of God,
Who has come in-to the world. **Refrain.**



Recessional: "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" (7:30 & 9:00) *7:30 – vss. 1 & 4 only

Verse 1

Lord, whose love in hum-ble serv-ice Bore the weight of hu-man need,
who did on the Cross for-sak-en, Show us mer-cy's per-fect deed;
We, your ser-vants bring the wor-ship Not of voice a-lone, but heart:
Con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose Ev-'ry gift which you im-part.

Verse 2

Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; Still the hun-gry cry for bread;
Still the cap-tives long for free-dom; Still in grief we mourn our dead.
As, O Lord, your deep com-pas-sion Healed the sick and freed the soul,
Use the love your Spir-it kin-dles Still to save and make us whole.

Verse 3

As we wor-ship grant us vi-sion, Till your love's re-veal-ing light,
Till the height and depth and great-ness Dawns up-on our hu-man sight:
Mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens Your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
Stir-ing us to faith-ful ser-vice, You're a-bun-dant life to share.

Verse 4

Called from wor-ship in-to serv-ice Forth in your great name we go,
To the child, the youth, the a-ged, Love in liv-ing deeds to show;
Hope and health, good-will and com-fort, Coun-sel, aid, and peace we give
That your chil-dren, Lord, in the free-dom, May your mer-cy know and live.

Recessional: "Lead Me, Guide Me" (5:00/11:00)

Refrain.

**Lead me, guide me, a-long the way, For if you lead me, I can-not stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.**

I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r to help me o-ver my weak-est hour.
Help me through the dark-ness they face to see, Lead me, oh Lord, lead me. **Refrain.**

Help me tread in the paths of right-eous-ness, Be my aid when Sa-tan and sin op-press,
Lord, just al-ways let me thy ser-vant be. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me. **Refrain.**

I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind with-out thy Light to see, Lord,
just al-ways let me thy ser-vant be. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me. **Refrain.**

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"The Servant Song" – Richard Gillard

"Psalm 54: The Lord Upholds My Life" – Michael Guimont

"Psalm 54: The Lord Upholds My Life" – Jackie Francois **Spirit & Psalm*

"I Am the Bread of Life" – Text: Suzanne Toolan/Tune: BREAD OF LIFE

"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" – Text: Albert F. Bayly/Tune: IN BABILONE

"Lead Me, Guide Me" – Doris M. Akers



Parish Counselor through Claret Center's Counseling Program

My name is Georgina Lopez, and as your new Parish Counselor Intern through the Claret Center. I look forward to assisting the mental well-being of St. Francis Xavier parishioners. I am pursuing my Master's Degree in Clinical Psychology, Counseling Practice at Roosevelt University. I have obtained clinical, volunteer, and work-related experiences that have prepared me to work with a diverse population. I have had the opportunity to volunteer in different parishes and work with adolescents, adults, and youth groups as well. I have gained some experience from prior internships working with individuals with symptoms of Anxiety Disorders, Depression and Substance Abuse. My approach to counseling is to meet the person where they are at and using the approach tailored to their particular issues. I believe that we can cope with what life brings to us and, most importantly, continue to grow from each circumstance and shift to a more fulfilling life. I look forward to accompanying you on your journey. I am bilingual in English and Spanish. I can be reached at 323-487-2359 or glopez.claret@gmail.com

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SFX Family Outreach Ministry

The SFX Family Outreach Ministry Committee is looking for new families to join us in planning volunteer opportunities in and around our community. The Family Ministry Committee gives families a chance to have fun and work together while serving others in need. Please consider joining us and help us make a difference! Interested? Email Ana Dimailig at apd3@core.com or Rachel Peterson at petersonrtw@sbcglobal.net.



Volunteers Needed

Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to help in the food pantry at 1400 South Austin Boulevard in Cicero. Staff, volunteers and clients are screened for COVID and wear masks.

Food Pantry Days:

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays

Food Pantry Delivery Days:

Every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month

Contact:

candrade@catholiccharities.net
708-329-4023

LIFE TEEN SUMMER CAMP 2022



"Life Teen Summer Camps (www.lifeteen.com/camps) are ready to welcome you home for the best summer imaginable. We've crafted an exhilarating, uplifting and powerful week of activities that are designed to help lead teens closer to Christ, and closer to their parish group."

Zip lines, Mass, whitewater rafting, adoration, team-building exercises, Reconciliation, crafts and sports, praise and worship.

At Life Teen camp you can experience the joy of a life that integrates faith, adventure, and creativity in Christ!

Please contact Maggie McMahon at mmcmahon@sfxlg.org if interested. We need a solid count of teen attendees by the end of SEPTEMBER!

You are invited to our 19th Annual Fall Benefit
We're on the Road Again!



Music by
RGML
ENTERTAINMENT

Friday, October 1, 6:00 pm | \$75 Per Person

Carriage Greens Country Club

8700 Carriage Green Drive, Darien, IL 60561

Includes: Heavy Appetizers, Beer And Wine, Cash Bar for Liquor, Silent Auction, Paddle Raise, and Wine Pull



Scan me
to buy tickets!

In order to keep everyone safe, please join us only if you have received a full COVID-19 vaccine.
If you feel sick on our benefit day, please stay home and take care. We understand.

RSVP by September 24

online: <https://rotf.lol/ICPwearontheroadagain2021>

email: interfaithcommunitypartners@gmail.com

phone: (708) 354-9328

All proceeds benefit Interfaith Community Partners



Knights of Columbus FOOD FOR FAMILIES VOLUNTEERS

Will you and your youth be doing community service this Fall? Volunteers are needed for the KofC **Food for Families** Fall Drive in October. Please join the Knights in helping families & seniors struggling to make ends meet. Your support makes an immediate impact to replace hunger with food on the table!

- Donations benefit St Francis Xavier Food Pantry and Chicago Food Depository.
- Attach paper flyers to doorknobs of local homes as previous food drives.
- Volunteers choose their own day and time in the month of October.
- Flyers and rubber bands are provided by the Knights of Columbus.
- Volunteers choose any available street in LaGrange or Lagrange Park.



This good cause, twice each year in April and October, is a partnership of the KofC, SFX Food Pantry, Chicago Food Depository, and LaGrange and Lagrange Park friends and neighbors like you.

To volunteer or for more information, text or email Mike Hattie at 708-207-2780 or council6483@gmail.com.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Please register/find out about more programs at The Well Spirituality Center online: www.csithewell.org or call 708-482-5048. All programs are on Zoom during this time of COVID-19.

**Bridging the Divides, Tending the Gap Conference, on ZOOM
September 24 from 12:00-7:30pm, and September 25 from 8:30 am-5:00 pm**

The Congregation of St. Joseph and its Spirituality Centers (including The Well), in partnership with the Fetzer Institute, is sponsoring a national, virtual conference that will bring together people of diverse faiths, cultures, ages, and spiritualities who are longing to interact respectfully with people with whom we disagree, and to heal divisions within our fractured world. The captivating lineup of speakers includes Helen Prejean, CSJ (death penalty activist), Dr. Vernice Solimar (Spiral Dynamics teacher), Diane Benscoter (deprogrammer and former cult member, appeared Aug. 29 on *60 Minutes*), Maka Akan Najin Black Elk (descendant of boarding school survivors), Dr. Arlie Hochschild (author, *Strangers in Their Own Land*), and Dr. Katharine Hayhoe (atmospheric scientist). Participants can choose from 32 inspiring breakout sessions. Find out more, and register here: <http://bidpal.net/bridgingdivides>.

CROP HUNGER WALK

SAVE THE DATE!

October 17, 2021

12:30 pm

St. John's Lutheran Church

(Corner of 47th Street & Brainard Avenue)

Details to Follow.

**This has been a fun service tradition
for QUEST groups!**



ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



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

- **Sgt. David Phillips**—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- **Commander Robert O'Donnell**—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- **Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT**—son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- **Technical Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF**—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- **Lt. Commander Jonathan Devitt Brown, U.S. Navy**—nephew of the Devitt Family
- **LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC**—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- **Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC**—son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- **Staff Sgt. Nolan Kemna, USMC**—nephew of John & Linda Hill
- **Phil Lukanich, U.S. Navy & Lt. M. Ryan Lukanich, U.S. Army**—husband and brother-in-law of Joanna and sons of Mark & Martie Lukanich
- **Staff Sgt. Scott Blunk**—husband of Brianne and son-in-law of Maureen Becker
- **Lt. Daniel McGue**—grandson of Sue Ryan
- **Lt. Col. Jeremy Hutchins, USAF**—brother-in-law of Valerie & Michael Schierl
- **Commander Brian Riegler, U.S. Navy**—husband of Elizabeth and father of Kaylee, Mackenzie, Grace & Liam
- **Capt. Colt Marcyan, USMC**—nephew of Noel Cusack
- **Capt. Trent McMullen, USAF**—son-in-law of Tom & Maureen Hunt
- **Private Jerry Delgado, U.S. Army**—friend of Liz Wilk
- **Spec Timothy Lucas U.S. Army**—nephew of Rosemary and Sr. Kathleen Lucas, and Kate & Beau Medlock
- **Deanna Ciaccia, U.S. Navy**—daughter of Julie & Anthony Ciaccia
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Dominic James Greco, U.S. Navy**—nephew of Rita Pantoni
- **Robert Weiler, U.S. Navy**—brother of Rebecca Dionisio
- **Major Meghan Cumpston, U.S. Army**—cousin of Lauren Schultz
- **Airman Jeffrey Niemiec, USAF**—nephew of Nancy & Harry Devereux
- **PFC Rob Parisi, U.S. Army 19K**—son of Chuck Parisi, Brother of Caitlin & Jack and Grandson of Robert J. Lynch
- **Lt. Brendan Short, U.S. Army Airborne**—nephew of Don & Rita Baumgart
- **1st Lieutenant Mitchell Ciszewski, USMC**—son of Bob & Pat Ciszewski
- **1st Lieutenant Michael Sullivan, U.S. Army**—son of Gene & Mary Pat Sullivan
- **Col. Jessica Nichol, USAF**—daughter-in-law of Tom & Lucile Nichol
- **Capt. Shelby Foster, USAF**—son-in-law of John & Mary House

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

St. Francis Xavier Personnel

Pastoral Ministry

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

Rev. William Tkachuk
Rev. Richard Milek
Mr. Andrew Allison
Mr. Phil Gianatasio
Mrs. Margaret McMahon
Mrs. Mary Freeman
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Rectory Hours

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

At this time due to COVID-19 the rectory offices are closed. Staff members will now be answering phones Monday through Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and on Saturdays from 9:00 am-12:00 Noon. The answering service will answer calls after that time.

Weekday Masses at St. Francis Xavier Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 am

Rosary at St. Francis Xavier Church

Thursday 8:15 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday morning9:00-10:00 am
Reconciliations are being heard in the lower vestibule of Unity Hall between the church and education building.

Private Prayer at Neighboring Churches

St. Cletus (Monday - Friday)9:00 am-Noon
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays at St. Cletus
St. John of the Cross (Monday - Saturday)8:00 -10:00 am

Bulletin Deadline

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

Domestic Violence Resources

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

The St. Francis Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:30 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 to schedule your child's baptism or email Missy Westerhoff at sfxinlg@sfxlg.org to schedule a date.

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

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

(Video format: <https://youtu.be/Fisg-SrOcVM>)

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, Lolan Adan, from the Claret Center who can be reached by phone 442-264-7589 or email lolanadan@gmail.com.

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