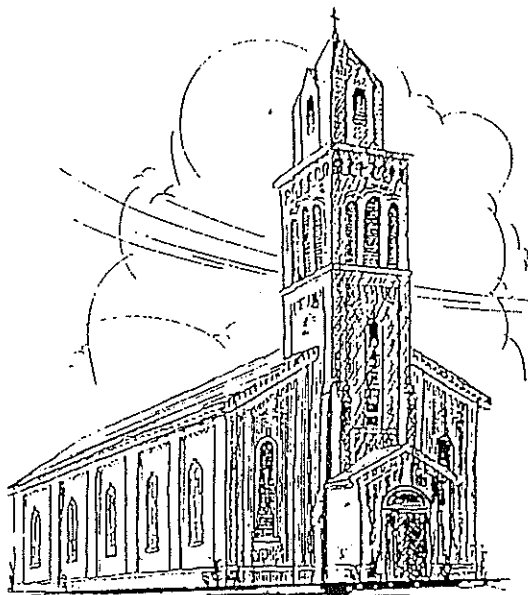


# SAINTE FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

MARCELLUS, NEW YORK 13108 • FOUNDED 1873



<http://sfxmarcellus.com>

## WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:45 AM

Sacrament of Penance - Tuesday 5:30pm  
Saturday 3:30pm

## TELEPHONES:

Rectory: 673-2531

1 West Main St., P.O. Box 177

Rel. Ed. Center: 673-4107

53 North Street

## 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\*

Faith Formation Director: Laura Carver\*

[lcarver@syrdio.org](mailto:lcarver@syrdio.org)

Parish Secretary:

Dawn O'Hara [dawnohara@syrdio.org](mailto:dawnohara@syrdio.org)

Social Service Coordinators:

Rosalie Durand, Patty White

Music Director: Chrissy Camuglia\*

Buildings and Grounds: Ron Schneider

Housekeeper: Kathy Welsh

Parish Historian: John P. Curtin

Confirmation Coordinators:

Laurie LeFever, Laura Carver

[sfxconfirmation1@gmail.com](mailto:sfxconfirmation1@gmail.com)

## PARISH TRUSTEES:

Diane Foster\*

James P. Curtin

\* Also on Parish Council

## SACRAMENTS:

### Baptism:

Class required.

Call rectory for arrangements.

### Penance

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

Ed Dunn

## FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rick Reagan

Chris Hunt

Diane Foster

Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino

Joseph E. Durand

Jay Austin

Jon Roberts

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## Saturday December 16

VIGIL THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:30PM- Barbara Stachelek- Palmowski Family

## Sunday December 17

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30AM- Bob Card- Family

10:45AM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church

## Monday December 18

6:45AM- Rev. Charles A. Aho

## Tuesday December 19

6:00PM- Thomas Reilly- Family

## Wednesday December 20

No Mass

## Thursday December 21

ST. PETER CANISIUS

6:45AM- Eva Froot- Family

## Friday December 22

6:45AM- Claude Smith- Family

## Saturday December 23

VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:30 PM- Carol Anne McGrath- The McGrath Family

## Sunday December 24

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church

10:45 AM- Deceased members of the Muscalino Family  
CHRISTMAS VIGIL

4:00 PM- Elizabeth Gooden- Family

Midnight- Kevin Falge- Family

### Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, Dec. 23	Sunday, Dec. 24	
4:30	8:30	10:45

See sign up sheet



### The Light Is On For You 2023

Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> from 4-7pm  
St. Francis Xavier Church will be open for quiet prayer and Confession.



### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

2024 Calendars, courtesy of Ryan Funeral Home and Plis Funeral Home, are available at the church entrance.

### What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

#### Saturday, December 16

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

#### Monday, December 18

Lectio Divina – Ch Hall – 6:30pm

The Light is On For You- Church- 4-7pm

#### Thursday, December 21

Rosary – Church -7:00pm

#### Sunday, December 24

Christmas Eve Masses- 4:00pm and Midnight

#### Monday, December 25

Christmas Mass- 10:00am

### Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$7,780



### Please Pray for...

Genie Barnes, Noah Bilsback, Jack Bragger, Laura Brown, Isabelle Callahan, Robert Darling, Nicole DeMore, Mary Dorsch, Michelle Fleegel, Baby Gavin, Steven Goldberg, Richard Hammond, Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry, Ryan Huff, J. Michael Kelly, Katie Kelly, John Kianka, Eugene Koloski, Brett Kresco, J.E.L., Martin Long, Austin Marlowe, Gerry Muldoon, Andy Nagen, Viking Nyberg, Danielle Painter, Tom Palmer, Gretta Petterson, Lyla Perkins, Peyton James Perkins, Lisa Pikarski, Anthony Rodolico, Barb Stapleton, John Steele, Allan Stonecipher, Kelly Cunningham Suberts, Carl Thorpe, Sandra Wallak, Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson, Msgr. Bob Yeazel

### Please Pray for our Homebound...

Mike Berish, Ethel Cole, Mary Martin

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

### Upcoming Schedule

#### Sunday, December 24

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASSES- 4:00pm and Midnight

#### Monday, December 25

CHRISTMAS MASS- 10:00am

#### Tuesday, Dec. 26 - Friday, Dec. 29

No Mass

“Marriage Means Listening Beyond the Words: Learn The Miracle Skill.” Sponsored by The Third Option, a program to build better marriages. The hybrid meeting is Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Attend in-person at the Parish Center of St. Michael & St. Peter Church, 4782 W. Seneca Turnpike Syracuse, NY 13215 or from the comfort of your home. For more information or the zoom link: sstewart@syrdio.org or (315) 472-6754 ext. 5. A Hope Appeal funded program.



Dear Parish Family,  
This Sunday we celebrate **Gaudet Sunday**. Gaudete 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 Christian faith is that now light is victorious over darkness, sin and death no 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.

***The blessing of the "Bambinelli"***

*This Third Sunday of Advent, we will bless Baby Jesus figurines at all Masses. You may bring your own baby Jesus figurines if you would like to have them blessed. We will also have baby Jesus figurines available to be blessed and distributed.*

God Bless, Fr. Dan

**Counting Blessings**

Thank You, God, for blessings, the large ones and the small; when I stop to count them, so many I recall...The sunshine in the Summer, golden meadows in the Fall, Winter's crystal beauty and springtime's pastel shawl....The love of tender friendships, peace at the even hour, home and hearth so cozy, a shady, verdant bower...Blessings aren't oft noticed in life's busy show, but it's good to sometimes count them as on our way we go.

By: Virginia Borman Grimmer



THE CATHOLIC FAITH.  
ON DEMAND.

St. Francis Xavier Parish has a subscription to FORMED! This is a wonderful resource and it is FREE for you to use so make sure to check it out!

There are 3 easy steps to Sign:

- 1- Visit <http://signup.formed.org/>
- 2- Enter our parish zip or name
- 3- Enter your name and email

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

*Joy, prayer and gratitude are three ways that prepare us to experience Christmas in an authentic way. -Pope Francis*

**December 17, 2023**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**



**Scripture Readings**

Is 61:1-2A, 10-11  
Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54

1 Thes 5:16-24

MK 1:1-8

Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

Today's gospel reports, "There is one among you whom you do not recognize." It is hard to believe Christ is present in a family with crazy schedules, suppers that start too late and end too early, cars that do not start, misunderstandings, frustrations, piles of laundry, unmatched socks and stretched food budgets. The list is endless. The words spoken at Mass, "The Lord is with you," are not a hope, they are a fact.

**Question of the Week - *Bringing Joy through Justice***

*For Adults:* What work of justice could you do this week to bring someone joy?

*For Children:* What could you do for someone this week to make them happy?



**Faith Formation**

**Grades 1-8:**

Sunday 12/17: 9:45am-10:30am

Monday 12/18: 6:15pm-7:00pm

**\*\*NO CLASSES ON 12/24, 12/25, 12/31**

OR 1/1\*\* (Classes resume 1/7 and 1/8)

*We are still collecting donations for our grade-level service projects! Don't forget to bring in your donations when you can!!*

**Gr 1-3:** *Collecting new socks*

**Gr 4-6:** *Collecting loose change to purchase baby blankets*

**Gr 7-8:** *Collecting new children's books*

**CONFIRMATION Year 1 and Year 2:**

**NEXT CLASS IS:** Sunday, January 24, 12:00pm-2:30pm

**CLOW** - *Thank You To All that have been so generous as to offer your time and talent to help with CLOW! I am so happy to say that we have enough volunteers to begin! We are planning on starting in early January. Stay tuned for more info.*

**OTHER NEWS:**

We are so excited to invite all children of the parish to sing at Christmas Eve mass. We will be having practices during Faith Formation classes in December, as well as a practice at Church following 10:45 mass on Sunday, December 17. ALL ARE WELCOME! More information will be sent home to Faith Formation students. If you have a child not in Faith Formation classes, but they would like to sing on Christmas Eve, please email me! [Lcarver@syrdio.org](mailto:Lcarver@syrdio.org)

Caring  
Courteous  
Confidential

# Ryan Funeral Home

Mary Ryan Carlton  
44 East Main Street  
Marcellus, NY  
315-673-2345



## Reagan and Dailey

Attorney at Law

18 East Main Street • Marcellus, NY  
ph: 673-4864 • Mary Reagan Dailey

General Practice of Law, including Estate Planning, Probate, Real Estate

## DEPENDABLE DISPOSAL

472-7455

52 Weeks of reliable  
Service, locally owned  
& operated

## The Best Coverage at the Best Price!

We've been a faithful member of your  
community for 90 years.

Our clients are our friends and neighbors.

We're dedicated to providing the best customer  
care you'd expect from someone you know.



## Reagan Companies

Risk Management and Investment Services  
8 E. Main Street • P.O. Box 191, Marcellus, New York 13108

315.673.2094 800.777.2094

Auto • Home • Boat • Umbrella [ReaganCompanies.com](http://ReaganCompanies.com)



## McClurg

DESIGN BUILD  
REMODEL REPAIR

(315) 673-2051

[www.McClurgTeam.com](http://www.McClurgTeam.com)



**GEDDES  
FEDERAL  
SAVINGS**  
and Loan Association

### SYRACUSE

2208 West Genesee Street

### MANLIUS

240 West Seneca Street

315-468-6281

Trim • Take Down • Removal • Firewood • Mulch  
Senior Citizen Discount • Insured



## BUDGET TREE SERVICE

We Go Out On A Limb To Save You Money!!

6357 Newport Rd.  
Warners, NY 13164

672-3417

- Free Estimate -



Boutique

FOR THE LOVE OF  
COMFORT AND STYLE

60C East Main Street  
Marcellus, NY 13108  
315-673-7266



FOOTBALL • BASEBALL • BASKETBALL • POKEMON  
We'll Pay **CASH** For Your Cards & Collections  
[CuseCardGuys@gmail.com](mailto:CuseCardGuys@gmail.com) 315-416-9565

## PAINTING interior

Mitch Rudy  
315-254-0355

[mitchrudy52@gmail.com](mailto:mitchrudy52@gmail.com)

over 30 years exp.  
free estimates

## Plis Funeral Home, Inc.

"Continuing the Commitment"

33 North Street

Marcellus, New York 13108

315-673-2017

[www.plisfuneralhome.com](http://www.plisfuneralhome.com)

## FINGER LAKES CHIROPRACTIC

Dr. Janet Austin, Chiropractor

4050 Milton Ave, Camillus NY

located inside Pine Grove Health & Country Club  
680-356-1718

[FingerLakesChiropractic.com](http://FingerLakesChiropractic.com)



**SKINNER  
ASSOCIATES  
REALTY**

Owner & Broker

Stephen Skinner

315.373.6896

[stephen@skinnercnyrealty.com](mailto:stephen@skinnercnyrealty.com)

Ready to meet your  
buying or selling needs

## MICHAEL P. KACZOR, D.D.S.

Office Hours by Appointment

Phone: 315-487-2828

5109 W. Genesee St.

Fax: 315-487-2825

Camillus, NY 13031

## Renewal by Andersen.



WINDOW REPLACEMENT an Andersen Company  
RBAofCNY.com [m.rudy@rbaofcny.com](mailto:m.rudy@rbaofcny.com)  
315-391-4762

For  
Advertising  
Information  
Call  
463-1923

**ELITE PROPERTY  
MAINTENANCE, LLC**  
Driveway Sealing • Lawn & Landscaping  
Snow Plowing • Interior Painting  
FULLY INSURED FREE ESTIMATES  
[www.elitesyracuse.com](http://www.elitesyracuse.com) 315-882-7430

## SUPERIOR PRINTING

"Your Full Service Offset Printer Since 1980"

- ★ Business Cards
- ★ Newsletters
- ★ Fax Service

- ★ Raffle Tickets
- ★ Letterheads
- ★ Laminating

- ★ Business Forms
- ★ Envelopes
- ★ Complete Bindery Services
- ★ Color Copies
- ★ Black & White Copies

Steve Rudy

315-463-1923

2025 Teall Avenue