



# CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

*A JESUIT APOSTOLATE*

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*Blessed*  
are the poor in spirit,  
*for theirs*  
is the kingdom of heaven.

*Matthew 5:3*

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
to benefit the Xavier Mission

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 4, 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  
Robert Choiniere (Dir. of Adult Faith Formation)-225  
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.



## ***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, August 10<sup>th</sup>**

5:00pm Vigil Mass: *Rev. John Mulreany, SJ*

### **Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Mass: *Rev. Thomas Feely, SJ*

11:30am Mass: *Rev. Daniel Corrou, SJ*

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

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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

*Jesus Andaluz, Corinne Anderson, Diane Blount, Mary Lou Brewis, Bertha Mercedes Cabrera, Mark Camacho, Olga Caltabiano, Mark Carlos, Geneva Colin, Dan Clarius, Fr. Don Doherty, MM, Moira Egan, Annemarie Esposito, Isaac Falci, Kathleen Friel, James Fox, Stephanie Rivera-Gamma, Ron Gamma, Juan Garcia, Karl Gold, Ray Green & Peter Green Junior, Kenneth Harmon Sr., Marilyn Hendrick, Susan Hines, Luz Helena Nauzán, Michelle Nazareno, Jim Pypelink, James Levaggi, Manny Lopez, Robyn Luisi, Clyde Renolds, 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:

*Dagoderto Gomez, Rafael Iglesias, Astrid Lonnberg, Christopher M. Patterson, James Ranello, Beluah Williams, John Witmer*

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.**

## **STARTING AGAIN!**

Starting again is vital in our spiritual path, no matter what religion or spirituality one practices. The willingness to begin again implies taking the time to evaluate what has been done, what can be improved, what should be left behind, and what should be added. It allows us to look at the past with compassion and an opportunity to let go.

The connoisseurs of Ignatian spirituality know that the Ignatian Examen allows us the opportunity to start each day again. This way of praying teaches us to be thankful and hopeful about starting anew tomorrow. There are many ways to do the Examen. But concretely, every day one could meditate on: (1) A moment in which one has felt peace, one has been oneself; (2) a moment in which one has felt uneasiness, overwhelm; (3) a call one has felt and something to thank God and others for.

This gift of being able to start over is an essential part of Christianity. The biblical narratives of the Hebrew and Christian Bible are examples of this divine gift to humanity. Forgiveness and reconciliation are the bridge to new opportunities. It is also part of other religions. There is a famous phrase from Siddhārtha Gautama Buddha: “No matter how hard the past, you can always begin again.”

In our parish, new beginnings have a special meaning at this time when we will have Father Ken Boller, SJ as our new pastor and Father John Mulreany, SJ as our new associate pastor. It will be a new beginning for Father Daniel Corrou, SJ in Lebanon. We also began a new cycle in our Family Faith program, RCIA, and Latino ministry. We are currently receiving registrations of old and new families wishing to be part of the Family Faith Program as well as people desiring to enter the RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation process.

There are also new beginnings for the Xavier Latino Ministry. The Office of Ignatian Spirituality (OIS) will begin a pilot project called “Ignatian Hispanic Communities” in September. The goal of these adult communities (10 to 12 members per community) is threefold: (a) to deepen one’s personal spiritual experience; (b) to accompany one’s Ignatian spiritual growth, and (c) to put faith into practice through service to others.

For almost a year, OIS has been working on this initiative with a group of people with vast parish experience and practical knowledge of Ignatian spirituality and the Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius Loyola. OIS will offer original material for community meetings, training, and support for facilitators, and support for participants by sharing Ignatian content through social networks, text messages, and visits. The first four communities will be created in four locations in the Northeast United States: Boston (St. Ignatius Parish); Staten Island (Mount Carmel Parish); New York (St. Francis Xavier Parish); and Morristown (Loyola Retreat House). Xavier Latino ministry has been selected as part of this initiative! We have designated two members of our Latino community, Andrés Ramírez, and Noemi Ramírez to be trained by OIS as facilitators.

Let us pray for the success of all new beginnings, personal, familial, and communal. Following the motto of the Hispanic Communities “in all things to love and to serve,” let us pray that this will be a reality for all.



# CATECHIST WANTED!

The Family Faith Program needs fifth and sixth grade catechists. It also needs assistants to help first, third, and fourth grade catechists and substitute catechists.

Catechists' training is provided through classes organized by the Archdiocese of New York, Fordham University and Xavier Catechists' meetings.

To learn more about the family faith program, visit our new website at <https://www.xavierfamilyfaith.org/>

If you are interested, send an email to the director of religious education *Luz Marina Diaz* at [Imdiaz@sfxavier.org](mailto:Imdiaz@sfxavier.org)

Selection interview will take place on August 20, 22 and 23.

## 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.

**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.**

St. Francis Xavier's Environment Ministry's  
Summer Film Series  
Our last film in the series is

An Introduction to

## GRETA THUNBERG

The 14-year old Swedish girl who started a global movement among youth to fight for their future in the face of climate change.



**Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 pm  
Keenan Commons  
31 West 15<sup>th</sup> St.**

In 2018, Greta Thunberg started quietly sitting outside the Swedish Parliament every Friday to press her country's leaders to act on climate change. Her simple act has turned into a global phenomenon.

Come be inspired! Free. Come early for refreshments; invite your friends!

*"Ruth said to Naomi: wherever you go, I will go, wherever you lodge I will lodge, your people shall be my people and your God my God."*  
(Ruth 1:16)



A healing mass will be celebrated on Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:30 pm. Fr. Thomas Scirghi, SJ, professor of theology from Forham University, will preside. A healing mass is a Eucharistic liturgy where we come together to pray for our own needs and the needs of our loved ones. Each person will have an opportunity for individual healing prayer, anointing with blessed oil and laying on of hands. All are welcome to come and pray for healing of mind, body and spirit.

## Scriptures & Announced Masses

### **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**

**TIME:** Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Luke 12:13-21.

### **EIGHTEENTH MONDAY IN ORDINARY**

**TIME:** Num 11:4b-15; Matt 14:13-21.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05PM: MATTHEW WARD (D)

**TUESDAY~FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD:** Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Pet 1:16-19; Luke 9:28b-36.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05PM: ST. MICHAEL'S BYZANTINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

### **EIGHTEENTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY**

**TIME:** Num 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35; Matt 15:21-28.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05PM: ARSENIO SALUDO (D)

### **THURSDAY~FEAST OF ST. DOMINIC:**

Num 20:1-13; Matt 16:13-23.

7:45AM: MARGE ZWANZIGER(D)

12:05PM: LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)

### **EIGHTEENTH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY**

**TIME:** Deut 4:32-40; Matt 16:24-28.

7:45AM: AVAILABLE

12:05AM: ROBIN PICKET (D)

### **SATURDAY~FEAST OF ST. LAWRENCE:**

Lev 25:1, 8-17; Matt 14:1-12.

12:05PM: DUILIO GESUALE (D)

### **NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**

**TIME:** Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-38.

**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](mailto: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)