



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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His mother said to the servers, “Do whatever he tells you.” Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told the them, “Fill the jars with water.” So they filled them to the brim. (John 2:5)

OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, January 21st

One Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am.

Please use 15th Street entrance

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 20, 2019

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 (Communion Service), 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

Rev. Daniel Corrou, S.J. (Acting Pastor) - 206
Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) — 208
Luz Marina Díaz (Dir. of Religious Education) — 207
Stephanie Fuentes (Assistant to the Pastor) — 222
Moraima Hernandez (Plant Manager) - 201
James Martinez (Assistant for Financial Planning)
Gregory Timmes (Assistant Dir. of Business) - 201
Damely Tineo (Dir. of Business) - 221
Receptionist — 201
John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair);

Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe (Vice-Chair);
Stephen Alfieri (Secretary); Kathleen Cagnina;
Karen DeMasi; Patrick Egan; Michelle Jung;
John Karle; Charles Mileski; Ron Oberdick;

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: 8:30 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 minimum of six months before qualifying for a sponsor letter to be verified as a parishioner.

Next Weekend Presider Schedule

Saturday, January 26th

5:00pm Vigil Mass: *Rev. Thomas Feely, SJ*

Sunday, January 27th

9:00am Mass: *Rev. Daniel Corrou, SJ*

11:30am Mass: *Rev. Thomas Feely, SJ*

5:00pm Mass: *Rev. Samuel Sawyer, SJ*

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Anita Ibarra Advincula, Jesus Andaluz, Mary Jane Brown, Michael Carroll, Dan Clarius, Kay Quinn Cohen, Bobby Cook, Jesús Dabu, Isaac Falcí, Maria Formoso, Kathleen Friel, Juan Garcia, Ann Grant, James Levaggi, Manny Lopez, Robyn Luisi, Bertha Mercedes, John Moran, Joan O'Brien, Olha Oquinn, Marcy Parlow Pomerance, Eileen O'Keeffe, Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti, baby Paloma Solis, Jeff Stevenson, Edith Stewart, Michaél Termini, Dr. Daniel Tynan, Carl Wassmann, Ed & Camille Welsh, David Woolwine, Liese Zilberleyt

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

Adolfo O. Agra, James Ferrando, Friar Fabian Grifone, OFM, Kathy Hauer, Al Hurley Jr., Msgr Tom Leonard, Theresa Monaco. Dianne Weyers and Clint Winant

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.

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

God rejoices in our ordinariness! Welcome to ordinary time!

After our seasons of Advent and Christmas, we now return to Ordinary time in the Church. But we enter this time with the assurance that God is happy to linger in the middle of us and in the middle of our ordinary selves. In light of that ordinary-ness there are two important things that I want to share;

First, we are beginning the process of pastoral planning. This will help us in our discussions with the Jesuit Province of the USA Northeast about who will be a good pastor for us in the future. This will also help us to have a clearer sense of ourselves as a parish and to name the areas where we want to focus our attention and resources. The Pastoral Council will offer listening sessions after all of the masses on **Jan 26 and 27, 2019**. Please join us for one of those sessions so that your voice can be included in this discernment. We will use the following questions as the substance of those conversations:

- Who we are called to serve?
- How are we called to serve?
- How do we want to be lead?
- What does a new pastor need to know about us?
- How can a pastor enable us to move forward?

Second, I want to be sure that everyone has seen that the USA Northeast province of the Jesuits has released a list of those Jesuits who have been credibly accused of sexual abuse of a minor from 1950. This list is posted on the Province website, along with a letter by provincial Fr. John Cecero, S.J. that is available through the St. Francis Xavier parish website.

Recently, our Pastoral Council sent a letter to the provincial of the UNE province asking for this level of transparency. We are grateful that the province has made this decision. While we are disgusted by the structures of sin in the Church, we are also relieved at this movement toward honesty and transparency.

As we continue the healing process we must begin with openness and clarity. To that end, if you were abused while at Xavier, no matter how long ago, we urge you to report this to the appropriate agency.

- NYS Attorney General: 1-800-771-7755 or (212) 864-7884
- Northeast USA Jesuit Province victim advocate Ms. Kristin Austin, at 443-370-6357.
- NY Archdiocese Director of the Archdiocese Safe Environment Office: 212.371.1000 Ext. 2810

As we undergo the painful work of transparency and reform, let us accompany each other in prayer. We have known difficult times in our parish and in the larger Church. Through all of that, we have remained a vibrant and prophetic voice from within the Catholic Church. Continuing to speak with a prophetic voice is essential now to prevent any regression. We will live and pray as a new model of Church, demonstrating the Gospel call to joy and solidarity.

More than anything I want to express my deep apology to all the survivors of abuse by clergy. The pain of these structures of sin weigh heavily on all of us, but particularly heavily on those who are survivors, and I am very sorry for this. Please know that I am willing to speak with anyone who has questions about our response at Xavier, or the situation of the larger Church. Please feel free to email me at dcorrou@sfxavier.org.

THOMAS MERTON AT XAVIER



As we celebrate the memory of Thomas Merton, Trappist Monk, peace activist, example of inter-religious dialogue, we remember his prayer experience in Xavier Church.

January 30 from 5:30- 8:30pm in Hurtado hall we will offer silent meditative prayer as well as recordings of Merton's lectures. It will be a space of prayer and meditation, just as Merton found in the same space in 1939. Please join us for any or all of the evening. Contact Fr. Dan for more details at dcorrou@sfxavier.org.

Welcoming the Stranger: An Evening with Kevin Tuerff, takes place on **Tuesday, January 29th at 7:00pm in Wallace Hall at St Ignatius Loyola Church.**

The event is presented by St. Ignatius Loyola Music Ministry, LGBT Catholics and Friends, and Ignatian Social Justice.

If you would like to see *Come From Away* performed in its Broadway home, then Wednesday, February 20th at 7:00pm is your night. Use code CFSTIL29 at the box office or Telecharge to purchase tickets for that performance at a 40% discount.

If you have any questions please email LGBT Catholics and Friends join.lgbt.caf@gmail.com.

Introducing a new way of giving: Text-to-Give!

You can now link your mobile phone number to your credit/debit card for easier giving. Text any dollar amount to (646)-681-7010 and complete the one-time registration page to enroll in the ability to text gifts to St. Francis Xavier through Faith Direct.

WALKING RETREAT PILGRIMAGE ON THE CAMINO IGNACIANO, with Fr. George Drance, S.J. March 13-24.

Follow the footsteps of St. Ignatius Loyola, from his castle in Loyola to Barcelona. Option to walk or take the bus. \$3,295 (guaranteed till December 15). Space for only 20 pilgrims. Please contact *Angie Cruz* at angiecruzphd@gmail.com or 917-607-0937.

ZEN SPIRIT/CHRISTIAN SPIRIT AT XAVIER

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26TH

9:30AM - 4:00PM WEST ROOM

*Exploring Silence and Deepening Awareness
A day of teaching, reflection, and meditation*

Many Christians have discovered in Zen a profound connection to life. Through the practice of stillness and awareness, we wake to a world of wonder and gratitude for life in all its aspects. This day of meditation and discussion provides an excellent opportunity for both the curious and committed.

Space is limited, please make a reservation by emailing Peggy and Paul Schubert at schubertnyc@gmail.com. A \$20 donation is suggested to cover lunch and refreshments.

On **Saturday, January 26th**, **Fr Michael Holleran** will speak on Thomas Merton's Spiritual Arc, in observance of Merton's birthday. Fr Holleran is a Catholic priest, Zen Teacher, and former Carthusian monk. As parochial vicar at Notre Dame parish, he leads Centering Prayer and Meditation; he has written articles and taught classes on Merton's life and spirituality. We will also celebrate the birthday of Henri Nouwen (born Jan 26), comparing and contrasting the spiritual journeys of these two towering Catholic figures of the 20th century.

Corpus Christi Church, 529 West 121st Street, Manhattan. 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

Free, but please pre-register: (212) 666-9350 or cchristinyc@gmail.com. Reception will follow.

French Fireworks

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2019

7:30pm Free Organ Concert

All are welcome

Performing Arts at Xavier (PAX) presents internationally acclaimed concert organist **STEPHEN HAMILTON**. He will present a concert celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Peragallo Organ, entitled **FRENCH FIREWORKS**. Hamilton will perform music by:

**Dupré
Durufle
Franck
Langlais, and
Messian**



Internationally acclaimed concert organist Stephen Hamilton

Wheelchair accessible via 15th Street entrance.

Church of St. Francis Xavier, 46 West 16th Street, New York City
SFXavier.org/events



SAVE THE DATE: CASINO ROYALE!

**Annual Dinner Dance Fundraiser:
Saturday March 23, 2019**

The best of two worlds – you can ‘Casino Royale’ like the James Bond flick or like a night in Vegas! Bring your best 007 or Sin City look (within reason....ahem) and get ready to dance those winter blues away!

Cocktails, “casino games”, dinner and dancing!

Silent Auction will be held online and will launch a few weeks prior to the event so keep your eyes open for announcements!

Early-bird tickets will go on sale towards the end of January.

TEACH ME HOW TO PRAY

Do you feel that you don't know how to pray, or how to talk to God, or how to get back to praying?

Lay Spirits is offering a program on prayer and praying designed to help you find your way. Upcoming winter sessions:

- Ignatian Contemplation with Boreta Singleton – Jan. 20
- The Examen with Marie Bannister – Feb. 17
- Taize Prayer with Jose Ramon Perez Lopez – Mar. 24

All sessions are Sundays at 1:30 pm in Xavier High School.

For more information contact:
Pat G. 212-470-8790

The Lay Spirituality Program



We invite all youth in 7th to 12th Grades to join us for the

XAVIER YOUTH MINISTRY KICK-OFF

**Sunday, February 3rd
from 10:30am to 12:30pm
X-Cafe(Xavier High School)**

More details to follow in the coming weeks.

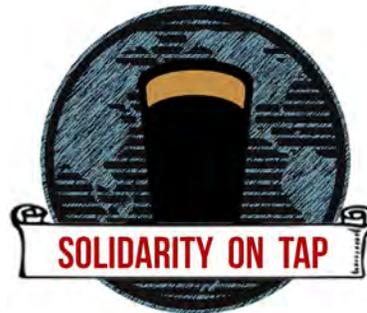
DIANNE WEYERS



Please join us for a **Memorial Mass** celebrating the life of our dear parishioner *Dianne Weyers* **February 9th at 3:00 p.m.**

SOCIALIZING MEETS SOCIAL JUSTICE

SOLIDARITY ON TAP



Wednesday,
January 23rd
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Topic: "Racial Justice
and Equity"
speaker

Local and national Ignatian partners invite those connected to the Jesuits and the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola to join us for a simple gathering for socializing and social justice. Food and drinks available for purchase.

America Media Studios
1212 Sixth Ave, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10036

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Scriptures & Announced Masses

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Isa 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; John 2:1-11.

MONDAY~FEAST OF ST. AGNES: Heb 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22.

SECOND TUESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Heb 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28.

7:45AM: TOM RAINONE (D)

12:05PM: CHARLES JORDAN (D)

SECOND WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6.

7:45AM: MARY DOYLE (D)

12:05PM: STEVEN MANZINO FRANCIS (D)

THURSDAY~FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES: Heb 7:25-8:6; Mark 3:7-12.

7:45AM: HENRY KEHEHARAN (D)

12:05PM: MARY PALIOURAS (D)

FRIDAY~FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE:
Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mark 2:1-12.

7:45AM: LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)

12:05PM: STEVEN MANZINO FRANCIS (D)

SATURDAY~FEAST OF STS. TIMOTHY AND TITUS: Titus 1:1-5; Mark 3:20-21.

12:05PM STEVEN MANZINO FRANCIS (D)

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21.

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

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

Ongoing Parish Happenings

ABILITY XAVIER: Celebrating persons with disabilities. Contact abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com

CATHOLIC LESBIANS: Ministry since 1993, meets 2nd Friday of each month, 6 p.m., West Room (offsite July & August), SFXWomen@aol.com (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

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 sfxgcgroup@gmail.com

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

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES: Offers spiritual programs, including spiritual direction. Contact Marie Bannister, mariebannister1@gmail.com or Gerry Moss, gerrymoss@gmail.com

THE WOMEN WHO STAYED: nurtures, empowers, calls forth and celebrates the emotional, intellectual and spiritual growth of women and men at SFX. For more information: TheWomenWhoStayed@gmail.com

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

THE XAVIER IMMIGRATION INITIATIVE: Advocacy, support, and education to empower immigrants. For more information contact sanxnyc@gmail.com

XAVIER YOGA: Tuesdays at 6pm. Open to all levels. Contact ko@nyyogalife.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 schubertnyc@gmail.com