



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. (1 Cor 12: 4-7)

OFFICE CLOSED
Memorial Day
Monday, May 25th
One Mass only
will be held at 9:00am.
Please use 15th Street entrance.

SECOND COLLECTION
for the benefit of Parish Maintenance

Pentecost Sunday

May 24, 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

Rev. Marc Roselli, S.J. (Visiting Priest) - 206

Receptionist — 201

Damely Tineo (Assistant to the Pastor) - 205

John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair); Jacqueline Perez (Vice-Chair);

Stephen Alfieri; Kathleen Cagnina; Patricia Dahl;

Phil Gutierrez; Bob Lepisko; Deborah Olley Murphy;

Adel O'Regan; 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.

Main Church Accessibility from 16th street during regular office hours. Simply ring the bell on the two furthest entrances on the West & East sides of the Church.

Next Weekend Presider Schedule

Saturday, May 30th

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

Sunday, May 31st

9:00am Mass: *Rev. Marc Roselli, SJ*

11:30am Mass: *Rev. Joseph Marina, SJ*

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Barbara Beharry, Antonio Bird, Michael Brooks, Dr. Christopher Bulgarelli, Alex Campbell, Lisa & Chris Cirri, Francis Coleman, Jack Conway, Tom Cooney, Louis DeFazio, George Gilmore, Robyn Luisi, Teresa Mitchell, Scott McKinney, Lori Mitchener, John Nesbit, Carmine Novembre, Dorothy Oliva, Catherine Anne Olnek, Jacob Michael Olnek, Ellen Palumbo, Dennis Petraghani, Natalie Russo, David Saulius, Rocco Scura, Teri Sheridan, Barbara Starkey, Mary and Gabino Torres, Charles and Janet Townsend, Carl Wassmann

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

Rose Ann Boyle, David Gotay, Henry Guallini, Stephen Quigley, Pauline Zunno

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.

ORGAN CONCERT

WITH **MATTHEW PHELPS**



May 29th

7:30PM

Main Church

Featuring music by Bach, Benoit, Sowerby, Liszt and Howells

Continuing our Month of Mary celebration with 5 Versets on Ave Maris Stella and Ave Maria, de Lourdes by Paul Benoit

Also featuring 3 Hymns of the Russian Church by Leo Sowerby

Featuring Mezzo-soprano Robin Lynne Frye

AND

Piano Concerto no. 1 by Franz Liszt

Featuring Mark Jones at the Piano And Matthew Phelps playing the Orchestra's part from the Organ



SEEKING ACTIVITY LEADERS FOR YOUNG ADULTS SUMMER SEASON!

In your 20s-30s? New York summer fun is just around the corner, and Xavier Young Adults ministry is looking for members to take the lead on social, service, and spiritual outings that our great city has to offer!

In recent years, groups large and small have gathered for the following: Central Park picnic at NY Philharmonic concert, Studio Square biergarten (Long Island City), Movie Night at the Intrepid, theatre outing at Green-Wood Cemetery, Zeppelin Hall biergarten (Jersey City), Sunday Mass & Summer Brunch, volunteering at Xavier Mission's Welcome Table soup kitchen, "Ask a Priest" Picnic with Fr. Joe, and more.

No experience needed! We'll ask you to set a date/time, gather and provide event info, maintain the event sign-up list, and be the on-site contact to gather the group. Our Young Adults Summer Season provides great moments to meet new friends, re-connect with old ones, and enjoy the company of Xavier's 20s-30s community all over the city!

Ready to plan the next great meetup? Email sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com



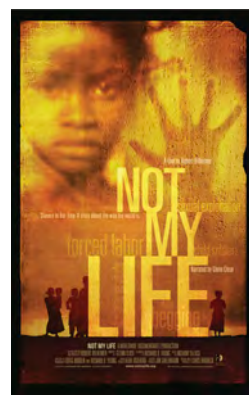
SEEK HUMAN DIGNITY AND END MODERN-DAY SLAVERY

St. Francis Xavier Parish and its Peace & Justice Committee are continuing to learn about and advocate against the \$32 billion global human trafficking / slavery industry. The Polaris Project, a leading organization active in this fight, estimates that there are more individuals in slavery today than at the height of the trans-Atlantic slave trade of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries.

On Tuesday, June 2 at 7 P.M., we will be holding a screening of the one hour UNICEF documentary "Not My Life" followed by an inter-active discussion led by Sarah Wilbanks, a Fellow at the U.S. UNICEF End Trafficking Department. Filmed on 5 continents in a dozen countries, this story takes us into a world with millions of children exploited every day, through practices of forced labor, domestic servitude, begging, sex tourism, sexual exploitation and child soldiering.

The full message of the film is actually one of hope since advocates are growing in numbers and effectiveness. As Pope Francis has said, "*Cry out full-throated, like a trumpet blast. Rub it in the face of all those who invented this infernal machine of exclusion, this infernal machine that disposes of people, and let's curse their conduct and ask God to convert their hearts.*" The choice between good and evil is, ultimately, ours! Peace.

Next weekend's second collection will be dedicated to our special *Annual Mission Appeal*. This year, the Society for the Propagation of the Faith is asking us to support the *Handmaids of the Divine Redeemer*.



Please join us:

**SCREENING OF
"NOT MY LIFE"**

**Tuesday June 2th
7:00 P.M.
Mary Chapel**

**WANT TO KNOW ABOUT
UPCOMING EVENTS
HAPPENING AT THE CHURCH?**



Get important updates from SFX and the Archdiocese of New York in a timely and convenient way. We want to communicate more effectively with you. But we also want to make it easy for you to control what types of announcements you get from us and how you are notified when we make them. In order to do this we are using a new service called FLOCKNOTE, as in sending “notes” to your “flock”.

The service is free and will make it easy for you to stay plugged in to the happenings at Xavier and the wider Church **via text message or email updates**. And don't worry, your information is completely safe and secure. It will NOT be sold or rented to third-parties. And you can unsubscribe at any time!

Hospitality ministers will distribute sign-up cards at this weekend's masses. Or you can visit the parish website at www.sfxavier.org and click on the Flocknote icon pictured above.

Catholic Lesbians

**Friday, June 12th
6:00 pm—9:00 pm
West Room**

“You are to be the Messiah’s witness to all humankind, bearing testimony about all you have seen and heard. . . Go . . . and call on the name of Jesus.” (Acts 22:15–16)

Happy Pride! Anne Duquette will update us on two outreach projects for the ministry this month. Please bring a snack and/or beverage. For more information, contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (917) 297-6804.

LAY SPIRITUALITY

For more than 30 years, through listening, prayer, reflecting and sharing, we have found that our relationship with God is a beautiful, surprising and fulfilling journey.

The Lay Spirituality Program of the Church of St. Francis Xavier, invites you to go within ... to find the more your soul yearns for.

Group 26 is now forming & will begin a 10-month program on spirituality in September.

An information session will be held on **Sunday, June 7th at 1:30 PM** in the **Mary Chapel**.

For more information, please visit our website at layspirits.org, send us an email at layspirits@gmail.com or leave a message at 212.627.2100, ext. 216.

Adult Activities

**PICNIC ON ROOSEVELT ISLAND
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH**



Members of the adult group plan to visit the Franklin D. Roosevelt Four Freedoms Park on Roosevelt Island.

We will meet at 12:30 at the 15th Street entrance to Xavier and travel as a group by subway to the island.

Bring your lunch and your camera, the views are great. All are welcome.

THE XAVIER SHELTER NAMING PROJECT



As announced in last week's bulletin, we want and intend to name the Xavier Shelter for Men in honor of former pastor, **Fr. Ned Coughlin, SJ**. To make this possible and provide much needed resources for the shelter, the Parish and Xavier Mission are teaming up to hold a community-wide drawing!

Throughout the month of June, tickets will be available for purchase in the church after all weekend Masses, at the 15th Street reception desk, and through **Faith Direct**. The cost is \$20 per ticket and we hope to sell 1,000 tickets (or more). Half of the proceeds will benefit the shelter and the parish while the other half will be awarded as cash prizes according to the following scale:

GRAND PRIZE:

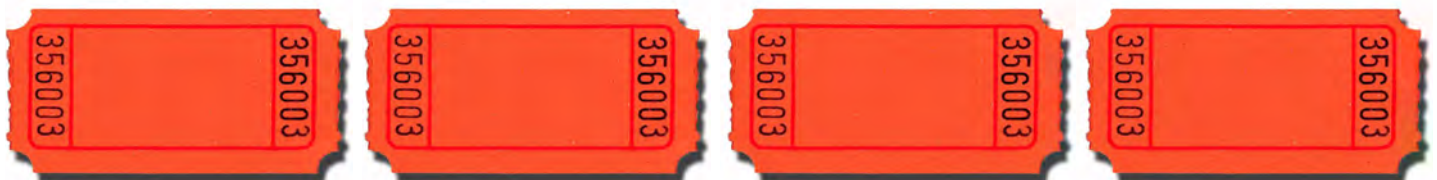
\$5,000 (or 25% of the drawing's gross income)

2nd PRIZE:

\$1,750 (or 8.75% of the drawing's gross income). Two prizes will be awarded at this level.

3rd PRIZE:

\$500 (or 2.5% of the drawing's gross income). Three prizes will be awarded at this level.



Pray the Rosary every Saturday in May after the 12:05pm Mass. Hosted by the Family Faith Program. All are welcome. If anyone wishes to lead a mystery please contact *Luz Marina Diaz* at lm Diaz@sfxavier.org.



**FIRST HOLY
COMMUNION**
*Sunday, June 7th
9:00 am Mass*

Scripture Readings For the Week

Sunday~ Pentecost: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23. *They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.*

Eighth Monday in Ordinary Time: Sir 17:20-24; Mark 10:17-27. *Turn again to the Most High, and learn the judgments of God. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor.*

Tuesday~ Feast of St. Philip Neri: Sir 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31. *To keep the law is a great oblation. You will receive a hundred times as much persecution in this present age, and eternal life in the age to come.*

Eighth Wednesday of Easter: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Mark 10:32-45. *The nations will know that there is no God but you. Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem and the Son of Man will be handed over.*

Eighth Thursday of Easter: Sir 42:15-25; Mark 10:46-52. *The glory of the LORD fills all His works. Master, I want to see.*

Eighth Friday of Easter: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Mark 11:11-26. *Our ancestors were merciful, and their name will live for generations. My house will be called a house of prayer for all people. Have faith in God.*

Eighth Saturday of Easter: Sir 51:12cd-20; Mark 11:27-33. *Give me wisdom and I will give you glory. By what authority are you doing these things?*

Sunday~ Feast of the Most Holy Trinity: Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Matt 28:16-20. *The Lord is God in the heavens above and on earth below and there is no other. You received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*



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 or (917) 297-6804.

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: Spiritual, service, and social activities for Xavier's 20s-30s community. Meets twice a month. Contact **Zahrah** or **Phil**, sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com.

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