# Saint Francis Xavier-Saint Clare of Assisi Parish

## August 28, 2022

Father Salvatore DeStefano
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**Parochial Vicar**

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**Deacon**

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**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE ONLY (347) 479-9444**
(FROM 7:00 PM—9:00 AM)

## 22nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited." - Lk 14:8bc

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## Mass Times St. Francis

**Saturday**
7:30am
4pm (Vigil for Sunday)
**Sunday**
8am, 10am (Family Mass) & 12Noon
**Weekdays**
7:30am
**Holy Days of Obligation**
Vigil Mass  7:00pm
7:30am - No Evening Mass

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**
Saturday 3pm-3:45 pm

## Mass Times St. Clare

**Saturday**
8:30am
5:30pm (Vigil for Sunday)
**Sunday**
7am, 9am, 11am & 1pm

**Weekdays**
8:30am
**Holy Days of Obligation**
No Vigil Mass
8:30am & 7:30pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**
Saturday 11am-12noon

## MASS INTENTIONS

***Saturday August 27, 2022 (Vigil Mass)***
*4pm Ann Alvino requested by Debbie Iachetta*

***Sunday August 28, 2022 (Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)***
*8am ++*
*10am Thomas Kelly requested by Richard & Dorothy Jennings*
*12pm Lorraine Mendola requested by The Mendola Family*

***Monday August 29, 2022***
*7:30am Florentino & Librada Balbin requested by The Espina Family*

***Tuesday August 30, 2022***
*7:30am Irma Greco requested by Carmelo Greco*

***Wednesday August 31, 2022***
*7:30am Gisela Falcone requested by The Dolgow Family*

***Thursday September 1, 2022***
*7:30am For The People Of The Parish*

***Friday September 2, 2022***
*7:30 am ++*

***Saturday September 3, 2022***
*7:30am ++*

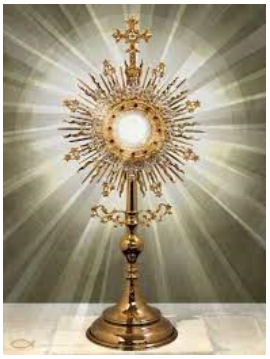
***Saturday September 3, 2022 (Vigil Mass)***
*4pm ++*

***Sunday September 4, 2022 (Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)***
*8am ++*
*10am Ismael Rivera requested by The Torres Family*
*12pm Gabrielle Federici requested by The Mendola Family*

*Our gifts back to the Lord*
*Sunday Collection, August 21, 2022*
*$4,020.00*
*Thank You and May God Bless You!*

## *From The Desk of Our Pastor*
## *Father Salvatore DeStefano*

***Dear Brothers & Sisters,***



***I am please to announce that beginning September 24th, we will resume Eucharistic Adoration! I am very excited to start this up again. I'm purposely putting this in the bulletin almost a full month ahead of time so that you can think about planning a weekly visit.***

***All of the saints testify to the power and spiritual benefits that come from simply sitting with Jesus in silent adoration. I also believe that great things happen for parishes that make adoration available to its parishioners.***

***Spending time with Jesus is NEVER a waste of time. If we consider how much time the average person spends each day on their smart phone (4-6 hours), then spending a few minutes, or a half hour or even a full hour with Jesus seems even more valuable.***

***Just like last year, Adoration will run from 11am to 2pm each Saturday—unless otherwise indicated. At 11am Confession will be available, and at noon a public recitation of the Rosary will take place. This is followed by silence until Benediction at 1:50pm. It's a simple schedule but very effective. St. Francis will host the first two Saturdays of each month and St. Clare's will host the last two. If there's a fifth Saturday we will determine where it will be based on the parish schedule.***

***Last year we were really building momentum and I hope and pray that continues this second year. There will be weekly reminders in the bulletin.***

*God Bless You,*
*Father Sal*

***Pardon Our Appearance** but St Francis will look beautiful after this renovation is complete. As you must know by now we are restoring our sanctuary. The beautiful Tiffany stained glass windows will be getting a new light Box built. We are also getting a new altar that came from a closed Bronx Church.*

***We are asking for your help in making our Church beautiful. If you want to help with donations, please make your check payable to St. Francis Xavier and indicate on the check or letter "Restricted to Sanctuary Project.***

***Another way you can help is by visiting our Go Fund Me page at gofund.me/267af544***

***The Rectory will be closed on Monday September 5, 2022 in observance of Labor Day. Have a wonderful & safe Labor Day!***

## *Newly Baptized*

*We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community:*

***Liam Algenis Mejia Perez***
*Son of Wilfredo and Awilda*

***Sponsor Certificates** in order to be a Godparent or sponsor, you must have received your own sacraments and be registered in your parish. You also must be a practicing Catholic which means attending church on Sunday and if married, you must have been married in a Catholic Church.*

***The 2023 book is opened** If you would like a to have mass offered for a loved one please come to the rectory to request a date for the mass or you can put your request in writing with the offering and put it in the mail slot. The offering is $20 and mass cards are available for each mass request. The intentions can be for a living or deceased person, the intentions will also be printed in the bulletin. We still have masses available for 2022.*

## YOUTH FAITH FORMATION
## St Francis Xavier / St. Clare of Assisi

***Registration Now open for the 2022-2023 school year!***

Classes for Religious Education offered for 7-13 years of age.

### OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STANDARDS

1. To present the real presence of Jesus and the true meaning of the Eucharist
2. To present the Gospel of the Lord to our children in age-appropriate lessons
3. To teach the importance of Mass attendance
4. To encourage ongoing Faith Formation

### FAMILY OBJECTIVES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. To be actively involved in your child's Faith Formation
2. Family attendance at 10am Sunday Mass at St. Francis Xavier is mandatory. This is what our Catholic Faith is based upon.
3. Understanding the priority of the program. Weekly class attendance is mandatory. No more than 3 unexcused absences are permitted.

### MATERIALS NEEDED TO REGISTER

1. Child's Baptism Certificate (If your child is not Baptized, we can arrange it)
2. $150 Registration Fee (30 classes at $5.00 a class)

***PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR COMMUNITY PRAYERS:***

***Elissa Antice, Julia Ayala, Betty Barbagallo, Minnie Bell, Lorraine Capozzi, Lee Cerchiara, Theresa Cantatore, Mary Cullen, James B. Dowling, Cheryl Espinoza, Colleen Fitzpatrick, Mike Fitzsimons, Santa Fumo, Sandy Gionta, Rosemarie Leo, Christian Maier, Anna Manfredi, Patricia Mazzarelli, Suzanne Millner, Gary Morgan, Marsha Morgan, Carmela Nigro, Maria Pia Paladino, Louis G. Paone, Jr. Immaculate Palazzo, James Prendergast, Mary Reardon, Dolores Rivera, Silvestre Rivera, Carole Shavel, Daniela Saglimbeni, Denise Siracusa, Theresa Smith, Lori Mayer Tricoli, Annmarie Vayda, Marlyn Villanueva, Antonio Vito (a young boy), Lucy Vogel***

***REMEMBER ALL THE MEN & WOMEN SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES ESPECIALLY:***

***Master Sgt. Janelle Amador, Captain Christopher Antony, Carlos E. Blanco, Anthony Vincent Boccia, Anthony Thomas Candito, Captain Nicholas T. Cardiello Christopher C. Cannata, Anthony Hart, Emmanuel Martinez, Captain Brian Pascuzzi, Joseph Serpe, Jr.***