



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed him, because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick. He went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near. When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming toward him, he said to Philip, “Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?” (John 6: 1-5)

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 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.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 10:00 am to 4:00 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, August 1st

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

Sunday, August 2nd

9:00am Mass: *Rev. Joseph Marina, SJ*

11:30am Mass: *Rev. Sean Toole, SJ*

5:00pm Mass: *Rev. Sean Toole, SJ*

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

David Axod, Barbara Beharry, Margaret Burns, Jim Calimano, Alex Campbell, Kyle Cheplic, Alberto Cocorpus, Hugo Correa, Sheila Creasey, Teddy D'Alesio, Louis DeFazio, Liitha Edwards, Tony Edwards, Sherry Folb, Racquel Gager, Johnathan Gotay-Coban, Lewis Greenwald, Amy Hoffman, Christine Kiss, Robyn Luisi, Edith Maier, John Marshall, Margaret Mays, Elizabeth Miller, John Nesbit, Catherine Anne Olnek, Jacob Michael Olnek, Adele Porcelli, Silvana Puleo, Denyse Robinson, Rocco Scura, Denton Stargel, Thomas Stemberg, Mary and Gabino Torres, Charles and Janet Townsend, Carl Wassmann, Molly Wolfe

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

Michael Brooks, Graydon Elliott, Irma Estevez-Reyes, Joseph Fortunato, Amadeo Hernández, Lori Mitchener, Christian Negrón, Laura Vesia

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.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

Family Faith is the religious education program at the Church of St. Francis Xavier serving children from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Since religious education is a lifelong process, the program also includes post-confirmation classes.

Members of Family Faith worship together at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday. After Mass, we gather in the Xavier High School library. After a brief period of (healthy) snacks, announcements and prayer, parents accompany their children to their classrooms. Parents may either stay with their children or return to the library for a guest speaker and discussion. At 11:30, parents pick up their children at their classroom.

Children receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist if they are at least in 2nd grade and have completed two consecutive years in the program. They receive the sacrament of Confirmation when they are at least in 7th grade and have completed two consecutive years in the program. **For more information, please contact Luz Marina Diaz in the parish office.**

REGISTRATION

SUNDAYS
AUGUST
9, 16, 23, 30
WEST ROOM
9AM TO 1PM

TUITION FEE: \$100
PER STUDENT.
SNACKS FEE: \$80
PER STUDENT.

FOR STUDENTS
PREPARING FOR
THE SACRAMENTS,
THERE IS AN
ADDITIONAL FEE OF
\$50 PER
SACRAMENT.

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PAPAL ENCYCLICAL ON THE ENVIRONMENT (7TH INSTALLMENT)

In his recent encyclical on caring for creation, Pope Francis highlights overconsumption and excessive economic development as the primary causes of the destruction of our common home. With him, let us pray to “discover the worth in each thing” and to embody that discovery by buying less and recycling our possessions when we no longer need them. For more information please visit

www.sfxavier.org/environment

Please join us on **Sunday, August 2nd**, immediately after the 11:30am Mass for a blessing of our new water fountains. The fountains were installed in response to a suggestion by our Peace & Justice Committee in their hope of making a valuable contribution to the care of our planet by eliminating the water coolers we previously maintained. You are most welcome and encouraged to join us for this special blessing!

"GIVE ME ONLY YOUR LOVE AND YOUR GRACE"

Healing Liturgy
Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola
Friday, July 31st at 6:30 PM
Presider: Father Marc Roselli, SJ

What is a healing mass? It is an invitation to join with the community in a Eucharistic liturgy and pray for our own needs and the needs of our loved ones. Whatever your burdens might be, please come and place them in the hands of our loving God. Each person will have the opportunity for an individual healing prayer that includes anointing with blessed oil and laying-on of hands. It is a time of peaceful prayer, a time of resting in God's presence and a time of spiritual renewal. Please come and join in our prayer for healing.

Catholic Lesbians

Friday, August 14, 6:00 pm—8:00 pm
Chelsea Pier 63, end of W. 23rd St.

"A child who gathers in summertime is using good judgment" (Proverbs 10:5). Because the parish is closed on the second-Friday-of-the-month meeting date/time, we will meet at Chelsea Piers (the lawn area of pier 63 at the end of W. 23rd St.) for a picnic, prayer, and play. For more information, contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (917) 297-6804.



EXPERIENCE/ UNDERSTAND/ TAKE ACTION

Saturday, September 19th
10:00am – 12:30pm
Wallace Hall/St. Ignatius Loyola
980 Park Avenue at 84th St.

Please join The Peace and Justice Committees of St. Francis Xavier Church and St. Ignatius Loyola Church For a "Poverty Simulation" organized with us by The St. Vincent DePaul Society and Bread for the World

This poverty simulation experience is designed to help participants understand what it might be like to be a part of a typical low income family trying to survive from month-to-month. It is a simulation, not a game! The object is to sensitize participants to the realities of life faced by low income people, while providing concrete suggestions for further advocacy.

CABARET



August 23rd and 30th
6:30PM Music Room

Director: Paul Michael
Music Director: TBD
Producer: PAX, John Uehlein

Please email *John Uehlein* at juehlein@sfxavier.org with subject heading "cabaret" to set up an audition.

Scripture Readings For the Week

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

2 Kings 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; John 6:1-15. *They shall eat and there shall be some left over. One body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism. He distributed as much as they wanted to those who were reclining.*

Seventeenth Monday in Ordinary Time:

Exod 32:15-24, 30-34; Matt 13:31-35. *This people has indeed committed a grave sin, in making a god of gold for themselves. The mustard seed becomes a large bush, and the birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.*

Seventeenth Tuesday in Ordinary Time:

Exod 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Matt 13:36-43. *The LORD spoke to Moses face to face. Just as the weeds are gathered now and burned up with fire, so it will be at the end of the age.*

Wednesday~ Feast of St. Martha: Exod 34:29-35; John 11:19-27. *Seeing the face of Moses, they were afraid to come near him. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God.*

Seventeenth Thursday in Ordinary Time:

Exod 40:16-21, 34-38; Matt 13:47-53. *The cloud covered the meeting tent and the glory of the LORD filled the Dwelling. They put what is good into buckets, what is bad they throw away.*

Friday~ Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola:

Jer 20:7-9; Cor 10:31-11:1; Luke 14:25-33. *It becomes like fire burning in my heart. Do everything for the glory of God. Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.*

Saturday~ Feast of St. Alphonsus Liguori:

Lev 25:1, 8-17; Matt 14:1-12. *In the year of the jubilee you shall return, everyone of you, to your own property. Herod had John beheaded. John's disciples came and told Jesus.*

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Exod 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35. *I will rain down bread from heaven for you. Put on the new self that has been created in God's way. Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.*



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