

# SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

## MARCELLUS, NEW YORK 13108

### FOUNDED 1873

#### 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."



#### Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil.....4:30 pm  
Sunday Masses..... 8:30 am & 10:45 am

**Holy Day Masses.....**See schedule inside.

#### Daily Mass

Monday, Thursday, Friday .....6:45 am  
Tuesday .....6:00pm

#### Baptism

Class required. Call rectory for arrangements.

#### Penance

Tuesday..... 5:30 pm  
Saturday.....3:30 pm

**Website.....**[www.sfxmarcellus.com](http://www.sfxmarcellus.com)

#### Marriage

Arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

Parish Office: (315) 673-2531  
Monday-Thursday 9:30-1:30  
1 West Main St. PO Box 177  
Rel. Ed. Center: (315) 673-4107  
53 North Street

Scripture: Isaiah 8:23-9:3, Psalm 27:1,4,13-14 Corinthians 1:10-13,17 Matthew 4:12-23

**Sunday, January 25 2026 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**



# Mass Intentions

## Saturday January 24

Vigil Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:30 PM— David Curtin- Edward Ryan

## Sunday January 25

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:30 AM— The People of St Francis Xavier Church  
10:45AM— George Everetz- Tricia Austin

## Monday January 26

Saint Timothy and St Titus  
6:45 AM— Helen Slocum- Janet French

## Tuesday January 27

Saint Angela Merici  
6:00 PM—The Harry Curley family- Rita Condin

## Wednesday January 28

St Thomas Aquinas  
*No Mass*

## Thursday January 29

6:45 AM— Gerry Joyce-St Francis Xavier family

## Friday January 30

Saint Marianne Cope  
6:45 AM—Fr.Valentine Krul-St Francis Xavier family

## Saturday January 31

Vigil Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:30 PM— David Curtin- Joe and Rosalie Durand

## Sunday February 1

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:30 AM— Lindsay Ragan and Loved ones  
10:45 AM- The People of St Francis Xavier Church

## Sandwich Sunday

Donuts, juice and coffee to be enjoyed by all !  
Grades 1,2,3 will be serving on Feb. 1 after the  
10:45 Sunday mass. Hope to see you there!

## Saint Blaise-Blessing of the Throats

Father Dan will be offering a Saint Blaise special  
blessing on Saturday and Sunday 1/31 and 2/1  
Masses.

## Holy Father Prayer Intentions:

"The world is saved by welcoming all without fear"  
The world is saved not by sharpening swords, nor by  
judging, it is saved by tirelessly striving to understand,  
forgive, liberate and welcome everyone without  
calculation and fear.

## Ministries

**Saturday, Jan. 31**  
**4:30pm**

### Lector

Cheryl Hunt

### E. Ministers

Beth Feeney

### Altar Servers

Blake LaPlant

Jesse LaPlant

**Sunday, Feb 1**

**8:30 am**

### Lector

Angi Daiuto

### E. Ministers

Judy Priest

### Altar Servers

Peter Daiuto

Daniel Reilly

Lincoln Griffin

**Sunday, Feb 1**

**10:45 am**

### Lector

Grade 1,2,3 class Mass

### E. Ministers

Marty McClusky

### Altar Servers

Cecelia Carver

Charlotte Jinks

## A Note from Fr. Dan

### What do Catholics believe?

Dear Parish Family,

Over the next few weeks I will discuss some fundamental beliefs of the Catholic Church; many people do not understand the Eucharistic teachings of the Roman Catholic Church

Our most fundamental teaching is what we practice, teach and believe about the Holy Eucharist. We practice, teach and believe that during the Eucharistic activity, by the power of the Holy Spirit at the words of consecration the bread and wine become actually, literally, the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. We call this the Dogma of the Real Presence. The Eucharist is not a symbol of Jesus, a simple remembrance of Jesus, a sign of Jesus; it is not a thing but rather the Divine Person of Jesus Christ. Since the earliest days of the Christian community, before the turn of the first century AD, this was the practice, teaching and belief of the Christian Church. The Eucharist is the summit of all that we, as Catholics believe and hold to be true. All of the early Church Fathers held this to be true, and necessary for participation in The Body of Christ. The Scripture gives witness to this. The words Jesus used at the Last Supper are very clear: 'Now as they were eating, Jesus took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to his disciples. 'Take and eat, he said 'this is my body. Then he took a cup, and when returned thanks he gave it to them. 'Drink from this all of you,' he said, 'for this is my blood, the blood of the new covenant which is to be poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.' (MT 26:26-29 see also Mk 14:22-25, Lk 22;19-20.

We read in the Gospel of John 6:52-57. (Jesus said) "I tell you solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood real drink, He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him"

Next week we will look at the concept of transubstantiation. God bless,

Fr. Dan

### Tax Contribution Letter for 2025

Here are the standard deductions for tax year 2025:

Single Filers: \$15,750, Married couples filing jointly:\$31,500

Head of household: \$23,625 . If your deduction exceeds the amount for your tier, we will be happy to mail you a contribution letter. Please call rectory.

*Notice: The 2026 Confirmation date, time and location: St. Mary's, Skaneateles, St. Francis Xavier, Marcellus, St. Patrick's, Jordan, and St. Joseph's. Camillus will join together for the celebration of Confirmation at St. Joseph's Church in Camillus at 2:00 PM on Sunday, April 12 with Bishop Lucia*

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

### Monday, January 26

Lectio – Church Hall – 6:30pm

### Thursday, January 29

Rosary– Church– 7:00pm

### Faith Formation

GRADES 1-8:

Sunday 1/25-Gr. 1-8: (9:45am-10:30am)

Sunday 1/25-First Penance/First Communion Parent Info session during class time

Monday 1/26-Gr. 1-8 (6:15pm-7:00pm)

Monday 1/26-First Penance/First Communion Parent Info session during class time

Saturday 1/31-Class mass rehearsal (will include all 2nd grade) 4pm @ Church

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

Sunday 2/1-Class Mass (McCadden/Orr) (will include all 2nd grade) @ 10:45am mass

Sunday 2/1-First Penance/First Communion Rite of Enrollment @ 10:45 am mass

Sunday 2/1-Sandwich Sunday after 10:45am mass hosted by Mrs. McCadden Gr.1/2/3 and Mrs. Orr Gr.1/2

Monday 2/2-Gr. 1-8: (6:15pm-7:00pm)

Sunday 2/8-Class 5: Mass @ 10:45am, then LAST CLASS! from 12:00pm-2:30pm at Religious Ed Center (North Street)

The Senior Congregate dining program (Also known as the PEACE Luncheon) is held in our Parish hall on the second Thursday of each month. Meals are provided by Peace, Inc. The program promotes good nutrition and sociability. Our Parish Stewardship committee sponsors the Peace Luncheon. If you would like to join our group of volunteers, come to the next luncheon and help welcome and serve our neighbors.

The next senior lunch will be held on February 12th at Noon in the hall at St Francis Xavier. If not registered for this lunch, please call St Francis Xavier at 315-673-2531 by Monday February 9th. The menu includes: Chicken Alfredo with Bowtie pasta, Broccoli florets, Pineapple and Italian Bread

### Please Pray For:

J.P.B., Margaret Abrahamson, Marlene Robinson, Fr. Jim Fritzen, Thomas and Bernice Wagner, Dan Cupoli, Tom Finn, Theresa McClusky, Eamon Powell, Genie Barnes, Jack Bragger, Isabelle Callahan, Lauren Carnes, Kelly Cunningham, Robert Darling, Nicole DeMore, Rev. J. Michael Donovan, Michelle Fleegel, Greg Gibbons, Steven Goldberg, Larry Hammond, Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry, , Ryan Huff, J.E.L., Katie Kelly, Ann Konieczny, Brett Kresco, Martin Long, Austin Marlowe, John Muscalino, The Myles Family, Andy Nagen, Viking Nyberg, Danielle Painter, Tom Palmer, Lyla Perkins, Peyton James Perkins, Gretta Petterson, Lisa Pikarski, Casey Smith, Allan Stonecipher, Carl Thorpe, Sandra Wallak, Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson

*Please Pray for our Homebound—Mike Berish, Gene Koloski  
Please call the Parish Office to add anyone to our Prayer List.*

## Pastoral Staff

### Pastor

Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino\*

### Deacons

Deacon John J. Falge\*

Deacon Jeff Dixie\*

### Pastoral Associate

Deacon John J. Falge\*

### Faith Formation Director

Laura Carver\*

lcarver@syrdio.org

### Parish Secretaries

Kathy Cioci (Mon-Wed)

kcioci@syrdio.org

Katherine Boos (Thurs)

### Social Service Coordinators

Rosalie Durand Patty White

### Music Director

Chrissy Camuglia\*

### Buildings and Grounds

Ron Schneider Mike Welsh

**Sacristan**—Kathy Welsh

**Housekeeper**—Kathy Welsh

### Parish Historian

John P. Curtin

### Confirmation Coordinators

Laurie LeFever Laura Carver

sfxconfirmation1@gmail.com

### Parish Trustees

Diane Foster\* James P. Curtin\*

### Finance Committee

Rick Reagan Jon Roberts Pat

Dailey Diane Foster Rev. Daniel

C. Muscalino Joseph E. Durand

Jay Austin

*\* Also on Parish Council*

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Last Week.....\$7,619

Weekly Goal.....\$7,900

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