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Saint Francis Xavier Parish

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

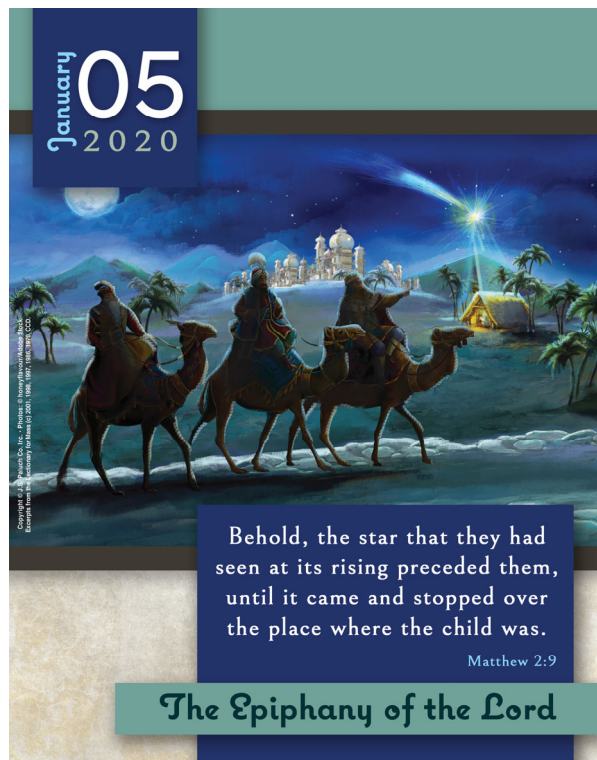
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Parish Office Hours:

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



Behold, the star that they had
seen at its rising preceded them,
until it came and stopped over
the place where the child was.

Matthew 2:9

The Epiphany of the Lord

*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

Saturday5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Week Days7:30 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

Pastor ~ Reverend Jason Feigh	jason.feigh@prep-villa.com	476-7657
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Mass Intentions

Monday 7:30 am	January 6, 2020 St. Andre Bessette Communion Service
Tuesday 7:30 am	January 7, 2020 St. Raymond of Penafort Elizabeth Harvey (Chuck & Penny Keller)
Wednesday 7:30 am	January 8, 2020 Christmas Weekday Genevieve Dzeskewicz (Dick & Eleanor Fox)
Thursday 7:30 am	January 9, 2020 Christmas Weekday Fran Dzeskewicz (Marge Ferrick & Family)
Friday 7:30 am	January 10, 2020 Christmas Weekday Marty Huegel (Family)
Saturday 5:00 pm	January 11, 2020 Christmas Weekday Loretta Olszewski (Sharon Trifiro)
Sunday 8:00 am	January 12, 2020 Baptism of the Lord Margaret Seth (Gerry Otteni)
10:30 am	For Our Parishioners Living & Deceased

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, Helen Dombkowski, 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 Hudack, Denise Hudson, Cole Huegel, 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, Morinelli/Quinn Family, 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, Mary Lou Scalzitti, Jim Scully, Joseph Seth, Greg & Rochelle Sharrer, Therese Sauer, Gavin Schulte, Madeline Sienecki, Robin Snyder, Dave & Loren Swanson, Tina, Gregory Thomas, Patricia Vadala, Dan Via, Margaret Wasser, Mark Watts, Dan Weber, Lisa Weber, Robert Weber, Sr., Maureen Wentzel, Caitlin Wentzel, Danny Wadsworth, Joe Wardanski, Lois Whitcomb, Denise Wilson, Keri Youse, 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, PFC Jacob Lenhardt..

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL—The 2019 CSA closed at the end December. However, you may still get your pledge payments in until January 26. We thank everyone who so generously gave this past year. Once we reached our goal, the remainder of money stayed in our parish. To date we have pledges of \$53,725 with \$51,140 paid. Our goal was \$41,862. Because of your generous spirit, and if all pledges are met, \$11,863 will remain in the parish.

Eucharistic Adoration—There will be Adoration this Thursday, January 9 at 8:00 pm.

Knights of Columbus—will meet this Wednesday, January 8 at 6:45 pm. All men of the parish are welcome to join this service organization.

As an aside...we truly want to thank those Knights who so willingly give of their time and talents. Your help at our Feast Day Dinner (breaking down and cleaning up). Decorating the church for Christmas and all the outside decorating went so much faster due to your help.

PRO-LIFE BREAKFAST—SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, AT THE BAYFRONT CONVENTION CENTER.

ERIE MARCH FOR LIFE—SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 AT 11:00 AM IN DOWNTOWN ERIE.

BUS TRIP TO THE MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, DC—JANUARY 23-25. LEAVE ERIE AT 11 PM ON THE 23RD AND RETURN ABOUT 1:30 AM ON THE 25TH.

INFORMATION ON BULLETIN BOARD IN GATHERING SPACE.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday	01-06
Tuesday	01-07
Wednesday	01-08
Thursday	01-09 Adoration 8:00 pm
Friday	01-10
Saturday	01-11 Mass 5:00 pm
Sunday	01-12 Masses 8:00 and 10:30 am

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25. While at Christmas we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations—Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the world. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the world was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews—Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;
Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10;

Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17



**SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS
FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS (KEN
GNAGI FAMILY)**

WEEKLY COLLECTION

A Stewardship of Sharing

December 22, 2019

Households receiving envelopes—440 Envelopes used—154

Goal \$5,215.00

Total Collection \$3,394.00

Capital Improvements \$375.00

Bills paid: Diocese Loan Pmt. \$1,476 Weber Electric \$757

Liturgical Ministry Schedule—January 12, 2020

Masses	5:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
Ushers	E. Petak B. Petak T. Weber K. Campbell	M. Vincent T. Glaspell J. Thompson R. Seth	R. Damore T. Hoover R. Gray J. Sykes
Eucharistic Ministers	E. Matheis C. Matheis	L. Glaspell G. Soltys	C. Gray R. Gray
Lectors	D. Herbol	G. Otteni	J. Pamula
Altar Servers	C., E. & M. Hahlen	L. Fleek H. & C. Salvo	D. Gwinn C. Villanueva J. Sickles
Cantors			

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON (1774-1821)**January 4**

Though her liturgical designation is "Religious," Elizabeth Seton, her feast-day prayer reminds us, was also wife, mother, educator, foundress. Born into a wealthy Episcopalian family, Elizabeth married William Seton, whose untimely death in Italy where the young family sought healing for William's tuberculosis, left her, at twenty-nine, a widow with five children. Inspired by the faith and charity of the Italian family with whom they stayed, Elizabeth embraced Catholicism despite her family's disowning her and ceasing financial support. This woman of many firsts (and several vocations!) opened the first free Catholic school, beginning the American Catholic educational system, and founded the first American religious community for women, the Sisters of Charity. The tuberculosis that claimed her husband took also her oldest and youngest daughters and, finally, at just forty-seven, Elizabeth herself. Another first: in 1975 she was canonized the first native-born American saint. Once asked to summarize her spirituality, she replied: "Faith lifts the staggering soul on one side, hope supports it on the other, experience says it must be, and love says let it be!"

From the Pastor's Desk

Welcome to a new decade. Ten years ago, I began this decade as a Transitional Deacon, being ordained in 2010; now three assignments later, I am with you as Pastor! What ten years it's been with many more blessings to come. Again, Happy New Year!

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. It is fitting that we celebrate this event on the first weekend of the New Year as we are reminded of both the gifts that we have been given and the gifts we are called to give. Therefore, in many cultures the gift giving of the Christmas Season happens today and not on Christmas. As the Magi, we too must remember to seek him and receive (and give) the gifts he gave us. Perhaps, if we make any resolution in this new year, it is a promise to receive his gift of his love everyday in prayer.

There are many customs that surround this feast. We are taking advantage of two of them this weekend by blessing our doors (and you will be able to at your home too with the kits that you can take with you as you leave), and the Easter Proclamation that tells us of the next great feast. Continue to celebrate as it is still Christmas for a bit longer until the Baptism of the Lord!

Remember to check your Lottery Tickets this month and thank you for taking part in this fundraiser! Also, continue to make time to help your parish community by volunteering. Perhaps you are looking to get involved. There are many opportunities to do so. Please check the bulletin, app or website for the many ways you can give the gift of time.

Religious Education starts back up this weekend and I hope that our students had a rested break and are already to journey with our Lord anew! Continue to pray for them and our teachers.

In the meantime, know of my continued prayers and give the gifts the Lord has given you in this new year!

Fr. Jason



Religious Education Faith Formation

Welcome back Students and Catechists!

Next week our 10:30 Mass will be hosted by our 7th grade students. All families are encouraged to come and worship together.

Just a reminder...As you put away your new Christmas gifts, and you may have received one or two things that you just don't know what you will do with them. Remember, our Mardi Gras basket raffle is just around the corner on Saturday, February 22. We always have a grand basket raffle and are always looking for fabulous items to put in that raffle. So if there is anything you received and just don't know what to do with it—think of putting it to good use and donate it to our Mardi Gras!

We have already received two beautiful donated quilts and a sold out Jack Paluh print already framed and matted, ready to be admired by some lucky winner!

Food Pantry



FRUIT, JELLO, CEREAL, LUNCH MEAT (HAM, BOLOGNA, SALAMI) HAMBURGER, CHICKEN AND VEGGIES ARE NEEDED, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, TOMATO SOUP, CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP, VEGETABLE SOUP AND CRACKERS. . Meat can be put in the refrigerator/freezer in the Gathering Space.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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