



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 17, 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

Patrick Egan (Chair); Belinda Conway (Vice Chair);

Andrea Foley-Murphy (Secretary); Kristen Beckles;

Cara Caponi; Joel Dabu; Karen DeMasi;

Michelle Jung; John Karle; Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe;

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

Mon-Thur: 10:00am to 7:00pm Fri: 10:00am-7:00pm

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: Thomas Feely, SJ

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 am Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ

11:30 am Mass: Daniel Corrou, SJ

5:00 pm Mass: Zachariah Presutti, SJ

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

*Rose Allocca, Petrona Anorve, Lisa Armband, William Byers,
Robert & Dolores Castle, Charlie Cole, Sheila Creasey,
Fr. Vic de Jesus, S.J., Sr. Olga Diaz, Moira Egan, Heather Feola,
Stacy Fitzsimmons, Kathleen Friel, Susan Forbes, James Gallagher,
Joseph Giannetto, Ellen Grant, Leyda Grullon and Family,
Bernard Fitzsimmons, Sr., Cassandra Henderson, Justin Herrmann,
Jerry Hill, Jane Jacobus, Tim Kennon, Hie-Joon Kim,
Rose King Lopez, Rosemarie McGrath, Adolph Mills, Cecille Mills,
Diana Minor, Amelia Mullings, Ralph Nicoletti, Ryan Nieves,
Michael Orza, Olivia Papageorgiou, Enrique Passarge,
Marilyn Toneth Pazmino, Pilar Perez, Patricia Precobb, Ray Ralph,
Maggie Rodriguez, Marie Saccoccio, Melanie Samoy-Lutz,
Dick Schoeller, Dorothy Shepherd, Anne Sheridan, Stout Family,
Asher Tung, Susan Weems and Christine Zotti*

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

*Patricia Brennan, SC, John Carroll, Estrella Canilang Diaz,
Fr. Roque J. Ferriols, SJ, Virginia Jarczyński, Mary Mastrogiovanni,
Maris Anne Mattingly, Marie Raccippo, Hector Ruiz, Chris Stout,
and Br. Philip Zeller*

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.

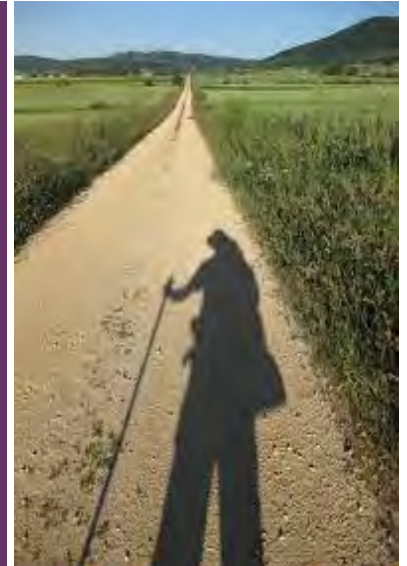
All prayer requests are listed for at least three
consecutive weeks. Please contact the parish office for
an extension.



The Church of St. Francis Xavier

Virtual Ignatian Pilgrimage

Celebrating the 2021-2022 Ignatian Year



The Virtual Ignatian Pilgrimage is a series of 5 one-hour Zoom sessions between October 2021 – March 2022.

Each session focuses on moments in the life of St. Ignatius.

Sessions include:

- Scenes from the life of St. Ignatius
- Photo journal of the Way of St. Ignatius in Spain
- Short talks on the spiritual journey of St. Ignatius
- Small group reflection sessions
- Shared prayer and song

Pilgrimage Dates and Themes:

All Zoom gatherings will be on Sunday evenings between 6:00-7:00pm

October 17, 2021 – Early Life in Loyola

November 21, 2021 – The Cannonball Experience in Pamplona

January 16, 2021 – Montserrat and the Black Madonna

February 20, 2022 – The Cave in Manresa and the Vision at the River Cardoner

March 20, 2022 – Salamanca to Paris and Beyond – Meeting the First Jesuit Companions

Come for One or All!!! To register and receive the Zoom link:

Please email Luz Marina Diaz (lm Diaz@sfxavier.org) or Robert Choiniere (rchoiniere@sfxavier.org)

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S RACIAL JUSTICE
BOOK GROUP INVITES YOU TO
JOIN US IN READING, SHARING
AND SOCIAL ACTION.**

On **Sunday, Oct. 24 @ 2:30pm** we will be meeting on Zoom to discuss Part One of **CASTE, The Origins of Our Discontents** by Isabel Wilkerson. This NYTimes bestseller is available on Amazon, Kindle, Audio and at the New York and Queens Public Libraries.

Contact: sfxbookgroup@sfxavier.org
for Zoom link.

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>

We are also blessed that weekend (October 24th) to have back, **Fr. Dan Corrou, S.J.** who will preside at the 11:30 mass and then host a presentation in the Mary Chapel on the work of **Jesuit Relief Services** especially in the Middle East. It's always great to welcome Dan back to Xavier. I ask you to consider how you can support both the efforts of the universal Church and the specific work of JRS. Thank you again.

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

ART FOR AID

Natasha Avenis started "Art for Aid" because she was disturbed by the events in Afghanistan and Palestine. Here are links to articles that have lists of organizations you can donate to to provide relief aid.

<https://www.npr.org/2021/08/17/1028483700/help-afghanistan-refugees>

<https://www.buildpalestine.com/2021/05/15/trusted-organizations-to-donate-to-palestine/>

Send Natasha screenshots of receipts for any amount you contribute to one of these organizations, and she will take your art requests. Some examples can be Tarot Cards, portraits, even comic strips. Each digital artwork will be personalized. For a single donation, she will make single-line art. For multiple donations, she will make a watercolor or a digital painting.

Contact Natasha at (347) 469-6339 or nmravenis@gmail.com.

RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR TEENS

RCI Teens aims at helping teens become fully initiated Catholics.

This program is for: Children in 7th Grade or older who have not been in or have not attended the standard sequence of religion classes and need Sacraments.

The sessions are virtual, but the participants have to come on some Sundays for the rehearsal and celebration of rites, one day during Holy Week to rehearse the reception of the sacraments and on Easter vigil to receive the sacraments.

[RCIA Registration Form](#)

STARTING ON OCTOBER 20

FROM 6 PM TO 7 PM

ZOOM

**WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS IN
OCTOBER**

WEDNESDAYS FROM NOVEMBER ON

**RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENTS IN
EASTER VIGIL**

CONTACT: PJIMENEZ@SFXAVIER.ORG

REMEMBER XAVIER IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING

Over the years, the estate gifts received by Xavier have helped us continue to operate as a welcoming community and place of worship. October 18-24 is National Estate Planning Awareness Week. As Estate Planning Awareness week aims to teach us, an estate plan can help protect you, your loved ones, and your life's work. Estate planning is an often overlooked element of financial wellness, it is estimated that over half of Americans – 56% – do not have an up-to-date estate plan! It can also memorialize your medical wishes, especially important in this time of COVID, and ensure you have trusted people in place to help with financial or legal decisions. Everyone should have an estate plan in place to protect what you worked so hard for and so you can document the legacy you wish to leave behind for your family, your friends, and the charities you love. Already have a will or trust? Although a well-drawn will or trust provides for certain changes, professionals still advise that you review yours every three to five years. Events that should prompt a review include changes in your family situation, moving to a new state, changes in the value of your estate, changes in tax law, and changes in your charitable giving goals. Please consider a gift to Xavier in your estate planning. Please contact the Parish office if you have any questions.

**THIS
WEEKEND'S
MUSIC**



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CATHOLIC LESBIANS

Friday, November 12th 6:00pm-8:00 pm
Online via Zoom

Cato Ybarra will look at “Death Herself, an introduction to folk beliefs in Santa Muerte.”
Contact SFXWomen@aol.com for the Zoom link.

Catholic Lesbians & Friends

All Are Welcome!

19TH ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS WRAPPING PARTY

Saturday, December 11th 1:30pm—3:30pm
Outside 55 W. 15th St. Church Entrance

Let's deliver some Christmas cheer to kids from Picture the Homeless, Life Experience & Faith Sharing, and STEPS to End Family Violence. Bring a brand-new toy (gift-wrapped or not), and label it with age and gender appropriateness. Please spend no more than \$25.00. We also welcome gift cards to local stores such as Target, Kohl's, and Old Navy. **Contact SFXWrap@gmail.com** or (917) 608-9369 with your questions. Ho! Ho! Ho!

During the summer Xavier, along with parishes and church groups throughout the country, met to provide input and insight into the discussion around ordaining women who serve and are called as deacons in our church. The report which incorporates all these voices is now available. This is the same document that was delivered to the Vatican last month. The commission continues to meet in Rome. Please use the link below to view the report.

<https://www.calledtocontribute.org/>

Scriptures & Announced Masses

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Isa 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45.

MONDAY~FEAST OF ST. LUKE: 2 TIM 4:10-17B;
Luke 10:1-9.

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM SR. MARGARET JOHN DUNNE (D)

TUESDAY~FEAST OF STS. JOHN DE BREBEUF,
ISAAC JOGUES: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Matt 28:16-20.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM RITA LAGAN (D)

TWENTY NINTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Rom 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM PADDY LOUGHLIN (D)

TWENTY NINTH THURSDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
ROM 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53.

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

TWENTY NINTH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Rom
7:18-25a; Luke 12:54-59.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM AVAILABLE

TWENTY NINTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
ROM 8:1-11; Luke 13:1-9.

12:05PM MICHAEL DEMPSEY (D)

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

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, LM Diaz@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. 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

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

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