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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:

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

Holy Day Masses: See schedule inside.

Weekend Masses: Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm Sunday Masses: 8:30 am & 10:45 am

Daily Mass: 6:45 am Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri

Weekend Mass Schedule in our area

St. Michael-St. Peter Sat. Evening: 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:15 am Sunday: 8:00 & 10:15 am

St. Mary's of the Lake Sat. Evening: 4:30 pm

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* Parish Secretaries: Mary Jo Osterman Katherine Boos

Social Service Coordinators: Rosalie Durand

Patty White Music Director: Robin Schott, Jr. Buildings and Grounds: Ron Schneider **Confirmation Coordinator:** Lori Tucker

Housekeeper: Kathy Welsh Parish Historian: John P. Curtin

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 Roxanne Taylor Kim Flood Terry Hall Marty McClusky Pen Anderson Cheryl Hunt Terry Kotlarz Beth Cusick FINANCE COMMITTEE: **Rick Reagan** Jay Austin Chris Hunt **Diane** Foster Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino Dc. John J. Falge John P. Curtin Joseph E. Durand



Saturday January 4 – First Saturday

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON 9:00 AM- Bishop Lucia & Bishop Cunningham VIGIL EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 4:30 PM- Claude Smith- Family

Sunday January 5 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 8:30 AM- Elizabeth Black- Family 10:45 AM- People of St. Francis

Monday January 6 SAINT ANDRE BESSETTE 6:45 AM- Vocations

Tuesday January 7 SAINT RAYMOND OF PENAFORT 6:00 PM- Fr. Saba- Deacon Community

<u>Wednesday January 8</u> 6:45 AM- Respect for the Dignity of Human Life

Thursday January 9 6:45 AM- Bob Wilson

Friday January 10 6:45 AM- Virginia Albanese

Saturday January 11 VIGIL BAPTISM OF THE LORD 4:30 PM- People of St. Francis

Sunday January 12

BAPTISM OF THE LORD 8:30 AM- Tom Eisenberg- Delaney Family 10:45 AM- Robert J. Wilson- Margaret Kuhn

Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, Jan 11	Sunday, Jan 12	
4:30pm	8:30am	10:45am
Lector	Lector	Lector
Meg Curtin	Donna Reagan	Confirmation
E. Ministers	E. Ministers	E. Ministers
Helen Thorpe	Kim McAuliff	Jeff Dixe
Maureen Curtin	Kim LaRose	Marilyn Duffy
Linda Phillips	Terry Hall	Tim Manahan
Hugh White	Mike Hall	Peggy Perl
Bill Stewart	Jeanie Cupoli	
Altar Servers	Altar Servers	Altar Servers
Amanda Barbaro	Mac Ciras	Mason Falge
Matthew Barbaro		Conor Wierbinski



Holy Father's Prayer Intentions -January Evangelization – Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Saturday January 4 – First Saturday Men's Group- Ch Hall- 7:30 am First Saturday Mass- Church- 9:00 am Sunday January 5 CLOW Prayer Ministry- Church- after 8:30 & 10:45 Mass Monday January 6 Lectio Divina- Ch Hall- 6:30 pm Wednesday January 8 Adult Choir Rehearsal- Church- 7:30 pm Thursday January 9 Rosary- Church- 7:00 pm Sunday January 12 CLOW

Prayer Ministry- Church- after 8:30 & 10:45 Mass

Our Weekly Collection Weekly Goal: \$7,900 Last Week: \$8,000

Please Pray For...

John Bednarski, Dennis McEnery, Ed Dillon, Riley Christine Perkins, Nick Olenych, Roger Schott, Danielle Painter, Nate Wagner, Nicole DeMore, Lisa Pikarski, J.E.L., Michelle Fleegel, Jo-Ann Foertch, Ellie Hauver, Justin MacLachlan, Jack Bragger, Florence M. Linda, Peggy Paradise, Missy Fitz, Austin Marlowe, Brian Stonelake, Brett Kresco, Lucienne Henneberry, Jo'Ann F., Allan Stonecipher, Genie Barnes, Donna Martin, Kelly Cunningham Suberts, Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson Please Pray for Our Homebound... Isabell LaClair, Theresa Holmes, Kay Wilson, Jim Reagan, Helen Volcko, Mike Berish, Ethel Cole, Peggy Crysler, Marie Patterson, Mary Martin, Barbara Vautrot, Patricia Welch Please call the Church Office to add anyone to our

Prayer List.

The **Epiphany** marks the arrival of visitors, identified in Scripture as the magi, to the place where Jesus was born. Although we know virtually nothing about them, we do know they brought three gifts: 1. **Gold** - a symbol of wealth and power, identifies the recipient as a king. 2. **Frankincense** - the crystalized resinous sap of a tree used as incense and as an offering, is symbolic of prayer. 3. **Myrrh** - another resinous tree sap, was used in

3. Myrrh - another resinous tree sap, was used in healing liniments and as an embalming ointment. Myrrh is an odd gift for a child—so, even at the beginning of Jesus' life on earth, this gift foreshadows his death.

Faith Formation / Religious Ed

"People don't care how much you know – until they know how much you care."

-Theodore Roosevelt

CLOW (children's liturgy) resumes this weekend at the 10:45 Mass. For children K-gr 3 and parents are welcome to accompany their child.

1ST PENANCE/EUCHARIST registration meeting for parents only Sunday, Jan. 5 at 1 pm at the Center.



High School Confirmation

Rite of Enrollment for Year 2 class: 10:45 am Mass Sunday, Jan. 12th

Class Sunday, Jan. 19th: Year 1 @ 3:30-5:30 pm Year 2 @ 6:30-8:30 pm

A Message from Fr. Dan:

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Celebration of our Lord's Nativity truly wonderful here at St. Francis Xavier. All those who helped to decorate and get the Church ready; all of our ministers: lectors, greeters, ushers, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers. All of our music ministers who add so much to our celebrations and finally to all who came to Mass to celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

I would also like to extend a personal thank you to all of you for your prayers, greetings, cards and gifts. You are truly an outstanding Parish Community. God bless you all. *Fr. Dan*

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

Mass & Reception Sunday, February 16th, 2020, 2:30 pm The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

All married couples and their families are invited to attend this Mass, celebrated by Bishop Douglas J. Lucia. A special blessing will be offered for all couples in attendance, and a reception will follow the conclusion of the Mass.

Couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, or 50+ year anniversary in 2020 will be given special recognition by the Bishop. If you were married in 1995, 1970, or any year prior to 1970, please contact the parish office to receive your special invitation.



January 5, 2020 The Epiphany of the Lord

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod,

behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."–*Matthew 2:1-2*

The story of the Magi has a bit of everything needed to summarize the Gospel. The evil ruler Herod reminds us that although the powers of the world are mighty and terrifying, God can circumvent them in unexpected, utterly simple, and nonviolent ways.

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar – Today's gospel tells us "all Jerusalem" was upset because "King Herod was deeply troubled." A similar ripple effect happens in families; one person's negative attitude can affect the whole family. If you want a peaceful and joyful home, it must start with you. Be peaceful and joyful!

A Message from Fr. Dan:

Dear Children,

I would like to invite you to consider becoming an Altar Server at St. Francis Xavier Parish. The ministry of Altar Server is an important ministry and part of our celebration of the Eucharist every Sunday at Mass. In addition to serving at Sunday Mass, altar servers can also be asked to assist at weddings and funerals as well as at other celebrations throughout the year.

The altar server ministry is very important. Like all calls to serve God's people, it is God who really invites you to be a server. God calls you to help our parish worship by being an altar server. The server is the priest and deacon's right hand helper. But as St. John Paul II said, the Altar server is above all a server for Jesus. This will be an experience you will remember for the rest of your life.

Fr. Dan

Elizabeth Ministry

Wishing everyone a Blessed and Happy New Year!