



St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

2500 Arbeiter Rd, Joliet, IL 60431

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time October 30, 2016

Mass Schedule

Sunday Obligation

Saturday4:30 pm
Sunday8:30am & 10:00 am

Weekday

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Friday..... 9:15 am
Wednesday6:30 pm

Holy Days of Obligation— 9:15 am & 7:00 pm
Vigil Mass—7:00 pm

Check bulletin for changes.

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 to 4:15pm,
Wednesday 5:45 to 6:15pm and by appt.

Baptism

Sunday after 10:00 am Mass.
Call the office for open dates

Marriage

Please call the church office at the
beginning of your wedding planning
(at least six months in advance).

Office Hours:

Monday & Thursday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Tuesday 11:30am to 3:00pm
Friday 8:30 am to 1:00 pm
Office closed on Wednesday

Telephone.....815/609-8077

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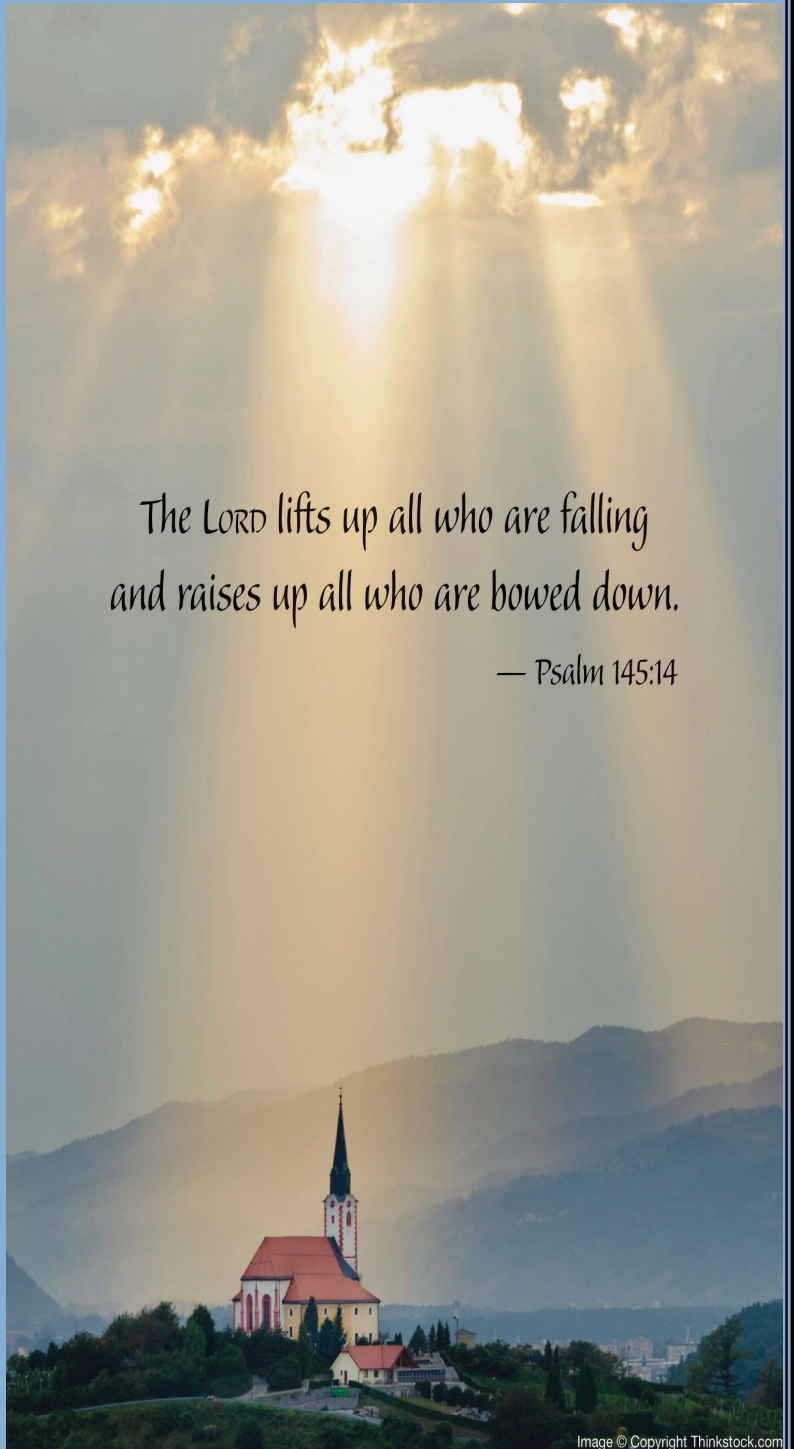
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*The LORD lifts up all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.*

— Psalm 145:14

A Message
from the
Pastor
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week we celebrate the Feast of all Saints and we commemorate the souls of the faithful departed. There are many traditions associated with these two days. As a child I remember my mother trying to visit as many churches as she could on all souls day. She would cycle from place to place with the youngest who was not in school on the carrier, getting to her three if not more Masses and at the same time making sure that all the meals and household chores were done. During November all of the family graves would be visited. When I look back at it now, I realize it was for her a form of handling her own grief but it was also an expression of her deep faith. We are reminded that it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead. During this November we will have our table of remembrance and we will remember all the dead throughout the month at Mass.

As we pray for them we remember that the feast of All saints is a celebration of all the unnamed saints who are in heaven. They are members of our families and friends we have known. We pray to them and ask them to help us on our journey of faith, so that like them we will have the courage to live and to proclaim our faith in word and in deed.

Let the journey continue

Fr Karl

coming
attractions
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Oct 29-Reconciliation Parent/Child Retreat 9-11:30am
Nov 1-All Saints Day Mass @9:15am & 7pm
Nov 2-All Souls Day Mass @ 6:30pm
Nov 5- Legion of Mary Rosary at 3:45pm
Nov 5-FIRST RECONCILIATION 2pm (sign up required)
Nov 5-Training for all-Eucharistic Ministers 10-11am
Nov 5-Training for all new Lectors 10-11am
Nov 8-ELECTION DAY
Nov 27- Advent by Candlelight

Bags of Hope

Bags of Hope fills backpacks with food every week, delivering them to roughly 190 kids right here in Plainfield School District 202 whose families are struggling to make ends meet at home. St. Francis Xavier is collecting food on 11/5 & 11/6 Canned vegetables, canned fruits, macaroni and cheese, pasta, rice, instant oatmeal, cereals, cereal bars, canned soups, ramen noodles, peanut butter, jelly, hot cocoa, canned pasta sauce, tomatoes, canned pastas (ie: Spaghetti O's), canned chili, beans, canned pasta sauce, canned tuna, canned chicken, and individual snacks such as granola bars, fruit chews, snacks, pudding, applesauce, cookies, crackers, chips, raisins, and cheese and crackers.

Together we can end hunger in our own community. If you would like more information please visit their website. bagsofhope2016@gmail.com or Contact Tom Mulcahy at tmulcahy@sbcglobal.net



Thank You

Sincere thanks to all who worked for and at the Ministry Fair last Sunday. We thank those who signed up and we continue to look for more people to help the various parish ministries.

Mass Times

October 31,
Vigil @7pm

November 1,
All Saints Day-9:15am & 7pm
Holy Day of Obligation

November 2,
All Souls Day-6:30pm

Turn Clocks Back



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Ladies, you won't want to miss this year's Advent by Candlelight on Sunday, November 27 from 1-5pm. Please plan to join us for an afternoon of visiting, beautiful music and delicious appetizers and dessert. All women of SFX are invited, and are encouraged to invite their friends to prepare their hearts for Advent. There is no charge for this event. Registration forms will be available around the 1st week in November. For information or to help plan, contact Karen Asiyambi at 815-577-0262 or bodunrin@comcast.net.



All are welcome to the next Hospitality Social on Sunday, October 30th after the 8:30 & 10 AM Masses. Donations of refreshments and/or help will be accepted. Questions, contact Karen Asiyambi at 815-577-0262 bodunrin@comcast.net.

Stressed Out??

Join us for a free confidential support group that meets the first week of each month in the lower level of the Church.
First Monday evening of the month 7-8:30 pm.
Next month's meetings: November 7, 7-8:30 pm, Confidential Help Line: 815-669-7741 (Please leave a message)



Family Centered Faith Formation
Nov 6 & 13

Confirmation Class 2017@ 6:30pm
Mass @ 7:30pm
Nov 20

First Reconciliation
Nov 5, 12 or 19 at 2pm
(Sign up required)

Catechist Training
October 30

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a
Wednesday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6;
Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or
any readings from no. 668 or from
Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9;
Lk 16:9-15
Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15;
2 Thes 2:16 — 3:5;
Lk 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]

St. Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus

will start their annual **Presale of Wreaths** on the weekend of **October 29th and 30th** thru the end of **November**. Beautiful live wreaths, poinsettias, door swags, pine garland and more will be available with pickup on the weekend of the **Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar.. Stop by the Knights table in the Narthex to pickup your order form.**

The Knights of Columbus are holding their annual **Beef Raffle**. Tickets are \$5 a piece and only 300 will be sold. First prize is a quarter of a Steer. 2nd and 3rd prize is a \$25 Manna Card. Drawing will be held at the conclusion of the Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar. Stop by the Knights table in the Narthex for your opportunity to fill your freezer with beef.

The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary will be saying the rosary the first Saturday of every month @3:45pm

Elizabeth Ministry

Our parish is interested in starting an exciting new ministry that responds to the joys and sorrows of life during childbearing, rearing and grand-parenting years! This outreach encompasses pregnancy, pregnancy complications, birth, infant or child crisis, fertility and infertility concerns, miscarriage, infant or child death, family life and grand-parenting issues. Where do you go for advice or seek reassurance for a newborn? With whom can a woman talk about infertility? Who will reach out to a woman experiencing miscarriage or infant death? In the past, family members, neighbors and friends met these needs. Today, our busy lifestyles and constant relocation to new towns, the presence of family or friends may not always be possible during these critical times. Elizabeth Ministry responds to this need by offering like-to-like ministry through personal visits. Contact the parish for more information (or email Elizabeth Kingsbury-Puscas, MSW, LSW eakp3@comcast.net). (This is NOT therapy).

K of C Ladies Auxiliary

All women of our parish are invited to our next meeting **November 14, @ 7:30pm** in the lower level of the church.

We will be discussing the Christmas Bazaar. Anyone wishing to volunteer for the Bazaar is encouraged to attend this meeting

Welcome to Our New Parishioners ...



John & Linda Nelson

Edward & Elaine Czarnowski

Mary Kay Ludemann

We're happy you have decided to take this journey with us!

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!!!

Save the date for the 9th annual Christmas Bazaar: **Saturday, December 3rd** and **Sunday, December 4th**. The Ladies Auxiliary is looking for crafters who'd be interested in selling their handmade/homemade creations the first weekend in December. We are now taking applications for remaining booth spaces. Handmade/homemade items ONLY! . If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Karen Johnson at 815-439-1912 or krea4@comcast.net –or- Caryl Hayes at 815-263-9584 or cl.hayes@att.net

Saints Peter and Paul Buildings and Grounds

Saints Peter and Paul Parish is looking for two (2) buildings and grounds maintenance workers. One is a full-time position and one is a part-time position. These positions will be responsible for maintaining the parish buildings and grounds, perform tasks related to HVAC, electrical, plumbing, security, environmental, safety, and custodial of approximately 7 buildings. Job responsibilities also include, but are not limited to, locking and unlocking of various spaces, event setups, light maintenance work, lawn maintenance, snow removal, alarms, and equipment inspections. Please submit resumes to:

fpartipilo@sspeterandpaul.net

Manna News

Manna cards are available after all Masses on the weekend. We carry a variety of stores, gas stations and restaurants. Buying manna cards is an easy way to make some extra money for our parish. Father Karl spoke about ideas for fund raisers. Manna is available right now. All you have to do is participate by buying some cards for things you normally purchase each week. We accept cash and checks payable to St. Francis Xavier. It would be great to see our sales increase. Thank you to all who buy cards. If you have any questions, please stop by the manna desk.

Mass Intentions



Saturday	Oct 29,	4:30pm	St Francis Xavier Parishioners
Sunday	Oct 30,	8:30am	Dorothy Zalud
Sunday	Oct 30,	10:00am	Marjorie Mueller
Monday	Oct 31,	9:15am	Matt Spagnola
Tuesday	Nov 1,	9:15am	Intention of the Celebrant
		7:00pm	Intention of the Celebrant
Wednesday	Nov 2,	6:30pm	The Souls of the Faithfully Departed
Thursday	Nov 3,	9:15am	Peter & Aiden
Friday	Nov 4,	9:15am	Intention of the Celebrant
Saturday	Nov 5,	4:30pm	Marion & Louis Okapal
Sunday	Nov 6,	8:30am	Bill & Laura Wiley
Sunday	Nov 6,	10:00am	Intention of the Celebrant

Thank You from the Ladies Auxiliary

To
All Ghost, Goblins, Witches, Superheroes
Princesses and Volunteers for making this
one of our most successful
Halloween Happenings!



**TUESDAY
EVENING
5—8 p.m.**



**THURSDAY
MORNING
9:45-10:45am**

Mass Schedule for November 5th and 6th, 2016

	Saturday 4:30 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
GREETERS	Revis Family	Asiyanbi Family	Churnovic-Wolcott Family
LECTOR	Jacquelyn Bennett	Kathy Thoman	Dave Guglielmi
MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Judy Burzinski Lourdes Arce Tim Drendel EM NEEDED	Deacon Liam & Mary Abbott Bob & Barb Spalo EM NEEDED	Deacon Bob Theis Carina Johannessen Ken Weber EM NEEDED
SERVERS	Joel Arce AS NEEDED AS NEEDED	Luke Lyznicki AS NEEDED AS NEEDED	TJ Johannessen Mikaylah Boulds AS NEEDED
MANNA HELPERS	Audra Marino Mary Kaffer	Jim Thomas Cindy Thomas	Marilyn Watson Monica Hehl

Our Sunday Offering

October 16, 2016

Envelopes used: 129	\$3344.00
Loose Currency:	\$ 888.00
Total:	\$4232.00
October Blue Envelope Total	\$1392.00

Approximate number of Registered Families 543

Thank you for your generosity!

For your heart will always be where your riches are. Matthew 6:21..



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Please pray for . . .



Joe Lopez
Erno Balogh
Lois Steinhoff
Ron Stajkowski

Anna Lopez
Agnes Badar
Larry Formella
David Warburton



Ronald Wallin —Navy, Djibouti, Africa



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OFFICE /STAFF INFORMATION

PastorFr Karl Langsdorf
DeaconTerry Safko
Deacon.....Vic Puscas
Pastoral AssociateSandy Book
Religious Education/FCFF Coordinator.....Penny Giunta
Pastoral Care Coord.....Ronnie Cagney
Bereavement Coord.....Barb Spalo
SecretaryJackie White

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Sacramental Preparation:Kathy Roberts
Confirmation Preparation.....Mike & Gaylene Oesterreich
Music CoordinatorMark Epling
Daybreak Coordinator.....Caryl Hayes
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Adult Fath EnrichmentSister M. Gesuina Bongiorno
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PARISH REGISTRATION: All Catholics are expected to register in their parish . We encourage you to register through the simple process of picking up the form in the back of church or by telephoning the office and complete the simple questionnaire.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:(Family Centered Faith Formation) Registration takes place from May through August. Classes begin in September and are held twice a month on Sunday after the 10:00 am Mass.

PARISH MINISTRIES: If you would like to join one of our parish ministries (lector, Communion minister, catechists, etc.) please call the office for details.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is held on Tuesday from 5-8p.m. and on Thursday after the 9:15 am Mass until 10:45a.m.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS:

We are delighted to celebrate the sacraments of Baptism & Marriage within our parish for registered families. If you have any questions, please contact our parish office, 815-609-8077

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION:

Reconciliation: Confessions are every Saturday from 3:30 to 4:15 pm , Wednesday from 5:45 to 6:15 pm and by appt..

Baptisms: Are celebrated on Sunday after the 10:00 am Mass. Call the church office for open dates .

Marriages: Please contact the parish office at the beginning of your wedding planning to check if your wedding date is available and to start the marriage preparation process. A minimum of six(6) months in advance of your wedding date is a requirement of the Joliet diocese. Weddings are celebrated at Noon or 2 p.m. on Saturdays.

Quinceanara—Must contact the parish 3 months prior to the requested date

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): For adults interested in becoming Catholic, RCIA prepares them to receive the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil. Adult Catholics in need of Confirmation are also invited. The formal program meets weekly from October through May.

Bulletin Inserts: If you plan to insert flyers in the Sunday bulletin, please call the parish office on the prior Monday for approval and scheduling

Please submit all articles for the bulletin in writing no later than noon on Mondays. You may fax (815/609-8078) or email (office@st-francis-xavier.com) your article AS AN ATTACHMENT.