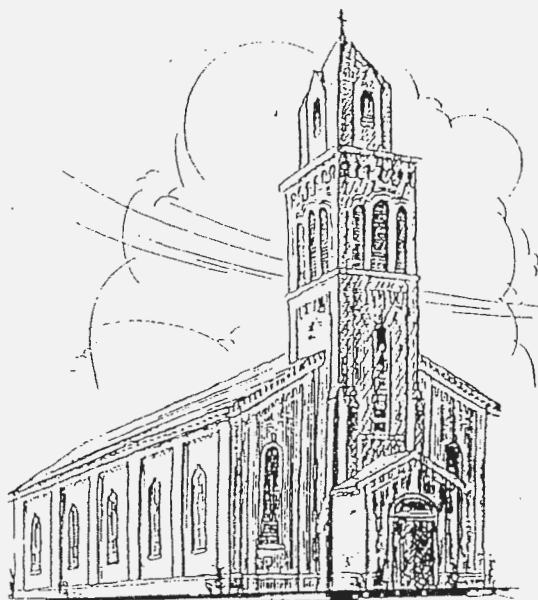


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WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:45 AM

Sacrament of Penance - Saturday 3:30pm

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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, 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

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*

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Parish Historian: John P. Curtin

Confirmation Coordinators:

Laurie LeFever

Laura Carver

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

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Terry Kotlarz

Carter Austin

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rick Reagan

Chris Hunt

Diane Foster

Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino

Joseph E. Durand

Jay Austin

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday February 13

VIGIL SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30 PM- Donna & Claude Incaudo- Kevin & Beth Feeney

Sunday February 14

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM- Gary Jones- Pat Palen

10:45 AM- Jim Reagan- Carol and Robert Clark

Monday February 15

6:45 AM- James Harvey- Austin Family

Tuesday February 16

6:00 PM- Donna Incaudo- Marianne Jula

Wednesday February 17

ASH WEDNESDAY

6:45 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier Parish

Noon- *Service only*

6:00 PM- William Bruzdinski- Family

Thursday February 18

6:45 AM- Ronald Owen- Friends

Friday February 19

6:45 AM- Martha Lollis- Carol and Robert Clark

Saturday February 20

VIGIL FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM- People of St. Francis Xavier Parish

Sunday February 21

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- Pearl Card- Ed and Katie Verstraete

10:45 AM- Elizabeth Formoza- George Spoor

Information Regarding Mass & Confession

Mass: We are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass until further notice. If you are uncomfortable with attending any group gathering or have a preexisting medical condition that would make you more susceptible; or are ill or have any symptoms of covid19 or your family member is ill; please stay home & take care of yourself. You may view the weekend Mass on our Facebook page or through the link on our website.

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

St. Francis is open for public Mass for *50 people*.

In addition to weekend Mass, this week we will also have Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday Mass. Please note that on **ASH Wednesday**, Ashes will be distributed at both Masses and the noon Service.

REMINDER: Please SIGN UP online if you plan on attending Mass & review safety measures.

www.sfxmarcellus.com/events

(Please sign up by Friday morning for weekend Mass)

Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal: \$7,900 Last Week: \$4,408

Please Pray For...

Gretta Petterson, Robert Hammond,
Richard Hammond, Isabelle Callahan,
Dennis McEnery, Riley Christine Perkins,
Nick Olenych, Roger Schott, Danielle Painter,
Genie Barnes, Nicole DeMore, Lisa Pikarski,
Michelle Fleegel, Jo-Ann Foertch,
Ellie Hauver, Justin MacLachlan, Jack Bragger,
Peggy Paradise, Missy Fitz, Austin Marlowe,
Brian Stonelake, Brett Kresco, Lucienne Henneberry,
Allan Stonecipher, Donna Martin, J.E.L.,
Kelly Cunningham Suberts, Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson

Please Pray for Our Homebound...

Isabelle LaClair, Theresa Holmes, Kay Wilson,
Helen Volcko, Mike Berish,
Marie Patterson, Mary Martin, Ethel Cole
Please call the Church Office to add anyone to our Prayer List.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

Universal intention – Violence against women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

40 Days for Life February 17- March 28

This Lent, we are uniting with close to 500 cities worldwide for 40 days of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. Come pray with us for an hour anytime between **7 a.m.- 7 p.m.** in front of the Syracuse Planned Parenthood abortion center at **1120 E. Genesee St.** Our prayerful presence there is making a difference! We've seen more than 70 women change their minds and choose life for their babies!

Please join us Wednesday February 17 at 3:00 PM for the Opening Prayer Service!

For more information, please contact Jeanie Owens (315) 956-7772, Shannon Guy (315) 664-5067, or go to 40daysforlife.com/syracuse

Ash Wednesday – February 17th

Ashes will be distributed at both Masses and the noon Service. Please sign up online.

6:45 am- Mass

Noon- Service only

6:00 pm- Mass

In keeping with the various health and safety precautions in place for the celebration of the sacraments during the COVID-19 pandemic, the distribution of Ashes will take place in the Diocese of Syracuse this year by way of the Roman custom, which entails sprinkling them on the crown of the head.

Catechesis: Why are ashes being distributed “differently” during the COVID-19 Pandemic?

The purpose of the “different” manner of distributing ashes this year is to ensure the health and safety of all who wish to receive them on Ash Wednesday. The measures being taken are similar to the precautions currently in place for the reception of Holy Communion and the conferral of the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Anointing of the Sick. Ultimately, they are meant to limit contact and the potential exchange of droplets/aerosols. Since blessed ashes are typically traced in the form of a cross on the foreheads of those who receive them in the United States, the manner in which they will be distributed this year may seem “different” to some. However, in many parts of the world, including Italy, blessed ashes are typically sprinkled on the heads of those who receive them. In fact, this is how our Holy Father, Pope Francis, receives his ashes! The Roman Missal instruction for the distribution of ashes actually says: “The Priest places ashes on the head of all those present.” Moreover, in the first reading proclaimed at Mass the Lord says, “Return to me with your whole heart... Rend your hearts, not your garments and return” (Joel 2: 12-13). Therefore, a “different” reception of ashes for some is an occasion for all to begin and maintain Lent as a season not of outward appearances, but of renewal in matters of the heart – faith, hope, and love – through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving done before the Father who sees in secret and repays (Matt 6:1-6, 16-18).

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February 14, 2021

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11

1 Cor 10:31—11:1

Mk 1:40-45

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar – Family life is about decisions. The leper in today’s gospel knew this when he said to Jesus. “If you will, you can make me clean.” Jesus knew this when He said, “I do will it.” Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in “good times and bad,” even when we don’t feel like it.

Consecration to St. Joseph

Beginning on Feb. 15 and continuing for 33 days, the consecration will culminate in a diocesan celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at noon on March 19. Honoring both the Year of St. Joseph and the Year of Vocations, we invoke the intercession of St. Joseph as patron of the Universal Church, and bring our diocesan family under his care and protection. The consecration is an opportunity to recommit ourselves to our baptismal calling, reminiscent of Joseph rising from a dream-filled sleep with renewed resolution to take Mary as his wife. To receive a daily email with the consecration prayers, register at syrdio.org. Click the button that says, “Register for the Consecration to St. Joseph.” The prayers and more information are also available by clicking the registration link.

A Wonderful Lenten Journey Is Waiting For You!

It's time to take a journey with the Wild Goose! The Wild Goose series is truly a work of the Holy Spirit. “Wild Goose” was a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. It is a 14 part series featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka and various interviews. Shot in various locations from Niagara Falls to the California desert, The Wild Goose invites viewers to an encounter, or a renewed encounter, with the Holy Spirit. We will be giving any and all interested parishioners who wish to follow the Wild Goose this Lent, a free study guide that goes along with each episode. More information to follow! God Bless!

World Marriage Day February 14

This week and weekend we are celebrating Marriage.

Let’s take time to pray for spouses and marriages.

Spouses – do something special for each other this week to show your gratitude for one another’s YES! Children – do something to thank or honor your parents or married couples you look up to. May God bless, protect and strengthen all marriages!

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