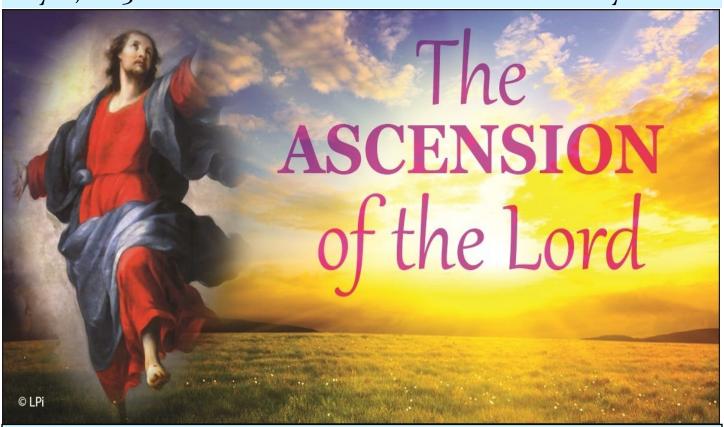


## St. Francis Xavier Parish

3801 Scott Road, Burbank, CA 91504

May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter



#### **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,

This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of the Ascension of our Lord, the triumphant entry of Jesus into heaven. Very often people get confused between the feasts of the Assumption and the Ascension. They are not the one and the same but two distinct realities. Mary was assumed into heaven by the power of God while Jesus was ascended into heaven by his own power.

Jesus had a twofold mission to accomplish in this world. They were to reconcile the world with God and to prepare his disciples for the Era of the Holy Spirit. He completed the reconciling mission by his sacrificial death on the cross and he prepared the disciples for the Holy Spirit and for their future mission during the post resurrection period. Thus, the Ascension symbolizes the fulfillment of his mission.

At the same time, the Ascension is an invitation for us to take up the responsibility of the Church as adult disciples. So the Angel said to the disciples who were shocked and worried by the absence of the physical presence of Jesus: "Why are you standing, looking up to heaven, go and do what Jesus commanded you to do. Go and be His witnesses." (Acts 1: 6-11).

First, we have to start witnessing from our own home. Remember the advice of the Angel to Mary Magdela and other women in the morning of the resurrection day. "Go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." Galilee was their hometown. Find Jesus in our home and then carry him wherever we go.

Secondly, we need to expand the field of our witnessing from home to our parish home. This is definitely through our participation in different ministries. The last several weeks we heard from different ministries. I applaud those who are in one or other ministries. Definitely, you are a blessing and an inspiration. Thank you for helping to build up our community. If any one of you are not part of a ministry, please respond to the call of Jesus. When we do this, we grow from followers of Jesus to leaders of ministry.

Ascension of Jesus gives direction to our life too. Our goal is to reach where Jesus is. Let us shape and reshape our earthly pilgrimage in view of our eternal dwelling place.

Our May Crowing is this Sunday during the 10 am Mass. Children who received the First Holy Eucharist on May 6 will lead this beautiful ceremony. Please join to show our devotion to Mother Mary. She is the mother of all blessings.

Next Sunday, May 28th is Pentecost Sunday. This feast of the Holy Spirit marks human solidarity. We begin every Mass lighting seven candles symbolizing the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and begin the entrance procession carrying flags of different nations symbolizing our unity in Christ. Ministry commissioning will take place during Masses.

May God bless you.

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## PARISH NEWS



## Pentecost Sunday

Join us on Saturday and Sunday, May 27th & 29th Multicultural Celebration (All Masses)

## **JOY (Just Older Youth)**



We had a fun May meeting. We had a May Crowning of Mary, celebrated mothers, and enjoyed a wine presentation and tasting led by winemaker Noel Schaff. Our next JOY meeting is July 20<sup>th</sup>. Hope to

see you there.









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If you don't have a supply at home and still want to help out, consider purchasing items from the Council Thrift Shop to donate.

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## OLD TYME COUNTRY FAIRE NEWS



# DO YOU HAVE GLASSWARE TO DONATE?

One of our most popular OTCF games (where you can still have fun and it costs just 10 cents) needs donations of glassware.

We are asking for donations of glassware, mugs, bowls, unchipped dishes, shot glasses, glasses with your favorite sports team logo, cartoon character, vacation destinations, etc. for our Dime Pitch game. (No plastic please) Donations can be left in the church breezeway or rectory porch.



## SHENT AUCTION/ CHANCE RAFFLE NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

We need donations of merchandise, gift certificates, promotional items. electronics, vacation gift certificates... All donations must be new.

Donations can be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you for your donations to the OTCF.



## RAFFLE TICKETS

Parishioner raffle tickets are out in the mail!! If you want more you may contact the parish office.

Tickets are \$4.00 each.



Drawing Sunday June 11, 2023 at 8:00 PM.

#### SAVE THE DATE!!!

June 9 6:00p—midnight
June 10 3:00 p—midnight
June 11 11:30a—8:00p

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• Booth Sponsor—\$100

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Please email us at sfxdonations@gmail.com or contact Bouvier Eulan at 818-621-3679 Or Amanda Reagan at 323-246-9668 to be a sponsor.

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## YA NEWS



Young Adults, are (college age to thirties) seeking to deepen their faith, connect with other young adults, and grow as disciples of Christ. Each month we host activities focused of Faith, Fellowship, Community Service and Parish Ministry. Come say hey to any of our core team members by the coffee table after Mass.

We usually wear a "YA!" nametag. We would love to meet you! Or you can email us to learn more YAInfo@sfxburbank.com

### **Community Service - Home Again** L.A. - Summer 2023

SFX YA will prep and serve dinner, and spend some time with the families staying at Glendale Church

(located at Glenoaks and Spazier, near the Burbank Ikea). The commitment is from about 5:30-8:30. We will bring and serve dinner then hang with the families.

We are hoping to get on the Home Again schedule some time this summer. Exact date TBD

> Please contact Kaitlan McTiernan if you are interested in volunteering. Txt 631-398-6894 or email YAinfo@SFXBurbank.com

## DID YOU KNOW?

#### **Residence Restriction Laws**

Residence restriction laws are state and local laws that prevent convicted sexual offenders from living within a specific range of a school, park, daycare, bus stop, or other known area for children. Many states have adopted some form of residence restriction to prevent sexual offenders from committing repeat crimes. These laws exist and have an impact, but they are only one layer of protection and are not a guarantee that a park, bus stop or other space is safe. For more information on restriction laws, read the VIRTUS® article "Residence Restriction Laws: Do they prevent sexual abuse?" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

## MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 21

People of St. Francis Xavier

MONDAY, MAY 22

Bernardino Peralejas & Geraldine Watzel †

TUESDAY, MAY 23

Ruben Nunez & Nunez Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Dizon & Biniegla Family

THURSDAY, MAY 25

Antonio Capay & Fernando Consuegra †

FRIDAY, MAY 26

Francis Family

SATURDAY, MAY 27

People of St. Francis Xavier

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### Readings for the week of May 21, 2023

Sunday: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1,4,7-8/1 Pt 4:13-16/

Jn 17:1-11

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-7/Jn 16:29-33 Monday:

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11,20-21/Jn 17:1-

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30,33-36/Jn 17:11

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Thursday: Acts 22:30;23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2,5,7-11/Jn

17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13-21/Ps 103:1-2,11-12,19-20/

Jn 21:15-19

Acts 28:16-20,30-31/Ps 11:4-5,7/Jn 21:20 Saturday:

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## 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, Sandra Herman, Margaret Rivera and Digno Reyes. Page Six May 21, 2023

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For more information regarding one of our Ministries, please contact the Parish Office at 818/504-4400.

To make an appointment for Confession or for a Sick Visit, please call the Parish Office at any time.

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