

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS/ HORARIO DE OFICINA

Monday to Friday / Lunes a a Viernes

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASSES / MISAS DE DOMINGO

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Mass in English

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Misa en Español

11:00 a.m. Mass in English

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

6:30 p.m. Bilingual Mass

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays: 6:30 p.m. & Fridays: 12:30 p.m.

(or by appointment)

DAILY MASSES / MISA DIARIA

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 6:00 p.m. Misa en Español

Wed. & Fridays: 12:00 Noon Mass in English

ADORATION IN CHURCH

Firsts Fridays, from 9:00 to 11:50 a.m.

December 15th, 2024
Third Sunday of Advent
Tercer Domingo de Adviento

Saturday, Dec. 14th

5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation in English
Pro Populo

Sunday, Dec. 15th

8:00 a.m. Misa en Español

+Teresa Saucedo
+Maria Gomez
+Carolina Saucedo
+Joe & Minnie Reyna
+James Reyna
+Victor Gonzalez

11:00 a.m. Mass in English

+Victor Santillan
+Lawrence & Eveyln Phillip
+Lupez Mendoza, Jr.
+Fidel & Angelita Solis
+Ralph Peña
+Antonia Marroquin Lozano
Rita Kelly

Monday, Dec. 16th

No Mass

Tuesday, Dec. 17th

6:00 p.m. Misa en Español

+Teresa Saucedo
+Alfredo Elizalde
+Alberta Bernal
+Victor Santillan
Ellie De La Cerda

Wednesday, Dec. 18th

12:00 Noon Mass in English

+Victor Santillan
+Jose Guerrero
+Paula Tomelloso
+Alesandro Torres
+Alberta Bernal
Rita Kelly

Thurs., Dec. 19th

6:00 p.m. Misa en Español

+Victor Santillan
+Martin Martinez
+Antonia Marroquin Lozano

Friday, Dec. 20th

12:00 Noon Mass in English

+Teresa Saucedo
+Zoraida Colon
+Alfonso Cepeda
+Antonia Marroquin Lozano
Rita Kelly

Saturday, Dec. 21st

5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation in English

+Victor Santillan
+John Loya, Jr.
+Aaron V. & Juan Juarez
+Robert Martinez, II
+Lupez Mendoza, Jr.
Rita Kelly



THE WORD OF GOD OF THIS SUNDAY

We hear Paul say, "The Lord is near," in the second reading today and we can count so many ways this is so. We're just ten days away from Christmas, for one. In a little while we will receive the Lord in the Eucharist. The Lord is here when two or more gather in his name. The Lord is near to us always, by virtue of our baptism. Right now, the Lord is here in the form of God's word. Warmed by the Lord's presence, let us listen for his voice in the words of scripture



LA PALABRA DE DIOS

Escuchamos a Pablo decir en la segunda lectura de hoy que "el Señor está cerca" y esto es cierto de muchísimas maneras. Una de ellas es que faltan sólo diez días para la Navidad. En unos pocos momentos recibiremos al Señor en la Eucaristía. El Señor está aquí cuando dos o más se reúnen en su nombre. El Señor está cerca de nosotros siempre, por virtud de nuestro Bautismo. Ahora mismo el Señor está aquí presente en la palabra de Dios. Arrullados con la presencia del Señor escuchemos su voz en las palabras de las Sagradas Escrituras.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Zep 3:14-18a

Psalm: Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

Second Reading: Phil 4:4-7

Gospel: Lk 3:10-18

LECTURAS DE ESTE DOMINGO

Primera Lectura: Zep 3:14-18a

Salmo: Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

Segunda Lectura: Fil 4:4-7

Evangelio: Lc 3:10-18

SUNDAY COLLECTION December 8, 2024

5:30 pm Mass \$1,160.00
8:00 am Mass\$723.00
11:00 am Mass\$2,770.00
Total Collection\$4,653.00

Less 11.5% Asset.....\$535.09
Total for the Parish\$4,117.91
Second Collection.....\$1,120.58
Parish Center \$385.00
Fundraiser

Thank you for your continued support towards your parish.

Muchas Gracias por su apoyo continuo hacia su Parroquia.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday—Friday from 8:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00 to 2:00 p.m.. To get the entry code call the office at (956) 797-2666.

SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Tuesdays: 6:30 p.m. and Fridays: 12:30 pm or by appt.

Baptisms: Please, contact the parish office, ahead of time, for a copy of the policy and information on classes. Parents and sponsors of this parish need to attend the Baptismal Prep. Classes here, before receiving a letter to be sponsors & the Certificate of Attendance.

Marriage: Engaged couple needs to make an appointment with the pastor, at least six months before the intended wedding date.

Quinceañeras: (Not a Sacrament) Candidates need to be members of SFX, attend Sunday Mass (regularly) and CCE Classes for the last two years, at this parish.

PARISH WEB SITE

General Information concerning the Saint Francis Xavier Parish, will be found at this Web Site:

stfrancisxavierlaferia.org

The Sunday Announcements will be found in the specific **Sunday Bulletin**, which is also published on this Web Site

Church Announcements



CHRISTMAS DRAWING

Our S.F.X. Christmas Drawing will be held today, **Sunday, December 15th, at 12:00 Noon**, right after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, at the Parish Pavilion. **The last day to turn in our tickets and monies was Friday, December 13th, by 12:00 Noon**, at the Parish Office.

OUR S.F.X. PARISH CENTER FUNDRAISER

Our goal this time is \$300,000.00 Dollars, for the construction of our new Parish Center. **At this time, we have only raised a little over \$80,000.00 Dollars.** Let's remember that there are Special envelopes for this project, at the entrance of the church. We kindly invite all parishioners to participate generously. We would like to thank you for your kind and generous participation!!!



ANNUAL POSADAS

(Novena of Christmas)

Dec. 16th to 24th

We now have a new plan for our Annual Posadas, Novena of Christmas. We would like to have our Posadas, for children, youth and adults, every other year here, at the parish plant; and every other year, at our homes, families organizing their own Posada, with our family, friends and neighbors.

This first year, our families have the opportunity to do their own Posadas at home...so, that we keep our beautiful traditions.



SOLEMNITY OF THE BIRTH OF THE LORD JESUS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION (CHRISTMAS DAY)

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve: 6:00p.m. Bilingual Mass

Confessions after Mass

Wednesday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day: 10:00a.m. Bilingual Mass

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Dec. 24th, 25th, 31st 2024, and January 1st, 2025.



CATECHISM ATTENDANCE

Dear parents, let's remember that you need to bring your children to Sunday Mass, so that they may qualify to receive the sacraments on time. Don't forget that you signed the agreement, when you registered your children for CCE (Catechism). Religious education and preparation for sacraments should be based on the celebration of Holy Mass (Eucharist), every Sunday, at our parish. You need to bring your children to Sunday Mass every Sunday to this parish.

NO CATECHISM (CCE) AND NO SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN

Saturday, Dec. 21st, Sunday, Dec. 22nd, Saturday, Dec. 28th, Sunday, Dec. 29th, 2024, Saturday, Jan. 4th, and Sunday, Jan. 5th, 2025.

Teachers and parents, please make a note in your calendars and agendas.