SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Maryknoll Mission Appeal

Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 2024
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
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

Next Weekend’s
Presider Schedule
Saturday, April 20
5:00pm Vigil: Thomas Feely, SJ

Sunday, April 21
9:00am Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ
11:30am Mass: James Miracky, SJ
5:00 PM Mass: Ricardo da Silva, SJ

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

NOTE: for Bulletin Notices 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.

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

To stay up-to-date on parish news, follow us on
Instagram and Facebook at sfxaviernyc.
From the Pastor’s Desk
Kenneth Boller, SJ

Fathers Peter Le Jacq, M.M. and John Martin, M.M. will be in the parish for the annual missionary cooperative appeal and second collection for the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. They will speak at all the masses and describe the work of Maryknoll, the popular name for the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, founded in 1911 to follow Christ’s command to preach the Gospel to all nations. They serve the poor and marginalized in more than 20 countries internationally as well as here in the United States.

Their presence with us is a reminder of the post resurrection mission to the disciples to go out to the whole world to tell the Good News.

Prayer Requests

Let us especially, remember those who have asked for our prayers
Kathleen Friel, Susan Forbes, Jim Fox, David Fuentes, Francisco Fuentes, Jaclyn Suzanne Gomez, Jim Held, Leonor Herbandez, Christopher Henderson, Donna Marie Henderson, Tonia Hubert, Elizabeth Jones, Charles Kelley, Kevin Kenned, Eileen Miller, Mike Orza, Edward Pinsdorf, Brian Pretinke, Betty, Ray Ralph, Mark Reynolds, Dolores Roddy, John Schlee, Eleanor Schleider, Dorothy Shepherd, Anne Sheridan, Encarnacion Singh, Crysea Spencer, Priscilla Stefan, Eleanor Sundaram, Joyce Williams, Micah Wilson, Mike Mattioli, Joan Schechter, Kay Thomas, Patricia Jones, Gary Trout, Anthony Cuoco, Mark Morin, Marion Pierce, Robert Raymond, Richard Chow, John P. Sabini, Avada Mulzac, Jane Jacobus, Neepa Magarelli, Eve Duke, Henna Ali, Dava Weinstein, Pat Brown, Michael Patterson, Sr. Cecilie Palange, Jess Dutu, Gus Lobo, Tom N. Pantages, Eve Duke, Cathy Geronimo, Carmela Farace, Thomas Farace, Raul Naparan, Jesse Albino, Maggie Araullo, Jingsing Fitzgerald, Francesca Macaranes, Michael Silver, Chris Curatoo, Ning, Josephine Vales, Louis De Thomas, Cynthia Magsanoc, Lulu Byrne, Maria Celia Coscolluela, Nelida Kilayko.

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 Dionisio, Alburo & Elvira Legaspi, Dilia Muñoz, Sister Mary Cyril Murray, Rosa Pergola.

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.
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 this 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.

Two Invitations:
Earth Action and Contemplation

Earth Action
It’s happening right at our doorstep at Union Square! This Sunday, April 14, from 1 to 6 pm, we will participate in Earth Day Initiative’s 2024 Festival at Union Square www.earthdayinitiative.org

Walk over to visit the booths of dozens of environmental nonprofits, climate campaigns, and sustainable businesses, as well as live entertainment, kids’ activities, and interactive displays.

The SFX Environment Ministry will have a booth which will feature a petition to support the bills in Albany that will help cut plastic in New York state. Definitely stop by to sign our petition to support the two bills in Albany that will help cut plastics in New York: the Bigger Better Bottle Bill (S4947/A06353) and the Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act (S4246B / A05322B). You might even consider giving us a hand at the booth!

Earth Contemplation
Not to miss! Our earth economies are transitioning off of fossil fuels. To better understand the impact of fossil fuels on our environment and the need for this transition, visit the excellent and very informative exhibit “The End of Fossil Fuels” at the Climate Museum before its last day. Sunday, April 28. Location: 105 Wooster Street in Soho NYC. Open Wednesdays through Sundays 1-6 PM (except 4/18, when it closes at 5:15 pm). Admission: free, but donations accepted. Make it a field trip!

Liturgical 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 Díaz at lmdiaz@sfxavier.org for more information.

Aids Walk New York 2024 Xavier Team
For 40 years, our parish has cared for and stood with those living and dying from HIV/AIDS. We encourage as many individuals as possible to join our team and/or contribute whatever is comfortable.

Check out Church of Saint Francis Xavier’s team fundraising page for AIDS Walk New York (aidswalkny.org)
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.

The next meeting will be on Sunday, April 21 at 7:00 PM on Zoom. It is required. Scan the QR code to get the Zoom link for the meeting and learn more about the Discernment Informational Sessions.

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.

Young Adults Easter Celebration

Sunday, April 14
After the 5:00 PM Mass

The Xavier Young Adults invite all the Young Adults of the parish to join them for an EASTER CELEBRATION next Sunday, April 14th after the 5pm Mass in the Mary Chapel. Feel free to sit in the pews nearest to the tabernacle and then move into the Chapel together afterwards. All are welcome! For more information or to add yourself to the Young Adult list, please email sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com.

Healing Prayer Ministry

Upcoming Dates

You are invited to come for prayer for healing for physical, emotional, or spiritual healing after the 11:30 Mass on April 21, May 5 and 19. Our Pray-ers look forward to praying with you.

Looking For More Pray-ers for the Healing Prayer Ministry Team

Consider if you are called to become a Pray-er. We currently serve after the 11:30 Mass on selected Sundays. Trained Pray-ers serve no more than twice a month, for about 30 minutes after Mass. Training involves some reading and Zoom discussions, then in-person observation and practice. Please reach out to HPM@sfxavier.org or to Philip Waldrop (Coordinator) by text to 973-214-6589.

Brunch in Full Bloom: A Brunch Ministry Earth Day Garden Party

Sunday, April 21 | 12:30 PM
Keenan Commons

Join us for a Earth Day Garden Party indoors. We’ll celebrate our beautiful planet with delicious food, delightful company, and most importantly, the opportunity to deepen our connections with each other. It’s a perfect way to join in the joy of the Easter season, immerse yourself in Spring, and break bread in a new way with others in our Xavier community. There’s room for everyone at these tables, where we help keep the conversation flowing so that no one feels like a stranger—and who knows, your raffle ticket just might be a winner! Let’s bring a fresh spring to each other’s step—see you at Brunch in Full Bloom!
**Thank You For Bringing Hope To Bethlehem During This Time Of Crisis**

Thank you for your generous support of Holy Family Hospital on Palm Sunday, which raised more than $15,000. A Mass at the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem will be said on April 18 for the intentions of all parishioners of the Church of St. Francis Xavier.

Holy Family Hospital of Bethlehem is sustained by donations from individuals and parishes throughout the world. Please visit birthplaceofhope.org for more information.

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**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.


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.

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**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?

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**Wine Tasting Gala to benefit Magis Theatre Company**

**Tuesday, April 16th • 7 PM - 9 PM**

**Keenan Commons, Xavier High School**

Let our expert Sommelier Allan Amico guide you through a selection of Wines inspired by “Angel in the Ashes”, our upcoming show.

About Magis: Magis is a theatre company with a unique way of looking at the world. By creating important human to human connections they bring the focus back to what it means to be a human being. Scan the QR code to get register.

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**Saint Ignatius School 5K**

Calling all runners! Saint Ignatius School, a Jesuit-sponsored Nativity-model school in the South Bronx, is hosting their inaugural event “Bronx Bound: 5k/walk”, at Fordham University Rose Hill on Saturday, May 4th. Check-in starts at 7:45am, and the race starts at 8:30am. The 5k or walk covers 3 loops around Fordham’s beautiful Rose Hill campus. Registration costs $35, and on-campus parking is free. Come support a fellow Jesuit ministry in NYC and enjoy a morning of community, fitness and fun! Please visit www.sis-nativity.org to register.
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**Scriptures & Announced Masses**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER:**

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7:45AM Available
12:05PM Available

**TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF EASTER:**
Acts 7:51–8:1a; Jn 6:30-35.
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12:05 PM Louis Piro (D)

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12:05PM Alberto Sanchez (D)

**FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF EASTER:**
7:45AM Donna Gray (D)
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**SATURDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF EASTER:**
12:05PM Anthony Devito Jr. (D) & Anthony Devito Sr. (D)

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**Ongoing Parish Happenings**

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**Fourth Sunday of Easter:**

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