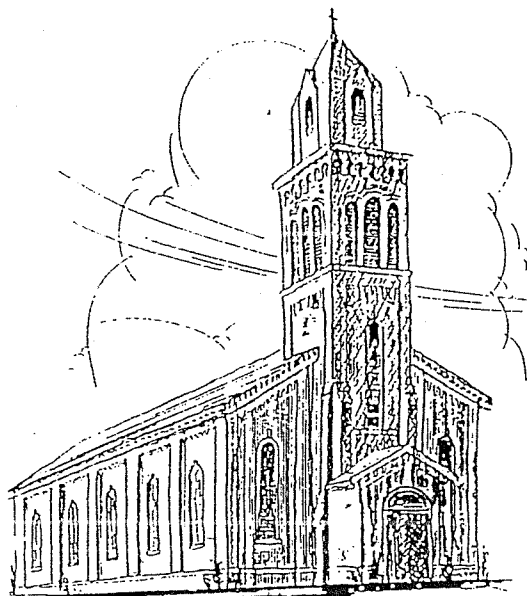


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## WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM  
Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:45 AM  
Sacrament of Penance - Tuesday 5:30pm  
Saturday 3:30pm

## TELEPHONES:

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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

### 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\*  
Deacon Jeff Dixie\*  
Faith Formation Director: Laura Carver\*  
[lcarter@syrdio.org](mailto:lcarter@syrdio.org)  
Parish Secretary:  
Katherine Boos [kboos@syrdio.org](mailto:kboos@syrdio.org)  
Social Service Coordinators:  
Rosalie Durand, Patty White  
Music Director: Chrissy Camuglia\*

Buildings and Grounds: Ron Schneider  
Housekeeper: Kathy Welsh  
Parish Historian: John P. Curtin  
Confirmation Coordinators:  
Laurie LeFever, Laura Carver  
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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
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 February 22**

VIGIL SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30PM- Joseph Falge- Family

## **Sunday February 23**

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

10:45AM- Nelson Lavere- Kathleen and Frank Szczech

## **Monday February 24**

6:45 AM- Carol Anne McGrath- The McGrath Family

## **Tuesday February 25**

6:00 PM- Robert Clark- Carol Clark

## **Wednesday February 26**

No Mass

## **Thursday February 27**

SAINT GREGORY OF NAREK

6:45AM- Gavin and Gia Myers- St. Francis Family

## **Friday February 28**

6:45AM- Paige Swierk- St. Francis Family

## **Saturday March 1 – First Saturday**

9:00AM- Dc. Thomas F. Crossett- St. Francis Family

VIGIL EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30PM- Robert Burnett- Hugh & Patty White

## **Sunday March 2**

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30AM- Pam Falge- St. Francis Family

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

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

Saturday, Mar 1	Sunday, Mar 2	
4:30	8:30	10:45
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Lector</b>
Terry Hall	Terry Kotlarz	Mike McAuliff
<b>E. Ministers</b>	<b>E. Ministers</b>	<b>E. Ministers</b>
Beth Feeney	Joe Reilly	Marty McClusky
<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
Jack Lindgren	Peter Daiuto	Nathan Corfield
Calum Mosure	Daniel Reilly	Jaxon Corfield

The Church of St. Michael and St. Peter

Chicken & Biscuit dinner

Saturday, March 1st from 4-7 pm. \$15

Eat In and Take Out available.

LITURGY MEETING – We will have our Liturgy Meeting on February 25th after the 6:00pm Mass.

A huge Thank You to Terry Kotlarz for all her wonderful work with this committee! Terry is stepping down from leading this group. We will be using this meeting to discuss restructuring the group. This is a great time for new people to join! Please join us!

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

#### **Monday, February 24**

Lectio- Ch Hall- 6:30pm

#### **Tuesday, February 25**

Liturgy Meeting- Church- after 6pm Mass

#### **Thursday, February 27**

Rosary- Church- 7:00pm

#### **Saturday, March 1 – First Saturday**

Men's Group – Church Hall – 7:30am

First Saturday Mass – Church – 9:00am

### **Our Weekly Collection**

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$5,878



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

John Hughes, Penny Anderson,  
Pam and Doug Myles and Family,  
Greg Gibbons, Ann Konieczny, Casey Smith,  
Isabelle Callahan, Genie Barnes, Jack Bragger,  
Laura Brown, Robert Darling, Mary Dorsch,  
Nicole DeMore, Steven Goldberg, Michelle Fleegel,  
Larry Hammond, Lauren Carnes, Sandra Wallak,  
Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry,  
Ryan Huff, Katie Kelly, John Kianka, 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, Gene Koloski

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

#### **Ash Wednesday** (Distribution of Ashes at all 4 times)

Mass- 6:45AM

Service- Noon

Mass- 6:00PM

Ecumenical Service- 7:30PM

#### **Marcellus Ecumenical Noon Lenten Luncheons**

March 12- St. Francis Xavier Church

March 19- Marcellus First Presbyterian Church

March 26- Marcellus United Methodist Church

April 2- St. Francis Xavier Church

April 9- St. John's Episcopal Church

40 Days for Life March 5- April 13 Help save lives in Syracuse by joining in prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. Email [syracuse40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:syracuse40daysforlife@gmail.com) with questions or to sign up for your hour of prayer!



## Heaven?

Dear Parish Family, As we get ready for Lent (Ash Wednesday is March 5), I thought that a reflection on heaven would be appropriate. Usually when people think of heaven they envision a place of clouds, where angels are floating around singing on harps, with the Saints praising God who is sitting on His throne. Heaven is not a reward for good living, God does not keep a scorecard where at the end of our biological life if we are the plus we win heaven, if we are in the negative we lose heaven for hell. Humans do not become angels in heaven. Humans are created in the Divine image and likeness, have a unique and personal relationship with God; where we enjoyed God's friendship and presence. Sin disrupts or destroys this relationship and the image of God in each of us given originally. Baptism and the grace of God restores that relationship and image, however, personal sin throughout our life distorts, and in the case of mortal sin, destroys that image and relationship. By the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, we have the ability to be redeemed, our relationship with God restored and eternal life given. We have a choice, choose God, God's way, God's Life and God's Kingdom or choose to reject God, His way, life and Kingdom. The first is Heaven, the Second is Hell; but the choice is ours. God Bless, Fr. Dan



## FAITH FORMATION

### GRADES 1-8

Sunday 3/2-Gr. 1-8 (9:45am-10:30am)

Monday 3/3-Gr. 1-8: (6:15pm-7:00pm)

### FIRST PENANCE/FIRST COMMUNION:

Wednesday 2/26-Grade 2/First Penance & First Communion Students-Church tour 6pm-7pm

Saturday 3/1-First Penance 10:00am @ Church

### CONFIRMATION:

Sunday 3/9-Conf. Y2 Rite of Enroll. @ 8:30am Mass

Sunday 3/9-Con. Y2 Final Retreat @ ChHall 9:30-2:00

**WHAT ARE MASS INTENTIONS?** At each Mass, during the Prayer of the Faithful, we hear that prayers are requested at this Mass for... This is referred to as a "Mass Intention." This means that this Mass is being offered for the repose of the soul of someone who has died, or for the special intentions of someone who is still living but requesting prayers for a particular intention. If you would like a Mass offered for someone that you have lost, particularly on the anniversary of their death or birthday, please call the parish office to schedule that Mass. Remember, the greatest thing that we can do for someone who has died is to pray for them, and the Mass is the greatest of all prayers.



February 23, 2025

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Scripture Readings

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Luke 6:27-38

**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:** In studying the effects of religion upon family relationships, researchers inform us hostility and prayer can't coexist. You cannot be hostile toward someone for whom you are praying. Today's gospel encourages us: "Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who treat you badly."

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE is sponsoring a MOM & BABY SHOWER! It is for the benefit of Joseph's House and Birthright of Onondaga County. Should you desire to participate, please bring items the weekends of Feb 22-23 & Mar 1-2. Thank you!

**Wish List for Mom:** body wash, body lotion, deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner. Regular sizes. Please no hotel samples!

**Wish List for Baby:** baby wipes, diapers sizes 4/5/6 only, plush baby blankets, bottles, baby wash, baby towels, receiving blankets, infant toys, cereal/food, toddler toothbrushes/toothpaste, sleepers: NB (newborn) or 0-3 mos and 9-24 mos, sweaters: NB, booties: NB, Hoodies: NB

## IGNITE 2025 Catholic Men's Conference:

Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High School

St. Francis is sponsoring our group! Please register before March 10<sup>th</sup> and use Coupon Code: **SFX** and follow the instructions. If you register before the 10<sup>th</sup>, it is FREE. If you have any questions, please contact our parish office.

We are challenging everyone to not only register yourself but bring a family member or friend to share the day. Please go to the event website for the bio's of the speakers, schedule for the day and to register.

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

JOIN US FOR CRS RICE BOWL'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY! CRS Rice Bowl is celebrating 50 years of helping Catholic faith communities bring Lent to life and encounter God through our global family. During the 40 days of Lent, let us journey together through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Rice bowls may be picked up at the church entrances at the beginning of Lent. Please return by Holy Thursday.

"God speaks in the silence of the heart. Listening is the beginning of prayer." -Mother Teresa

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