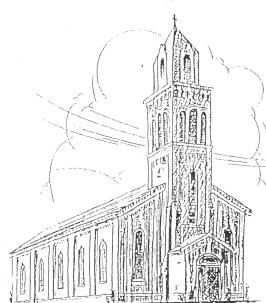


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WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:45 AM

Sacrament of Penance - Saturday 3:30pm

TELEPHONES:

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

"Saint Francis Xavier Parish is a Christian Family dedicated to the mission of Jesus and the teachings of the Catholic Church. We are committed to fostering spiritual growth and to responding to the human needs of both our faith community and the larger community by sharing our gifts and resources."

Liturgy Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm Sunday Masses: 8:30 am & 10:45 am Holy Day Masses: See schedule inside. Daily Mass: 6:45 am Mon, Thur, Fri

Tuesday 6:00pm

Weekend Mass Schedule in our area

St. Michael-St. Peter

Sat. Evening: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 am

St. Mary's of the Lake Sat. Evening: 4:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:15 am

St. Patrick's Jordan Sat. Evening: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am

PASTORAL STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino*

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PARISH TRUSTEES:

Diane Foster* Joseph E. Durand* * Also on Parish Council

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism:

Class required.

Call rectory for arrangements. Reconciliation: Sat. 3:30 - 4:00

Marriage: Arrangements at

least 6 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS are most welcome.

See Fr. Muscalino after Mass or call the Rectory.

PARISH COUNCIL

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Joseph E. Durand

Jay Austin



Saturday December 10

VIGIL THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 4:30 PM- Peggy McNally- Jim

Sunday December 11

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 AM- J. Wilfrid MacDonald- Family 10:45 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier

Monday December 12

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE 6:45 AM- Ed Priest- Judy

Tuesday December 13

SAINT LUCY

6:00 PM- Marianne Jula – Jim McNally

Wednesday December 14

SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS No Mass

Thursday December 15

6:45 AM- Rosemary Stonecipher- Friends

Friday December 16

6:45 AM- Daniel B. Drew- Family

Saturday December 17

VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 4:30 PM- Bob Warnock- Marilyn

Sunday December 18

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier 10:45 AM- Carol Anne McGrath- The McGrath Family

Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, Dec. 17	Sunday, Dec. 18	
4:30	8:30	10:45
Lector	Lector	Lector
Tom Brown	Pat Canny	Mike McAuliff
Altar Server	Altar Server	Altar Server
Mary Curtin	Blake LaPlant	Anna Carver
	Jesse LaPlant	Cecilia Carver



Christmas Symbols Check out the bulletin insert for an explanation of these



wonderful Christmas symbols. If you miss the insert, please visit our website under announcements to view the different symbols. Enjoy!

Monday, Dec. 19th

"The Light is On For You" Confession will be available from 4-7pm in the church. Celebrating this Sacrament is an excellent way to prepare for the Coming of Christ at Christmas.

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Monday, December 12

Lectio Divina- Ch Hall- 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 14

Parish Community Outreach Meeting- Ch Hall- 7:00pm

Thursday, December 15

Rosary- Church- 7:00pm

Saturday, December 17

Men's Group- Ch Hall- 7:30am

Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$9,723

The SECOND COLLECTION this weekend is for the Cathedraticum.

Please Pray for...

Baby Gavin, Marilyn Warnock, Tom Palmer, Andy Nagen, Martin Long, J.E.L., Robert Darling, J. Michael Kelly, Barb Stapleton, Peyton James Perkins, Mary Dorsch, Msgr. Bob Yeazel, Gretta Petterson, Robert Hammond, Richard Hammond, Isabelle Callahan, Riley Christine Perkins, Danielle Painter, Genie Barnes, Nicole DeMore, Lisa Pikarski, Michelle Fleegel, Jack Bragger, Missy Fitz, Austin Marlowe, Brett Kresco, Lucienne Henneberry, Allan Stonecipher, Kelly Cunningham Suberts, Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson

Please Pray for our Homebound...

Frieda Stopyro, Isabelle LaClair, Helen Volcko, Mike Berish, Mary Martin, Ethel Cole

Please call the Parish Office to add anyone to our Prayer List.



Parish Community Outreach

Our St. Francis Community Outreach group will meet again on Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00pm in the church hall. New members are always welcome.



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of **Adults**) is for non-baptized persons or those who have been baptized in another Christian denomination or who

have been baptized Catholic but who have not yet celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Through this RCIA process, you have the opportunity of becoming a fully initiated Catholic. Find out how! Please call the church office for more information: (315) 673-2531



This Sunday we celebrate **Gaudet Sunday**. Gaudate is a Latin word that is a command to be glad and rejoice! We are to be glad and rejoice, not just because the celebration of

Christmas is near, but because we celebrate at Christmas the beginning of the final chapter in Salvation History. With the birth of Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son of God, our God has spoken the final Word in His plan to offer salvation to humankind and restoration to all of creation. The great hope and cestrian faith is that now light is victorious over darkness, sin and death not longer have hold over the human heart, peace is stronger than violence, hope conquers fear and joy replaces sadness. The Kingdom of God is at hand: be glad! rejoice! This is why the church lights the rose candle and the clergy wear rose vestments: they symbolize the great light that has come upon us on Jesus. God Bless, Fr. Dan

The blessing of the "Bambinelli" [Baby Jesus figurines] as they are called in Rome, reminds us that the crib is a school of life where we can learn the secret of true joy. This does not consist in having many things but in feeling loved by the Lord, in giving oneself as a gift for others and in loving one another. Let us look at the crib. Our Lady and St Joseph do not seem to be a very fortunate family; their first child was born in the midst of great hardship; yet they are full of deep joy, because they love each other, they help each other and, especially, they are certain that God, who made himself present in the little Jesus, is at work in their story. And the shepherds? What did they have to rejoice about? That Newborn Infant was not to change their condition of poverty and marginalization. But faith helped them recognize the "babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger" as a "sign" of the fulfilment of God's promises for all human beings, "with whom he is pleased" (Lk 2: 12, -National Catholic Register

CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE AT FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY OF STEUBENVILLE Catholic conference to bring high-schoolers into a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ.

9th – 12th grade students July 13-16, 2023

If you are interested, please contact the parish office for more information

Adoration is the First Friday of each month. If you are interested in sitting for an hour with our Lord, please email bcusick2487@gmail.com to have your name added to the Adoration email list for sign ups.



December 11, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent

Scripture Readings

Is 35:1-6a, 10 Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10. Jas 5:7-10

Mt 11:2-11

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

The question put to Jesus in today's gospel is also put to us today: "Are you the one?" Are you the one who will give guidance to the children in your life or must they look to TV sitcoms, film, videos and music lyrics for direction? Are you the one? Will you be the one?

Question of the Week - Actions Worthy of Praise For Adults: How do you prepare yourself to meet Christ in those around you?

For Children: What good thing have you done so far during Advent to be like Jesus?

Faith Formation

Gr. 1-8: Sunday 12/11: Class from 9:45am-10:30am Monday 12/12: Class from 6:15pm-7:00pm **Confirmation:** Class is this Sunday, 12/11 @ Religious Ed Center for both Year 1 and Year 2: noon-2:30pm ***All Faith Formation students are encouraged to bring in a canned good to class, in support of 8th grader Marielle Kennedy, who is collecting food to be donated to the Food Bank of CNY as part of a community service project. **This will be our last week collecting food, so please bring in what you can!**



We would like to invite all children of the parish to join us at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass (Saturday Dec. 24) to sing a few carols prior to the

beginning of Mass. We will have short practices during Faith Formation class time, and one short rehearsal after the 10:45 Mass on Sunday, Dec. 18. It would be a blessing to have as many kids as possible share in the joy of the season and hear all of their beautiful voices. Please let me know if your child(ren) plan on participating by emailing me at lcarver@syrdio.org.

From the Office of Synodal Planning: Bishop Lucia will hold a Morning of Reflection on the Continental Phase of the World Synod on Synodality on Saturday, January 7 from 9am – noon at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Baldwinsville, followed by a simple lunch. This is an opportunity to continue to listen together for the voice of the Holy Spirit calling the Church to "walk together" through a process of deep listening and conversation. All are welcome! Please register by contacting Kathryne Sparaco at ksparaco@syrdio.org.

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