



St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

2500 Arbeiter Rd, Joliet, IL 60431

Twenty–eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 15, 2017

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 & 6:30 pm
Vigil Mass—6:30 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

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**The Lord
of hosts**

**will
provide
a feast**

**for all
peoples**

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year we celebrated the 100th anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady at Fatima. In 1991 I was present for the final Mass of the Pilgrimage season on October 13th.

For me it was one of the most moving of faith experiences. All week the ordinary Portuguese had been coming to the shrine. Many of them had walked and when they entered the shrine they got down on their knees and made the final trip to the apparition site on their knees.

On Sunday the vast area in front of the basilica was filled with thousands and thousands of mainly Portuguese pilgrims.

At the end of Mass as the statue of Our Lady was carried through the crowd, the white handkerchiefs were waved in farewell. It was a beautiful celebration of faith. Fatima challenges us to pray for our world and above all to pray the Rosary to intercede for our world.

This year as we celebrate the 100th anniversary our prayers are still needed for peace in our world and for men and women dedicated to the cause of peace. As Jesus reminds us "Blessed are the peace makers". Peace makers are not cowards or wimps, but people of strong convictions and faith.

Pray the Rosary this October for all who build peace in our world. Next year we celebrate the 160 anniversary of the Shrine of Lourdes, the shrine of healing. I have thought that it would be a great thing if we were able to organize a visit to both shrines to pray for our parish and our world. Who knows? What if? Pray the Rosary.

Let the Journey continue,

Fr Karl

K of C Ladies Auxiliary

All women of our parish are invited to our next meeting October 16 @ 7:30pm in the lower level of the church.

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 recipient(s), 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.

coming attractions

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Oct 15-FCFF after 10am Mass
Oct 21-Halloween Happenings 5:30-7:30
Oct 22-FCFF after 10am Mass
Oct 22-2018 Confirmation Class 6:30-8:30pm /Mass 7:30pm
Oct 27-DAY B BREAK
Oct 29-Priesthood Sunday with Hospitality
Oct 29- Flu Shot Clinic (9-11:30am)
Oct 29-Youth Group Halloween Party 6:00-7:30pm

2017 CMAA

Your Gift Makes a Difference! The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide countless ministries, programs and services to support our friends and neighbors in immeasurable ways.

Our Goal-\$25,513.00
Pledged - \$35,900.00
Received-\$28340.00

If you haven't fulfilled your pledge already please consider doing so soon.

Neighborhood Bible Study

Come join us this fall as we continue to journey through the Gospel of Mark.

When: Every other Tuesday evening, 7pm starting Sept. 12.

Where: Ronnie Cagney's House 17257 S. Honora Drive
Bibles will be provided.

Rsvp
Ronnie Cagney 773-343-2564
or Laurie Inda 815-302-4333

Online Bible Study

Let the women of our Graced Encounters Team help you illuminate your path this fall with the wisdom of the Book of Proverbs.

We will study a Chapter a day and discuss with reflections and questions posted by our Four dynamic members of the Mom's Ministry Team



"Graced Encounters By Mayslake Ministries"

Questions? Please contact Laura Nelson at lauren.mayslakeministries@gmail.com

Elizabeth Ministry

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. 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).



Family Centered Faith Formation

October 15 & 22

Confirmation Class 2018

6:30-8:30pm/Mass at 7:30pm

October 22,

Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm

October 29

2017 Reconciliation Retreat

October 28th at 9-11:30am

2017 RECONCILIATION

Oct 28-11:30am

Nov 4 -2:00pm

Nov 11 -2:00pm

Catechist Training

Nov 5

The Legion of Mary

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

St. Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus

will be holding a membership drive the weekend of October 21st and 22nd. Council #14283 has been a part of the parish for the last 11 years. We are a men's fraternal organization and are known as the right hand of the Church. This council has raised several thousand dollars for not only our parish but also the community and vocations. With Father Karl's support, the Lenten Fish Frys and End of Summerfest have brought the council and the parish closer together. If you would like to join us on this journey, please stop by the Knights table after mass and learn more about who we are and what we do.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;

Lk 10:1-9

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab;

Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43;

Lk 12:8-12

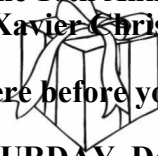
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;

1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

SAVE the DATES

The 10th Annual St Francis Xavier Christmas Bazaar

will be here before you know it!



SATURDAY, Dec 2nd

& SUNDAY, Dec 3rd

more details to come

St. Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus

Stop by the Knights table after all the masses to take a chance at \$10,000 and a quarter of a cow. The K of C Vocation raffle tickets not only fund vocations for our religious but also support St. Francis Xavier. A portion of the cost of the raffle tickets stays here and is used to fund many activities. The annual Beef Raffle helps us to support many worthwhile charities here in the community. From the Waterleaf Center, to the Newman centers at many colleges here in Illinois, to Right to Life initiatives and the Boy Scouts here in the Diocese. The grand prize is a quarter of a cow and the winner will be drawn at the annual Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar.

Calling all Ghosts, Goblins, Superheroes & Princesses!...

Join us for a fun-filled evening with games, food, and a costume parade.

Finish the evening with the classic:
"It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown!"



Saturday, October 21st from 5:30-7:30pm

Concessions will be available

SFX Lower Level

Ladies Auxiliary Free Halloween Happenings

October 21, 2017

5:30-7:30pm

We have several games and activities planned for the children. We would like to have enough prizes for everyone, donations of small toys and candy for prizes would be greatly appreciated. We will have a box in the Narthex to drop off donations.

Thank You

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

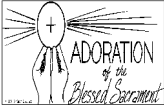
RCIA is a spiritual journey into the Catholic faith. It is an exploration of Catholic teachings, traditions, and practices. Participants attend weekly sessions which begin in the fall each year. It is a process whereby adults become fully participating members of the church through a series of rites, 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.

Sessions begin the First Sunday of the Month

Remember
St. Francis Xavier Parish
in your Prayers

TUESDAY EVENING 5—8 p.m.	WEDNESDAY EVENING 5:45-6:30pm		THURSDAY MORNING 9:45—10:45
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Save the Date St Francis Xavier Dinner Dance

Friday March 16, 2018
Bolingbrook Golf Club



Basket Raffles

Grand Raffle

Live Music

Silent Auction

**Proceeds to benefit the Parish
Development Fund**



Mass Intentions

Saturday Oct 14, 4:30pm St Francis Xavier Parishioners
Sunday Oct 15, 8:30am Gary & Wayne Roberts
Sunday Oct 15, 10:00am Mrs Dess

Monday Oct 16, 9:15am Mr & Mrs Cope
Tuesday Oct 17, 9:15am Dunkin Family
Wednesday Oct 18, 6:30pm Smith & Klimek Families
Thursday Oct 19 9:15am Peter & Aiden
Friday Oct 20, 9:15am Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday Oct 21 4:30pm Patrick Nolan
Sunday Oct 22, 8:30am Charles Anzels Sr
Sunday Oct 22, 10:00am St Francis Xavier Parishioners
Sunday Oct 22, 7:30pm St Francis Xavier Parishioners

Mass Schedule for October 21st & 22nd, 2017

	Saturday 4:30 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
GREETERS	Weber Family	Ehrlinger Family	Corona Family
LECTOR	Jacquelyn Bennett Gale Claffy	Sharon Teeling-Supple	Dave Guglielmi
MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Laura Schindel David Schindel Kathleen Kurkamp Jackie Boring	Deacon Wendy Snow Helen Kopycinski Bill Thoman Kathy Thoman	Deacon Carina Johannessen Kristin Laszlo Dave Guglielmi Amy Schwert Ken Weber Hector Corona
SERVERS	AS NEEDED AS NEEDED AS NEEDED	Ethan Snow AS NEEDED AS NEEDED	Julia Schwert Matthew Laszlo Leilany Corona

Our Sunday Offering

October 1, 2017

Envelopes used: 124	\$3246.00
Loose Currency:	\$1220.00
Total:	\$4466.00
October Blue Envelope Total	\$2740.00

Approximate number of Registered Families 585

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Please pray for . . .



Anna Lopez	Lois Steinhoff
Agnes Badar	Larry Formella
David Warburton	Drew Griffin
Pat Gierich	Pamela Mazzone
Tara McDonald	

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I can do all things
in him who strengthens me.
— *Philippians 4:13*



Major Anthony Thies
Saul Arce
Gus Warpinski
Michael Panek



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OFFICE /STAFF INFORMATION

Pastor.....Fr Karl Langsdorf
Dn Terry Saffo.....815-735-4088
Deacon.....Vic Puscas
Deacon.....Tom Sagenbrecht
Pastoral AssociateSandy Book
Religious Education/FCFF Coordinator.....Penny Giunta
Pastoral Care Coord.....Ronnie Cagney
SecretaryJackie White

Sacramental Preparation:Kathy Roberts
Confirmation Preparation.....Tom & Bernice Sagenbrecht
Music CoordinatorMark Epling
Daybreak Coordinator.....Don Newhall
Adult Faith EnrichmentSandy 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.