

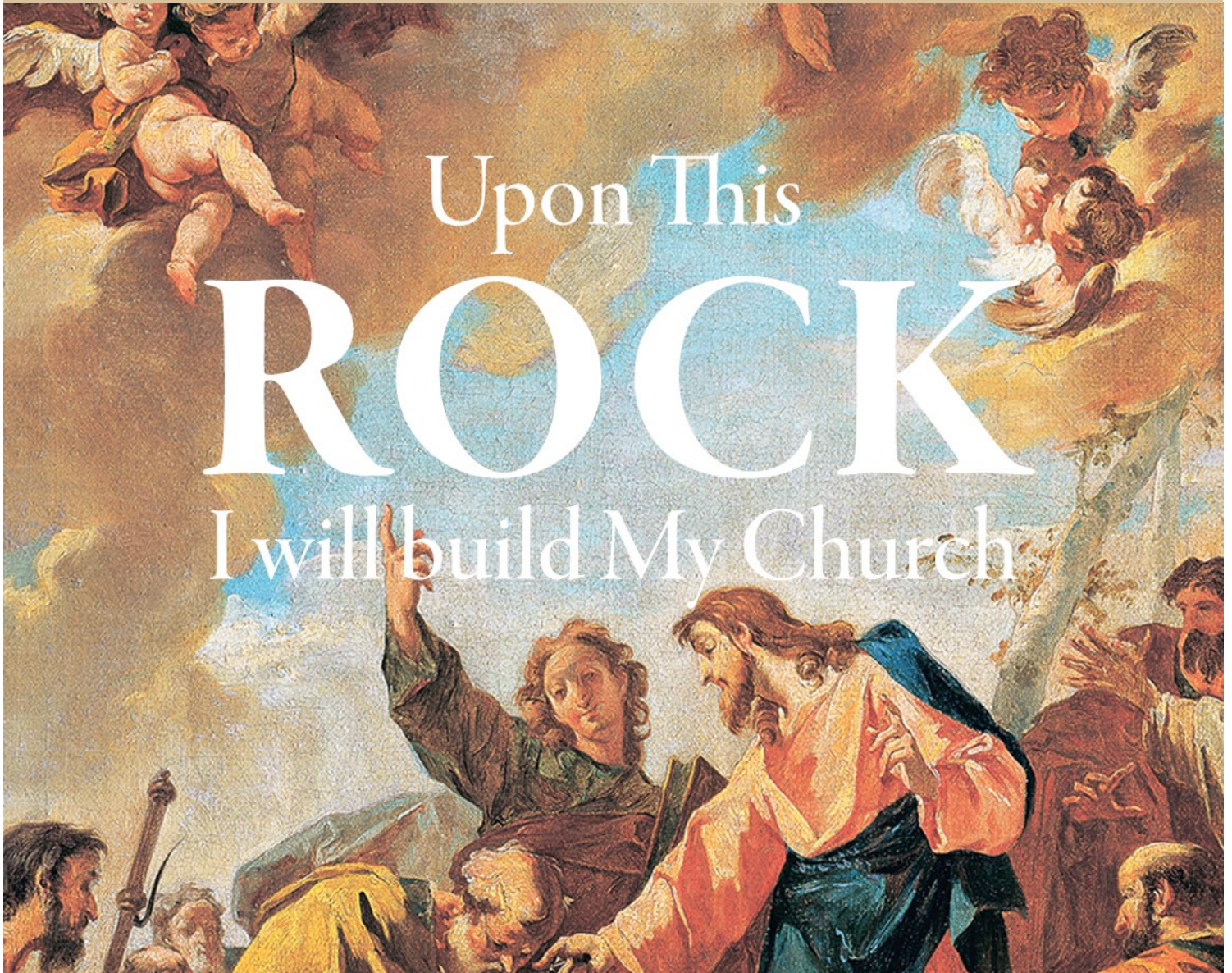
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"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."



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

Marriage Arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

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Monday-Thursday 9:30-1:30

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Isaiah 22:19-23 Psalm 138:1-3,6,8 Romans 11:33-36 Matthew 16:13-20

AUGUST 23, 2026 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

Saturday August 22

VIGIL TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30 PM Jeremy Hall-Mom and Dad

Sunday August 23

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM The People of Saint Francis Xavier Church

10:45 AM Katie Kelly-Mary McGready

Monday August 24

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW

6:45 AM Lawrence Hammond-Father Dan

Tuesday August 25

SAINT LOUIS

6:00 PM Patricia Boyle-Family

Wednesday August 26

No Mass

Thursday August 27

SAINT MONICA

6:45 AM Sue Smith-Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hammond

Friday August 28

SAINT AUGUSTINE

6:45 AM Rev. Canon John Mikalajunas-Saint Francis Xavier Parish family

Saturday August 29

VIGIL TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

4:30 PM Fred Buettgens-Al and Beverly

Sunday August 30

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30AM Charlie Card-Family

10:45 AM The people of Saint Francis Xavier

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, August 29

4:30pm

Lector

MaryJo Palmowski

E. Ministers

Terry Hall

Altar Servers

Blake LaPlant

Jesse LaPlant

Sunday, August 30

8:30 am

Lector

Pat Canny

E. Ministers

Johanna Duffy

Altar Servers

Peter Daiuto

Daniel Reilly

Lincoln Griffin

Sunday, August 30

10:45 am

Lector

Mart McClusky

E. Ministers

Marty McClusky

Altar Servers

Charlotte Jinks

Paige Jinks

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

I believe in the resurrection of the body, and the life of the world to come.

This is an essential part of our Creed and Catholic faith, yet it may seem far away. This past week I went to my sister's to do the funeral of my brother-in-law who died suddenly. They were about to celebrate their 67th wedding anniversary.

While I was reflecting on Larry's death I was reminded that God can call us at any time.

While death to someone without Christian faith may seem like an ending, a cause for fear and despair, for us it is a passing from this world to our ultimate destiny, the Kingdom of our God and Father.

Our hope is vested in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and His promise that those who have been baptized, when we share a death like His, we will also share in His Resurrection.

Certainly there is sadness when someone dies, even Jesus was saddened by the death of His friend Lazarus, but the sadness is a sign of the love that we had for our deceased loved ones. If there was no love, there would be no sadness.

However, this sadness is not for the deceased. Their struggles are over: No more pain, sickness or suffering; but for those who still are living and who miss their loved one.

For Christians, there is also joy and celebration. Joy that our loved one is now with our Lord, the Blessed Mother and all the saints.

Celebration in that the promise made at Baptism is fully realized, life is changed, not rendered. As we pray in the preface for the funeral mass; an eternal dwelling place is made ready for us in heaven. Because of Jesus, our Lord and Savior, we can say with conviction and absolute confidence: I believe in the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

God Bless,

Fr. Dan

"Live so as not to fear death. For those who lived well in the world, death is not frightening but sweet and precious." St Rose of Viterbo

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Prayer Request from the USCCB

The USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer to stop taxpayer funding of the abortion industry. We ask Catholics to offer this prayer daily, asking for the intercession of St. Joseph, from now until October 1, the beginning of Respect Life Month:

"Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life. Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life – especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen."

Free online and print versions of the prayer can be found at www.respectlife.org/prayer-to-st-joseph

Eucharistic Adoration

Jesus is our strength when we are weak, our Hope in times of despair and our Light in times of darkness. He is our creator, our peace, our joy, our comforter and shelter. Come sit in His presence and feel His nearness and love. Adoration is the First Friday of each month.

We would like to have someone present at all times; if you are available to sign up to cover a 1 hour time slot, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

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!

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

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 Fleegel, 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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