



St. Francis Xavier Parish

3801 Scott Road, Burbank, CA 91504

October 22, 2023

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary



*The installation of our new
Regional Bishop Most
Reverend Albert Bahhuth
is on Saturday October 28
at 11 a.m. at St. Charles
Borromeo Church.*

*Let us offer our prayers as
we congratulate him.*

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

Saturday 4:00p.m.—4:30p.m

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on the Holy Eucharist and helping one another to become a Eucharist to the World.*



From the Desk of Fr. Sebastian,

Dear Friends,

Today is World Mission Sunday. Pope Pius XI instituted this annual observance 97 years ago in 1926. We observe mission Sunday primarily for three reasons: First, to remind us of our baptismal responsibility of sharing faith. At baptism, we receive a lighted candle with this instruction: Receive the light of Christ and keep it burning brightly for others. Secondly, to pray for missionaries all over the world. Thirdly, to support the missionary activities by our financial assistance.

The mission of the Church is the duty of all. Before his ascension, Jesus gave the following instruction to his followers: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you." (Mt 28:19). Therefore, the Church is "missionary" by nature.

Our faith remains incomplete if it is not shared. The most powerful means of fulfilling this goal is by witnessing. Remember the words of Jesus: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." You will be my witness. Witnessing means preaching through actions.

Where do we begin our mission? The starting point is our home. Home is the domestic Church. Home is our immediate mission field. Parents are the missionaries. Parents need to reinforce the faith of their children by practicing the faith that they teach. When we make excuses for God even for minor reasons, we indirectly tell our children that God is not important. Spreading the light of faith is so vital today than ever before.

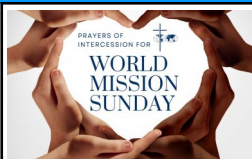
A world without God and his guidance becomes a dark and gangrenous world. Our mission is to remove the darkness of the world by the light of our faith. If we do not have the light of faith, then we fail the world. Our St. Francis Xavier community is a mission driven community. I applaud everyone in our community including our School who are actively involved in the faith formation of our new generation. Thank you for being there for one another.

Our Annual Jog-A-Thon went well. My sincere appreciation to the PTO, especially to Carol Parszik, Angie Resendez, and Melissa Sullivan for organizing this event. Everybody had a great time.

The installation of our new Regional Bishop Most Reverend Albert Bahhuth is Saturday October 28 at 11 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Church. Let us offer our prayers as we congratulate him so that he will effectively shepherd us through the path of Jesus.

May God bless you.

PARISH NEWS



Today World Mission Sunday Collection— October 22nd

World Mission Sunday, every year the needs of the Catholic Church in the Missions grow – as new dioceses are formed, as new seminaries are opened because of the growing number of young men hearing Christ's call to follow Him as priests, as areas devastated by war or natural disaster are rebuilt, and as other areas, long suppressed, are opening up to hear the message of Christ and His Church.

Thank you for your donation.



JOY (Just Older Youth)

Join our JOY Club Breakfast meeting on Thursday, October 26th at 9:00am.

We will meet at Charlie & Friends. If you wish to join us please call Peg Setti at 818-428-8135 **no later then Tuesday, October 24th.**



ROSARY RALLY

Sunday October 29,
during the 10 am Mass.

"Abandon yourself in the hands of Mary. She will take care of you."



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, November 5th at the 10 am Mass. Couples married for 25 years or more, please register your name with the parish office.

There will be no 11:30 am Mass on November 5th.



All Souls Day Mass Thursday, November 2 at 6:30 pm

If you have lost a loved one between November 2, 2022 to the present, whose funeral services were held outside of St. Francis Xavier Church, and you would like to have them remembered at the All Souls Day Mass, please contact Mary Abrajano at 818-767-1721 or Barbara Bocek at 818-321-0901 on or before October 25th.

Our Pastor, Fr. Sebastian jogged along with our students in our 43rd Annual Jog-a-thon!!

We are so thrilled and excited! It was Fr. Sebastian's first time! Thank you Fr. Sebastian for showing your support and cheering the students on. (Look at School news page for more pictures)



PARISH NEWS

Let's get down and Derby! Pony up for



A NITE AT THE RACES November 4, 2023



6pm—Saint Francis Xavier Holy Cross Hall



Horses are now on sale!

- ♦ \$25 to name your horse and jockey
- ♦ You need not be present to own a horse
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- ♦ Event tickets

Purchase Tickets to Attend!

- Presale tickets are \$35
- Tickets at the door are \$40
- Tickets include food and \$25 in play money

PEACE & JUSTICE NEWS

Peace & Justice Food Drive Collection



The food item featured for October is pasta and pasta sauce. We will accept any canned items or items in plastic containers such as dried beans, tuna, canned soups, canned veggies, canned meat, canned fruit, rice, cereal, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and jelly. etc.

Please leave your donation in the yellow barrel outside the church in the breezeway.

SCHOOL NEWS— 43rd Annual Jog-A-Thon



DID YOU KNOW?

Pornography Addiction Affects Young People's Mental Health

Protecting children from pornography is getting harder and harder in today's increasingly sexualized and digital world. When young people become addicted to pornography, it changes their brain chemistry and hinders their ability to grow in healthy, normal ways. Viewing pornography can also blur boundaries for a young person, leaving him or her more vulnerable to sexual abuse. In fact, abusers often use pornography to desensitize their victims. For more information on the dangers of pornography and addiction, read the VIRTUS® article "Pornography Addiction and Neurobiology" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

People of St. Francis Xavier

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

Vicente A. Quitzon †

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

Ruben Nunez & Nunez Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Salvacion D. Binigela & John Wilson†

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Benedicto Bernardo †

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Salvacion Biniegla & Edmundo Jacinto †

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for the week of October 22, 2023

Sunday: Is 45:1,4-6/Ps 96:1,3-5,7-10/1 Thes 1:1-5/Mt 22:15-21
 Monday: Rom 4:20-25/(Ps) Lk 1:69-75/Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12,15,17-21/Ps 40:7-10,17/Lk 12:35-38
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-8/Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-4,6/Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:60,68,76-77,93-94/Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16

PRAY FOR THE SICK



We pray for our sick parishioners that they may know the healing of Christ:

Teresita Blazon, Ray Landless, Tom MacMartin, Matthew Balano, Joanne Figliuzzi, Teri Kaczmarek and Marissa Socco.

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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.

St. Francis Xavier is on Social Media! Follow us so you don't miss out on our great events and activities.

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