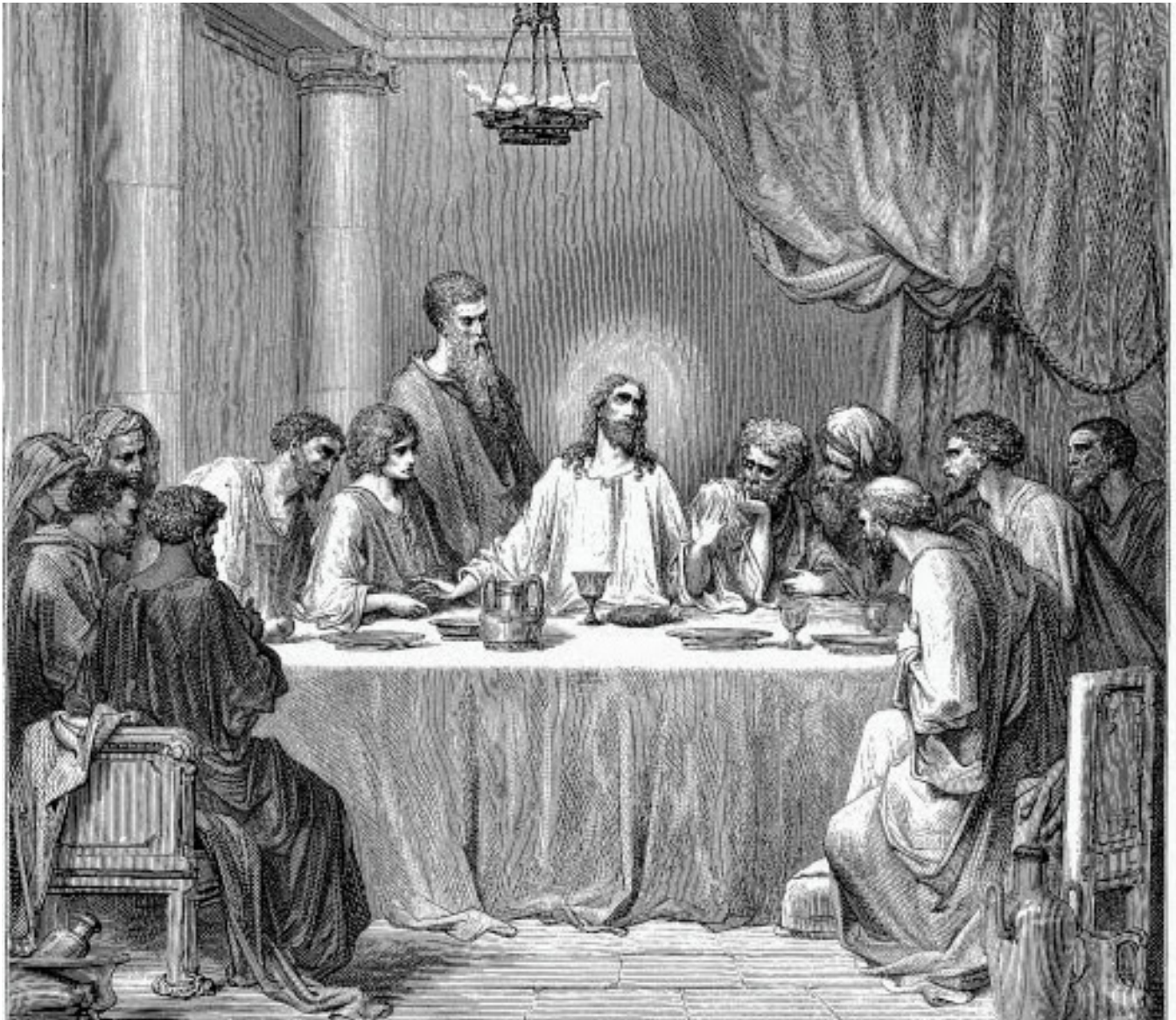




CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Xavier Mission

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 2, 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

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Next Weekend's Presider Schedule

Saturday, June 8

5:00pm Vigil: James Miracky, SJ

Sunday, June 9

9:00am Mass: Ricardo da Silva, SJ

11:30am Mass: Thomas Feely, SJ

5:00 PM Mass: Kenneth Boller, 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

With great delight we celebrate the First Communion of twenty-two children from our Family Faith program. As we welcome the children to the eucharistic table, let us thank their parents and catechists who have prepared them for this day. Let us pray that they continue to value the Bread of Life as a source of nourishment on their own journey of faith.

On Friday, May 31st we kicked off LGBTQ+Pride month with a prayerful celebration of the thirty-first anniversary of our own ministries. Many thanks to all who planned and served in different roles in our celebrations, especially Ellie Crum and Yago Cuesta for their faith-filled reflections.

On Saturday, June 8, the Jesuits of the East Coast province will celebrate the ordination of four Jesuits at Fordham. Among the four is Chia-Yang "C-Y" Kao, SJ who will be pursuing a doctorate at Columbia and will assist our parish on a part-time basis. CY will join us in mid-July.

Prayer Requests

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

Jane Jacobus, Neepa Magarelli, Eve Duke, Henna Ali, Dava Weinstein, Pat Brown, Michael Patterson, Sr. Cecilia Palange, Jess Dabu, Gus Lobo, Tom N. Pantages, Eve Duke, Carmela Farace, Thomas Farace, Raul Naparan, Jesse Albnio, Maggie Araullo, Jingsing Fitzgerald, Francesca Macaranes, Michael Silver, Chris Curatoo, Josephine Vales, Louis De Thomas, Cynthia Magsanoc, Lulu Byrne, Maria Celia Coscolluela, Nelida Kilayko, Giancarlo Antonio Petosa, Janet Cutrufelli, James Hurley, Rafael Colon, Jackie Biaggi, Sr Mary Ann Ambrose, CSJ Michael Sennett, Jim Held, Hortencia Ingles.

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

Anthony Antunes, Rosalie Stillo, Press McCallum, Bill Bennett, 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, Thomas Cutrufelli, Dennis P. Halpin, Norman C. Grosman, Adrian Keenan, Jerry Hevern, Marvin Blitz, Danny Cooper, Joan Hess, Mary McGill Uehlein, Brendan Sexton.

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.**



Doing Good and Doing Well with Planet Friendly Investing

We thought this would be the most difficult goal of our Laudato Si' Action Platform plan – to address economic issues related to the environment. However, Joe Pelusi, founder of Green Investment Strategies and a registered investment advisor specializing in environmentally and socially responsible investing, gave us very concrete, practical advice on how to assess our personal investments.

His presentation, “Responsible Investment for a Sustainable Future,” was very informative and is available on the parish YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ozuA00G3Kvo>

Pelusi said that switching our investments to earth-friendly accounts offers more impact than a combination of multiple lifestyle changes we make. By selecting funds with a track record of earth-friendly investing and of successful returns you can achieve doing good and doing well.

The investing vehicles Pelusi focused on are mutual funds, which are often a large part of people's individual and retirement investing. A research tool he recommends is fossilfreefunds.org, a non-profit organization that grades mutual funds from A to F on two environmental and five social axes: fossil fuels, deforestation, gender equality, civilian firearms, prison industrial complex, military weapons, and tobacco.

Pelusi pointed out that investing sustainably serves to cut four types of investment risk: regulatory, transition, reputational, and systemic. By investing sustainably, you are investing in high quality businesses which solve real climate problems, recruit and retain high quality employees, and have attractive valuations. For more discussion of these risk factors and a look at some of the fund managers he trusts, watch the video.

You are invited to switch your investments to planet-friendly accounts! By doing so you will vastly multiply the climate-friendly impact of your personal conservation and recycling efforts.

March with Us!

LGBTQ+ parishioners, allies, friends and family, far and wide: Join us Sunday, June 30th in the annual NYC Heritage of Pride March. Xavier's joyful presence in the March puts our “All Are Welcome” mission in view for many who may not know about us and the spiritual home they might find here- RSVP to be a part of it all.



LGBTQ+ Pride Month Testimonials

***Dolores A. Diaz and Melinda A. Spataro:
30 Blessed Years and Going Strong!***

“And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.”

-1 Corinthians 13:13



On December 28, 2024, Dolores and I will celebrate our 30th anniversary as a couple committed to love, edified by our faith, and fortified by the love of our Xavier community, family, and friends. We chose “love over fear,” as Dee and I are gals of a “certain age” and the first in our families to “come out.”

Dee and I met in 1994, and from the beginning, our shared Christian faith and its call to serve became our “center.” Our first date was a testament to this, as we attended the always-festive Sunday 11:30 AM mass, followed by brunch at Tea and Sympathy. Our involvement in the Xavier community continued, with Dee joining me in attending our gay group led by Sr. Ann Citarella and then the newly formed Catholic Lesbians. It was there that we met lifelong friends, Joan, Maria, Roe, Paula, Mary, Stephanie, and beloved Amora.

Our journey of love and faith led us to unite our partnership in holy matrimony. On September 26, 2015, surrounded by well over 100 loved ones, we were married at the Middle Collegiate Church by the Rev. Adriene Thorne. This ‘miracle’ was made possible by the love and acceptance of our authentic selves, a love we first experienced, and continue to experience, at the Church of St. Francis Xavier.

Mary Chapel in
The Church of St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, June 8 | 7:30 PM
Sunday, June 9 | 2:30 PM
Sunday, June 9 | 7:00 PM
Monday, June 10 | 7:30 PM

Tickets are \$30 and available for on sale at the
Front Desk of St. Francis Xavier
Learn more at sfxavier.org/2024springcabaret

TRADITION ~ *The Cabaret!*

Performances:

Saturday, June 8 | 7:30 PM | Mary Chapel
Sunday, June 9 | 2:30 PM | Mary Chapel
Sunday, June 9 | 7:00 PM | Mary Chapel
Monday, June 10 | 7:30 PM | Mary Chapel

**Tickets are \$30 and available for sale at the Front Desk of St. Francis Xavier.
Cash and Venmo payments are accepted.**

Liturgical Ministry Volunteers Needed

If you attend our liturgies and have a desire to serve your community we invite you to 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. Please email Luz Marina Díaz at [lmdiaz@sfxavier.org](mailto:lm Diaz@sfxavier.org) for more information.

Young Adults Contemplative Mass

Join the Young Adults every first Sunday of the Month for "the Mass that takes its time" at 5:30 PM in the Xavier High School Chapel. **The next Contemplative Mass will be June 2.** For all upcoming events, you can follow the Young Adults on Instagram at [xavieryoungadults](https://www.instagram.com/xavieryoungadults).

1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture

Tuesday, June 11 | 6:30 PM
St. Francis de Sales - Church Hall

A documentary that follows the story of researchers who trace the origins of the anti-gay movement among Christians to a grave mistranslation of the Bible in 1946. It chronicles the discovery of archives at Yale University which unveil revelations, and casts doubt on any biblical basis for LGBTQIA+. Featuring commentary from scholars as well as opposing pastors, 1946 is challenging, enlightening, and inspiring. There is no fee to attend but please RSVP by emailing Pat Latona at latonapal@gmail.com.

Holy Rosary for the Saintly Six Sunday, June 22 | 7:30 PM | Zoom

Join us for a virtual rosary prayer to pray for the canonization of the Saintly Six, the six Black American Catholics on the road to sainthood. This rosary will also be offered in commemoration of **JUNETEENTH**, in advance of Xavier's celebratory mass on Sunday, 6/23.

Jointly hosted by The Church of St. Francis Xavier, the parishes in Baltimore, MD and the churches in Harlem, New York City.

Scan the QR code to register or email sfxrosary@sfxavier.org.



Healing Prayer Ministry Upcoming Dates

The Healing Prayer Ministry invites you to come for prayer for spiritual, emotional, or physical healing **Sunday, June 2 or Sunday, June 23** after the 11:30 Mass. Come to the Mary altar space to the left of the main altar. Our Pray-ers look forward to praying with and for 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.**



XAVIER MISSION

WELCOME. SERVE. EMPOWER.

**IN FY23 WE SAVED 90 FAMILIES FROM EVICTION.
THIS IS GLENDA'S STORY.**



After home health attendant Glenda helped pay for her grandmother's funeral expenses and her mother's emergency medical expenses, she fell behind on her rent and received an eviction notice.

We provided Glenda with the \$500 she requested. She has resumed work and can pay rent on her home going forward.

Stock photo. Name changed for privacy.

Our Eviction Prevention Program is funded entirely by private donations.

In the first six months of this fiscal year, we assisted 65 families. Unfortunately, our program has been closed to the public since February due to lack of funding.

**Donate today to help us reopen our application.
Every \$3,000 helps another family remain housed.**



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Caregiver's Ministry in Formation

There comes a time in our lives when many of us find ourselves providing care to a family member or friend during their time of physical, cognitive, or emotional suffering. Are you interesting in developing a ministry for those providing such care? If so, please email SFXBulletin@sfxavier.org to let us know of your interest, and we'll invite you to the kick off / organizing meeting. All ages and genders welcome.

Explore Becoming a Spiritual Director

Do you feel that nudge from God to do more? Is there a greater desire to serve God and God's people in a different way?

Are you a good listener?

You may want to explore what it means to be a spiritual director. Join the class of September 2024 and explore the gift of spiritual direction. All applications are due on May 31. Contact Gerry Moss at 212-627-2100 for more information.

The Women Who Stayed Sunday, June 9 | 1:00 PM West Room

Ordinary time includes the days between Eastertide and Advent. That is thirty-five weeks; 245 days. Where has the Holy Spirit been inviting you? Join this spiritual conversation among women of faith who are pursuing their truth and rightful place in the world.

Catholic Lesbians

Friday, June 14 | 6:00 PM | West Room

The theme for 2024 NYC Pride March is "Reflect. Empower. Unite." As a lesbian and a Catholic, how does this speak to you? Join this conversation, led by Paula Acuti. We also will participate in 2024 NYC Dyke March on June 29. BYOCUPS (Cups, Utensils, Plates, Serviettes/Snacks) to share with friends, old and new. For more information, contact CatholicLesbians@sfxavier.org.

Scriptures & Announced Masses

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST:
Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26.

MONDAY- MEMORIAL OF SAINT CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS: 2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12.

7:45AM MARY UEHLEIN (D)
12:05 PM OSCAR JINETE (D)

TUESDAY OF THE NINTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05 PM ENA RODRIGUEZ (D)

WEDNESDAY - MEMORIAL OF SAINT BONIFACE: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27.

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

Lk 2:41-51 2 Tm 2:8-15;
Mk 12:28-34.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM MICHAEL WAWRZYNSKI (D)

FRIDAY - SOLEMNITY OF MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Jn 19:31-37.

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM SHEILA RYAN (D)

SATURDAY - MEMORIAL OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Lk 2:41-51.

12:05PM CAROL ILLICH (D)

SUNDAY IN THE TENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Gn 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35.

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

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, 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.

LAUDATO SI ACTION PLAN (LSAP): Implements the message of Laudato Si. LSAP@sfxavier.org.

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

XAVIER ADULT GROUP: Once a month we have informative meetings or attend interesting events around the city. xaversharingandlearninggroup@gmail.com

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.

XAVIER YOGA: Meets on Tuesdays at 6:15pm. Open to all levels. **Will not meet June 4.**

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

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.

XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Spiritual, service, and social activities for parishioners 20s-30s, and the young in spirit. sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com.

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