

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."



Stay
awake!

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, Friday6:45 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
1 West Main St. PO Box 177
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53 North Street

Scripture: Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44

Sunday, November 30, 2025 1st Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Saturday November 29

Vigil First Sunday in Advent

4:30 PM— Mr. Eugene and Lucille McNally-Family

Sunday November 30

First Sunday in Advent

8:30 AM— The People of St Francis Xavier Church

10:45- Penny Anderson-St .Francis Xavier Family

Monday, December 1

6:45 AM Dennis and Mary Lou Haney-Dennis and Jacquelyn

Tuesday, December 2

6:00 PM—Matthew J. Byrne-Friends

Wednesday, December 3

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

No Mass

Thursday, December 4

6:45 AM Rosemary T. Burrowes— Family

Friday, December 5—First Friday

6:45 AM—Jonathon E. Clark-Family

Saturday December 6—First Saturday

9:00 am Ann Schmitt— Al and Bev

Vigil Second Sunday in Advent

4:30 PM— Peggy McNally— Jim

Sunday December 7

Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM— The People of St. Francis Xavier Church

10:45AM David Curtin -St. Francis Xavier Church family

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:

In today's gospel Jesus advises: "Stay awake, watch out, and pray for the strength to hold your ground" when "fearful and bewildering signs" appear threatening your family. Resist being "fearful;" fear cripples! Instead "pray for the strength" to be courageous.

Holy Father Prayer Intentions:

For the prevention of suicide-Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

"God speaks in the silence of the heart. Listening is the beginning of prayer." -Mother Teresa

Ministries

Saturday, December 6

4:30pm

Lector

Tom Brown

E. Ministers

Mary Jo Palmowski

Altar Servers

Jack Lindgren

Calum Mosure

Sunday, December 7

8:30 am

Lector

Skip Dorsch

E. Ministers

Fred Gooden

Altar Servers

Peter Daiuto

Daniel Reilly

Lincoln Griffin

Sunday, December 7

10:45 am

Lector

Grade 3/4 Class Mass

E. Ministers

Mart McClusky

Altar Servers

Cecilia Carver

Paige Jinks

A Note from Fr. Dan

Advent: a new beginning

Dear Parish Family,

Our lives are directed by many different calendars: the secular calendar, Jan 1 - Dec. 31, the Fiscal calendar July 1- June 30, and for many families the school calendar directs our lives. As Catholics there is another Calendar that is important; that is the Liturgical Calendar which gives the dates of Holy Days, Solemnities, feast and memorials marked in our Eucharistic celebrations and daily prayer. Our Liturgical calendar begins with Advent. Advent is a beautiful Liturgical season unto itself; not just the days before the celebration of Christmas. Advent does in fact prepare us Liturgically for the Birth of Christ, but it also helps us focus on our faith conviction that Jesus Christ will return at the end of time; it also can help us to prepare for the coming of Jesus into our individual lives, here and now and at the end of our life on this earth. The Scripture of Advent focuses upon the great Prophets of the New Scripture as they looked forward to the restoration of Israel and the coming of the Messiah. The Advent Liturgy focuses on St. John the Baptist, the Precursor of Christ, and the Virgin Mary, whose yes to God and obedience to His Word and Will brought about the Incarnation. While there is great excitement about Christmas, but liturgically, we will light the Advent candles on the wreath, and secularly, we should never forget the great gift of Advent, the gift of quiet, peaceful (even in the midst of the hectic secular business) calm as we proclaim: "Come, Lord Jesus!" For four weeks symbolic of the compiling of the fullness of time, the Gloria is not proclaimed, Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent when the Rose vestments are worn and the Baby Jesus' from creches are blessed; and we finally arrive at the Feast of the Birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. So the Church waits; in excited anticipation for the fulfillment of the Prophets of Israel, the joy of the Virgin Mary at the birth of her child. God Bless,
Fr. Dan

PS. I have one request, do not greet people with "Happy Holidays", please be exact and proclaim;

"Merry Christmas!"

Please Pray For...

Margaret Abrahamson, Marlene Robinson, Fr. Jim Fritzen, 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 Fleege, Greg Gibbons, Steven Goldberg, Larry Hammond, Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry, Gabe Hood, 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.

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Monday, December 1

Lectio – Church Hall – 6:30pm

Thursday, December 4

Rosary 7:00 pm

Friday, December 5—First Friday

Exposition 7:00 am

Benediction 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 6—First Saturday

Men's Group— Ch Hall— 7:30am

First Saturday Mass- 9:00am

Sunday, December 7

Sandwich Sunday and Coffee Hour after the 10:45 Mass

Faith Formation

GRADES 1-8:

Sunday 11/30-Gr. 1-8: (9:45am-10:30am)

Monday 12/1-Gr. 1-8: (6:15pm-7:00pm)

Sunday 12/14: Year 1 and Year 2: Class 3: Mass @ 10:45am, then class from 12:00-2:30pm at Religious Ed Center (North Street)

Confirmation Candidates will be collecting the following items to donate to the Jail Ministry Christmas Party. We will be collecting items after all masses on the weekends of 11/29 and 11/30, and 12/6 and 12/7. Each year over 500 gift bags are distributed to inmates at the Justice Center during their Christmas celebration. We are looking to collect: 1. Individually wrapped packages of cookies, each package should have 2- 4 cookies (no larger please) 2. Small (halloween size) chocolate/candy bars 3. Mini chocolates (Hershey kisses, Dove mini's, etc) Thank you for supporting our Confirmation candidates and the Jail Ministry Program!

The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree will be going up this year on Saturday December 6th. In the past, we have had community groups and individuals sponsor a family. If you, or an organization you belong to wishes to do so, Please call Rosalie @ 315-727-9706. Thank you!

Morning Mass Attendees

Reminder: Starting November 1 - April 1, there is NO on-street parking from 2am until 7am. Please use the parking lots around the church. You will be ticketed if parked on the street.

St. Francis Xavier Stewardship Committee

Please consider purchasing \$15 (max) prepaid gift cards to Subway, McDonalds, Burger King and Arbys to assist Dc. Jeff in service to those in need of a hot meal. These can be put in the collection basket throughout the year. Thank you !

Ecumenical Christmas Program

Dec. 7th there will be a Christmas Hymn Sing sponsored by the Churches of Marcellus. It will be held at the Methodist Church starting at 4:00PM. Several groups will perform. Refreshments will be served following the music . Come get in the Holiday spirit with the Marcellus community.

Vocations

"Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord." Advent is a time of joyful preparation. A time where we can set our hearts and minds on the coming of Christ. God speaks to us in our joy. Where is God calling you? Email: vocations@syrдио.org

Pastoral Staff

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

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