



# CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

## A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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**But the Lord stood by me  
and gave me strength. (2 Tim 4:17)**



*SECOND COLLECTION  
to benefit the Archdiocese Mission Sunday*

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2019

## 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, 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](http://www.sfxavier.org)

## Staff

Rev. Kenneth Boller, S.J. (Pastor) - 204

Rev. John Mulreany, SJ (Associate Pastor) - 206

Cassandra Agredo (Executive Dir. Xavier Mission) — 208

Robert Choiniere (Dir. of Adult Faith Formation)-225

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

Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe (Chair); Patrick Egan (Co-Chair);

John Karle (Secretary) Stephen Alfieri; Kathleen Cagnina;

Belinda Conway; Karen DeMasi; Andrea Foley-Murphy

Michelle Jung; Ron Oberdick;

[PastoralCouncil@sfxavier.org](mailto: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 7:00 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](mailto: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, October 26<sup>th</sup>

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

Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Mass: Rev. Patrick Gilger, SJ

11:30am Mass: Rev. Dennis Baker, SJ

5:00pm Mass: Rev. Dennis Baker, SJ

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Jesus Andaluz, Jessica Appel, Stephen Appel,  
Robert L. Beauchemin, Diane Blount,  
Mary Lou Brewis, Bertha Mercedes Cabrera,  
Mark Camacho, Geneva Colin, Jesús Dabu,  
Fr. Don Doherty, MM, Annemarie Esposito,  
Kathleen Friel, James Fox, Stephanie Rivera-Gamma,  
Ron Gamma, Juan Garcia, Karl Gold, Kenneth Harmon  
Sr., Dennis Hartnett, Marilyn Hendrick, Susan Hines,  
Luz Helena Nauzán, Jim Pypelink, Frank Lavin Sr.,  
James Levaggi, Mathew Levy, Manny Lopez,  
Joe Mauer, Ron Miller, Clyde Renolds, Tom Rocha III,  
Carlos Eduardo Rojas, Jim Schwab,  
Elizabeth Ann Seymour, Raymond and Terri Sharpe,  
Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti, Carl Wassmann

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

Dave Edgerley, Amor Pan Lafigue, Thomas Morris,  
Nelson Navarro,

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.

## Stewardship News

Thank you to all of you who have given so much of your time, talent, and treasure to support our parish throughout the year. We are pleased to present the preliminary financial results for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2019. The Statement of Activities summarizes revenues and expenditures for last year compared to budget and the budget for the new fiscal year that started September 1<sup>st</sup>. Our final financial results will be included in our 2019 Annual Report that is planned for distribution on the first Sunday of Advent, December 1<sup>st</sup>. We finished the year with an operating surplus of \$423,542 that does not include the \$37,981 in capital expenditures. The favorable results versus budget were due primarily to a generous \$460,000 bequest and increased income from weddings, baptisms, and Easter collection. For the first time in nine years, our Sunday collection declined. Last year our Sunday collection fell approximately \$50,000 – a drop of nearly 6%.

Last year we successfully negotiated a 20-year extension on the lease of our former elementary school on 17th Street with Winston Preparatory School which provided for a substantial increase in rent from the previous lease. Our rental property continues to be a vital asset to the financial health of the parish. Next fiscal year's rental income of \$1.3 million is the largest source of income in the budget, which represents 49% of our total income. Although we are budgeting a \$159,771 operating surplus, we also are planning \$1.3 million in capital repairs and improvements for the 17th Street property and our church over the next four years. Our rental income will be the primary source to fund the capital projects. We need your increased support in the coming year through your Sunday offertory, maintenance 2nd collection, and Christmas and Easter gifts to help ensure we cover our expenses.

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year ending August 31st

|                               | Actual<br>2018/19 | Budget<br>2018/19 | Difference | Budget<br>2019/20 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|
| <b>Revenue</b>                | \$ 2,799,854      | \$ 2,284,042      | \$ 515,812 | \$ 2,654,700      |
| <b>Expenses</b>               | \$ 2,376,312      | \$ 2,278,881      | \$ 97,431  | \$ 2,494,929      |
| Revenue Over (Under) Expenses | \$ 423,542        | \$ 5,161          | \$ 418,381 | \$ 159,771        |

#### Major Revenue Sources

|                         |            |            |             |              |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| Sunday Collections      | \$ 800,404 | \$ 845,000 | \$ (44,596) | \$ 805,000   |
| Rental Income           | \$ 939,012 | \$ 939,017 | \$ (5)      | \$ 1,300,000 |
| Donations and Bequests  | \$ 573,095 | \$ 78,000  | \$ 495,095  | \$ 104,000   |
| Weddings                | \$ 112,655 | \$ 80,000  | \$ 32,655   | \$ 90,000    |
| Christmas               | \$ 74,731  | \$ 80,000  | \$ (5,269)  | \$ 75,000    |
| Easter                  | \$ 60,182  | \$ 53,500  | \$ 6,682    | \$ 54,000    |
| Maintenance Collections | \$ 66,081  | \$ 62,000  | \$ 4,081    | \$ 66,000    |
| Votive Candles          | \$ 28,377  | \$ 28,000  | \$ 377      | \$ 27,000    |
| Flowers                 | \$ 12,821  | \$ 15,000  | \$ (2,179)  | \$ 13,000    |

|                                                                                   | 2019        | 2018        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Capital Expenditures not included in Statement of Activities</b>               | \$37,981    | \$30,892    |
| <b>As of August 31st the parish had cash balances and investments as follows:</b> |             |             |
| Cash and Money Market Funds                                                       | \$1,075,090 | \$1,962,130 |
| Capital Improvement Fund                                                          | \$1,000,000 |             |
| <b>As of August 31st the parish had the following receivables:</b>                | \$0         | \$0         |
| <b>As of August 31st the parish had the following obligations:</b>                |             |             |
| Restoration Loan                                                                  | \$848,343   | \$1,357,890 |
| Archdiocese Invoice & Collections                                                 | \$2,054     | \$2,037     |
| Vendors and Service Providers                                                     | \$8,494     | \$336,313   |
| Parish Organizations                                                              | \$20,319    | \$16,620    |
| Donors Contributing to the Sunday Collection using FaithDirect:                   | 451         | 430         |
| Percentage of the Sunday Collection from FaithDirect:                             | 52.7%       | 49.9%       |

Capital Improvement Fund established in 2019 to fund future repairs at 17th St. location and church.



# THE AMAZON IS still BURNING

WHAT WE CAN DO TO PROTECT  
THE WEB OF LIFE THAT CONNECTS  
ALL OF US TO THE AMAZON.

Friday, Oct. 25, 7:00 pm  
Keenan Commons, 39 W. 15th St.

with

**S. Elizabeth Parlow, PhD,**  
*World Wildlife Fund Partner in Conservation:  
the impact on biodiversity*

**Maria Luisa Mendonça, PhD**  
*in Human Geography from the University of São Paulo/  
Brazil, current research scholar at the CUNY Graduate  
Center & co-director of the Network for Social Justice  
and Human Rights in Brazil: the impact on indigenous  
communities.*

**Fr. John Mulreany, S.J.,**  
*Associate Pastor at St. Francis Xavier Church, on  
the role of the Church and the Synod on the Amazon*

Sponsored by St. Francis Xavier Environment Ministry  
Co-sponsor: Metro NY Catholic Climate Movement, MNYCCM

## CHALLENGE OF FINDING GOD IN ALL THINGS: DRAWING FROM OUR IGNATIAN ROOTS

### 2019 LGBTQ ANNUAL RETREAT

**Dates:** Friday, November 15, 3:00 p.m., through  
Sunday, November 17, 1:30 p.m.

**Place:** Linwood Spiritual Center, 50 Linwood  
Road, Rhinebeck, NY 12572

[www.linwoodspiritual.org](http://www.linwoodspiritual.org)

**Cost:** \$230.00 per person

Mail a check to Linwood or call (845) 876-4178  
with a credit card number.

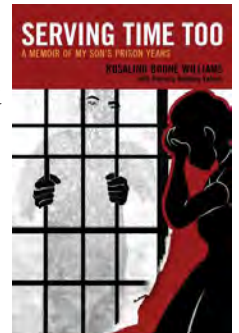
*Deposit is due on or before November 1.*

Space is limited to the first 34 people who register!

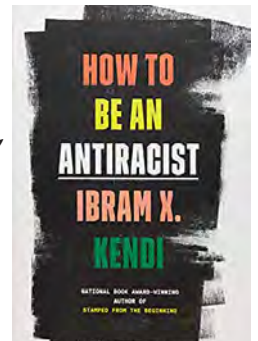
For more information, contact  
[SFXWomen@aol.com](mailto:SFXWomen@aol.com) , [SFXGCCGroup@gmail.com](mailto:SFXGCCGroup@gmail.com)



**1:00pm-** in the Mary Chapel, parishioner and author Pat Valenti will discuss her new book *Serving Time Too: A Memoir of My Son's Prison Years*. The book recounts the personal story of Rosalind Boone Williams whose son spent sixteen years in prison. Pat will talk about the evolution of the book and what can be done to support families of the incarcerated.



**3:30pm-Fr.** John Mulreany will lead our Racial Justice group on its next step forward with Ibram X. Kendi's newly released, "How To Be An Antiracist." His endearing, truthful voice rings throughout the pages, telling his experience as a black man and his own personal story of awakening to anti-racism.



**5:00pm-** Join Jesuit educated grads and friends of the Jesuits for the fifth annual Jesuit Friends and Alumni Sunday! The event will be an opportunity for alumni and friends of Jesuit schools to share our common bonds through the celebration of liturgy, followed by a reception highlighting opportunities for continuing spiritual growth and service to the local and global community.

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## 'HOLIDAY HOPE & HEALING CAMPAIGN' KICKS OFF!

Make your family a little bigger this holiday season by helping one of ours!

We invite you to join us in spreading the love to families who are struggling this holiday season. Your generosity helps to ensure that they won't have to worry about their basic needs and can celebrate the season in peace and joy. This year our campaign will help us achieve the following:

|                                         |          |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| Repair our shelter floor:               | \$20,000 |
| One year of LSEP Programs:              | \$25,000 |
| 6 months of food for our food pantry:   | \$25,000 |
| General Operating expenses:             | \$30,000 |
| 4 months of meals at the Welcome Table: | \$50,000 |
| Help 50 families avoid eviction:        | \$50,000 |

**GOAL: \$200,000**

**RAISED (as of 10/15): \$6,800**

*Join us and make an impact on your community!*

### SAVE THE DATES!

#### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6: 'Cause an Effect' at Chipotle!**

Make dinner a selfless act by joining us at Chipotle for a fundraiser! Come to the Chipotle at 864 Broadway (b/w 17th & 18th Sts.) between 5pm and 9pm and 33% of your order will be donated to Xavier Mission! Bring the flyer below or mention the event to the cashier.

#### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21: Gorjana Styling Party!**

Join us at the Gorjana jewelry boutique at 266 Elizabeth St. between 5pm and 7pm for a private styling event and reception! 19% of all merchandise sales that evening will be donated to Xavier Mission. It's the perfect time to pick up some beautiful holiday gifts. Champagne and refreshments will be served. You do not need to buy anything to attend! Join us for the company and lovely atmosphere. Please RSVP to Cassandra at [cagredo@xaviermission.org](mailto:cagredo@xaviermission.org).

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020: Dinner Dance Fundraiser**

Our annual Dinner Dance will be held from 7:00-11:00pm In Hurtado Hall. Tickets will go on sale at the beginning of January. Stay tuned for more information, including this year's theme! (WHAT WILL IT BE?!?!)

**Beginning Sunday, November 3, 2019, we will resume using mustum for the consecration of the Precious Blood during all the Masses. Please note mustum does contain trace amounts of alcohol (0.01% to 0.049%). If you cannot consume alcohol please receive only the consecrated host. Thank you.**

#### **CATHOLIC LESBIANS**

**Friday, November 8th, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  
West Room**

Christianity vs. Love . . . that is a battle in Uganda right now, and Ssenfuka Joanita Warry, human rights defender/feminist, will talk to us about the situation on the ground. Warry is the executive director of Freedom and Roam Uganda in Kampala and is visiting scholar at Columbia University this fall. Please bring a snack and/or beverage to share, and BYOCUPS (cups, utensils, plates, serviettes). [SFXWomen@aol.com](mailto:SFXWomen@aol.com); (929) 333-5011.

# Xavier Global



**Sunday October 27 following the 11:30 Mass in the Mary Chapel**

## **Is something tugging at your heart?**

Come and meet parishioners involved in Xavier's International Ministries with the poor in **Honduras, India, Jamaica, and the Dominican Republic**. There will be a brief presentation and time for Q&A. We promise to get you out in plenty of time for brunch.

## **THIS SATURDAY**

Please support the work of The India Group ([www.theindiagroup.net](http://www.theindiagroup.net)), which works with the poorest of the poor in India in the areas of education and healthcare, by coming to our annual Cocktail Party / Fundraiser / Auction: **October 19<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 PM at The Strand, 500 W. 43 St.** (corner of 10 Ave. and 43 St.), Unit 30-E, Manhattan, home of Paul Ramsey and Richard Coburn  
For More Information Contact: [theindiagrouppnyc@gmail.com](mailto:theindiagrouppnyc@gmail.com)

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24<sup>TH</sup>**  
**JOIN THE XAVIER ADULT GROUP**

**FOR A GUIDED TOUR OF THE  
MUSEUM AT ELDRIDGE STREET**



We will explore one of New York City's most magnificent hidden treasures. The Museum at Eldridge Street is housed in the 1887 Eldridge Street Synagogue, the first sacred site built by Eastern European Jewish immigrants. Our guide will help us travel back in time to when the Statue of Liberty greeted new Americans and pushcarts crowded the streets. The cost of the tour is \$8.

We will meet at the 15th street entrance to Xavier at 12:30pm and travel by subway.

Please email or call if you are planning to join us. *Nancy and Tom Collins* 212-929-3157  
[xaversharingandlearninggroup@gmail.com](mailto:xaversharingandlearninggroup@gmail.com)

***PLEASE JOIN XAVIER OUTINGS ON  
A PRIVATE TOUR OF GREEN-WOOD CEMETERY.***

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, FROM 2-4PM.**



Green-Wood is a Revolutionary War historic site, a part of the Civil War Discovery Trail and a member of the Audubon Sanctuary System. The trolley will include general history, LGBT points of interest, as well as stops at two contemporary art installations. There should also be some Fall foliage happening.

We ask for a \$20-30 contribution per person. Bring a friend or date.

The cemetery is one block from the 25th street R train in Brooklyn.

Please email [xoutings@gmail.com](mailto:xoutings@gmail.com) to reserve a spot before Wednesday Oct. 23.



## Scriptures & Announced Masses

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**  
TIME: Ex 7:8-13; 2 Tim 3:1-4:2; Luke 18:1-8.

**TWENTY-NINTH MONDAY IN ORDINARY**  
TIME: Rom 4:20-25; Luke 12:13-21.

7:45AM JUNE HARNANN (D)  
12:05PM PATRICK LOUGHLIN (D)

**TWENTY-NINTH TUESDAY IN ORDINARY**  
TIME: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Luke 12:35-38.

7:45AM JOHN VASQUEZ (D)  
12:05PM ALAN BUCKLEY (D)

**TWENTY-NINTH WEDNESDAY IN ORDINARY**  
TIME: Rom 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48.

7:45AM CHARLES ZAMMIT (D)  
12:05PM SHEILLA REILLY (L)

**TWENTY-NINTH THURSDAY IN ORDINARY**  
TIME: Rom 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53.

7:45AM FELIX & CATHERINE DIPANFILO (D)  
12:05PM AVAILABLE

**TWENTY-NINTH FRIDAY IN ORDINARY**  
TIME: Rom 7:18-25a; Luke 12:54-59.

7:45AM MAE DAVID (D)  
12:05PM MARY CANTY (D)

**TWENTY-NINTH SATURDAY IN ORDINARY**  
TIME: Rom 8:1-11; Luke 13:1-9.

12:05PM HELEN GORRA (D)

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY** TIME: Sir 35: 12-14, 16-18; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14.

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

## Ongoing Parish Happenings

**ABILITY XAVIER:** Celebrating persons with disabilities. Contact [abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com](mailto:abilityxaviernewyork@gmail.com)

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

**EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP:**  
Contact Katherine Cleary, [krcoff5th@netzero.com](mailto: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](mailto: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, [LMDiaz@sfxavier.org](mailto:LMDiaz@sfxavier.org)

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

**INTERFAITH COMMITTEE:** works toward ending religious discrimination and persecution, through prayer, education and other activities. Contact Jose Ramon, [joseramonperezlopez@gmail.com](mailto:joseramonperezlopez@gmail.com)

**LITURGICAL COMMITTEES:** See website or Contact Luz, [LMDiaz@sfxavier.org](mailto:LMDiaz@sfxavier.org)

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND:** To become a volunteer or arrange visits, Contact James Fox, [sumiko120@nyc.rr.com](mailto: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](mailto:xavierpeaceandjustice@gmail.com).

**SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES:** Offers spiritual programs, including spiritual direction. Contact Marie Bannister, [mariebannister1@gmail.com](mailto:mariebannister1@gmail.com) or Gerry Moss, [gerrymoss@gmail.com](mailto:gerrymoss@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](mailto:TheWomenWhoStayed@gmail.com)

**XAVIER ADULT GROUP:** Once a month we have informative meetings or attend interesting events around the city. Contact [xaversharingandlearninggroup@gmail.com](mailto:xaversharingandlearninggroup@gmail.com)

**THE XAVIER IMMIGRATION INITIATIVE:** Advocacy, support, and education to empower immigrants. For more information contact [sanxnyc@gmail.com](mailto:sanxnyc@gmail.com)

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

**XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** Spiritual, service, and social activities for parishioners 20s-30s, and the young in spirit. We meet every 3rd Sunday of the month in the West Room after the 5pm mass. Contact [sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com](mailto:sfxavier.youngadults@gmail.com)

**ZEN MEDITATION GROUP:** Mondays at 7pm. Newcomers welcome. Contact Peggy & Paul [schubertnyc@gmail.com](mailto:schubertnyc@gmail.com)

### XAVIER MISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**CLOTHING ROOM:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, contact Ann Mary: [xmClothingRoom@gmail.com](mailto:xmClothingRoom@gmail.com)

**FOOD PROGRAMS:** Every Sunday soup kitchen and 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday food pantry, contact Christine: [xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com](mailto:xmFoodPrograms@gmail.com)

**L-STEP:** Spring and Fall semesters, contact J: [xmLSTEP@gmail.com](mailto:xmLSTEP@gmail.com)

**SHELTER:** Every night, contact Jim: [xmShelter@gmail.com](mailto:xmShelter@gmail.com)