



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Xavier Mission

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 1, 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

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.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thur: 10:00am to 4:00pm Fri: 10:00am-1:00pm

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

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: Zachariah Presutti, SJ

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 am Mass: Thomas Feely, SJ

11:30 am Mass:

5:00 pm Mass: Samuel Sawyer, 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, Adolph Mills, Cecille Mills, Diana Minor, Amelia Mullings, Ralph Nicoletti, Ryan Nieves, Tim O'Connor, Michael Orza, Marcy Parlow Pomerance, Marilyn Toneth Pazmino, Pilar Perez, Patricia Precobb, Ray Ralph, Marie Saccoccio, Melanie Samoy-Lutz, Dick Schoeller, Brigid Scott, 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 and Shirley Sabin

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

This weekend we celebrated the Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola on Saturday. We are in the midst of the Ignatius 500 year, a world-wide celebration of the 500th anniversary of the conversion of St. Ignatius Loyola and the 400th anniversary of his canonization along with St. Francis Xavier. It is an opportunity to reflect on the gift Ignatian spirituality in our individual and parish lives. Our Spiritual Directors Training Program and our team of qualified spiritual directors offer the opportunity for individuals to deepen their prayer life and discern God's direction and place in their lives. All of our ministries use Ignatian prayer motifs in their decision making and planning.

It all began at the battle of Pamplona in May, 1520 when Ignatius was seriously wounded by a canon ball shattering his leg. During his lengthy recovery he had to re-assess his life and ambitions. His conversion led him to a radical change of life style and an intense prayer experience in Manresa, the fruit of which was the Spiritual Exercises.

Let us thank God for the gifts given as a fruit of Ignatius' conversion.

Despite the lingering threat of a resurgence of Covid infections in our area, it's not too early to begin to focus on Returning Refreshed and Renewed after Labor Day. Barring the re-imposition of restrictions, we would like to encourage everyone to consider returning to mass in person. Many of our ministries are already planning to resume in-person or blended meetings in September. Family Faith and the RCIA program plan to be in person. We encourage all ministries to consider how they will restart keeping in mind appropriate protocols for the health and safety of all.

Sometime in the next two weeks, we will begin an elevator replacement. We are installing chair lifts to take people from the reception area up to the church and down to Hurtado Hall. Once installed, the elevator will be offline for approximately six to eight weeks. We are sorry for the inconvenience this will cause for persons with mobility challenges but the current elevator needs replacement before there is a serious problem. As soon as we get exact dates for the work, we will let you know.

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>



Register Today!

Our Program Offers

- Children Liturgy of the Word
- Catechetical sessions
- Adult sessions
- Parenting sessions
- Altar Servers
- Family Faith Choir
- Sacramental Preparation
- Interministerial activities
- Community services



<https://www.xavierfamilyfaith.org/>
Luz Marina Diaz lmdiaz@sfxavier.org
212-627-2100

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ART PROJECT - A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Late last Summer we asked for volunteers to form a Committee to address and rectify the lack of diversity of the artwork here at Xavier.

Nine dedicated parishioners volunteered and along with four Pastoral Council members and Fr. Boller we set out to accomplish that goal.

We settled on approximately 20 artists and sent them solicitations. Fourteen responded positively, and submitted some wonderful ideas. We selected four finalists and had Zoom meetings with all of them.

The project will take place in stages, and the first artist we have commissioned is Patricia Brintle <https://www.patriciabrintle.com/>

Her proposal is to paint 12 separate Saints/Blesseds of various ethnicities on birchwood panels. The current plan is to place them in the recessed marble panels between the Stations of the Cross. Alternatively, they can be installed in the same recessed marble panels in the back of the Church and near the Sacred Heart and Boys Saints Altars.

To the right is a preliminary look at Native American St. Kateri Tekawitha.

Other proposed Saints/Blesseds to be included are:

St. Josephine Bakhita - Sudanese Italian
St. Charles Lwanga & Companions - Uganda
Blessed Augustus Tolton - first African American Catholic priest
St Oscar Romero - El Salvador
St Alberto Hurtado - Chile
St Maria Natividad Venegas de la Torre - Mexico
St Lorenzo Ruiz - Philippines
St Andrew Kim Taegon - Korea
Chinese Martyrs
Vietnamese Martyrs or St Andrew Dung Lac and companions
St Paul Miki- Japan
Blessed Pierre Touissant
Blessed Mother Mary Lange



The hope is to have most of these completed and installed by All Saints Day

We look forward to your comments and suggestions. Please send your responses to pastoralcouncil@sfxavier.org. We also invite you to join us on a Zoom call on **August 17 at 6:30PM** if you'd like to know more. Zoom Link: <https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/91268334033?pwd=cmxrVWtsZWgyNkhSa3ZlM3BjVEM5QT09>

Thank you.



The 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, community services and social activities, 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, such as organizing liturgical services, prayer exercises, community services, social activities, designing a new website, and chaperoning. These roles 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 or if you would like to help and don't know how, contact Pablo Jimenez (youthministry@sfxavier.org).

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

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 11, 10:00am-2:00pm)

For more information or to register contact Robert Choiniere at rchoiniere@sfxavier.org

CATHOLIC LESBIANS

Friday, August 13th 6:00pm-9:00pm

Online via Zoom

#StopAsianHate Natasha Avenis says, "I don't have it organized yet because it's such a broad topic, but it's pretty much an overview of anti-Asian discrimination."

Contact SFXWomen@aol.com for the Zoom link.

**THIS
WEEKEND'S
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Scriptures & Announced Masses

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35.

EIGHTEENTH MONDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
NUM 11:4B-15; Matt 14:13-21.

7:45AM LEO & ANTIONETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:00PM ALAN DAVEY (D)

EIGHTEENTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Num 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36.

7:45AM ENRIQUE GONZALEZ III (D)
12:05PM BERTHA LIMO NEWMAN (D)

WEDNESDAY~FEAST OF ST. JOHN VIANNEY:
Num 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM JOYCE MAILE (D)

EIGHTEENTH THURSDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
NUM 20:1-13; Matt 16:13-23.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM RICHARD LIBRIZZI (D)

FRIDAY~FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE
LORD: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pet 1:16-19;
Mark 9:2-10.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM AVAILABLE

EIGHTEENTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: DEUT
6:4-13; Matt 17:14-20.

12:05PM AVAILABLE

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
1 Kings 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51.

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](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

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

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](mailto: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 6:15pm. Open to all levels.

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.

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