

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

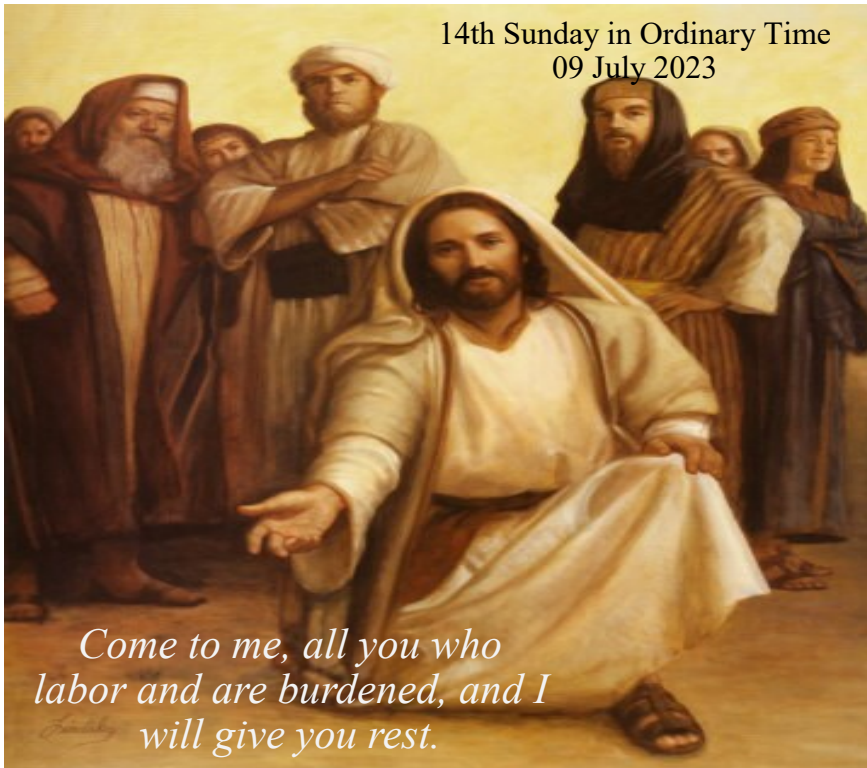
*We are home for the Roman Catholic family of Geary County, forming missionary disciples according to the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Christ.*

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Parish Office 785-238-2998 [www.saintxparish.org](http://www.saintxparish.org)

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School Office: 785-238-2841 [www.saintxrams.org](http://www.saintxrams.org)



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
09 July 2023



*Come to me, all you who  
labor and are burdened, and I  
will give you rest.*

## 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](mailto:office@saintxparish.org)

## PARISH OFFICE STAFF

### Pastor

Father Kerry Ninemire  
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### Parish Secretary

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### Evangelization Coordinator

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## LITURGICAL COORDINATORS

**EMHC/Ushers/Altar Servers/  
Gift Bearers**

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### Lectors

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[moeller@saintxrams.org](mailto:moeller@saintxrams.org)

### Rosary Group

Colleen Henney  
785-238-2618

### Adoration

Cindy Obermeyer 785-238-2998

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Circle I:** Wanita Hulett, Pres.  
785-238-8656

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### Respect Life Ministry:

Vacant Lead position

**Prayer Chain:** Frannie Torrez  
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## COUNCILS

### Parish Council

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### School Council

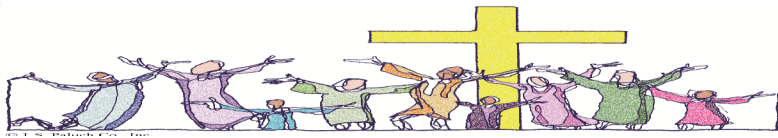
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# Welcome to our Parish

"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
<b>Sunday, 09 Jul 2023</b>	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Pro populo † Hilde Folwell Special intentions of the Ted Courville family	
<b>Monday, 10 Jul 2023</b>		No Mass		Boy Scout mtg, 7:00 pm, Bldg C
<b>Tuesday, 11 Jul 2023</b>	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	Pro populo	Kapaun's Men/Women Group, 7:30 am, Bldg C, Rm 239 Adoration following Mass until 8:00 am Theology on Tap, 7:30 pm, Knights of Columbus Hall
<b>Wednesday 12 Jul 2023</b>	10:00 am 5:30 pm	Mass at Valleyview Holy Mass	Susan Kamphaus † Christopher Kurtz	Adult Choir Practice, 6:00 pm St. Xavier Men's Group, 6:30 pm, Bldg C, Rm 239
<b>Thursday 13 Jul 2023</b>	8:00 am	Holy Mass	† All souls in Purgatory	Men's SOS Group, 6:15 am, KofC Hall Adoration, following Mass until 6:00 pm <b>Parish Holy Hour</b> , 6:00 pm
<b>Friday 14 Jul 2023</b>	8:30 am	Holy Mass	† Jackie Langvardt	Women's Prayer Group, 6:30 am, via Zoom Muliebris Sancti Prayer Group, 9:15 am, PMR Adoration, following Mass until 2:00 pm
<b>Saturday 15 Jul 2023</b>	5:15 pm	Sunday Vigil Mass	Special intentions of the Henderson family	Confession, 4:00-5:00 pm

"The world tells us  
to seek success,  
power and money;  
God tells us to  
seek humility,  
service and love."

Pope Francis

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

15-16 JUL 2023	SATURDAY, 15 JUL 2023 5:15 PM	SUNDAY, 16 JUL 2023 8:00 AM	SUNDAY, 16 JUL 2023 9:30 AM	SUNDAY, 16 JUL 2023 11:00 AM
<b>Lector</b>	Ryan Rosauer	Cindy Lamberty	Bryan Schoenhofer	Janet Hahn
<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>	Jodean Tieyah Ricardo Gutierrez Diane Ussery	Maureen Gustafson Cindy Lamberty Eva Pearson	Sierra Jackson Kristy Haden Eric Page	Nanette Lamb John Lamb Randy Testa
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Ana Davis Family	Effland Family	Veniegas Family	DeLaCruz Family
<b>Altar Servers with server assignments</b>	Timothy Nguyen - 1 <sup>st</sup> Hannah Nguyen - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Declan Boehm - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ian Effland - 1 <sup>st</sup> Nolan Effland - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sheldon Effland - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Levi Engstrom - 1 <sup>s</sup> Henry Engstrom - 2 <sup>nd</sup> John Engstrom - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kassidy Janke - 1 <sup>st</sup> Bernhards Curit - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Janis Curit - 3 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>Musician and Cantor</b>	Katie Wiley Barbie Campbell	Anita Hernandez Diane Heerman	Sandi Adams Choir	Sandi Adams Lauryn Peterson
<b>Ushers</b>	Buz Bruzina Teddy Tieyah George Heard Shar Boland	Richard Striggow Richard Gustafson Joshua Pittman Neal Patry	Don Haffner Bob Catalo Larry Kramer Karen Eddy	John Hagerty Ray Felix Mary Ann Vieyra Mario Langas
<b>Money Counters</b>	Margie Langas, Murleen Jones, Karen Girardot			



# STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

## Tithes and Offerings

Totals for 01-02 Jul weekend collections:

Online Giving:	\$	605.00
Envelopes/loose checks/cash:	\$	13,411.25
Children's Tithing	\$	0.00
Growth and Development	\$	3,513.06
Memorial Donations	\$	0.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,529.29</b>

Amount needed to meet our Jul 2023 Parish operations budget \$ 61,667.00 \*  
 Jul Tithing and Offering collections to date: **\$ 17,529.29**  
 Balance needed to meet our June needs: **\$ 44,137.71**

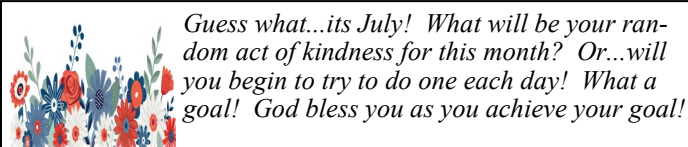
July 2023 G&D collected to date ....\$3,513.06

\*- 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.

Note: The new fiscal year's monthly operations budget amount will be updated next week.

**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.**

*Thank you for the privilege of your generosity and support.*



### GEARY COUNTY FOOD PANTRY

First, I want to thank the members of our Parish for your outstanding support of the Food Pantry. Right now the Pantry is experiencing a sharp rise in the number of neighbors needing help with food insecurity. A few items a month will help greatly.

Any non-perishable food is needed, but the most needed items are: cans of fruit; canned tuna and meat; pasta and 100% juices. Please bring items to the back of the church and put in the designated bins found there.

Thank you for the help!

John Hagerty, 785-209-1996  
 St. Xavier Parish POC for the Food Pantry



Slavery persists throughout the world in various forms in developed and developing countries. Human trafficking (slavery) in the US is an active criminal business operative throughout the country. Work with us to stop it!

**US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking**  
 7575 Grand River Road, Suite 109  
 Brighton MI 48114



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Fr. Kerry Ninemire

I begin with giving big Thank You to Fr. Gnansekar Kulandai. If you have ever had the opportunity to watch the two of us with each other, you would easily see how much we enjoy each other. He is a very kind, intelligent, holy man with a good sense of humor. I am grateful for all he gave to our diocese, to me and to this parish. We are all much better because of his ten years in the diocese.

His presence can remind us that the Church in the United States has never been able to exist with just native priests. We have always benefitted from "Missionary Priests." I find this a humbling thought for us as we like to think of ourselves as giving to the world. Our US church does in many ways but we receive so much as well. Some in this parish will remember that the pastor of St. Francis Xavier parish from 1955 to 1982 was Msgr Thomas Keogan. He was from Ireland (definitely!!!) along with several others from Ireland serving in the diocese in his time.

We need to continue to pray for vocations, as we do before Mass. We also need to pray about lay ministry - in its many forms. Our diocese works in conjunction with the Dodge City diocese to offer lay ministry courses in the Pastoral Ministry program. These opportunities will be made known in the coming weeks.

Again, thank you for the wonderful welcome you gave to Fr. Gnansekar and to me. My first weekend was very uplifting for myself, Deacon Ed and Mary. May God continue to bless all of us.  
 Father Kerry

**THE SOUND OF FREEDOM:** a movie featured locally and in Manhattan. It tells the story of Operation Underground Railroad which exists to rescue children from trafficking and exploitation. It is highly recommended by our diocese. A bit more info about the man behind the scene:

### ABOUT TIM BALLARD

Tim Ballard spent more than a decade working as a Special Agent for the Department of Homeland Security, where he was assigned to the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force and deployed as an undercover operative for the U.S. Child Sex Tourism Jump Team.

He has worked in that role and since in every type of case in the fight to dismantle child trafficking rings. He's worked in the United States and in multiple foreign countries to infiltrate child trafficking organizations. He has successfully dismantled dozens of these organizations and rescued children from slavery and exploitation.

While working for the government, Ballard saw how much more is needed in the fight against child trafficking and exploitation across the world. In 2013, he and a team of former government operatives left the security of their careers to accomplish the work of rescuing children as a private foundation - Operation Underground Railroad. At O.U.R., Tim has created a team that can work in any jurisdiction and in conjunction with law enforcement to rescue children directly. That team exists today and operates all over the world.



Please pray for the intentions and needs of the following:

Deb Chaudary	Marissa Graham
Sandy Dietrich	Steve Matthews
Rebecca James	Tom Grell
Elizabeth Clark	Bruce Piava
Ralph Schmedemann	

Lindy Grant-Rubash	Julie Taylor	Peggy Wawrzyniak
Cooper Holloway	Manny Pasquil	Mary Baker
Jude Fairchild	Ryleigh Joos	Pat Nicholson
Kelly Fielder	John Cooner	Marty Perta
Judy Rosa	Mary Bolette	Shirley Oaks
Elizabeth Bunce		





All ladies of the parishes in the East Vicariate are invited to the upcoming SDCCW Board Meeting. It will be held at St. Aloysius Gonzaga church in Osborne on Wednesday, July 12th beginning at 9:45 with worship in the church. Afterwards at the meeting we

will be planning the next women's convention to be held in August 2024. There will be vicariate and commission reports, and a program on estate planning by Nadine Sigle. The ladies of St Aloysius will serve the lunch. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and fellowship with Catholic women from across our Salina diocese. For more information, please call Kathy Martin, East Vicariate chairwoman, 785-463-5463.

### PRAYER AND ACTION

Special thanks to the team from St. Francis Xavier Parish this past week as they were committed to Prayer and Action in Clyde, KS. Left to right: Alex Becker, Rebecca Peterson, Danika Ellis and Bryn Morgenstern.



Join Fr. Dennis McManus, and Katie Prejean at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 4-6, while they talk about beautiful Mary our Mother and our Marian roots and traditions!

Register online at [www.catholicfamilyconference.org](http://www.catholicfamilyconference.org) or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to [info@catholicfamilyconference.org](mailto:info@catholicfamilyconference.org)

### 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:

- 09 Jul - Steve and Lori Balderramma
- 16 Jul - Janet Hahn
- 23 Jul - Steve and Collette Matthews
- 30 Jul - Antonio and Yazmin Solis



RESPECT 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.

# Healing Retreat

FOR SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

**WHEN: SEPTEMBER 29th – OCTOBER 1st 2023**

(BEGINS FRIDAY EVENING AT 5PM AND ENDS SUNDAY AT 12 NOON)

**WHERE: MANNA HOUSE OF PRAYER RETREAT CENTER**

323 E. 5TH STREET - CONCORDIA, KANSAS

THE RETREAT WILL INCLUDE INSPIRING TALKS, LISTENING SESSIONS, PRAYER, MASS, FELLOWSHIP, FREETIME AND MORE.

A TIME FOR HEALING, REFLECTING, AND GROWING CLOSER TO CHRIST.

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Matthew 11:28-30

For more information please contact

[wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org](mailto:wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org)

785-827-8746 ext. 124



CATHOLIC DIOCESE  
of SALINA

Look for our school banners hanging proudly along Washington Street! Junction City's local high schools will be celebrated this month with banners on the downtown light poles. The St. X banners were graciously designed by Jesse Woydziak of Ardent Design Co.



*How can I help my parish family...let me count ~~this~~ ways!*







*Kaitlyn Law*

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## DAV Thrift Store

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Junction City, Kansas  
66441

785-238-1430

Hours of Operation: Monday-Saturday 9 am to 5:30 pm  
Donation Door Monday-Saturday 9am to 5pm



## Crites Real Estate, Auction & Appraisal Service Inc.

Laurie Crites

Broker

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Laurie@critesrealty.com

339 W 6th Junction City KS 66441

Landofozhomes.com

## Animal Care Clinic



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**Mark L. Stenstrom, DVM**

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Junction City, KS 66441

785-762-5631

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785-238-2998.