



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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The blind man replied to him, “Master, I want to see.” Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. (Mark 10:50-52)

SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Parish Maintenance

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 28, 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 (Communion Service), 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. Daniel Corrou, S.J. (Acting Pastor) - 206
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 (Assistant for Financial Planning)
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; Ron Oberdick;
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.**

Next Weekend Presider Schedule

Saturday, November 3rd

5:00pm Vigil Mass: *Rev. James Miracky, SJ*

Sunday, October 4th

9:00am Mass: *Rev. Daniel Corrou, SJ*

11:30am Mass: *Rev. Thomas Feely, SJ*

5:00pm Mass: *Rev. Patrick Gilger, SJ*

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

*Anita Ibarra Advincula, Dan Clarius, Kay Quinn Cohen,
Bobby Cook, Maria Formoso, Kathleen Friel, Juan Garcia,
Manny Lopez, Bertha Mercedes, Joan O'Brien, Eileen
O'Keeffe, Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti, Jeff Stevenson, Michael
Termini,
Dr. Daniel Tynan, Carl Wassmann, Diane Weyers,
David Woolwine*

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

*Tim Becker, Vilma Costello, Kristina Esposito,
John Kevin Cloonan, Danilo Cuilao, Anna Jimenez,
Eusebia Marzan, Aurea V. Tomines, Ricardo Vales,
Renzo Venrella, Lillian Wall*

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 Cassandra Agredo

(Excerpted from Mission Weekend address to congregation)

Not long ago, I received a call from a colleague. I assumed she had a client who needed rent assistance, but she told me she was the one who owed rent and was going to be evicted. She told me about her constant worry that if just one unexpected cost arose, it meant she and her daughter would lose their home. Now her fear is a reality.

This work is really hard. Every day we encounter people at the worst moments of their lives. It is overwhelming and discouraging. Sometimes, I'm afraid to answer the phone. I have to think about the person on the other end of the line who feels like the world has turned its back on them. I have to think about what it's like to stare down the barrel of a Northeast winter and wonder if you're about to lose the roof over your head. To know that another holiday season is coming but you won't have enough to put a turkey on your table at Thanksgiving, or buy your family any gifts for Christmas.

So at Xavier Mission we answer the phone. We open the door. We listen, and we learn, and we love, no matter how hard it is. Because that is what we are called to do, what we are blessed to do, every day.

I used to hate asking for donations until I finally realized that I'm not really asking for money. I'm asking for a meal for a hungry senior. I'm asking for a winter coat for someone on the street. I'm asking for a safe bed for a man working his way to an apartment. I'm asking for the opportunity for a woman to find a job and I'm asking for a family to be able to come home at the end of the day without worrying that they are going to lose that home tomorrow. I'm not asking for money. I'm asking for hope.

This year, we've combined our Thanksgiving Meal Fun and our End-of-Year Appeal into our new "Holiday Hope and Healing Campaign." I invite all of you to join us in providing hope to the thousands of people who visit us for assistance every year. As you prepare for your holiday celebrations, we invite you to pull up a chair for one of our families too, and give the gift of a hot meal, a Thanksgiving turkey, a winter coat, a warm bed, a new path in life, or the stability of home.

Our goal is \$100,000. We have already raised \$26,000 since the campaign launched on Mission Weekend. Thank you for your support and for helping us to spread the love this holiday season!

'HOLIDAY HOPE & HEALING CAMPAIGN' KICKS OFF WITH A BANG!

Make your family a little bigger this holiday season by helping one of ours!

This year, instead of doing a separate Thanksgiving Meal Fund and Year-End Appeal, we are combining our fundraising efforts into our new "Holiday Hope and Healing Campaign." This campaign will streamline our fundraising efforts, ensuring that less money and time is spent on raising funds, and more time is spent on putting your donations to work to provide hope and healing to our community! This campaign kicked off last weekend and will run through December 31st.

We invite you to join us in spreading the love to families who are struggling. Your generosity helps to ensure that they won't have to worry about their basic needs and can celebrate the season in peace and joy. Please consider one of the following gift levels:

\$10 – 5 Homebound Meals
Help us feed our homebound neighbors this Thanksgiving!

\$25 – 1 Pair of Winter Boots
Give the gift of warm, dry feet this winter!

\$50 – 30 Thanksgiving Dinners
Support our Thanksgiving Day and Welcome Table meals!

\$100 – 12 Holiday Care Packages
Spread some holiday cheer with care packages for the guests of our shelter!

\$700 – 1 Life Changed
Sponsor a participant for LSTEP and give them a gift they'll never forget!

\$1000 – 1 Christmas Miracle
Cover one month of back rent and keep a family in their home for the holidays!

GOAL: \$100,000
RAISED (as of 10/16): \$19,434

We've already raised almost 20% of our goal! Join us and make an impact on your world!

Donate at: xaviermission.org

*Lay Spirits continues its program
on prayer and praying designed
to help you find your way.*

CENTERING PRAYER with Catherine Wolfe

**Sunday, November 18th
1:30pm, Xavier High School**

Three additional sessions will be offered in 2019.
For more information, call 212-470-8790
or email: patg48@hotmail.com.

ALL SAINT'S DAY



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST MAIN CHURCH

MASS TIMES:

7:45am
12:05pm
6:30pm(with Choir)

I AM WHAT I AM

The parish cabaret



Friday, November 9th (7:30pm)
Saturday, November 10th (7:30pm)
Sunday, November 11th (2:30pm)

*Tickets will be sold at
our Front Desk on 15th Street.*

UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA

**Thursday, November 8th at
1:00pm in the West Room**

The Xavier Adult Group has invited Della Frazier-Rios, RN, MS, former Senior VP, Director of Education and Outreach, Alzheimer's Association, NYC Chapter. Della's presentation will inform us about Alzheimer's disease (AD), its symptoms, stages, and treatments; information about common AD behaviors; and available resources. Alzheimer's today is in the news, the subject of plays, books, TV shows, and articles in almost every publication. Maybe you know someone with dementia. Here is your chance to hear and question an expert.

HONDURAS TRIP

The trip to Honduras which was earlier announced for November will actually occur from January 28 to February 2, 2019. If you have an interest and would like further information, please contact Brian Hotaling at BHtraveler@aol.com.

Catholic Lesbians

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M.
WEST ROOM**

Our Lady of Czestochowa. La Divina Pastora. Nossa Senhora Aparecida. Who is the Black Madonna? What significance does she hold? Join us as Tess Thompson leads an exploration on how Black images of the Virgin Mary came to be and why they still resonate, especially with marginalized people across the world today. Please bring a snack or beverage to share, and BYOCups (Cup, Utensils, Plate, Serviette). For more information, contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (929) 333-5011.

It's beginning to look like Christmas!
16th Annual CHRISTMAS WRAPPING PARTY
Please "adopt" a child or two or three or . . . ?
Send requests to SFXwrap@gmail.com
and get ready to wrap!

Catholic Lesbians & Friends—All Are Welcome!
Friday, December 14, 2018, 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
Larkin/Hurtado Hall

The Women Who Stayed

**Tuesday, November 6th
6.30pm - 8:00pm
West Room**

What demands for reform would you nail to a church door? How can we create spaces for authentic healing in our parish, Church, and world? Lets explore these questions together as we imagine, pray, and organize our way to the Church of the future. (Please feel free to arrive whenever you can, we realize it is Election Day and want everyone to be able to cast a vote first.)

Remember Xavier When Considering a Year-end Gift

First we want to thank all of you who have given so much of your time, talent, and treasure to support our parish throughout the year. As the end of the year approaches, we begin to reflect upon the many blessings bestowed upon us. The end of the year also provides a great opportunity to thank God for these blessings by gifting to Xavier. Your year-end gift can help us continue to celebrate vibrant liturgies and support our many ministries.

The benefits of income tax deductions, capital gains savings and other financial benefits are significant advantages that provide an incentive to make a gift at the year-end. A gift can also help support Xavier for years to come. There are many different ways of contributing a gift. Two of the easiest and most direct methods to gift are donations of cash and appreciated stock or other investments. You can also make other financially advantageous gifts such as real estate, life insurance, charitable remainder trusts, gift annuities, will/trust bequests and IRA/retirement accounts. For more information on how you can help make a difference contact the parish office.

SAVE THE DATE

The Pastoral Council of St. Francis Xavier Church Invites All Ministries to:

A CELEBRATION OF SERVICE

In appreciation for all you and your ministries do for Xavier

Food! Drink! Music! Fun!

Sunday, November 18th, 6:00 PM
Downstairs at Hurtado Hall

Please RSVP by **November 11th** to
pastoralcouncil@sfxavier.org

From Other Places

BACKSTAGE BROADWAY: COME FROM AWAY

Monday, November 6th 7:00pm
Sheen Center for Thought & Culture
18 Bleeker Street

You may have heard parishioner Kevin Tuerff's book talk about "Channel of Peace: Stranded in Gander on 9/11" last year, or seen Kevin's story in one of characters in the Tony-award winning musical *Come From Away*. At this upcoming Sheen Center event, he'll share stories of his work with SFX immigration initiative and his Broadway doppelgänger Chad Kimball will sing a few songs not heard in the musical.

Tickets (\$25) at

<https://www.sheencenter.org/shows/away/>

WALKING RETREAT PILGRIMAGE ON THE CAMINO IGNACIANO, with Fr. George Drance, S.J.

March 13-24. Follow the footsteps of St. Ignatius Loyola, from his castle in Loyola to Barcelona. Option to walk or take the bus. \$3,295 (guaranteed till December 15). Space for only 20 pilgrims. Please contact Angie Cruz at angiecruzphd@gmail.com or 917-607-0937.

FULL OF GRACE

Journey of LGBT Catholics

A new Interview-Based Play

Created by: Robert Choiniere

Written by: Scott Barrow and Robert Choiniere

ONE PERFORMANCE ONLY
Sunday, November 4th~3:00pm

Location:

The Actors Theatre Workshop
145 West 28th Street 3rd Floor New York, NY 10001

Tickets: \$20

<https://bpt.me/3738219>

Scriptures & Announced Masses

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52.

THIRTIETH MONDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Eph 4:32-5:8; Luke 13:10-17.

7:45AM: LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM MICHAEL DEMPSEY (D)

THIRTIETH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Eph 5:21-33; Luke 13:18-21.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE
12:05PM STEPHEN A. RAYMOND (D)

WEDNESDAY~FEAST OF ST. ALPHONSUS RODRIGUEZ:

Eph 6:1-9; Luke 13:22-30.

7:45AM: JOHN W. PIKE (D)
12:05PM: PETER MURRAY (D)

THURSDAY~ALL SAINTS DAY:

Rev 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matt 5:1-12a.

FRIDAY~FEAST OF THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11; Matt 5:1-12a.

7:45AM: ANNA, ANDREW, RON WESTERFIELD (D)
12:05PM MARCELITO MARS CUSTODIO (D)

THIRTIETH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Phil 1:18b-26; Luke 14:1, 7-11.

12:05PM EUGENE COUTU (D)

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Deut 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34.

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

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

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 (offsite July & August), SFXWomen@aol.com (929) 333-5011.

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

THE ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY: promotes care for all of God's creation, and follows the message of Laudato Si. For more information refer to the link on the parish website under Outreach Programs or contact: SFXEnvironmentMinistry@gmail.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 Marie Bannister, mariebannister1@gmail.com or Gerry Moss, gerrymoss@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

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

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

XAVIER YOGA: Tuesdays at 6pm. Open to all levels. Contact Ko_ko@nyyogalife.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