

# CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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#### **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 <a href="https://www.sfxavier.org">www.sfxavier.org</a>

#### 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 15** 5:00pm Vigil: Ricardo da Silva, SJ

#### Sunday, June 16

9:00am Mass: James Miracky, SJ 11:30am Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ 5:00 PM Mass: Thomas Feely, 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

This Sunday, after the 11:30 mass, we will have a coffee and donut reception as a thank you to Fr. Tom Feely, S.J. as he comes to the end of his ministry at Xavier parish. For the last six years, Tom has served the Jesuit Community as the local superior supporting the dozen or so Jesuits in a variety of apostolic ministries. His term as superior ends this summer. Every year our membership changes slightly ranging from a high of sixteen Jesuits down to twelve this last year. Under Tom's care, the community thrived in the lockdown of COVID supporting one another and cooking and cleaning for one another as we also observed the ever-shifting safety protocols.

Tom came back to Xavier with a breadth of pastoral experience, most recently at St. Ignatius uptown. When he arrived, he volunteered to assist with sacramental ministry and became very involved when Dan Corrou, S.J. became the administrator. His thoughtful homilies have inspired parishioners over the years, and many have sought him out for spiritual direction. On a personal note, although Tom and I are classmates, we have never lived and worked together since our days in formation. It has been a great consolation to me to minister with him in the parish, side by side, for these last five years and to have his wise support as my religious superior.

Tom will continue to serve in the rotation through Sunday, June 16 and then take some well-deserved time off before moving on to his new assignment as a spiritual director in our theology community associated with Boston College.

Many thanks for all your wonderful ministry at Xavier Parish, Fr. Tom Feely, S.J.!

# **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, Christine Torres.

# 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.



# Green Your Banking to Green the Planet

Starting from when the Paris Agreement on climate change was adopted in 2015, 60 of the world's major banks were found to have financed fossil fuel companies with \$3.8 *trillion* over a five-year span, according to the Banking on Climate Chaos report, which was issued by a group of researchers from Rainforest Action Network, Banktrack, Indigenous Environmental Network, Sierra Club, Oil Change International, and Reclaim Finance.

The U.S. banks that financed the largest amounts were JPMorgan Chase, Citi, Wells Fargo, and Bank of America. These banks and others continued to finance coal mining, fracking, and fossil fuel initiatives harmful to our planet. And they're still able to do this today, in part because of our money deposited with them. Over eight years, the amount of financing has grown to **\$6.9 trillion.** 

We do have banking alternatives: the so-called "green" banks that invest in eco-conscious projects, climate action and clean energy. They prioritize sustainability.

Check your bank with the Laudato Si' Movement tool at Bank Boycott - Laudato Si' Movement (laudatosimovement.org). Scroll down, with full screen, to see the word "check" on the right, and input your country and bank, and watch the thermometer move. Another website to check is Find Green & Sustainable Banks In Your Area - Bank.Green for a detailed description of green banks.

More information to come next week.

#### Fr. Tom Feely Going Away Gathering after the 11:30 AM Mass

We will have a going away gathering this weekend, Sunday, June 9 after the 11:30 AM Mass in the back of the church.

#### 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

Brandon F. Davidson Xavier Outings & Gay Parishioner since 2017

Seven years ago, I was in search of a faith community where I could connect with other like-minded folks in NYC. I learned that St. Francis Xavier Parish was hosting a 1-year memorial for those who perished during the Pulse Nightclub shooting. I was impressed as I had never heard of a Catholic church so overtly honoring gay people. As I walked up the steps of the parish for the memorial, I was greeted by an usher wearing a pin with the Xavier logo embedded in rainbow colors. That pin, again, impressed me as an unapologetic merging of Christian and gay identities, two parts of myself that often felt at odds for too much of my life. Now I know those two identities were meant to live in harmony all along. Xavier parish reminds us that all sides of ourselves *must* be present at the table – God wills it so.



# 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 \$20 and available for sale at the Front Desk of St. Francis Xavier.

Cash and Venmo payments are accepted. Please note that the Mary Chapel is air conditioned!

#### Liturgical Ministry Volunteers Needed

If you attend our liturgies and have a desire to serve your communit 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 for more information.

#### The Church of St. Francis Xavier Prayer Service on Juneteenth Wednesday, June 19 | 7:00 PM | Zoom

In honor of the celebration of the national holiday of Juneteenth, several St. Francis Xavier ministries are collaborating in a prayer service to be held at 7:00 p.m., June 19th on Zoom. The service will include music, prayers, readings, and reflections by participants. Please save the date. To register, please scan the QR Code or visit https://rb.gy/vujoo5.



#### **Anointing of the Sick**

In 2024, we will offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during the 12:05 PM mass on **Saturday**, **June 15 and Saturday**, **November 16.** 

#### 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 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.



#### **VOLUNTEER THIS SUMMER!**

WE'RE SHORTHANDED & NEED YOUR HELP



As we embrace the sunnier days ahead, our mission to serve our community becomes even more vital. But with the rise in guests seeking our support, we're facing a challenge: a decline in volunteer numbers.

Your dedication powers our Welcome Table, Food Pantry, and Clothing Room, ensuring every individual receives the care and resources they deserve throughout the summer.

Please sign up for a shift (or more than 1!)

Together, we can ensure no one in our community is left behind during these warmer months.

Questions? Please email Roxanne at RDeLaTorre@xaviermission.org.



XAVIERMISSION.ORG/VOLUNTEER

#### **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. 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**

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

Monday of the Tenth week in Ordinary Time: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12.

Josey O'donnell (D) 7:45AM 12:05 PM James McGovern (D)

TUESDAY- MEMORIAL OF SAINT BARNABAS, **Apostle:** Acts 11:21B-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:13-16.

AVAILABLE 7:45AM 12:05 PM IRENE BUELLA CRUZ (D)

WEDNESDAY OF THE TENTH WEEK IN **Ordinary Time:** 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19.

7:45AM AVAILABLE 12:05PM Francis Thomas (D)

THURSDAY - MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE Church: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26.

7:45AM AVAILABLE 12:05PM Luis Varela Sr. (D)

FRIDAY OF THE TENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY Time: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Mt 5:27-32.

7:45AM AVAILABLE 12:05PM IRENE BUELLA CRUZ (D)

SATURDAY OF THE TENTH WEEK IN **Ordinary Time:** 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37.

12:05PM ROSEANN M. DE SIMONE (D)

SUNDAY OF THE ELEVENTH WEEK IN **Ordinary Time:** Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34.

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: <u>SFXEnvironmentMinistry@</u> 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 -12<sup>th</sup> grade. Sessions for parents/guardians are provided. Contact DRE Luz Marina Diaz, <a href="mailto:lmdiaz@sfxavier.org">lmdiaz@sfxavier.org</a>. **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 <u>Homeboundcommunion@sfxavier</u>. 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 MINITRY: 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. xaviersharingandlearninggroup@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