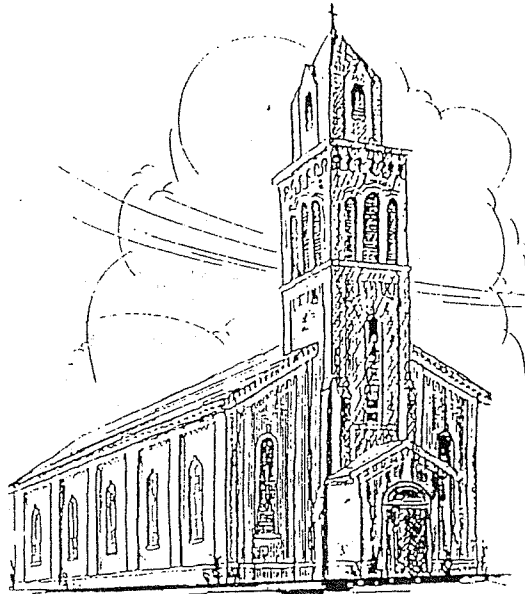


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WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

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
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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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PASTORAL STAFF:

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PARISH TRUSTEES:

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
Pen Anderson	Marty McClusky
Terry Kotlarz	Carter Austin
Beth Cusick	John Ketterer
Patty Gooden	Ed Dunn

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday February 17

VIGIL FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM- Kathleen Satalin- Family

Sunday February 18

VIGIL FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church

10:45 AM- Joseph Falge- Family

Monday February 19

6:45AM- Lennyn Lilic- Friends

Tuesday February 20

6:00 PM- Bob and Kay Wilson- Friends

Wednesday February 21

SAINT PETER DAMIAN

No Mass

Thursday February 22

6:45AM- Carol Anne McGrath- Family

Friday February 23

6:45AM- Fr. Daniel Hartnett- Callahan Family

Saturday February 24

VIGIL SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Sunday February 25

VIGIL SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- George Hall- Mike and Terry

10:45 AM- John "Tom" Steele- The Skvarches

Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, Feb. 24

Sunday, Feb. 25

4:30

8:30

10:45

Lector

Lector

Lector

Jennifer Zinn

Skip Dorsch

Jeff Dixe

E. Ministers

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Beth Feeney

Diane Foster

Marty McClusky

Altar Servers

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Blake LaPlant

Daniel Reilly

Daniel Cross

Jesse LaPlant

Max Stokking

CLOW

Nancy Palmer

Zoe LeFever

The *SECOND COLLECTION* this weekend is for:
Black and Native American.

Marcellus Ecumenical Noon Lenten Luncheons

February 21- Marcellus First Presbyterian Church

February 28- St. Francis Xavier Church

March 6- St. John's Episcopal Church

March 13- Marcellus United Methodist Church

March 20- Marcellus First Presbyterian Church

*Rice Bowls for Lent are located by the church entrances.
Please return by Holy Thursday.*

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Saturday, February 17

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

Sunday, February 18

No CLOW

Monday, February 19

Lectio- Ch Hall- 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 21

Ecumenical Lenten Lunch- Presbyterian Church- Noon

Thursday, February 22

Rosary- Church- 7:00pm

Friday, February 23

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

Sunday, February 25

CLOW

Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$8,629



Please Pray for...

Fr. Jim Fritzen, Isabelle Callahan,
Genie Barnes, Noah Bilsback,
Jack Bragger, Laura Brown,
Robert Darling, Nicole DeMore,
Mary Dorsch, Michelle Flegel,

Baby Gavin, Steven Goldberg, Richard Hammond,
Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry, Ryan Huff,
J. Michael Kelly, Katie Kelly, John Kianka,
Eugene Koloski, Brett Kresco, J.E.L., Martin Long,
Austin Marlowe, Gerry Muldoon, 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, Sandra Wallak,
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.

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.

*Please contact the parish office if you would like to have your
2023 tax donation letter sent to you.*



Celebrate Lent

Dear Parish Family,

Yes, you read correctly: I would like to recommend that we celebrate the season of Lent. Each year the Liturgical calendar gives the gift of time to focus on the gift of our God. Lent is not just about 'giving up', or 'self-denial'; it is a call to being open to the activity of God's grace to, by God's grace, to deepen our relationship with our God, His Church. The traditional practices of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving are offered as ways to do just that. Why do I say that we should celebrate Lent? At the end of the Forty-day journey we begin the most sacred time of our Church year: the Sacred Triduum. We will enter again into the mystery of the gift of the Holy Eucharist, the Passion and death of Jesus Christ for our salvation, all of which culminates in the Glorious Resurrection of Christ. God's love for us and His mercy are most certainly reasons for us to celebrate. As we heard on Ash Wednesday: "Repent and believe the Good News". The Good News is that "God so loved the world that he sent his only son into the world; not to judge or condemn the world, but to set it free: (John 3:16). Lent is a time to go deeper into this mystery and become more closely associated with the Lord. Jesus. So, let us celebrate Lent this year.

God Bless, Fr. Dan



Faith Formation

GRADES 1-8: 2/18 & 2/19 NO CLASS

Sun. 2/25-Class resumes-9:45am-10:30am

Mon. 2/26-Class resumes-6:15pm-7:00pm

FIRST PENANCE WORKSHOP:

Sunday 2/25-1pm-3pm at the Religious

Ed Center (students only).

SACRAMENT OF FIRST PENANCE: Sunday 3/2-11:00am at the Church

CONF: Year 1: Your Year 2 classes will begin in the fall. Don't forget to check your emails and sign up for volunteer opportunities!!

CONF: Year 2: Sunday, March 17 12:00pm-1:30pm: Confirmation Interviews (Check your email to sign up)
Sunday, April 7-Retreat begins with mass @ 8:30am and we will move over to the Church Hall after mass.
Retreat will end at 2:30pm

Wed., April 10-Rehearsal 6:00pm-7:30pm- Church
Wed., April 17-CONFIRMATION 6:00pm-Church

CLOW: Sunday 2/18- NO CLOW

Sunday 2/25-CLOW during 10:45am Mass

Other: We are in desperate need of substitute teachers on Sundays for the months of February and March. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time.
Lcarver@syrдио.org.



February 18, 2024
First Sunday of Lent

Scripture Readings

Gn 9:8-15

Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9.

1 Pt 3:18-22

Mk 1:12-15

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar: Jesus went into the desert to put his life in perspective. This Lent, take a fresh look at a difficult relationship in your life. Concentrate on the positive things that person does, not just the negatives. Try to understand why their behaviors "bug" you. Can you honestly share your feelings with them without attacking them? Make Lent a time to MEND and FORGIVE!

Question of the Week - *A Change of Heart*

For Adults: When or how could you step away from your daily responsibilities to renew yourself, so that you can do a better job of following in the footsteps of Jesus?



Marcellus Ecumenical Food Pantry

Next weekend - February 24 & 25

The 4th Sunday of every month is our St. Francis Food Pantry Collection.

If you are able to make a donation, please leave the items in/by the baskets at the back entrance ramp door.

Thank you!

Wish List: Kids Snacks, Coffee, Pet Food, Personal Care Items

Joseph's House for Women Baby Bottle Drive

at St. Francis Xavier Parish begins the weekend of March 2 & 3. The BBD helps to support pregnant women and those parenting young children who are facing homelessness in CNY! Your support provides a warm and nurturing home and the hope for a brighter future! Pick up your bottle at the parish and fill it with your cash, check, or change!

Return your bottle to the designated containers by Sunday, March 17th. You can also give securely online at www.jhfw.org/baby-bottle-drive To learn more about their life-saving work, visit www.jhfw.org

40 Days for Life February 14- March 24

Help save lives in Syracuse by joining in prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. God is doing great things in Syracuse and calls us to be present at the Planned Parenthood abortion center to be a sign of Hope and a source of help to pregnant women in need! No experience is necessary, just a heart full of compassion for moms and their little ones. Call Jeanie 315.956.7772 or email syracuse40daysforlife@gmail.com with questions or to sign up for your hour of prayer!



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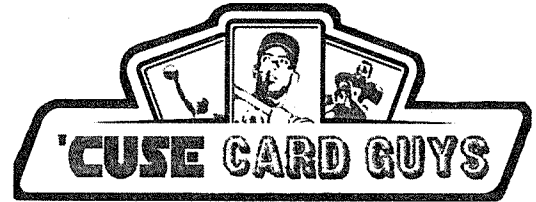
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