

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 27th

SFX 4:30pm – Nathaniel (“Skip”) Feagles
Request by His Family

Sunday, November 28th

OLL 9:00am – Dorothy Meyers
Request by Mary Jane Nober

SFX 11:00am – Fred & Madeline Niebuhr
Request by Wendell & Lillian Putz

Monday, November 29th

- NO MASS

Tuesday, November 30th

SFX 8:30am – Our Parish Family
or Available

Wednesday, December 1st

SFX 8:30am - Michael Hessling
Request by Cliff & Maureen Kelly

Thursday, December 2nd

SFX 8:30am – Our Parish Family
or Available

Friday, December 3rd

SFX 8:30am- Our Parish Family
or Available

Saturday, December 4th

SFX 4:30pm – Sr. Kevin John Shields
70th Anniversary
Request by SFX & OLL Parish

Sunday, December 5th

OLL 9:00am – Our Parish Family
or Available

SFX 11:00am – Jack Kelly.
Request by Helene Indelicato

Please Pray for our Parish Family

For the Sick: David Meyer, Ed Coates, Michael Harter, Marilyn, Dolly Marinelli, Dennis & Eileen Falk, Patricia Dempsey, Neba Ricardo, Alison Greenfield, Jim Schalk, Bob Drollinger, Walter Maers, Carol A. Pagnozzi, Eddie Negron, Tim Stein

For the Deceased: Peggy Lee Romano, Carmen T. Holstrom, Joseph Ramon Gonzalez, Hilda Bielfeld, Andrew Kimmel, Grace Kimmel, Madeline LoBasso, Margaret Corkett, Joseph Barca, Emerson “Bucky” Misner, Maria Frangipane, Elizabeth Stoddard, Victor Rodriguez, Father John Bida, Margaret Klotz, William Pammer, Francis Clark, James Clark, Marian Reda, Mary Reda, Alice Herrmann, George F. Wagner Jr., Dottie Schlegel, Wasyl Puszkyds, Karen Bernas, Patricia Prendergrast, Ella Dorothy Neidert, Dominic Winum, Marguerite Daley, Toya Espinosa, Ronald Scheuren, Beverly Zeman, Jack Kelly, Elizabeth McMurray, Mark Yewchuk

For those Serving in the Military: Lauren Warnick, Justin Warnick, Thomas Muller

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!



The Annual **National Night of Prayer for Life** will be celebrated with a Holy Hour at St. Francis Xavier **Dec. 8th at 6PM immediately before the 7PM Mass for the Immaculate Conception.**

.. During the Hour of Unity we will be united with churches across the country in prayer for the unborn.

Last Week's Collection *Christ the King Sunday* November 21, 2021

Weekly Collection

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| St. Francis Xavier | \$ 772.00 |
| Our Lady of the Lake | \$ 229.00 |

Capital Improvements

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| St. Francis Xavier | \$ 405.00 |
| Our Lady of the Lake | \$ 128.00 |

Collection Total \$1,534.00

Thank you!

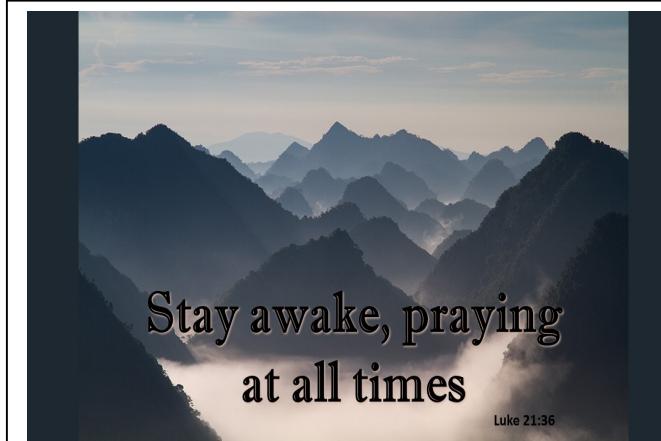
Attendance

SFX: 30+27=57 +OLL: 46=103

Saint Francis Xavier Parish

First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021



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“Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man.”

LUKE 21:36

St. Francis Xavier Church
151 Bridge St., Narrowsburg

Masses

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| Saturday | 4:30pm |
| Sunday | 11:00am |
| Tuesday through Friday | 8:30am |
| Holydays | as announced |

Confessions

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| Saturdays | 4:00pm |
| | or by appointment |

Rosary: Friday after 8:30am Mass

Our Lady of the Lake Church
6590 State Route 52,
Lake Huntington (Cochecton)

Masses
Sunday 9:00am

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PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28th:

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| MON, TUES, THURS, | CLOSED |
| WED | 9AM-2PM |
| FRI | 9AM- 1PM |

OR BY APPOINTMENT:
(845) 252-6681 option 9
to leave a message for Father Dennis

Dear Parish Family,

Looking ahead to Advent, I found that Saint Gregory of Naziansus, at a Christmas liturgy, told of the Incarnation thus:

Christ is born, give glory; Christ is from the heavens, go to meet him; Christ is on earth, be lifted up. "Sing to the Lord, all the earth," and, to say both together, "Let the heavens be glad and earth rejoice," for the heavenly one is now earthly... Who would not worship the one "from the beginning"? Who would not glorify "the Last?" (Festal Oration 38, 1).

This resembles description in last week's Second Reading, "*the Alpha and the Omega ... the one who is and who was and who is to come*" (Rev 1:8). It takes in the essence of the Advent Season when we are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming as we also prepare to celebrate his First Coming, while all along we reflect on the one "who is" with us.

This drew me back to the opening words of Saint John Paul II's first encyclical, *Redemptor Hominis*, "THE REDEEMER OF MAN, Jesus Christ, is the centre of the universe and of history," which again link last Sunday's Christ the King to today. The encyclical "*The Redeemer of Man*" was issued on March 4, 1979. The world needs to hear these words.

God sent Saint John Paul II at a time when we could see: we really needed a Redeemer. Looking back to the start of his pontificate, let's also acknowledge that we are still ever so much in need of a Redeemer.

At its writing, Saint John Paul was looking forward to the coming of the year 2000. As we begin a new Liturgical Year, we can share his same sentiments from that time. He said,

We are already approaching that date, which ... will recall and reawaken in us in a special way our awareness of the key truth of faith which Saint John expressed at the beginning of his Gospel: "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us", and elsewhere: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life".

We were, "in a certain way in a season of a new Advent, a season of expectation...", he told us—since, by the Father's graciousness, we were visited "by the Son, his Word, who became man and was born of the Virgin Mary. This act of redemption marked the high point of history of man within God's loving plan."

Since Faith always demands a response, the Holy Father called us to respond to this act of God. Here are questions he said he must put to himself first—then us: *How, in what manner should we continue? What should we do, in order that this new Advent of the Church ... may bring us closer to him whom Sacred Scripture calls "Everlasting Father?"*

His reply was, "The new Pope," [explained

that he] "must accept in a spirit of obedience in faith the call corresponding to the command that Christ gave Peter several times: "Feed my lambs,"" And then speaks to us about none other than the Eucharist. With the gift of the Eucharist, Redemption is not just an act of God from past ages. No, the Eucharist makes Redemption present to us all NOW.

In the mystery of the Redemption, that is to say in Jesus Christ's saving work, the Church not only shares in the Gospel of her Master through fidelity to the word and service of truth, but she also shares, through a submission filled with hope and love, in the power of his redeeming action expressed and enshrined by him in a sacramental form, especially in the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the centre and summit of the whole of sacramental life, through which each Christian receives the saving power of the Redemption, beginning with the mystery of Baptism, in which we are buried into the death of Christ, in order to become sharers in his Resurrection, as the Apostle teaches. In the light of this teaching, we still see more clearly the reason why the entire sacramental life of the Church and of each Christian reaches its summit and fullness in the Eucharist. For by Christ's will there is in this Sacrament a continual renewing of the mystery of the Sacrifice of himself that Christ offered to the Father on the altar of the Cross, a Sacrifice that the Father accepted, giving, in return for this total self-giving by his Son, who "became obedient unto death", his own paternal gift, that is to say the grant of new immortal life in the resurrection, since the Father is the first source and the giver of life from the beginning. That new life, which involves the bodily glorification of the crucified Christ, became an efficacious sign of the new gift granted to humanity, the gift that is the Holy Spirit, through whom the divine life that the Father has in himself and gives to his Son is communicated to all men who are united with Christ.

In this time of persons needing more "self-expression," the Saint tells us, "The Eucharist is the Sacrament in which our new being is most completely expressed!" We look here and there. We search where we can find our total fulfillment. Yes, he says, "It is an essential truth, not only of doctrine but also of life, that the Eucharist builds the Church!" Our lives must be centered on the Eucharist! We must feed on the Eucharist if we are to "be Church." Then, the Church will do all things for us!

Some food for thought for Advent about the God who is already with us!!

Junker
God's Peace

Care and Prepare
End of Life
Education Presentation

A free workshop to learn more about:
Accessing Quality Care
Protecting Loved Ones
Church Teachings on End of Life



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SAVE THE DATE

Cathedral Prep Weekend
December 3-5, 2021
St. Joseph's Seminary
201 Seminary Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10704

Westchester
Tuesday, Nov 30, 2021 - 7pm
St. Augustine's Parish
381 N Highland Ave, Ossining, NY

Learn practical steps for navigating end of life decisions for yourself and for your loved ones. This free and informative workshop will give you the tools to access quality care, protect your loved ones and understand Church teachings on end of life.

As legislation permitting physician-assisted suicide looms, it is more important than ever to be educated on the Church's end-of-life teachings and equipped with the necessary tools to care for yourself and others at this increasingly vulnerable time.

Featured Speakers:
Ed Mechmann, Archdiocese of New York Director of Public Policy
The Sisters of Life

Cathedral Prep is for young men in high school who want to learn more about the priesthood and discover God's will for their lives. This retreat program offers spiritual formation geared towards discernment and fosters fraternity among Catholic young men. Retreat weekends include Mass, learning and experiencing different forms of prayer, catechesis, and Confession.

Participants also have fun through sports, games, hiking, and outings. Cathedral Prep allows for great conversation about all sorts of serious and not so serious things with the other participants and the priests and seminarians who lead the retreats.

If you know someone interested in Cathedral Prep, please have them contact Rosemarie Bruno at rbruno@archny.org or call 914-968-1340.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Regularly scheduled on available Sundays of each month after our last Mass. Arrangements are made by contacting the Rectory. One Godparent is required and must be 14, confirmed, a practicing Catholic, and obtain a Sponsor Certificate from their parish. Only one male and one female Godparent is permitted. Parents should be registered in the parish and meet with priests.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to wedding date. Marriage Preparation Conferences must be attended. Either the Bride or the Groom must be a registered parishioner or be associated with the parish. They must meet with the parish priest before a wedding date can be scheduled.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-8 meet Sundays. Contact the Religious Ed Office to register children. We ask families to be registered & involved parishioners. Children must be baptized. Parents & children are expected to attend Mass each week.