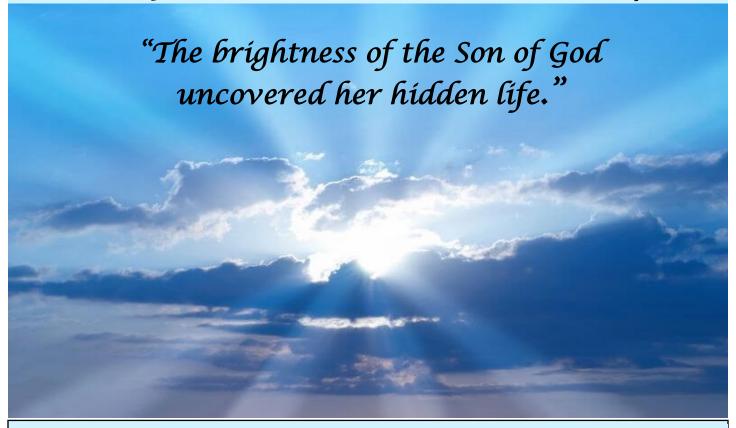


# St. Francis Xavier Parish

3801 Scott Road, Burbank, CA 91504

March 12, 2023

Third Sunday of Lent



### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.
Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, 11:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Holy Hour—Friday: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

#### **CONFESSION**

Friday: 6:00p — 7:00p Saturday 4:00p.m.—4:30p.m

## HOUSE BLESSING/SICK VISITS/BAPTISM/ MARRIAGE/FUNERAL

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## From the Desk of Fr. Sebastian,

Dear Friends,

Our tendency is to paint a rosy picture of everything. Once, a little boy said to the priest 'If everything is wonderful, why is Jesus still hanging on the cross?' Denial or deceptive living is as old as human history. "I ate the fruit because Eve gave it to me", Adam said to God. "I don't know Him", Peter said to the woman. "I have no hand in His blood." Pilate washed his hands. Many people are living in denial. If a person lives in denial, that person cannot enjoy change and growth.

The story of the Samaritan Woman tells us the importance of facing the truth. She was living in denial. "I have no husband", she told Jesus. In fact, she was living with the sixth man. Because she was living in denial, she could not stay with one man. People who live in denial fall into the trap of sin. They commit one sin to cover the other.

How does one come to the truth? It is by coming to the light of Jesus! Her confrontation with the Word of God (Jesus) changed everything dramatically. In the presence of Jesus, she could not hide her private life anymore. She met Jesus face to face at 'noon'. The brightness of sun is at its maximum at noon. Who can face the sun at noon? The brightness of the Son of God uncovered her hidden life. Change begins when we allow ourselves to be confronted by the word of God. The word of God hit Paul on the road to Damascus. He became a new person.

Three things resulted from the Samaritan Woman's meeting with Jesus: 1. The moment she accepted her deceptive lifestyle, a new world began to dawn for her. She started thinking about things that really matter. "Where do we worship?" she asked Jesus. She became interested in a higher level of existence. 2. She left the jar. She gave up her old way of living. (Peter and Andrew left their nets and nest, and followed Jesus). We cannot have both. 3. She ran to the town and shared her experience with people. She became an evangelizer.

Lent is the time for a reality check. Am I living in denial? If so, what do I need to do to come to the light of Jesus? What are the jars I need to leave behind to drink from the life-giving spring? Do I find pleasure in sharing the Good News with others?

To help us to have an enlightening encounter with Jesus, we have planned several Lenten programs. The details are in the bulletin. Please make an effort to attend.

May God bless you.

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## PARISH NEWS

Every Wednesday Evening During Lent (March 15, 22 & 29)

5:30p—Stations of the Cross

6:00p—Lenten Soup

6:45p—Lenten Reflections =

Enlightening Encounters

- 1. IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE—March 15 2. HE IS REALLY SON OF GOD—March 22
- 3. ROAD TO EMMAUS—March 29



JOY (Just Older Youth)

All Seniors are invited to our JOY meeting on Thursday, March 16th at 4 pm in Cabrini Hall. Wear your green as we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day.

There will be fun games and prizes, \$5 Bingo for 4 games, snacks and fellowship. Bring a friend!

Last Seven Words Of Jesus

Join us on March 31st at 6p by parish Choir





FISH FRY DINNER - Don't Miss out Next Friday, March 24th serving 6p.m. - 8p.m.

Come and get your fish on!!



## Chosen to Serve YouTube Presentation on Mondays by Fr. Sebastian

(March 13, 20, 27 & April 3)

We encourage everyone to be a part of this journey. You can find these videos

https://www.youtube.com/@st.francisxavierchurchburb5056

Parish Confession: March 28th at 6:30b

Holy Hour and Confession Every Friday (6p to 7p)



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## PARISH NEWS



## **Scouting Fund Raiser!**

Troop 209 is holding an all-day fundraiser at Hill Street Cafe, 3301 Glenoaks, Blvd., on Thursday March 16, from 8 AM to 9 PM. You can dine in or take out. Hill Street Cafe will give 20% of your bill to Troop 209. Several of our parishioners are members of the troop and we can boast several Eagle Scouts from 209.

Just mention Troop 209 to your server at your table or the cashier if you are picking up take-out. And thank your for your support!

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## INVITATIONAL

APRIL 28, 2023

#### Schedule

Driving Range Opens		6:30 AM
Registration	Τ	7:30 AM
Breakfast	1	8:00 AM
Ball Drop	1	8:30 AM
Putting Contest		9:00 AM (Will begin promptly)
Shotgun Start	1	10:00 AM
Cocktail Hour/ Raffle		3:00 PM
Dinner/Award Ceremony		4:00 PM

#### **Additional Contests**

Hole-In-One Closest to the Pin Longest Drive Beat the Pro!!

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## SCHOOL NEWS



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\$5 - 1 TICKET

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1st Prize - \$1,000

2nd Prize - \$600

3rd Prize - \$400

6:30pm Registration

6:30pm Cocktail Hour, Casino Games, and Silent

Auction

7:45pm Sit down Dinner

8:00pm Live Auction Begins

8:00-8:30pm Raffle

8:45pm Silent Auction Ends

8:30-10:30pm Dancing, Casino Games & Prizes



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## **Archdiocese of Los Angeles Fingerprinting Procedures**

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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 12**

People of St. Francis Xavier

MONDAY, MARCH 13

Catherine, Darius Simeon & Rosa DeLeon

**TUESDAY, MARCH 14** 

Gerardo Barnett & Malu Tranate †

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

Raymundo Tualla & Fred Jackson †

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

George Amin & Mohab Kassabzgui †

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

Francis Family & Zarate Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

People of St. Francis Xavier

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

## Readings for the week of March 12, 2023

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2.6-9/Rom 5:1-2.5-8/Jn 4:5-Sunday:

Monday:

2 Kgs 5:1-15/Pss 42:2-4/Lk 4:24-30 Tuesday: Dn 3:25,34-43/Ps 25:4-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1,5-9/Ps 147:12-13,15-16,19-20/Mt 5:17-

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2,6-9/Lk 11:14-23 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6-11,14,17/Mk 12:28-34 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-21/Lk 18:9-14

## PRAY FOR THE SICK



We pray for our sick parishioners that they may know the healing of Christ: Fely Arenas, Teresita Blazon, Dwayne Cheshire, Colette Craan, John Gonzalez, Lindsey Hargrave, Micah Homayounian,

Maria Sampley, Kirk Taylor, Betty Quigg, Lorraine White, Donna Kaiser, Isabella Riera, Samantha MacMartin, Eunice De Sourdis, Tom McDonald, Scott Singer, Robert Caplan, Xenia Stresino, Diane Doyle, Sue Speers, Chuck Howell, Ray Landless and Sandra Herman.

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