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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:

Rectory: 673-2531  
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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

<b>Weekend Masses:</b> Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm Sunday Masses: 8:30 am & 10:45 am	<b>Holy Day Masses:</b> See schedule inside. <b>Daily Mass:</b> 6:45 am Mon, Thur, Fri Tuesday 6:00pm
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### Weekend Mass Schedule in our area

<b>St. Michael-St. Peter</b> Sat. Evening: 5:30 pm Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 am	<b>St. Mary's of the Lake</b> Sat. Evening: 4:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:15 am	<b>St. Patrick's Jordan</b> Sat. Evening: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am
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### PASTORAL STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino\*  
Pastoral Associate: Deacon John J. Falge\*  
Faith Formation Director: Laura Carver\*  
[lcarver@syrдио.org](mailto:lcarver@syrдио.org)

Parish Secretary:  
Dawn O'Hara [dawnohara@syrдио.org](mailto:dawnohara@syrдио.org)

Social Service Coordinators:  
Rosalie Durand, Patty White  
Music Director: Chrissy Camuglia\*

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Laurie LeFever, Laura Carver  
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### PARISH TRUSTEES:

Diane Foster\*  
Joseph E. Durand\*

\* 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 August 19

VIGIL TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
4:30 PM – James and Mary Quinn – Jim and Mary Ann

## Sunday August 20

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
8:30 AM – Mary Lorusso – Nancy Steele  
10:45 AM – People of St. Francis Xavier Church

## Monday August 21

ST. PIUS X, POPE

6:45am – Healing – Michael and Holly French  
& Children – Janet French

## Tuesday August 22

THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
6:00pm – Marilyn Warnock – Mary McGreal

## Wednesday August 23

No Mass

## Thursday August 24

ST. BARTHOLOMEW

6:45am – James and Mary Quinn – Jim and Mary Ann

## Friday August 25

6:45am – Carol Anne McGrath by The McGrath  
Family

## Saturday August 26

VIGIL TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
4:30 PM – Jeremy Hall – Mom and Dad

## Sunday August 27

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
8:30 AM – Fred Buettgens – Beverly and Al  
10:45 AM – People of St. Francis Xavier Church

### Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, August 26	Sunday, August 27	
4:30pm	8:30am	10:45am
<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>
Blake LaPlant	Peter Daiuto	Madeline Carver
Jesse LaPlant	Daniel Reilly	Cecilia Carver

### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

August 2023

We pray the World Youth Day in Libson will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



Attention Ladies! - Save the Date  
The **13th Annual Syracuse Catholic Women's Conference** is coming on November 11<sup>th</sup> at the Oncenter in Syracuse.



**Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will Be Done:  
"Preparing For His Eucharistic Reign"**

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

#### Monday, August 21

Lectio Divina – Church Hall – 6:30pm

#### Thursday, August 24

Rosary – Church – 7:00pm

### Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$8,331

### Please Pray for...

Jeanne Ayotte, Genie Barnes, Jack Bragger, Isabelle Callahan, Robert Darling, Nicole DeMore, Mary Dorsch, Michelle Fleegel, Paulette Franklin, Baby Gavin, Steven Goldberg, Richard Hammond, Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry, J. Michael 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, Anthony Rodolico, Barb Stapleton, Allan Stonecipher, Kelly Cunningham Suberts, Carl Thorpe, Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson, Msgr. Bob Yeazel

### Please Pray for our Homebound...

Mike Berish, Ethel Cole, Isabelle LaClair, Mary Martin

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



### Missionary Appeal

#### Welcome, Fr. Innocent

Fr. Innocent Ejike Onyenagubo will be here this weekend, for the annual Missionary Appeal.

Fr. Innocent, who is the Priest

Chaplain at Upstate University Hospital and Hutchings Mental Health Center in Syracuse, is the Ahiara Diocesan representative in the Central NY area.

### Ahiara-Mbaise Diocese:

Is one of the most rural dioceses in Nigeria. It is one of the Southern poorest areas of the nation. There, the government does not help to provide the people with the basic necessities of life and the people have no one to speak for them, except the Bishop/priests and the Church. In this area, there is **no good food provision, no good water and no electricity. There are no hospitals and no health care provision of any kind.** Many people die in this community every day due to preventable and curable diseases.

*There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend for the Missionary Appeal.*



### Marcellus Ecumenical Food Pantry

The 4th Sunday (August 25 and 26) of every month is our St. Francis Food Pantry collection. If you are able to make a donation, please leave the items in the baskets by the back entrance ramp door. Thank you!



Dear Parish Family,  
This weekend Father Innocent speaks with us about the Mission Appeal. Below is further information about the Ahiara Mbaise Diocese

**Nigeria:** The SuperPower of Africa with a population of three hundred million people. This West African nation was the Light of Africa some years ago with crude oil and other mineral resources. The richest of the African nations, is today one of the most dangerous and most corrupt/poorest nations of the world. There is a great divide in Nigeria between the North and the South. The Northern/Muslims have controlled the political power of the nation all the years of her independence (Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 1960). The Southern/Christian Communities have suffered great persecution and marginalization from the Islamic leadership of Nigeria.

**Boko Haram** Is a group of Islamic blood-thirsty extremists in Nigeria. They go about killing innocent Christians. Their military equipment is stronger than the Nigerian military's. There is fear in the life of every Christian faithful and their families. People are afraid to get out of their rooms. There is high rate of insecurity everywhere in the country. The political leaders are doing nothing to stop the evil in the land. **Boko Haram** sees Western Education and women's education as evil and forbidden. Their aim is to Islamize the country - every Nigerian citizen must become a Muslim or be killed.

**Fulani Herdsmen/tribe:** Are Islamic terrorists who came into Nigeria from Islamic nations of West Africa claiming that Nigeria is their land and have come to possess it. This group goes about killing farmers and other workers in their farmlands and workplaces. About 20 Catholic priests have been kidnapped and killed by this anti-Christian group in the past few months. The **Fulani tribe** dominates the political power of the nation.

**The Unknown Gunmen:** This group of terrorists go about in military uniforms kidnapping and beheading innocent Nigerian Christians after calling for ransom. They operate in the South of Nigeria, mostly. This situation is worsened by **COVID-19 Pandemic**, which has sent many to the grave without people knowing of it. The situation in Nigeria today is worse than what goes on in Ukraine except that cities are not yet destroyed.

Our Mission Goal this year is to fight insecurity, hunger, and thirst in the Ahiara-Mbaise community.

Thank you and God Bless,

~Fr. Dan



August 20, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings

Is 56:1, 6-7

Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

Mt 15:21-28

**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

The mother in today's gospel persisted, even when she was ignored and insulted. She would do whatever was necessary to bring relief to her child. Parenting is more than bringing life into the world; it is also about sacrificing daily for your children.

**Question of the Week: All Are Welcome**

For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

(Isaiah 56:7)

**For Adults:**

The woman in this story was persistent in prayer. For what do you pray insistently?

**For Children:**

For what do you ask God to give you most often?



**Eucharistic Adoration**

The Catechism quotes

St. Pope John Paul II:

"The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship.

Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease." (CCC, 1380)

First Friday Adoration is **September 1<sup>st</sup>** next month. If you are interested in sitting with our Lord for an hour, please email [bcusick2487@gmail.com](mailto:bcusick2487@gmail.com) to have your name added to the Adoration email list for sign up.

**St. Agatha's Foundation Golf Tournament**

The 4th Annual Judy Morgillo Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, September 17th at Sunset Ridge Golf Course in Marcellus. St. Agatha's Foundation provides financial support to breast cancer patients in Onondaga County and the surrounding counties. Contact Mary Ellen Holgate at [mholgat1@twcny.rr.com](mailto:mholgat1@twcny.rr.com) or Jane Foley at [jane.foley29@gmail.com](mailto:jane.foley29@gmail.com) for details.

**Bulletin Submissions**

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