

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH  
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 30, 2018



GOD'S



WORD

The law of the LORD refreshes the soul

## Mass Intentions For The Week

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| Monday, October 1<br>Saint Therese of the Child Jesus,<br>Virgin and Doctor of the Church | 7:45 am<br>9:00 am                                    | Mercedes McDonnell<br>George Scanlon   | The McDonnell Family<br>Anne Scanlon                            |
| Tuesday, October 2<br>The Holy Guardian Angels  | 7:45 am<br>9:00 am                                    | Mary Ellen Shannon<br>Francis Nelligan<br>Fr. Jim O'Connor   | The McManaman Family<br>Joe & Bea Nelligan<br>The Grimes Family |
| Wednesday, October 3  | 7:45 am<br>9:00 am                                    | Victoria Fahey<br>Antonio & Teresa Franzese  | The Worth Shore University Health<br>Systems Colleagues         |
| Thursday, October 4<br>Saint Francis of Assisi  | 7:45 am<br>9:00 am                                    | Word & Communion Service<br>The Elwood Family  | Mary Tio  |
| Friday, October 5<br>Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos,<br>Priest                             | 7:45 am<br>9:00 am                                    | Mercedes McDonnell<br>Jacob Silver<br>Word & Communion Service   | The McDonnell Family<br>The Dunne Family                        |
| Saturday, October 6<br>Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed<br>Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin        | 9:00 am<br>9:30 am<br>3:00 pm<br>4:15 pm<br>5:00 pm   | Robert Leahy<br>Sacrament of Reconciliation<br>Wedding~Jenny Harper & Michael Brems<br>Sacrament of Reconciliation<br>People of the Parish | The Leahy Family  |
| Sunday, October 7   | 7:30 am<br>9:00 am<br>10:30 am<br>12:00 pm<br>6:00 pm | People of the Parish<br>Paul Cozzi<br>Peggy Boyle<br>Gordon Owen<br>People of the Parish   | Jean Wynn<br>Paul & Katie Filbin<br>Bob & Jennifer Driscoll     |

## Please Pray For...

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Whitney Austin           | Benny Kilman          |
| Keeley Barr              | Jerry Kolman          |
| Linda Bienik             | Virginia Kottaridis   |
| Jim Boardman             | Edward Kudia          |
| Linda Carpinella         | Roy Leslie            |
| Jay Carroll              | Emmett Miller         |
| Tom Challos              | Patrick Morgan        |
| Louis Darovic            | Mike Morrison         |
| Anthony Dina             | Amanda O'Brien        |
| Gregory Dold             | Jane O'Reilly         |
| Blake Donegan            | Ryan Patyk            |
| Fr. Dave Dowdle          | Donna Pekarek         |
| Pat Eaton                | Carissa Pessetti      |
| William Egbert           | James Pridmore        |
| Bill Elliott             | Baby Madison Raupp    |
| Sharon Elliott           | Anna Rose             |
| John Fennell             | Marilyn Rutkowski     |
| Mike Fennell             | Anthony Scafide       |
| Lily Fielding            | Matthew Schiek        |
| Baby Collins Fitzpatrick | Mary Sherman          |
| Palma Frustaci           | Greyson Stanley       |
| Lilli Gregory            | Sarah Stanley         |
| Wilson Gregory           | Kate Frugoli Sullivan |
| Patricia Hassler         | Jerry Tazic           |
| Loretta Haxel            | Marty Thuerk          |
| Linda Hillsman           | Anne Titzer           |
| Rose Ilo                 | Michael Ungari        |
| Jane Jacobson            | Amanda Valerugo       |
| Mike Kelly               | Gregory Van Gorp      |

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:

**Lu Stewart**  
Sister of Lynn Regan

**Ronald Zydel**  
Brother of Letitia Challos

**Margaret Sims**  
Mother of Ian

**Thomas Maine**  
Husband of Lodovica and  
Father of Megan, Brian & Michael

**Anne Saye**  
Mother of Jean & Maggie

**Lillian Cunningham**  
Mother of Nancy, Tom, Mark & John

## Weddings



Jenny Harper & Michael Brems  
Olga Kusmierczyk & Jarryd Steimer  
Grace Lilek & Alex David  
Cindy Lambros & Tom Maloney  
Kristin Cullinan & Dan Bink

## Pastor's Notes

*"Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!"*  
Numbers 11:29

Young Joshua is upset that two elders who "missed the meeting" nonetheless are prophesying. Moses challenges him to rejoice when God's Spirit comes alive in others rather than to limit the Spirit to set rituals or select individuals. God's Spirit seeks to live in all who will open their hearts and minds to let God speak through their words and actions. Imagine what our Sunday gatherings could be like if we each bring the Spirit of the Lord into our worship. Imagine how our places of work, study, play, and daily living might be transformed if we carry the Spirit from here into our words, attitudes, and actions in each moment.

This weekend we welcome into our prayer two voices of justice that confront our community and our nation. Simbul Siddiqui is a medical student in the MD-MPH program at Loyola University. She also is a DACA recipient, having been brought to this country as a child without the documentation that would allow her to become a citizen of the only country she has known. Simbul is sharing her story at the 9:00 and 10:30 Masses as part of a Chicago-area program in which Catholic and Jewish congregations are welcoming DACA recipients to provide a face and a voice to an issue that our country has yet to resolve. These young men and women *do not* advocate for a specific political solution. Rather, they have been invited to open our minds and hearts to the people behind the numbers. How might we encourage our elected leaders to find common ground to resolve the status of young people who hope and dream to share their

talents with the country with which they identify and seek to serve?

October is a month in which we are called to deepen our awareness of several justice issues, including the *sanctity of human life* from conception to natural death and *providing access* to places of worship for all who live with physical or other disabilities. October also is a month to raise our awareness of *domestic violence and abuse* and to learn how to recognize and respond to situations of domestic violence in our families and neighborhoods. At each Mass this weekend, we welcome a member of our Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry to stir our engagement in an issue that affects 1 in 4 women in our society and many children and men. This is the sixth year for this ministry that serves in collaboration with St. Cletus and St. John of the Cross parishes.

***How might your voice make a difference?*** Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Let us allow the Spirit to be *a voice in the world through us*.

A word of thanks to the women and men who provided two great opportunities to practice stewardship of time through gathering with parishioners at the recent Golf Outing and this weekend's Oktoberfest. Consider participating in this fall's remaining opportunities at the Parish Theater Night, the Men's Club Pig Roast, and the Falcon 5K!

*Peace,*

*J. Bill*

## Scripture Reflection

In the early years of the Christianity, from around 40 – 313 CE, leaders were chosen based upon the gifts they possessed. Men and women were invited to be teachers, preachers/story tellers, deacons or deaconesses, and presiders at Eucharistic meals based upon their faith, wisdom, and other gifts. Over the years, the Church made huge gains based upon family members, friends, teachers, leaders and mentors helping individuals recognize and develop their gifts for ministry. It had to do with lifting people up, and supporting them in freely sharing their gifts. Consider your own situation. What are your gifts, and how – and by whom - have you been invited to share them?

Today's gospel asks: "Who has a right to minister in Jesus' name?" His response: Anyone who can! It seems as though Jesus is far less interested in who receives the credit, than the action of carrying out great work. The goal has always been building the Kingdom of God.

Throughout the upcoming weeks, we will be invited to help build the Kingdom of God through the sharing of time, talent, and treasure here at St. Francis Xavier Church. May we all be about lifting one another up, and encouraging each other to freely share our gifts.

*Kate DeVries*



## Seminary Collection

This weekend, we celebrate Seminary Sunday in the parishes of the Archdiocese of Chicago. On this occasion, we honor the ministry of the many priests who serve you faithfully each day, as well as those who are preparing to serve you with that same charity in the future.

## Altar Committee Needs Help

SFX has been served for many years by a group of women behind the scenes. They wash and iron the many purificators used to wipe clean the chalices for Holy Communion. They keep things neat in the sacristies and clean and dust the altar spaces. We presently have teams working on a rotational basis, one Friday a month following the 9:00 am Prayer Service. If interested, please call and leave your name and phone number for Lorraine Ovnik at 708-246-6062, a member of the Altar Committee for more information. Men and women can participate and you do not need to be "long retired."

## We Need Your Help Bereavement Ministry

The church as always made the care of the grieving a priority in her ministry.

Our ministers of consolation, called by the healing ministry of Jesus, serve the families who have experienced the death of a loved one.

Classes will be held in Unity Hall starting in October. Please listen to your heart. Contact Donna Mulvenna at 708-352-1825. Thank you!

## Welcome Committee

A Welcome Committee is being formed to connect with new parishioners and introduce them to opportunities share their gifts here at SFX.

If you are interested in learning more about this new outreach, please contact Alex David at: alex.p.david91@gmail.com.

## St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry

The St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry Group is excited to share the following service opportunities for the 2018/2019 school year! SFX families are invited to participate in these service events. The idea behind the Family Ministry is to give families a chance to have fun and work together while serving others in need. Please help us make a difference.

### October

Join us on October 7 from 2:00-3:00 pm, we will be sponsoring a senior event. We will be spending time with seniors and celebrating Halloween at Meadowbrook Manor in LaGrange. Please have the kids dressed in costume and we can play bingo with the seniors. If you are interested, please contact Ana Dimailig at apd3@core.com.

### December

Please join us on Saturday, December 29 for our end-of-year service event at Feed My Starving Children in Aurora. We have 40 spots reserved at FMSC from 11:30 am-1:30 pm. FMSC is a non-profit Christian organization committed to feeding God's children. The group hand-packs food for children around the world. If interested in joining us, please contact Rachel Peterson at petersonrtw@sbcglobal.net to register.

### February

On Saturday, February 23, SFX is encouraging families with teenagers to join us as we volunteer with the Saturday Meals Program at First Congressional Church of LaGrange, located at 100 6th Avenue. We will be preparing and serving breakfast and lunch to as many as forty people. Our volunteers will be preparing and serving hot foods to guests in a buffet line, run the dishwasher, and wipe down tables and chairs following the meal. Volunteers must be at least 13 years old and accompanied by an adult. We also ask that all volunteers donate \$5 per person to help cover the cost of food, which we supply.

There are two options to volunteer at this event: The Breakfast shift runs from 7:00-10:00 am. There are six volunteer spots for the Breakfast session. Lunch shift runs from 10:30 am-1:00 pm. There are twelve volunteer spots for the Lunch session.

Please contact Rachel Peterson at petersonrtw@sbcglobal.net if you are interested in the Breakfast session and Rebecca Daly at rebeccadaly@rebkdaly.com for the Lunch session.

### April

We are partnering with the Salt Creek Watershed Network to clean up garbage at Salt Creek Forest Preserve in April. All supplies will be provided. Please join us and contact Elizabeth at elizabeth.fanta@yahoo.com, if you are interested. More details to follow.

### October through May

Every Monday evening October 2018 through May 2019, two SFX Family Ministry volunteers provide dessert for BEDS Plus clients. Families drop off homemade or store bought baked goods at Joyce Hall by 7:00 pm. Please email Theresa Sullivan at thsully28@yahoo.com to sign up.

## ***WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?***

**Our willingness to...**

**Acknowledge the blessings we have in our lives**

**Reflect how we can continue to use our time, talents, and treasure**

**Act as Jesus' hands and feet in the world**



Stewardship is acknowledging a life of abundance, whether you have lots of time and money or not! And really, how often do we run into a friend or family member that says, “Geez, I have so much time and money on my hands!” Right? Stewardship is realizing you are blessed in so many ways, and because of those blessings you are called to act generously and share. How can we live a stewardship way of life, a generous life, if we see our life through the lens of scarcity? How would your life look differently if we changed the view?

It is easy to sit here and write, “Be generous! Re-prioritize time to serve!” Do this, do that! I understand that lifestyle and culture changes take time. But here are just a few thoughts:

- Instead of thinking “no time,” think about swapping “phone time” with prayer time. Each time you reach for that phone (often, when we are bored!) pray instead.
- Instead of thinking “no time for Mass- kids have plans!” just say “no.” Make Sunday Mass the priority, one Sunday at a time.
- Instead of thinking “no money, can’t contribute,” start with loose change. Grab a piggy bank and start the loose change collection as a family, it is almost like a savings account for generosity!

It is easy to blame our absence or lack of charity on scarcity. But, I encourage you to explore abundance. Start small: you are here, present with us in prayer. For many around the world, *this* is a gift!

- *Katie Price*  
Parish Stewardship Coordinator  
Archdiocese of Chicago.

**BUILDING COMMUNITY AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER**

## Next Retired Men's Meeting

Thom Serafin

*Elections 2018 and 2019*

Wednesday, October 17 at 10:30 am

Meeting in Unity Hall

Lunch to follow

Please RSVP to the Rectory at 708-352-0168

by Noon on Monday, October 15.



## Come join us for Eucharistic Adoration! October 18, 2018 at 6:00-7:00pm

### WHAT:

During Adoration, sometimes referred to as a Holy Hour (but can be of any duration), the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar for individual, silent Adoration. As Catholics, we proclaim the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, not only during the Mass but in the preserved Hosts. As St. John Paul II taught: "The Eucharist, in the Mass and outside of the Mass, is the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, and is therefore deserving of the worship that is given to the living God, and to Him alone."

Religious orders and the clergy have participated in Eucharistic Adoration for centuries and have encouraged the laity to do the same.

Each pope since Vatican II has implored the laity to increase devotion to the Blessed Sacrament during Adoration.

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta called Eucharistic Adoration "the best time you'll spend on earth."

### HOW:

Adorers are invited to pray a rosary or other devotions, meditate on Scripture or meditate on devotional books. Adorers may also choose to just simply sit and 'be' with Jesus.

### WHEN:

Beginning on **October 18, 2018**, SFX will be exposing the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration *every* 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month in the Church from 6:00-7:00 pm.

Please come for the entire hour or for as long as your schedule allows. Look for more information in the coming weeks. If you have any questions, please contact Katie Kanzer at [k.f.kanzer@gmail.com](mailto:k.f.kanzer@gmail.com) or Jen Jagodzinski at [jenjag12@yahoo.com](mailto:jenjag12@yahoo.com).

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacles  
expressly for you, for you alone?

He burns with desire to come into your heart."

St. Therese of Lisieux



## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

DINNER AT 7:00 PM

**\$100 PER PERSON**

Cost for Senior members is a donation to the Men's Club. See below for details.\*



 **Price Includes:**

Full BBQ Spread by Professional Pitmasters

Open Bar \* Beer \* Wine \* Soda \* Mixers

Bring your favorite spirit in a bottle!



Register at <http://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/ART/59a5c33c2d5cd>

\*All male parishioners age 70 and over contact Matt Hubert directly at [mthubert@gmail.com](mailto:mthubert@gmail.com) or 773-619-0554

SFX Men's Club Annual Pig Roast on Friday, October 19 in Joyce Hall  
[sfxpigroast.com](http://sfxpigroast.com)

Featuring Guest Speakers:  
Carmen DeFalco from ESPN Radio along with  
Tom Thayer of the Super Bowl Champion '85 Bears  
plus his broadcast partner and the  
star of last year's Pig Roast, Jeff Joniak.

Doors for Joyce Hall will open at 6PM and  
dinner will be served beginning at 7PM

Price includes: Full BBQ Spread by  
Professional Pitmasters, Beer/Wine/Soda

Bring your favorite bottle of booze

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

Register at <http://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/ART/59a5c33c2d5cd>

BUILDING COMMUNITY AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER



## YOU ARE INVITED



**An exclusive night at the theatre for  
SFX parishioners and their guests!**

### **DEATHTRAP**

starring SFX Parishioner, Tim Gannon

Wednesday, October 24

VIP Reception: 6:45-7:45 pm

Refreshments also at Intermission

Show begins at 8:00 pm; Ends at 9:40 pm

Cost: \$40/person

Join us on Wednesday, October 24 for when the internationally-recognized Theatre of Western Springs presents Ira Levin's "Deathtrap," the 1978 hit that was nominated for four Tony Awards, including Best Play. Deathtrap holds the record for the longest-running, comedy-thriller on Broadway, and critics call it "a rare thriller that delivers both laughs and unexpected twists."

Now SFX parishioners and their friends can thrill to the plot twists and turns of this memorable performance that includes a VIP reception before the show and features beer, wine, soft drinks and delicious bites from notable restaurants. Open seating. Tickets are available for purchase on our website at [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org) or by contacting the rectory, 708-352-0168. All proceeds from this delightful evening will benefit SFX Parish.

Join us  
for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual

### **Sign up today for the St. Francis Falcon 5K!**

<https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/LaGrangePark/StFrancisFalcon5KRunWalk>



**Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Kids' Fun Run (~0.5 mile), Junior Falcon 100 yd. Dash, 3.1 mile Run/Walk**

Be a part of the fun, start training today

Strollers, walkers, non-SFX parishioners, and all ages welcome!

- USATF certified\*, chip timed, flat, tree lined La Grange Park neighborhood course
- 5K and Kids Fun Run participants receive a technical t-shirt. Under 19 discount
- Indoor post-race celebration with Flash Magnets & fabulous treats from local vendors!

*Want to volunteer? Questions? Please contact Meghan Fijal at [Falcon5KSFX@gmail.com](mailto:Falcon5KSFX@gmail.com)*

\*IL 17026WR Race benefits St. Francis Xavier School, a not-for-profit organization.

**BUILDING COMMUNITY AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER**

# Community Rosary

All are Welcome!

*Mary identifies herself as  
Our Lady of the Rosary  
and told the children at Fatima  
to pray the rosary daily  
for peace – a message  
that was meant for  
every single person.*

**October 12, 2018**

**8:20 am**

**School parking lot**

(rain location: School Gym)





# Prayers of the Rosary

## Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

## Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

## Glory be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.

## Hail, Holy Queen

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope, to thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears; turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

## Closing Prayers

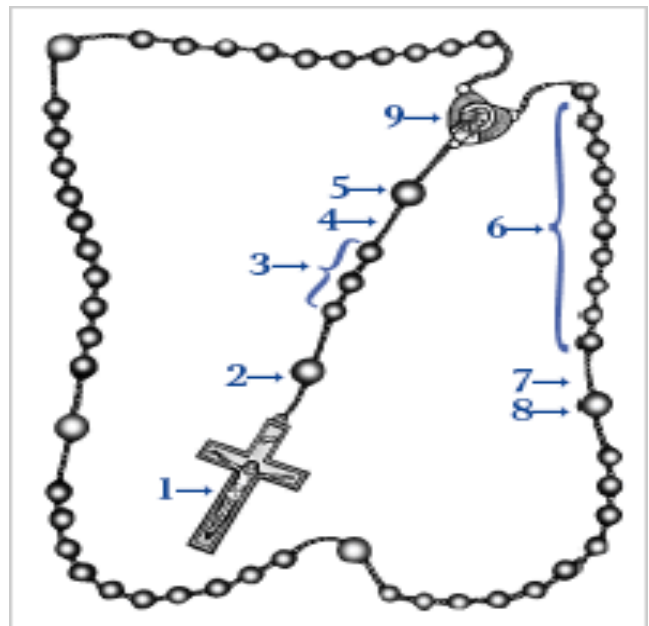
Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

O God, whose only-begotten Son by His life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech Thee, that by meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

# How to Pray the Rosary

1. *Make the Sign of the Cross and say the Apostles Creed.*
2. *Say the Our Father.*
3. *Say three Hail Mary's.*
4. *Say the Glory be to the Father.*
5. *Announce the First Mystery;* then say the *Our Father.*
6. *Say ten Hail Mary's,* while meditating on the Mystery.
7. *Say the Glory be to the Father.*
8. *Say the Fatima Prayer* after each decade.
9. *Announce the Second Mystery:* then say the *Our Father.* Repeat 6-8 and continue with the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Mysteries in the same manner.
10. *Say the Hail, Holy Queen and Closing Prayers* on the medal after the five decades are completed.

As a general rule, Joyful Mysteries are said on Monday & Saturday; Sorrowful Mysteries on Tuesday & Friday; Glorious Mysteries on Wednesday & Sunday; and Luminous Mysteries on Thursday.



## Box Tops For Education Collection



Please help in earning cash for our school. We would like your help in collecting Box Tops For Education. There will be a drop box located at the back of church in the vestibule. Please place Box Tops that you have collected inside.

Thank you for your help!

## Attention Alumni from the SFX Class of 1964!

Your classmates are gathering for a tour of the school on Saturday morning, October 13th and would like to connect with you! If you are a member of the SFX Class of 1964, please contact Mary Tassi, Advancement Director at [mtassi@sfxlj.org](mailto:mtassi@sfxlj.org) or 708-352-2175 x331.

## Religious Education Important Dates & Class Dates

### Pizza Fundraiser

Starts on September 30-October 23



### Class Schedule

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Sunday, September 30    | Class          |
| Pizza Fundraiser Begins |                |
| Wednesday, October 3    | Class          |
| Pizza Fundraiser Begins |                |
| Sunday, October 7       | No Class       |
| Wednesday, October 10   | No Class       |
| Sunday, October 14      | Class          |
| Wednesday, October 17   | Class          |
| Sunday, October 21      | Class          |
| Wednesday, October 24   | Class          |
| Sunday, October 28      | At Home Lesson |
| Fundraiser Orders Due   |                |
| Wednesday, October 31   | At Home Lesson |

## Nazareth Academy. The Education You Want. The Attention You Deserve.

**Prospective Families are welcome to learn MORE at Open House**

Sunday, October 21 or Monday, October 22

Prospective students and families are encouraged to learn MORE about what Nazareth Academy offers students at an Open House. Visit on Sunday, October 21 between 12:30 and 3:30 pm with presentations at 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm or Monday, October 22 between 6:30 pm and 8:30 pm with a presentation starting at 7:00 pm.

Attending an Open House provides families with an opportunity to discover MORE about the Scholarship, Service, Spirit and Unity of Nazareth Academy. Families will learn MORE about our new Modified Block Scheduling and hear MORE about the Naz experience directly from students, faculty and staff. Guided tours of the campus are provided. Representatives from Nazareth's athletic teams and student activities will be available to answer questions.

Nazareth Academy is located at 1209 West Ogden in LaGrange Park, Illinois. Learn MORE at [nazarethacademy.com](http://nazarethacademy.com) or contact Kristen Stojetz at 708-387-8505.



### Thank you to all for supporting this beautiful, fun event!!!

A huge thanks to everyone who helped support Toys for Tyler. With the amazing help of Joellen Sorenson and the CWC Board, the Girl Scouts who baked, the volunteers at the event and all who so generously donated, a car full of toys will be delivered to the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation. The Treasure Chest will distribute the toys to area hospitals, making the day a little brighter for many children. What a beautiful way to honor our little Tyler and his brave fight against cancer. The parish's continued support makes a huge difference for many kids and their families.



Laura and Brent Duelm

## SFX YOUTH MINISTRY WEBSITE:

<http://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Youth%20Ministry>

### 2+One Concert

Thank you to 2+One for a great concert! If you were not able to come but still want to check them out, you can find them on social media as “2+One” or on their website: [www.2oneband.com](http://www.2oneband.com).

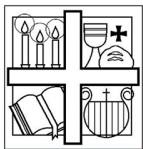


### We Need YOU!

We are **STILL** looking for adult volunteers to lead **3 MORE** Quest Confirmation groups. *You do not need to be a parent of a teen seeking to be Confirmed to lead a group!* The Quest Confirmation program is based on discussion rather than catechesis and lasts from September to April/May.

For more information or to sign up, contact Olivia Hollman at [ohollman@sfxlg.org](mailto:ohollman@sfxlg.org) or 708-352-0168.

### Liturgical Ministers!



Are you interested in singing in the Spirit Choir? Or how about lecturing at the 6pm Mass? Or being a Eucharistic Minister at the 6pm Mass? All high school students are invited (and encouraged!) to participate in these very important ministries. If interested, contact Olivia Hollman.

### Out of the Office

Olivia Hollman will be out of the office starting 9/25 and will return 10/2 as Olivia Zurowski. During that time, I will have limited access to email and will not be able to check my voicemail. I will get back to you as soon as I can when I return and thank you in advance for your patience during that week.

~ *Olivia Hollman*

## New Parish Instagram and Twitter Accounts

We are increasing our social media presence and are now on Instagram and Twitter! Make sure to like and follow us for updates on SFX happenings, upcoming events, and more!



@sfxlg\_parish



@sfxlg\_parish

## 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!!!

## 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).

## 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).



## Gathering for All Current and Future Parish Ministers and Leaders



**THIS Monday, October 1st, 7:30—9:00 PM**  
**Joyce Hall**

**This Monday, October 1st , from 7:30 – 9:00 PM**, the Parish Pastoral Council gathers parishioners from all ministries (Spirituality/Worship, Parish Life, Human Concerns and Education & Formation) as we enter the second year under the revised Commission model. **Parish Leaders, Ministers, Volunteers & All Interested Parishioners are welcome.** Our agenda includes:

- ◆ Opening prayer and review of last year
- ◆ Presentation: “**Stewardship of Talent Formation Night**” “**What tools do you need to Lead?**”
- ◆ Breakout discussions within the 4 Commissions (based on your ministry and/or area of interest)
- ◆ Report back with a short synopsis of commission discussions

*Please R.S.V.P. to the Rectory so we can plan accordingly.  
For details contact Curt Aronson [curt.aronson@us.lisega.com](mailto:curt.aronson@us.lisega.com) or 708-588-0668.*



### SAVE THE DATE

Searching for a new or deeper relationship with God? How about some soulful time with fellow SFX women? Join us — details below. Questions? Contact Therese Bryne at (708) 588.0845.

**Women's WELCOME Retreat Weekend** 

**Saturday, February 2 - Sunday, February 3, 2019**

(begins at 8:30 am on Saturday and ends at 3 pm on Sunday)

Carmelite Spiritual Center  
8433 Bailey Road, Darien, IL

# HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR ENGRAVED BRICK PAVER?



**Our engraving company has given us a deadline in order to install the next set of engraved bricks before the ground freezes.**

**If we receive 15 brick orders by Monday, October 1, we should be able to submit our order.**

**Order forms are available in Unity Hall, the rectory, or in the last four bulletins.**

**Or you can visit our website at [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org) to order online or print out an order form.**



**And a huge thank you to the Brick Paver Committee for sharing their talents to make Unity Garden a lovely and welcoming beacon for all!**





**TENORS needed!**  
*\*(high male voice)*

**Gallery Choir—9:00 am Mass**  
**Rehearsals: Tuesdays**  
**7:30—9:00 pm**

*\*music reading skills NOT required...  
...just an ear and a love for singing!*

**COME AND JOIN US!!**

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

**SFX Christmas Midnight Mass Choir:  
New Singers Invited!**



A special invitation goes out to those of you who have not been able to join the choir full time OR have been wanting to join, but just haven't taken that step yet. This is a call for those of you who have an ear and a love for singing to be a part of the St. Francis Xavier Christmas Midnight Mass Choir at 12:00 am on December 25th. The choir will be joined with the sounds of strings and brass to proclaim the wondrous mystery of Jesus' birth.

Rehearsals will begin on **Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** **from 7:00 to 8:00 pm**, and will continue every Tuesday evening through December 18th.

Please consider singing, and experience the joy and beauty that music can bring to your lives during this special time of year. Interested singers should contact Allen Sterwalt, before the first rehearsal on October 23rd at [asterwalt@sfxlg.org](mailto:asterwalt@sfxlg.org) or by phone 708-352-0168.

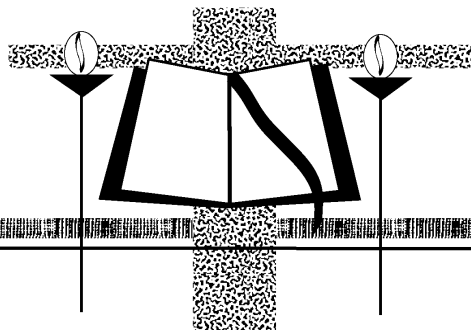
**Taizé Prayer**

St. Francis Xavier  
and  
Grace Lutheran

*All are invited to our*  
*Taizé Evening Prayer*  
*Friday, October 12*  
*7:30 pm*  
*at*  
*Grace Lutheran*



Taizé Prayer is contemplative and most importantly communal, combining simple repetitive melodies that are sung by all, prayerful silence, scripture reading and intercessory prayer. This prayer can promote a kind to inner unity of person, allowing the spirit to be more open and attentive to what is essential. It is our hope that you will join us, especially at this time when our world is much in need of prayer.





## Knights of Columbus Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food for Families Drive



Do your youth need community service hours? Are you looking for a project that makes a difference right here in our community? LaGrange Knights of Columbus need a total of 40 service hours for the Fall Food Drive. Groups and volunteers can take as little or as much as they like in increments of 1 hour. Volunteers can choose their own day and time during Saturday, September 29 to Sunday, October 7. The work is attaching flyers to the doorknobs of homes in the LaGrange area. Flyers and rubber bands are provided by the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus members will handle pick-up of donations. Food Pantry staff and volunteers will handle sorting, storage and distribution of the donations. Since 2012 the Knights of Columbus Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food for Families Drives in April and October help our most vulnerable neighbors make ends meet. Call, text or email for more information or to join our effort. Mike Hattie at 708-207-2780 and council6483@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
LaGrange Council 6483  
Established May 1973

## Food For Families Fall Drive 2018

Every \$1 and every food donation is a helping hand up for struggling families and seniors. Please join the Knights in helping our most vulnerable neighbors make ends meet.

Donate online to the Chicago Food Depository at [www.myfooddrive.org/?LGKnightsFall2018](http://www.myfooddrive.org/?LGKnightsFall2018), or 60525 and 60526 residents can schedule a food donation pick-up for the St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry.

Call, text or email to schedule your pick-up on October 13, or for questions, or to report a missed pick-up please contact, Mike Hattie, Committee Chair at 708-207-2780 or council6483@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

## Community Service Opportunity Service Hours

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (KOC)  
KOC needs volunteers to distribute flyers to homes for  
the  
6<sup>th</sup> Annual Outerwear Drive

Volunteers do not ask for anything, you simply attach  
supplied flyers rolled with a rubber-band  
to assigned homes (door knobs, gates etc.)  
**DO NOT PLACE IN MAILBOX**  
between October 27 to November 4  
the assignment will take about one hour.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
will pick up coats on Saturday, November 10th.

Volunteers can choose one or more routes  
in and around the LaGrange area.

Proof of community service hours will be provided.  
Tax receipts are provided to donors.

Sign-up and/or send questions by  
calling or emailing the contact below:

Steve Better, Advocate, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
gutheriepike@msn.com  
708-380-3101

council6483@gmail.com  
[https://sites.google.com/site/  
knightsofcolumbuscouncil6483](https://sites.google.com/site/knightsofcolumbuscouncil6483)

THANK YOU!!!!



## Coat and Outerwear Drive VI



The Knights of Columbus SFX Council 6483 is coordinating the 6th Annual Outerwear Drive and will be collecting clean, pre-worn outerwear for those in need this winter.

There will be drop off boxes at the church entrances to deposit outerwear before each mass on November 10 and 11. Clothing will be donated to Catholic Charities which distributes the coats, sweaters, hats and gloves to the needy, without charge. The Knights thank you for your generosity in past years. Tax receipts will be provided. God bless you.

Please contact Steve Better, Knights of Columbus with questions at 708-380-3101 or email [gutheriepike@msn.com](mailto:gutheriepike@msn.com).

<https://sites.google.com/site/knightsofcolumbuscouncil6483/about-the-knights>



**Growing Downward: Day Retreat** with Gail Worcelo, SGM on Saturday, October 6 from 9:30 am–3:00 pm. There is a line in a poem by the poet/farmer Wendell Berry that says, “I am growing downward.” This beautiful image suggests rooting ourselves more fully within the sacred community of life. During our time together, we will explore what it means to “grow downward” through the work of Thomas Berry, discovering the “Footprints of God” inside our own lives and translating them into action for our world. Includes lunch. Please register in advance by October 1.

**Beginning Again: A Taste of Julia Cameron’s “It’s Never Too Late to Begin Again”** Join us on Wednesdays October 10, 17, 24 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Are you ready to begin your “second act?” Discover creativity and meaning at midlife and beyond. Facilitator Carol Hohle will help us engage with Morning Pages, Artists’ Dates, and other creative exercises. Cost: \$75 or \$25 per session.

**Finding Jesus Among Muslims: Book Discussion** with Dr. Mary Jo Curtsinger, CSJ, D.Min. on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 pm on October 11, 18; November 1 and 15. Want to explore the Catholic Church’s understanding of Muslims and interfaith dialogue? Come join the presentations of Dr. Mary Jo Curtsinger, CSJ, D.Min., and group discussion of a great little book *Finding Jesus Among Muslims: How Loving Islam Makes Me A Better Catholic* by Jordan Denari Duffner. You may attend **any or all** of the sessions. Cost: Optional free will offering, and buying the book, on your own through Amazon, or pickup through Sr. Mary Jo (\$19 includes shipping/tax).

The Well Spirituality Center  
1515 Ogden Avenue  
LaGrange Park

To register online and see complete list of programs:  
[www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org)  
or call 708-482-5048

## Christmas Cards For Prisoners

Jesus said, "*I was in prison, and you visited me.*"  
Matthew 25:36

Please consider signing a Christmas card or two (or more).

- \* Sign **ONLY** your **FIRST** name
- \* Write brief, cheerful note, if you wish
- \* No stickers, no glitter, no pasted-on decorations--prisons will *not* accept these
- \* Do not seal the envelope
- \* Do not *affix* postage stamps--please provide postage separately
- \* Do not use cards offering Masses or Novenas

Please put signed cards in the box in the vestibule before November 4.

Thank You and God Bless You.



## AARP Tax-Aide Needs Volunteers For the 2019 Tax Filing Season

Looking for a rewarding opportunity to make a difference in your community?

The AARP Tax-Aide Program is now seeking volunteers for the upcoming 2019 tax filing season. It’s not necessary for you to be an AARP member or to have a tax or an accounting background to volunteer. However, some knowledge of your own personal tax matters is very helpful. All returns are prepared on computers; thus, volunteers should be somewhat computer literate. Training classes will be held in January, 2019. Minimum time commitment during the filing season is 4 to 5 hours one day per week from early February to mid-April.

This income tax preparation and assistance service is offered to low and middle income individuals with special attention to those 60 years and older. Won’t you help?

For further information about the program and to sign up as a volunteer, please visit:

[https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp\\_taxaide/](https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/)  
or contact St. Cletus parishioner, John Wagner  
at 708-352-0170 for further details.

## Interfaith Career Network

**Career Search and Development Boot Camp - Week 3**  
Tuesday, October 2 from 7:00-9:00 pm...the ability to articulate and tell your story is one of the most critical elements of a job search. This week co-facilitator, Dennis Hamilton, will help you craft the all important "Elevator Speech". Time will be allowed to practice your personal elevator speech with fellow attendees.

**Career Search and Development Boot Camp - Week 4**  
Tuesday, October 9 from 7:00-9:00 pm...this week co-facilitator, Jim Peterson, will discuss the fundamentals of networking and provide tips on job hunting after "50". In addition, co-facilitator, Susan Sedler, will recommend a plan for developing your personal career strategy. Time will also be devoted to practicing your Elevator Speech.

Please join us at the First Presbyterian Church of LaGrange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. There is no cost for attending the Boot Camp and everyone is encouraged to attend every session to make the most of this training. Meetings will be in Westminster Hall; please enter church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, please contact Susan Sedler at [sqsedler@aol.com](mailto:sqedler@aol.com).



Thinking about  
returning to work  
after a career break  
or making a career  
change?

# Saint Francis Xavier Women's Re-launch Program

Get inspired and learn practical steps for returning  
to work in this two-part workshop series

## Session 1: Making the decision and getting started

Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, Unity Hall

Hear stories from women who have successfully returned to work after a career break. Topics covered include:

- Steps and resources to help you determine your next career path
- Guidelines for informational interviewing
- How to build your professional network

Register Here:  
<http://bit.ly/sfxrelaunch>

## Session 2: Workshop with Experts

Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Unity Hall

Learn from experts on how to take actionable steps in key areas of your job search:

- Resume writing – trends, key words, and tactics to help you stand out
- LinkedIn – how to build your profile, search and view profiles, and make new connections
- Interviewing and negotiating skills – how to prepare for interviews and negotiate your offer

\*Registration is required for each session but there is no cost to attend.  
You may attend one or both sessions.

For more information, please contact Mary McGovern:  
[mary.mcgovern@morganstanley.com](mailto:mary.mcgovern@morganstanley.com) or 708-691-6764



## October is Respect Life Month

*"If you want peace, work for justice.  
And if you want justice, defend life!"*  
Saint Pope John Paul II

### Area Respect Life Ministry

Parishioners from St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross gathered to discuss partnering together on a Respect Life Ministry, jointly advocating for a world that joyfully sees God in every human person in all stages and in all conditions. If interested in this ministry, please contact Mary Freeman [mfreeman@sfxlg.org](mailto:mfreeman@sfxlg.org).

### October 7: National Life Chain

Gather with parishioners from St. Cletus and SJC on the south side of Ogden Avenue beginning at LaGrange Road from 2:00-3:30 pm.

## Annual Mass Supporting People with Mental Illnesses, Families, Friends, and Mental Healthcare Providers

Mental illnesses, such as depression, bi-polar disease, schizophrenia, anxiety disorders and others touch one in four families. Stigma, the misinformation about these illnesses, keeps people from seeking help, and stigma keeps people from helping. The Mass is for all affected and those who are interested in helping.

The Mass will start at 2:00 pm on October 14 at St. Gertrude Church, 1400 West Granville, Chicago (6200 North, and 4 blocks west of Broadway at Granville and Glenwood.)

Refreshments and conversation will follow Mass.

For more information contact:

Deacon Tom Lambert  
773-525-0453x21 or [olmcinfo2@aol.com](mailto:olmcinfo2@aol.com)  
Deacon Dan Welter  
312-534-8283 or [dwelter@archchicago.org](mailto:dwelter@archchicago.org)  
Faith & Fellowship  
708-383-9276 or [faith\\_fellowship@hotmail.com](mailto:faith_fellowship@hotmail.com)

Sponsored by: Archdiocesan Commission on Mental Illness/Office for Persons with Disabilities and Faith and Fellowship

## Denise's Story

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

[www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org](http://www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org)

7:00 pm

St. Cletus Parish Center, 600 West 55th Street, LaGrange  
708-352-6209

[www.st.cletusparish.com](http://www.st.cletusparish.com)

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Domestic violence is the leading cause of injury and death for women of all socioeconomic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds, and affects up to 1 in 10 men and 1 in 3 teens. We invite you to join us to raise awareness and stand in solidarity with all those affected by violence.



This event will focus on the problem of domestic violence in our community. Together, we will view a short video on domestic violence, hear the personal journey of Denise, a survivor, share in a Q&A, and learn what we can do to help others in this struggle.

Sponsored by the Domestic Violence Ministries of St. Cletus, St. John of the Cross, and St. Francis Xavier.

## Domestic Abuse

St. Francis Xavier is committed to serving the needs of the abused in our parish and beyond. For more information regarding our domestic violence outreach ministry efforts here at SFX, please call: 708-352-0168.

### Did You Know?

In the United States, 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime.

Domestic violence is the leading cause of injury to women in the U.S. between the ages of 15 and 44—more than car accidents, rapes, and muggings combined.

Boys who witness domestic violence are twice as likely to abuse their own partners and children as adults.

### Signs of Abuse:

Is your partner . . .  
Controlling you?  
Isolating you from people/activities?  
Blaming you for his/her problems?  
Making all the important decisions?  
Humiliating you?  
Threatening or using violence?  
Making you feel as if you are crazy?  
Expecting you to "do as you're told"?  
Abusive to children/past partners?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you are not alone.

### Call 911 if you feel you are in immediate danger.

If you or someone you know needs help,  
call a 24 hour hotline:  
Pillars: 708-485-5254  
Family Shelter Services: 630-469-5650

## HUNGER ACTION MONTH

While September may be designated as *Hunger Action Month*, our SFX Food Pantry is grateful for the blessings we receive throughout the year! Some ways to continue your generous support:

**PRAY** for an end to food insecurity in our community, nation, and world.

*Volunteers say this prayer at the opening of the pantry each week. Loving God, Give us our daily bread and remind us to share what we have so all people have their daily bread. Amen*

**DONATE** food and funds. See parish website for list of needed items.

*The Pantry receives weekly donations from Trader Joes, Panera, and Aracely's Bakery and ongoing donations from parishioners, other faith communities and school groups.*

**VOLUNTEER** at the Greater Chicago Food Depository ([www.chicagosfoodbank.org](http://www.chicagosfoodbank.org)) and designate our pantry (agency #A00419) so we receive labor credits (\$5/pp/hour).

*Last year, we received \$1,395 for food purchases and donated additional credits to Ascension St. Susanna Food Pantry.*

*Special thanks to our 35 weekly volunteers + 340 additional service hours so far this year.*

**WALK** to raise awareness and funds. **CROP Hunger Walk on October 21, 2018.** Watch bulletin for details.

*Last year, the Pantry received \$855 from the CROP Walk.*

**SHARE** your fresh garden produce with our pantry.

*Special thanks to Share the Harvest partners for their ongoing garden donations.*

**GIVE THANKS** for the generosity of our community.

*The Pantry provides weekly food assistance to an average of 70 families, totaling 225 individuals.*

**WATCH** the documentary *A Place at the Table*.

**PEACE BEGINS WHEN THE HUNGRY ARE FED**  
*Dorothy Day*

Any questions, contact Mary Freeman, Food Pantry Coordinator at [mfreeman@sfxlg.org](mailto:mfreeman@sfxlg.org).

## SAVE THE DATE

### CROP 5K WALK

LaGrange/Western Springs/Brookfield

**Sunday, October 21**

12:30 pm Onsite Registration

1:15 pm Walk

Presbyterian Church of Western Springs

5250 Wolf Road

Suggested donation per Walker: Free will monetary offering along with a nonperishable food item.

**CROPHUNGERWALK.ORG**



## Global Refugee Crisis Simulation

PEACE CORNER

### **FORCED FROM HOME**

Final weekend: September 29-30, 2018

Daley Center

Free! Open to the Public

Weekend 10:00 am-6:00 pm

An interactive exhibition that takes you behind the headlines of the global refugee crisis.

It is a tour with 9 educational interactive experiences. Event is fully accessible and the tour is approximately one hour.

Learn more: [FORCEDFROMHOME.COM/IL](http://FORCEDFROMHOME.COM/IL).

(See large poster posted on the front lobby bulletin board in the St. Francis Xavier church.)

*"This exhibition brings some humanity and understanding of the issues refugees around the world face every day."*

Jason Cone, Executive Director, Doctors Without Borders

For more information, please contact Sr. Marlene Schemmel [mschemmel@csjoseph.org](mailto:mschemmel@csjoseph.org).

### **Catholic Social Teaching on Refugees and Forced Migration**

*"Hope is the Force that drives the hearts of those who depart, leaving homeland, at times their relatives, in search of a better life which is worthier of them and their loved ones... Let us not be afraid of sharing the journey! Have no fear! Let us not be afraid of sharing hope!"*  
Pope Francis

Catholic social teaching calls on the global community to offer protection to individuals fleeing wars and persecution. Our church views welcoming the stranger as a duty that is derived directly from the life of mercy of Christ. We are called to support refugees and other forcibly displaced people overseas. We are called to welcome these new neighbors with the same love and compassion we would want ourselves to be shown in time of persecution.

#### **TAKE ACTION:**

Contact your elected official asking them to commit to resettling 75,000 refugees for FY 2019.

The SFX Peace & Justice Ministry Mission is to: (1) carry out the Sermon on the Mount, (2) work for Peace & Justice on behalf of all Creation, (3) involve SFX and surrounding communities, (4) create awareness through education, dialogue and action.

Group meets first Wednesday of the month September-May, 7:15-8:30 pm in the Rectory. All are Welcome!

Questions: Contact Sr. Marlene Schemmel [mschemmel@csjoseph.org](mailto:mschemmel@csjoseph.org)

(Adapted from Congregation of St. Joseph Peace and Justice Report.)



## 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
- **Ensign Jonathan Devitt Brown**—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
- **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
- **Master Sgt. Andrew Lang**—son of Marge & Ray Lang
- **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 William Baker, U.S. Army**—son of Meg & Barry Baker
- **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 Julia & Anthony Ciaccia and granddaughter of Harold Held
- **Chris Johnson, USCG**—nephew of Judi Kudlacz and grandson of Jerry & Nancy Johnson
- **Michael Rodden, USAF & Christopher Osterhaus, USMC**—son and nephew of John & Vicki Rodden
- **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

**Please inform us of those serving in the Military Overseas...  
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*

*Associate Pastor*

*Deacon*

*Pastoral Associate*

*Weekend Sacramental Ministers*

*Weekend Sacramental Ministers*

### Education Ministry

*Day School Principal*

*Assistant Principal*

*Assistant to Day School Principal*

*Day School Secretary (Main Campus)*

*Day School Secretary (East Campus)*

*Coordinator (East Campus)*

*Advancement Director*

*Tuition Accounts*

*Religious Education Coordinator/Sacrament Prep*

*Religious Education Office Staff*

*Religious Education Office Staff*

### Youth Ministry

*Coordinator*

### Music Ministry

*Director*

### Parish Office Staff

*Business Manager*

*Parish Accountant*

*Pastor's Secretary*

*Parish Secretary*

*Staff Secretary*

### Food Pantry/Community Outreach

*Coordinator*

*Rev. William Tkachuk*

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School of Religious Education .....708-352-4555

S.P.R.E.D. (Special Religious Education) .....708-352-0168

Fax Number .....708-352-4904

e-Mail .....sfxinlg@sfxlg.org

Main Day School e-Mail.....sfxmain@sfxlg.org

Main Religious Education e-Mail.....sfxreligiused@sfxlg.org

Parish Web Site .....www.sfxlg.org

### **Rectory Hours**

Monday-Thursday..... 8:30 am-8:30 pm

Friday ..... 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Saturday.....9:00 am-5:00 pm

Sunday.....9:00 am-1:00 pm

### **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)

Holy Days of Obligation as scheduled in bulletin.

### **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 Wednesday .....7:45 and 9:00 am

Thursday.....9:00 am

Friday.....7:45 am

Saturday.....9:00 am

### **Word Communion Services**

Thursday.....7:45 am

Friday.....9:00 am

### **Bulletin Deadline**

The deadline for submitting all bulletin articles is 12:00 pm on the Friday 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**

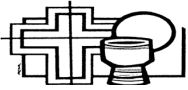
Please call the Parish Office for scheduled 1:30 pm Sunday Baptismal dates. Baptism Preparation Classes: 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm. We encourage participation in this program before the baby's birth or adoption.

### **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, Nancy Kennedy, 773-643-6259 ext. 31 at the Claret Center or email [nkennedy4@luc.edu](mailto:nkennedy4@luc.edu).



## Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—October 6-7, 2018

| Mass Time | Presider    | Lectors/<br>Commentators                | Ministers of<br>Communion   | Altar Servers                          | Cantors      | Greeters               |
|-----------|-------------|---|---|--|--------------|------------------------|
| 5:00 PM   | Fr. Tkachuk | M. Bruni<br>M. Perkovich<br>M. Kanzer   | M. Becker<br>A. Fekrat<br>K. Kanzer<br>M. Milligan<br>D. Mulvena<br>K. Preussner<br>A. Saladino<br>P. Saladino<br>L. Young    | A. Holmes<br>Q. Filbin<br>E. Geraghty  | T. Pangan    | S. Devitt              |
| 7:30 AM   | Fr. Killeen | T. Nichol<br>D. Walsh<br>S. Lindsay     | K. McInerney<br>J. Morsch<br>R. Nutt<br>P. Olson<br>J. Van Gorp   | C. Stetz<br>M. Merchant<br>K. Adams    | B. Mayo      | J. Morsch<br>T. Morsch |
| 9:00 AM   | Fr. Tkachuk | T. Gannon<br>M. McFadden<br>J. Spearman | C. Froemel<br>E. Froemel<br>A. Gargano<br>L. Krepps<br>M. Lukanich<br>B. McMahon<br>D. Nighswander<br>B. Olson<br>P. O'Malley | R. Wheeler<br>E. Cushing<br>Open       | K. Fron      | D. Sherman             |
| 10:30 AM  | Fr. Muccino | T. Serafin<br>J. Eraci<br>B. Boyd       | N. Cummings<br>L. Egan<br>M. P. Flaherty<br>J. Garreau<br>M. Joscelyn<br>A. Krol<br>O. Lastres<br>P. McGinnis<br>J. Nowak     | R. Newman<br>J. Crandall<br>A. Brown   | J. Petkus    | K. Titzer              |
| 12:00 PM  | Fr. Killeen | I. Havenaar<br>M. Dillon<br>L. Freda    | A. Chimento<br>L. Donegan<br>B. Edelmann<br>N. L. Kampe<br>Not Filled   | M. Hayford<br>A. Edwards<br>T. Newcomb | J. Pfluger   | J. Svehla              |
| 6:00 PM   | Fr. Tkachuk | Quest Teen                              | Quest Teens   |  | Spirit Choir |                        |

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### Readings For The Week of September 30, 2018

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48  
 Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50  
 Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10  
 Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62  
 Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Lk 10:1-12  
 Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16  
 Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24  
 Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12