

# SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

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<http://sfxmarcellus.com>

## 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

#### **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\*

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

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

Terry Hall

Pen Anderson

Cheryl Hunt

Beth Cusick

Roxanne Taylor

Kim Flood

Marty McClusky

Terry Kotlarz

## FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rick Reagan

Chris Hunt

Diane Foster

Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino

Dc. John J. Falge

John P. Curtin

Joseph E. Durand

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## **Saturday March 21**

VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

No Mass

## **Sunday March 22**

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

No Mass

## **Monday March 23**

SAINT TURIBIUS

No Mass

## **Tuesday March 24**

SAINT OSCAR ROMERO

No Mass

## **Wednesday March 25**

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

No Mass

## **Thursday March 26**

No Mass

## **Friday March 27**

No Mass

## **Saturday March 28**

VIGIL FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

No Mass

## **Sunday March 29**

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

No Mass



### **Holy Father's Prayer Intentions - March**

*Evangelization – Catholics in China*

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

### **Youth Prayer for Lent**

Lord, Teach me a new freedom.

Freedom to reject comparison

And to embrace uniqueness.

Freedom to cut ties with greed

And feast on love.

Freedom to abstain from over indulgence

And feast on self-control.

Freedom to leave behind selfish thoughts

And to focus on the needs of others.

Freedom to fend off insecurity

And to embrace grace.

Lord, at this time of Lent,

Thank you for the freedom you bring.

Amen.

*(a Lenten prayer from [www.lords-prayer-words.com](http://www.lords-prayer-words.com))*

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

Bishop Lucia has announced that due to the Coronavirus, all public gatherings for Mass, prayer, Faith Formation, and certain parish activities are suspended effective immediately.

### **Our Weekly Collection**

**Weekly Goal: \$7,900 Last Week: \$4,676**

### **Please Pray For...**

Isabelle Callahan, Dennis McEnery, Ed Dillon,  
Riley Christine Perkins, Nick Olenych,  
Roger Schott, Danielle Painter, Nate Wagner,  
Nicole DeMore, Lisa Pikarski,  
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, Allan Stonecipher, Genie Barnes,  
Donna Martin, Kelly Cunningham Suberts, Jo'Ann F.,  
J.E.L., Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson

### **Please Pray for Our Homebound...**

Isabelle LaClair, Theresa Holmes,  
Kay Wilson, Jim Reagan, Helen Volcko,  
Mike Berish, Ethel Cole, Marie Patterson,  
Mary Martin, Barbara Vautrot, Patricia Welch

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



### **Syracuse Diocese – Frequently Asked Questions:**

**IN LIGHT OF ALL THE  
PRECAUTIONS IN PLACE,  
WHAT CAN BE DONE?**

The mission of the Church continues! Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, should also continue and even increase: 1) pray for those who are ill, their loved ones, those who care for them, and all who are working tirelessly to respond to the coronavirus, 2) offer up whatever you may have to go without, 3) do what you can to reach out to those who are in need and stay connected to them.

### **CAN CHURCHES REMAIN OPEN?**

Yes, for the private prayer and devotions of the faithful. A frequent thorough cleaning of the spaces used is to take place.

**PLEASE NOTE - THE 1<sup>ST</sup> 3 ROWS OF PEWS  
ARE AVAILABLE AND THOSE WILL BE  
CLEANED REGULARLY.**

### **Faith Formation / Religious Ed**

“Above all, always see Jesus in every person, and consequently treat each one not only as an equal and as a brother or sister, but also with great humility, respect and selfless generosity.”

...Charles de Foucauld

All Religious Ed is on hold

### **Novena Prayer for an end to the Coronavirus Pandemic**

O Mary, full of grace, Patroness of this nation and Mother of the Church, in this time of illness and worldwide need we seek your intercession for the human family before your Son's throne of grace and mercy. We ask for strength in adversity, health in weakness, and comfort in sorrow. Help us, O Blessed Mother, to be filled with confidence and trust in the tender compassion of our God. Let us not be afraid, like our own Saint Marianne Cope, who entrusted her life and ministry among the outcasts of society into the care of our Divine Physician. Continue to watch over all who are sick as well as those who care for them and give wisdom to all who are seeking a cure. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### **Petitions from the USCCB Committee on Divine Worship**

For those who are suffering in the current outbreak of sickness that they might be healed, and for the happy repose of all who have died from this sickness in recent weeks; let us pray to the Lord.

For scientists, health professionals, public officials, and all who are serving the common good in this difficult and uncertain time, that they will be filled with wisdom and understanding; let us pray to the Lord.

That in times of illness our merciful and loving Father will strengthen our faith and trust in his goodness and divine providence; let us pray to the Lord.

That our compassionate Father would touch all affected by the current outbreak with healing and peace; let us pray to the Lord.

### **Mass Intentions**

All Mass Intentions will be rescheduled for all canceled Masses

Please see the website for the link to the **Frequently Asked Questions** from the Diocese.  
[sfxmarcellus.com/mass](http://sfxmarcellus.com/mass)



### **March 22, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Lent**

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” -*John 9:1-5*

### **Scripture Readings**

1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

Psalms 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar** – Failure to forgive blinds us to another's goodness. Lent provides an opportunity to wash away our blind-spots in the pool of forgiveness. Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: “Go wash and see.”

### **Question of the Week- Source of Light**

*For Adults:* What are you doing in your life right now to move toward light rather than darkness?

*For Children:* How can you let the light of your faith in Jesus shine for others to see?

Dear St. Francis Family,

In this time of stress and anxiety, we all need to remember to trust in the Lord, have faith, be patient and kind, exercise common sense and pray. I'd like to offer this week 4 Scripture passages for your prayerful meditation:

**Isaiah 26:3-4** A nation of firm purpose you keep in peace; in peace, for it trusts in you.

Trust in the Lord forever, for He is an eternal Rock.

**Isaiah 41:10** Fear not, I am with you. Be not dismayed I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you and uphold you with my right hand of justice.

**Psalms 46:8-9** The Lord of Hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob.

Come and see the works of the Lord that has done fearsome deeds on earth.

**John 14:27** Peace I leave you my peace I give you not as the world gives to I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

God Bless you,

-Fr. Dan

### **Light Our Future Capital Campaign**

We appreciate your continued support of our St. Francis Capital Campaign. Our goal is \$375,000 and we have collected \$122,000 (with pledges: \$184,000).