

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

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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*

Pastoral Associate: Deacon John J. Falge*

Religious Ed. Director: Renee O'Connor*

roconnor@syrdiocese.org

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Social Service Coordinators:

Rosalie Durand, Patty White

Music Director: Robin Schott, Jr.

rschott@syrdio.org

Buildings and Grounds: Ron Schneider

Housekeeper: Kathy Welsh

Parish Historian: John P. Curtin

Confirmation Coordinators:

Laurie LeFever, Laura Carver

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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

Jay Austin

Terry Hall

Pen Anderson

Terry Kotlarz

Beth Cusick

Patty Gooden

Roxanne Taylor

Kim Flood

Marty McClusky

Carter Austin

John Ketterer

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rick Reagan

Chris Hunt

Diane Foster

Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino

Joseph E. Durand

Jay Austin

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday December 11

VIGIL THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:30 PM- People of St. Francis Xavier

Sunday December 12

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30 AM- Kay Wilson- Dolores Mahoney

10:45 AM- J.W. MacDonald- Family

Monday December 13

SAINT LUCY

6:45 AM- Robert and Peter Quail- Eugene Reilly

Tuesday December 14

SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

6:00 PM- Nicholas Olenych- Kitty Dillon

Wednesday December 15

No Mass

Thursday December 16

6:45 AM- Dolores Cannon- Richard & Kathleen Thorpe

Friday December 17

6:45 AM- Peter Jula- Family

Saturday December 18

VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:30 PM- Peggy Johnson Smith- John & Maureen Curtin

Sunday December 19

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30 AM- Robert Warnock, Jr.- Marilyn & children

10:45 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier

Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, Dec 18	Sunday, Dec 19	
4:30	8:30	10:45
Lector	Lector	Lector
MaryJo Palmowski	Patty Gooden	Tricia Austin
Altar Server	Altar Server	Altar Server
Mary Curtin	Mac Ciras	Dan Cross



Holy Father's Prayer

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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We recommend you start with **Daily Reflections**.

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Saturday, December 11

Reception with Bishop Lucia- Ch Hall- after 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, December 12

Reception with Bishop Lucia- Ch Hall- after both Masses

Monday, December 13

Lectio Divina- Ch Hall- 6:30pm

Thursday, December 16

Advent Penance Service- Church- 7:00pm

Saturday, December 18

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

Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal: \$7,900 Last Week: \$7,612

Please Pray for...

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

Please Pray for our Homebound...

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

Please call the Church Office to add anyone to our Prayer List. (315) 673-2531



We would like to welcome

Bishop Lucia

to St. Francis this weekend!

39th Annual World Marriage Day Celebration

Feb. 13 at 2pm- Cathedral of Immaculate Conception
The Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate Mass and invites all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will specially honor couples who will celebrate their 25th, 50th, and beyond 50th anniversary in 2022. If celebrating your 25th, 50th or 50+ anniversary in 2022, please contact your parish office to receive a special invitation from Bishop Lucia.

Advent

John the Baptist tells us to prepare the way of the Lord. This week we are told to 'Rejoice'; (Gaudete Sunday), this is not a suggestion but rather a command. We rejoice because our salvation is near, in fact, Jesus is as close to us as we will allow Him to be. The coming of Jesus is not just an event in the distant, historical past, not an event in the far away future; but the gift of our God here and now. Emmanuel! Our God is with us; is the wonderful proclamation of Advent, Christmas and our Christian faith for all times and seasons. How then do I prepare for Christ in my life? How do I make Him know? Do I truly believe that God is with us, God is with me. As this Advent season continues we still have time to prepare the way of the Lord and rejoice, because our salvation is at hand.

God Bless,
Fr. Dan

The Light is On For You 2021

'The Light is On For You' is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Washington and the Diocese of Arlington where Catholic churches across the United States are open for quiet prayer and Confession.

The Diocese of Syracuse will be participating in *The Light Is On For You* in all Parishes December 20th, 2021 from 4-7pm.

By participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, whether our first time in days, weeks, months or years, we are experiencing God's individual and unwavering love for us, and one of the true graces made available to us by our Catholic faith. God loves us just the way we are, but he loves us too much to leave us that way. When we return to the Church for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Jesus rejoices like the father in the Parable of the Prodigal Son. It is never "too late" to return to Jesus and ask for forgiveness. Imagine how joyful you will feel upon confessing your sins, big or small!

Reminders about Confession times for Christmas:

- Every Tuesday evening from 5:30 - 6:00 PM
- Every Saturday from 3:30 - 4:00 PM
- Thursday, December 16 at 7pm we will have a Penance service with area priests available for Confession in the church
- Monday, December 20 "The Light is On For You" Confession will be available from 4 PM - 7PM in the church

Celebrating this Sacrament is an excellent way to prepare for the Coming of Christ at Christmas.



December 12, 2021
3rd Sunday of Advent

Scripture Readings

Zep 3:14-18a

Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6.

Phil 4:4-7

Lk 3:10-18

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar – Today's gospel tells us to SHARE! This Christmas resist the pressure to give token gifts. Instead, use those funds to give necessities to the poor. If our impoverished brothers and sisters are not on our gift list, we've missed the point of Christmas.

Question of the Week – *The Joy of Kindness*

For Adults: What might John the Baptist challenge you to do differently in your life?

For Children: Do you have extras that you can share with others this week?



Join us for a Live Nativity at
Assumption Church

Christmas Carols! Live Animals!
Sunday, December 19th at 2 PM

812 N Salina St, Syracuse

All are welcome to come experience the wonder of Christmas with a living nativity just like Saint Francis of Assisi did in 1223 when he celebrated the first Christmas crèche at Greccio, Italy.



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Welcome New Parishioners!

Are you a new parishioner? *Welcome!* Please introduce yourself to Fr. Dan & Dc. John. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community. Contact the church office to register. (315) 673-2531

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