

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 14th

SFX 4:30pm - Mother's Day Intentions

Sunday, May 15th

OLL 9:00am - Our Parish Family
or Available

SFX 11:00am - James & Frances Clark
Request by Lorraine Zaccari

Monday, May 16th

SFX 1pm - Funeral for Linda Blaso

Tuesday, May 17th

SFX 8:30am - Liz Hartey
Request by Family Friend

Wednesday, May 18th

SFX 8:30am - Our Parish Family
or Available

Thursday, May 19th

SFX 8:30am - Our Parish Family
or Available

Friday, May 20th

SFX 8:30am - Christine Mary Faggione
Request by Al & Linda Smith

Saturday, May 21st

SFX 4:30pm - Eleanor Johnson (L)
Request by Kathryn Tracey

Sunday, May 22nd

OLL 9:00am - Heather Neidert (L)
Request by Benjamin, William, &
Luke Neidert

SFX 11:00am - John & Angela Krisch
Request by Wendell & Lillian Putz

Last Week's Collection Fourth Sunday of Easter May 8, 2022

Weekly Collection

St. Francis Xavier	\$1,154.00
Our Lady of the Lake	192.00

Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe:

St. Francis Xavier	\$264.00
Our Lady of the Lake	50.00

Other -Repairs & Maintenance

St. Francis Xavier	\$45.00
Our Lady of the Lake	15.00

Collection Total \$1,720.00

Thank you!

Attendance

SFX: 39+37=76+OLL:28=104

Pro-Life Elderly

and Home-bound Club

Unite your sufferings to Christ and
help build a Culture of Life by praying
for the unborn!

Phone-in Pro-Life Rosary -

Every 3rd Wednesday 1pm

(call 12:50-12:55)

Dial **(425) 436-6374** when prompted
enter the access code **609 1826**

Next Rosary- **Wed, May 18th 1pm**

Please Pray for our Parish Family

For the Sick: 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, Pat Russo, Etta Pierce, Helen Barr, Paul Genco, Eleanor Johnson, Anastasia ("Chickie") Regina

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, Alice Herrmann, George F. Wagner Jr., Dottie Schlegel, Karen Bernas, William Jay Everett, Ella Dorothy Neidert, Dominic Winum, Patricia Prendergrast, Marguerite Daley, Toya Espinosa, Wasyl Puszyds, Mary Reda, Marian Reda, Ronald Scheuren, Beverly Zeman, Jack Kelly, Elizabeth McMurray, Mark Yewchuk, Mary Smith, Anthony Zaccari, Fr. Thomas Jones, Maurice Gilbert, Elizabeth Hartey

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

Saint Francis Xavier Parish Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 15, 2022



Jesus giving the Farewell Discourse to his eleven remaining disciples after the Last Supper

St. Francis Xavier Church 151 Bridge St., Narrowsburg

Masses

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

Confessions

Saturdays	4:00pm
	or by appointment

Rosary: Friday after 8:30am Mass

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

WEEK OF 5/15

WEDNESDAY 9AM-2PM

OR BY APPOINTMENT

(845) 252-6681

option 9 to leave a message for Father Dennis

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

Masses

Sunday	9:00am
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Dear Parish Family,

We hear Jesus in today's Gospel at the Last Supper, in what has been called his Farewell Discourse, shortly before he was betrayed by Judas, "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (Jn 13:34-35).

In his book, *Food for the Soul: Reflections on the Mass Readings (Cycle C)*, Peter Kreeft, a Catholic Philosopher who now having taught at Boston College for more than 50 years and has written dozens of praiseworthy books, comments on this "LOVE" that Jesus commands of us. I offer this to you here:

The Greek word for it is *agape* (ah-gah-pay) ... you've got to pay for this love, and the price is everything. T.S. Eliot puts it neatly in one line when he defines the Christian life as "a condition of complete simplicity costing not less than everything." Your whole heart and soul and mind and strength are invested in this because this is the very nature of God, the nature of ultimate reality.

In the Old Testament, God kept repeating this formula whenever he gave laws to Israel: "Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy" (Lev. 19:2). God was saying, in effect, "I am the Creator, I am the touchstone and standard for all that is real, so if you want to be really real, if you want to conform to reality, you must be like me, you must become more like me all the time. As I am holy, so you must be holy."

What does "holy" mean? "Holy" means literally "set apart," higher, distinctive, better. In fact, supernatural. Like God.

How is God better? What is it to be holy as God is holy? It is to be good—not just minimally good but maximally good. Minimal goodness is justice. Maximal goodness is love. How? To love as God loves.

And how does God love? Jesus' answer is:

Just watch me for the next twenty-four hours. I will pour out my whole self for you. I will forgive my enemies, even Judas who betrays me and the Roman soldiers who torture and kill me: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34). I will pour out my very life for you, my very body and blood. That is what you must learn to do. And now, before I do it, I will also show it, in instituting the Eucharist, where I will give you myself in an unbloody way to continue what I will do on the cross in a bloody way. I have also given you another sacred rite, the sacred rite or sacrament of marriage in which you will also do the very same thing I do in an unbloody manner: you will give your whole self to each other; you will say to each other what I now say to you: This is my body, which will be given up for you. As I give all twelve pints of my blood for you, you

must learn to give every ounce of your life to each other. Some of you will do it in a bloody manner, by being martyred. All of you will do it in your hearts, in your motive. What will motivate you is my gift of agape in your heart, which will be not just your imitation of me but my own presence in you, my own Holy Spirit which I will send into your heart when you believe and are baptized. You can't do that kind of love by yourself I have to do it in you, but you have to want it, you have to let me do it.

And if you do let me do it in you, then that love, that invisible thing, will become visible in your words and actions everywhere: in your bedrooms and in your dining rooms and even in your boardrooms.

In the business world, you learn to count the cost before you invest any money. Well, I here warn you to count the cost before you invest in me. Don't sign up with me unless you know what it will cost. It will cost you everything (see Luke 14:25-33).

But it will also give you everything; it will give you life's greatest joy. If you die to yourself, you will be really alive, far more alive than you ever were before.

You may think that sounds impossible. How can the self come alive by dying to itself? I assure you, I infallibly and divinely assure you, that it can, and it will, and it must. That is the one supreme secret of life, the secret of happiness. You will never find anyone in this world happier than a saint.

That's what Jesus is saying to us today in the Gospel, and on the cross, and in the Eucharist, and in marriage, and in everything he brings into our lives—everything we do, every prayer, work, joy, and suffering. That is his challenge to us, and our opportunity to respond to it.

Does that make you feel uncomfortable? Fine. God has something much better in store for you than comfort. It's joy. His joy. And joy comes only from agape love. Don't settle for a Subaru when you're offered a Jaguar.

I'm finished now, but you're not. Please take sixty seconds of silence after I finish this sentence to pray to Jesus, your Lord and your God, to ask him for the grace to help you to firmly resolve right now, this minute, to answer that question he is asking you from the cross right now: "This is what I did for you; what will you do for me?" To answer that question with the one word he wants to hear, the word true love wants to hear: "Everything."

Certainly a challenge for all of us, especially since it was not offered to us as a nice thing, but as a Commandment!

God's Peace 

**Wednesday,
May 18, 2022
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

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for Zoom.

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IN THE NEWS: In response to the leak of a draft opinion in the Supreme Court case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, and Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the conference, [urged Catholics](#) to pray for:

- "the conversion of the hearts and minds of those who advocate for abortion, as well as for the [overturning of Roe v. Wade](#), the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion nationwide."

- "a new commitment to building an America where children are welcomed, cherished, and cared for; where mothers and fathers are encouraged and strengthened; and where marriage and the family are recognized and supported as the true foundations of a healthy and flourishing society."

- "for the integrity of our judicial system, and that all branches of government be dedicated to seeking the common good and protecting the dignity and rights of the human person, from conception to natural death."

- "Our Blessed Mother's intercession and guidance as the Church continues to walk with mothers and families in need, and continues to promote alternatives to abortion, and seeks to create a culture of life."

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.

**MAY
MONTH DEDICATED
TO MARY**

**WATCH ON EWTN
Four part miniseries
May 16-19
5:30PM 30 minutes**

Gives Catholics a deeper understanding into St. Louis de Montfort's sublime recommendation that true devotion and consecration to the Blessed Mother will prepare us for a total consecration to Jesus.

SAINT LOUIS DE MONTFORT

True Devotion to Mary



"I clearly foresee...a mighty legion of brave and valiant soldiers of Jesus and Mary, of both sexes, to fight the devil, the world, and corrupt nature in those more than ever perilous times that are to come!"