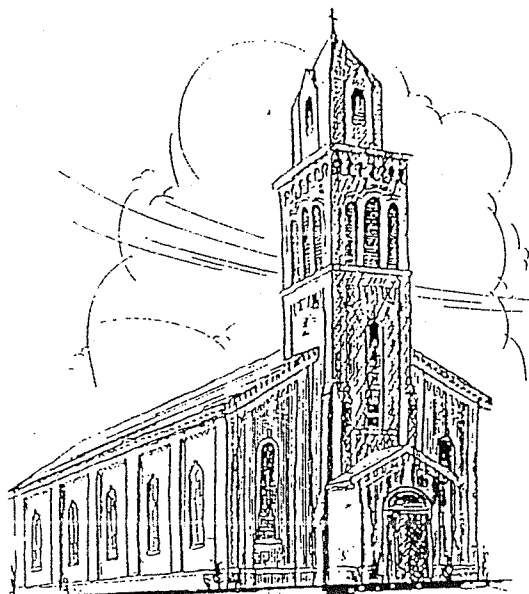


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WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

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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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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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	Roxanne Taylor
Terry Hall	Kim Flood
Ed Dunn	Marty McClusky
Terry Kotlarz	Patty Gooden
Beth Cusick	John Ketterer
Jason Palmowski	

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rick Reagan Jon Roberts
Pat Dailey
Diane Foster
Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino
Joseph E. Durand
Jay Austin

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Saturday December 7 – First Saturday

SAINT AMBROSE

9:00AM- Jonathan Edward Clark- Family

VIGIL SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:30PM- Peggy McNally- Jim

Sunday December 8

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30AM- Enzo Melillo- Hugh and Patty White

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

Monday December 9 – Holy Day of Obligation

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

6:45AM- Karen Hill- Class of 1970

6:00PM- Ethel Cole- The St. Francis Family

Tuesday December 10

OUR LADY OF LORETO

6:00PM- Ann Schmitt- Al and Beverly

Wednesday December 11

SAINT DAMASUS I

No Mass

Thursday December 12

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

6:45AM- Ann Burns- Family

Friday December 13

SAINT LUCY

6:45AM- Ann and Michael Konieczny

Saturday December 14

VIGIL THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:30PM- J.W.MacDonald- The Weeks Family

Sunday December 15

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30AM- Thomas Reilly- The Szczech Family

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

Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, Dec. 14

Sunday, Dec. 15

4:30

8:30

10:45

Lector

Lector

Lector

Tom Brown

Skip Dorsch

Marilyn Duffy

E. Ministers

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MaryJo Palmowski

Joe Reilly

Tim Manahan

Altar Servers

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

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Monday, December 9

Holy Day Mass- 6:45am and 6:00pm

Wednesday, December 11

Stewardship Meeting- Ch Hall- 7:00pm

Thursday, December 12

Senior PEACE Luncheon- Ch Hall- noon

Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$9,167

There will be a 2nd Collection this weekend for the *CATHEDRATICUM*.



Please Pray for...

Pam and Doug Myles and Family,
Penny Anderson, Greg Gibbons,
Ann Konieczny, Casey Smith, Isabelle Callahan, Genie Barnes, Noah Bilsback, 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.

The next *St Francis Xavier Peace Luncheon* will be held on 12/12/24 at Noon in the hall at St Francis Xavier. If not registered for this lunch, please call St Francis at 315-673-2531 by Monday 12/9/24.

Menu: Smothered Pork with Mushroom Gravy, Red Skin Mashed Potatoes, Roasted Brussels Sprouts and Apricots

Looking for Liturgy Committee Members

Do you have artistic, floral or previous liturgical experience you would like to share with our St. Francis Parish Family? Have ideas you would like to see implemented in our worship and would like to be part of planning special liturgies? If so, please join us for our first meeting of the new year on Tues. Dec. 10, 2024 at 7:00pm in church.

-Terry Kotlarz. Liturgy Committee Chair



Dear Parish Family,
Please know that if you have a concern about something here at St. Francis Xavier, you are welcome to make an appointment with me at the Rectory during regular business hours. As a gentle reminder, please know that it is not appropriate for anyone to be critical towards our wonderful Ministry group, especially our Altar Servers, who always do so much for our church. Additionally, as a parish, we should be on our knees thanking Almighty God that we have so many young families who choose to celebrate the Eucharist with us and so many young boys and girls who actually enjoy being at Mass and serving at the Altar.

Next Sunday we will have the blessing of the **'Bambellini'**; if you would like to have the infant Jesus from your Christmas creche blessed, simply bring it to Mass with you next Sunday.

The **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**, because it falls on Sunday this year, is transferred to Monday, December 9. This is a Holy Day of Obligation as Mary, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, is the Patron of our nation. There will be Mass on Monday at 6:45 AM and another at 6:00 PM.

God Bless, Fr. Dan



**FAITH FORMATION
GRADES 1-8**

Sunday 12/15-Gr. 1-8: (9:45am-10:30am)
Monday 12/16-Gr. 1-8: (6:15pm-7:00pm)
*Sunday 12/15: 10:45am mass: Mrs

Stokking's Grades 3/4 Sunday morning class will be having their grade-level mass and hosting Sandwich Sunday at the Church hall following mass.

CONFIRMATION:

Year 1 and Year 2: Class 3: Sunday, December 15:
Mass @ 10:45am, then class from 12:00-2:30pm at Religious Ed Center (North Street)

ALL CHILDREN OF THE PARISH are invited to participate in signing a few carols before Christmas Eve mass. We ask that any children participating join for a brief rehearsal after the 10:45am mass on December 8 and December 22. Please email me with any questions! Thank you! Laura Carver
lcarver@syrdio.org

Our next Sandwich Sunday is Dec. 15
Please join us after the 10:45 mass to make sandwiches followed by enjoying donuts, coffee, and juice. Mark your calendar and we hope to see you there!



**December 8, 2024
Second Sunday of Advent**

Scripture Readings

Bar 5:1-9
Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6.
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11

Lk 3:1-6

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:

Today's gospel shows John the Baptist and parents have similar vocations. Like the Baptist, parents are asked to make "rough ways smooth" and to "prepare the way of the Lord" for their families. This Advent ask: "Does my life hinder or help my family to know Jesus?"

GIVING TREE - Due to the low number of Food Pantry families this year, we will not be putting up a Giving Tree. However, we do have a few children from the Food Pantry that need gifts. If you would like to sponsor a family, please contact Katherine at the parish office at (315) 673-2531.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Let the Children Come...

Thank you to all you parents who bring your children to celebrate the Eucharist with us; they are a delight and joy and remind us of how wonderful a gift children really are. Please know that ALL children, no matter their age, are welcome here at St. Francis Xavier and by our Lord. To quote one of my favorite Scripture passages: "And the people were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the Kingdom of God like a child will not enter it."

Then he embraced them, blessed them, placing his hands on them." *Mark 10: 13-15*

God bless, Fr. Dan

There is a quote (and I don't remember where it is from): "A parish that isn't crying is dying" It is great to hear the children, even if they cry, wiggle, or walk around. Parents never be concerned that your child is making too much noise, or is a distraction: they ARE NOT. Children are supposed to be children. When the children see you at Mass, they will feel comfortable in Church; it is their parish home and we are their parish family. Fr. Dan.

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