



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Pastoral Solidarity Fund

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7, 2022

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

Rev. James Miracky, S.J. (Associate Pastor) -225

Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) -
208

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)

Desiree Resto (Office Assistant)-203

Gregory Timmes (Assistant Dir. of Business) - 201

Jovi Villavicencio (Dir. of Business) - 221

John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Receptionist — 201

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.

SUMMER 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

5:00pm Vigil Mass: James Miracky, SJ

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 am Mass: Thomas Feely, SJ

11:30 am Mass: Ricardo da Silva, SJ

5:00 pm Mass: Thomas Feely, SJ

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Augustino Aloia, Sue Carberry, Catherine Cheney,
Aurora Cifra, Stephanie Cioffi, Jesus Dabu, Ellen Donnelly,
Jeanne DuPont, Zakaria el Fatihi, Sr., Kathleen Friel,
Susan Forbes, Fred Hang, Denise Johnson, Elizabeth Jones,
Rosemarie McGrath, Michael McMahan, Anna Meli,
Richard Meli, Eileen Miller, Diana Minor, Ted Moon,
Amelia Mullings, Hernando Perez,
Ruby Lynn Reyner, John Sabini, Anthony Scorra,
Ana Shahin, Dorothy Shepherd, Anne Sheridan,
Eleanor Sundaram, Belen Vales, Liz Vito,
and Walter Weaver

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

Jim Curley (brother of Kevin), Iavora Daraktchieva,
Bernard Fitzsimmons, Adoracion Manalo Gan,
Scott Michael Hellon, Marilyn Lorence, Thomas Mazur, and
Marcy Parlow Pomerance

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 Pastor's Desk

Our local Jesuit community is mourning the death of our brother, Fr. Rudy Casals, S.J. who died unexpectedly at age 47. The shock of such a sudden death brings a sharp edge to the call of the Gospel this week to “be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when the master comes and knocks.”

Rudy had just completed an MSW at Columbia and was looking for an internship to work with veterans suffering from PTSD. As a former naval officer and a priest, Rudy had special skills to bring to that ministry. God had other plans.

Rudy had just come back from two ministries he loved: a retreat for veterans in Missouri and a week in the desert of Arizona with Catholic Boy Scouts. Both experiences filled him with joy in ministering to the Gospel. He was ready for the master’s return.

The preciousness and unpredictability of life reminds us to be attentive to the Gospel call each day. We may have great plans for future service in the building of the kingdom of God and they are worthwhile, but only if they don’t get in the way of answering God’s call today.

May Rudy enjoy God’s loving and eternal embrace.



Volunteer at our Welcome Table soup kitchen, food pantry, or clothing room this summer.

Sign up at <https://signup.xaviermission.org/>.

If spots are filled, please join the waiting list. We often need additional volunteers at the last minute. For additional questions or to register a group of up to 10 individuals, email Roxanne at rdelatorre@xaviermission.org.

PLEASE NOTE: Volunteers must be fully vaccinated, including a booster shot. The minimum age for this shift is 14 years old.

HELP US SERVE ALL SUMMER.

We’ve raised over 80% of the \$100k needed to run our food programs this season. Help us ensure no one is turned away with your donation. xaviermission.org/donate

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xaviermission.org

**The SFX Environment Ministry invites you
to another a cool summer evening
with friends, snacks, and a good film. Free admission!**

Kiss the Ground



**Wednesday, August 10 at 6:30 pm
(Note new time.)**

Keenan Commons(35 West 15th St.)

**Masks advised;
space allows people to spread out.**

***Kiss the Ground* (narrated by Woody Harrelson) reveals that, by regenerating the world's soils, we can completely and rapidly stabilize Earth's climate, restore lost ecosystems and create abundant food supplies. Using compelling graphics and visuals, along with striking NASA and NOAA footage, the film artfully illustrates how, by drawing down atmospheric carbon, soil is the missing piece of the climate puzzle.**

Thanks to Interfaith Power and Light for facilitating this film.

WELCOME TO ANOTHER NEW PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBER

Our Pastoral Council member Cara Caponi has been offered a long-awaited career opportunity that requires her to relocate from New York City.

This is bittersweet news, as unfortunately this means she will be leaving the Council after serving one year in her three-year term and Cara has become a valued member of the PC in her short time with us.

The PC's guidelines for these circumstances indicate that the Council may choose to select a member of the parish community to complete the departing member's term. The membership of the Council reached a consensus that Todd Schmidt - who discerned for the PC earlier this year - offers gifts well-suited to the needs of the Council and the parish at this time. We invited Todd to join the Council to complete Cara's term, and he enthusiastically accepted.



Todd has been coming to St. Francis Xavier since 2010. After traveling with Maryknoll on missionary trips to Guatemala, El Salvador and Mexico, he became a registered member of SFX in 2016. After growing up in Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y., he is no longer overwhelmed by the big city, where he lives in Manhattan and is employed by the City of New York. He is thrilled to be joining the Council and has contributed to SFX as a lector, eucharistic minister to the homebound, and has guided several candidates through RCIA.

Todd will be joining the Council this fall, along with our two other new members - Alan Ahles and Susan Faggiani - introduced to you a few months ago. Thank you all for answering the call to servant leadership at Xavier!

THE WOMEN WHO STAYED & CATHOLIC LESBIANS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7TH 1:00 P.M.-2:30 P.M.
MARY CHAPEL

Sisters in Christ, it is time to be together.

The silence in the lack of ministry to women who are currently in pain over the Supreme Court's overturning of Roe v. Wade is deafening.

Let us come together to support one another as we navigate our relationship with Church, large C and small c especially in the face of institutional statements that celebrate the treacherous outcomes of this action, including the inevitable criminalization and incarceration of largely black and brown women, the perpetuation of poverty among the most vulnerable, the dominance of women's bodies by a patriarchal society, the unwillingness to listen to and validate the individual consciences of women, and the placing of women in physical danger?

CATHOLIC LESBIANS

Friday, August 12th 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

LGBTQ Memorial Site

Hudson River Park between
W. 12th & Bethune Streets

Natasha Avenis will present on "In Each Friar, a General and a Conquering Army": an exploration of the Catholic Church's role in the colonial subjugation of the Philippines. Bring your picnic blanket and dinner.

SFXWomen@aol.com

THIS WEEKEND'S MUSIC



Scan me

HOLD THE DATE!!

Ignatian Spirituality in Everyday Life (ISEL) Spirituality Information Sessions 2022-23



*Grant me, O Lord, to see
everything now with new eyes,
to discern and test the spirits
that help me read the signs of
the times...*

-Pedro Arrupe, SJ

ISEL invites you to attend an information session to learn what is happening this year in Ignatian Spirituality at Xavier

- Spiritual Direction
- The Spiritual Exercises: 19th Annotation
- Advent Retreat
- Meeting Christ in Prayer Retreat
- Lenten Retreat
- Stations of the Light
- Applications and Interviews Sessions

Sunday, September 11 at 1:30pm in the Church
No registration needed

Tuesday, September 13 at 6:30pm on Zoom

To register please contact

mary.elizabeth.hurson@gmail.com

by Friday, September 9, 2022.

BREAKING OPEN OF THE WORD

Join us in praying and reflecting on the Sunday Readings using a Lectio Divina model and small group sharing using a Spiritual Conversation model.

SATURDAYS FROM 10:00AM TO 11:00AM

ZOOM LINK:

<https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/81544658195?pwd=TzFBU1NzbUZyaXQ1blJWNHFPQW5aQT09>

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation

REGISTRATIONS OPEN

RCIA sessions take place between September and Pentecost Sunday.
Participants receive the sacraments
(Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for:

- Anyone who has never been baptized.
- Anyone baptized into another Christian faith that would like to convert to the Roman Catholic faith.
- Anyone who was baptized Catholic but never received the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.
- Any Catholic who has received all the sacraments but would like to deepen his or her faith by attending the RCIA sessions.

RCIA Requirements

- Fill out the [RCIA FORM](https://form.jotform.com/21146349174150) <https://form.jotform.com/21146349174150>
- If you have received the sacrament of Baptism, submit your baptism certificate via email at Imdiaz@sfxavier.org or via mail at 55 West 15th Street NY, NY 10011
- An interview with Luz Marina Diaz will be arranged in August.

Scriptures & Announced Masses

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Luke 12:32-38.

MONDAY~FEAST OF ST. DOMINIC:
EZEK 1:2-5, 24-28C; Matt 17:22-27.

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM FRANCOISE TCHUENTE (D)

NINETEENTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Ezek 2:8-3:4; Matt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM LAURIE ANNE GALLUP RILEY (D)

WEDNESDAY~FEAST OF ST. LAWRENCE:
2 Cor 9:6-10; John 12:24-26.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM AVAILABLE

THURSDAY~FEAST OF ST. CLARE:
EZEK 12:1-12; Matt 18:21-19:1.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM EILEEN DANIS (D)

NINETEENTH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Ezek 16:1-15, 60, 63; Matt 19:3-12.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM AIDAN KAMINSKA (D)

NINETEENTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Ezek 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Matt 19:13-15.

12:05PM EMILY RODRIGUEZ (D)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53.

YOU MAY RESERVE AN AVAILABLE MASS FOR YOUR INTENTIONS
BY CONTACTING THE PARISH OFFICE AT 212-627-2100.

XAVIER MISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Clothing Room: Every Sunday, sorting & distribution shifts

Soup Kitchen: Every Sunday, prep & distribution shifts

Food Pantry: Second Saturday of every month, distribution shifts

For info and to sign up: SIGNUP.XAVIERMISSION.ORG

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: Religious Education Program for children pre-kindergarten -12th grade. Sessions for parents/guardians are provided. Contact DRE Luz Marina Diaz, imdiaz@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: Summer Change to Wednesdays at 1pm. 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. Currently meeting on Zoom. Contact Peggy & Paul schubertnyc@gmail.com