



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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“The Good Samaritan” by Dinah Roe Kendall

Jesus asked, “Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers’ victim?” The scholar answered, “The one who treated him with mercy.”
(Luke 10:36-37)

SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit the Xavier Mission

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 10, 2016

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)

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. Robert VerEecke, S.J. (Pastor)

Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) — 208

Luz Marina Díaz (Dir. of Religious Education) — 207

Stephanie Fuentes (Assistant to the Pastor) — 222

Moraima Hernandez (Plant Manager) - 201

James Martinez (Dir. of Stewardship and
Assistant for Financial Planning) - 205

Rev. Kevin Spinale, S.J. (Visiting Priest)- 201

Gregory Timmes (Assistant Dir. of Business) - 201

Damely Tineo (Dir. of Business) - 221

Rev. Sean Toole, S.J. (Associate Pastor) - 206
Receptionist — 201

John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair); Adel O'Regan (Vice-Chair);

Stephen Alfieri; Kathleen Cagnina; John Karle;

Bob Lepisko; Charles Mileski;

Deborah Olley Murphy (secretary);

Catherine O'Hagan-Wolfe; 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 and Space Requests send
e-mails to sfuentes@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 mini-
mum of six months before qualifying for a
sponsor letter to be verified as a parishioner.**

Next Weekend Presider Schedule

Saturday, July 16th

5:00pm Mass (Vigil): Rev. Samuel Sawyer, SJ

Sunday, July 17th

9:00am Mass: Rev. Kevin Spinale, SJ

11:30am Mass: Rev. Kevin Spinale SJ

5:00pm Mass: Rev. Samuel Sawyer, SJ

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Jeffrey Breitman, John Bucki SJ, Alex Campbell,
Caitlin Campbell, Kyle Chepic, Sheila Creasy, Kathleen Dady,
Betty Donovan, Maryann Downing, Pablo Forte,
Joaquin Gager, Racquel Gager, Howard Skip Geiger III,
Monsignor Neil Graham, Florence Demopoulos Inno,
William Koss, James Leung, James Lizzio, John Marshall,
James Martinez Sr., Kay Mazzo, Betty & Ron Miller,
Lou Mauro SJ, Mary Montemurro, Kathy Mulvaney,
Lorraine B. Nelson, Rosalie De Nicola, Eileen O'Keeffe,
Anne Passini, Sister Grace Plimen FSP, Ruth Rivera,
Riederman Family, Denyse Robinson, Joshua Rota-Tebb, Laura
Samoy, Alice Sharkey, Rocco Scura, Ray and Terri Sharpe,
Amando Solero, Danny Stevens, Matthew Tanck,
Gabino Torres, Janet Townsend, Bess Vindigni,
Carl Wassmann

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

Sister Jane Burns (MMS), Expedit Codo, Erlinda Samoy
Cano, Joe Cepelak, John Cossen, Francisco Domingo,
Avalynn Marie Gerber, James Grahm Sr., Maxine Gold,
Bob Hearlihy, Ruth Nazareno, Ronald J Paskewitz,
Cecilia Pelc, Marta N Peri, Pamela Richards, Francis Schall,
Mary Torres, John Valentino, Filomena Verra,
Daniel Zoltowski

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.**

From the Desk of Jim Martinez

Year to Date Results

Thank you to all of you who have given so much of your time, talent, and treasure to support our parish during this year. We are currently operating at a \$25,751 deficit compared to a budgeted deficit of \$155,671 for the first nine months of this fiscal year ending May 31, 2016. Our smaller than budgeted deficit is the result of higher revenues that were \$126,000 above budget. We had higher revenues from Donations & Bequests, the Christmas collection and Candles offset by lower Sunday and Easter collections and Weddings. In particular we received a bequest and two gifts totaling \$100,000. Without the bequest and large gifts however, the parish would have operated at a \$125,000 loss. Our year to date Sunday collection is \$17,000 below budget and \$3,000 less than last year at this time.

Our fiscal year ends August 31st and we project a year end deficit of approximately \$10,000. Therefore we ask that you prayerfully consider increasing your donations, if you can. We need your increased support in the next two months through your Sunday offertory and maintenance 2nd collection to help reduce this deficit.

First Nine Months Revenues and Expenses Ending May 31, 2016

	Actual	Budget	Difference
Support	1,669,149	1,542,675	126,474
Expenses	1,694,900	1,698,346	(3,446)
Net Support Over (Under) Expenses	(25,751)	(155,671)	

Remember Xavier in Your Estate Planning

Over the years, it has been the gifts left to the Church of St. Francis Xavier in wills, bequests, and memorials that have helped us to continue to operate as a welcoming community and place of worship where injustice is challenged, where the poor, the alienated and the marginalized find a home, and where people are refreshed, reconciled and renewed. **If you would like information about planned giving, please contact me.**

Donate Now Using Faith Direct

Our no cost Faith Direct eGiving option provides a convenient and secure way to support Xavier via automatic payment from your checking account or credit card. It gives you the opportunity to support Xavier even if you are absent from Mass on vacation or other reasons. You can track your donations and access tax statements at any time. Faith Direct helps us bring consistency to our cash flow and reduces the administrative burden of the parish staff. It eliminates the printing, mailing, processing and recording of donations of the envelope system. Did you know it takes four people up to four hours each week to count and process the Sunday collection and another person up to four hours to record the donations in the collection system.

We have revised the donor page on our website to make it easier for you enroll and have included a You Tube video to show you the enrollment and account management process. The page also has our QR code so you can quickly access Faith Direct on your mobile device. The Faith Direct mobile app available for download on the iTunes Store and Google Play market, gives you the ability to access and manage your Faith Direct account anywhere and anytime.

Please consider joining the 290 other families who use Faith Direct for their Sunday offertory. You can sign up online by clicking the [Donate Now](#) button on the upper-right hand corner of our homepage or mail in an enrollment form available in the back of the church or from the parish office.





Ode to the Ten-Year Anniversary of My Being at Xavier Mission Which was July 2nd (Which is Also My Birthday How Weird!)

Years flew

I grew

And knew that you were truly (the best people ever to work with and to have supporting me for the last decade of my life! It has been a privilege and an honor to have spent nearly a third of my time on this planet in this amazing community!)

If you feel so compelled, please join me in celebrating my 10th anniversary at Xavier!

The traditional gift for the “tin” anniversary (according to Wikipedia) is diamond jewelry. But I’m not traditional so instead of diamonds, perhaps consider making a gift to Xavier Mission for the following:

\$10 – 1 day’s worth of groceries from our Food Pantry for a family of 4

\$50 – 50 hot meals for our neighbors at the Welcome Table

\$100 – 1 month’s worth of supplies for guests at the Coughlin Shelter

\$1000 – 1 month of rent arrears for a family to avoid eviction

**I’ve kicked off the celebration with a \$100 gift.
Won’t you join me?**

**Xoxo,
Cassandra**



Attention ALL dynamic Twenty & Thirty-Somethings! You are personally invited to join us at our monthly meeting: July 10th, immediately following the 5pm mass in the West Room. With the political season upon us, we will be holding a passionate and vivacious discussion about the Young Catholic experience in today’s climate. Come join the lively discourse with other gorgeous, socially-conscious, and fantastic individuals. We welcome ALL... single, married, gay or straight! sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com

Catholic Lesbians

Friday, August 12th

6:00 pm—9:00 pm

Venue to be determined

“A child who gathers in summertime is using good judgment” (Proverbs 10:5).

Because the parish is closed on our second-Friday-of-the-month meeting date and time, we will meet elsewhere for time together. For more information, contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (917) 297-6804.

SFX’s Women Ministry

FROM MIRIAM TO MARY AND BEYOND

The angel at Jesus’ tomb asked Mary Magdalene, “Who are you looking for?” Who are you looking for?

In our rich legacy of female prophets, disciples, deacons and saints, in our current world of tumult and change, who inspires you?

Join the women and men of Xavier for a special evening of storytelling and prayer, music and dance on the eve of Mary Magdalene’s feast day:

**Thursday, July 21st at 6:30pm
in the Main Church**

Scriptures & Announced Masses

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37.

MONDAY~ FEAST OF ST. BENEDICT: Isa

1:10-17; Matt 10:34-11:1.

7:45AM NORA MARIE GALLI (D)

12:05PM THELMA FRANCIS (D)

FIFTEENTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Isa 7:1-9; Matt 11:20-24.

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)

12:05PM NAOMI REYES (D)

FIFTEENTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Isa 10:5-7, 13b-16;

Matt 11:25-27.

7:45AM MAUREEN McCONVILLE MAROTTA (D)

12:05PM MARIE ESPOSITO (D)

THURSDAY~FEAST OF ST. KATERI

TEKAKWITHA: Isa 26:7-9, 12, 16-19;

Matt 11:28-30.

7:45AM MARY CLAIRE COMMENDER (D)

12:05PM JOHN RICE (D)

FRIDAY~ FEAST OF ST. BONAVENTURE:

Isa 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Matt 12:1-8.

7:45AM BARBARA BEHARRY (D)

12:05PM EILEEN MARINA (D)

FIFTEENTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Mic 2:1-5; Matt 12:14-21.

12:05PM YOLANDA REID (D)

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Gen 18:1-10a; Col 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42.

**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, SEXWomen@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 sfxggroup@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, [suniko120@nyc.rr.com](mailto:sunik120@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 John Karle 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 20's-30's. Meets every 2nd Sunday of the month after the 5pm Young Adult's Mass, in the West Room. Contact 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