

CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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JOHN 17:22

SECOND COLLECTION to benefit Thrive for Life Project

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 <u>sfuentes@sfxavier.org</u>

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, June 8th

5:00pm Vigil Mass: Rev. Ronald Amiot, SJ

Sunday, June 9th

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Jesus Andaluz, Corinne Anderson, Olga Caltabiano, Mark Carlos, Dan Clarius, Fr. Don Doherty, MM, Moira Egan, Isaac Falci, Kathleen Friel, Juan Garcia, Ray Green & Peter Green Junior, Susan Hines, Michelle Nazareno, James Levaggi, Manny Lopez, Robyn Luisi, Raymond and Terri Sharpe, Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti, baby Paloma Solis, Ibis Soto, M. M. Tartaglione, Dr. Daniel Tynan, Carl Wassmann,

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

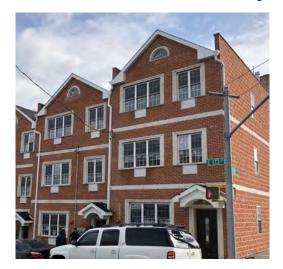
Norman Bilodeau, Deaco<mark>n Dh</mark>oel Canals, Yi-Hsien Chiu, Phibeon Cobb-Smalls, Magda Martinez, Lorraine Bernadette Sagliocca, Sonia Serrata, and Vincent Vella

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.



Healing. Reconciliation. Empowerment.



Since 1847, St. Francis Xavier parish has paved the way for the labor movement, fought for LGBT rights, and demanded racial justice in the Church and the community.

Continuing in the tradition of responding to the social justice issues of our time, Zachariah F. Presutti, SJ, founded Thrive For Life Prison Project with parishioners of Xavier and St Ignatius.

Thrive For Life Prison Project creates opportunities for spiritual development and provides educational resources for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals while partnering with local universities and employers.

We are grateful to announce the official opening of **IGNACIO HOUSE**, a supportive transitional housing residence for 24 formerly incarcerated individuals. We received the certification of

occupancy for our buildings, and now begin the official move into your new home!

Located in the Bronx, Ignacio House offers the following services:

HOUSING:

- Community: access to a safe and stable living environment with private bedrooms.
- Supportive living services: access to opportunities for life coaching
- Wellness mentoring: access to medical, dental and mental health care
- Spiritual mentoring: access to tools for holistic growth and development

EDUCATION: Qualified residents are eligible for scholarships to local universities and colleges

EMPLOYMENT: Job workforce training with local employers

HELP BUILD THE HOUSE!

STEP 1. GO TO www.thriveforlife.org

STEP 2. CLICK **DONATE**

STEP 3. CLICK ON the registry of your choice!







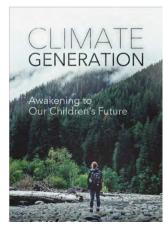


The SFX Environment Ministry
Is excited to have with us from Ireland

LORNA GOLD, AUTHOR OF CLIMATE GENERATION: AWAKENING TO OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE

Sunday, June 9th 1:00 pm, Mary Chapel

Pentecost is a perfect time to welcome Lorna Gold, author of recently-published book, Climate Generation: Awakening to Our Children's Future. With her book, Lorna traces her coming to a new Spirit-filled awareness – from a faith perspective and as a Mother - of the implications of climate change for the future of her two sons. It is



a highly personal account that has implications for all of us thinking about the world our children and grand-children, nieces and nephews, and the "climate generation" will inherit.

Lorna works for Trocaire, the Irish Catholic Development Agency. She has worked for academic and non-governmental agencies for almost two decades. She holds a PhD in Economic Geography from Glasgow University and teaches Applied Social Studies at Maynooth University. She is a regular commentator on climate justice in Ireland and internationally, and helped co-found 'Stop Climate Chaos' Ireland in 2006. She is vice-chair of the Global Catholic Climate Movement and a member of the Irish Government's Advisory Group on the National Climate Dialogue. She is originally from Scotland and is married with two children.

Join us in welcoming Dr. Gold to St. Francis Xavier and New York City. Books will be available for sale.

This event is co-sponsored by the SFX Environment Ministry & Metro NY Catholic Climate Movement. HEARING AID DEVICES ARE
AVAILABLE FOR PARISHIONERS
WITH HEARING LOSS. PLEASE SEE
THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AT THE
PIANO BEFORE MASS STARTS IN
ORDER TO USE ONE FOR THE MASS.

TWO EVENINGS OF SHARED DISCUSSIONS OF LGBTQ HISTORY AT XAVIER

Friday, June 7th~ *From Dignity to Today*Mary Chapel -7pm-8:30pm *Sponsored by The Gay Men's Group*

Friday, June $14^{th} \sim THE \; HISTORY \; OF \; XAVIER \; PRIDE$

West Room- 6pm-9:00pm Sponsored by The Catholic Lesbians

If you are a current or retired law enforcement professional interested in helping us keep our parish safe please contact *Fr. Dan Corrou* at **dcorrou@ sfxavier.org** . Thank you.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITIES (CLCs) are small groups of people who join together regularly in prayer, support and service rooted in the Ignatian tradition of mission and discernment. Two information sessions will be offered for all who might be interested in joining a new CLC forming in Fall 2019.

Information Sessions will be held in the Mary Chapel on Sunday, June 16 from 3:00 – 4:30pm and on Thursday, June 20 from 6:30-8:00pm. Please contact *Bob Choiniere* for information – rchoiniere@sfxavier.org

BOOK PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND SIGNING

by Debbie Almonstaser

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12TH
6:30PM - 8:30PM
MARY CHAPEL

Dr. Debbie Almontaser was the founding and former principal of the Khalil Gibran International Academy in Brooklyn, New York the first Arabic Dual Language public school in the United States. A 25-year veteran of the NYC Public School System, she taught and served as a director in special education and inclusion, trained teachers in literacy, and served as a multicultural specialist and diversity adviser. Currently she is the Founder and CEO of

Bridging Cultures Group Inc and a Professor at the College of Staten Island's School of Education in the Post Master's Advanced Certificate Program for Leadership in Education. Dr. Almontaser was a featured speaker at the 2016 National Democratic Convention and has been featured on the front page of the New York Times and profiled in Time Magazine, Newsweek and Daily News.

SUMMARY: Leading While Muslim examines the lived experiences of American Muslim principals to determine whether global events, political discourse, and the media coverage of Islam and Muslims post 9/11 have affected their leadership and spirituality. This book is intended to help readers to gain an understanding of the adversities that American Muslim principals have experienced post-9/11 and how to address these adversities, particularly through decisions about educational policy and district leadership. To learn more go to: **LeadingWhileMuslim. com**



LEADING



Greetings from Mustard Seed Communities!

Thank you for welcoming me and Mustard Seed Communities into the St. Francis Xavier Parish community. We are grateful for your generous support which enables us to continue our mission of caring for abandoned children and adults with disabilities, children affected by HIV/AIDS, and teenage mothers.

Please keep Mustard Seed Communities in your prayers and know that our staff and children pray for St. Francis Parish. We welcome your prayer intentions, which you can submit via our website at www.mustardseed.com/prayerrequest.

Yours in Christ,

Very Reverend Monsignor Gregory Ramkissoon

PASTORAL COUNCIL OPENINGS AND DISCERNMENT

June 3rd and June 10th 6:30pm Mary Chapel

Are you interested in serving on the primary leadership body in our parish that serve with the pastor to ensure faithfulness to the mission of our parish community?

If you are an interested candidate for the Pastoral Council, you must attend both of our Discernment sessions on two consecutive Mondays, June 3rd and June 10th, at 6:30 pm in the Mary Chapel.

You must be:

- *A baptized Catholic
- *A registered member of our parish for at least two years
- *Be at least 20 years old
- *Be a participant in the ongoing worship life of our parish, especially Sunday Eucharist
- *Be available for monthly meetings on Tuesday nights
- *Be available for an annual weekend long retreat (Sept. 27th-29th in 2019)

Note that members serve for a three year term and may also serve for a second consecutive term.

All non-candidate registered parishioners are invited to be part of the selection process, including discernment for new members, but must agree to attend both sessions on June 3rd and June 10th.

Please consider serving our parish community by bringing your gifts to the Pastoral Council ministry. We invite all parishioners to join us in our prayerful process of discernment for our two new members.

NEW AA MEETING AT CHURCH OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER! THURSDAY EVENINGS 6:00-7:00pm

We are excited, and grateful, to be starting a new AA meeting at XAVIER!!

The SFX GROUP (the temporary name for now) will meet every Thursday night from 6:00-7:00pm.

PLEASE JOIN US and help us find a direction for this new meeting. We will seek input from the initial community who attends to decide what type of meeting it will be (open or closed, special interest or not, speaker or literature related...etc.)

PLEASE pass on this information to your friends and make announcements at other meetings that this new meeting needs support.

Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday!!

Rosa Mexicano "Guac for Good": Monday, June 3, All Day!



Have lunch or dinner at Rosa Mexicano on 18th St. and 15% of your total bill will be donated to Xavier Mission! Mention "Xavier Mission" when you make your reservation or ask for your bill. Order chips for charity! Enjoy drinks for do-gooding! Call it whatever you'd like, we hope to see you there!

Scriptures & Announced Masses

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: Acts 7:55-60; Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26.

Monday~Feast of St. Charles Lwanga: Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33.

7:45AM: SONDRA KEDZIORA (L) 12:05PM: WENGAN FAMILY (L&D)

SEVENTH TUESDAY OF EASTER: Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a.

7:45AM: LEO & ANTOINETTE BUONGIORNO (D) 12:05PM: ENA & ISMAEO RODRIGUEZ (D)

Wednesday~Feast of St. Boniface:

Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19.

7:45AM: VIVIAN HARLOW (D) 12:05PM: FRANCIS M. COX III (D)

SEVENTH THURSDAY OF EASTER: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Luke 17:20-26.

7:45AM: MARY KENNY (D)

12:05PM: ROBERT CALDERONE (D)

SEVENTH FRIDAY OF EASTER: Acts 25:13b-21; Luke 21:15-19.

7:45AM: PRISCILLA AMDRADA (D) 12:05PM: THOMAS DURBIN (D)

SATURDAY~FEAST OF ST. JAMES BERTHIEU: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25.

12:05PM: GERARD FIRD (D)

PENTECOST SUNDAY: Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; John 14:15-16, 23b-26.

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 abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com

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, joseramonperezlopez@gmail.com

LITURGICAL COMMITTEES: See website or

Contact Luz, LMDiaz@sfxavier.org

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, mariebannister1@gmail.com or Gerry Moss, gerrymmoss@gmail.com

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