



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Parish Maintenance

Feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 23, 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
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Receptionist — 201
John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair);

Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe (Vice-Chair);
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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, June 29th

5:00pm Vigil Mass: *Rev. Daniel Corrou, SJ*

Sunday, June 30th

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

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

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

*Jesus Andaluz, Corinne Anderson, Mary Lou Brewis,
Olga Caltabiano, Mark Carlos, Dan Clarius,
Fr. Don Doherty, MM, Moira Egan, Isaac Falci,
Kathleen Friel, Joshua Fuentes, Kimberly Fuentes,
Juan Garcia, Karl Gold, Ray Green & Peter Green Junior,
Susan Hines, Michelle Nazareno, Jim Pypelink, James Levaggi,
Manny Lopez, Robyn Luisi, Raymond and Terri Sharpe,
Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti, baby Paloma Solis, Ibis Soto,
M. M. Tartaglione, Dr. Daniel Tynan, Carl Wassmann,*

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

*Norman Bilodeau, Deacon Dhoel Canals, Yi-Hsien Chiu,
Phibeon Cobb-Small, Magda Martinez, Lorraine Bernadette
Saglioocca, Sonia Serrata, and Vincent Vella, Matthew
Ward (Son of Michael Ward) and Carlos Zubiaurr*

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

Happy Feast of Corpus Christi!

When the sacrament is broken, Doubt not, but believe 'tis spoken,

That each sever'd outward token doth the very whole contain.

*Nought the precious gift divides, Breaking but the sign betides Jesus still the same abides,
still unbroken does remain.*

--From the Sequence for the Feast of Corpus Christi

The Sacrament we celebrate on the Feast of Corpus Christi is not an idea or a thought experiment. It is an important reminder that the body, our body, is good and is part of the wondrous work of God's grace here and now. Traditionally, the feast has been celebrated with much pomp and ceremony, and all of that is to remind us to pay attention to the Body of Christ, present in its entirety here and now. Christ is with us not in spirit alone, but in the very real stuff of body.

In the sacrament of the Eucharist we receive the Body of Christ and take it into our own bodies. Even in the brokenness of Christ's body, its fullness remains, as the sequence for the feast says. Even through our brokenness, the fullness of Christ flows.

I am always amazed that the Christian tradition has been so warped as to allow for shame at the physical world. Many Christians, in particular North American Christians, have allowed a bizarre puritanical neo-Platonism to distract from Christianity. This has allowed for a separation between science and religion that fuels much of the misdirected arguments about secularism in the United States today.

Much of what passes for popular religious thought seems to depend on shame around sex and the body. However, scripture and natural law understand both to be gifts from God.

One very real implication of this attention to God's presence in the physical world is our desperate need to live in solidarity with our planet. The Environmental Ministry at Xavier has been doing great work to heighten our awareness of the desperate need to reform how we live on our planet. As Pope Francis reminds us, our faith impels us to reform in our relation to the physical planet: "Faced with a climate emergency, the Pope underlined, 'we must take action accordingly, in order to avoid perpetrating a brutal act of injustice towards the poor and future generations'" (<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2019-06/pope-declares-climate-emergency.html>).

On this feast of Corpus Christi we celebrate the Body of Christ active and alive here and now. Let us celebrate that we have bodies, that they are gifts from God. Let us celebrate that we live on a planet and in a Universe that is also a gift from God.

The Church of St. Francis Xavier—A Roman Catholic Parish.” Parishioners have carried a banner bearing these words after Rev. Ned Coughlin, SJ directed Catholic Lesbians and Gay Catholics to represent the entire parish, not just their specific ministries, in New York City’s Pride March. It has been a tradition since the 1990s.

Jesus had a ministry of presence to those on the margins. Therefore, we march in the name of Love, knowing that we are all God’s children. Join us!

Sunday, June 30, 2019

Check-in: 3:00 pm

(will actually start marching @ 4:30 pm)

Section: 6

Order: 30

Marcher Block: East 28th Street between Madison Avenue and Park Avenue



OUR IMPACT

With your support, this is the impact Xavier Mission had in our community from May 2019!

- The Financial Assistance Program provided \$2,559 to 4 families to prevent their evictions, as well as \$234 to 13 individuals and families for MetroCards!

[NOTE: The Financial Assistance Program is currently frozen due to lack of funding.]

- The Welcome Table served 5,504 hot, nutritious meals!
- The Food Pantry provided groceries for 2,619 meals to 291 people, including 60 children and 45 seniors!
- The Clothing Room provided clothing and toiletries to 105 individuals!
- The shelter provided a safe space and 403 beds for homeless men!
- 6 participants graduated from the L-STEP Program and 5 participants from Homecoming!

**THANK YOU SO MUCH
FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

SUNDAY’S READINGS & YOU!

Join fellow parishioners on Sundays to read through and discuss the readings of the day. It’s a chance to get together and dig into how the verses are speaking to you, personally.

Starting Sunday, June 30 from 10:15am-11:15am in the West Room - All Are welcome

We hope you’ll come by! Printups of the readings will be provided. Feel free to be in touch with John Behre (behrej@jdflaw.com)/Melissa Eagan (meagan@wnyc.org)-- or, just show up!

CATHOLIC LESBIANS

“Picnic with the Saints”

Friday, July 12, 2019, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Mary Magdalene, Martha, Anne, Bridget, Maria Goretti . . . we will celebrate these saints who are part of our herstory at a picnic in Stonefield/Hudson River Park. Bring your picnic basket, blanket, and story about what these womyn mean in your faith journey. Enter at West 24th Street and 12th Avenue. Take the M23 bus all the way to Chelsea Piers or the C, E subway to 23rd Street. There is parking on West 24th and 25th streets. SFXWomen@aol.com; (929) 333-5011

Come join us as *Fr. Dan* guides parishioners through one more book on racism: **White Fragility** by *Robin DiAngelo*. We’ll be meeting from 3:30 to 4:30, on Sunday afternoons: in Mary Chapel **July 7th**, the West Room **July 14th** and **July 28th** and back in Mary Chapel on August 4th to plan an action agenda. Contact jepredergast@gmail.com for more info.

Upcoming Pride Events

THIS SUNDAY • 2:30-3:30PM
MAIN CHURCH

INTERFAITH WORLDPRIDE PRAYER SERVICE

Xavier welcomes multiple faith leaders from across NYC to join in shared prayer, remembrance and celebration

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26 • 7:00-9:00PM
FORDHAM LINCOLN CENTER

LGBTQ CATHOLIC ACTIVISM: THEN AND NOW

A special collaboration with Fordham University Dept. of Theology. Global activists from Uganda, Mexico and the Philippines discuss the past, present and future of LGBTQ activism in the global Catholic Church.

Register:

https://www.fordham.edu/info/28632/theology_events

SATURDAY, JUNE 29 • 5:00PM
MAIN CHURCH

XAVIER PRIDE MASS AND RECEPTION

Blessing of the banner and all Xavier parishioners participating in the Pride March



After all Masses on **THIS SUNDAY** artwork by Xavier artist in residence is on view during the Open studio.

HEARING AID DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PARISHIONERS WITH HEARING LOSS. PLEASE SEE THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AT THE PIANO BEFORE MASS STARTS IN ORDER TO USE ONE FOR THE MASS.

SFX ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY

Our Summer Film Series returns!!

SAVE THE DATES: Tuesdays, July 9, July 23, and August 6 at 7pm in the Keenan Commons.

Join us for our first films on Tuesday, July 9, that will focus on our consumption patterns and the stuff of our lives...with three short videos:

We will show a short section of Understanding Laudato SI' with *Franciscan Fr. Daniel P. Horan, OFM*

Followed by a discussion.

MOVING WITH THE SPIRIT LOVE! VALOUR! COMPASSION!

June 23, 2019 6PM

The Gay Fellowship of Blessed Sacrament is excited to announce this year's UNIQUE Moving with the Spirit fundraiser on Sunday, June 23 at 6PM. The event will benefit the Blessed Sacrament Outreach for the Poor and also The Tyler Clementi Foundation – an organization created by the Clementi family who work tirelessly in the fight against bullying, especially in the LGBT communities and other victims of hostile social environments.

Tickets can be purchased and donations made in support of the cause in the back of the church, in the rectory, or by visiting our website at <https://blessedsacramentnyc.org/movingwiththespirit> click the Love! Valour! Compassion! BUY TICKETS LINK! Seating is limited so make your reservations for this spectacular evening now.

CELEBRATE MARY OF MAGDALA IN JULY!
JULY 13, 2019

A lecture, liturgy, procession and party in support of Benincasa Community, honoring The Women Who Stayed at SFX, sponsored by Fordham University's Department of Theology

We'll gather at Fordham's Lincoln Center Campus at 10:30am for breakfast; hear Rita Houlihan explain who Mary of Magdala truly was; and participate in a liturgy uplifting Mary Magdalene and honoring WWS (led by Judith Kubicki, CSSF and many talented musicians). Finally, we'll hit the streets and process with images of Mary Magdalene up Columbus Ave to Benincasa Community for fellowship and a light lunch. For disability access accommodations, please contact karen@benincasanyc.org by July 3, 2019.

Suggested donation, supporting Benincasa Community: \$20-\$30. No one will be turned away. To RSVP and donate: www.benincasacommunity.org.

The celebration will continue at Xavier with opportunities for study and reflection on Sundays July 14th, 21st and 28th; stay tuned for more details and let's make July a Magdala month!

AUGUST 2-4, 2019
Sophia House 1782 Yanceyville Road,
Louisa County, VA 23093

An Invitation Come join in the birthing of a new contemplative community similar to the Taize Community in France.

- rooted in a daily practice of beautiful sung prayer.
- nurturing friendship with the most vulnerable in society.
- learning to listen more deeply.
- creating bridges of respect.
- engaging peacefully in social justice action.

Who invites you? Br. Stefan Andre Waligur (Macushla), a friend of the Taize Community in France and an oblate member of the Benedictine Community, Shantivanam, in India.

Friday night supper through Sunday lunch Information and directions at www.Sophiahouse.org

Sophia House is a welcoming retreat nestled on 262 wooded acres including the peaceful Serenity Pond

To Register Call - 707-513-8514 or Email -swaligur@yahoo.com. Please mention you are an Xavier parishioner. There is no set fee to attend. Please give as you are able.

Christine Santisteban will look into arranging a chartered bus if enough folks are interested. Email Christine at santistc@tcd.ie

**JUNE 25: THE CHURCH IN AMERICA:
IMMIGRATION, EDUCATION & INCARCERATION**

Join us for a panel discussion on the challenges facing Latino communities in the United States, featuring Stephanie Macias-Arlington, Executive Director of The Joseph A. Unanue Latino Institute at Seton Hall University; Michelle Mendez, Director, Defending Vulnerable Populations Program, Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC); and Valentina Morales, Senior Director of Justice Initiatives, The Fedcap Group. The panel will be moderated by J.D. Long-Garcia, Senior Editor at America magazine.

This event is free and open to the public. A reception will immediately follow.

This event is made possible through the partnership of St. Aedan's Church at St. Peter's University.

WHEN: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 | 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: St. Peter's University | 47 Glenwood Avenue | Jersey City, N.J.

RSVP events@americamedia.org

Scriptures & Announced Masses

SUNDAY~FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST: Gen 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Luke 9:11b-17.

MONDAY~FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST: Isa 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26.

7:45AM: EILEEN KENNAH (D)
12:05PM: JULIETA V AUSTRIA (D)

TWELVETH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME: Gen 13:2, 5-18; Matt 7:6, 12-14.

7:45AM: JOAN BAELIS (D)
12:05PM: JAMES KRAFT (D)

TWELVETH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME: Gen 15:1-12, 17-18; Matt 7:15-20.

7:45AM: JOHN ALLOCCA (D)
12:05PM: MARRY MUSSO (D)

TWELVETH THURSDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME: Gen 16:1-12, 15-16; Matt 7:21-29.

7:45AM: GERALD SHERIDAN (D)
12:05PM: ALICIA KEHERHAN (D)

FRIDAY~FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS: Ezek 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Luke 15:3-7.

7:45AM: JONNA MALABANAN (L)
12:05PM: ANDREW MOLLOY

SATURDAY~ FEAST OF STS. PETER AND PAUL: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Matt 16:13-19.

12:05PM: PETER HAWKES (D) & PAUL GORRA (L)

TWELVETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Luke 9:51-62.

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 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