



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Xavier Mission

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 7, 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.

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Artist: *Jerome Nadal (1507-1580)*

Next Weekend's Presider Schedule

Saturday, July 13

5:00pm Vigil: James Miracky, SJ

Sunday, July 14

9:00am Mass: Ricardo da Silva, SJ

11:30am Mass: Kenneth Boller, 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

Congratulations are in order for Fr. Jim Miracky. Saint Peter's University announced Tuesday that Jim has been appointed Vice President for Mission Integration and Ministry for the coming academic year. I am very grateful to Jim for his generous and inspiring ministry here at Xavier for these two years and will certainly miss him. We are working through the timing of his move to Jersey City but will continue to enjoy the benefits of his ministry for most of the summer. I am in discussion with the province for the services of another Jesuit to assist on our staff.

The Fourth of July weekend reminds us that we are in full summer mode. As we look at the fireworks and hear the concerts with a patriotic theme, we must remember the occasion we celebrate.

The Declaration of Independence was a bold move for the leaders of the thirteen colonies to attempt self-rule under the banner of enlightenment goals of "life liberty and the pursuit of happiness." The founding fathers, all rich, land-owning men, talked a better game than they delivered, and we have been working for the last 248 years to achieve life liberty and the pursuit of happiness for all on an equal basis. The struggle continues in our divided country. There are many reasons in this presidential election year to succumb to cynicism and withdraw from participating but the need is greater than ever and we must make our voices heard.

Prayer Requests

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

Jane Jacobus, Neepa Magarelli, Eve Duke, Henna Ali, Pat Brown, Michael Patterson, Sr. Cecilia Palange, Jess Dabu, Gus Lobo, Tom N. Pantages, Eve Duke, Carmela Farace, Thomas Farace, Raul Naparan, Jesse Albino, 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, Michael Sennett, Linda Sexton and Family, Julius Harrison, Jim Fox, Donald W. Shanabrook, Judith Giannetto, Eugene Hess, Ruth Clark.

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 Nenholtz, 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, Sr. Angela Bayo, Sr Mary Ann Ambrose CSJ, Russell William Bartels.

***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.**



Eco-friendly Ways to Manage in the Heat

Summer and its increased heat intensity are upon us, and staying comfortable is a challenge. Below are some eco-friendly tips for dealing with the heat.

Cooling spaces:

- Track the weather so you can maximize the overnight coolness by opening windows to let cool air in, and close them again before mid-morning. This can keep your house at a reasonable temperature for most of the day, and will cut down on your need for air conditioning considerably.
- Consider the use of fans for controlling the air flow. They can help bring cool air in and create an indoor breeze. Small fans that you can move to where you are can help cut down on a.c. Ceiling fans or larger fans for whole rooms do a great job too.
- Use shades on windows in the daytime to minimize warming your place. The lighter color, the better.
- To save on your electricity bill and also on your carbon footprint, set your air conditioning to cool at a higher temperature – e.g., 74 F.
- Use EnergyStar® air conditioners and appliances
- Clean the filters on your air conditioners regularly

Taking the heat off the planet:

- For any electricity you use, let it be produced renewably (not from fossil fuels). You can easily switch your energy supplier, while maintaining your existing distributor (which typically is ConEd for most of our readers). This will help turn down the heat on the planet!

One place to walk you through the steps is <https://cleanchoiceenergy.com>. Kudos to our readers who have already made the switch. They are 100% renewable – either wind or solar. You can look at other options at the New York State website for consumers called “Power to Choose,” which is part of the Department of Public Service of NY State. There is an initial disclaimer that is important to read: <https://documents.dps.ny.gov/PTC/home>

Common Ground Film and Discussion Wednesday, July 10 | 6:30 PM Keenan Commons 31 West 15th St., NYC

Join us for a cool evening in Keenan Commons. Program starts at 7:00 pm. Come at 6:30 pm for light snacks and socializing! Discussion after the film. Freewill offering. All are welcome!



*From the filmmakers of Kiss the Ground (Netflix), comes the follow-up documentary **Common Ground**, winner of the Tribeca Film Festival. Actor and environmentalist Woody Harrelson again teams up with filmmakers Josh and Rebecca Tickell to explore how regenerative agriculture can help heal the soil, improve our health and help stabilize the earth's climate.*

Catholic Lesbians

Friday, July 12 | 6:00 PM
LGBTQ Memorial Site in Hudson River Park
(between West 12th & Bethune streets)

“Why is Pope Francis simultaneously so (mostly) welcoming to LGBTQ people and yet so concerned about “gender theory”? What role does choice play in our identities? Is there any space between “born this way” and “who do I feel like being today”? Come untangle these and other puzzles with Cristie Traina!

The Women Who Stayed

Sunday, July 21 | 1:00 PM | Mary Chapel
We will be serving as hospitality ministers, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and more, in honor of Mary Magdalene's feast day the following day. Immediately after Mass, join us in “Ella Camina,” a contemplative walk with the Apostle to the Apostles. All are welcome.

Disability Pride Month

Happy Disability Pride Month! Celebrated each July, Disability Pride Month emerged from the disability rights movement's rich history of advocacy for the rights and recognition of people with disabilities. The origins of Disability Pride Month are closely linked to the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 1990. The ADA is a landmark civil rights law that prohibits discrimination based on disability, mandates accessibility of communities, and celebrates the contributions of people with disabilities to the life of our nation. Unfortunately, lack of enforcement of the ADA leaves much of the country inaccessible. The Catholic Church strongly opposed the ADA, and remain exempt (except for new construction) from this law that upholds the dignity of human life.

The first Disability Pride Day was held in Boston in 1990, coinciding with the ADA's signing. Over time, the concept of Disability Pride expanded, leading to the establishment of Disability Pride Month. The celebration amplifies visibility and awareness of the rich contributions, cultures, and experiences of people with disabilities.

Disability Pride Month fosters a sense of community and empowerment among individuals with disabilities. It encourages people to take pride in their identities and to challenge societal perceptions and stigmas associated with disability. Check out <https://disabilityunite.org/> for info about the Disability Unite Festival in Central Park on July 14.

During Disability Pride Month, the Catholic Church, including us at Xavier, has an opportunity to reaffirm its commitment to inclusion and celebrate the contributions of individuals with disabilities. By doing so, the Church not only upholds its mission to respect the dignity of all people but also enriches its own community by recognizing the unique gifts that each person brings. People with disabilities deserve to be involved in every aspect of parish life they wish, from volunteer roles to leadership positions.

As we celebrate Disability Pride Month at Xavier, we become a powerful testament to our belief in the fundamental equality and worth of every individual. Stay tuned each week of July for more reflections on disability pride.

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 interested 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.



XAVIER MISSION

WELCOME. SERVE. EMPOWER.

Men's Clothing Needed:

Help Us Provide Essential Clothing for Our Neighbors in Need



REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL DONATIONS:

- New or gently-used
- CLEAN
- In-season
- Do not donate ripped, faded, frayed, or stained items



Men's Clothing – All sizes needed!

- Boxers (NEW ONLY)
- Sweatshirts, hoodies, sweaters
- Jeans, sweatpants
- Business/professional clothing
- Shoes of any kind

Additional Items Needed:

- Toiletries (preferably travel-sized), including shampoo, soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, razors, shaving cream, lotion
- Backpacks
- Blankets, sleeping bags

Our clothing room is in great need, especially for men's clothing. Our neighbors rely on your generosity to ensure they have clean, dry, and comfortable clothing throughout the summer.

DROP-OFF INFO:

- 55 West 15th St.
- Place all donations in the large white bin on the basement level
- Secure all donations in plastic or paper bags.

Sunday: 8:00am–6:00pm
Mon–Fri: 10:00am–6:00pm
Saturday: 11:00am–6:00pm

XAVIERMISSION.ORG/DONATE

COMING SOON: PHASE 2 OF ART PROJECT



In 2020, in the wake of George Floyd’s murder, the Church of St. Francis Xavier joined faith communities across the country in reflecting on myriad aspects of racial justice that the Gospel calls us to address. The reflection continued the parish’s modern-day commitment to racial justice and inclusion which dates to at least 1960 when the parish had an annual civil rights Mass in the name of St. Martin de Porres.

The second phase of the project is underway—the design and fabrication of two tapestries for the narthex, one on each side of the steps leading into the church. The subtitle of the banner is a quote based on Psalm 43:4, “I will go to the altar of God...To God who gives joy to my youth.”

The highly regarded artist, John Nava, who created the tapestries for the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles, accepted a commission to create the tapestries. We hope to install the tapestries in late July and will celebrate them on Sunday, September 15.

***Thank you to all who have already donated to the tapestry.
We invite donations to be made in the form of Venmo, Faith Direct, cash, or checks made out to “Art Project.”***

Learn more about the project at sfxavier.org/narthexartproject.

Scriptures & Announced Masses

Ongoing Parish Happenings

SUNDAY OF THE FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Ez 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6.

MONDAY OF THE FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26.

7:45AM HELLEN GORRA (D)
12:05 PM CHRIS FOOTE (L)

TUESDAY OF THE FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38.

7:45AM ISSAM ARNUK (D)
12:05 PM TOM BOZELL (D)

WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7.

7:45AM FR. TOM FEELY, S.J. (L)
12:05 PM EMANUEL PIPITONE (D)

THURSDAY - MEMORIAL OF SAINT BENEDICT: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Mt 10:7-15.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM GLORIA LANDORNO (D)

FRIDAY OF THE FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23.

7:45AM AVAILABLE
12:05PM ALBERT NATHAN (D)

SATURDAY OF THE FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33.

12:05PM ALESSIO FIORENTI (D)

SUNDAY OF THE FIFTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mk 6:7-13.

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

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, imdiaz@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. 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 Tuesdays in June 6:15-7:15pm. Summer classes are Wednesdays, July 17-August 28, 1:00-2:00pm. (No classes July 1-16.). Open to all levels and abilities.

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