



# CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

*A JESUIT APOSTOLATE*

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Love<sub>the</sub> Lord<sub>your</sub> God  
with all your heart & with all your  
soul & with all your strength  
& with all your mind; & Love  
your neighbor<sub>as</sub> yourself. Luke 10:27

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
to benefit Black & Indian Missions

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**July 14, 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;  
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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.



## ***SUMMER OFFICE HOURS***

**Weekdays:** 10:00 am to 4:00 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, July 20<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**

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

11:30am Mass: *Rev. James Miracky, 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, Bertha Mercedes Cabrera, Mark Camacho, Olga Caltabiano, Mark Carlos, Geneva Colin, Dan Clarius, Fr. Don Doherty, MM, Moira Egan, Isaac Falci, Kathleen Friel, James Fox, Juan Garcia, Karl Gold, Ray Green & Peter Green Junior, Susan Hines, Luz Helena Nauzán, Michelle Nazareno, Jim Pypelink, James Levaggi, Manny Lopez, Robyn Luisi, Carlos Eduardo Rojas, 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:

*Astrid Lonnerberg & James Ranello*

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*

*[The command of God] is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out. (Deut 30:14).*

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The book of Deuteronomy is often associated with those long lists of “Thou shall not…” rules and regulations. This weekend we see that this is not the full story. In this text we are reminded that our faith is not about rules and regulations, but about a relationship of deeper freedom.

Humans have been given minds and are invited to use them. With these minds we are invited to inform our conscience, to learn how to love as God loves. We understand right action by witnessing right action and then acting rightly. Aristotle and St. Thomas Aquinas would refer to this as virtue ethics. Moses simply tells the wandering people that it is part of our relationship with God. God is concerned for you, and, therefore, you ought to be concerned for one another.

Moses reminds us in the readings today that we have the capacity to understand and make decisions that lead us into deeper relationship with God. This is not some esoteric knowledge in the skies or across the ocean, it is here and now. We are capable of it.

I was aware of this when I saw a poster at the Pride March on June 30:

*“God cares less about who I love, and more about children in cages”*  
(Poster seen at the Pride March 2019)

Here is a perfect example of how we are capable of understanding the law of God, how we are invited into deeper relationship with the Living God here and now. It did not take a degree in theology, or a vocational discernment, but this person understood what so many religious leaders in the US fail to understand.

Those religious figures who obsess about sexual ethics and fail to address glaring injustices in our criminal justice, and immigration systems are trapped by ideology and controlled by fear. We find ourselves, again this summer, aware of the failures of our immigration system as we hear devastating reports about family separations continuing, children mistreated, and inhumane conditions in detention facilities. We know that this is a violation of the Gospel, we know this is a violation of the ideals of the US. We know this because we have a relationship with a God who “hears the cries of the poor.”

In this week can we ask ourselves how God is forming our conscience, how is the command of God already within us, calling us to live it out as concern for our neighbor? Where is God calling us into deeper relationship? How is God calling us to be attentive to the cries of the poor?

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: **the West Room July 14<sup>th</sup> and July 28<sup>th</sup>** and back in Mary Chapel on August 4<sup>th</sup> to plan an action agenda. Contact [jeprenergast@gmail.com](mailto:jeprenergast@gmail.com) for more info.

**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.**

**Special July series on Mary Magdalene  
Sundays in The Mary Chapel**

**July 14, July 21, July 28  
1:30-3:30pm**

Who was Mary of Magdala and how has her story been told over the centuries? How can we learn from this Apostle to the Apostles to spread the good news? Rita Houlihan, founder of the Reclaim Magdalene Project, will share her extensive research with us; Lizzie Berne DeGear will walk with us through the scriptural accounts of MM; and The Women Who Stayed will celebrate a liturgy on the eve of her Feast Day.

Come to one session or come to all three!

**Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>:** Who is Mary Magdalene? Key Facts and Powerful Images from the 1<sup>st</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries. Topics include “How was Mary Magdalene transformed from the 3<sup>rd</sup> century Apostle of the Apostles to the 6<sup>th</sup> century penitent prostitute?”

**Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>:** The Women Who Stayed are sponsoring a liturgy celebrating Mary of Magdala. The first part of that afternoon’s Bible study will be an opportunity for prayer, reflection and conversation on the significance of Mary of Magdala in our own lives.

**Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>:** Evangelization inspired by the Magdalene. Putting this knowledge of Mary Magdalene to use, we will learn how to spread the good news about the first person commissioned by the resurrected Christ, and let her inspire our own unique witness in the world.

Registration is encouraged, but drop-ins welcome. To register email [XavierBibleStudy@gmail.com](mailto:XavierBibleStudy@gmail.com)  
For reading material see [www.ReclaimMagdalene.org](http://www.ReclaimMagdalene.org)

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SFX Environment Ministry’s

**SUMMER FILM SERIES**

Our second film in the series is

**PARIS TO PITTSBURGH**

**Tuesday, July 23, 7:00 pm**

**Keenan Commons 31 West 15th St.**

As scientists’ warnings about the impacts of climate change become more and more dire, and communities are affected by climate-fueled disasters, a growing number of leaders are fighting global warming with local solutions. It is a hopeful picture.

*Free, refreshments provided. Invite your friends.*

**Catholic Lesbians**

**Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**

**BECAUSE HERSTORY MATTERS**

New-York Historical Society commemorates the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Stonewall uprising and the dawn of the gay liberation movement with two exhibitions and a special installation. Pay as you wish for two hours of experiencing Letting Loose and Fighting Back: LGBTQ Nightlife Before and After Stonewall, By the Force of Our Presence: Highlights from the Lesbian Herstory Archives, and Say It Loud, Out and Proud: Fifty Years of Pride. Afterward, we will break bread together. Let us know if you will be joining us: [SFXWomen@aol.com](mailto:SFXWomen@aol.com); (929) 333-5011.

For free and confidential immigration legal help, including help to designate a standby guardian, immigrant New Yorkers can call ActionNYC at 1-800-354-0365 between 9AM-6PM, Monday – Friday, or call 311 and say “ActionNYC.” BEWARE of immigration service providers who take advantage of their customers. Get help only from a trusted, licensed attorney or accredited representative. The City of New York does not conduct federal immigration enforcement. The NYPD does not ask about the immigration status of crime victims, witnesses, or other people who ask for help. The City of New York has confidentiality protections in place for all New Yorkers, regardless of immigration status, who are accessing important City services.

## Scriptures & Announced Masses

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37.

### MONDAY~FEAST OF ST. BONAVENTURE:

Exod 1:8-14, 22; Matt 10:34-11:1.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05PM: THERESA MONACO (D)

### FIFTEENTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Exod 2:1-15a; Matt 11:20-24.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05PM: MR. HARRINGTON (D)

### FIFTEENTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Exod 3:1-6, 9-12; Matt 11:25-27.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05PM: MARY THOMSON (D)

### FIFTEENTH THURSDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Exod 3:13-20; Matt 11:28-30.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05PM: CARMEN RODRIGUEZ (D)

### FIFTEENTH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Exod 11:10-12:14; Matt 12:1-8.

7:45AM: MARY CLARKE (D)  
9:00AM: PETER HAWKES (D)

### FIFTEENTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Exod 12:37-42; Matt 12:14-21.

12:05PM: PETER HAWKES (D)

### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

**TIME:** Gen 18:1-10a; Col 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42.

**YOU MAY RESERVE AN AVAILABLE MASS FOR YOUR INTENTIONS BY CONTACTING THE**

#### 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](mailto: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)