



# CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

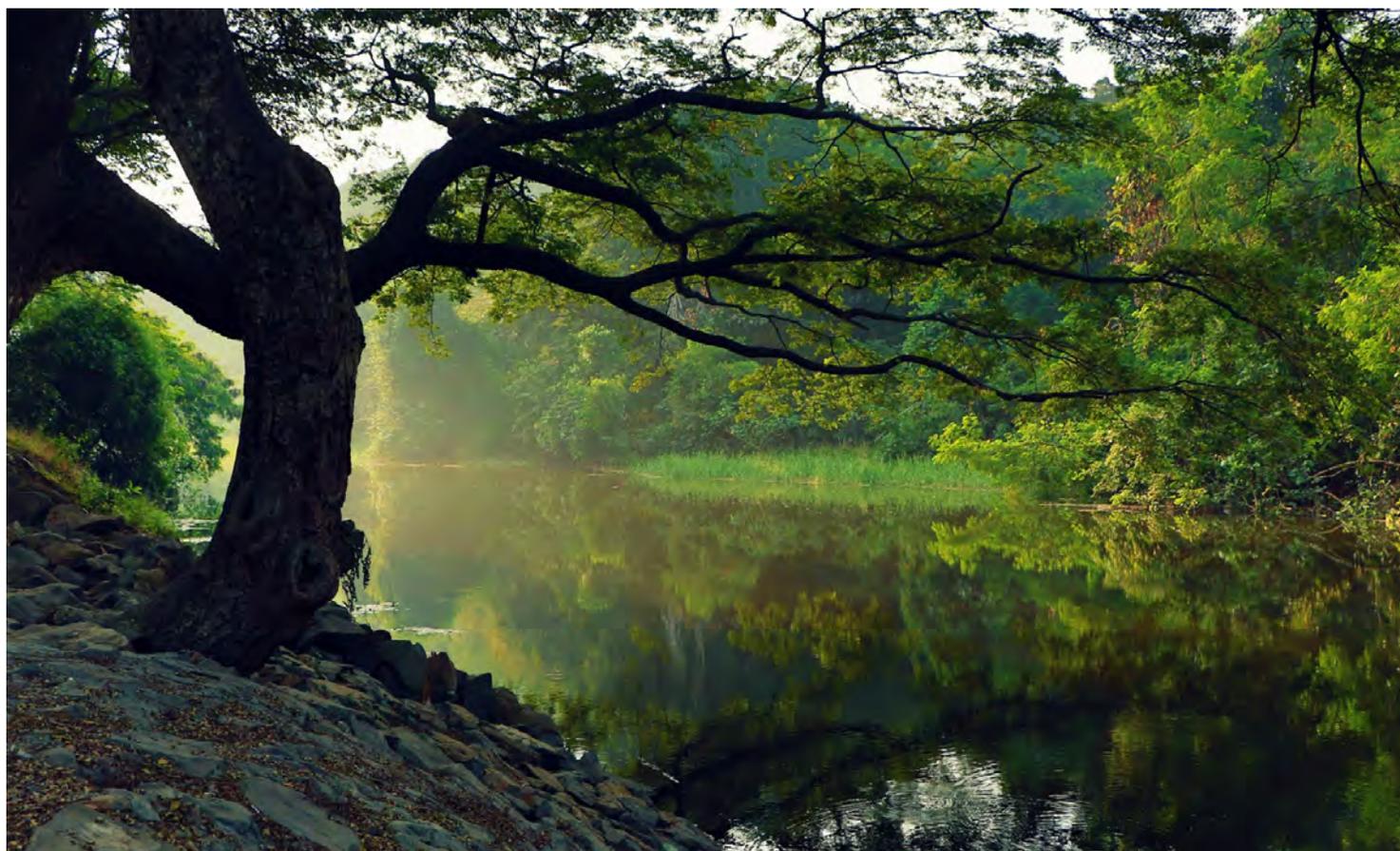
*A JESUIT APOSTOLATE*

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He is like a tree planted near running water, that yields its fruit in due season, and whose leaves never fade. Whatever he does, prospers. (PS 1:3-4)

## OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>

PRESIDENT'S DAY

One Mass will be celebrated each of the days at 9:00am.

Please use 15th Street entrance

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
to benefit Parish Maintenance

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**February 17, 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

5:00pm Vigil Mass: *Rev. James Miracky, SJ*

### **Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

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, Michael Carroll, Dan Clarius, Christine Cioffi, Kay Quinn Cohen, Jesús Dabu, Isaac Falci, Kathleen Friel, Juan Garcia, Ann Grant, Christopher Nazareno, James Levaggi, Manny Lopez, Robyn Luisi, Olha O'quinn, Marcy Parlow Pomerance, Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti, baby Paloma Solis, Jeff Stevenson, Edith Stewart, Michael Termini, Dr. Daniel Tynan, Carl Wassmann, Liese Zilberlyt*

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

*Anita Ibarra Advincula, Adolfo O. Agra, Bobby Cook, James Ferrando, Friar Fabian Grifone, OFM, Kathy Hauer, Al Hurley Jr., Msgr Tom Leonard, Theresa Monaco, Eileen O'Keeffe, Ann Poliandro, Dr. Mely Salanga Ponio, 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

On several items:

Last Saturday the leaders of the ministries in our church gathered for our annual retreat. It was an exciting time to see the concern and commitment of so many people in our parish. This retreat was a way to process the wonderful input we received from the listening sessions for pastoral planning that we had on the weekend of January 26 and 27, 2019.

The Pastoral Council will prepare a letter that includes the specifics about the major themes of those listening sessions. However, as I read through the raw data of those comments I notice the strong desire to continue to deepen what we already do well: pray the liturgy beautifully; deepen our understanding of how to be people of an intelligent, loving, faith in the modern world; and deepen our commitment to radical welcome and inclusion in our world, nation and Church that is a constitutive element of the Gospel. It seems to mirror what drew me to the Jesuits and what makes me love Xavier: deep care for the intellect; deep commitment to social justice; and a deep spiritual life.

As part of the events of the day was a presentation about the demographics of our parish, and who is attending mass here. Bob Choiniere (staff) and Pat Egan (Pastoral Council) presented information based on our parish surveys and demographics. Again, specifics will follow in a more systematic way. However, it was helpful for me to notice, first, that there are many visitors at every one of our masses. This is all the more reason to be deliberate in our welcome. Second, the largest growth in our mass attendees is among 20 -30 somethings. This means that older models of ministry may not be helpful today. Third, there is a tremendous growth in the number of families (of all definitions) in our parish. This is a difference from the demographic of our parish even ten years ago. We are doing wonderful work to welcome them, what more can we do?

There is such wonderful life and energy here, it is exciting to see a community that wants to make faith relevant. Whoever the next pastor will be will become part of a vibrant and dynamic community with lots of resources to continue this good work.

Several people have mentioned that the "Immigrants and Refugees Welcome" banner is no longer on our gates. It seems that someone cut the fasteners during the night last week. We pray for the person who did that, while we also continue our prayers for all of our refugee and immigrants friends. We pray that our community might be intentional about our active and tangible implementation of the spirit of that banner. The banner will return to our gates! May the spirit of the banner be inflamed in our hearts!

### 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.

#### NEXT SESSION:

- The Examen with Marie Bannister  
Sunday, February 17, 1:30 pm  
Xavier High School Chapel

#### COMING IN MARCH:

- Taize Prayer with Jose Ramon Perez Lopez – Mar. 24

For more information: Pat 212-470-8790  
*The Lay Spirituality Program*

### YOUTH MASS

**Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 PM**  
*with a reception afterward*

**Church of St. Ignatius Loyola**  
**980 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10028**  
*Presider: Father Daniel Corrou, SJ*

If you are a young parishioner of the Church of St. Francis Xavier between 12 and 18 years of age, you are welcome to attend this Mass and meet the young people at St. Ignatius Loyola.



## **CASINO ROYALE - TICKETS ON SALE!**

### **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!

This year will feature an open bar, online auction, casino games, raffle, dinner and dancing!

Keep your eyes open for a sneak peek of auction items, coming soon!

### **EARLY BIRD TICKETS AVAILABLE UNTIL FEBRUARY 16<sup>th</sup>!**

Please visit: [www.xaviermission.org](http://www.xaviermission.org)

## **MAKE AN IMPACT!**

Want to help change the world but don't have a lot of spare time? Your financial contribution helps every bit as much as your time. We have a great way for you to make a significant impact on the lives of your fellow New Yorkers.

For a gift of \$700, you can sponsor a participant of the Life-Skills Training & Empowerment Program (L-STEP). This covers stipends, MetroCards, food, supplies, and administrative costs. With a sponsorship you can ensure that someone will have a life-changing experience!

Visit [www.xaviermission.org/donate](http://www.xaviermission.org/donate) to make your gift today.

## **NOW HIRING: SHORT-TERM, PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

Xavier Mission is seeking a motivated, diligent, self-starter with a positive attitude who wants to make an impact on the world in a behind-the-scenes way!

The Administrative Assistant will be responsible for the day-to-day office tasks, including data entry, donor stewardship, general communications, program assistance, reporting, and other tasks as needed. The Administrative Assistant works 15-20 hours a week and reports to the Executive Director. Starting wage is \$15/hour, beginning ASAP and continuing through June.

Candidates should be proficient with Microsoft Word and Excel, and have a willingness to learn and attention to detail. Not required, but helpful: Bilingual in Spanish/Mandarin/Cantonese, experience with Adobe Illustrator and/or Photoshop, experience with Salesforce CRM.

Interested candidates please email Cassandra at [cagredo@xaviermission.org](mailto:cagredo@xaviermission.org) for a full job description and with any questions.

## **FROM INCLUSION TO BELONGING:** *Persons with Disabilities and Parish Life*

This workshop will provide an in-depth overview of how Catholic leaders and parishioners can foster the full participation of Catholics with disabilities within the parish. Gleaning from the USCCB's revised edition of the Guidelines for the Celebration of the Sacraments with Persons with Disabilities, best practices for universal design and models of engagement in liturgy, parish life and faith formation will be discussed. The participants working together will envision the necessary characteristics to create a parish where persons with disabilities and their families experience a sense of belonging.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019**

**9:30AM – 12:00PM**

**ARUPPE LIBRARY**

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL  
30 W. 16TH ST. NY, NY**

*Sister Kathleen Schipani, IHM has a M.Ed. in Special Education from the College of New Jersey and a certificate in American Sign Language Studies from Gallaudet University. She has 39 years of teaching experience with children and adults of all abilities. Sister has collaborated in international and national projects related to disabilities, presented workshops and trainings and co-authored Teacher Guides and DVD Curriculums to prepare individuals who are Deaf for the Sacraments of Penance, Eucharist and Confirmation. Sr. Kathleen is the Director of the Office for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.*

The Pastoral Council invites  
you to join us for a

### **PARISH-WIDE COFFEE HOUR**

as we welcome  
parishioners  
new and old.

**SUNDAY,**

**FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>**

in the entrance of the  
Church (following the  
11:30 Mass)

**ALL ARE WELCOME.**



## **Diverse Experiences of Womanhood: A Panel Discussion**

**Sunday, March 3, 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.**  
**Mary Chapel**

What does being a woman mean to you? How do the varied aspects of your identity shape your womanhood and your faith? Join us for remarks by Rabbi Jo Hirschmann on how intersectionality exists in women's experiences, followed by a panel discussion featuring Noelle Marie Javier, Roseann Bonadia, and Ann Harris-Jacobs. Cosponsored by The Women Who Stayed and Catholic Lesbians.

### *A Retreat for Lent at Xavier*

## **THE LITTLE WAY OF ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX**

*This Lent, spend time with the Little Flower and learn her way of finding God through prayer, scripture and The Imitation of Christ.*

*The retreat includes suggested daily prayer and reflection and weekly meetings with small group sharing.*

There will be 5 weekly group meetings on Wednesday evenings or Saturday mornings in Lent.

**OPENING SESSION FOR ALL IS MARCH 3 AT 1:30PM  
IN THE CHURCH.**

Wednesdays at 6:30pm dates: March 13, 20, 29, April 3,  
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Saturdays at 10:30am dates: March 16, 23, 30, April 6,  
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The retreat is based on The Little Way of St. Thérèse of Lisieux by John Nelson.

***Suggested donation is \$10.00 for book***  
***To register, please contact Marie Bannister by March 1***  
***[mariebannister1@gmail.com](mailto:mariebannister1@gmail.com), 917 301 2426***

*Sponsored by ISEL*  
*(Ignatian Spirituality in Everyday Life)*

# CHORAL MUSIC GALORE!

**MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup> AT 7:30PM**

The Cecilia Chorus of New York

**SING ME THE UNIVERSAL**

Mark Shapiro, Music Director

(see John Uehlein for admission tickets:

[juehlein@sfxavier.org](mailto:juehlein@sfxavier.org))

**MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup> @ 7:30PM**

**THE COLLEGE CHOIR AND CHAMBER SINGERS OF...**

**HOLY CROSS COLLEGE**

Allegra Martin, Music Director

FREE ADMISSION

**MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup> @ 7:30PM**

**CANTORI NEW YORK**

Mark Shapiro, Music Director

(see John Uehlein for admission tickets:

[juehlein@sfxavier.org](mailto:juehlein@sfxavier.org))



## LENT AND EASTERTIME BIBLE STUDY

*The Female  
Ancestors of Christ*

Join us Wednesday Evenings 6:30-8:30pm beginning March 13th as we explore the biblical women in Jesus' family tree.

Inspired by a book of the same title by theologian and Jungian analyst, Ann Ulanov, this course will enter into Lent by delving into the Old Testament stories of four women who appear in Christ's genealogy. What can we discover and recover there for our own healing and growth? After Easter the course will continue as we look at Mary's spiritual lineage and Christ's maternal line.

Suggested course fee: \$50-\$100.

To register please email Dr. Lizzie Berne DeGear at [XavierBibleStudy@gmail.com](mailto:XavierBibleStudy@gmail.com).

Join us for a

## CARE FOR CREATION NETWORKING WORKSHOP

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00am to 12:30pm**

**At Holy Name Church in Manhattan**

**96<sup>th</sup> St. and Amsterdam Ave.**

Join Dr. Erin Lothes, theologian at Saint Elizabeth College, moderator for the day, and Brother Kevin Cawley of The Thomas Berry Forum at Iona College, who will give introductory remarks, and the Metro NY Catholic Climate Movement team for a half-day workshop with structured group discussions to network and share ideas for bringing Laudato Si' to life in our different settings and address the urgent climate crisis and environmental degradation from a faith perspective.

This is a no-cost workshop. We ask that you please RSVP to Metro NY Catholic Climate Movement: [mnyccm@gmail.com](mailto:mnyccm@gmail.com) by **Feb. 20**. For more info: Nancy Lorence: [n.lorence2013@gmail.com](mailto:n.lorence2013@gmail.com).

The urgency of dealing with climate change could not be more clear. At the end of 2018, two scientific reports were released suggesting that we have little time to address the issue. Join us to share ideas if you are already active on this issue or if you are wondering how to get started, come to get ideas.

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**WOMEN LEADERS IN THE EARLY CHURCH:  
CRISPINA AND HER SISTERS: AN EVENING WITH  
CHRISTINE SCHENK**

**Tuesday, March 5, 6-7:30 pm**

Fordham Univ. 12th Floor Lounge

For more information visit:

<https://news.fordham.edu/events/audience/alumni/>

## Scriptures & Announced Masses

### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26.

### SIXTH MONDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Gen 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13.

### SIXTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Gen 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21.

7:45AM: SERGIO YAP SR. (D)

12:05PM: DAVID SMITH (D)

### SIXTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Gen 8:6-13, 20-22; Mark 8:22-26.

7:45AM: JAMES GRADY (L)

12:05PM: ARACELY ORDONEZ DE GOMEZ (D)

### SIXTH THURSDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Gen 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33.

7:45AM: DAMIEN PURCELL (D)

12:05PM: HELEN JONAITIS (D)

### FRIDAY~FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF ST.

**PETER THE APOSTLE:** 1 Pet 5:1-4; Mark 16:13-19.

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

12:05PM: JULIA GIAMMANCO & OLGA  
PALUSZKIEWICZ (D)

### SATURDAY~FEAST OF ST. POLYCARP:

Heb 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13.

12:05PM WILLIAM A. HAGANY (D)

### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Luke  
6:27-38.

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

#### XAVIER MISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**CLOTHING ROOM:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, contact  
Ann Mary: [xmClothingRoom@gmail.com](mailto:xmClothingRoom@gmail.com)

**FOOD PROGRAMS:** Every Sunday soup kitchen and  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday food pantry, contact  
Christine: [xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com](mailto:xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com)

**L-STEP:** Spring and Fall semesters,  
contact J: [xmLSTEP@gmail.com](mailto:xmLSTEP@gmail.com)

**SHELTER:** Every night, contact Jim: [xmShelter@gmail.com](mailto:xmShelter@gmail.com)

## Ongoing Parish Happenings

**ABILITY XAVIER:** Celebrating persons with  
disabilities. Contact [abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com](mailto:abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com)

**CATHOLIC LESBIANS:** Ministry since 1993, meets 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Friday of each month, 6 p.m., West Room (offsite July & August),  
[SFXWomen@aol.com](mailto:SFXWomen@aol.com) (929) 333-5011.

#### EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP:

Contact Katherine Cleary, [krcoff5th@netzero.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:sfxgcgroup@gmail.com)

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

**LITURGICAL COMMITTEES:** See website or

Contact Luz, [LMDiaz@sfxavier.org](mailto:LMDiaz@sfxavier.org)

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND:** To  
become a volunteer or arrange visits, Contact James Fox,  
[sumiko120@nyc.rr.com](mailto: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](mailto:xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com).

**SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES:** Offers spiritual programs,  
including spiritual direction. Contact Marie Bannister,  
[mariebannister1@gmail.com](mailto:mariebannister1@gmail.com) or Gerry Moss,  
[gerrymoss@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:TheWomenWhoStayed@gmail.com)

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

**THE XAVIER IMMIGRATION INITIATIVE:** Advocacy,  
support, and education to empower immigrants. For more  
information contact [sanxnyc@gmail.com](mailto:sanxnyc@gmail.com)

**XAVIER YOGA:** Tuesdays at 6pm. Open to all levels. Contact  
Ko 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](mailto:sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com)

**ZEN MEDITATION GROUP:** Mondays at 7pm.  
Newcomers welcome. Contact Peggy & Paul  
[schubertnyc@gmail.com](mailto:schubertnyc@gmail.com)