SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time November 4, 2018



Hear, O Israel! The LORD our GOD is one!

You shall LOVE the LORD with all your heart with all your soul L with all your mind and with all your strength and you shall VE your NEIGHBOR

There is no commandment greater than these.

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, November 5	7:45 am 9:00 am	Herbert & Mary Schrack Al & Marge Stravinskas	The Schrack Family The Metzger Family	
Tuesday, November 6	7:45 am 9:00 am	Special Intention Francis E. Napleton Helen Ryan	The Robert J. Napleton Family Mary F. Russell	
Wednesday, November 7	7:45 am 9:00 am	Jim O'Connell Donna Brown	Pat & Bob Roach Marge McGrath	
Thursday, November 8	7:45 am 9:00 am	Word & Communion Service Antonio & Teresa Franzese Robert Nauss	Tom & Linda Lakars	
Friday, November 9	7:45 am 9:00 am	Paul Lucas Joanne Sherman Word & Communion Service	Marian Lucas Meg Miles	
Saturday, November 10	9:00 am 9:30 am 4:15 pm 5:00 pm	Mary Jane Fox Agnes McAndrews Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacrament of Reconciliation Andy Esposito	The McDonnell Family Monica McAndrews Bob & Jennifer Driscoll	
Sunday, November 11 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 3:00 pm 6:00 pm		Dorothy Lynch, CSJ Elizabeth Barker Patrick Pearse Fagan People of the Parish Wedding~Dora Rodriguez & Jose Madrigal Mary Chamberlin	Jeff & Shirley Augustyn The Seiner Family The Cannon Family Bob & Jennifer Driscoll	

Please Pray For...

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

Thomas Brown IIIBrother of Jock Brown

Marzel Kalnes
Mother of Tom Kalnes

Grace VahstSister of the Broderick Family

Eva Brandon

Wife of Donald and Mother of Michelle, Christie & Jason

Dolores AlonsoMother of Philip, Marila, Deb, Paul & Peter



Weddings

Dora Rodriguez & Jose Madrigal Katie McCabe & Mike Wojcik Carolyn Cooper & John Wons

Pastor's Notes

"When Jesus saw that the scribe answered with understanding, he said, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." Mark 12:34

The acts of violence in a Pittsburgh synagogue occurred so close to our weekend liturgies that I and many others had not had time to bring them into our prayer beyond an intercession for those who had died. Sadly, we often now react to the news of a shooting or other act of violence with the words, "What now?" Perhaps the intensity of coverage by cable news and social media intensify our awareness of the violence in our nation and our world; perhaps this coverage also dulls our reaction to what has become an all too frequent occurrence. Even the extreme language of our politics now demonizes opposing viewpoints so that we are encouraged to see anyone who disagrees with us as "the enemy."

Jesus challenges us to look upon the "other" with God's heart. He affirms the scribe's insight that *love of God* is the root of all love and is at the center of the life of the believer. Jesus then affirms that *love of neighbor* is so closely connected to love of God that *the two cannot be separated*. If love of God does not lead a person directly to love of neighbor, then it is a lifeless and empty love. To love our neighbor as an essential extension of our love of God brings us close to the kingdom of God.

In Luke's account of this exchange (Luke 10:25-37), the scholar of the law goes one step further to ask, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus responds with the parable of the Good Samaritan, in which love of neighbor is defined as

showing mercy to the one in need of mercy, without distinction of race, creed, or any human distinction. Jesus asks his followers to "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful"; he insists that the *love of one's enemies* is a hallmark of the disciple.

It is easy to condemn the actions of a mentally disturbed person who was stirred into violence by the harsh rhetoric in current discourse. Will we apply the same criticism to the rhetoric itself? Will we resist the temptation to be silent when confronted by harsh or violent language? In this Election Week, will we refuse to participate in the politics that call for doom and gloom if the "other party" is elected? Will we instead intervene to tone down divisive conversations and encourage one another to listen to one another and seek *common ground*? When we encounter an unwillingness to listen or engage in compassionate dialogue, will we nonetheless express our love through kind words, respect for differences, and a true openness to the Spirit's path to harmony and peace?

We are called to be voices of love that strive for peace in word and action. But this demands a willingness to love each person, *especially* the one whom we do not understand or strongly oppose. Are we willing to be the voices of love that seeks understanding in our homes, our places of work and study, and our daily interactions? Will we live out the commandments of love in the holiday gatherings that will soon be upon us?

Peace, J. Bill

Scripture Reflection

We are often overwhelmed by the number of laws we are told to follow. There are federal laws, and state laws and county laws. There are rules in families and in schools and in places of work. Even neighborhood associations have a host of laws and plenty of people who drive around looking for violators. Added to all these are the Church laws. In the Church the main body of law is the Code of Canon Law. Every aspect of church administration, sacrament administration, rules for daily life is carried in 1,752 canons or laws. There are divine laws, natural laws, and civil laws. Certainly, we can join the scribe and asking, "Bottom line it for us, Lord. What is it that God really wants us to do to please him?" And Jesus says, "It's not so difficult, "Love God; Love Others."

People often have questions. You have questions. Is this right? Is that right? Everyone is taking this or that stuff, everyone is doing this or that. Why is it wrong? Just apply the law of Love. Is the love of God and the love of others seen in our actions? Or is our own selfishness, our desire to take care of number one, even if that means using others, the real reason we want to do this or that? We certainly live in confusing times. There often appear to be more questions than answers. We are confronted with questions which weren't even considered fifty years ago: What is marriage? What is human life? Does the separation of Church and State give the government the right to limit religious freedom? How can we discern what is right and what is wrong? How do we discern on which side of each argument we Catholics belong? Just apply the law of Love. Love God and Love neighbor. When we do this, life becomes far less complicated. Anything that does not reflect the love of God and neighbor is just a leap into a void.

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This Sunday, November 4 2:00 AM

Calendars For 2019 Can be found at the church entrances.

Workbooks for Lectors and Commentators

The workbooks for Lectors and Gospel readers have arrived. If you would like a workbook, please stop by the Rectory Office at your convenience. We ask that you take only one book per family. Thank you.

Taizé Prayer

St. Francis Xavier and Grace Lutheran

All are invited to our Taizé Evening Prayer Friday, November 9 7:30 pm at St. Francis Xavier



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.

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!!!

Special Circumstances For Receiving The Eucharist

The Catholic Church has historically recognized the intimate relationship of wheat hosts and wine as matter for the Eucharist. However, if you have Celiac Sprue Disease or a family member suffers from a gluten intolerance or if you are alcohol intolerant, receiving the Eucharist is life-involving in seriously challenging ways. The logistics or manner of accommodating lay persons with gluten or wine intolerance in a parish setting during the Liturgy of the Eucharist is left to the afflicated party and the pastor to decide the best way during Mass for the afflicted party to safely receive the Precious Body or the Precious Blood.

If you or a member of your family is affected by this circumstance, please contact our pastor, Fr. Bill Tkachuk, to discuss the particulars of your situation. Fr. Bill can be reached by calling the Rectory Office at 708-352-0168.



Season of Stewardship

> Let us go forth as disciples!

Our Season of Stewardship enters its final weekend. Stewardship is our willingness to acknowledge the blessings we have in our lives and to reflect how we can continue to steward our time, talents, and treasure to act as Jesus' hands and feet in the world.

Thank you to the many parishioners who filled out the Stewardship Intention Form last weekend and those who continue to send them into the parish office. If you have not filled out your card and wish to do so, you can find them in Unity Hall (and turn them into the ushers or the rectory office) or visit the Parish Website (www.sfxlg.org). We are blessed to have this community of disciples who are willing to answer God's call to live as His stewards!

To Sign Up for Automatic Giving

VISIT OUR WEBSITE <u>WWW.SFXLG.ORG</u> OR

TEXT DONATE TO 708-340-6630.



A Magical (and Scary!) Evening at the Theatre of Western Springs' Deathtrap

What a night: excellent musical entertainment by Multiplicity (courtesy of Barb and Tom Kalnes); delicious appetizers from our sponsors; wine from Molly O'Connell, and Matt and Erin Thunander; and beer from Kenny's Irish Pub! And then the main event: an excellent cast led by SFX's very own, Tim Gannon, gave all who attended some fabulous laughs and sudden frights! God bless Tom and Ann Serafin, our patrons, who purchased the house for that night, donating it to SFX for an evening of fellowship and fundraising.







Sponsors:

Altiro Latin Fusion Barrel House Social Clever Fig Corner Bakery~LaGrange DiNico's Pizza fourteensixteen Kenny's Irish Pub La Buona Vita Nothing Bundt Cakes
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Steak + Vine
Wild Monk

















Guest Readers Wanted

You know that look of wonder and joy that children get on their face when they listen to someone read them a story? The St. Francis Xavier Day School is looking for older adults who are willing to occasionally share the stewardship of time as "Guest Readers". You may occasionally be asked to read books to children, or perhaps to listen to children read aloud. Being able to read and a desire to spend time inspiring children to read are the only skills needed to be a successful reading volunteer. You are never too old to inspire a new young friend! Please contact Advancement Director Mary Tassi mtassi@sfxlg.org or 708-352-2175 x 331.



Please Join the 5th Grade Class

of

St. Francis Xavier Parish Day School

At Mass to

Honor Our Veterans

For their Service and Sacrifice

Friday, November 9th, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m.

"To those in uniform serving today and to those who have served in the past, we honor you today and every day."

The St. Francis Xavier Book Fair is coming...



When: Tuesday, November 6th
Student browsing during the school day and family shopping 5:30-8:30 pm
Wednesday, November 7th
Student orders will be filled and the fair will be open for parents/parishioners from 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Where: Main Campus in Joyce Hall Featuring:

- * favorite children's authors
- * young adult titles
- * Bluestem, Monarch, & Rebecca Caudill Award Books holiday books and much, much, more!

The BOOK FAIR IS OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS

and is available online throughout the year. Anytime you are shopping for a book, please visit www.abcfairs.com and type in Saint Francis Xavier, LaGrange in the billing/contact information section during checkout. The books will be delivered directly to your home or you can choose to pick up the books at the Anderson's Bookshop in downtown LaGrange and pay no shipping fees. Hope to see you at the fair!!!

Remember, 20% of your purchase will benefit SFX.



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SFX School Instagram: @sfxlg school

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Facebook SFX Alumni site: https://www.facebook.com/sfxlgalumni/
SFX School Website: https://www.sfxlg.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/School





For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven Ecclesiastes 3:1

Dear St. Francis Xavier Parishioners,

As we advance on our school's journey leading to the graduation of our 102nd St. Francis Xavier class, we reflect on the strong faith -filled educational foundation provided to our children with pride. Strategic planning is a large part of why SFX continues to be a strong parish school. As in any fiscally responsible family, we need to implement changes thoughtfully and consistently to maintain the health and integrity of our SFX family and to make the best use of our resources in support of our mission.

Our parents have been strong in their past support and understanding of the dynamics in housing our parish school. In 1999 SFX school parents graciously accepted the difficult move of our Early Childhood programs to the First Baptist Church building on Catherine Avenue. This move was considered the best response to a spike in enrollment that peaked over ten years ago. The required concessions from the parents of our youngest students were necessary at that period in time. Families were inconvenienced by the logistics of two campus locations; the Early Childhood students were unable to participate in many experiences with their older siblings and the rest of their SFX family.

Data from our strategic planning process made it clear that over the past ten years we have been returning to the strong, but smaller enrollment that preceded the short-term spike at the turn of the century. Two years ago, first grade returned to the Main Campus. This year we could have brought the Kindergarten program to Main Campus but decided to leave the Early Childhood program in one location. However, increased classroom availability at Main Campus next year, and an aging technology system at the First Baptist Church site, have brought us to a decision point. Now that it is feasible, it is time to reunite our students in one school building, rather than continuing to lease space at First Baptist Church. Accepting the mixed emotions of leaving our "temporary" location, which has served us well over the years, we turn to the joyful anticipation

of returning the entire Early Childhood Program UNDER ONE ROOF on the SFX campus.



We are excited to announce that in the 2019 – 2020 school year we will WELCOME our Early Childhood Program UNDER ONE **ROOF** on the campus at St. Francis Xavier Elementary School!

Next year, the parents and students in the Early Childhood Program will once again enjoy the benefits of a one-campus school community:

- All siblings in one location
- One drop-off/pick-up location
- Early Childhood participation in
 - o All School Mass
 - o Living Rosary
 - o Falcon Friends
 - o Assemblies
 - o On-Site Recess
 - o Physical Education, Art, and Music in a central location
 - o Updated technology
- One pick-up location for BASE and more!

Please rest assured that the Early Childhood educational curriculum will remain the same. Rooms will be redesigned to be age appropriate. We will be able to share the classroom designs with you mid-winter when they are completed by the architect.

To the parents and students in the Early Childhood Learning Program, we thank you for your commitment to Catholic Education. WELCOME as we return together UNDER ONE ROOF!

Faithfully,

Rev. William J. Tracluk

Pastor

Principal

Sharo Marcia

School Advisory Board

Natic Mulcary

Chairperson Strategic Planning Committee Chair

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

Young Men's

Church League Basketball

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP! Registration for the 2018-19 Young



Men's Church League basketball season must be in by Wednesday, November 7! Stop by the rectory or visit the Youth Ministry website to sign up. If you are trying out for your school's team, turn in the form to be safe. When you hear back, you can either withdraw the form or pay the registration fee.

There will be a player/parent/coach meeting on Wednesday, November 7 at 7:00pm in Unity Hall. This meeting will go over the details of the league, practice times, and give players a chance to meet coaches. Contact Olivia Zurowski at (708) 352-0168 or ozurowski@sfxlg.org or more information.

Rite of Enrollment & **Sponsor/Candidate Meeting**

Sunday, November 18 will be a night of Confirmation Sponsors! There will be a meeting for all Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors at 4:30pm in Joyce Hall. During the 6:00pm Mass, we will celebrate the Rite of Enrollment.

If your sponsor is not able to make it for either of these, a parent can stand in. If the candidate is not able to make it, a make-up Rite of Enrollment will be scheduled.

2019 Summer Mission Trip



Summer Mission Trip location has been determined: Springfield, KY! St. Francis has 30 (25

teens, 5 adults) spots reserved with Young Neighbors in Action for the June 23-28, 2019 trip to Springfield, KY. Be on the lookout for the registration form in November. Contact Olivia Zurowski for more information.

Thank You

Our heartfelt gratitude to Joe, Laura and Evan Khasho for their generous donation to the Day School and Food Pantry from the proceeds of their "Mum Day Sunday". Evan, a current 5th grader at the Day School, and his parents have been selling Mums each Fall for the past five years. Evan has chosen to use the profits to help teachers with their classroom needs and pantry clients with their food needs.

Looking For St. Francis Xavier Day School Alums

Are you a graduate of St. Francis Xavier Day School? We are trying to create a database of all graduates. Please e-mail the following information to Mary Tassi at mtassi@sfxlg.org or call 708-352-2175:

Name; Year of Graduation from SFX; Mailing Address; E-mail Address; and Telephone Number

We would also appreciate knowing if your children subsequently attended or are attending SFX.

In addition, we would like to know of any alumni who may have passed away. Finally, if you have an interest in helping to organize alumni activities, please let us know that as well.

Nazareth Mothers Club to Host Moms Night Out Boutique Night

Nazareth Academy invites local moms to get a jump on their holiday shopping at its annual

Nazareth Academy Mothers Club Boutique Night Tuesday, November 6 6:00-9:00 pm Free admission. This event is 21 and over.

Boutique Night will feature:

Alixandra Collections, The Sheet Lady, Wanderlust Candles, BeautyCounter, Sfizi-The Delicious Shoe Truck and MORE!

Unique items from local artisans & boutique shops Complimentary wine & hors d'oeuvres Many fabulous raffle prizes FREE ADMISSION

Boutique Night will be held in the Hanson Dining Hall at Nazareth Academy 1209 West Ogden Avenue in LaGrange Park.

Religious Education Class Dates

Sundays

November 4 Class November 11 Class

Toy Shower

November 18 No Class November 25 No Class

Wednesdays

November 7 Class

Fundraiser Pick-Up

November 14 Class

Toy Shower

November 21 No Class November 28 No Class

Religious Education Important Dates



Toy Shower
Collection of Toys November 11
and November 14 (all week)
Toy Delivery on November 20



Eucharistic Liturgies at 12:00 Noon

Grade 3 November 4 Grade 4 November 11

Grade 2 First Eucharist Parent Meeting

Monday, November 12 at 7:00 pm in Church

Grade 4 Reconciliation Parent Meeting Monday, December 3 at 7:00 pm in Church

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



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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Saturday evening 5:00pm Mass offers the opportunity for children in Grades Kindergarten-Fourth to experience hearing and reflecting on the Word of the Lord in a way that is an empowering experience. Children in these grades are invited to follow their Reflector of the Word to a prayer space away from the gathered assembly to hear the Scriptures in words they can understand.

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place in church whenever the children's choirs lead us in song/prayer. The Scriptures we hear will then be taken from the Children's Lectionary and the homily will be given in a way that children are able to relate a little more readily. The children in Grades K thru 4 will go to their prayer space on the Saturdays that the choirs are not singing.

Here is the tentative schedule with the children's choirs: November 10; December 8; January 5 & 26; February 9 & 23; March 2; April 6

Children in Grades K-4 will be invited to join their Reflector in a prayer space away from the adults and to hear the Word of the Lord in words they can better understand on the following Saturdays (subject to change):

November 17, December 15 & 22; January 12 & 19; February 2 & 16; March 9, 16, 23, & 30; and April 27

You can call 708-352-0168 and direct your calls to: Terri Simeoni, RE Coordinator

> or Allen Sterwalt, Director of Music

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!



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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.

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."

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.

SFX Men's Club

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

Matt Hubert at mthubert@gmail.com or Joseph Enright at joseph owen@hotmail.com.



Come join us for Eucharistic Adoration!

November 15 at 6:00-7:00 pm

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. St. John Paul II offered that "our communal worship at Mass must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic adoration in order that our love may be complete."

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. If you are interested, prayer and reflection suggestions are available as starting points.

WHO: Jesus waits for us, each of us, in the Eucharist. He waits when we are joyful, thankful, frustrated, or tired. All are welcome, including children. He specifically calls children to

Himself, "Let the children come to me."

WHY: Since Apostolic times, Catholics rightly have gathered to celebrate Mass in community as Jesus instructed. Adoration provides an opportunity for an intimate relationship with Jesus through individual worship, prayer, and listening. And we shouldn't underestimate the power of silence, which is difficult to cultivate in our society. Pope Benedict XVI wrote: "In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host...It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering."

WHEN: The next opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration will be **November 15**. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 6:00-7:00 pm. Please come when you are able for as long as your schedule allows. If you have any questions, please contact:

Katie Kanzer at k.f.kanzer@gmail.com or Jen Jagodzinski at jenjag12@yahoo.com

"The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white Host." ~Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Join the Patriotic Rosary

Monday, November 5th is the day before our national elections. On this special day of intercessory prayer, we ask Almighty God to have mercy on our nation and give us the grace to vote in conformity with His will. All parishioners are invited to join in praying the Patriotic Rosary at 5:30 pm immediately following the 5:00 pm mass at St. Isaac Jogues Church, 306 W. 4th Street, Hinsdale. Through the holy Rosary, we invoke the intercession of Our Blessed Lady on behalf of our country and world so in need of peace and reconciliation.

The Patriotic Rosary consecrates each State in the United States to Our Lady in a very beautiful way every time it is prayed. Each mystery begins with a short quote from a speech/letter given by one of the founding fathers or an important person in the early years of the Republic and ends with a patriotic hymn. Rosaries and prayer books will be provided.

Please take advantage of this special prayer opportunity and invite members of other parishes to join us. Let's storm heaven with our prayers and call upon the assistance of all the holy Angels and Saints.

God Bless America, Land that I Love, Stand Beside Her and Guide Her, Through the Night with the Light from Above.

Respect Life

"If you want peace, work for justice.

And if you want justice, defend life!" Saint Pope John
Paul II

Area Respect Life Ministry Meeting~Parishioners from St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross will gather to continue discussing ways we can partner 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.

Next Meeting~November 14 at 7:00 pm in SFX Unity Hall. All are welcome! Any questions, please contact Mary Freeman at mfreeman@sfxlg.org.

Baptisms

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



Mason James DeLude
Son of Russell & Jacquelyn (Nowicki) DeLude

Peyton Eva GonzalezDaughter of David & Sarah (Deist) Gonzalez

Nathan Alexander Kelly
Son of Daniel & Claudia (Larivee) Kelly

William Hadrian Pileggi Son of Michael & Malinda (Grish) Pileggi

Catherine Carol Pollard

Daughter of Tim & Bridget (Schumann) Pollard

Damian Salvatore Urso Son of David & Alma (Ruiz) Urso

Barbara Ann BellDaughter of Thomas & Keri (Hinton) Bell

Andi Lillian Hutsler
Daughter of Brian & Chelsy (Christoff) Hutsler

*Thomas Joseph Grogan*Son of John & Emily (Duranty) Grogan

Welcome

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

Luke & Rachel Graham
William & Sheila Link
Arthur & Lindsay Walter
Mark & Denise Grimes
Jordan & Marie Hanson
Patricia Ellington
Donald & Bernadette Crowe
Kristina Geary



Pies Needed For Our Food Pantry

A parish-wide Thanksgiving Pie Drive, benefitting our SFX Food Pantry, will

take place at masses the weekend of November 17 & 18. The Food Pantry hopes to receive 120 store bought non-refrigerated apple and pumpkin pies for Thanksgiving. Thank you for your generosity.



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.



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

Boy Scout Troop #33 Wreath Sales



Boy Scout Troop #33 is selling Christmas wreaths, garland and other fresh greenery items.

Order forms are available from Bill McKeown at william.mckeown@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support of Boy Scout Troop #33.

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 decorationsprisons 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 Sunday, November 4.

Thank You and God Bless You.

Join Us To Address Christmas Cards

On Wednesday, November 14, *Companions Journeying Together* will meet at 10 am in Unity Hall to address the Christmas cards that we have collected for prisoners. Please join us from 10 am to Noon in Unity Hall. Questions, call Marge Branecki 708-352-3934.



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Interfaith Career Network

The Key To Applicant Tracking Systems

Want to make sure your resume gets into the right hands? Join us on Thursday, November 15 from 7:00-9:00 pm and find out what trips up applicants the most and how you can avoid those mistakes. Approximately 50-75% of applicants' resumes are never seen by a human, and the reason has nothing to do with skills or qualifications. Our speaker, Lauren Milligan, has interviewed multiple people who work with ATS systems and will share what she has learned from them with us. Get a much better grasp of how to work the online application system at the St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 West 55th Street in LaGrange. There is no cost to attend this meeting and everyone is welcome.

Interfaith Career Network offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.



Finding Jesus Among Muslims on Thursday, November 1 and 15 from 7:00-8:30 pm. Come join Dr. Mary Jo Curtsinger, CSJ, D.Min., for a presentation and group discussion about a great little book *Finding Jesus Among Muslims: How Loving Islam Makes Me A Better Catholic* (available from Sr. Mary Jo Curtsinger at mjcurtsinger@csjoseph.org for \$19, or from Amazon). Cost: Optional free will offering.

Discovering the Potential Within Through Reflection and Art on Saturday, November 3 from 9:30 am–2:00 pm. Come with a heart of curiosity to discover what you are being called to be in this phase of your life. Facilitator Carol Cummins will guide us through a creative process that just needs kindergarten art skills, includes sacred circle images, and group sharing. Cost: \$40; includes soup lunch and all materials.

Trivia Night Friday, November 9

Doors open at 6:00 pm~Games begin at 7:00 pm

Start watching Jeopardy to prepare yourself for a night of laughter and recall as your team competes against others in a "battle of the brains." Gather your own group or come on your own and we will find you a team. Cost: \$20 through November 8th; \$30 on November 9th.

The Well Spirituality Center
1515 Ogden Avenue~LaGrange Park
To register online and see complete list of programs:
www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048



Kitchen Angels

The Kitchen Angels are a group of parishioners who help people by bringing meals to their homes. The Kitchen Angels have been in existence for many years, yet there are many people who are relatively

new to the parish and do not know about them. If you know of a person or a family who could use some meals, or if you are interested in becoming a Kitchen Angel, please call Susie Lehuta at 708-354-6380.

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/ or contact St. Cletus parishioner, John Wagner at 708-352-0170 for further details.



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



Love cannot be silenced. It never has. It never will. Let justice roll like a river from the ocean to the hills. ks

The Congregation of St. Joseph invites you to join us as we gather to remember, to pray and to stand in solidarity with the Jewish Community. Hatred, intolerance, violence and racism continue to shatter our communities. We witnessed this once again in the massacre at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh on Oct. 27 which took the lives of:

Joyce Feinberg, Richard Gottfried, Rose Mallinger, Jerry Rabinowitz, Cecil Rosenthal, David Rosenthal, Bernice Simon, Sylvan Simon, Daniel Stein, Melvin Wax and Irving Younger

Once again our hearts were filled with sadness and outrage at the senseless killing. Once again we wept in disbelief. Let us strengthen our resolve and deepen our conviction that God's Love will never be silenced and that hatred will never have the final word. As a community of believers let us celebrate our oneness of heart and purpose.

Where: The Congregation of St. Joseph Chapel 1515 West Ogden Avenue, La Grange Park

When: Monday, November 5 at 7:30 PM

For more information, please contact Kathy Sherman, CSJ **ksherman@csjoseph.org or 708-482-5061.**



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 2: Workshop with Experts

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

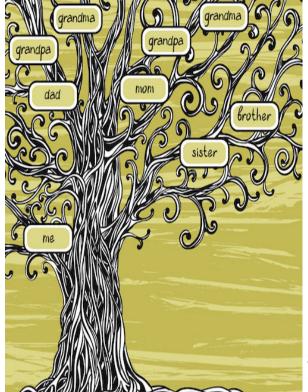
Saturday, November 10th, 9:30 - 11:30 am, Unity Hall

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
- <u>LinkedIn</u> 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 or 708-691-6764



Senior Women's Group_

THE STORY OF SAINT ANDRE' BESSETTE AS TOLD BY

Sharon Bessette-Femieux Allison

A FAMILY LINEAGE TO A SAINT

Wednesday, November 7, 2018 9:30 am Gathering 10:00 am Presentation

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER 124 N. SPRING AVE. LA GRANGE UNITY HALL

PEACE CORNER

Diary of Anne Frank. -Relevance today and a Call for Peace.

Anne Frank's story is, at its core is about a normal teenager trying to understand and define her place in an ever-changing world. We hear her developing her own voice in her diary as she stretches for autonomy. She is human. She teases a boy... and later develops a crush on him. She fights PTSD and traumatic nightmares. She is a Daddy's girl. She worries about her friends and is processing her body changing. She gets angsty for absolutely no reason toward her mother. She is a prankster and loves to laugh. She desperately seeks validation and yearns to make a difference in this world.

The Annex family are perfectly imperfect people with their own personalities, as do their families. They are fun and amusing, with own strengths and Achilles heels. They attempt to create normalcy and dignity in the claustrophobic, pressure cooker of living together in hiding...and just when things couldn't get more stressful, they selflessly take in a quirky dentist to save his life. And somehow, unite as family.

The tale is jarringly relatable as we face terror attacks and mass shootings, particularly at schools. Bullying, and hate speech are mainstream. We seem more polarized than ever. Yet, there is hope for us, together. We can find serenity and strength in not giving into a culture of fear and hatred. We can unite in our humanity to find hope amidst adversity. Against hatred. We can create a climate of contagious kindness and give each other the benefit of the doubt... and heal together.

Felicia Pfluger, Parishioner



Immersive Living History... A Real Haunting Tale. Relevant Social Justice. Living History.

Friday, November 9 at 7:00 pm Saturday, November 10 at 2:00 and 7:00 pm

\$5~Students/Seniors/Military/First Responders and \$15 ~Adults

Plymouth Place Auditorium 315 N LaGrange Road in LaGrange Park 2 Hour Run Time including 10 Minute Intermission



Presale Tickets will be available at Tate's Ice Cream in LaGrange or by calling 708-655-0989.

Panel Discussion Following Each Show with the cast and, Steve Koek, a speaker from the Illinois Holocaust Museum who is a Second Generation Survivor. Educational Materials Available for Enrichment.

WHY I VOTE

A Deeply Moral Act

Voting is a decisive statement of Christian faith that, I matter, justice matters and others matter. Not to vote is to hand our power and our dignity over to people who fear actual freedom, honest intelligence and faith in the very goodness of humanity. (Richard Rohr, OFM)

<u>Voting for Change</u>
I vote because many of my brothers and sisters can't. I love joining my fellow citizens in a community-minded act. I love having a say in picking the leaders who get to decide on things that matter to me. I vote because so many can't. (Myrna Perez)

Aligning with Harmony

Voting is the easiest part of the process for making positive change and it is the very least that I can do to maintain my integrity. I vote because people's lives matter. I would feel very self-centered for me to say I care about my Earth community (including people and all other creation) and then not do everything I can to make a positive difference, I honestly believe I can make the world a better place. I use my power to help others. (Randy Woodley)

A Better Tomorrow
God created us to be responsible for each other. I vote because I have faith in humanity, and I have hope that together all who believe in a just and peaceful world can elect leaders who choose to govern with courage, perseverance, passion and a deep commitment to human rights. (Sr. Norma Pimentel, MJ)

SOJOURNERS MAGAZINE 11/18

"What is a U.S. Catholic to Do? **Reflections on Working in Central America** Drs. Susan Nedza and Oswaldo Lastres

We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest. -Saint Oscar Romero

As leaders of the Olancho Aid Foundation in Central America, we are often asked the question, "Why do people risk their lives to come to the U.S.? The answer is: "it's complicated." It's complicated by political instability, climate change that threatens farmers, the dissolution of the family, lack of educational opportunity and violence. These forces continually disrupt what little stability exists in the Honduras and make progress difficult. Yet there's hope, as the Catholic Church is committed to solving these problems.

Yet it's complicated. For example, in the Diocese of Juticalpa, it has only been 43 years since two priests were kidnapped, tortured and murdered by paramilitary forces. But as in El Salvador, the Church survived. Today, 14 parishes across the 9,230-mile Diocese are served by 25 priests who bring faith formation, bilingual Catholic education and clean water projects through the assistance of U.S. Catholic organizations like the Olancho Aid Foundation.

To learn about the Olancho Aid Foundation visit www.olanchoaid.org. To learn about other organizations working in Central America visit the Catholic Volunteer Network at https:// catholic volunteernetwork.org/



We are loving this – don't miss out! FREE PREVIEW Wednesday, November 7 10am-12pm & 7-9pm

The Bible is the best-selling book of all time – over 5 billion copies sold!

Is yours just gathering dust? Join us for The Loyola University **Chicago Catholic Scripture School.** We are truly enjoying our time together exploring scripture in an interactive setting, and gaining a better understanding of how God is speaking to us through the Bible.

Scripture Study offers many lasting benefits:

- Apply the Bible to life events
- Enrich your personal, spiritual and liturgical life
- Interpret the Bible and its social justice dimensions



Participants are experiencing a transformational encounter with Jesus Christ and formation in Sacred Scripture.

Anyone wishing to deepen their understanding of scripture will benefit from this program.

The first two years focus on biblical study and prayer with the Bible in the Roman Catholic tradition, including a comprehensive study of some major books of the Old and New Testaments. The remaining two years delve more deeply into the Old and New Testaments, covering all other books in the Bible.

Have you ever wished that you could have a conversation with Jesus?

Begin the conversation - participate in Chicago Catholic Scripture School in one of two ways:

<u>Lecture</u> - The "St. Jerome Lecture Series" is for those who wish to learn more about scripture, but are not interested in pursuing a formal Certificate. Participants are expected to read Biblical content, supplemental readings, review assignments, and be prepared to participate in group discussions.

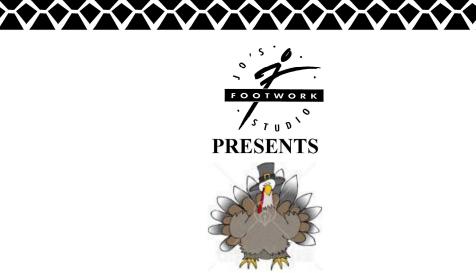
<u>Certification Program</u> – in addition to the above, participants are to complete homework and exams. A Certificate in Scripture Studies provides opportunities for direct involvement in parish life, i.e. catechetical leadership credit and more!

St. John of the Cross Catholic Community, 5005 Wolf Road, Western Springs, IL is hosting Chicago Catholic Scripture School on Wednesday mornings & evenings from 10:00am-12:00pm & 7:00-9:00pm An on-line option is also available!

Questions? Contact Dianna LaMantia at dlamantia@comcast.net or 708-288-2143;

For further information, a calendar of meeting dates and/or to register, please contact Director Kevin Pease at kpease@luc.edu, 312-915-7485, or visit Loyola University Chicago's website at: http://www.luc.edu/ips/ccss

Our goal is to help bring people into a closer relationship with God's revealed Word. Empowerment of the Word, and one's response, transforms lives.



10TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DANCE PARTY!

WHAT: Free dance classes for a good cause.

WHERE: Jo's Footwork Studio, Studio I

1500 Walker Street, Western Springs

708-246-6878

WHEN: November 18, 2018 1:00pm - 4:00pm

<u>DETAILS:</u>

Jo's Footwork Studio would like to share the "goods" this Thanksgiving holiday. With so much to be thankful for, we would like to give back to our community with free dance parties! We will have staff set up in the parking lot where you can drop off your non-perishable item(s) and then come upstairs to join us for some fun. Pick your dance party/parties! No dance experience required, just a canned good or non-perishable item. (No Goods? Bring \$5.00 cash) All goods & \$ donated to St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry. Please call ahead to reserve your spot!

DANCE PARTIES!

 $\underline{1:00-1:50 \text{ pm}} \sim Disney \ Theme \ Party \sim Come \ as \ you \ are \ or \ dressed \ as \ your \ favorite \ character \ for \ a \ magical Disney \ dance \ party! (Taught \ by \ Zoe \ Martinkus)$

2:00-2:50 pm ~ Pom Dance/Fun Dance Party ~ Students will have a Pom Dance with fun dance moves combined Party! No experience necessary. (Taught by Annie Pinta and Alyssa Smith)

3:00-3:50 pm ~ Jazz Dance Party ~ Fun music, fun moves, it's a party! (Taught by Janine Aquino)

Space is limited so please <u>RSVP</u> (708-246-6878) for your free party. You may register for more than one party and you can bring your friends. <u>Must be 6 years to adult to participate in classes</u>.



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

- Sgt. David Phillips—brother of Rebecca Casiple
- Commander Robert O'Donnell—son of Agnes O'Donnell
- Staff Sgt. Bryan Pickens, U.S. Army Airborne Ranger 1-75th Ranger Battalion RGR REGT—son of Rob & Bernadette Pickens and brother of Robert & Gabriel
- Lt. Christopher Ocasio, U.S. Army—friend of the Berger Family
- Technical Sgt. Rhonda Russell, USAF—daughter of Deidre & John Russell and granddaughter of Mary F. Russell
- Lt. Jonathan Devitt Brown, U.S. Navy—nephew of the Devitt Family
- LCPL Gregory Allen, USMC—nephew of Barbara Triggs & Anthony Anscombe
- Kevin Peterson, U.S. Army Infantry, Major Marcos Melendez, USMC and Major Michelle Melendez, USMC—son, nephew and niece of Jon Peterson
- 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.

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Parish Office124 N. Spring	708-352-0168	The deadline for submitting all bulletin articles is 12:00 pm			
St. Francis Xavier Day School	708-352-2175		Sunday of publication. If a holiday falls on a		
School of Religious Education	.708-352-4555 Monday, articles are due		due by 12:00 Noon on the previous Thursday.		
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Rectory Hours	
Monday-Thursday	8:30 am-8:30 pm
Friday	
Saturday	
Sunday	9:00 am-1:00 pm
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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

Domestic Violence Resources

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

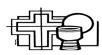
Please call the Parish Office for scheduled 1:30 pm Sunday Baptismal dates. Baptism Preparation Classes: 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm. We encourage participation in this program before the baby's birth or adoption.

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.

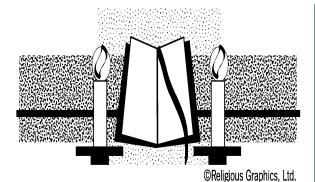
Parish Counselor

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, 708-325-8582 at the Claret Center or email nkennedy4@luc.edu.



Liturgical Ministers' Schedule—November 10-11, 2018

Mass Time	Presider	Lectors/ Commentators	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Cantors	Greeters
5:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	Child Liturgy M. Perkovich G. Weismantel	L. Bannach J. Denson D. Dunlap A. Fekrat K. Kanzer M. Milligan F. Kudia K. Preussner C. Witt	E. Fekrat M. Merchant K. Adams		S. Devitt
7:30 AM	Fr. Killeen	G. Rutkowski B. Ritchie D. Walsh	K. McInerney J. Morsch P. Olson K. Stetz J. Van Gorp	Open E. Siffermann Open		J. Morsch T. Morsch
9:00 AM	Fr. Tkachuk	G. Prendergast B. Olson L. Nichol	M. Branecki V. Bracht D. Carlson C. Pratali R. Pratali J. Prendergast D. Sherman T. Urchell L. Weyrauch	M. Hayford D. Collins D. Grech		D. Sherman
10:30 AM	Fr. Ilo	B. Jouras B. Boyd T. Serafin	L. Egan M. P. Flaherty J. Garreau M. Joscelyn O. Lastres S. Martin P. McGinnis J. Nowak L. Ovnik	A. Holmes M. Burriesci E. Geraghty		M. Joscelyn
12:00 PM	Fr. Killeen	Religious Education Mass	A. Chimento L. Donegan B. Edelmann C. Gatsos Not Filled	B. Griffin C. Kachmarik M. Kachmarik		Religious Education Mass
6:00 PM	Fr. Tkachuk	Quest Teen	Quest Teens		Spirit Choir	



Readings For The Week of November 4, 2018

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14 Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24 Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33 Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44