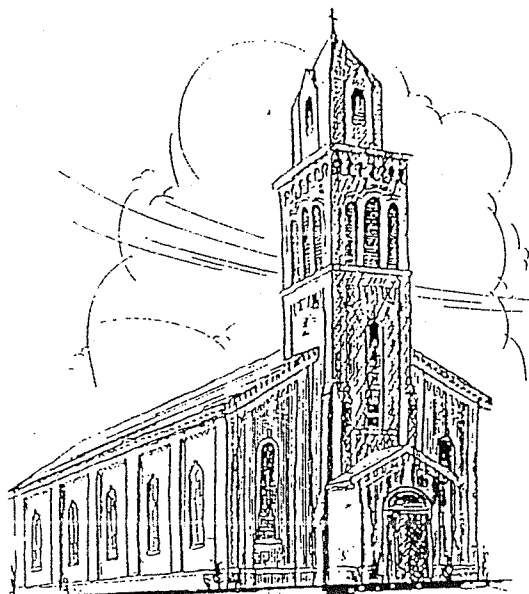


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WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM
Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Sacrament of Penance - Tuesday 5:30pm
Saturday 3:30pm

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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
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James P. Curtin*

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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	Roxanne Taylor
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Beth Cusick	John Ketterer
Jason Palmowski	

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rick Reagan	Jon Roberts
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Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino	
Joseph E. Durand	
Jay Austin	

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday December 28

VIGIL THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
4:30PM- Enzo Melillo- John and Maureen Curtin

Sunday December 29

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
8:30AM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church
10:45AM- Dennis Grogan and Bridget Gigliotti- The Grogan and Abbott Family

Monday December 30

No Mass

Tuesday December 31

VIGIL SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
6:00 PM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church

Wednesday January 1

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
10:00AM- Blessings for the Children of our Parish

Thursday January 2

SAINTS BASIL THE GREAT & GREGORY NAZIANZEN
6:45AM- Rev. William Mesmer

Friday January 3 – First Friday

6:45AM- Barbara Barry- St. Francis Family

Saturday January 4 – First Saturday

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON
9:00AM- Claude Smith- Family
VIGIL EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
4:30PM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church

Sunday January 5

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
8:30AM- Elizabeth Black- Family
10:45AM- Hugh J. White SR- Hugh and Patty White

Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, Jan. 4	Sunday, Jan. 5	
4:30	8:30	10:45
Lector	Lector	Lector
Cheryl Hunt	Terry Kotlarz	Mike McAuliff
E. Ministers	E. Ministers	E. Ministers
Chris Hunt	Larry Abrahamson	Marty McClusky
Altar Servers	Altar Servers	Altar Servers
Ava MacDonald	Peter Daiuto	Nathan Corfield
Tye MacDonald	Daniel Reilly	Jaxon Corfield



A special THANK YOU to Karen Smith for the Christmas Flower donation in honor of Arthur & Rita Abend; Ernest & Elizabeth Lukins, William & Jeanne Lukins and Richard Lukins.

2025 Calendars, courtesy of Ryan Funeral Home & Plis Funeral Home are available at the church entrance.

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Monday, December 30

No Mass

Lectio- Ch Hall- 6:30pm

Tuesday, December 31

Holy Day Vigil Mass- 6:00pm

Wednesday, January 1

Holy Day Mass- 10:00am

Thursday, Jan 2

Rosary- Church- 7:00pm

Friday, January 3 – First Friday

Exposition Church- 7:00am

Benediction- Church- 7:00pm

Saturday, January 4 – First Saturday

Men's Group – Church Hall – 7:30am

First Saturday Mass – Church – 9:00am

Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$8,010



Please Pray for...

Pam and Doug Myles and Family,
Penny Anderson, Greg Gibbons,
Ann Konieczny, Casey Smith, Isabelle Callahan, Genie Barnes, Jack Bragger,

Laura Brown, Robert Darling, Mary Dorsch,
Nicole DeMore, Steven Goldberg, Michelle Fleegel,
Sandra Wallak, Robert Hammond,
Lucienne Henneberry, Ryan Huff,
Katie Kelly, John Kianka, Eugene Koloski,
Brett Kresco, J.E.L., Martin Long,
Austin Marlowe, Andy Nagen, Viking Nyberg,
Danielle Painter, Tom Palmer, Gretta Petterson,
Lyla Perkins, Peyton James Perkins, Lisa Pikarski,
Barb Stapleton, Allan Stonecipher,
Carl Thorpe, Kelly Cunningham Suberts,
Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson, Msgr. Bob Yeazel

Please Pray for our Homebound...

Mike Berish, Mary Martin

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

Please welcome Fr. Fritzen this weekend for Mass!

2024 Donation Letters for Tax Purposes

Please contact Katherine at the parish office to have your donation letter sent to you. Thank you!

"You are rewarded not according to your work or your time but according to the measure of your love"
...St. Catherine of Siena



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Dear Parish Family,

Sometimes we forget that the Holy family was like any other family: they had their good times, difficult times, joys and sorrows. Yet they remain the model of compassion, patience, understanding and love for the other. The family is the basic unit of a healthy society. We call the family (not just the Holy Family) the domestic Church; where children learn the value of life and love, they learn about God, the community, prayer and service. What really makes a family holy is not the dramatic or exceptional moments; but, rather how they live the mundane, every day business of living. When I was on the national Board of Catholic Engaged Encounter we had a saying: "The best thing parents can do for their children is love one another". This love, as every spouse and parent knows is a sacrificial love; looking to the good of the other over one's own concerns. In the words of St. Paul: "Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends." (1Cor. 13: 4-8). While none of us is perfect, and our families aren't perfect; we all can, and should strive, to be open to God's grace and grow more in the likeness of the Holy Family every day.

God Bless,
Fr. Dan

Honey and I would like to thank all of you for your prayers, well wishes, gifts and cards this Christmas. You, and they, are sincerely appreciated.

God Bless

Fr. Dan (and Honey too)

Sandwich Sunday Jan 5th

The Catholic Charities Men's Shelter in Syracuse is very appreciative of all the sandwiches students and parishioners have made this year. Let's continue into the new year keeping our helping hands and hearts busy! Join the Year 1 & 2 Confirmation students after the 10:45 mass on Sunday, Jan 5. They will dive right into making sandwiches and then enjoy donuts, coffee, and juice afterwards. Hope to see you there!

Can't make it to Sandwich Sunday but would still like to help? Calling all **BAKERS** to sign up to make 2 dozen individually wrapped baked goods to pair with our over 200 sandwiches that we send to the homeless shelter on Sandwich Sunday. Please email Katherine at the parish office for more information. Thank you kboos@syrdio.org



December 29, 2024

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Scripture Readings

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14

Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.

Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17

Lk 2:41-52

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:

Today's gospel contains this truth about parenting: "but his parents did not know." One of the reasons parenting is so difficult is because our children don't tell us everything. If the Holy Family had trouble with their teenager, why do we think it will be easier for us?

January 1, 2025:

The gospel tells us "Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart." We would do well to imitate Mary in our New Year's resolution. Instead of criticizing let's "keep it in our hearts." Criticism isn't productive or well received anyway!



FAITH FORMATION

GRADES 1-8

Sunday 12/29-NO CLASSES

Monday 12/30-NO CLASSES

Have a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year! Classes resume on Sunday 1/5 and

Monday 1/6...see you then!!

CONFIRMATION:

Year 1 and Year 2: Class 4: Sunday, January 12: Mass @ 10:45am, then class from 12:00-2:30pm (Safe Environment 12-1pm) at Rel. Ed Center (North St.)

There will be **no** Mass on Monday 12/30.

This will be a Holy Day Vigil Mass Tuesday, 12/31 at 6:00pm and Holy Day Mass on 1/1 at 10:00am.

New Year's Prayer

Thank You Lord for giving me,
The brand new year ahead.
Help me live the way I should,
As each new day I tread.
Give me gentle wisdom,
That I might help a friend,
Give me strength and courage,
So a shoulder I might lend.
The year ahead is empty,
Help me fill it with good things
Each new day filled with joy,
And happiness it brings. Amen.

-Author unknown

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for the New Year!

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