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# Saint Francis Xavier Parish

1838 **181 years** 2019  
of Catholic service and witness.

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**Parish Office Hours:**  
Monday – Thursday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
(closed for lunch Noon - 12:30 pm)  
Parish Office is located on west side of Church

**Sister Parish:** Saint Peter the Apostle  
Chacsinkin, Yucatan, Mexico

**All are welcome in the family of Saint Francis Xavier**  
To be a registered member call the Parish Office



*For in truth, no one is really timid and weak who knowingly leans upon the assistance of God.*  
-St. Francis Xavier

**Mission Statement:** Saint Francis Xavier Parish, empowered by the Holy Spirit, witnesses to the presence of Jesus Christ and proclaims the Gospel Message through Catholic service to all.

**Vision Statement:** We want to be a welcoming community where all people can deepen their faith relationship with God and each other through Liturgy and parish gatherings.

## Mass Schedule

Saturday .....5:00 p.m.  
Sunday..... 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Week Days .....7:30 a.m.  
Holy Day Mass..... 7:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

## Confessions

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. and by appointment.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Classes are required. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

## Visits to the Homebound

Regular visits are made on the first Friday of the month. Please call the office if you would like a visit.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements with the Pastor at least 6 months prior.

## R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults and Children is an opportunity for any interested person who desires to become a full member of the Church. For information call the Parish Office.

## Parish Staff

<b>Pastor</b> ~ Reverend Jason Feigh .....	jason.feigh@prep-villa.com	476-7657
<b>Deacon Assistant</b> ~ Ron Fronzaglia .....		864-6772
<b>Parish Secretary</b> ~ Debbie Murnock.....		476-7657
<b>Faith Formation/Religious Education</b> ~ .....	faithformation@stfrancisxaviermckean.org	476-7657
<b>Music</b> ~ Marsha Fronzaglia .....		864-6772
<b>Parish Center Reservation / Scheduling</b> ~ Debbie Murnock .....		476-7657
<b>Cemetery Information, Graves, Interments</b> ~ Debbie Murnock.....		476-7657
<b>Prayer Chain</b> ~ Margaret Pekelnicky .....		476-7486

## Mass Intentions

<b>Monday</b> 7:30 am	<b>October 7, 2019 Our Lady of the Rosary</b> Communion Service
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30 am	<b>October 8, 2019 Weekday</b> Marjorie Brinker (Bruce & Rose Scouten)
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:30 am	<b>October 9, 2019 Sts. Denis &amp; John Leonardi</b> Julie Green (Liz Dilla)
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30 am	<b>October 10, 2019 Weekday</b> Genevieve Dzeskewicz (Carol & George Devenney)
<b>Friday</b> 7:30 am	<b>October 11, 2019 St. John XXIII</b> Larry Brown (Arline Hido)
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>October 12, 2019 Weekday</b> Al Paradise (Family)
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 am	<b>October 13, 2019 26th Sun. Ordinary Time</b> Joe Flatley, Sr. (Joe & Linda Flatley)
<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Our Parishioners Living and Deceased</b>

**Please remember in your prayers.....** Artie & Stacey, Marsha A. & daughter, Cassandra Aho, Marsha Badach, Kit & Joe Balinski, Vicky Barcio, Patty Bennett, Rachel Bourne, David Boyd, Patty Brown, Randy Brucher, Amanda Bryant, Shelly Buffalari, Sam Burns, Carole C., Tim C., Amy Campoli, Debbie Carrick, Todd Carrier, Abigail Carullo, Doug Chernicky, Christi Claxton, Rod Coburn, Eleanor Collings, Earl Corbin, Esther Craig, Colin Cunningham, Dale & family, Trudy DeCarolis, Artie Defoy, Karen Dickson, A. Dodick, Katie Dombkowski, Ron Dombkowski, Danielle Dorder, Jonathan Ledger Dougherty, Bill Drakes, Dawn Duran, Bill Eberlein, Sr., Ashley English, Lynn English, Ron & Helen Feldman, Carrie Fiske, Mary Fiscus, Eleanor Fox, Carol Fullom, Denise Fulton, Ben G., Julia G., Linda Gidos, Sally Gradler, Bob Greene, Debbie Grove, Jerry H., The Haynes Family, Larry Hanas, Frank Harrison, Nathan Heath, Nicholas Hendericks, Michelle Hetrick, Kathy Highhouse, Harold Hites, Gloria Hollenbeck, Molly Holmes, Holly, Rich Hudacky, Denise Hudson, Carrie Jaco, Scott James, Trevor James, Jeremy, Jim, Jim & Linda, Charles Johnson, Luke Johnson, Nancy Johnson, R. Juarez & Family, Kathleen, Kevin K., Craig Kayden, Kelly King, Linda Kloecker, Judy Konkol, Betty Korrel, Thomas Kowalczyk, Carol Kuchinski, Ed Kuligowski, Roberta Laird, Rose Lapenz, Gail Laughner, John Lewis, Margie Loeffler, Janet Lombardo, Robin Macial, Tim Maciulewicz, Lexxi Maloney-Barnes, James Mantsch, Matt & Rachael, Paul Mayer, Patrick McKenrick, Clara Meyer, Shawn Morgan, Jr., Bill Muenz, Kathy Murr, Kathy N., Ron and Lynn Nash, Leny Nipper, Tom O., Buddy O'Leary, Bill Oshinski, Rick P., Kayden Painter, Michael Pamula, Patrick, Liz Pauly, Ron, Paige, David Peter, Annmarie Phillips, Kathy Piotroski, Andrew Pitcher, Mike Pitonyck, Nathan Post, Erin Potter, Michael Potter, Mary Povath, Carrie Powell, Prayer Tent Intentions, Denise Pulson, Audrey & John Reese, Bill Reigleman & Family, Christi Reilly, Lucas Reynolds, McKenna Ritter, Melissa Rindfuss, Joan Robinson, Rocky, Alan Rodgers, Debbie Rose, Bob Rudzenski, Frank Romba, Lindsey Ryan, Jim S., Dave Sarra, Shirley Sayers, Jim Scully, Joseph Seth, Greg & Rochelle Sharrer, Therese Sauer, Gavin Schulte, Madeline Sienecki, Robin Snyder, Tina, Gregory Thomas, Patricia Vadala, Dan Via, Margaret Wasser, Mark Watts, Dan Weber, Lisa Weber, Maureen Wentzel, Caitlin Wentzel, Danny Wadsworth, Joe Wardanski, Bob Whitford, Lois Whitcomb, Denise Wilson, Keri Youse, Jack Z., A Special Intention, and all the sick and suffering of the parish.

**Pray for the men and women in the military:** 1st Lt. Nicholas Gdanetz, Petty Officer 3rd Class Jack Kaulis, Chief Petty Officer Aurelio Velazquez, Jr., Private Jeff Kinnear, Major Jenny Stewart-Allen, Major Alan Herbol.

### BOSCOV'S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

**Wednesday, October 16, 8:00 am—11:00 pm.** Purchase a **SHOPPING PASS** for \$5 and you get to shop on the 16th and receive **25%** off your purchases that day. It's a win, win for our parish. We get to keep the \$5 you paid for the pass and you get to save. Christmas is just around the corner and **25%** off their already low prices is an extra bonus! Enter for a chance to win prizes, including four \$500 Shopping Sprees. That would make Christmas extra special this year. Some exclusions are listed on the Shopping Pass. Passes will be on sale after Masses and in the office during the week.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELLING AND ADOPTION SERVICES

—will have their annual "Diaper Drive" throughout the entire month of October. We will have a box in the Gathering Space in which new baby items can be donated. Gently used maternity clothing is also very much appreciated. We have participated in this collection the last two years. Please make this year successful as well.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**—Congratulations to Audrey Kosienki. She was the winner of the monthly 50/50 drawing. Please support our Knights in their service endeavors. New members are always welcome.

**BINGO THIS SUNDAY!!!!** Come after 10:30 Mass and have a blast! A great lunch is included in your ticket with 10 games of bingo and there will be basket raffles (Romolo's chocolates), lottery tickets, 50/50, instant bingos, extras and specials to purchase as well. Good time and great fun!!

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday	10-07
Tuesday	10-08
Wednesday	10-09
Thursday	10-10 <b>Erie Table Tennis Assoc. P.C.</b>
Friday	10-11
Saturday	10-12 <b>Mass 5:00 pm Flu Clinic 10-1 pm</b>
Sunday	10-13 <b>Masses 8:00 &amp; 10:30 am Boy Scouts 6:00 pm in P.C.</b>

**A LITTLE FAITH**

Today our readings are about faith, frustration, and how much is enough. Habakkuk is a complainer having an argument with God. Timothy is encouraging a community challenged by cowardice and the apostles want more faith than they have. Things aren't happening fast enough for any of them or for us. All of them and we want God to do something sooner rather than later and we want God to give us a reason to believe that it will all work out. What does God do? God puts it back on them—and us—telling Habakkuk to describe the world he wants; telling the apostles to do more than the expected. Doing more with less is a familiar phrase today and a reminder that a little faith may be enough even for the most difficult times.

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**Adult:** When have you done more than was required of you in the service of others?

**Child:** When have you done something extra for someone in your family without being asked?

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The just ones, because of their faith, shall live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

**Gospel** — The apostles said to Jesus, "Increase our faith" (Luke 17:5-10).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

*A Stewardship of Sharing*

September 29, 2019

Households receiving envelopes—440 Envelopes used—111  
 Goal ..... \$5,215.00  
 Total Collection ..... \$3,438.00  
 Capital Improvements ..... \$442.00

Bills paid: School Support \$2,000 Home Depot \$263  
 National Fuel \$75 Giant Eagle \$201

*Liturgical Ministry Schedule—Oct. 13, 2019*

Masses	5:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
<b>Ushers</b>	J. Cummings J. Meyer J. Neuburger M. Stewart	J. McLaughlin T. Trott Bill Kemm L. Zemcik	D. Morehouse C. Morehouse R. Damore D. Damore
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	D. Oblinski K. Culbertson	D. Carullo G. Soltys	M. Skladanows J., Strzalka
<b>Lectors</b>	L. Herman	B. Dedrick	B. Pamula
<b>Altar Servers</b>	B. Schrupf D. Myers	C. Haywood N. Seeders	J. Laughner C. Villanueva
<b>Cantors</b>	C. Murnock	M. Dombrowski	L. Skladanows

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Sometimes human relationships go awry, but Christ's choice for us is irrevocable. In marriage celebrations, the Church always recalls God's faithfulness to help prepare married couples for enduring the inevitable rough spots. The Byzantine liturgy does this by adorning the couple with crowns that remind them of the martyr's crown. The couple therefore takes on a vocation of witnessing to the sacredness of life in all of its suffering and joy, and of keeping their eyes fixed on the banquet of heaven.

In Eastern theology, people have a liturgical vocation to give God praise, and marriage fits within that plan. It is not so much saying prayers that counts, but becoming prayer. Interestingly, in this liturgy the couple never utters a word other than joining in the community's chants; there are no marriage vows as such. There is therefore not a hint of our Western Christian sense that marriage is a legal contract. Rather, it is all about living out one's baptismal vocation, embracing the cross, pouring oneself out in love, and opening to the grace of the Holy Spirit.



**SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS**  
**FOR ANNA ZUBER** (Sheila & Leonard Sauers)

*From the Pastor's Desk*

What a great celebration we had in honor of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of our Church. I was glad to see the Church full of parishioners and guests. We are again thankful that Bishop Persico was able to join us! Thank you to all who helped make the celebration as beautiful as it was! Thank you for all who baked cookies or donated other items for the reception and for Chris Matheis and Leann Lazan as well as other members of the Welcoming Committee for heading that part of the reception. Thank you to the K of C for their presence and support. Thank you to our Liturgical Ministers and Musicians who enhanced our worship. Thank you to Gerry Otteni for the beautiful illustrated history of our parish. You will also be able to access the History on our Website very soon. A very special thank you to our staff who worked tirelessly to pull everything together, especially Debbie Murnock and the volunteers who helped her and the Welcoming Committee to make sure everyone had enough to eat and drink. Thank you to Kathy and Mike Orlando for designing the prayer card and worship aid. Thank you to Mario Pontillo for help with Setup and Cleaning (and thank you as well to our Cleaning Committee). Thank you to ALL who helped. If this is any indication, our next 50 years are going to be very promising.

With that being said, I would like to echo the words I said a little over a year ago when I first came. I am very grateful to be journeying with you. I am also grateful for your continued patience as I balance the different duties. I continue to ask for your prayers as we journey together. I know change is not always easy, but it is necessary for us to grow. I am grateful for your continued willingness to grow as well! Please know I will always try to make myself available to you, and if I can't at that moment, I will as soon as possible. I also want to get to know you more as well. Forgive the boldness, if you are ever inclined, I am always open to spending time with you and your families and will always try to make room on the calendar for a dinner, Steelers game, etc. We all know the best way to get to know each other is by spending time together. I am thankful for all you have done to reach out already. I am humbled.

I can't believe that it is already October! We began our celebration of this month a bit early with our Annual Pet Blessing last weekend in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. I was thankful to bless many creatures including Linus. If you want a laugh, look at the pictures on our Facebook page for the Church. I would like to invite all of us to two special events this month: Living Rosary, sponsored by our Religious Education Kids, and a Wedding Celebration. October is the Month of the Holy Rosary and we want to remember Mary's "Yes" and intercession in a special way. There will be more about the Living Rosary next week.

Regarding the Milestone Wedding Anniversary (I consider milestone anniversaries as 5-year increment with any year past 40 a feat to be celebrated) please let us know. During the last weekend of this month (October 26 and 27) we will remember you in a special way at Mass. All you need to do is let me know (via email or phone call) what your milestone is and what Mass you will be attending that weekend so we can recognize you. If you could let us know by Thursday, October 24, that will allow me to make sure we have you marked down!

Finally, I hope that you can take advantage of the exciting fellowship opportunity of Cash Bingo this weekend after the 10:30am Mass. Remember, tickets are still sold after Masses this weekend and don't miss out! (Yes, we will be broadcasting the Football Games).

In the meantime, know of my prayers for you and ask of the same for me!

*Fr. Jason*

## Religious Education Faith Formation

Our 2nd grade class will be hosting our 10:30 Mass this weekend. God bless them as they begin our class liturgy participation in weekly Masses.

Coming up—The Kindergarten class will host our 10:30 Mass on Sunday, October 13. We encourage all families to attend and worship together.

Kindergarten and First Grade Retreat will be Sunday, October 20, 9:00—1:00 pm in the Parish Center. Remember parents, 10:30 Mass is included as part of the retreat.

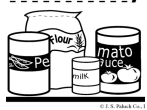
OUR LADY OF THE LAKE—pm. Author Vinny Flynn presents “Eucharistic Amazement and Awe” Monday, October 7, “Divine Mercy and God’s Plan for Your Life”. Tues., October 8 “Healing and Restoration in the Confessional”. Wed., October 9 “The Transforming Power of the Eucharist”. Presentations start at 7:00 pm. See flyer on bulletin board in Gathering Space.

LIFE RUN 5K & 10K—Saturday, October 12, Races begin at 9:00 am Register by Over age 15: \$25, Ages 7-15 \$15. See flyer on bulletin for info.

ST. LAWRENCE CHURCH—Sunday, October 13 11:30—3:00 pm Annual Roast Beef Dinner. Adults \$10, Kids \$5. See flyer on bulletin board in Gathering Space for info.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ROSARY MARCH—on Sunday, October 13, at 2:00 pm. See flyer on bulletin board for more information.

**Food Pantry** LUNCH MEAT (HAM, BOLOGNA, SALAMI) HAMBURGER, CHICKEN AND VEGGIES ARE NEEDED. Meat can be put in the refrigerator freezer in the Gathering Space. Sue just requested toilet paper as well. Yikes!



### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Greg Soltys	734-4957	Kathy Orlando	450-2411
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