



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit
Jesuits Apostolates in Beirut

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 10, 2024

Parish Office Closed
Monday, November 11
One Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM.
Please use the 15th St. Entrance.

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. Benjamin Hawley, S.J. (Senior Priest) - 225

Rev. Ricardo da Silva, S.J. (Associate Pastor)

Rev. CY Kao, 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);

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Next Weekend's Presider Schedule

Saturday, November 16

5:00pm Vigil: CY Kao, SJ

Sunday, November 17

9:00am Mass: CY Kao, SJ

11:30am Mass: Kenneth Boller, SJ

5:00 PM Mass: Ricardo da Silva, SJ

Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 10:00am to 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](https://www.instagram.com/sfxaviernyc).

From the Pastor's Desk **Kenneth Boller, SJ**

Are you generous? Do you trust in God's providence?

These questions emerge from a reading of the Book of Kings and the Gospel today. It's not a matter of money or resources as much as a lived attitude. The widow of Zarephath was caught between the customs of hospitality and the reality of not having enough food for herself and her son. At the word of the prophet of a God she did not follow, she shared what she had and lived on it for a year. The "widow's mite" is given as a faith offering to God without conditions.

As I write this on Wednesday morning, as we absorb the results of the election. It has been clear for some time that our country has been almost evenly divided which means about half of the country was disappointed with the final choice. The spirit of the gospel requires a generous attitude and renewed trust in God's power in our lives.

Trusting in God's providence, we continue to give witness to gospel values especially when they don't seem to be popular. Let us remember the Prayer of St. Theresa:

*Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things pass away:
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things.
He who has God
Finds he lacks nothing;
God alone suffices.*
- Teresa of Jesus

Prayer Requests

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

Jesse Albino, Patti Adroft, Maggie Araullo, Anne and Alice Babst, Jackie Biaggi, Saleema Bibi, Pat Brown, Lulu Byrne, Donna Chesebro, Ruth Clark, Rafael Colon, Maria Celia Coscolluela, CSJ, Chris Curatoo, Janet Cutrufelli, Betty Davey, George DeAngelis, Evan Xavier Dono, Eve Duke, Carmela Farace, Thomas Farace, Lyle Ferguson, Jingsing Fitzgerald, Jim Fox, Rafael Antonio Gayoso, Edward Gordon, Julius Harrison, Jim Held, Tonia Hubert, Julianne Hunter, James Hurley, Hortencia Ingles, Jane Jacobus, Nelida Kilayko, Leonard La Croix, Steve Lee, Gus Lobo, Francesca Macaranes, Neepa Magarelli, Cynthia Magsanoc, Linda Yannolo Murphy, George Odvody, Sr. Cecilia Palange, Tom N. Pantages, Michael Patterson, Giancarlo Antonio Petosa, Dutch Pinkston, Michael Sennett, Donald W. Shanabrook, Michael Silver, Louis De Thomas, Christine Torres, Josephine Vales, Joan Williamson.

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

Sr. Angela Bayo, Marvin Blitz, Danny Cooper, Olga Cruz, Matthew Todd Edwards, Susan Forbes, Gustavo Frías, Judith Giannetto, John Githens, Jerry Hevern, Jr., Joan Hess, Eugene Hess, Flo Infantino, John A. Kiss, Glenda Landingin, Joseph Murray, Virginia Victoria Navarro, Bob Philipps, Thomas Rocha, Dolores Root, Brendan Sexton, Robert Sloan.

***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.**

THIS WEEK AT XAVIER

The Women Who Stayed	Sunday, November 10	After the 11:30 AM Mass in the West Room
The Chord Keepers	Sunday, November 10	2:00 PM in the Main Church and Online
Young Adult & PC Wine & Cheese	Sunday, November 10	After the 5:00 PM Mass
Parish Office Closed	Monday, November 11	
Racial Justice Group Read	Monday, November 11	7:00 PM on Zoom
Virtual Ministry Fair	Wednesday, November 13	7:00 PM on Zoom

COMING SOON

Healing Prayer Ministry	Sunday, November 17	After the 11:30 AM & 5 PM Masses
Young Adults Community Outreach	Sunday, November 17	From 12 PM - 4 PM at the Welcome Table
Celebration of Service	Sunday, November 17	6:00 PM in Keenan Commons
Young Adult Faith Sharing	Wednesday, November 20	6:30 PM in Mary Chapel
Family Faith Advent Wreath Event	Sunday, November 24	10:00 AM in Keenan Commons
RCIA Rite of Welcoming	Sunday, November 24	11:30 AM Mass
Young Adults Happy Hour	Sunday, November 24	6:00 PM at Another Country on E 16th St.
Thanksgiving Mass	Thursday, November 28	10:00 AM
Parish Office Closed	Friday, November 29	
First Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 1	

Visit sfxavier.org/events to learn more about all upcoming events and activities!



The Chord Keepers:

Folk Singers and Pickers of Xavier Parish
Sunday, November 10 | 2:00 PM
Main Church & Online

Are you ready to pluck up some courage and tune in for an unforgettable afternoon of music making and folk guitar goodness? (As well as Ukulele, Mandolin, and Tin Whistle!) Our November event is shaping up to be a real fretting good time, and we'd love to share our jam with you! Featuring... Joel Allegretti, Maria Brinkmann, John Divney, Tom Flood, Maggie Green-Freeman, Dianne Lisanti, Ralph Martin, Sam Scheidt, John Uehlein, and Miguel Zapico.

Young Adults & Pastoral Council Wine & Cheese

Sunday, November 10 | After 5PM Mass
Join the Young Adults & Pastoral Council Wine & Cheese after the Sunday 5PM Mass in the back of the church.

Supporting Jesuits Apostolates in Beirut

Fr. Dan Corrou, the former pastor of St. Francis Xavier, lives and works in Lebanon. He recently provided an update on his work in a presentation sponsored by Canadian Jesuits International. This Sunday's second collection will be sent to Fr. Dan in Beirut to support the work of the Jesuits and their lay companions responding to the needs of the migrant communities in Beirut and the people who have been displaced as a result of the conflict. One of Fr. Dan's many responsibilities is pastor of St. Joseph Parish, a part of the Arrupe Migrant Center in Beirut. The parish is the spiritual home for migrant workers largely from Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Sudan and several other countries. The migrant workers are uniquely impacted by the escalation of the war in the Middle East.

If you would like to support the work of the Jesuits in Middle East particularly in Lebanon you can do so at <https://americanjesuitsinternational.org/jesuits-in-lebanon/> or you can make a check payable to St. Francis Xavier with Beirut in the memo section or you can make a donation via Faith Direct or Venmo with Beirut in the note.

The Women Who Stayed

Sunday, November 10 | 1:00 PM | West Room

When we meet, it will be the penultimate Sunday in ordinary time. All Saints Day, All Souls Day will have just passed. Daylight Saving Time ended. Election Day will have come and gone. Where does all this leave you right now? Join a spiritual conversation for women who choose to stay in the Roman Catholic Church.



A Catholic Voice at Three Global Conferences

While we have been focusing on our national elections, three global UN Summits having to do with the environment have happened or are scheduled to happen in November.

The UN Conference on Biodiversity, COP 16, has already taken place in Cali, Colombia, to continue the efforts to protect plant and animal life and entire biosystems and communities that depend on them.

The conference did come up with some positive outcomes: 1) Progress in defining priority areas for the conservation of marine and coastal areas, and 2) a decision to allow direct input from indigenous communities without having them go through country representatives. Yet, here was no agreement on financing for biodiversity protection and the conference had twice as many corporate representatives as last year.

The UN Climate Summit, COP 29, will run from Nov. 11 to 22 in Baku, Azerbaijan, where again corporate interests, especially of fossil fuel companies, are expected to dominate this space. The focus will be on financing for climate mitigation and on the clarification of markets for carbon offsets. The goal is to keep global temperature below 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 F.) and definitely less than a 2-degree C. increase. Dramatic action is needed.

The UN Plastics Treaty will hold its last meeting from Nov. 25 to Dec. 1 in Busan, Republic of Korea. The goal for this series of five meetings has been to craft a legally binding agreement on plastic pollution. Given that plastic is made from fossil fuels, the producers of oil and natural gas have had a dominant presence and prevented progress.

Faith groups have also had an increasing presence in these discussions. The Vatican and the Laudato Si' Movement are among the groups representing a Catholic Voice at these summits. In them we place our hope and our prayers.

Racial Justice Group Read - The False White Gospel by Jim Wallis

Xavier's Racial Justice Ministry welcomes all to participate in a read for this election season & beyond.

The next Zoom discussion will be held:

November 11 | 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Chs. 2,3,& 4

REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

Email sfxracialjusticegroup@sfxavier.org.

Virtual Ministry Fair

Wednesday, November 13 | 7:00 PM

Do you have gifts to share with our community? Have you been thinking about becoming more involved at St. Francis Xavier? We will be hosting a Virtual Ministry Fair 11/13. This will be an opportunity to learn more about the various ministries. Please join us in learning and sharing what ministries have been meaningful to you. We welcome interest, curiosity, and discernment in how the gifts and talents of all among us may enrich the whole of this vibrant community. Scan the QR code to join the Zoom meeting.



Celebration of Service

Sunday, November 17 | 6:00 PM

Keenan Commons (31 West 15th Street)

The Pastoral Council wants to thank you for what you do for the Xavier Community. Whether you serve as a Liturgical Minister, are a member of the Music Ministry, Volunteer at Xavier Mission or serve on any of the Spiritual, Social or Action Committees. Come Join us! **Please RSVP to PastoralCouncil@sfxavier.org.**

Giving Thanks in Difficult Times

Wednesday, November 27

7:00 PM Service in the Main Church

7:45 PM Dinner and Spiritual

Conversation in the Mary Chapel

Xavier's Interfaith Ministry will hold a time of service, food, and conversation on Wednesday, November 27. A service will be held from 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM and dinner and spiritual conversation from 7:45 PM - 9:00 PM. **Please register by emailing xavierinterfaith@gmail.com.**

Please note that space is limited.

UCA Martyrs 35th Anniversary Teach-In and Memorial Mass Friday, November 15 | 6:00 PM

Remembering the martyrs of El Salvador. Jesuits, alumni, students, parents and friends are invited to join in the 35th anniversary liturgy for the Jesuit martyrs of El Salvador (the UCA) and their companions. Anniversary mass will take place on November 15 at 6 PM at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, 46 W. 16th St. in New York City. A reception featuring Salvadoran fare will follow the liturgy. All are welcome.



XAVIER MISSION
WELCOME. SERVE. EMPOWER.

Join Us for 12 Days of “Thanks”Giving

This week, we're thrilled to launch our 12 Days of “Thanks”Giving campaign at Xavier Mission—a time to come together and bring warmth, connection, and nourishment to those facing the harsh realities of winter. Each day, we'll highlight a unique way your donation can provide not just essentials, but a deep sense of comfort and dignity to the individuals and families we serve. Our guests, who often arrive at Xavier Mission with only the clothes on their backs, find more than a meal here—they find a place where they are seen, valued, and welcomed with open arms.

Give Warmth, Dignity, and Hope

During these 12 days, your support can become a lifeline. A monetary gift, no matter the size, allows us to directly provide resources to create a safe community space. By donating, you're not just providing items—you're offering warmth that shields against the cold, meals that ease hunger, and a community that breaks the cycle of isolation. This season, let's give gifts that matter—gifts that embody compassion, offer relief, and inspire hope to those who need it most. Together, we can make this holiday season of profound impact and transformative generosity. Making a donation that will truly impact the lives of our neighbors.



Healing Prayer Ministry Upcoming Dates after two Masses

The Healing Prayer Ministry returns to serve after the **11:30 AM AND 5 PM Sunday Masses on November 17, December 1, 8, 15**. Come to the Mary altar space to the left of the main altar after Mass. Our trained Pray-ers look forward to praying with you for physical, emotional, or spiritual healing!

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 or 5 PM Masses 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.**

Signs Of Our Time:

What's The Story? What's The Hope? Monday, December 9 | 7:00 PM | Zoom

The Racial Justice Group and Ability Xavier will welcome Creighton University biblical scholar Susan Calef, PhD, for an interactive program exploring “Signs of Our Time: What's the Story? What's the Hope?” Reflect on trends, hope, and the good news we can bring. Space is limited for this free event. **Register by Wed, Dec. 4 at sfxracialjusticegroup@sfxavier.org.** Handouts and the Zoom link will be sent on Fri, Dec 6.

Catholic Lesbians & Friends— All Are Welcome! 22nd Annual Christmas Wrapping Party Friday, December 13 | 6:00 PM Hurtado Hall

Make a child smile on Christmas Day! E-mail SFX-Wrap@gmail.com for the name and age of one (or more) from STEPS to End Family Violence, Project Hospitality, Life Experience & Faith Sharing, or Community Voices Heard. Bring your brand-new gift (up to \$30), wrap it with friends, and partake of pizza, homebaked cookies, and beverages. Ho! Ho! Ho!

Scriptures & Announced Masses

SUNDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44.

MONDAY - MEMORIAL OF SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS: Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
9:00 AM AVAILABLE

TUESDAY - MEMORIAL OF SAINT JOSAPHAT: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10.

7:45AM MARGARET MARY MCGUIRE (D)
12:05 PM MARY A. DEAN (D)

WEDNESDAY - MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI: Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19.

7:45AM ROBERT SLOAN (D)
12:05 PM MARILOU CUNANAN (D)

THURSDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Phmn 7-20; Lk 17:20-25.

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM JENNIE GATTO ROMEO (D)

FRIDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37.

7:45AM GERARD GLYNN (D)
12:05PM JACQUELINE SCHWARTZMAN (D)

SATURDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8.

12:05PM FLORENCE AJMO HENDY (D)

SUNDAY OF THE THIRTY-THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32.

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/3Us0MJC>

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

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Contact 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 GROUP: Engages in prayer, study and action in pursuit of racial justice. Welcomes collaboration to promote living the Parish Pledge for Racial Justice. sfxracialjusticegroup@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 6:30-7:30pm on the altar, Sept. 3, 2024 through June 24, 2025. (No classes held 12/24/24, 12/31/24, 1/28/25, 2/18/25, 4/15/25 and 4/29/25.) Open to all levels and abilities. For more info please contact: teresaherronzamora108@gmail.com

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 Alex Zambito at youthministry@sfxavier.org.

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