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EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021

## 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

*Please refer to daily Mass schedule inside for any changes for the 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

*Please feel free to stop in anytime to worship Our Lord or if you would like to be a regular Adorer, please sign up by contacting the Parish Office.*

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

***Tuesday:*** 6:00 pm following the Mass

***Friday:*** 8:30 am following the Mass

***Saturday:*** 4:00 pm

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

## PARISH OFFICE STAFF

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# Welcome to our Parish

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

## PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

* PMR—Parish meeting room

| DATE | LITURGY TIMES | | MASS INTENTION | PARISH EVENTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Sunday,*<br>*04 Apr 2021* | 8:00 am<br>9:30 am<br>11:00 am | Holy Mass<br>Holy Mass<br>Holy Mass | Pro populo<br>† Charles and Isabelle Fiffe<br>L/D members of the Eckenrode and Hahn families | No events |
| *Monday,*<br>*05 Apr 2021* | | No Mass | Father Gnanasekar will be attending a conference with the his order, HGN, this week. HGN stands for Heralds of Good News.<br><br>Due to the construction in the church this week, there will be no Adoration this week. | Boy Scout Troop 41 Mtg, 7:00 pm, Bldg C |
| *Tuesday,*<br>*06 Apr 2021* | | No Mass | | KofC Mtg, 7:00 pm, Knights Hall |
| *Wednesday*<br>*07 Apr 2021* | | No Mass | | Rel Ed and Parent Mtg, 6:30 pm, Bldg C |
| *Thursday*<br>*08 Apr 2021* | | No Mass | | Men's SOS Group, 6:15 am, KofC Hall<br>Circle IV Mtg, 7:00pm, PMR |
| *Friday*<br>*09 Apr 2021* | | No Mass | | Women's Prayer Group, 6:30 am, Bldg C |
| *Saturday*<br>*10 Apr 2021* | 5:15 pm | Holy Mass | † Daniel Hoffman | Confessions, 4:00 pm |

Happy Easter from Father Gnanasekar and the Parish Staff.

*Let us all praise God from whom all blessing flow!*

## PARISH MINISTRIES

| 10 & 11<br>APR 2021 | SATURDAY<br>5:15 PM | SUNDAY<br>08:00 AM | SUNDAY<br>09:30 AM | SUNDAY<br>11:00 AM |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Lector* | Susan Kamphaus | Pat Beavers | Shannon Hughes | Nanette Lamb |
| *Eucharistic Minister* | Sandy Leistner | Richard Striggow | Frank Catalo | Sean Luke |
| *Altar Servers* | Timothy Nguyen<br>Sean O'Brien | Lyla Liebau<br>Lucas Liebau | David Hurley<br>Adrian Burgos | Marley Luke<br>Harper Luke |
| *Music* | Manny Pasquil<br>Martha Apointe | Anita Hernandez<br>Diane Heermean | Sandi Adams<br>Choir | Shawn and<br>Heather Augustine |
| *Ushers* | Buz Bruzina Pat Weber<br>George Heard Shar Boland | Brandon Bechard<br>Beavers Family<br>Cindy Lamberty | Karen Eddy<br>Larry Kramer<br>Tracy and Jaime Schmidt | Sr. DJ Rak Paul Rosell<br>Diane Ussery John Haggerty |

**Parish Office Hours**
The Parish Office hours are Monday thru Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please know that messages are regularly checked after hours for sacramental emergencies.

**Bulletin Articles and Notices**
Please provide your notices for the Parish bulletins by Tuesdays at 3:00 pm. You can submit your bulletin notices via email to office@saintxparish.org or call the Parish Office at 785-238-2998.

# Weekly Collections

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Mar Tithing and G&D - unable to update due to early bulletin submission requirements

Mar total needed to meet budget: $ 54,583.00

- March G&D will go towards capping the church chimneys so critters cannot nest inside.

## St. Xavier Prayers for our Parishioners

Please pray for the intentions and needs of the following:

Arturo Guerrero Judy Rosa Harvey Seto
Bill Henry Elena Arevalo Shirley Allen
Mary Bolette Janice Hutchinson
Joan Gfeller

...And all those struggling with Covid

## PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

In observance of the Triduum and Easter, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, 05 Apr 2021. Office will be back open on Tuesday!

## Happy Birthday!

St. Xavier Parish takes a moment to say a prayer of thanksgiving for Mrs. Dorothy Beckman. Dorothy crossed her 100th birthday this past week. Happy Birthday, Mrs. Beckman!!!

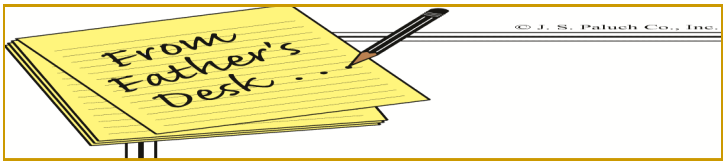
## CONNECTED

All parishioners are invited to experience an intergenerational relationship through a prayer partnership. Please contact the Parish Office for a form or you can find them in the back of the Church in the Gathering Area.

*Your only obligation is to pray for the partner you are Connected with.*

Jesus, Way of Life,
give us courage
to live as you lived,
to walk in your way,
and to trust
that following you
will indeed lead to life,
now and forever.
Amen.

Archdiocese of Toronto




## CHRIST IS RISEN!

**Alleluia! He is Risen!** Saying those words is like drinking a tall glass of cold water after being out in the desert all day. Lent is over and it is now time to celebrate the great joy of Easter!

This is the meaning of Easter! Easter means that nothing can keep us from the joy that God wants to give us. Nothing can steal that joy away. Pandemic cannot win. Our difficult times are not permanent. Sure, at times we will struggle just as Jesus did in the Agony of the Garden and the *Via Dolorosa* (the Way of the Cross), but those sufferings will not win. The Resurrection won with Christ and it will win with us when we cling to Him. Jesus persevered and, in the end, rose victorious. This is Easter!

Know that God wants you to experience the joy of Easter in your life. Let Him fill you with hope and with the joy that only the Resurrection can bring. God wants Easter to begin now in our lives! Happy Easter!

Note:
I am taking my annual vacation from April 23rd to May 27th. Please keep me in your prayers as I will be travelling to India. The details of Mass schedule and other events during my absence will be posted in the next week bulletin.

~ Father G

## PARISH EASTER GIFT

St. Xavier Parish offers each household a bottle of blessed Holy Water. As you know, during this pandemic we have been unable to use the Holy Water fonts at the entrances of the Church. Water is an ancient symbol of life and purity and recalls the sacrament of Baptism and its cleansing effects. As Catholics, we bless ourselves with it while making the Sign of the Cross whenever we enter or exit the church. Please accept this Easter gift and take with you to bless your selves in your daily life as we are mindful that we are called to renew our baptismal promises of rejecting Satan, all his works, and all his empty promises, and to profess our Catholic faith. Remember, to dispose of unused Holy Water is a respectful manner to the ground.

Thank you to all who filled the Rice Bowls this year! Please put your filled Rice Bowls in the collection basket at the entry of the church or bring to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

The current missals have been put at the back of the church for Palm Sunday through the end of May. Staying in healthy guidelines, if you want a missal for use, please take one and bring it back each week with you. Please bring your old missals back for proper disposal. As they contain Sacred Scriptures, they must be burned and the ashes turned to the soil. We are happy to do this for you, just leave at the recycle box at back of church. Thank you!

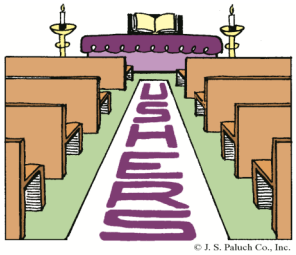
This week while there are no services in the church, our Building Committee of the Parish Council is taking advantage of the opportunity to fix the water damage on the north and south walls. Work will begin at 09:00 am on Monday morning and will run the entire week. The church will remain open for your prayer needs this week but please be diligent to stay out of the workman's way in performing their duties. There will be scaffolding, noise and possible fumes from the materials they must use to restore the beauty of our Lord's house. Thank you!

LET US PRAY

Lord, the resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal. Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it. — *New Saint Joseph People's Prayer Book*

## USHERS NEEDED

The parish is in need of additional ushers to support our Masses and funerals. If you are interest in assisting as an usher, please contact Cathy Striggow. Ushers are needed for weekday and weekend masses. Contact Cathy at cathy.striggow@gmail.com or 785-223-1018.

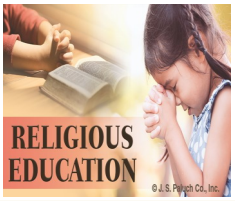


**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School is currently accepting applications for an Early Childhood Teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Applicants must have a current early childhood license in Kansas. Preferred for applicants to be practicing Catholics. An application is to be submitted through Kansas Teaching Jobs, to include resume and references. Please contact Principal Shawn Augustine at principal@saintxrams.org if you are interested.

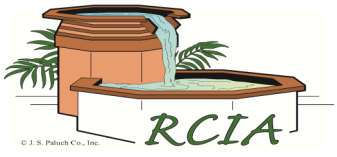
If you are new to the parish or an existing member, please update your family's information with the St. Xavier Parish Office. Registered parishioners is how the Diocese makes sure we receive the religious resources necessary for our parish. Call Cindy, the Parish Secretary, at 785-238-2998 to register your family or update your existing records.

Thank you much!




## Religious Education Schedule

07 Apr—Class/1st Communion Retreat
14 Apr—Class/1st Communion Rehearsal
18 Apr—First Communion Celebration
21 Apr—Class/Parent Meeting First Communion
28 Apr—Final Class




Many people have said that what drew them to the Catholic church was the Eucharist. As we reflect on recognizing Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread, think for a moment whether there is someone you could invite to Mass and to explore what else the Catholic faith might hold for them. For more information contact Amber at the Parish Office.

JC Pregnancy Center will once again be holding their annual fundraising banquet on April 15, 2021. More information will be forthcoming. For questions, please contact Janet Hahn at 785-461-5996, or email GUNSMITH@TWINVALLY.NET.

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA

If you are interested in hosting the statue of Our Lady of Fatima for a week, please contact Linda Charowhas at 785-200-0926 or Colleen Henney at 785-238-2618 to be included in the schedule.

Statue Schedule:
Week of 04 Apr 2021— Rick and Janet Hahn
Week of 11 Apr 2021— Colleen Henney
Week of 18 Apr 2021— Silvia Ogo
Week of 26 Apr 2021— Rick and Janet Holcomb

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

*Educating for eternity through faith and reason*

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## SCHOOL NEWS FROM MR. AUGUSTINE

Reminders:

Enrollment is underway for the 2021-22 school year at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School. Stop by the school office for your registration packet today or get it on our school website at saintxrams.org.

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School will be having an open house for prospective families on Monday, April 12th, from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm in our school gym. Dinner will be provided, followed by a meet and greet, question and answer session, and a tour of the school. Plan to attend this event by calling the school office at 785-238-2841 or by sending an email to principal@saintxrams.org by Monday, April 5th, to make a reservation.

Spring Carnival:

The St. Xavier PTO is hosting The Spring Carnival on Friday, April 16th, from 5:30 pm-8:00 pm in the school/parish parking lot. There will be a variety of different booths/ activities sponsored by each class, and concessions will be available. Plan to come out with your families for an evening of food and fun.

Shawn Augustine, Principal

## EASTER BREAK SCHEDULE

St. Francis Xavier School will be closed for Easter break from April 2nd– 5th. School and office hours will resume Tuesday, April 6th. We wish you all a blessed Easter!

# ENROLLMENT

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## Enroll Now!

Let us be a part of your family's faith journey for the 2021-22 school year! To learn more about the exceptional educational opportunities available at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School please contact the school office or visit our website.

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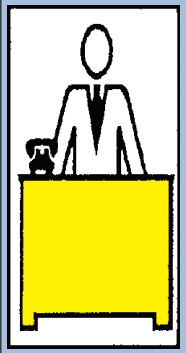
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