Second Collection to benefit World Mission Sunday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  October 24, 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 Diaz (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.

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., Didi D’Errico, 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 Kenny,
Hie-Joon Kim, Rose King Lopez, Rosemarie McGrath, Adolph Mills,
Cecille Mills, Diana Minor, Amelia Mullings, Rudy Nazareno,
Ralph Nicoletti, Ryan Nieves, Olivia Papageorgiou,
Enrique Passarge, Marilyn Toneth Pazmino, Pilar Perez, Patricia
Preckob, Ray Ralph, Maggie Rodriguez, Marie Saccocio,
Melanie Samoy-Lutz, Dick Schoeller, Dorothy Shepherd,
Anne Sheridan, Stout Family, Mary Todd, Asher Tung,
Susan Weems and Christine Zotti

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.

Next Weekend’s Presider Schedule

NEXT SATURDAY
5:00 pm Vigil Mass: Samuel Sawyer, SJ

NEXT SUNDAY
9:00 am Mass: Thomas Feely, SJ
11:30 am Mass: Zachariah Presutti, SJ
5:00 pm Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ

Next Weekend’s Presider Schedule
From the Desk of the Pastor

We’re delighted to welcome Dan Corrou back this weekend. He will preside at the 11:30 a.m. mass and make a presentation of the work of JRS in Lebanon and the Middle East.

In recent weeks Pope Francis and Cardinal Dolan have announced a time of preparation for a Synod of Bishops on the topic of Synodality. The Pope has invited Catholics around the world to pray and reflect on how we live and act as Church in responding to the call of the Gospel in our day and in our specific local situation. Specifically mentioned in both of their calls was a prayerful reflection on how we attend to the needs of the marginalized in our local communities. We eagerly await indication from the archdiocese on how we can participate as a parish community.

A concert of Arvo Pärt choral masterpieces with Cantori

Mark Shapiro, conductor

Saturday, Nov. 6th at 8pm & Sunday, Nov. 7th at 2pm

Contact John Uehlein after any of the weekend liturgies by the piano for free tickets. (2 per customer)

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

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

This weekend’s music
“God heals the broken hearted and binds up their wounds” (Psalm 147:3)

Healing Mass
Friday, November 12th
7:30pm Main Church

A healing mass will be celebrated on Friday, November 12th, at 7:30 pm. in the Church. Fr. Gilbert Gentile, SJ, will preside. Fr. Gentile served as an associate pastor at St. Francis Xavier in the 1980’s. A healing mass is a Eucharistic liturgy where we come together to pray for our own needs and the needs of our loved ones. Come rest in God’s presence and be renewed in God’s love. All are welcome to come and pray for healing of mind, body and spirit. Masks are required and safety protocols are observed.

Notice to CleanChoice Energy Subscribers:
I am a subscriber, and recently noticed that the price per kWh (kilowatt hour) had slowly increased to double from a year ago. I called the company to ask why, and it was because I didn’t have a fixed rate plan. When I switched to fixed rate, it halved the price. Check your bill if you are a subscriber. My new rate: 11 cents / kWh. Nancy Lorence

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 us throughout the year. As the end of the year approaches, we begin to reflect upon the many blessings bestowed upon us. It also provides a great opportunity to thank God for these blessings by gifting to Xavier. Over the years, it has been the gifts left to Xavier that have helped us to continue to operate as a welcoming community and place of worship where injustice is challenged, where the poor, the alienated and the marginalized find a home, and where people are refreshed, reconciled and renewed. Your year-end gift can help us continue to celebrate vibrant liturgies and support our many ministries. Belonging to Xavier offers many blessings. Those blessings multiply when we commit our time, treasure, and talent to its work.

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 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. For more information on how you can help make a difference contact the parish office.

Earn Degrees and Certificates in Theology through Saint Joseph’s Seminary!

- Take classes in person or 100% online
- Expand your understanding of the Catholic faith
- Affordable Tuition
- Faithful to Church Teaching
- Conveniently Scheduled Classes

More information: www.dunwoodie.edu
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, 2022 – 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 (lmdiaz@sfxavier.org) or Robert Choiniere (rchoiniere@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.

To better represent the full communion of saints on our church walls, Xavier has commissioned paintings by artist Patricia Brintle of 12 holy women and men from around the world. Featured this week is Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman, a Black Catholic religious sister born in Mississippi who fought against the evil, prejudice and hatred that drive people apart. After Mass, all are invited to view Sister Thea's painting and learn more about her at the church entrance.

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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!

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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**

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

**THIRTIETH MONDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM WILLIAM REILLY (D)

**THIRTIETH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**

7:45AM HELEN GORRA (D)
12:05PM ALICIA SAVIOLA HERMSEN (D)

**THIRTIETH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**

7:45AM MARY TONNA COCAINE (D)
12:05PM WILLIAM REILLY (D)

**THURSDAY~FEAST OF STS. SIMON AND JUDE:**

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM THOMAS MANNO (D)

**THIRTIETH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM YORICK DE SOUZA (D)

**THIRTIETH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**
12:05PM ANNE DONNELLY (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.

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**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

**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 nlgnyc@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, gerrymmoss@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 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
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**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