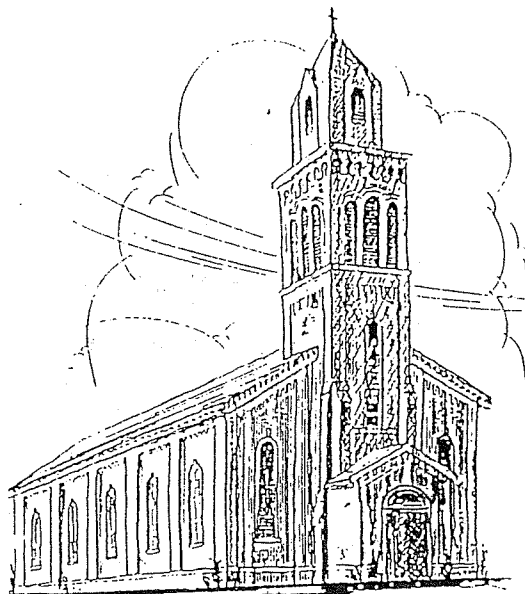


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WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM
Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Sacrament of Penance - Tuesday 5:30pm
Saturday 3:30pm

TELEPHONES:

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1 West Main St., P.O. Box 177

Rel. Ed. Center: 673-4107
53 North Street

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."

Liturgy Schedule

Weekend Masses: Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm Sunday Masses: 8:30 am & 10:45 am	Holy Day Masses: See schedule inside. Daily Mass: 6:45 am Mon, Thur, Fri Tuesday 6:00pm
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Weekend Mass Schedule in our area

St. Michael-St. Peter Sat. Evening: 5:30 pm Sunday: 9:30 & 11:00 am	St. Mary's of the Lake Sat. Evening: 4:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:15 am	St. Patrick's Jordan Sat. Evening: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am
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PASTORAL STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino*
Pastoral Associate: Deacon John J. Falge*
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Music Director: Chrissy Camuglia*

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Housekeeper: Kathy Welsh
Parish Historian: John P. Curtin
Confirmation Coordinators:
Laurie LeFever, Laura Carver
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PARISH TRUSTEES:

Diane Foster*
James P. Curtin

* Also on Parish Council

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism:
Class required.
Call rectory for arrangements.
Penance
Marriage: Arrangements at
least 6 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS are most welcome.
See Fr. Muscalino after Mass or call
the Rectory.

PARISH COUNCIL

Jay Austin	Roxanne Taylor
Terry Hall	Kim Flood
Pen Anderson	Marty McClusky
Terry Kotlarz	Carter Austin
Beth Cusick	John Ketterer
Patty Gooden	Ed Dunn

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rick Reagan Jon Roberts
Chris Hunt
Diane Foster
Rev. Daniel C. Muscalino
Joseph E. Durand
Jay Austin

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday March 9

VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church

Sunday March 10

VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- Sister Geraldine Donovan- Terry Kotlarz

10:45 AM- Bill and Betty Austin- Family

Monday March 11

6:45AM- John Kotlarz- Family

Tuesday March 12

6:00 PM- The Souls in Purgatory- A Friend

Wednesday March 13

No Mass

Thursday March 14

6:45AM- Bob and Kay Wilson- Friends

Friday March 15

6:45AM- David Files- Family

Saturday March 16

VIGIL FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM- People of St. Francis Xavier Church

Sunday March 17

VIGIL FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 AM- Jonathan Edward Clark- Family

10:45 AM- Bob O'Connor- Ken and Joan Scott

Ministry Schedule for St. Francis Xavier

Saturday, March 16 Sunday, March 17

4:30	8:30	10:45
Lector MaryJo Palmowski	Lector Terry Kotlarz	Lector Marty McClusky
E. Ministers Terry Hall	E. Ministers Fred Gooden	E. Ministers Tim Manahan
Altar Servers Blake LaPlant Jesse LaPlant	Altar Servers Peter Daituo	Altar Servers Charlotte Jinks Kailyn Corfield



IGNITE 2024 Catholic Men's Conference: Saturday, March 23rd

IGNITE is moving to Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High School this year.

40 Days for Life February 14- March 24

Help save lives in Syracuse by joining in prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. Email syracuse40daysforlife@gmail.com with questions or to sign up for your hour of prayer!

Marcellus Ecumenical Noon Lenten Luncheons

March 13- Marcellus United Methodist Church
March 20- Marcellus First Presbyterian Church

What's Happening This Week at St. Francis

Sunday, March 10

CLOW- 10:45 Mass
Grade 4,5,6 Mass- Church- 10:45 Mass
Coffee Hour- Ch Hall- after 8:30 & 10:45 Mass
Sandwich Sunday- Ch Hall- after 10:45 Mass

Monday, March 11

Lectio- Ch Hall- 6:30pm

Wednesday, March 13

Stewardship Committee Meeting- Ch Hall- 6:00pm
Parish Council Meeting- Ch Hall- 7:00pm

Thursday, March 14

Senior PEACE Luncheon- Ch Hall- Noon
Rosary- Church- 7:00pm

Friday, March 15

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

Saturday, March 16

Men's Group- 7:30am
St. Joseph and St. Patrick's Dinner- Ch Hall- after 4:30 Mass

Sunday, March 17

CLOW- 10:45 Mass

Our Weekly Collection

Weekly Goal \$7,900 Last Week: \$11,369

There will be a SECOND COLLECTION this weekend, *March 9th and 10th*, for **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**.



Please Pray for...

Fr. Jim Fritzen, Isabelle Callahan, Genie Barnes, Noah Bilsback, Jack Bragger, Laura Brown, Robert Darling, Mary Dorsch, Nicole DeMore, Steven Goldberg, Michelle Fleegel, Baby Gavin, Sandra Wallak, Richard Hammond, Robert Hammond, Lucienne Henneberry, Ryan Huff, J. Michael Kelly, Katie Kelly, John Kianka, Eugene Koloski, Brett Kresco, J.E.L., Martin Long, Austin Marlowe, Gerry Muldoon, Andy Nagen, Viking Nyberg, Danielle Painter, Tom Palmer, Gretta Petterson, Lyla Perkins, Peyton James Perkins, Lisa Pikarski, Barb Stapleton, Allan Stonecipher, Carl Thorpe, Kelly Cunningham Suberts, Sr. Mary Brendan Wilson, Msgr. Bob Yeazel

Please Pray for our Homebound...

Mike Berish, Mary Martin

Please call the Parish Office to add anyone to our Prayer List.



Look around our Church

Dear Parish Family, As you look around our Church you see the beautiful stained-glass windows down the sides depicting the life of Jesus with the Crucifixion directly over the Tabernacle. The statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus greets you as you come in the front entrance; with the statues of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph on either side of the Tabernacle (the place where the Holy Eucharist is kept). As you are facing the Altar, to the left is the Ambry where the Holy Oils are kept (these will be replaced after the Chrism Mass during Holy Week). There is the Altar, Baptismal Fount, and Lectern; what is missing during Lent is the Paschal Candle (it is bought out for Funerals and Baptisms); a new one will be blessed and processed into the church during the Easter Vigil. Also missing during Lent is Holy Water in the founts at the Church entrances; blessing one-self with Holy Water is a sign of the 'Pre-Sanctified'; those who have been Baptized into the faith community; again, during the Easter Vigil, new water will be blessed and the founts re-filled. One of the most beautiful appointments to our Church is the community of faithful gathered in prayer. We are truly a mosaic of the people of God: there are babies, little children, young children adolescents, young adults, married couples, families, single people, and those of us who are not so young. Each is important, each has a gift to offer, and together we make up the Mystical Body of Christ: the Church of God. Thank you all for being here. God Bless, Fr. Dan

Faith Formation

GRADES 1-8:

Sunday 3/17-Class 9:45am-10:30am

Monday 3/18-Class 6:15pm-7:00pm



CONFIRMATION:

Year 1: Don't forget to check your emails and sign up for volunteer opportunities!!

Year 2: Sunday, March 17-12:00pm-1:30pm: Conf.

Interviews (Check your email for Sign Up information!!)

Sunday, April 7-Retreat begins with mass @ 8:30am and we will move over to the Church Hall after mass.

Retreat will end at 2:30pm

Wednesday, April 10-Rehearsal 6pm-7pm @ Church

CLOW: Sunday 3/17-CLOW during 10:45am mass

March 10, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Lent



Scripture Readings

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23

Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Eph 2:4-10

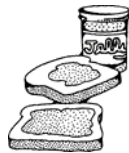
Jn 3:14-21

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar: Today's gospel speaks of light and darkness. Often a parent is deliberately "left in the dark." Darkness can be comforting for it makes no demands on us. Light can be disturbing for it forces us to act. Parents walk a delicate balance of when to "sit in the dark" and when to "turn on the lights."

Banns of Ordination: JEFF DIXE is a candidate for the Sacrament of Holy Orders for the Permanent Diaconate. Bishop Lucia formally asks the St. Francis Xavier parish community to affirm his ordination Saturday, May 11, 2024 and to accept his ministry. He also asks that if anyone knows any reason why Jeff should not receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders to make such fact known to our pastor Fr. Dan.

Joseph's House for Women Baby Bottle Drive

This Lenten season we are holding a Baby Bottle Drive at St. Francis Xavier Parish! Help support pregnant women and those parenting young children who are facing homelessness at Joseph's House for Women! Pick up your baby bottle in the Parish entryway, fill it with your cash, check, or change, and return it to the designated containers at St. Francis Xavier by Sunday, March 17th. You can also give securely at www.jhfw.org/baby-bottle-drive or mail your donation to 802 Court Street, Syracuse NY 13208. Be sure to note St. Francis Xavier Parish online so we can track how we do! To learn more about their life-saving work, visit www.jhfw.org Thank you for your support and prayers!



Sandwich Sunday March 10th

Come help us make sandwiches for the residents at the Catholic Charities Men's Shelter in Syracuse. We get together after Sunday's 10:45 Mass to make sandwiches and then enjoy coffee and donuts.



St. Joseph & St. Patrick's
Day DINNER



St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall
Saturday, March 16th after the 4:30pm Mass

Come One, Come All for a Good Time & Great Meal!
Enjoy corned beef sandwiches, meatball subs and more!



The next **SENIOR LUNCH** will be held on March 14th at noon in the hall at St. Francis Xavier. If not registered for the lunch, call St. Francis Xavier (315-673-2531) by Monday, March 11th.

Menu: *Beef Pot Roast with Gravy, Smashed Red Skin Potatoes, Capri-blend Vegetables, Pineapple Tidbits and Fresh Baked Roll.*

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