



CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

A JESUIT APOSTOLATE

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You will show me the path to life,
abounding joy in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever.

*SECOND COLLECTION
to benefit Parish Maintenance*

Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

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

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 (Vice Chair); John Karle (Secretary)

Stephen Alfieri; Kathleen Cagnina; Belinda Conway;

Karen DeMasi; Andrea Foley-Murphy Michelle Jung;

Ron Oberdick;

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 sfxbulletin@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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Jesus Andaluz, Jessica Appel, Stephen Appel, Sr.,
Jeanne-Ann Bacote, Todd Bachmann,
Larry Blansky, Kathleen Fenton, Kathleen Friel,
Rich Franz, Juan Garcia, Mary Hannan, Fitsum Kassie,
Jamie Keane, Mary Korba, Manny Lopez,
Shirley Strong Lutz, Hector Moran, Joshua Pizarro,
Michael Orza, Virginia Fabro Rivera, Tom Rocha III,
Jim Schwab, Raymond and Terri Sharpe,
Anne Sheridan, Ava Sellitti, Anthony Sellitti,
Eliana Melody Thomas, Tom Uzzo,
David Von Ancken, Carl Wassmann

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

Frances Cousins, Dante Flagello, John Fralick,
John Gargan, James Lily, and Zach Sandstrom

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.

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.

From the Pastor's Desk

Our Gospel for this Sunday recounts the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. While Mark simply refers to the apparition to the disciples on the road, Luke elaborates the story in sufficient detail to give us the picture. Some have followed the example of these disciples and fled to second homes or families removed from the epicenter of the City. Most of us are wandering around, trips limited to shopping and an occasional walk around the block (at a safe distance.) All of us are trying to make sense of the events unfolding around us. It becomes very easy to relate to the gospel story even as we hunger to be present with one another in the breaking of the bread at our community liturgies.

A take away from the gospel story is the realization that Jesus, risen from the dead, walks with us on our journey even when we are unaware of his presence.

The Emmaus journey took only a couple of hours while our quarantine has been for six weeks and continues on. Let us continue to support one another with our prayers, unity through the live stream liturgy and the other prayer offerings and sharing the gift of God's love. By acts of outreach and support.

Be well and stay safe.

VIRTUAL MASS COMMUNITY

Your are invited to join fellow parishioners in virtual community each Sunday for the live stream mass!

Each Sunday, a Zoom conference will be available for those who wish to join with others for the live stream mass at 11:30 am. The Zoom will open at 11:15 am for some socializing time before the mass. During the mass, the screen will be focused on the live stream. Participants will be able to see one another and share a sign of peace during the mass.

The Zoom link is:

<https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/92250692524>

**THIS
WEEKEND'S
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VIA LUCIS
STATIONS OF LIGHT:

An Easter Retreat



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

Fridays of May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
6:00pm to 7:00pm
Via Zoom

If you are interested please email
lm Diaz@sfxavier.org

CATHOLIC LESBIANS

Friday, May 8, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Online via Zoom

"I hope you find your peace, falling on your knees, prayin' . . ." Join us on Zoom as Tess guides us through an exploration of the spiritual themes in the music of pop icon Kesha. No prior experience necessary! For more information, contact SFXWomen@aol.com or (929) 333-5011.

**THREE E-GIVING OPTIONS
TO SUPPORT XAVIER ANYTIME**

Faith Direct: Support any collection or make a one-time gift from your checking account or credit card. To enroll go to <https://membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/NY406>



Venmo: Find us at Username: StFrancisXavier-Church or Phone number: 646-596-5696. For new users download the Venmo mobile app to create an account.

Text to Give: Text any dollar amount to (646)-681-7010 and complete the one-time registration page to enroll.



**Celebrate Jesus' Resurrection
with Mary of Magdala**

Please join The Women Who Stayed for on April 26th at 1:00pm a presentation by Rita Houlihan, who commissioned our beautiful bronze relief which Fr. Ken so movingly highlighted in his Easter Vigil homily. Rita has been instrumental in reclaiming Mary of Magdala's role as the apostle to the apostles and in gaining her feast official recognition by Rome. This is a follow-up to Rita's presentation last summer. This session will be a presentation & discussion of how We Can Undo The Distortions & Reclaim Magdalene. We will gather by Zoom, with time before Rita's talk to check in with one another. After the presentation and questions, those who wish are invited to continue the conversation by reflecting together on how to celebrate Mary of Magdala's feast this July. All are welcome to participate in this joyful and prayerful afternoon.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/96374909729?pwd=eFFxL1UyUVpLcDRlbWJhM1doa3Ztdz09>

Meeting ID: 963 7490 9729
Password: 656083
or call: 1 646-558-8656



CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE FUND

Because of restrictions on gatherings, and concerns about social distancing, we have had to close some of our programs and change how others operate.

Our WELCOME TABLE has switched from a sit-down meal to a grab-and-go lunch bag model (which is twice as costly as a sit-down meal). We are making and distributing 1,500 lunch bags each Sunday!

Our FOOD PANTRY has switched from a customer-choice model to a prepackaged bag model. We are also delivering groceries to our senior guests who cannot safely leave their homes.

Our FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM is open to those facing eviction for unpaid back rent, as well as those who may have trouble paying their rent or other bills due to the current coronavirus situation.

Please consider giving to our Coronavirus Response Fund so that we can continue to serve our community throughout this crisis!

impact.xaviermission.org/coronavirus

VOLUNTEER UPDATES

Our deepest thanks to everyone who has reached out and offered to volunteer or assist in some way during this crisis! If you are interested, please consider the following volunteer opportunities:

- Sunday mornings: Sandwich making / lunch bag assembly
- Sunday afternoons: Lunch bag distribution

In order to ensure that we are following social distancing protocols, we are limiting the number of volunteers for each shift. Only those who sign up online will be allowed to volunteer. Please do not show up without registering!

All volunteers must bring a face covering of some kind (mask, bandana, scarf, etc.).

Please check our website at xaviermission.org/volunteer to sign up. You can also visit xaviermission.org/coronavirus to see Xavier Mission's program updates and a compilation of helpful resources all in one place!

FOLLOW US!

Keep up to date with our programs and our amazing team members who are working hard to continue serving those most in need.



Facebook: facebook.com/XavierMission
Instagram: @XavierMission



PRAYING OPPORTUNITIES ONLINE

MASS

Daily Mass will be broadcast through the Parish Facebook site at 12:05, Monday through Saturday. The video will be available after the livestream on our Youtube channel.

Sunday Mass will be live-streamed through the Parish website, Facebook and Youtube at 11:30 a.m.

NOTE: These are Private Masses. All are welcome to follow the masses and pray with us through social media. No one aside from those involved in the liturgy and production should be here in person.

TAIZE CHANT LIVE STREAM

**Monday-Saturday 6:30pm
& Sunday 5:00pm**

20 minutes of centering prayer live streamed on our St. Francis Xavier Facebook Page.

SIMPLY ZEN

Monday nights at 7:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/491863863?pwd=UDdLdlNDQ2ZYMxU1RUFPKzdQY0hvZz09>

Meeting ID: 491 863 863
Password: 792395

This Monday night sitting simply offers the opportunity to meditate with others. Starting at 7:00 PM there will be two 25 minute silent sitting periods with a short break between them. The evening ends with a short talk.

ROSARY

**Wednesdays & Fridays
12:45pm**

ZOOM LINK: <https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/241306093?pwd=RTNkSndzd-3dVWEE5b0FXZEI0R1RNdz09>

OR CALL: +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Online sessions to pray and reflect on the Sunday Gospel together with fellow parishioners.

An opportunity to hear the Gospel together, reflect in small groups and pray with and for each other and the world.

SATURDAY MORNINGS 10:00AM – 11:00AM

**Reoccurring Zoom Address
for Breaking Open the Word:**

<https://sfxavierparish.zoom.us/j/284137378>

GUIDED MEDITATION

Friday nights at 7:00 PM

JOIN ZOOM MEETING:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/371213435?pwd=OGVHTepVK0ZZOHpLd2dkSkZPSWF-WUT09>

Meeting ID: 371 213 435
Password: 071923

This Friday night group will begin with a guided meditation of 20 minutes, a short stretch break followed by a short talk and a silent meditation period. Beginners are welcome.

Scriptures & Announced Masses

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35.

THIRD MONDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29.

THIRD TUESDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 7:51-8:1A; John 6:30-35.

THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40.

THIRD THURSDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51.

THIRD FRIDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59.

SATURDAY~MEMORIAL OF SAINT

ATHANASIUS: Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 2:14A, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20B-25; John 10:1-10.

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

CATHOLIC LESBIANS: Ministry since 1993, meets 2nd Friday of each month, 6 p.m., West Room (offsite July & August), SFXWomen@aol.com (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, 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

HOLY COMMUNION MINISTRY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: Eucharistic Ministers bring Communion to parishioners who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, or in care facilities in local proximity to Xavier. To arrange visits or to become a Eucharistic Minister to the Sick and Homebound, please contact Nick Grimaldi at nlgny@gmail.com. To arrange for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office.

INTERFAITH COMMITTEE: works toward ending religious discrimination and persecution, through prayer, education and other activities. Contact Xavierinterfaith@gmail.com

LITURGICAL COMMITTEES: See website or Contact Luz, LMDiaz@sfxavier.org

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, 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

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

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

XAVIER YOGA: Tuesdays at 6:15pm. Open to all levels. Contact 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

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

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