

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."



*THIS IS MY
BELOVED SON
with Whom I am well pleased,
MATTHEW 17:5*

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
Tuesday6:00pm

Baptism

Class required. Call rectory for arrangements.

Penance

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

Website.....www.sfxmarcellus.com

Marriage

Arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

Parish Office: (315) 673-2531
Monday-Thursday 9:30-1:30
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Scripture: Genesis 12:1-4a Psalm 33:4-5,18-19,20,22 Timothy 1:8b-10 Gospel Matthew 17:1-9

Sunday March 1,2026 Second Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions

Saturday February 28

VIGIL SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM- Michael & Arlene Wilton- Meg and Jamie

Sunday March 1

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- Bishop Joseph T. O'Keefe-Father Dan

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

Monday March 2

6:45AM-Thomas and Anna Newman -Family

Tuesday March 3

6:00 PM-Richard Thorpe-Phyllis Fox

Wednesday March 4

No Mass

Thursday March 5

6:45 AM-Jonathan E. Clark-Family

Friday March 6

6:45 AM- Eileen Smith-Family

Saturday March 7

VIGIL THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 AM Violet LaRose-Family

4:30 PM David Curtin-Robert & Mary Finn

Sunday March 8

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM-The people of Saint Francis Xavier church

10:45 AM-David A. Driscoll-Deb and Erin

Prayer in Preparation for the 140th Anniversary of the Diocese of Syracuse

O God of the endless ages, Our help in ages past, our hope for years to come be with this diocesan family as we prepare to celebrate the 140th Anniversary of the foundation of the diocese of Syracuse.

We give thanks and praise, for the seeds of the Gospel that have been sown in this central part of New York State and ask that they be nurtured, so that we may be a living Gospel in word and deed. We Pray as we seek Jesus that we might grow ever deeper in our relationship with our Eucharistic lord and that our worship will draw us to greater unity in Christ.

Help us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and do whatever he tells us, so that we will be one endless chorus praising Father, Son, and Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen

Bishop Douglas J. Lucia

Ministries

Saturday, March 7

4:30pm

Lector

Mary Jo Palmowski

E. Ministers

Mary Jo Palmowski

Altar Servers

Blake LaPlant

Jesse LaPlant

Sunday, March 8

8:30 am

Lector

Jeanie Cupoli

E. Ministers

Skip Dorsch

Altar Servers

Peter Daiuto

Daniel Reilly

Lincoln Griffin

Sunday, March 8

10:45 am

Lector

Eliot Austin

E. Ministers

Marty McClusky

Altar Servers

Kailyn Corfield

Jaxon Corfield

A Note from Fr. Dan

Jesus Christ: True God and True Man

Dear Parish family,

Lent begins with focusing on the twofold nature of Jesus Christ, called the hypostatic union. Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, Son of God and Son of Mary is True God and True Man. Not half God and half human, but completely God and completely human. Two complete natures. Last Sunday the Gospel gave us a glimpse into the humanity of Jesus as He was tempted like we are tempted, Jesus is like us in all things but sin. He grew tired, had friends, took time to Himself, wept at the death of His friend Lazarus and even expressed righteous anger when cleansing the Temple of moneychangers. Jesus, even in the Garden of Gethsemane, prayed that if it be His Father's will the 'cup' of suffering be taken from Him, yet true to Himself, Jesus prayed to the Father: not my will, but Your will be done." This Sunday, the Second Sunday of Lent, our attention is drawn to Jesus' Divinity. When He is transfigured on the high mountain with Peter, James and John as witnesses, the voice of the Father proclaimed: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him." Moses and Elijah, symbolizing the Law and the Prophets give testimony to Jesus' Divine nature. It is in His Divinity that Jesus performed the miracles; whether it be calming the storm, curing the sick, giving sight to the blind, or raising His friend Lazarus from the dead; Jesus manifested His Divinity. The ultimate example of His Divinity is His resurrection. As a human person, Jesus undergoes his Passion and death; as the Divine Son of God, Jesus manifests his glorious resurrection after lying in the tomb, dead, for three days. As The Son of Mary, like us in all things but sin, gives hope to we humans, that it is possible, by God's grace to remain faithful to God, and as the Son of God, makes possible to us the fountain of grace, mercy, redemption, forgiveness of sin and restoration of our nature as children of God.

God Bless, Fr. Dan

Lenten Message from Bishop Lucia

There is a wonderful Lenten Message from Bishop Lucia available on our Parish website. www.sfxmarcellus.com Please go to home page under announcements and click the link to read it.

"He who trusts himself is lost. He who trusts God can do all things" St. Alphonsus Liguori

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Monday, March 2

Lectio – Church Hall – 6:30pm

Thursday, March 5

Rosary– Church– 7:00pm

Friday, March 6

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

Faith Formation Grades 1-8

Sunday 2/22-GR 1-8 (9:45-10:30 am)

Monday 2/23 Gr.1-8 (6:15am-7:00pm)

Sacramental Preparation Students

Tuesday 2/24 *Grade 2 First penance and first Communion students- Church tour 6-7 PM*

Ecumenical Noon Lenten Luncheons

March 4- Marcellus First Presbyterian Church

Senior lunch

The next senior lunch will be held on March 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 March 9th. The menu includes: Syracuse Famous Chicken Riggie's, Sauteed Greens, Peaches and Dinner Roll.

40 days For Life February 18-March 29

Help save lives in Syracuse by joining in Prayer, Fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. Come pray with us in front of the planned parenthood abortion center at 1120 E Genesee St. Call Jeanie 315-956-7772, Shannon 315-664-5067, or 40daysforlife.com/Syracuse and sign up for your hour of prayer. Midpoint prayer service on Tuesday March 10, @5:30 PM.

God is doing great things! We have seen 90+ moms change their minds and choose life for their babies.

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.

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.*

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Last Week.....\$8,710

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

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