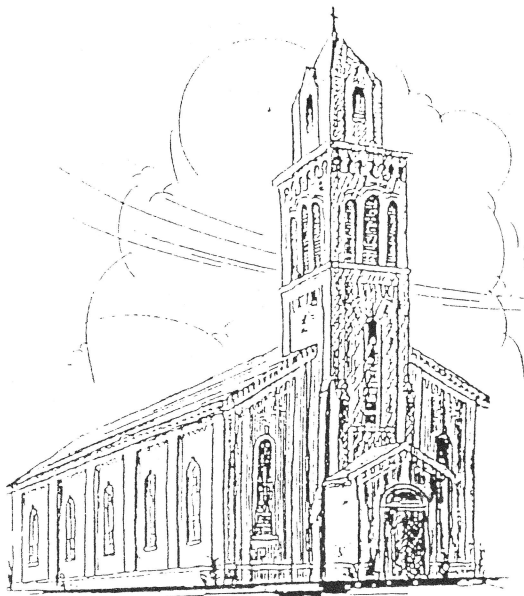


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## WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:45 AM

Sacrament of Penance - Saturday 3:30pm

## TELEPHONES:

Rectory: 673-2531

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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\*

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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 February 25**

VIGIL FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM- Fredrick Anthony Lubkin- Catherine Grace

### **Sunday February 26**

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- Ann Burns- Family

10:45 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier

### **Monday February 27**

SAINT GREGORY

6:45 AM- Rev. John M. Quinn

### **Tuesday February 28**

6:00 PM- Beverly Koloski- Monica Bloomstine

### **Wednesday March 1**

*No Mass*

### **Thursday March 2**

6:45 AM- David Files- Friends

### **Friday March 3 – First Friday**

SAINT KATHARINE

6:45 AM- Linda Ruggio- Friends

### **Saturday March 4 – First Saturday**

9:00 AM- Jonathan E. Clark- Family

VIGIL SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM- Thomas Reilly- Anne Myers

### **Sunday March 5**

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- Henry Gooden- Family

10:45 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier

### **Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier**

Saturday, March 4	Sunday, March 5	
4:30	8:30	10:45
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Lectors</b>
Jamie Curtin	Jeanie Cupoli	Trish Austin
<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
Jack Lindgren	Mac Ciras	Madeline Carver Cecilia Carver

### **Lenten Regulations for Fasting and Abstinence**

**Days of Abstinence:** No meat can be eaten on Ash Wednesday and all of the Fridays during Lent. This applies to all Catholics 14 and older.

**Days to Fast:** Only one full meal is permitted on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for Catholics between 18 and 59. Two smaller meals are permitted, but the small meals should not equal a second full meal. Drinking coffee, tea and water between meals is allowed. Snacks between meals are not allowed.

*One is not bound to fast if health or the ability to work is affected.*

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

#### **Monday, February 27**

Lectio Divina- Ch Hall- 6:30pm

#### **Wednesday, March 1**

Lenten Luncheon- St. Francis- Noon

#### **Thursday, March 2**

Rosary- Church- 7:00pm

#### **Friday, March 3 – First Friday**

Exposition- Church- 7:00am

Benediction followed by Stations of the Cross- Church- 7:00pm

#### **Saturday, March 4 – First Saturday**

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

First Saturday Mass- Church- 9:00am

### **Our Weekly Collection**

**Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$6,500**

### **Please Pray for...**

John Kianka, Baby Gavin, Marilyn Warnock,  
Tom Palmer, Andy Nagen, Martin Long,  
J.E.L., Robert Darling, J. Michael Kelly, Barb Stapleton,  
Peyton James Perkins, Mary Dorsch,  
Msgr. Bob Yeazel, Gretta Petterson,  
Robert Hammond, Richard Hammond,  
Isabelle Callahan, Riley Christine Perkins,  
Danielle Painter, Genie Barnes, Nicole DeMore,  
Lisa Pikarski, Michelle Fleegel,  
Jack Bragger, Missy Fitz, Austin Marlowe,  
Brett Kresco, Lucienne Henneberry,  
Allan Stonecipher, Kelly Cunningham Suberts,  
Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson

### **Please Pray for our Homebound...**

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

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

### **The Fr. Mike Donovan Memorial Scholarship**

This past Fall we held the first annual Fr. Mike Donovan Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament and are now ready to accept applications for the scholarship. The Scholarship is open to any Senior from St. Francis Xavier Parish who will be graduating from High School this spring and will be attending a four or two year college or a trade school in the 2023/2024 Academic year. The Scholarship is worth \$500. To apply, simply submit a printed copy to Fr. Dan by noon on Sunday April 30, 2023 of an essay describing what your Catholic Faith means to you and what St. Francis Xavier Parish means to you. Please include your full name, address and phone contact number along with the School from which you are graduating this year, the date of your graduation and the school you will be attending in the fall.



### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Lent is “a period of more intense spiritual preparation, consisting more in interior reflection than in

catechetical instruction, and is intended to purify the minds and hearts of the elect as they search their own consciences and do penance. This period is intended as well to enlighten their minds and hearts with a deeper knowledge of Christ the Savior. The celebration of certain rites, particularly the scrutinies and the presentations brings about this process of purification and enlightenment and extends it over the course of the entire Lenten season” (R.C.I.A., 139).

The Rite of Election will be celebrated by Bishop Lucia at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on the First Sunday of Lent (February 26th) at 2:30 PM.

### Faith Formation

Gr. 1-8:

Sunday 2/26 - NO CLASS

Monday 2/27- 6:15-7:00pm

Confirmation- Upcoming Events:

**Year 2:** Sunday, March 5th- **Rite of Enrollment** at 8:30am Mass (retreat at Church Hall immediately following)

Sunday, March 5th-**Retreat** at Church Hall following 8:30am Mass until 12:30pm

**Year 1:**

Saturday, May 6th- Retreat @ Orenda Springs 9:30 – 2:00



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Calling all high schoolers! In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at the Franciscan

University of Steubenville on July 13-16, 2023 to experience the peace of Jesus Christ, who is our refuge and never wearies of loving us.

Freshmen in high school through freshmen in college are invited to attend this retreat with our group.

If you are interested, please contact the parish office for more information! (315) 673-2531

*2022 Donation Letters for Tax Purposes*

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



**February 26, 2023**

**First Sunday of Lent**

### Scripture Readings

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17

Rom 5:12-19

Mt 4:1-11

**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar** – In today’s gospel Jesus cautions it is not enough to provide food for our children; “one does not live on bread alone.” Let Lent 2023 be a time when you are “led by the Spirit” to explore new ways to be a moral guide to your children.

### Meeting Christ in Prayer IS BACK!

After a 3 year break due to covid, we are elated to bring back this incredible 8 week prayer experience this Lenten and Easter season. Modeled after the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Meeting Christ in Prayer introduces participants to various ways of praying, helps them form regular habits of prayer, and provides them with an opportunity to meet Christ anew. Participants take part in a retreat within their daily lives, during which they commit to 20 – 30 minutes of daily prayer and reflection exercises. Throughout the retreat, you are supported with eight weekly small group meetings that include group prayer, guided meditation, faith sharing, and reflection; and an overview of prayer exercises that are practiced throughout the week. Nearly 100 people in our parish have previously participated in MCIP! This year we are incredibly fortunate and blessed to have Gina Powell and Maribeth Rayfield serve as our group leaders. Weekly meetings will be held on Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm at the Religious Education Center on North St. More information to come!! God bless.

### Marcellus Ecumenical Noon Lenten Luncheons

March 1- St. Francis Xavier Church

March 8- Marcellus First Presbyterian Church

March 15- St. John's Episcopal Church

March 22- Marcellus United Methodist Church

March 29- St. Francis Xavier Church

### Annual IGNITE Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, March 25, 2023 8:00AM – 4:30PM

Scheduled speakers: Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Gus Lloyd, Michael McGlenn. We will be back at the SRC Arena & Event Center. Open to men ages 16 - 96. We are expecting a close to sell-out crowd based on the slated speakers. Registration is open!

Register at [www.ignitecatholicmen.org](http://www.ignitecatholicmen.org)

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