

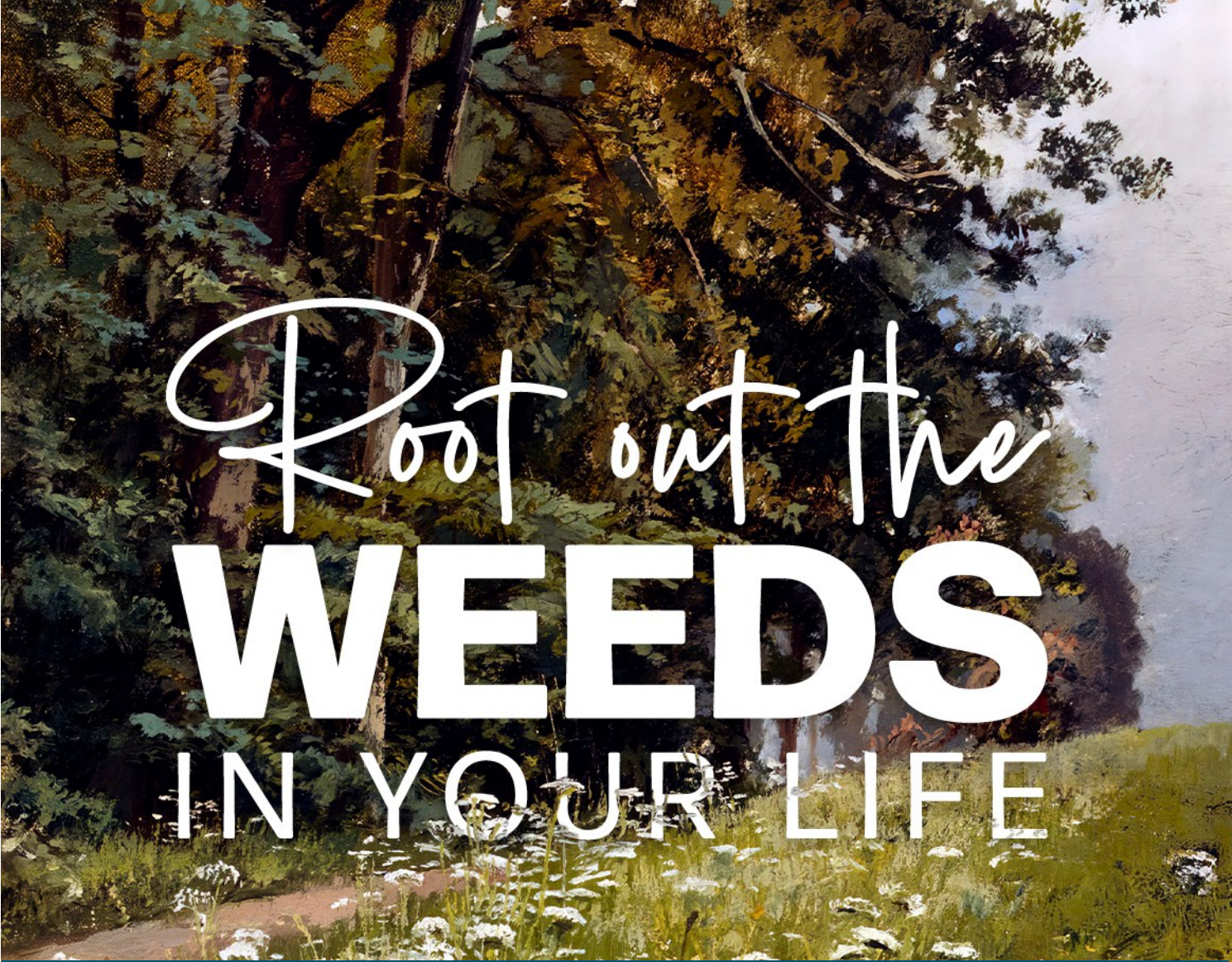
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"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."



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Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil4:30 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

Marriage

Arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

Monday-Thursday 9:30-1:30

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Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Psalm 86:5-6,9-10,15-16 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 11:25,13:24-43

SUNDAY JULY 19, 2026 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

Saturday July 18

VIGIL SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30 PM Jeanne Swift-Sarah Cate

Sunday July 19

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM The People of St Francis Xavier Church

10:45 AM Frank Rufrano-Family

Monday July 20

SAINT APOLLINARIS

6:45 AM Barb Stapleton-Jim and Family

Tuesday July 21

SAINT LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

6:00 PM Hilda Muscalino-Father Dan and family

Wednesday July 22

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

No Mass

Thursday July 23

SAINT BRIDGET

6:45 AM Vincent F. Cioci-Family

Friday July 24

SAINT SHARBEL

6:45AM Carol Anne McGrath- Family

Saturday July 25

VIGIL SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30 PM Mitchell Delaney-Marge Delaney

Sunday July 26

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM The People of Saint Francis Xavier Parish

10:45 AM Dick Thorpe-Rowan

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 25

4:30pm

Lector

Cheryl Hunt

E. Ministers

MaryJo Palmowski

Altar Servers

Jack Lindgren

Calum Mosure

Sunday, July 26

8:30 am

Lector

Angi Daiuto

E. Ministers

Judy Priest

Altar Servers

Peter Daiuto

Daniel Reilly

Lincoln Griffin

Sunday, July 26

10:45 am

Lector

Skip Dorsch

E. Ministers

Skip Dorsch

Altar Servers

Lucas Vaga

Nicholas Vaga

Vacation reminder:

Summer is a great time for families to get away for some well deserved down time; Before you go away, Please check your Ministry Schedule: Lector, Eucharistic Minister or Altar Server. If you know that you're going to be away for a time that you are scheduled, PLEASE try to find a substitute; if you cannot, please contact the Rectory before the Friday of the weekend that you are scheduled; it makes everyone's Ministry easier if we are not scrambling right before Mass to fill these Ministries. God Bless Father Dan

A Note from Fr. Dan

Why God? Why the Catholic Church?

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If you listen to the liberal media pundits, they seem confused about a growing reality among young adults and young families; that is they are coming to God, and to the Catholic faith with substantial numbers recently joining the Catholic Church.

What some Media doesn't seem to grasp is that the young people have come to the conclusion that secular modernism and rank materialism are morally bankrupt with no lasting and permanent value.

In a secular environment where truth is totally relative and subjective, and anything goes, there is anarchy and chaos: Human life is diminished, good and evil are turned upside-down and there is no such thing as absolute truth.

When people are afraid to go out at night, and neighbors don't know each other; anger and violence have replaced civility and manners, the void is defining. Simply put, the Church provides a community and stability.

The Catholic church has been around for over 21 centuries and is not going anywhere. Our faith proclaims the absolute truth, with the Lord Jesus being Truth itself; there is a clear moral teaching and moral compass.

Our Catholic faith upholds the dignity and sanctity of every human life, reminds us that there is something beyond and that God is real, absolute, just, compassionate and forgiving.

Our sacraments proclaim and remind us that God's grace is active: from our Baptism to the Anointing of the Sick, the love and grace of God is available at every stage of life.

In the confusion of adolescence, there is Confirmation with the gifts of the Holy Spirit; Matrimony is the permanent Covenant between a man and woman with God as an active partner for the welfare of the human family and the family of God.

In confession we confront our human frailty and sin and its effects, come to God in humility and receive pardon and peace, with the grace to go forward and do better.

In Holy Orders the succession of the ministry which is unbroken back to Christ Himself is continued. And of course, the pinnacle of our Catholic Faith is the great gift of the Eucharist: Jesus' real and lasting presence with us, to nourish, protect, heal and strengthen us on life's journey.

In sickness we can, though the Anointing of the Sick, experience the support of the community and the healing love of our God. Perhaps what the world does not appreciate is that the human heart and spirit are created for something much more than this world has to offer.

As St. Augustine said: "Our hearts are restless until they rest in you, O Lord."

This is what young people are finding, God, and our Catholic Faith, provide the only viable answer to a young family's question; "What type of a person do I want my child to grow up to become? What values do I want to instill in my family and children?"

God Bless,

Fr. Dan

"Young People of the world, Go in the power of the Holy spirit to those who are near and far. Share with them the freedom you have found in Christ"-St. John Paul II

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Monday July 20

6:30PM Lectio Divina Church

Thursday July 23

7:00 PM Rosary Church

Saturday July 18

7:30 AM Men's Group-Hall



Wedding Banns (Second)

Mary Colella and Jacob William Reed

Baptized on July, 12, 2026

We would like to welcome the newest member of our faith family, Lucy E. Bilsback, the daughter of Evan and Veronica.

Safe Environment Virtus training

It is required for all adults over 18 who are involved in church activities to be Virtus trained. Please go to <https://syracusediocese.org/safe-environment> and sign up. Walk ins not accepted. Thank you!

From the Office of Adolescent Catechesis and Discipleship

Annual Young Adult Hike with Bishop Lucia

Young adults (18-39) across the diocese are invited to join our sixth annual Young Adult Hike with Bishop Douglas Lucia at Green Lakes, **Saturday, July 25, 2026**. Check-in begins at 9:30am followed by Mass at 10:00AM celebrated by the Bishop. Afterwards, there will be a hike through the beautiful state park, followed by catered Dinosaur BBQ and the opportunity to socialize. Follow our young adult Instagram for updates, posts, and more!

Church Envelopes

Cathedral Letter Concepts will not be sending monthly envelopes for July in order to catch up production for its 3,000-plus customers. Please use a previous month's envelope if you still have available and write the correct date on it. The goal is to ensure that your August envelopes are delivered on time and that we remain on schedule moving forward. Cathedral Corp is committed to restoring the reliable service you expect and deserve.

Diocesan Organist Training Program

The Diocesan Organist Training Program currently has openings for new applicants --- do you know of a pianist who would make a good organist? Or would you yourself be interested in updating your organ skills (registration, use of the pedals, hymn playing, legato touch, Baroque technique, directing a choir from the console, service music, or developing repertoire?) For further information, please contact Armand Di Scenna, Coordinator of the Training Program, at adiscenna@syrdio.org

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Friday, July 24, 2026, 7:00 PM MASS

Saturday, July 25, 2026, 7:00 PM MASS.

Sunday, July 26, 2026, 7:00 PM MASS, & PROCESSION
(FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS immediately following)

Please Pray For:

Peter Destefano (Healing), Mike Mahoney, Fr. Jim Fritzen, Margaret Abrahamson, Marlene Robinson, Tom Finn, Thomas and Bernice Wagner, Dan Cupoli, Theresa McClusky, Genie Barnes, Jack Bragger, Lauren Carnes, Kelly Cunningham, Robert Darling, Nicole DeMore, Rev. J. Michael Donovan, Michelle Fleege, Greg Gibbons, Steven Goldberg, Larry Hammond, Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry, Ryan Huff, J.E.L., Ann Konieczny, Brett Kresco, Martin Long, Austin Marlowe, The Myles Family, Andy Nagen, Casey Smith, Viking Nyberg, Danielle Painter, Tom Palmer, Lyla Perkins, Peyton James Perkins, Gretta Peterson, Lisa Pikarski, Allan Stonecipher, 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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