



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, April 2nd

*One Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am.
Please use 15th Street entrance.*

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 1, 2018

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 Wheelchair 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) — 204

Email: RVerееcke@sfxavier.org

Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) — 208

Rev. Daniel Corrou, S.J. (Associate Pastor) - 206

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

Gregory Timmes (Assistant Dir. of Business) - 201

Damely Tineo (Dir. of Business) - 221
Receptionist — 201

John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair);

Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe (Vice-Chair);

Stephen Alfieri (Secretary); Kathleen Cagnina;

Karen DeMasi; Patrick Egan; Michelle Jung;

John Karle; Charles Mileski; Deborah Olley Murphy;

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: 8:30 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 minimum of six months before qualifying for a sponsor letter to be verified as a parishioner.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Patrice Adcroft, Sr Mary Ann Ambrose, Jesus Andaluz, Joseph Cali, Larry Capici, Sr. Ann Citarella, Patrica Cunningham, Elizabeth Cutolo, Isaac Falci, Fausto Felipe, Kathryn Fisher, Maria Formoso, Daniel Fox, Thomas Glasson, Juan Garcia, Ann Grant, Renata Johnson, Mary Korba, James Leung, Marian Lizzio, Keith Martin, Mark Martinez, John McLoughlin, Amelia Mullings, Kathy Mulvaney, Terence J. Murphy, Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe, Eileen O'Keeffe, Joel Rivera, Rey Santos, Vanessa Santos, Rocco Scura, Anthony Sellitti, Denise Stewart, Michael Termini, Bobby Tinio, Dr. Daniel Tynan, Carl Wassmann, Diane Weyers, David Woolwine

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

Martin Crawford, Mimi Elenbaas, Marian Githens, Lisa Heine, Janet Lista, John Marshall, Patricia O'Grady, Mary M. Piderit, Miriam Socorro Solares de Castañeda, Winifredo D. Samoy, Denise Stewart

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 Pastor's Desk

Dear parishioners,

This is the day the lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad! On this Easter day we have reason to rejoice. We remember in a special way the great mystery of Christ's triumph over death. The risen one comes to each of us saying, Peace! I am with you now and forever. Today we celebrate in a special way what we remember each Sunday as we gather for Eucharist. The lord is in our midst as a saving, life giving presence. All of our Sundays during the year are reflected in the light of this Easter Sunday.

But Easter is not just a day. It is not simply an "event". It is a season of fifty days, This Easter "seasoning" gives us the opportunity to savor the rich experience of the paschal feast, tasting and seeing the goodness of God, revealed in Christ's dying and rising. This Easter season is filled with stories and symbols that speak of new light and new life. Can we open our ears and our eyes to let the Risen One come again into our lives offering us the promise of peace, joy and love?

May this Easter Season be filled with encounters with the Risen lord who will open our eyes to the wonders that our gracious God has done for us!

FR. BOB

RETURNING CATHOLICS

*We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time.
- T. S. Elliot*

An invitation for those considering returning to the catholic church or who just want to ask questions. Members of the parish staff and parishioners will welcome you in a safe, confidential and judgment-free space. Come to one or all of the evenings. Ask questions, share experiences and be at home. We will meet Sundays at 3:30pm starting on April 15 in Xavier High School If you are interested please contact *Fr. Dan* at [**DCorrou@sfxavier.org**](mailto:DCorrou@sfxavier.org)

From Paris to Berlin

April 27th

7:30pm

Main Church



Join Canadian artists Adi Braun and Linda Ippolito as they bring the music of the 20th century European cabaret to life. Pianist Linda Ippolito captures the spirit of the moment in a series of improvisations and impromptus by Poulenc, Rachmaninoff, Giesking and Fauré. Vocalist Adi Braun – joined by her trio of John Di Martino , pianist, Tom Hubbard, bass, and David Silliman, drums – pays tribute to the “Moderne Frau” (Modern Woman) of 1920’s and ‘30’s Berlin in songs by Weill, Hollaender, Grothe, Spoliansky and her own cabaret originals.



AIDS WALK NEW YORK 2018 Xavier Team

As a parish, we encourage as many individuals as possible to JOIN OUR TEAM and/or contribute on-line whatever is comfortable. Visit the Team Page at <https://ny.aidswalk.net/sfx>

Be sure to use the Church of Saint Francis Xavier Team’s Number, #1250

Catholic Lesbians

Friday, April 13th
6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
West Room

Professor Mary will give a “text and image” talk on St. Lucy of Syracuse. She will discuss the 14th century frescoes based on the saint’s vita as related by Jacopo da Voragine in the 13th century text **The Golden Legend**. The frescoes are painted next door to the basilica in Italy where St. Anthony of Padua is enshrined. Please bring a snack or beverage to share, and contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (917) 297-6804 for more information.



JOIN US ON APRIL 15TH

To learn about the Alliance for Fair Food And the Protection of Farmworker Women ~West Room after 11:30 Mass~

Generations of farmworker women have suffered sexual violence or harassment, but the Fair Food Program, launched in 2011, offers agricultural workers protections they have never had before.

At our next P&J meeting, on April 15, representatives of the Alliance for Fair Food will discuss their campaign to get Wendy's to join the Fair Food Program. Currently, Wendy's is the only major fast-food brand that has not signed on. Instead, they shifted their tomato purchases from Florida to Mexico, where women are not protected.

All are welcome to join us for this conversation. If you have questions or want more information, email us at: xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com

Save the Date!
Sunday Afternoon,
April 15th

Here at the
Church of St. Francis Xavier
Experience the powerful
poetry and theology of
Sor Juana!

Women's History
Come to Life!

XAVIER YOGA FOR ALL

Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:00pm
in the Main Church.

Classes are donation based.
All are welcome.

For more information: ko@nyyogalife.com

JOAN CHITTISTER

Passion 4 God, Justice, Life

*CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
& ORATORY CHURCH OF ST. BONIFACE
are thrilled to partner together in bringing Joan
Chittister, OSB to New York City!*

Sister Joan/Dr. Chittister promises to invigorate your mind, stir your heart, move your spirit, and inspire you to action . . . all in the name of Love.

This FREE event is a gift from both parishes and the women in the church. The first two hundred parishioners and friends of Xavier to RSVP are guaranteed a place at the table.

WHEN: Sunday, September 30, 2018

WHERE: St. Boniface Church

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. 190 Duffield Street

Trains: A, C, F, R to Jay Street/MetroTech Brooklyn, NY 11201, 2, 3 to Hoyt Street

RSVP: SFXWomen@aol.com

(917) 297-6804

On **Monday, April 16th** at **7:30pm** Fr. George Drance will host an evening of Mystical Poetry in Performance at the Sheen Center. These beautiful poems from the Jewish, Christian, and Sufi traditions focus on Divine Love. They will be performed in their original languages and in translation. Tickets available at <https://sheencenter.org/shows/mystical/>

*The Lay Spirituality Program
invites you to*

A Conversation with
Fr. Dan Corrou, SJ

**CALLED TO BE COMPANIONS:
THE REFUGEE SITUATION IN
THE MIDDLE EAST**



British Red Cross

PRESENTATION AND Q&A
Refreshments to Follow

Proceeds will be donated
to Jesuit Refugee Service

April 11th at 6:30 pm
Mary Chapel



**DO YOU HAVE A SKILL
TO SHARE
WITH OUR FRIENDS
WHO GATHER IN
HURTADO HALL
ON THURSDAY EVENINGS?**

Members of The New Sanctuary Coalition who gather every Thursday evening in Hurtado Hall from 6 to 8:30 pm are seeking Xavier Parishioners who are willing to share life skills with them. They have so far learned a little yoga and had a short workshop on finances. Do you have a specialized skill or area of expertise that you could share with our friends? Would you be available to help kids with homework or play during these gatherings?

If so, contact Linda (linda@rchavez.net) for more information or to discuss further.

CONTEMPLATIVE LEADERS IN ACTION

A program of the Office of Ignatian Spirituality of the USA East and Maryland Province is currently accepting applications for its 2018-2020 cohort.

Contemplative Leaders in Action (CLA) is a two-year faith formation and leadership development program for young adults (20's and 30's), rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. While the program nurtures individual growth, it also strives to develop a cohort of leaders who can bring the dynamics of faith and justice to lead their families, co-workers and communities.

**THE EARLY APPLICATION
DEADLINE IS APRIL 25.**

For more information, visit
www.contemplativeleaders.org/nyc2018 or
contact NYC Regional Director *Kaija DeWitt* at
kdewitt@contemplativeleaders.org

The Academy of St. Joseph would like to invite you to visit to learn more about our exceptional education and enrichment programs at our Open House Tuesday, April 17th from 9-10am. The Academy of St. Joseph is a Private, Catholic school serving students in grades Pre-K through Eighth-Grade. We are still accepting applications for the fall of 2018-2019. The school empowers and challenges students with a curriculum based on the arts, sciences, and the humanities integrated with the values of the Catholic Church. Please Contact Torsie Judkins, Director of Admissions, tjudkins@aosj.us to RSVP.

Scriptures & Announced Masses

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Luke 24:13-35.

MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matt 28:8-15.

TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:

Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18.

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM JORGE EDUARDO PIZARRO (D)

WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:

Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35.

7:45AM SEAN TOOLE, SJ (L)
12:05PM ROBERTA COLLINS (D)

THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:

Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48.

7:45AM SEAN TOOLE, SJ (L)
12:05PM ALICE GARTLAND & ALICE HARDY (D)

FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:

Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14.

7:45AM PAUL GORRA (L) & JAMES HAWKES (D)
12:05PM ROBERT VERECKE, SJ (L)

SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:

Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15.

12:05PM LUIS CONDE (D)

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31.

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

CATHOLIC LESBIANS: Ministry since 1993, meets 2nd Friday of each month, 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

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 at xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com.

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

THE WOMEN WHO STAYED: nurtures, empowers, calls forth and celebrates the emotional, intellectual and spiritual growth of women and men at SFX. For more information: TheWomenWhoStayed@gmail.com

THE XAVIER IMMIGRATION INITIATIVE: Advocacy, support, and education to empower immigrants. For more information contact sanxnyc@gmail.com

XAVIER ADULT GROUP: Once a month we have informative meetings or attend interesting events around the city. Contact xaversharingandlearninggroup@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 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