**Eucharist**
Vigil Masses: Saturday: 12:05 pm, 5:00 pm
Sunday Masses: 9:00 am, 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**
*Parish Phone Number - (212) 627-2100*
Rev. Kenneth Boller, S.J. (Pastor) - 204
Rev. James Miracky, S.J. (Associate Pastor) - 225
Rev. Ricardo da Silva, S.J. (Associate Pastor)
Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) - 208
Luz Marina Díaz (Dir. of Religious Education) - 207
Stephanie Fuentes (Office Manager) - 222
MaryLennox Halfacre (Dir. of Communications) - 206
Moraima Hernandez (Plant Manager) - 201
James Martinez (Assistant for Financial Planning)
Desiree Resto (Office Assistant) - 203
John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) - 202
Roseann Vidal (Dir. of Business) - 221
Receptionist - 201

**Pastoral Council**
Belinda Conway (Chair); Alan Ahles (Vice-Chair);
Susan Faggiani (Secretary); Christina Amendolia; Kristen Beckles; Joel Dabu; Andrea Foley-Murphy; John Lucas;
Larry Ruth; Todd Schmidt.
PastoralCouncil@sfxavier.org

To stay up-to-date on parish news, follow us on Instagram and Facebook at sfxaviernyc.
Scan the QR Code to Join Our Weekly Email Newsletter

**Office Hours**
Mon-Fri: 10:00am-4:00pm
Saturday: 11:30am to 6:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am to 6:00pm

**Confessions**
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**
**Saturday, April 6**
5:00pm Vigil: Thomas Feely, SJ

**Sunday, April 7**
9:00am Mass: James Miracky, SJ
11:30am Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ
1:30 PM Mass: Ricardo da Silva, SJ

**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
Prayer Requests

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

Pray for the peaceful rest of all our beloved departed parishioners and friends, especially:
Bob Morrow, Jason Vermonty, Jessie Russell, Greg Lubert, Dr. Samuel Alcarez, Barbara Ann Haynes, Blair Dean, Don Brophy, Anthony Antunes, Rolando Zapata, Rosalie Stillo, Cathy Geronemo, Press McCallum, Bill Bennett, Perlitta Abbago, Retha Davis, Kurt Burger, Mary Lou Brewis, Rosina Davis, Russell Williams, Pilar Pilapil, Luz & Ramon Montes,” Trinidad/Marcella Araullo, Santos Jose Rosa do, Maria Aurora A Koa, Mercedes, Consuelo, Mauricia Bautista, Sarah Golda De nenholz, Aurora Dionisiso, Alburo & Elvira Legaspi, Dilia Muñoz.

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.
Building the Kingdom

Easter is a bursting forth in the cosmos! Flowers shooting up from the ground, birds chirping, clear skies with the sun shining, and Holy Week’s great finale with Resurrection!

Hope abounding.

We look with new brighter eyes at the things we love…. the things we hold close to our hearts and wouldn’t want to lose.

Let’s keep those things top of mind as we move forward with Resurrection hope to care for all of God’s creation and strengthen our bonds with all of our kin, human and non-human, and build God’s Kindom…. on earth as it is in heaven.

The Environment Ministry wishes you the many blessings and joys of Easter in the days to come.

Eucharistic Revival
Upcoming Events

The Xavier Eucharistic Revival will continue with The Eucharist, Faith, and Social Justice with Fr. Bruce Morrill, SJ on Sunday, April 7 at 1:00 PM in-person and online.

The next event will be In the Breaking of the Bread: A Prayer Experience on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 PM via Zoom with facilitators Catherine O’Hagan Wolfe and Luz Marina Díaz. If you would like to participate, please email Luz Marina Diaz at lmdiaz@sfxavier.org.

Join us on Saturday, April 13 from 11:00 AM- 4:00 PM for a parish retreat led by Fr. Bryan N. Massingale, Do This in Memory of Me - The Eucharist and the Call to Justice. Join us for a Saturday afternoon of prayer and contemplation, where we consider how the Eucharist empowers us to be the Body of Christ and continue his ministry of being Good News to the despised and excluded. A light lunch will be provided. All are welcome!

Mass Classes

As a part of the Xavier Eucharistic Revival, we will be conducting four Mass classes that will be held simultaneously with the regular Masses at Xavier. These Mass classes will occur at the Xavier High School Chapel on the second floor of 30 West 16th Street.

The next Mass Class will be held on Sunday, April 14 during the 5:00 PM Mass

A Mass class is a celebration of Mass that includes an explanation of its various parts. Throughout the Mass, the priest takes the time to explain essential elements of each part of the celebration, including the Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, and Concluding Rites, as well as relevant liturgical-related information such as liturgical year, liturgical colors, vestments, etc. At certain moments of the Mass, the presider will invite the attendees to pose questions regarding the liturgy. This helps participants to understand better and appreciate our Catholic liturgy.

Xavier Youth Ministry
Sacred Sleepover
Saturday, April 6 4:45 PM - 5 PM Mass to Sunday, April 7 - 8 AM

Between the ages of 12 and 18? Join us for a Sacred Sleepover and let’s brainstorm ideas to rejuvenate the Youth Ministry together. Bring your sleeping bag and pajamas! Email youthministry@sfxavier.org to register.

Xavier Young Adults Ministry
Join the Xavier Young Adults Ministry for all of their upcoming events by following them on Instagram at xavieryoungadults. Every first Sunday of the month, you're invited for a Contemplative Mass at 5:30 PM in the Xavier High School Chapel. Ring the bell at 30 W 16th Street.
**Sacred Space Shoe Donations**

In the spirit of this Lenten and Easter season’s theme, *Journeying Together*, a reflection of Pope Francis’s ongoing Synod on Synodality and Eucharistic Revival, Sacred Space invites you into contemplation and participation in our walk with Jesus and with each other. Jesus asks us to follow him, to stay with him, and to love him and each other along the way. Prayer, discernment, listening, and action are elements of both Lent and synodality.

Our Lent/Easter installation includes new, sturdy shoes reflecting our communal journey. Women’s, men’s, and children’s sizes are included and will be donated to Xavier Mission’s Clothing Room after the season concludes. We invite the Xavier community to join in the journey together by donating new (only) shoes (sneakers preferred & requested by the Mission). Donation baskets have been left alongside the reredos for your use. The shoes donated will be incorporated into the installation as the season progresses and then will go to a neighbor in need. Wishing you a Lent that brings searching, listening, reflecting, and praying - Sacred Space.

**Mercy Center**

Long-time Xavier parishioner Sean Adcroft will be honored at Mercy Center’s 2024 “Transforming Lives” gala on Tuesday, April 9th at Tribeca Rooftop. Sean has been volunteering with Mercy Center since 1995 and currently serves on Mercy Center’s Board of Directors.

Mercy Center helps women, men, and families in the South Bronx to grow and thrive through education, family, civic, social, and economic programs, last year serving over 3700 of New York’s most vulnerable residents with adult education, workforce development, ESOL, immigrant services, and youth programs.

St. Francis Xavier parish has maintained a supportive relationship with Mercy Center since its founding by the Sisters of Mercy in 1990, with many Xavier parishioners like Sean generously supporting Mercy Center with their time, talent and treasure over the years.

Please consider attending the gala and/or supporting this great cause. Take advantage of the early bird discount through March 25th with code MERCY2024 to save $50 on a Supporter Ticket! For more information please visit: www.mercycentergala.org.

**Liturgal Ministry Volunteers Needed**

If you attend our liturgies and have a desire to serve your community, step up and volunteer as a hospitality minister, lector, or Eucharistic minister. Your contribution can make a significant impact and help create a welcoming and enriching experience for all. Scan the QR code to learn more. Please email Luz Marina Diaz at lmdiaz@sfxavier.org for more information.

**Are You Called to Serve on the Xavier Pastoral Council?**

The Xavier Pastoral Council seeks three new members to join us beginning in September 2024. All members of the parish community are encouraged to prayerfully consider—in Ignatian language, to *discern*—whether this might be the time to offer your gifts as a servant leader. Serving in an advisory role to the pastor, the Council collaborates with the Xavier community to set parish goals and develop objectives; empowers parishioners to implement pastoral plans; and oversees and evaluates them in light of fulfillment of the parish mission.

- Pastoral Council members commit to a three-year term of service. At the conclusion of this term, they may serve a subsequent three-year term if they choose to do so. **To be eligible, you must be a registered member of the parish for at least two years and be at least 20 years old.**

- Additional information is available in the Pastoral Council’s Guidelines for Leadership. Questions may be directed to any Council member or to pastoralcouncil@sfxavier.org. An optimal information session for those interested in learning more about service on the Council will be held via Zoom on Monday, April 8th at 7pm. You can scan the QR code for more information and the Zoom link.

New Council members will be selected over two parish-wide meetings to be held on Zoom on Sunday April 21st and Sunday May 5th. All parishioners are warmly encouraged to participate in the selection process.
The Women Who Stayed
Sunday, April 28 | 1:00 PM
Mary Chapel

We are four weeks away from the Resurrection. Where are you right now in your Easter journey? Mary said yes to incarnating God into this world. What is the yes to which you are being called?

Racial Justice Ministry
Book Group

Please join the Racial Justice Ministry Book Group discussion on How the Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery, by Clint Smith. Each chapter is a self-contained piece, so if you missed the first chapter you will not be at a disadvantage.

Monday, April 8, “One Slave is too much,” Gorée Island, pp. 239-269.
Clint Smith visits the small island off the coast of Dakar, Senegal. Gorée Island had been controlled by several European countries between the 1440s and 1960 and used by them in the slave trade until 1848.

In this final section, the author reflects on the impact of enslavement, Jim Crow, and current attitudes towards the concept of race on his own family’s history.

The Racial Justice Ministry meets by Zoom from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. To receive the link, email sfxbookgroup@sfxavier.org.

Catholic Lesbians
Friday, April 12 | 6:00 PM
West Room

Larissa Santiago will do a 2025 calendar photo shoot, interviews, and Q&A with one another to share our stories. BYOcups (cups, utensils, plates, serviettes/snacks).
**Scriptures & Announced Masses**

**EASTER SUNDAY:**

**MONDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:**
Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15.

**OFFICE CLOSED**
9:00 AM Available

**TUESDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:**

7:45 AM Available
12:05 PM Available

**WEDNESDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:**

7:45 AM Available
12:05 PM Available

**THURSDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:**

7:45 AM Richard Marks (D)
12:05 PM Leo & Antoinette Buongiorno (D)

**FRIDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:**

7:45 AM Fr. Sean Toole (L)
12:05 PM Ellen Clancy (D)

**SATURDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER:**

12:05 PM Paul Gorra & James Hawkes (D)

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER:**

**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. abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com

**BREAKING OPEN OF THE WORD:** Join us in praying and reflecting on the Sunday Readings using a Lectio Divina model. Saturdays from 10:00am to 11:00am Zoom Link: https://bit.ly/3UsoMJC

**CATHOLIC LESBIANS:** Ministry since 1993, meets monthly. CatholicLesbians@sfxavier.org or (929) 333-5011.

**EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP:** Provides support to parishioners seeking employment. Katherine Cleary, kroeoffizth@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.

**LAUDATO SI ACTION PLAN (LSAP):** Implements the message of Laudato Si. SFXLSAP@gmail.com.

**FAMILY FAITH:** Religious Education Program for children pre-kindergarten -12th grade. Sessions for parents/guardians are provided. Contact DRE Luz Marina Diaz, lmdiaz@sfxavier.org.

**GAY CATHOLICS:** Men meet in a caring and affirming environment monthly. GayCatholics@sfxavier.org.

**HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY:** We pray for spiritual, emotional, and/or physical healing. HPM@sfxavier.org.

**HOLY COMMUNION MINISTRY FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** Eucharistic Ministers bring Communion to parishioners who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, or in care facilities in local proximity to Xavier. To arrange visits please contact Nick Grimaldi at Homeboundcommunion@sfxavier.org. To arrange for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office.

**IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY IN EVERYDAY LIFE:** We offer spiritual direction, conversations, and retreats. ISEL@sfxavier.org.

**RACIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY:** Provides book clubs, supportive activities and actions related to racial justice. To learn more, sfxbookgroup@sfxavier.org.

**THE WOMEN WHO STAYED:** We nurture, empower, call forth, and celebrate our emotional, intellectual, and spiritual growth. We strive to bring the riches of the Word of God in ways that speak to everyone in the congregation. TheWomenWhoStayed@sfxavier.org.

**THE XAVIER INTERFAITH MINISTRY:** The Xavier Interfaith Ministry aims to foster respect for religious differences to promote love, harmony and understanding among peoples of different faiths. xavierinterfaith@gmail.com.

**THE XAVIER OUTINGS:** Periodic gatherings with parishioners. Xoutings@sfxavier.org.

**THE XAVIER ROSARY PRAYER MINISTRY - Rosary Prayer Ministry encourages the praying of the rosary to deepen one’s devotion to and relationship with Jesus through his beloved Mother. sfxrosary@sfxavier.org.**

**THE XAVIER YOUTH MINISTRY:** Social, service, and spiritual community for post-confirmation youth through 12th grade. Activities September-June. Contact Pablo Jimenez at youthministry@sfxavier.org.

**ZEN MEDITATION GROUP:** Mondays at 7pm. Newcomers welcome. Currently meeting on Zoom. Contact Peggy & Paul schubertnyc@gmail.com