ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

We are home for the Roman Catholic family of Geary County, forming missionary disciples according to the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Christ.

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HOLY MASS

Saturday: Vigil Mass at 5:15 pm **Sunday:** 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am Weekdays: Tues & Wed - 5:30 pm
Thurs - 8:00 am Fri - 8:30 am
These are our regular Mass times. Please refer to daily Mass schedule inside on Page 2 for any changes to Mass time for this week.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday & Wednesday: 6:00 pm Tues

until 8:00 am on Wed Thursday: 8:30 am to 8:00 pm *Friday:* 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Parish Holy Hour: Second Thursdays at 6:00 pm, Adoration and Benediction

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Tuesday: 6:00 pm following the Mass Friday: 9:00 am following the Mass Saturday: 4:00 pm

You may also contact the Parish Office to set an individual appointment with Father.

Bulletin articles or notices must be submitted by noon on Tuesdays for following weekend. Please submit to office@saintxparish.org

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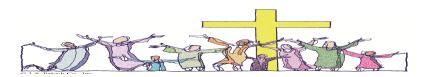
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Welcome to our Parish

"Sanctify yourself, Sanctify society."
-St. Francis Xavier

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR PMR - Parish meeting room OLPH - Our Lady of † - Deceased Perpetual Help Room							
DATE	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	PARISH EVENTS			
Sunday, 04 Jun 2023	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	† James Harold Page, Jr Pro populo Sybil Pauline Merkel				
Monday, 05 Jun 2023		No Mass		Boy Scout mtg, 7:00 pm, Bldg C Living Water Ministry mtg, 7:00 pm, OLPH			
Tuesday, 06 Jun 2023	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	Sue Remily	Kapaun's Men/Women Group, 7:30 am, Bldg C, Rm 239 Adoration, following Mass until 8:00 am Wednesday Knights of Columbus mtg, 7:00 pm, Knights' Hall			
Wednesday 07 Jun 2023	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	† Roy Wagner and family	Adult Choir Practice, 6:00 pm St. Xavier Men's Group, 6:30 pm, Bldg C, Rm 239			
Thursday 08 Jun 2023	8:00 am	Holy Mass	Pro populo	Men's SOS Group, 6:15 am, KofC Hall Adoration, following Mass until 6:00 pm <i>PARISH HOLY HOUR</i> , 6:00-7:00 pm Circle IV mtg, 7:10 pm, PMR			
Friday 09 Jun 2023	8:30 am	Holy Mass	† Paul Lee and Anne Kwon	Women's Prayer Group, 6:30 am, via Zoom Adoration following Mass until 2:00 pm Muliebris Sancti Prayer Group, 9:15 am, PMR			
Saturday 10 Jun 2023	5:15 pm	Sunday Vigil Mass	For the safe and successful Boy Scout camp the coming week	Confession, 4:00-5:00 pm			

Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms. How good it feels to come back to him whenever we are lost!

- Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT						
10-11 JUNE 2023	SATURDAY, 10 JUN 2023 5:15 PM	SUNDAY, 11 JUN 2023 8:00 AM	SUNDAY, 11 JUN 2023 9:30 AM	SUNDAÝ, 11 JUN 2023 11:00 AM		
Lector	Ryan Rosauer	Mary Effland	Linda Costello	Janet Hahn		
Extraordinary Ministers	Ricardo Gutierrez Susan Kamphaus Jodean Tieyah	Cindy Lamberty Eva Pearson Andrew Simon	Jeanie Wolford Eric Page Brenda Dacus	John Lamb Mario Langas Margie Langss		
Gift Bearers	Ana Davis Family	Effland Family	Coffman Family	Athorp Family		
Altar Servers with server assignments	Timothy Nguyen - 1 st John Wagner -2 nd Hannah Nguyen - 3 rd	Nolan Effland - 1 st Ian Effland - 2 nd Sheldon Effland - 3 rd	Caleb Justin - 1 st Kim Davis - 2 nd Daniela Hoggatt - 3 rd	Kassidy Jahnke- 1 st - 2 nd - 3 rd		
Musician and Cantor	Sandi Adams Barbie Campbell	Anita Hernandez Diane Heerman	Heather Augustine Choir	Heather and Shawn Augustine		
Ushers	Buz Bruzina George Heard Teddy Tieyah Shar Boland	Jane and Joe Handlos Ellen Westerhaus Louis Rodriguez	Don Haffner Karen Eddy . Bob Catalo Larry Kramer	Paul Rosell John Hagerty Mary Ann Vieyra Ray Felix		
Money Counters	Margie Langas, Doris Fontimayor					

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE Thinkes and Offerings

Totals for 27-28 May weekend collections:		
Online Giving:	\$	525.00
Envelopes/loose checks/cash:	\$	9,873.91
Children's Tithing	\$	4.00
Growth and Development	\$	55.00
Memorial Donations	\$	275.00
Total Collection	\$	10,732.91

Amount needed to meet our May 2023 Parish

operations budget \$ 61,667.00 *

May Tithing and Offering collections to date: \$ 48,664.56

Balance needed to meet our May needs: \$ 13,002.44

May 2023 G&D collected to date\$4,116.79

*- This amount is determined by the Parish Finance Council. It is based on the annual cost of Parish operations for the parish year, 01 Jul thru 30 Jun. The annual cost includes items such as the maintenance for our buildings, utilities, all Mass and church supplies, salaries for staff, support for the school...everything right down to the Kleenex provided in the church. The annual amount is then divided by the 12 months in a year to establish the monthly amount necessary. The tithing collections offered by our parishioners each week, our only income, is reported in the spirit of transparency for all. When we fall short in our collections for the needed monthly operating expenses, the difference must be pulled from investments or savings to cover the operating expenses. This impairs our sustainability to 'grow' our parish programs and services in the future.

Don't forget to teach our children how to submit their envelopes weekly! Take one with you to fill out for the following weekend if that is of help instead fixing one on the way into Mass.

Chank you for the privilege of your generosity and support..



Please pray for the intentions and needs of the following:

Deb Chaudary
Sandy Dietrich
Rebecca James
Elizabeth Clark

Marissa Graham
Steve Matthews
Tom Grelk
Bruce Piava

Cooper Holloway
Julie Taylor
Jude Fairchild
Manny Pasquil
Kelly Fielder
Judy Rosa
John Cooner
Elizabeth Bunce
Julie Taylor
Manny Pasquil
Mary Baker
Pat Nicholson
Marty Perta
Shirley Oaks

...and all those suffering in the unrest, famine and poverty in the world.

RESPEÇT LIFE



The mission of the Respect Life Office is to promote respect and the protection of God's gift of life from conception to natural death through public education, pastoral services, public policy, prayer, and worship. We seek conversion of all hearts and minds to a Culture of Life (Respect Life office at Salina Diocese).

Our parish is in need of someone to lead our Respect Life program. If this is something you could share your talent with please contact Cindy in the Parish Office.

Prayerfully remember we need EMs, Ushers, Altar Servers, Lectors and folks to bring our gifts forward at Offertory...hmmm...which one fits you best?



FROM THE

Fr. Gnanasekar Kulandai

Trinity: one Being = three Persons.

The mystery of the Holy Trinity has been a difficult doctrine that human mind could grasp. It is one of the most difficult realties to comprehend. Jim Blackburn from 'catholic answers' explains the Holy Trinity in a simple way by making the distinction between a "being" and a "person."

God is one Being (the one and only *divine* Being). This divine Being exists as three Persons (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit). This is unusual to us because each *human* being is only one person and it might seem that every being has to be one person: one being = one person.

But that's simply not always the case. For example, a dog is a being but is not a person. A tree is a being but is not a person. In these cases, one being = zero persons. On the other hand, an angel is a being and is a person. In their case, angelic beings are similar to human beings: one being = one person.

Once you recognize that not every being is always exactly one person, it might be easier to grasp God's unique reality, the Trinity: one Being = three Persons.

Father G



Worship

Coffee and Donuts

Please join your Parish Family for fellowship following all Mass times this weekend in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Room of Building B!

St. Francis Xavier Rosary Group

The Catholic Funeral Rite is comprised of three separate and vital parts: the Vigil, the Funeral Mass and the Committal. The Vigil is more commonly know as visitation and is commonly held the night before the Funeral Mass. During the Vigil Rite, the Holy Rosary is recited by family and friends for the deceased. Since Covid, many families have opted to have the Rosary said right before the start of the Funeral Mass.

If you could help St. Francis Xavier Parish by leading the Rosary for our funerals, please contact Cindy in the Parish Office. The proper Rosary format for the funeral rite will be provided for the Rosary leader. It is usually completed within

20 minutes. The attendees to the visitation or funeral join in the recitation of the Rosary.

We hope to build a bank of volunteers so that we can call around to reach a volunteer to lead the Rosary for the family of our deceased parishioners. Please consider and contact Cindy at the Parish Office.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

If you are interested in hosting the statue of Our Lady of Fatima for a week, please contact Colleen Henney at 785-238-2618 to be included in the schedule.

Statute Schedule:

28 May - Colleen Henney

04 Jun - Ray and Susan Kamphaus

11 Jun - Janet Hahn

18 Jun - Mario and Margie Langas

25 Jun - Sr. DJ Rak and Diane Ussery



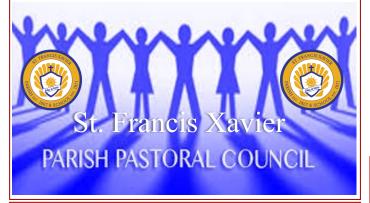




The St. Xavier Parish Pastoral Council has one member who will be ending their current term after the June meeting. The vacancy is a three-year term with the *option* to continue their term for an additional three years.

(Total 6 years) The Pastoral Council meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Occasionally when working a project or issue, there might be the need for a workshop session. Please prayerfully consider joining our Parish Pastoral Council!

Please notify the Parish Office on or before Thursday, June 8 if you are interested or would like to nominate someone. Those interested will be given a short information sheet to *complete and return* to the office by **Thursday**, **June 8 at 3:00 p.m.**



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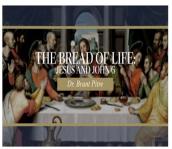
As our Blessed Mother brings us to her Son Jesus, it is our task also to bring others to the Lord. Is there someone you can invite to explore the Catholic faith – someone unbaptized, or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition? Perhaps you know a Catholic adult interested in being Confirmed. For information, please contact Amber at the Parish Office.



Religious Education

We are seeking volunteer Catechists for the Religious Education program for the 2023-2024 school year to teach Preschool, Kindergarten, and substitute teachers. Please contact Amber at the Parish Office to help with Religious Education.





FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITE

The Bread of Life: Jesus and John 6 by Dr. Brant Pitre

Dr. Brant Pitre unpacks Jesus' hard saying in John 6 and dives in the mystery of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our pa Scan the OR code to download the FORMED ago to your phone.



Prayer to the Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father,
Who by His almighty power and love created me,
making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son,
Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell,
and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,

Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism,

and continues to sanctify me

by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

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Vacation Bible School Registration

Birthday Blast – A Celebration of Life Vacation Bible School is June 12-16, 9AM-Noon in Building A.

To register please complete the Participant Registration Form and return with \$10 fee to the Parish Office.



Theology on Tap is now meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is Jun 13th at 7:30 pm with location to be determined. This program has proven to be a successful vehicle for reaching young adults interested in learning more about their faith, coming together to share community, and feeling welcomed and valued in the Catholic church. Please feel free to contact Cayley Sutton 785-307-4164 if you have any questions!





The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC.

Love of Jesus Fill us. Holy Spirit Guide us. Will of the Father be done.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

Educating for eternity through faith and reason

School Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 7:50am - 3:50pm

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St. Xavier School welcomed back alumni on Saturday, May 27th. Former students came from near and far to be reunited with their classmates at the St. Xavier Alumni Banquet. All had the opportunity to tour campus, attend Mass, enjoy a great dinner, and catch up with each other. Many reminisced about the times they had while attending St. Xavier and how thankful they were to be able to attend this Catholic school. Thank you to alumni Kristel Jahnke, Karen Eddy, and Jaime Richling who did a wonderful job of organizing this event.

Summer Sports Camps

K-8 Basketball Camp: June 19th & 20th 12:30pm-2:00pm Hosted by the HS Boys' BB Team (Cost \$25)

HS & MS Basketball: June 26th-28th 2:00pm-4:00pm

K-8 Basketball Camp is open to all students in the community going into grades K-8 next school year

HS & MS Camp is open to St. Xavier students going into 6th-12th grades next school year

Shawn Augustine, Principal



Boys and girls in K-8th grades are invited to attend the St. Xavier Basketball Camp this summer. The camp will be held on June 19th & 20th from 12:30-2:00pm in the school gymnasium. Cost is \$25 per child. Proceeds will benefit the high school boys' basketball team. Contact Cameron Augustine at cama@saintxrams.org for more information.



ALUMNI WEEKEND



St. Xavier alumni gathered for an annual reunion over Memorial Day weekend. Guests were treated to school tours, a Mass, dinner, socializing, and the opportunity to look at school memorabilia.





Congratulations to our May teacher of the month, Ms. Taylor Hagge. She makes learning fun for her students, and they are always so excited to come to school. Ms. Hagge goes above and beyond for the kindergarten class spiritually, academically, and socially. Under her leadership, the nine kindergartners have grown, thrived, and are prepared for first grade. We appreciate you, Ms. Hagge!

Our May middle school student of the month is 7th grader Kaydence Wood! Kaydence has really grown throughout this school year at St. Xavier. She works hard to maintain good grades and is doing much better at making good choices. Kaydence also works hard in choir and band as well as in different sports and activities. Keep up the good work, Kaydence.

The May high school student of the month is freshman Kassidy Jahnke! She puts in great effort in the classroom and does extremely well academically. Not only does Kassidy give it her all in the classroom but also in various activities such as volleyball, basketball, track, student council, band, and FBLA. She is kindhearted and always works to do her best in everything that she does. Nice job, Kassidy!





If you would like to advertise your business on this page, please contact Cindy at the Parish Office, 785-238-2998.