



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. (Heb 11:1-2)

**FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN OF MARY**

Thursday, August 15th

Masses: 7:45am, 12:05pm & 6:30pm

SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit the Pastoral Solidarity Fund

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 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
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

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

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 17th

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

Sunday, August 18th

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

11:30am Mass: *Rev. John Mulreany, SJ*

5:00pm Mass: *Rev. Patrick Gilger, 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,
Tom Rocha III, Carlos Eduardo Rojas, Jim Schwab,
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 Lonnerberg,
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.



For a long time, there has been a desire in our parish to create a youth ministry that would welcome teenagers after receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. This desire became a reality on February 2, 2019 when Xavier Youth Ministry officially began. Since then, Xavier Youth Ministry has established a core group of dedicated members who created a tight knit community.

The activities of this ministry are varied and are designed to fulfill the needs of our teenagers by covering the different components of a parochial ministry, namely, participation in liturgy, catechetical and social activities, and community services. To ease the future entrance of confirmation candidates into the youth ministry, they are welcomed to participate in some events.

Some activities scheduled this Fall include a Kick-Off Carnival on September 8; Pastor Installation Mass at 5 pm on September 21; Brother Sun, Sister Moon on October 6; the Youth Day at Westchester County Center from 8 am to 6 pm on October 19; Halloween on November 3; Mass with the Pastor on November 17; Sacred Sleep Over on December 7; and Making Cards for the Thrive for Life Project on December 15. For detailed information on these activities, please look for details in our Sunday bulletins and our webpage (www.sfxavier.org).

The adolescents are accompanied by a group of adults initially chosen by them. They are Faith Barillaro, Michael Judkiewicz, Andrea Alexander, Anthony Mullen, Therese Cruite, Eileen Russell, and Mario Russell. This group of adults identified the need to have a coordinator with academic and ministerial experience, ideally a parishioner of this church with knowledge of our local theology, charism, spirituality, and different ministries. After a search, a candidate stood out!

Beginning in August, the youth ministry welcomes Philip Waldrop as coordinator. Philip, a long-time parishioner, received his Master of Arts in Pastoral Care in May of this year at Fordham University's Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education. He has a certificate in Interfaith Studies, a Master of Arts in Regional Planning and an Art bachelor's degree. He has experience as a sponsor of the RCIA, a member of the catechetical team of returning Catholics, a member of the National Association of Catholic Chaplains, dean of the new seminary of interreligious studies, a member of AWAIC - A World Alliance of Interfaith Clergy, and Board Secretary for WEPA (We Engage in Prevention and Awareness), a community coalition in the northwest Bronx, preventing substance misuse by youth, with a focus on LGBTQ youth.

The adult group needs volunteers to help with different activities. Parishioners wishing to volunteer in youth ministry should contact Philip Waldrop at youthministry@sfxavier.org to arrange an interview and learn the different requirements for working with teens.

SAVE THE DATE

September 8th- Fr. Dan's last Mass at 5:00pm. Farewell Reception will follow. Please RSVP for reception at pastoralcouncil@sfxavier.org.

September 21st- Fr. Ken Boller's Installation Mass(5:00pm Mass) and reception. Please RSVP to sfuentes@sfxavier.org.

COMING SOON!

XAVIER IS GOING

GREENER

REVVING UP RECYCLING

FAMILY FAITH PROGRAM

FAMILY FAITH
2019-2020

The families in the program worship together at the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. After Mass, they gather at the Xavier High School library or X-Café for a healthy snack, announcements, and prayer. The parents then take their children to their classrooms and return to the library to listen to a guest speaker. At 11:30 a.m., parents pick up their children in the classrooms.

During the catechetical session, while the children and teenagers are in the classrooms with their catechists, the parents meet in the Xavier High School library/X-Cafe to talk about a topic presented by a guest speaker.

Children can receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist after having completed two consecutive years in the program and are at least in second grade. They receive the Sacrament of Confirmation when they are at least in 7th grade, after having completed two consecutive years in the program.

For more information and registration visit our new webpage at <https://www.xavierfamilyfaith.org/>

**FAMILY FAITH
SESSIONS START**
September 8, 2019

**FAMILY FAITH
MASS**
9:00 am in the Main
Church

**DIRECTOR OF
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**
Luz Marina Díaz, PhD
lm Diaz@sfxavier.org
(212) 627-2100 ext. 207



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

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

SUNDAY GIVING RESULTS

| | Actual | Budget | Variance |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| July | \$60,734 | \$70,416 | \$(9,683) |
| Year to Date | \$741,171 | \$774,584 | \$(33,413) |

Thank you for your continued support of Xavier Did you miss a weekly offering while on summer vacation? eGiving through Faith Direct is the easiest and most convenient way for Xavier to receive your weekly offering and other Church support. eGiving through Faith Direct will also save you time while helping us reduce our expenses. Enroll today by visiting our parish homepage and clicking the Donate Now button or mailing in an enrollment form available in the back of the church or from the parish office.

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.

TENANT'S RIGHTS MEETING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH 1:00PM WEST ROOM

An Overview of what did and did not take place in Albany this Summer. Also, an overview of how to further better address the current housing crisis and the affordable rent crisis for our small businesses.

"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 23rd, 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.

XAVIER ADULT GROUP PLANNING MEETING

**Thursday, August 22nd
1:00pm in the West Room**

At this meeting we will plan upcoming activities. Bring your ideas about places to visit, speakers you would like to hear and subjects you would like to learn more about. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your ideas.

All are welcome.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA 2019-2020

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW
SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Is over the age of fourteen and unbaptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experiences of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

You are welcome to participate in this process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For information please contact Luz Marina Diaz at (212) 627-2100 ext. 207 or imdiaz@sfxavier.org

Register at [RCIA Registration Form](#)

**SESSIONS
START**

September 15, 2019

**SESSIONS
END**

May 31, 2020

WHERE

X-Café at
Xavier High School

(30 W 16th St, New
York, NY 10011)

From 1 pm to 3 pm

Scriptures & Announced Masses

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

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

NINETEENTH MONDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Deut 10:12-22; Matt 17:22-27.

7:45AM: MARGARET MCCARTHY (D)

12:05PM: EILEEN KEENAN (D)

NINETEENTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Dan 31:1-8; Matt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14.

7:45AM: MICHAEL J. MCHUGH (D)

12:05PM: LUCIA VEZANI CRETELLA (D)

WEDNESDAY~FEAST OF ST.

MAXIMILIAN KOLBE: Deut 34:1-12; Matt 18:15-20.

7:45AM: MICHAEL J. MCHUGH (D)

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

THURSDAY~FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:

Rev 11:19a; 1 Cor 15:20-27a; Luke 1:39-56.

NINETEENTH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Josh 24:1-13; Matt 19:3-12.

7:45AM: MICHAEL J. MCHUGH (D)

12:05AM: SUSIE SIMKO (D)

NINETEENTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Josh 24:14-29; Matt 19:13-15.

12:05PM: FRANCIS SCHULTZ (D)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53.

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

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

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