



# CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

## A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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**OFFICE CLOSED**  
**MONDAY, JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

*One Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am in  
the Main Church.*

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
*to benefit Xavier Mission*

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*July 4, 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

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: Kenneth Boller, SJ

### NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 am Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ

11:30 am Mass: Zach Presutti, 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, William Byers, Charlie Cole, Tom Collins, Sheila Creasey, Fr. Vic de Jesus, S.J., Heather Feola, Kathleen Friel, Susan Forbes, James Gallagher, Ellen Grant, Leyda Grullon and Family, Justin Herrmann, Jerry Hill, Jane Jacobus, Mary Korba, Mary Mastrogiovanni, Patrick McCartney, Diana Minor, Ralph Nicoletti, Ryan Nieves, Tim O'Connor, Michael Orza, Marcy Parlow Pomerance, Marilyn Toneth Pazmino, Pilar Perez, Ray Ralph, Marie Saccoccio, Melanie Samoy-Lutz, Dick Schoeller, Dorothy Shepherd, Anne Sheridan, and Br. Philip Zeller*

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

*John Albanese, Rogelio Aspirin, Marc Bayford, Mary Bellavia, Norm Bowsher, Doris Mary Caravaglia, Mickey Flood, Dr. Deborah Hoyle, Jack O'Donnell, Amora Ollivierre, Georgia Papageorgiou, Stephen Poutier and Lazarus Rosa*

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*

We celebrate the Fourth of July, Independence Day. In the 240 years since the signing of the Declaration of Independence we have much to be grateful for and much more to do.

Having won its independence, the newly formed United States of America moved forward into the uncharted waters of democracy, a government of the people and by the people. The Founders' idea of who "the people" were was limited to white, male property owners and yet, the resilience of the constitutional process slowly, often painfully, expanded the definition to include all of us, regardless of race, gender, religion, national origin. As a country, we have had to confront our history of bias, exclusion and even persecution of different individuals and classes of people who were deemed other, inferior, second class. We are getting better but still have a long way to go to be truly inclusive and accepting of each person.

In June, we celebrated Pride month and the strides made, especially locally, in recognizing the dignity of each person without regard to their sexual orientation, but the celebration does not gloss over the painful history of discrimination and the current reality of exclusion and prejudice.

This week, the Pastoral Council is sponsoring a Town Hall on Wednesday, July 7 at 7 p.m. to review the many initiatives we have undertaken to combat racism in our midst as a society and a Church and to re-commit ourselves to continue and sustain our efforts to further educate ourselves on aspects of racial inequality and commit to becoming an anti-racist community of faith. I encourage you to add your voice to our conversation and open your heart to the voices of others.

In the backdrop to all of our efforts, we share the grief of the members of the Indigenous Peoples mourning the discovery of the mass graves of children taken from their families in an ill-conceived plan to "assimilate them" into the predominant Eurocentric culture.

We celebrate the Fourth of July and we pray for our country and work with our fellow citizens to make this the home of the free-a place where all may grow to their full potential.

We will offer consecrated low-gluten hosts for our parishioners with celiac or wheat allergy conditions at every Mass from July 3-4. There are not free-gluten hosts. The low-gluten hosts contain less than 0.01% of gluten which is safe for most celiac diseases. But remember, even 0.01% of gluten can be critical for specific celiac diseases. Therefore, parishioners should consult with their physicians.

During the communion distribution, a Eucharist minister will stand in the big pillar on the Eastern side in front of the sanctuary distributing the consecrated low-gluten hosts.

# PARISH-WIDE TOWN HALL

JULY 7<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00PM

ZOOM

The Church of St. Francis Xavier will begin a reflection on our communal racial justice ministry beginning Juneteenth, June 19, 2021. This will mark the one-year anniversary of our July 12, 2020 prayer service “*Action From Lamentation, Fury and Hope*” and our adoption of the Pledge for Racial Justice.



Our communal reflection will focus on (1) what we accomplished, what we fell short of accomplishing and how to integrate the year into the story of our community; (2) whether, and how, the principles set out in the Pledge for Racial Justice should be adapted to better reflect our uncompromising commitment to dismantling systemic racism; and, (3) how we shall re-affirm our commitment to achieving racial equity and justice by actions taken together with our marginalized sisters and brothers.

The first event will be a parish-wide town hall on **July 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom**(link found at <https://sfxavier.org/2021/06/town-hall/>) . In addition, reflections, suggestions, questions and prayers may be submitted to [pastoralcouncil@sfxavier.org](mailto:pastoralcouncil@sfxavier.org). Ministries are encouraged to prepare a group response based upon the ministry’s experience of the past year. Individuals also are invited to contribute their personal thoughts. Reflection materials for town hall are the recent America interview with Fr. Bryan Massingale <https://youtu.be/TOLfWNycD4A> and Sr. Christine Schenk’s NCR column, “White Catholics must lead the way to end white supremacy” <https://www.ncronline.org/authors/christine-schenk>

Faithfully,

*Your Pastoral Council Sisters and Brothers*

In response to requests from religious women working at the frontiers of the church on every continent, and also Church leaders in the Pan-Amazonian region, Pope Francis has established two different commissions to study the question of ordaining women to the diaconate. Discerning Deacons is an organization formed, in partnership with the School of Theology and Ministry at Boston College, to provide parishes throughout the country an opportunity to offer reflection, thoughts and feedback as a means of moving this endeavor forward. The meetings are designed to gather people’s real hopes, stories, prayers and concerns. We will share them with Discerning Deacons to be incorporated into a report that will be presented to Pope Francis and members of the Papal Commission before they meet this fall. A meeting will be held here at Xavier on **Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the Main Church**. This meeting is open to all and is sponsored by the parish. If you’re thinking of coming please let us know so we will have enough of the hand-out materials.

Register by emailing *Roseann Bonadia* at: [DiscerningDeacons2021-Meeting@yahoo.com](mailto:DiscerningDeacons2021-Meeting@yahoo.com).

For more information check the website: [DiscerningDeacons.org](http://DiscerningDeacons.org).



Xavier Youth Ministry (XYM) strives to provide genuine spiritual accompaniment to young people in their journey of faith, particularly after receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. XYM guides young people in considering their own talents to serve God in the most vulnerable, through prayer and social services, while building relationships of friendship.

For the 2021-2022 academic year, XYM is seeking adult volunteers to help out with various aspects of this ministry, which vary in the degree of involvement they require, from a few hours during certain events to continuous support throughout the year. If you are interested to know more, contact *Pablo Jimenez* ([youthministry@sfxavier.org](mailto:youthministry@sfxavier.org)) and/or *Luz Marina Diaz* ([lmdiaz@sfxavier.org](mailto:lm Diaz@sfxavier.org)).



Do you know someone who has been a modern day Mary Magdalene in your life? Someone who personifies one of her many names: a “Chirst Bearer,” a “Tower” of strength, or a “Benefactor.” We would like to honor these people in July, for Mary Magdalene’s feast day. Please send a photo to the [marymagdalene728@gmail.com](mailto:marymagdalene728@gmail.com) and we will use those we receive to create an art installation for July.

Keep an eye out for more Mary Magdalene events being announced soon!

## 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:

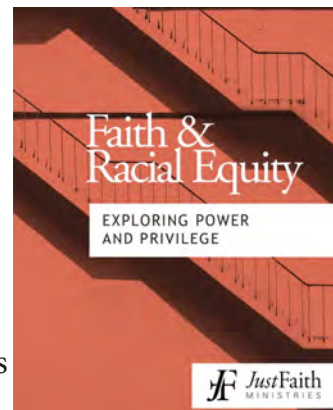
<https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/92250692524>

Applications are now being accepted for the **Spiritual Director Formation Program**. The 18-month parish-based formation program is open to anyone who has completed the 19th Annotation of the Spiritual Exercises and feels called to become a spiritual director. The program will begin in January 2022.

More information and the application can be found on the parish website. For more information contact: Robert Choiniere - [rchoiniere@sfxavier.org](mailto:rchoiniere@sfxavier.org)

## COMING THIS FALL ON ZOOM!!

Do you want to learn how to advocate for racial justice within your family, church and community? Presented through the lens of the Christian faith, Faith and Racial Justice: Changing Systems and Structures gives you the tools needed to address racism at a systemic level. In this eight-session program by JustFaith Ministries, participants learn about key obstacles to racial justice that are embedded within our institutions, systems, and structures. They then develop tools to mobilize people and resources to dismantle those obstacles. This is part two of our last Just Faith Racial Equity program. Participation in the prior program is not required to participate in this program.



### **ZOOM SESSIONS:**

*Wednesday evenings*

*September 15-November 3*

*6:30pm-8:30pm*

(Opening Zoom Retreat: Saturday, Sept 12, 10:00-2:00)

For more information or to register contact *Robert Choiniere* at [rchoiniere@sfxavier.org](mailto:rchoiniere@sfxavier.org)

### **CATHOLIC LESBIANS**

**Friday, July 9, 2021, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.**

**Online via Zoom**

McKenna Coyle will present stories uncovered from her work at the New York Botanical Garden's William and Lynda Steere Herbarium. Learn about botanizing nuns and the unique ways botany and the queer community intersect. Contact [SFXWomen@aol.com](mailto:SFXWomen@aol.com) for the Zoom link.

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WEEKEND'S  
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## Scriptures & Announced Masses

### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

*Ezek 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6a.*

### FOURTEENTH MONDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

*GEN 18:16-33; Matt 8:18-22.*

**9:00AM HELEN GORRA (D)**

### FOURTEENTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

*Gen 28:10-22a; Matt 9:18-26.*

**7:45AM ROGELIO ASPIRIN (D)**

**12:05PM ROSE GORRA & ENA MALONEY (D)**

### FOURTEENTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** *Gen 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Matt 10:1-7.*

**7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)**

**12:05PM JOYCE MAILE (D)**

### FOURTEENTH THURSDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** *Gen 44:18, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Matt 10:7-15.*

**7:45AM DOUGLAS SAVIGNANO (D)**

**12:05PM DR. PHILIP CALIENDO (D)**

### FRIDAY~FEAST OF STS. LEO MANGIN, MARY

#### ZHU WU, AND COMPS:

*Gen 46:1-7, 28-30; Matt 10:16-23.*

**7:45AM**

**12:05PM WALTER WIEDEMANN (D)**

### FOURTEENTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

*Gen 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Matt 10:24-33.*

**12:05PM FR. TOM FEELY, S.J. (L)**

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

*Ezek 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6a.*

**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](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 12th 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 3rd 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 12th grade. Activities about twice a month September - June. Contact Pablo Jimenez 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)

### 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)