



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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Thousands of people attended an Oct. 4th prayer vigil in St. Peter's Square, led by Pope Francis, in advance of the Synod on the Family. May the Holy Spirit inspire our leaders to promote the family as a powerful sign of God's presence and to remember that a true family is defined not only by blood and tradition but by the dwelling of God's love in its midst.

--Fr. Marina

OFFICE CLOSED

COLUMBUS DAY

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

One Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am in the Mary Chapel. Please use 15th street entrance.

SECOND COLLECTION

for the benefit of Parish Maintenance

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2015

Eucharist

Main Church

Saturday: 12:05 pm, 5:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday Masses: 9:00 am (Family Mass), 11:30 am, 5:00 pm

Weekday Masses: 7:45 am, 12:05 pm
(All Masses are Handicapped Accessible)

Reconciliation

Saturdays from 1:00 to 2:00 in the Main Church
confessional or by appointment with one of the priests.

Sacraments

Please call the office for information about
Baptism, Marriages & other needs.

Sick or Hospitalized

Please notify the office of parishioners who are
ill or in the hospital so that they can be included
in our prayers or be visited.

New Parishioners

Welcome! To register, please stop by the office
and fill out a registration form or register online at
www.sfxavier.org

Staff

Rev. Joseph Marina, S.J. (Pastor) — 204
Cassandra L. Agredo (Dir. Xavier Mission) — 208
Luz Marina Díaz (Dir. of Religious Education) — 207
Jacqueline Falco (Parish Manager) — 221
Rev. Peter Fink, S.J. (Associate Pastor) — 211
Stephanie Fuentes (Parish Secretary) — 222
Moraima Hernandez (Plant Manager) - 201
Receptionist — 201
Damely Tineo (Assistant to the Pastor) - 205
Rev. Sean Toole, S.J. (Associate Pastor) - 206
John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair); Adel O'Regan (Vice-Chair);
Stephen Alfieri; Kathleen Cagnina; Patricia Dahl;
Phil Gutierrez; Bob Lepisko; Deborah Olley Murphy;
David Pais

PastoralCouncil@sfxavier.org

Mission Statement



The Church of St. Francis Xavier, a Roman Catholic parish in the Jesuit tradition, strives to be a prophetic, welcoming community, and an inclusive witness to the presence of Christ Jesus in our midst. Mindful of our utter reliance on God, and need for God's grace, we rejoice together in our celebration of the sacraments and proclamation of the Gospel. As a people of hope, we commit ourselves through prayerful and creative discernment to respond to God in our time by: Being a respectful community Where seekers and their questions are welcomed, Where injustice is challenged, Where the poor, the alienated and the marginalized find a home, And where people are refreshed, reconciled and renewed.

OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 10:00 am to 7:30 pm

Saturday: 11:30 am to 6:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

NOTE: for Bulletin Notices send e-mails to sfuentes@sfxavier.org and Space Requests send e-mails to jfalco@sfxavier.org

Deadline for bulletin copy—all copy should be in the office by 4:00 pm on Monday afternoon.

**Confessions are offered
Saturdays from 1:00pm-2:00pm**

**To make an appointment for
confession please call Parish Office.**

**Note: You must be a registered parishioner for a
minimum of six months before qualifying for a
sponsor letter to be verified as a parishioner.**

Next Weekend Presider Schedule

Saturday, October 17th

5:00pm Vigil: *Rev. Peter Fink, SJ*

Sunday, October 18th

9:00am Mass: *Rev. Peter Fink, SJ*

11:30am Mass: *Rev. James Croghan, SJ*

5:00pm Mass: *Rev. Joseph Marina, SJ*

Next Weekend 2nd Collection

For the benefit of the Xavier Mission.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us especially, remember those
who have asked for our prayers

*Jim Calimano, Alex Campbell, Kyle Cheplic, Sheila Creasy,
Louis DeFazio, Rose Fernandes, Gary Gatza,
Christine Giangreco, Johnathan Gotay-Coban,
Alice Gonzalez, Monsignor Neil Graham, Robyn Luisi,
John Marshall, Ron and Elizabeth Miller, Kathy Mulvaney,
Nicole Mysak, John J. Nesbit, Catherine Anne Olnek, Jacob
Michael Olnek, Denyse Robinson, Joan Schecter, Rocco Scura,
Thomas Stemberg, Mary and Gabino Torres, Janet Townsend,
Helen Vitale, Carl Wassmann*

Pray for the peaceful rest of all our beloved departed
parishioners and friends, especially:

*Teresa Demma, John Gallagher, John Henry Mark Jr.,
John McNeill, Halina Myhal, Gerard Schmidt,
Esperanza Trinidad*

We also remember all those who have been killed or
wounded through the violence of war. May all those who
have gone before us share the joys of eternal life.

**All prayer requests are listed for at least three consecutive
weeks. Please contact the parish office for an extension.**

**MISSION MASS &
NAMING OF
FR. NED COUGHLIN, SJ
MEN'S SHELTER**



On **Sunday, October 18th** we will celebrate the Mission at our 11:30am Mass. We will also be naming the Xavier Shelter for Men in honor of former pastor, *Fr. Ned Coughlin, SJ.*

**THE IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS
of METRO NEW YORK (IVC)**

invites you to join us for
a three part film/discussion series:

**VIEWING FILM
THROUGH AN IGNATIAN LENS**

Friday, Nov. 6, 2015 (Railway Man)

Friday, Dec. 4, 2015 (Babette's Feast)

*Each program will be presented at
Xavier H.S. 30 West 16th. St. NYC
from 6:30 - 9:30 PM*



LOVE CHANGES EVERYTHING!

A XAVIER CABARET

November 6th and 7th at 7:30pm and November 8th at 2:30pm

DIRECTOR: *Paul Michael*

MUSICAL DIRECTOR: *Brad Ross*

FEATURING: *Jim Fox, Joe Palarca, HaQuyen Pham, Larry Kiss, Elda Luisi, Vinnie Fedor, Jackie Perez, John Wiegand, Anna Zhukovskaya, Mark Wallace, Christine Menna, Ladd Boris, Gregory Rittiner, John Uehlein, and Dugan McGinley*

Suggested Donation: \$20

Adult Activities

MUSIC and ART Wednesday, October 21st



Join us at Alice Tully Hall to hear an hour long concert by the Juilliard Percussion Ensemble.

We will meet in the lobby of the concert hall at 12:30. After the concert we will cross the street to see a fascinating exhibit at the American Folk Art Museum.

The concert and the museum are FREE.

Xavier Women's Ministry

"Finding Our Voices as Women of Faith"

Join us for
A reflection and conversation as we connect
with Scripture and with one another.

Facilitator: *Lizzie Berne DeGear*

Friday, October 16th
6:30 – 8:30 pm
West Room

Also, hear about the exciting plans for coming months and how you can be involved.

Bring light refreshments to share.
All are welcome!

RCIA

Sponsors are needed to journey with men and women who are seeking full initiation in the Catholic faith community through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA.)

From **Now until April 3**, sponsors accompany catechumens/candidates to Sundays sessions held from **1pm to 3pm in the West Room**.

From **December 13 until Easter**, catechumens and candidates sit with sponsors in designated pews **during Sunday at the 11:30am Mass**.

If you are feeling called to this form of service, please contact Father Peter Fink, SJ at Pfink@sfxavier.org or Luz Marina Diaz, PhD at Imdiaz@sfxavier.org.

SFX LGBTQ Annual Retreat

"Discovering God's Mercy"

DATES: Friday, November 20, 3:00 p.m.
through Sunday, November 22, 1:30 p.m.

PLACE:

Linwood Spiritual Center, Rhinebeck, New York.

TOTAL COST: \$215.00

\$200.00 per person. (payable to Linwood Spiritual Center), \$15.00 cash for additional costs paid upon arrival to Retreat Team

Space is limited to 34 people, first come, first serve. Registration forms are available in the parish office on 15th Street.

**DEPOSIT IS DUE ON OR BEFORE
NOVEMBER 1, DIRECTLY TO LINWOOD.**

Contact SFXWomen@aol.com,
SFXGCGroup@gmail.com, or (917) 297-6804
with any questions and/or comments.





MISSION MASS: SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us on **Sunday, October 18th at 11:30am** for the annual Mission Mass to celebrate the work of Xavier Mission and St. Francis Xavier in the community. Together with Xavier High School and the Xavier Jesuit Community, we will honor the commitment and generosity of the Xavier family to the Hurtado Men's Shelter, with a special expression of gratitude to Fr. Ned Coughlin. We look forward to seeing you there!



CHANGE A LIFE!

Do you want to fall asleep tonight knowing that you helped to change someone's life today? If the answer is yes, please consider sponsoring an L-STEP Participant! Our Fall 2015 semester will soon begin with 8-10 participants. The program is free to our participants and so we request your assistance in underwriting the cost. The breakdown for one participant is as follows:

Stipends	\$300.00 (\$10 per session, 30 sessions)
MetroCards	\$165.00 (\$5.00 MetroCard per session, 30 sessions)
Food	\$100.00 (\$3.00 per meal, 30 meals + \$10 Graduation)
Supplies	\$60.00 (\$2.00 per session, 30 sessions)
Admin	\$25.00
Total	\$650.00

If you cannot sponsor the full cost of a participant, please consider sponsoring a portion of the cost, as outlined above. Don't hesitate to contact *Rachel* at rjohnson@xaviermission.org to discuss L-STEP volunteering and *Cassandra* at cagredo@xaviermission.org for sponsorship opportunities!

Catholic Lesbians

Friday, November 13th
6:00 pm–9:00 pm
West Room

The Gospel calls us to love radically and live faithfully. Roe Sauerzopf and Paula Acuti will share highlights from their trip to the Call to Action Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, that featured Sister Joan Chittister, OSB, PhD.

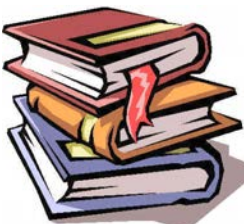
Bring a beverage and/or snack to share, and contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (917) 297-6804 for more information.

The India Group will host a fundraiser cocktail party auction on **Saturday, October 17th from 6:00pm-9:00pm** at the residence of parishioners *Paul Ramsey and Richard Coburn*. Please come and support their work with the poorest of the poor in India and have what will be a most enjoyable evening.

RSVP: theindiagroupnyc@gmail.com

Employment Support Group

Meetings take place once a month. We will be sharing info on how to motivate yourself in searching for the job that you want even in light of changing your career and trouble with asking for what you want. We welcome everyone to come and share their experiences with procrastinating, changing and asking.



New this year . . . The Book Club is headed up by our own Marylee Raymond Diamond. The books selected will extend and/or enhance the information from the meetings. Please email

Katherine at krcoff5th@netzero.com for further information.

DOROTHY BENNETT MERCY CENTER
will hold its 9TH ANNUAL BENEFIT on
Friday, October 16th from 7 p.m. – 11 p.m. at
The Belle Harbor Yacht Club,
533 Beach 126 Street, Belle Harbor, NY 11694.

Honoree: Kerry Weber, Managing Editor and Author - America Magazine.

\$80.00 per ticket

For more info: call *Marcela* at 718 622-7448
or email: dorothybmc@verizon.net.

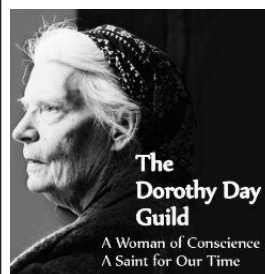
CUBA PILGRIMAGE

January 26, 2016 to February 2, 2016
Spiritual Guide is Fr. Joe Costantino, S.J.

Contact Angie Cruz at 917-607-0937 or
Angiecruzphd@gmail.com

Nightfever NYC is coming back to *St. Patrick's Cathedral* on **November 20, 2015**. Before we kick off the Year of Mercy, Nightfever NYC will be hosting this night of praise, worship and reconciliation at Saint Patrick's Cathedral (50th Street and 5th Avenue). We will have the opportunity to pray before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament as well as light candles to honor Our Lord. The evening of music and prayer will start at 7pm and end at 9pm. Confessions will be heard throughout the night. Come and be a part of this night, where the Cathedral will be have its doors open to all New Yorkers so they can come, pray, and love the Lord. For more information, email us at nightfevernyc@gmail.com.

NEEDED FOR SAINTHOOD INQUIRY: TRANSCRIBER WITH EXPERIENCE



The Dorothy Day Guild is looking for someone with experience doing simultaneous or recorded transcription to transcribe eyewitness testimony at the Archdiocesan Inquiry on the life of Dorothy Day.

Interviews will be 4-5 hours long and conducted at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 1011 First Avenue, spread over the next year. Please contact George.Horton@archny.org or 212-371-1011 ext. 2480 for more details.

Scriptures & Announced Masses

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME: Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13;
Mark 10:17-30.

TWENTY-EIGHTH MONDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME: Rom 1:1-17; Luke 11:29-32.

TWENTY-EIGHTH TUESDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME: Rom 1:16-25; Luke 11:37-41.

7:45AM ANTOINETTE & LEO BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM JOHN SMITH (D)

TWENTY-EIGHTH WEDNESDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME: Rom 2:1-11; Luke 11:42-46.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM ABRAHAM SEGURRA

THURSDAY~ FEAST OF ST. THERESA OF JESUS:

Rom 3:21-30; Luke 11:47-54.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM AVAILABLE

TWENTY-EIGHTH FRIDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME: Rom 4:1-8; Luke 12:1-7.

7:45AM BARBARA BEHARRY (D)
12:05PM JIM BURKE (D)

SATURDAY~ FEAST OF ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH:

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Luke 12:8-12.

12:05PM DOROTHY SCHULER (D)

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Isa 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45.

YOU MAY RESERVE AN AVAILABLE MASS FOR YOUR INTENTIONS BY CONTACTING THE PARISH OFFICE AT 212-627-2100.

Ongoing Parish Happenings

ABILITY XAVIER: Celebrating persons with disabilities. Contact abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com

ADULT ACTIVITIES: Once a month we have informative meetings or attend interesting events around the city. Contact bowcol@hotmail.com

BAGA: A parish youth group (for teens) that meets monthly to promote peace and justice by performing corporal works of mercy. Contact b.a.good.apostle@gmail.com

CATHOLIC LESBIANS: Ministry since 1993, meets 2nd Friday, 6 p.m., West Room, SFXWomen@aol.com, (917) 297-6804.

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Contact Katherine Cleary, krcoff5th@netzero.com

FAMILY FAITH: Catechetical ministry for parents/guardians and children pre-K through 12th grade. Meets Sundays 10:00am, Mary Chapel. Contact Luz, LMDiaz@sfxavier.org

GAY CATHOLICS: Men meet in a caring and affirming environment on the first and third Fridays, 7pm Mary Chapel. Contact sfxgcgroup@gmail.com

INTERFAITH COMMITTEE: works toward ending religious discrimination and persecution, through prayer, education and other activities. Contact Jose Ramon, joseramonperezlopez@gmail.com

SFX WOMEN: We continue to stay to address the specific concerns of women in the church. Xavier women are invited to join our ministry. Contact thewomenwhostayed@gmail.com

LITURGICAL COMMITTEES: See website or Contact Luz, LMDiaz@sfxavier.org

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: To become a volunteer or arrange visits, Contact James Fox, sumiko120@nyc.rr.com, (212) 427-5070

PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE: Examines root causes of injustice and works towards a more just and sustainable world. Contact Tracey Tynan or Peter Locascio at xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com.

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES: Offers spiritual programs, including spiritual direction. Contact Rose Alloca, allocarose@gmail.com or Marie Bannister, mariebannister1@gmail.com.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Seeks volunteers to plan spiritual, service, and social activities for Xavier's 20s-30s community. Email sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com for more information.

ZEN MEDITATION GROUP: Mondays at 7pm. Newcomers welcome. Contact Peggy & Paul 212-260-2486, schubertnyc@gmail.com

XAVIER MISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CLOTHING ROOM: 2nd & 4th Sundays, contact Ann Mary: xmClothingRoom@gmail.com

FOOD PROGRAMS: Every Sunday soup kitchen and 2nd Saturday food pantry, contact Christine: xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com

L-STEP: Spring and Fall semesters, contact J: xmLSTEP@gmail.com

SHELTER: Every night, contact Jim: xmShelter@gmail.com