



# CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

## A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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*Love one another as I love you.*  
*John 15:9-17*

*SECOND COLLECTION  
to benefit Xavier Mission*

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021

## 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](http://www.sfxavier.org)

## Staff

Rev. Kenneth Boller, S.J. (Pastor) - 204

Rev. John Mulreany, SJ (Associate Pastor) - 206

Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) —  
208

Robert Choiniere (Dir. of Adult Faith Formation)-225

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

Stephanie Fuentes (Assistant to

the Pastor/Dir. of Communications) — 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

Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe (Chair);

Patrick Egan (Vice Chair); John Karle (Secretary)

Stephen Alfieri; Kathleen Cagnina; Belinda Conway;

Karen DeMasi; Andrea Foley-Murphy Michelle Jung;

Ron Oberdick;

## 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

Mon-Thur: 10:00am to 4:00pm Fri: 10:00am-4:00pm

Saturday: 11:30am to 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am to 6:00pm

NOTE: for Bulletin Notices and Space Requests send e-mails to [sfxbulletin@sfxavier.org](mailto:sfxbulletin@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's Presider Schedule

### NEXT SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass: James Miracky, SJ

### NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 am Mass: John Mulreany, SJ

11:30 am Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ

5:00 pm Mass: Thomas Feely, SJ

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Rose Allocca, Lisa Armband, Sheila Creasey,  
Fr. Vic de Jesus, S.J., Heather Feola, Kathleen Friel,  
Susan Forbes, Ellen Grant, Leyda Grullon and Family,  
Jerry Hill, Mary Korba, Mary Mastrogiovanni,  
Patrick McCartney, Diana Minor, Ralph Nicoletti,  
Tim O'Connor, Michael Orza,  
Marcy Parlow Pomerance, Marilyn Toneth Pazmino,  
Pilar Perez, Ray Ralph, Dolores Roddy,  
Marie Saccoccio, Melanie Samoy-Lutz, Dick Schoeller,  
Dorothy Shepherd, and Anne Sheridan

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

Patsy Butler, Mary Hannan, Leon Herskowitz,  
Tommy Keegan, Philip Kniejski, Johnathan Maestre,  
Louise Murphy, Jaime Nazareno, Joseph Norton,  
Jack O'Donnell, Carlito Rapada, Sue Reise,  
Leonor Ripalda, Carlos Ruiz, Dolores Solhan,  
Jessica Sonko, Grace Springer, and Edward Hernaez  
Yuseco

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 the Pastor

Today we celebrate Mothers' Day and with it the gift of love which exists between a parent and a child. It is a day to remember all those who have mothered us over the years, nurturing and guiding us along the way.

Appropriately, the readings for the Sixth Sunday of Easter focus on love: God's love for each of us and our call to love one another. Peter, in the selection from the Acts of the Apostles, proclaims "I see that God shows no partiality." The constant challenge we have on a human level is to overcome our all too human partialities and embrace all of our sisters and brothers without distinction. Our hearts must continue to grow in openness and compassion.

As we honor our own mothers, we also remember the suffering of the many mothers who have lost their children through violence, war, pandemic, natural disasters. The pictures of anguished mothers throughout the world are captured in news media to highlight the tragedy of the day. No parent should ever have to bury a child, yet every day some parents do. The empathy we feel at the sight of a grieving mother or father should inspire us to take some action, however small, to address one or more of the causes of these untimely deaths of children. We have many opportunities to work to end violence, reform policing, work for peace, provide relief for those suffering in the pandemic especially in India and Brazil and work to heal the environment.

Within the parish, we have parishioners who have formed The India Group to assist a community in rural India. They have been active for many years and now are mobilizing to address the grave pandemic crisis there now. They will be taking up a special collection at the end of the month and the parish has pledged some assistance. This may be a concrete way to "show no partiality."

To all those in the community who have served in the sacred role as mother by birth or otherwise, thank you for sharing so much.

### VIRTUAL MASS COMMUNITY

You are invited to join fellow parishioners in virtual community each Sunday for the live stream mass!

Each Sunday, a Zoom conference will be available for those who wish to join with others for the live stream mass at 11:30 am. The Zoom will open at 11:15 am for some socializing time before the mass. During the mass, the screen will be focused on the live stream. Participants will be able to see one another and share a sign of peace during the mass.

The Zoom link is:

<https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/92250692524>



### AIDS Walk NY 2021

Join the Xavier team and donate today.

Companion those in need, especially during this uncertain time.

Please donate below

Team: <https://ny.aidswalk.net/SFXavier>

### THIS WEEKEND'S MUSIC



*Scan me*

**The Church of St. Francis Xavier  
Racial Justice Ministry invites  
you to a Webinar**

# **RESPONDING TO ANTI- ASIAN HATE**

**A Virtual Discussion with  
President Frank H. Wu of  
Queens College**

**May 16, 2021 at  
3:30pm**

**Register in advance at  
[www.sfxavier.org](http://www.sfxavier.org) or at:  
<https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/84481220201>**

**Frank H. Wu serves as the eleventh  
President of Queens College.**



**A ZOOM CELEBRATION AND  
DISCUSSION ON THE  
PERSON, POLITICS, AND  
PASSION OF DOROTHY DAY**

**Date: Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 7:00pm-8:30pm**

**Cost: \$25 per household/screen**

**PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING A SPONSOR FOR  
THIS EVENT (SEE BELOW)**

Hope that you register to support IVC and those among us who will be celebrated for their work for the Cause of Canonization of Dorothy Day: John Dowd, Nick Farnham, Patrick Figorito, Jodee Fink, Joe Sclafani and Bill Woods.

Perhaps you would consider sponsoring the event – to be a member of the Men & Women for Others Circle would be a donation of \$100, the Magis Circle would be \$250 (please scroll down below for the various categories).

This evening will also honor the Dorothy Day Guild with the Madonna della Strada Award. We really have an exceptional panel and are very delighted that Colleen Dulle of America Media will be the moderator. Robert Ellsberg, Editor and Chief of Orbis Books and Dorothy Day biographer. George Horton, Vice-Postulator for the Cause and Director of the Department of Social and Community Development for Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of New York will also be present along with Melissa Cedillo, Harvard Divinity student. Our own Joe Sclafani will be on the panel as well and will speak about the unique relationship between IVC and the Dorothy Day Guild. Fred Boehrer, Co-founder of the Catholic Worker Emmaus House in Albany, NY will also be on the panel.

Here is the link to register:  
<https://ivcusa.org/dorothy-day/>

**ASCENSION THURSDAY**

**May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Masses: 7:45am,  
12:05pm, 6:30pm**

*Reservations are required via  
Eventbrite. Link can be found on  
our website at  
[www.sfxavier.org](http://www.sfxavier.org)*



**CATHOLIC LESBIANS**

**Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.**

*“Synchronicity and Signs” with Gail Kennon*

Gail Kennon is fascinated by synchronicity and its signs. She will introduce us to a bit of science, showcase two recordings, including one with flutist Ulla Suokkoa, and open up the evening for discussion. Contact [SFXWomen@aol.com](mailto:SFXWomen@aol.com) for the Zoom link.

**The India Group** was founded by SFX parishioners more than 10 years ago to provide education and health care to low-caste Indian families, the poorest of the poor. Each year, until this past, we have taken a group to India during Lent to work with our families. This past year we have also had to provide our families, unable to work because of the virus, with a Food Subsidy, \$1.32 per day per person. We have had to send more than \$30,000 just for food, and in light of the current dire situation we will have to provide for food for the foreseeable future. We are asking the parish that guided the foundation of our Charity to help us continue helping our families. Please make a donation through [www.theindiagroup.net](http://www.theindiagroup.net) or send a tax-deductible contribution to

**TIG**

**Dr. Michael Termini  
127 W. 96 St. Apt. 9E  
New York, NY 10025**



*Ready to get the COVID-19 vaccine, but unsure of the process? Or do you know someone who is homebound, or struggling to find a convenient location to get their shots? Our Vaccine Ministry volunteers can help you, your family, or your neighbors get an appointment.*

**[vaccineministry@sfxavier.org](mailto:vaccineministry@sfxavier.org)**



## SPRING SERIES

# SPIRITUAL CONVERSATIONS ON RACE, RACISM AND RACIAL JUSTICE

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**FRIDAYS MAY 28, JUNE 4, 11, 18**

**7PM – 8 PM**

**ZOOM LINK: <https://bit.ly/3b0R5d2>**

Participants will receive weekly emails with information and questions on race, racism and racial justice to prepare to the zoom conversations.

We will engage in an hour of weekly, safe, inclusive and respectful Zoom conversations by sharing the fruits of our reflections and insights.

We will use the Ignatian Three Rounds Conversation Method.

TO PARTICIPATE CONTACT LUZ MARINA DIAZ AT [LMDIAZ@SFXAVIER.ORG](mailto:LMDIAZ@SFXAVIER.ORG)

## Scriptures & Announced Masses

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: *Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17.*

SIXTH MONDAY OF EASTER:  
*Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a.*

7:45AM AVAILABLE  
12:05PM ANASTASIA DOWRIE (D)

SIXTH TUESDAY OF EASTER:  
*Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11.*

7:45AM MARY DEAN (D)  
12:05PM ANA FALCON (D)

SIXTH WEDNESDAY OF EASTER: *Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15.*

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)  
12:05PM E. LYDIA GOMEZ (D)

SIXTH THURSDAY OF EASTER: *Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20.*

FRIDAY~FEAST OF ST. MATTHIAS:  
*Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17.*

7:45AM ROBERT CARREON (D)  
12:05PM WILLIAM REILLY (D)

SIXTH SATURDAY OF EASTER:  
*Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28.*

12:05PM GEORGE SPLAIN (D)

SUNDAY~FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD: *Acts 1:1-11; Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mark 16:15-20.*

*You may reserve an available Mass for your intentions by contacting the parish office at 212-627-2100.*

### XAVIER MISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CLOTHING ROOM: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, contact Ann Mary: [xmClothingRoom@gmail.com](mailto:xmClothingRoom@gmail.com)

FOOD PROGRAMS: Every Sunday soup kitchen and 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday food pantry, contact Christine: [xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com](mailto:xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com)

L-STEP: Spring and Fall semesters, contact J: [xmLSTEP@gmail.com](mailto:xmLSTEP@gmail.com)

SHELTER: Every night, contact Jim: [xmShelter@gmail.com](mailto:xmShelter@gmail.com)

## Ongoing Parish Happenings

ABILITY XAVIER: Celebrating persons with disabilities. Contact [abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com](mailto:abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com)

CATHOLIC LESBIANS: Ministry since 1993, meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month, 6 p.m., West Room (offsite July & August), [SFXWomen@aol.com](mailto:SFXWomen@aol.com) (929) 333-5011.

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP:  
Contact Katherine Cleary, [krcoff5th@netzero.com](mailto: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](mailto:SFXEnvironmentMinistry@gmail.com)

FAMILY FAITH: Catechetical ministry for parents/guardians and children pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Meets Sundays 10:00am, Mary Chapel. Contact Luz, [LMDiaz@sfxavier.org](mailto: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](mailto:sfxgcgroup@gmail.com)

HOLY COMMUNION MINISTRY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: Eucharistic Ministers bring Communion to parishioners who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, or in care facilities in local proximity to Xavier. To arrange visits or to become a Eucharistic Minister to the Sick and Homebound, please contact Nick Grimaldi at [nlgny@gmail.com](mailto:nlgny@gmail.com). To arrange for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office.

INTERFAITH COMMITTEE: works toward ending religious discrimination and persecution, through prayer, education and other activities. Contact [Xavierinterfaith@gmail.com](mailto:Xavierinterfaith@gmail.com)

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](mailto:xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com).

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES: Offers spiritual programs, including spiritual direction. Contact Marie Bannister, [mariebannister1@gmail.com](mailto:mariebannister1@gmail.com) or Gerry Moss, [gerrymoss@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:TheWomenWhoStayed@gmail.com)

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

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

XAVIER YOGA: Tuesdays at 6:15pm. Open to all levels. Contact [Ko@nyyogalife.com](mailto:Ko@nyyogalife.com)

XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Spiritual, service, and social activities for parishioners 20s-30s, and the young in spirit. We meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month in the West Room after the 5pm mass. Contact [sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com](mailto:sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com)

XAVIER YOUTH MINISTRY: Social, service, and spiritual community for post-confirmation youth through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Activities about twice a month September - June. Contact Philip Waldrop at [youthministry@sfxavier.org](mailto:youthministry@sfxavier.org).

ZEN MEDITATION GROUP: Mondays and Fridays at 7pm. Newcomers welcome. Contact Peggy & Paul [schubertnyc@gmail.com](mailto:schubertnyc@gmail.com)