



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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Fr. Alejandro Olayo Mendez, SJ

As the day was drawing to a close, the Twelve approached him and said, “Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here.” Jesus said to them, “Give them some food yourselves.” (Luke 9: 12-13)

OFFICE CLOSED

MEMORIAL DAY

MONDAY, MAY 30TH

One Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am.

Please use 15th street entrance.

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

May 29, 2016

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 Handicapped 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

Rev. Joseph Marina, S.J. (Pastor) — 204
Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) — 208
Luz Marina Díaz (Dir. of Religious Education) — 207
Rev. Peter Fink, S.J. (Associate Pastor) — 211
Stephanie Fuentes (Assistant to the Pastor) — 222
Moraima Hernandez (Plant Manager) - 201
James Martinez (Dir. of Stewardship and
Assistant for Financial Planning) - 205
Gregory Timmes (Assistant Dir. of Business) - 201
Damely Tineo (Dir. of Business) - 221
Rev. Sean Toole, S.J. (Associate Pastor) - 206
Receptionist — 201
John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair); Adel O'Regan (Vice-Chair);
Stephen Alfieri; Kathleen Cagnina; Patricia Dahl;
Phil Gutierrez; Bob Lepisko;
Deborah Olley Murphy (secretary); David Pais
PastoralCouncil@sfxavier.org

Mission Statement

The Church of St. Francis Xavier, a
Roman Catholic parish in the Jesuit
tradition, strives to be a prophetic,
welcoming community, and an
inclusive witness to the presence of
Christ Jesus in our midst. Mindful of
our utter reliance on God, and need
for God's grace, we rejoice together
in our celebration of the sacraments
and proclamation of the Gospel.

As a people of hope, we commit ourselves through
prayerful and creative discernment to respond to
God in our time by: Being a respectful community
Where seekers and their questions are welcomed,
Where injustice is challenged, Where the poor, the
alienated and the marginalized find a home,
And where people are refreshed,
reconciled and renewed.



OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 10:00 am to 7:30 pm

Saturday: 11:30 am to 6:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

NOTE: for Bulletin Notices and Space Requests send
e-mails to sfuentes@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 mini-
mum of six months before qualifying for a
sponsor letter to be verified as a parishioner.**

Next Weekend Presider Schedule

Saturday, June 4th

5:00pm Mass (Vigil): Rev. Peter Fink, SJ

Sunday, June 5th

9:00am Mass (First Communion):

Joseph Marina, SJ

11:30am Mass: Rev. Sean Toole, SJ

5:00pm Mass: Rev. Peter Fink, SJ

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

*Paula Acuti, Angelina Alejandria, Australia Baez,
Marc Boorstein, Jeffrey Breitman, Alex Campbell,
Caitlin Campbell, Kyle Chepic, Sheila Creasy,
Francisco Domingo, Betty Donovan, Maryann Downing,
Pablo Forte, Joaquin Gager, Racquel Gager, Gary Gatz,
Howard Skip Geiger III, Maxine Gold,
Johnathan Gotay-Coban, Monsignor Neil Graham,
Liz Guerin, Terri Harrington, Florence Demopoulis Inno,
Dee Kelly, James Leung, James Lizzio, John Marshall,
Kay Mazzo, Betty & Ron Miller, Lou Mauro SJ,
Mary Montemurro, Kathy Mulvaney, Lorraine B. Nelson,
Rosalie De Nicola, Eileen O'Keeffe, Anne Passini,
Sister Grace Plimen FSP, Ruth Rivera, Riederman Family,
Denyse Robinson, Joshua Rota-Tebb, Alice Sharkey,
Rocco Scura, Ray and Terri Sharpe, Amando Solero,
Matthew Tanck, Gabino Torres, Janet Townsend,
Bess Vindigni, Carl Wassmann*

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

*Palma Como, Eileen Marina, Andres Perez-Chaumont,
Cecilia Pelc, Marta N Peri, Francis Schall, Carmin Tolentino,
Mary Torres, Filomena Verra, Daniel Zoltowski*

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.**

ON DANIEL BERRIGAN

By Patrick Walsh

Father Daniel Berrigan, S. J. breathed his last breath of this life on April 30, 2016, nine days shy of his 95 birthday. During his long and extraordinary life, Father Dan was many things. To his family, he was a dutiful son, a devoted brother, and a wise, loving and comforting uncle. To the world Dan was, in broad strokes, a prize winning poet, an author of fifty odd books, an outlaw, a convicted felon, a nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize and a Jesuit who shook and challenged the conscience of our Catholic Church like no other American before him or since.

He was, along with his brother Philip, a dedicated disturber of the false peace of the comfortable, and a tireless proponent for the creation of a true peace that could be shared by all. To that end, along with his dear friend Dorothy Day, the founder of the Catholic Worker, he was also a tireless comforter of the afflicted, the scorned and the forgotten. Dan did not dream. Dan acted and helped to build. And what he helped to build was a church that was a community.

Daniel Berrigan was, above all, a spirit; a spirit of courage and compassion; a spirit perpetually nourished and reenergized by the Gospels and the sacraments and by the communities built upon the Gospels and the sacraments.

“We have the Eucharist and we have each other,” said Dan, consoling a dear friend whose mother had just died. Therein, for Daniel Berrigan, was the essence of the church. All else was mere pageantry.

Dan understood the radical, transcendent and subversive core of the Gospels and integrated that to an astounding and at times, frightening degree, approaching the Gospels as words not merely to be read but to be wholly entered into and lived and breathed.

No less than Jeremiah, or Ezekiel, or Isaiah, his was the true prophetic voice, one that spoke truth to power, regardless of whether that power rested in the state or in the church and regardless of the consequences of his actions and words. If living the Gospels meant breaking into a draft board and liturgically burning files, so be it. It was better to burn paper than children., he reasoned, If it meant serving time in a federal penitentiary, so be that as well. If you want to be a Christian, he once quipped, you'd better look good on wood. If it meant being arrested more times than you can remember to bear witness against yet another brutal and ungodly policy, such was the price of true discipleship. If it meant years quietly ministering to AIDS victims during the early years of public hysteria about AIDS, that was to be done joyfully in the grace of a loving and accepting Christ. If it meant traveling down to the Catholic Worker to say mass for the homeless, which he did well into his 80's, that too was to live the Gospels. And one was to do it joyfully.

Dan was far more of a teacher than he was a preacher; his method was his example and his presence; his lesson was how to be a Christian, a lesson that much more powerful as he himself was constantly learning. Without admonitions and without judgment, he challenged us to enter ever deeper into our faith, into our empathy, our compassion, and our souls. He leaves us with that challenge. He was inspiration made flesh.

Father Daniel Berrigan, S.J. breathed his last breath of this life on April 30, 2016, but his indomitable spirit, which is truly the spirit of Christ, will live on not only in the thousands of lives he touched and changed by word or by act, but in every soul who strives to enter into and live the Gospels.

THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY INVITES ALL OF XAVIER
TO JOIN US FOR DISCERNMENT AND DISCUSSION

Visions of Our Future
Sunday, June 12th
1:30pm
Mary Chapel

As the Women's Ministry winds down our year of monthly Sunday programs, and as our parish prepares for transition in pastoral leadership, Rose Allocca, Boreta Singleton and others share their visions for our parish and our Church. What is your vision? Come join us in prayer and discussion!

**SHORT-TERM
APARTMENTS NEEDED**

Several reliable members of our parish community are currently searching for affordable studio or 1-bedroom apartments to lease on a short-term basis. They prefer Manhattan but are open to commuting. If you know of an available home, please contact the parish office at your earliest convenience. Thank you for helping our sisters and brothers.

Fr. Marina

Catholic Lesbians

Friday, June 10th
6:00 pm—9:00 pm
West Room

"You are to be the Messiah's witness to all humankind, bearing testimony about all you have seen and heard. . . . Go . . . and call on the name of Jesus." (Acts 22:15-16, The Inclusive Bible)

Community activist Anne Duquette will update us on an outreach project for the ministry in Pride month. Please bring a snack and/or beverage. For more information, contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (917) 297-6804.

TO ALL MY XAVIER FAMILY:



As many of you already know, after 72 years in New York and 43 years at Xavier, I am leaving my beloved Church and this amazing city and moving to Greenville, South Carolina. Always remember that each of you hold a special place in my heart. You are the bricks and mortar that make our Church strong!! Once I am set up in my new house, the door is open! Please come and visit! And please keep me in your prayers!

With love and blessings
Larry

(If you would like to do something special, a contribution to our Church or the Xavier Music Ministry would be a wonderful remembrance!)

**READY FOR YOUR
SUMMER GETAWAY?**

Are you starting to plan your summer vacation? What is the best way to ensure that Xavier receives the support needed for our operating expenses and ministries during the summer months? Go Green and enroll in Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Enroll today by visiting our parish homepage and clicking the Donate Now button, scanning the QR code below, or mailing in an enrollment form available in the back of the church or from the parish office. We want to thank the 15 families who enrolled in Faith Direct during our increased awareness campaign. Please consider joining the 296 families who now use Faith Direct to contribute to the Sunday offertory. If you want to stop receiving envelopes please contact *Stephanie Fuentes* at sfuentes@sfxavier.com or (212) 627-2100 ext. 222. Thank you for your continued support of Xavier with your time and talents as well as treasure.





SUMMER LIVING, SUMMER GIVING!

As the weather turns nice and you begin thinking about getting away for some fun in the sun this summer, please remember Xavier Mission before you go!

Summer is a tough time, as our volunteer and donation pools dry up faster than a snowman on a July day. Please consider signing up for direct monthly payments via FAITH DIRECT or making a special SUMMER GIFT to help fill the gap through the end of this fiscal year and into the beginning of the next.

Have fun, stay safe, wear sunscreen, and donate to Xavier Mission! Happy summer!!

ARE YOU BORED? COME BE ON OUR BOARD!!

If you're searching for something to bring that extra level of OOMPH to your life, that sense of purpose and meaning, that inner peace knowing you can sleep well because you've done good for the world, then you're in luck!

Xavier Mission is looking for passionate, engaged, skilled individuals to be on our brand-new Board of Directors! We seek champions with the following characteristics:

- Vision and passion for the mission of Xavier Mission!
- Time and energy to commit to the ongoing development of a young organization!
- Willingness to work as a team to meet challenges, find creative solutions, and advance the goals & objectives of the organization!
- Expertise/Experience in one of the following or similar areas!
 - Academic
 - Administration
 - Business
 - Finance/Accounting
 - Fundraising/Development
 - Government/Politics
 - HR/Talent Management
 - Law
 - Communications/Marketing
 - Non-profit Governance
 - Non-profit work re: homelessness, hunger, poverty, housing, etc.
 - Strategic Planning

If this sounds like you or someone you know, email Cassandra to have a conversation about next steps at cagredo@xaviermission.org.

Also, please feel free to post this on your Facebook and LinkedIn profiles as well!

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Discernment and Election 2016

Have you ever considered being part of the Pastoral Council? If not, now is the perfect time! Three seats will open soon as Phil Guterrez and Patricia Dahl complete six years of extremely valuable service and one seat is currently vacant. We are immensely grateful for their efforts and welcome new candidates to prayerfully consider serving in their place.



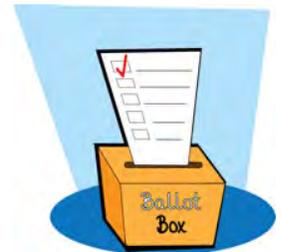
Phil Guterrez



Patricia Dahl

To be considered for election, you must be:

- a baptized Catholic;
- a registered member of the parish for at least two years;
- a participant in the ongoing life of the parish, especially at the Eucharist;
- willing to participate in two evenings of discernment (June 6 and 13);
- a person with a capacity to listen that outweighs the need to speak;
- able to attend a monthly Monday meeting from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.;
- able to attend a three day business meeting/retreat on a weekend in the Fall (This year's retreat is scheduled for September 30-October 2, 2016);
- available for periodic ad hoc committee assignments;
- willing to discontinue or not assume a leadership role in any parish ministry during your tenure on the pastoral council so as to avoid a potential conflict of interest.



All members of the parish are invited to participate in the discernment process for the selection of new council members and all registered parishioners are eligible to vote. **However, in order to vote for new council members, parishioners must attend both meetings (June 6 and 13) beginning at 6:30pm.** Membership on the Pastoral Council is a great opportunity to use your gifts in a vitally important role. Please consider whether this is a good time and a proper way for you to serve.

Scriptures & Announced Masses

SUNDAY~ FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST:

Gen 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Mark 12:1-12.

NINTH MONDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

2 Pet 1:2-7; Mark 12:1-12.

NOT AVAILABLE

TUESDAY~ FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:

1 Pet 1:10-16; Mark 10:28-31.

7:45AM LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)
12:05PM FR. DAN BERRIGAN (D)

EIGHTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

1 Pet 1:18-25; Mark 10:32-45.

7:45AM HELENE KEDZIORA (L)
12:05PM NEIL & MARY MULLEN (D)

THURSDAY~FEAST OF ST. PHILIP NERI:

1 Pet 2:2-5, 9-12; Mark 10:46-52.

7:45AM HELENE KEDZIORA (L)
12:05PM EILEEN MARINA (D)

EIGHTH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

1 Pet 4:7-13; Mark 11:11-26.

7:45AM BARBARA BEHARRY (D)
12:05PM WILLIAM WILKINSON (D)

EIGHTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Jude 17, 20b-25; Mark 11:27-33.

12:05PM PALMA COMO (D)

SUNDAY~ FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST:

Gen 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Mark 12:1-12.

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. Contact abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com

ADULT ACTIVITIES: Once a month we have informative meetings or attend interesting events around the city. Contact bowcol@hotmail.com

BAGA: A parish youth group (for teens) that meets monthly to promote peace and justice by performing corporal works of mercy. Contact b.a.good.apostle@gmail.com

CATHOLIC LESBIANS: Ministry since 1993, meets 2nd Friday, 6 p.m., West Room, SEXWomen@aol.com, (917) 297-6804.

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Contact Katherine Cleary, krcoff5th@netzero.com

FAMILY FAITH: Catechetical ministry for parents/guardians and children pre-K through 12th grade. Meets Sundays 10:00am, Mary Chapel. Contact Luz, LMDiaz@sfxavier.org

GAY CATHOLICS: Men meet in a caring and affirming environment on the first and third Fridays, 7pm Mary Chapel. Contact sfxgsgroup@gmail.com

INTERFAITH COMMITTEE: works toward ending religious discrimination and persecution, through prayer, education and other activities. Contact Jose Ramon, joseramonperezlopez@gmail.com

SFX WOMEN: We continue to stay to address the specific concerns of women in the church. Xavier women are invited to join our ministry. Contact thewomenwhostayed@gmail.com.

LITURGICAL COMMITTEES: See website or Contact Luz, LMDiaz@sfxavier.org

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: To become a volunteer or arrange visits, Contact James Fox, sumiko120@nyc.rr.com, (212) 427-5070

PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE: Examines root causes of injustice and works towards a more just and sustainable world. Contact Tracey Tynan or John Karle at xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com.

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES: Offers spiritual programs, including spiritual direction. Contact Rose Alloca, allocarose@gmail.com or Marie Bannister, mariebannister1@gmail.com.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Spiritual, Service, and Social Activities for Xavier's 20's-30's. Meets every 2nd Sunday of the month after the 5pm Young Adult's Mass, in the West Room. Contact sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com

ZEN MEDITATION GROUP: Mondays at 7pm. Newcomers welcome. Contact Peggy & Paul 212-260-2486, schubertnyc@gmail.com

XAVIER MISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CLOTHING ROOM: 2nd & 4th Sundays, contact Ann Mary: xmClothingRoom@gmail.com

FOOD PROGRAMS: Every Sunday soup kitchen and 2nd Saturday food pantry, contact Christine: xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com

L-STEP: Spring and Fall semesters, contact J: xmLSTEP@gmail.com

SHELTER: Every night, contact Jim: xmShelter@gmail.com