



# St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

2500 Arbeiter Rd, Joliet, IL 60431

## The Transfiguration of the Lord August 6, 2017

### Mass Schedule

#### Sunday Obligation

Saturday .....4:30 pm  
Sunday .....8:30am & 10:00 am

#### Weekday

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Friday..... 9:15 am  
Wednesday .....6:30 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

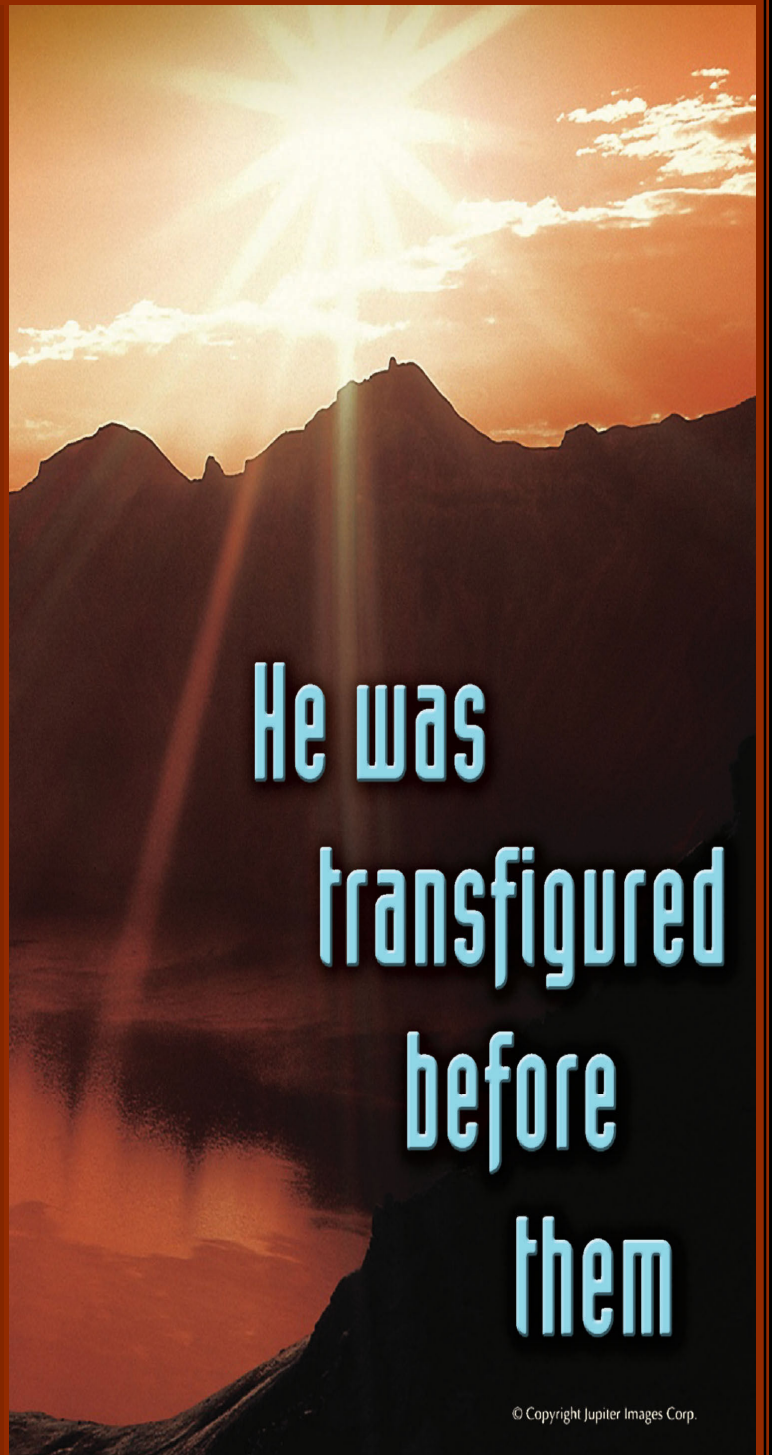
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He was  
transfigured  
before  
them

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

My mother came to Kenya the year after my father died. I was in the first mission that had opened in Nandi District. I had just taken over a few months previously. I had taken over from one of our priests who had been there a long time, and they had not wanted him to move. It was a struggle and I was not very happy. Seven years later my mother came back because Pope John Paul II was visiting Kenya. My mother was amazed at the growth that had taken place in those seven years and never stopped talking about it. I because I had been there all the time had not really noticed.

Sometimes that's the way it is with God in our lives, we do not notice him working. He does it all unseen and unnoticed and then there are moments like the transfiguration when it is all laid out before you. My mother's second visit to Kenya made me notice things I had taken for granted. God comes to us through our family and friends, the smile, the comment, the outreach in difficult times. God is there working with us encouraging us and walking with us on our journey. There are moments when like the poet we see "the earth charged with the grandeur of God" but there are moments when we need the reminders of others to see that grandeur and beauty. Let us give thanks for those moments as the journey continues.

Fr Karl

#### LOOKING FOR CATHECISTS

We are still short of catechists for our religious ed program. Please contact Penny if you are interested

#### Entering College in the Fall?

We would like to include you on our prayer board. Please fill in the form found in the Narthex and return it to Church as soon as possible. You can also get a flier on our website. Please plan on receiving your goody bag at Mass on the July 29=30 week-end. Father Karl will also send you off with a special blessing. Please return your form as soon as possible so we can plan for the week-end. Thank you!

#### Parenting Young Children

*The group will meet on the first Monday of the month at St. Francis Xavier Church from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. The group is open to mothers and/or fathers of young children-8th grade. This is a free support group to help parents with a variety of issues including discipline, family bonding, communication and management. (no children, please, at the group).*

**Questions-- please call Carol at (815)557-1274  
The August meeting date is  
MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017**

coming  
attractions

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Aug 5&6-Bags of Hope  
Aug 7-Parenting Young Children 7-8:30pm  
Aug 19-Night of Hope at Holy Family Parish  
Aug 26- End of Summerfest & Rummage Sale  
Aug 27-Confirmation Retreat 5:15-8:30pm  
Sept 20-Confirmation Rehearsal 6:00pm  
Sept 29-CONFIRMATION at 7pm

#### 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 8/5 and 8/6. 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](mailto:tmulcahy@sbcglobal.net)

#### K of C Ladies Auxiliary

All women of our parish are invited  
to our next meeting August 21, @ 7:30pm  
in the lower level of the church.

#### Coordinator of Religious Education Grades 1-6 (Part Time) St. Irene Catholic Community, Warrenville,

seeks part-time Coordinator of Religious Education for grades 1st-6th including the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Candidate must be bi-lingual in English and Spanish and have a flexible schedule to accommodate ministry activities and events. Hours, 20-25 per week, are generally Monday-Friday, but vary based on the program's evening and weekend schedules.

Candidate must be a practicing Catholic with an understanding of and appreciation for the Catholic faith, and a desire to serve in its mission. Prior experience in a Parish setting with Religious Education preferred.

All inquiries should be directed to:  
Fr. Jim Antiporek at [parishoffice@st-irene.org](mailto:parishoffice@st-irene.org)  
or 630-393-2400 x13



### Family Centered Faith Formation

begins on September 10. Please register as soon as possible as space is limited. If you are inviting your friends to join us for the 2017-2018 program, please be sure they know that they need to register in the parish and also for the FCFE program. Forms can be found in the rack in the Narthex. Thank you!

### CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!!!

Save the date for the 10th annual Christmas Bazaar: **Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. 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! Space is limited. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Karen Johnson at 815-439-1912 or krea4@comcast.com

### Blanket Ministry

These blankets are either sewn, quilted, knitted, crocheted or fleece-tied by volunteers who pray while making the blanket. Once completed, a card is attached to the blanket and then blessed by Fr. Karl. The blessed blankets are presented to the recipients letting them know that they remain in our thoughts and prayers even if they cannot be with us at Mass.

We are now seeking volunteers to use their time, talent and material to help replenish our supply of blankets. Some material has recently been donated to the ministry for those who can sew or quilt. For those who knit or crochet, there are patterns available for prayer shawls.

Thank you for considering this rewarding ministry and please feel free to email Bernice at blanketmin@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21  
**Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13;  
Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14  
**Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;  
Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23;  
Mt 15:21-28  
**Thursday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9;  
Jn 12:24-26  
**Friday:** Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28  
**Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20  
**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;  
Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

### The End of Summerfest Rummage Sale

The Lyznicki's would like to head the rummage sale! They have a family wedding on August 26<sup>th</sup>, but would be able to get there early that day, and do all else needed for a successful sale. We of course need lots of helpers and lots of donations as well. .

The Storage container for drop offs will be open on Sundays, for week days you will need to have office staff open the unit for you

### End of Summerfest and Cruise

Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 26th for the End of Summerfest and Cruise In! This year will be a full day of activities. The Heartland Blood Services bus will be here from 8 until 2 in the afternoon. Please help give the gift of life and consider donating. See the Knight's table in the Narthex to sign up. There will also be rummage sale in the basement starting at 9 am. Donations are needed. All items that are not sold will be donated to the St. Vincent DePaul Society in Yorkville. The End of Summerfest starts at 3 pm. Free Kidz Zone, raffles, food, drinks, music, hay rack rides, classic cars and motorcycles, plus much more! All proceeds will go to the Rectory Fund. So, invite your friend, families and neighbors to join us in the corn fields and have some fun!

### WELCOME or MOVING

Welcome to all who join us for the celebration of the Mass, to all visitors, long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you would like to register as a parishioner, please call the parish office (815-609-8077) or complete the gold registration form found in the narthex.

If you are moving and need to make changes to our records, please fill out the form to the right and place it in the offertory basket or mail to the Parish Office .

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

( ) New Address ( ) New Phone #  
( ) Moving, please remove from membership list.

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

RCIA is a spiritual journey into the Catholic faith. It is an exploration of Catholic teachings, traditions, and practices. Participants attend weekly sessions which begin in the fall each year. It is a process whereby adults become fully participating members of the church through a series of rites, which conclude at the Easter Vigil service in the spring. Each person is supported by sponsors and the prayers of the entire church community.

RCIA is for those who:

- 1.) have not been baptized;
- 2.) have been baptized in another faith and now wish to join the Catholic church; or
- 3.) have been baptized in the Catholic faith but have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

Please take this journey with us. If you or **someone you know is interested in finding out more about RCIA**, Please contact Deacon Tom at [tomsagenbrecht@gmail.com](mailto:tomsagenbrecht@gmail.com).

**Sessions begin the First Sunday of October.**

### The Legion of Mary

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

## NOTICE OF AN EARLY CHRISTMAS PROJECT.

A parishioner has requested donations of broken and damaged toys that can be repaired or used for parts. No toy will be refused. Toys can be dropped off at the church or call Phil at 815 671-0692.

## Mass Intentions



Saturday Aug 5, 4:30pm Frank Keller  
 Sunday Aug 6, 8:30am St Francis Xavier Parishioners  
 Sunday Aug 6, 10:00am Florence & Helen Sesko  
 Monday Aug 7, 9:15am Intention of the Celebrant  
 Tuesday Aug 8, 9:15am Justin Miller  
 Wednesday Aug 9, 6:30pm Intention of the Celebrant  
 Thursday Aug 10, 9:15am Peter & Aiden  
 Friday Aug 11, 9:15am Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday Aug 12 4:30pm Saul T. Donado  
 Sunday Aug 13, 8:30am Bob Zalud  
 Sunday Aug 13, 10:00am St Francis Xavier Parishioners

**TUESDAY  
EVENING**  
5—8 p.m.



**THURSDAY  
MORNING**  
9:45—10:45

### Mass Schedule for August 12th and 13th, 2017

	Saturday 4:30 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>GREETERS NEEDED</b>	Ehrlinger family	Schwert Family
<b>LECTOR</b>	Jacquelyn Bennett	Rich Asiyanbi	Elizabeth Kingsbury-Puscas
<b>MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION</b>	Deacon Sharon Yee Cathryn Woods <b>EM NEEDED</b> <b>EM NEEDED</b>	Deacon Mary Ann Lederer Bill & Kathy Thoman <b>EM NEEDED</b>	Deacon Ken Weber Diane Bardachowski Gerard Bardachowski Amy Schwert
<b>SERVERS</b>	<b>AS NEEDED</b> <b>AS NEEDED</b> <b>AS NEEDED</b>	<b>AS NEEDED</b> <b>AS NEEDED</b> <b>AS NEEDED</b>	Julia Schwert <b>AS NEEDED</b> <b>AS NEEDED</b>

## Our Sunday Offering

July 23, 2017

Envelopes used:121	\$3345.00
Loose Currency:	\$1447.00
Total:	\$4792.00
July Blue Envelope Total	\$2974.00

Approximate number of Registered Families ..... 585  
**Thank you for your generosity!**

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



Jesus was  
transfigured  
before them

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*Please pray for . . .*



Anna Lopez  
Agnes Badar  
Ron Stajkowski  
Drew Griffin  
Pat Gierich

Lois Steinhoff  
Larry Formella  
David Warburton  
Pamela Mazzone  
Tara McDonald



Major Anthony Thies-Army  
Retired June 1,



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## OFFICE /STAFF INFORMATION

Pastor.....Fr Karl Langsdorf  
 Dn Terry Saffo.....815-735-4088  
 Deacon.....Vic Puscas  
 Deacon.....Tom Sagenbrecht  
 Pastoral Associate .....Sandy Book  
 Religious Education/FCFF Coordinator.....Penny Giunta  
 Pastoral Care Coord.....Ronnie Cagney  
 Bereavement Coord.....Barb Spalo  
 Secretary .....Jackie White

Sacramental Preparation: .....Kathy Roberts  
 Confirmation Preparation.....Tom & Bernice Sagenbrecht  
 Music Coordinator .....Mark Epling  
 Daybreak Coordinator.....Caryl Hayes  
 cl.hayes@att.net/815-263-9584  
 Adult Fath Enrichment .....Sandy Book  
 Bulletin Coordinator.....Kathleen Thoman  
 Webmaster.....webmaster@st-francis-xavier.com  
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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.