

CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "Alt is the Lord."

SECOND COLLECTION to benefit the AIDS Walk

Eucharist

Main Church

Saturday: 12:05 pm, 5:00 pm (Vigil) Sunday Masses: 9:00 am (Family Mass), 11:30 am, 5:00 pm Weekday Masses: 7:45 am(Communion Service), 12:05 pm (All Masses are Wheelchair Accessible)

Sacraments

Please call the office for information about Baptism, Marriages & other needs.

Sick or Hospitalized

Please notify the office of parishioners who are ill or in the hospital so that they can be included in our prayers or be visited.

New Parishioners

Welcome! To register, please stop by the office and fill out a registration form or register online at www.sfxavier.org

Staff

Rev. Daniel Corrou, S.J. (Acting Pastor) - 206
Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) — 208
Luz Marina Díaz (Dir. of Religious Education) —207
Stephanie Fuentes (Assistant to the Pastor) — 222
Moraima Hernandez (Plant Manager) - 201
James Martinez (Assistant for Financial Planning)
Gregory Timmes (Assistant Dir. of Business) - 201
Damely Tineo (Dir. of Business) - 221
Receptionist — 201
John Uehlein (Dir. of Music Ministries) — 202

Pastoral Council

Jack Schmitt (Chair); Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe (Vice-Chair); Stephen Alfieri (Secretary); Kathleen Cagnina; Karen DeMasi; Patrick Egan; Michelle Jung; John Karle; Charles Mileski; Ron Oberdick;

PastoralCouncil@sfxavier.org

Mission Statement



The Church of St. Francis Xavier, a Roman Catholic parish in the Jesuit tradition, strives to be a prophetic, welcoming community, and an inclusive witness to the presence of Christ Jesus in our midst. Mindful of our utter reliance on God, and need for God's grace, we rejoice together in our celebration of the sacraments and proclamation of the Gospel.

As a people of hope, we commit ourselves through prayerful and creative discernment to respond to God in our time by: Being a respectful community Where seekers and their questions are welcomed, Where injustice is challenged, Where the poor, the alienated and the marginalized find a home, And where people are refreshed, reconciled and renewed.

OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 10:00 am to 7:30 pm Saturday: 11:30 am to 6:00 pm Sunday: 8:30 am to 6:00 pm

NOTE: for Bulletin Notices and Space Requests send e-mails to sfuentes@sfxavier.org

Deadline for bulletin copy—all copy should be in the office by 4:00 pm on Monday afternoon.

Confessions are offered Saturdays from 1:00pm-2:00pm

To make an appointment for confession please call Parish Office.

Note: You must be a registered parishioner for a minimum of six months before qualifying for a sponsor letter to be verified as a parishioner.

Next Weekend Presider Schedule

Saturday, May 11th

5:00pm Vigil Mass: Rev. Thomas Feely, SJ

Sunday, May 12th

9:00am Mass: Rev. Daniel Corrou, SJ 11:30am Mass: Rev. Thomas Feely, SJ 5:00pm Mass: Rev. Daniel Corrou, SJ

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us especially, remember those who have asked for our prayers

Anita Ibarra Advincula, Joel Allegretti, Jesus Andaluz,
Michael Carroll, Dan Clarius, Christine Cioffi,
Kay Quinn Cohen, Jesús Dabu, Fr. Don Doherty, MM,
Moira Egan, Isaac Falci, Kathleen Friel, Juan Garcia,
Ann Grant, Ray Green & Peter Green Junior, Kevin Hurson,
Kathleen Kretchmer, Michelle Nazareno, James Levaggi,
Deborah Maloney Locicero, Manny Lopez, Robyn Luisi,
Olha O'quinn, Ernest Rossi, Raymond and Terri Sharpe,
Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti, Sonia Serrata,
baby Paloma Solis, Ibis Soto, Edith Stewart, Michael Termini,
Phillip Traynor, Dr. Daniel Tynan, Carl Wassmann,
Liese Zilberleyt

Pray for the peaceful rest of all our beloved departed parishoners and friends, especially:

Norman Bilodeau, Yi-Hsien Chiu, Phibeon Cobb-Smalls, Magda Martinez, Lorraine Bernadette Sagliocca, and Vincent Vella

We also remember all those who have been killed or wounded through the violence of war. May all those who have gone before us share the joys of eternal life.

All prayer requests are listed for at least three consecutive weeks. Please contact the parish office for an extension.

From the desk of Fr. Dan

Happy Easter Season! We continue in this season of resurrection and rebirth and it is important to savor it! We focus on the 40 days of Lent and use the traditional practices to remember Lent. However, we have not been as good about forming traditional practices during the Easter Season. What are we doing to promote Easter Joy in our lives? What practices can we nurture these 50 days until Pentecost?

The readings these weeks focus on the life of the early Christian community. I am struck by the fact that no one joined the early Church because of rules or rubrics, they joined because of the joy the experienced in the disciples; they joined a community of Love, alive with the Gospel.

This is what we aspire to be, here at Xavier. How can we be a more joyful and welcoming community? What practices can we take on these 50 days of Easter to be more joyful?

TWO PRACTICAL NOTES FOR OUR COMMUNITY:

- 1. As a community we look after the needs of one another. At Xavier, we are as transparent as we can be about our finances, and publish an annual report every November (See link https://d2wldr9tsuuj1b.cloudfront.net/6829/documents/2019/2/AnnualReport2018.pdf), as well as quarterly expenses and income in the bulletin. It is important to be clear that our weekly collections do NOT cover the costs of running our very small office. However, we have noted a 5-10% decrease in regular donations to the parish since September 2018. There may be many reasons for this. But it is important to share this, and acknowledge that our income is below our budget. As a result we will need to be more cautious about programs. This is happening at a time when we have a lot of exciting new things happening. Please remember to support the work of our parish community as you plan your giving. Thank you for all of your support!
- 2. Several people have asked about the new Liturgy Planning Committee. We have gathered a group of leaders of all the different ministries that serve at our four weekend liturgies. We pray the Liturgy with the whole Roman Catholic Church throughout the world and we rejoice in it. We live that liturgy in particular ways here at Xavier. The committee is designed to implement the liturgy, and be sure that all groups, hospitality, art and environment, music, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, liturgical coordinators, and altar servers are all on the same page. The members of the committee are the leaders of all of these different groups. I am very grateful for their willingness to coordinate the liturgies at Xavier and be sure that we continue our tradition of beautiful liturgical prayer together as a community.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2019 IVC MADONNA DELLA STRADA AWARD:

Maria Spagnuolo, Laura de Boisblanc, Karen Kleppe-Lembo, Lorraine Langdon, and Leona Leo

God bless the mission of the Ignatian Volunteer Corps



ROSES ... CHOCOLATES ... AND MOTHERING

FOLLOWING THE MASSES ON MAY 11TH & 12TH

The Women Who Stayed, Catholic Lesbians and Peace & Justice

Celebrate all women and men who nurture and care for others...children and adults in maternal and life affirming ways

AND

Support through its sale of roses and chocolates

Women who are incarcerated and part of the Thrive for Life Prison Project.

Women who are homeless and marginalized and cared for by Maryhouse at the Catholic Worker.

RETURNING.....

We shall not cease from exploration And the end of all our exploring Will be to arrive where we started And know the place for the first time.

- T. S. Elliot

CATHOLICS

An invitation to return to the Catholic Church here at St. Francis Xavier. Find the Welcome that somehow got lost. Ask questions, share experiences and be at home. We will begin four weekly sessions every Sunday from 3:30- 4:30pm on Sundays in the Xavier High School Chapel.

Please email Fr. Dan with questions at **dcorrou@sfxavier.org**

PILGRIMAGE: 10 FULL DAYS: HOLY LAND and JORDAN from November 15 to 26 with Fr. Joe Costantino, S.J. Cost: \$3,990. Early Bird Special: \$3,890 for the first 20. Space is very limited. For more information: email angiecruzphd@gmail.com or call 1-917-607-0937.

PHILANTHROPY OFFICER POSITION POSTING FOR JESUIT PROVINCE

The Philanthropy Officer will implement the current comprehensive Advancement Program in both Provinces in close association with the Provincial Assistant for Advancement and Communications and will assist in the planning of fundraising strategies as the Northeast USA and Maryland Jesuit Provinces unify.

For details please see the link on our Church website www.sfxavier.org.



"Who is My Neighbor?" is a documentary feature film that explores the subject of immigration on a global scale. While US news headlines zero in on illegal immigration, border control and a White House administration's "zero tolerance" policy within this country, the issue is one that goes beyond America's borders. According to the United Nations, in 2015, there were 244 million migrants and refugees worldwide.

For more information regarding the film visit www.whoismyneighbormovie.com



COMMON PRAYER WITH TAIZÉ CHANTS Friday, May 10th 6:00 PM Mary Chapel

THE DISPUTED TEACHINGS OF VATICAN II: CONTINUITY AND REVERSAL IN CATHOLIC DOCTRINE



Fr. Thomas Guarino

Professor of Systematic Theology, Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, Seton Hall University

THURSDAY, MAY 16TH 3:45 p.m.
Reception to follow

Xavier High School 30 West 16th Street

CATHOLIC LESBIANS FRIDAY, MAY 10, 6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. WEST ROOM

Mary on Mary, the mother of Jesus. And in honor of this woman and all the women of the church, we ask that you wear all white at Mass on the weekend of May 11–12, 2019. Please bring a beverage and/or snack to Friday night's meeting and BYOCUPS (cups, utensils, plates, serviettes). For more information, contact **SFXWomen@aol.com** or (929) 333-5011.

VIA LUCIS STATIONS OF LIGHT: AN EASTER RETREAT

The Ignatian Way of Praying the Post-Resurrection Life of Christ on Earth

May 5, 2019 May 12, 2019 May 19, 2019 June 2, 2019 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

X-Cafe (Xavier High School)
30 W 16th St between 5th and 6th avenues

Please RSVP to <u>Imdiaz@sfxavier.org</u> or (212) 627-2100 ext. 207

Organized by ISEL (Ignatian Spirituality in Every Day Life)

AIDS WALK NEW YORK

Xavier Team Donation Weekend

At every mass on May 4th and 5th, the second collection will go towards our fundraising effort to support AIDS Walk NY. If you want to write a check please make it out to AIDS WALK NY or you can visit the team at the back of the church after the mass.

To donate on line: Visit the Team Page https://ny.aidswalk.net/sfx

Be sure to use the Church of Saint Francis, Xavier Team's Number, #1250

The Lay Spirituality Program presents

AN INTERFAITH EVENING WITH MARY

Representatives from different faith traditions will share the story of Mary in their belief and practice

> Sabeeha Rehman Author: Threading My Prayer Rug

Rev. Zachary Thompson St. James Church, New York

Rev. Dr. Sergey Trostyanskiy St. Gregory the Theologian Church, New York

Rev. Daniel Corrou, SJ St. Francis Xavier Church, New York

Tuesday, May 7, 6:30 PM Mary Chapel
Free Will Donation

MIRACLE IN RWANDA: LIMITED ENGAGEMENT

Playing now until May 11th The Lion Theatre 410 W 42nd St

Miracle in Rwanda is the story of a remarkable woman, Immaculée Ilibagiza, who miraculously survived the horrifying 1994 Tutsi genocide in Rwanda. Leslie Lewis and Edward Vilga have brought Immaculee's amazing story to the stage. Presented by the Magis Theatre Company and directed by George Drance, the true Miracle of Rwanda is not just a story of Immaculee's survival, but of her ability to forgive. For additional information, visit www.miracleinrwanda.nyc.

SOCIALIZING MEETS SOCIAL JUSTICE



WEDNESDAY, MAY 8TH
7:00PM - 8:30PM
AMERICA MEDIA
1212 SIXTH AVE, 11TH FLOOR

Dan Dougherty, President of Cristo Rey New York, will be in conversation with current and former students about the Cristo Rey educational model.

JOIN THE XAVIER ADULT GROUP FOR A GUIDED TOUR OF THE BASILICA OF ST. PATRICK'S OLD CATHEDRAL

THURSDAY, MAY 16TH 1:00PM

Our tour of this historic national and New York city landmark will include the cathedral, the treasured Henry Erben organ, historic outdoor cemetery and catacombs which includes the newly constructed St. Francis Xavier columbarium. The special per person tour price is \$15 which represents nearly a 60% discount.

We will meet at 12:00am at the 15th street entrance to Xavier and travel by subway. The tour starts at 1:00pm.

Please email or call if you are planning to join us. Nancy and Tom Collins 212-929-3157

xaviersharingandlearninggroup@gmail.com

Xavier Arts & Environment Ministry needs the help of a licensed architect and structural engineer to support in the review and design of several large scale decorative installations.

Please contact Fr. Dan at **dcorrou@sfxavier.org** to volunteer or for questions.

TO ALL PARISHIONERS OF SFX THAT MAY WANT TO CONSIDER BEING INTERRED IN THE ONLY CATHOLIC CEMETERY IN MANHATTAN

Did you know that Cremation is an acceptable form of Christian burial?

Did you know that Cremated remains must be cared for reverently and properly interned in a sacred place?

Did you know that there is only one Catholic Cemetery in Manhattan? It is "The Basilica of Saint Patrick's "Old Cathedral at 263 Mulberry St New York N.Y... Over a century ago due to lack of space the practice of interring on Basilica grounds was suspended and limited to the interment of former Catholic Pastors. The Basilica revised the tradition with the introduction of a Columbarium. Due to the overwhelming demand for the niches in the first outdoor Columbarium, more will be added to the Basilica's historical cemetery, as well as adding many more in the indoor catacombs. Each Columbarium will be hand built by stone artisans and contain niches for the internment of cremated remains. They will fit impeccably into the historic design of the Basilica creating a solemn refuge for the faithful departed and a sanctuary for the bereaved. The urns will be reverently placed inside a secured niche and memorialized with a granite stone face plate on which the names will be meticulously engraved. For over 200 years the Basilica of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral has been preparing Catholics for eternity. With the introduction of the Columbaria, they are preparing a sacred and historical place in which to spend it.

WE THE CHURCH OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER HAVE OUR OWN SECTION IN THE CATACOMBS, FOR OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS TO BE INTERRED TOGETHER.

Want more information? Contact *Frank Alfieri* directly at St. Patrick's Old Cathedral to answer any questions, or to arrange for a tour. Email address: <u>frank@oldcathedral.org</u> Phone number 917-482-6382

Scriptures & Announced Masses

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rev 5:11-14; John 21:1-19.

THIRD MONDAY OF EASTER: Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29.

7:45AM: MARIA DALVEN (D)

12:05PM: GREGORY FLOYD WARD (D)

THIRD TUESDAY OF EASTER: Acts 7:51-8:1a; John 6:30-35.

7:45AM: LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D)

12:05PM: KATHERINE VAZQUEZ (D)

THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EASTER: Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40.

7:45AM: MARY O'QUINN (D) 12:05PM: MARGIE DENNIS (D)

THIRD THURSDAY OF EASTER: Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51.

7:45AM: MARY ANN BUCKLEY (D) 12:05PM: MARY A. DEAN (D)

THIRD FRIDAY OF EASTER: Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59.

7:45AM: JOSEPH MITTIGA (D) 12:05PM: ROB ALTENBURGER (D)

THIRD SATURDAY OF EASTER: Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69.

12:05PM: EDWARD McCarthy (D)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30.

YOU MAY RESERVE AN AVAILABLE MASS FOR YOUR INTENTIONS BY CONTACTING THE PARISH OFFICE AT 212-627-2100.

XAVIER MISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CLOTHING ROOM: 2nd & 4th Sundays, contact Ann Mary: xmClothingRoom@gmail.com

FOOD PROGRAMS: Every Sunday soup kitchen and

2nd Saturday food pantry, contact

Christine: xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com

L-STEP: Spring and Fall semesters, contact J: xmLSTEP@gmail.com

SHELTER: Every night, contact Jim: xmShelter@gmail.com

Ongoing Parish Happenings

ABILITY XAVIER: Celebrating persons with disabilities. Contact <u>abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com</u>

CATHOLIC LESBIANS: Ministry since 1993, meets 2nd Friday of each month, 6 p.m., West Room (offsite July & August), <u>SFXWomen@aol.com</u> (929) 333-5011.

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP:

Contact Katherine Cleary, krcoff5th@netzero.com

THE ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY: promotes care for all of God's creation, and follows the message of Laudato Si. For more information refer to the link on the parish website under Outreach Programs or contact: SFXEnvironmentMinistry@gmail.com

FAMILY FAITH: Catechetical ministry for parents/guardians and children pre-K through 12th grade. Meets Sundays 10:00am, Mary Chapel. Contact Luz, <u>LMDiaz@sfxavier.org</u>

GAY CATHOLICS: Men meet in a caring and affirming environment on the first and third Fridays, 7pm Mary Chapel. Contact sfxgcgroup@gmail.com

INTERFAITH COMMITTEE: works toward ending religious discrimination and persecution, through prayer, education and other activities. Contact Jose Ramon, <u>joseramonperezlopez@gmail.com</u>

LITURGICAL COMMITTEES: See website or Contact Luz, <u>LMDiaz@sfxavier.org</u>

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: To become a volunteer or arrange visits, Contact James Fox, sumiko120@nyc.rr.com, (212) 427-5070

PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE:

Examines root causes of injustice and works towards a more just and sustainable world. Contact Tracey Tynan at xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com.

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES: Offers spiritual programs, including spiritual direction. Contact Marie Bannister, <u>mariebannister1@gmail.com</u> or Gerry Moss, <u>gerrymmoss@gmail.com</u>

THE WOMEN WHO STAYED: nurtures, empowers, calls forth and celebrates the emotional, intellectual and spiritual growth of women and men at SFX. For more information: TheWomenWhoStayed@gmail.com

XAVIER ADULT GROUP: Once a month we have informative meetings or attend interesting events around the city. Contact xaviersharingandlearninggroup@gmail.com

THE XAVIER IMMIGRATION INITIATIVE: Advocacy, support, and education to empower immigrants. For more information contact sanxnyc@gmail.com

XAVIER YOGA: Tuesdays at 6pm. Open to all levels. Contact Ko ko@nyyogalife.com

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Spiritual, Service, and Social Activities for Xavier's 20's-30's. Meets every 2nd Sunday of the month after the 5pm Young Adult's Mass, in the West Room. Contact sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com

ZEN MEDITATION GROUP: Mondays at 7pm. Newcomers welcome. Contact Peggy & Paul schubertnyc@gmail.com