

2015-2016

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

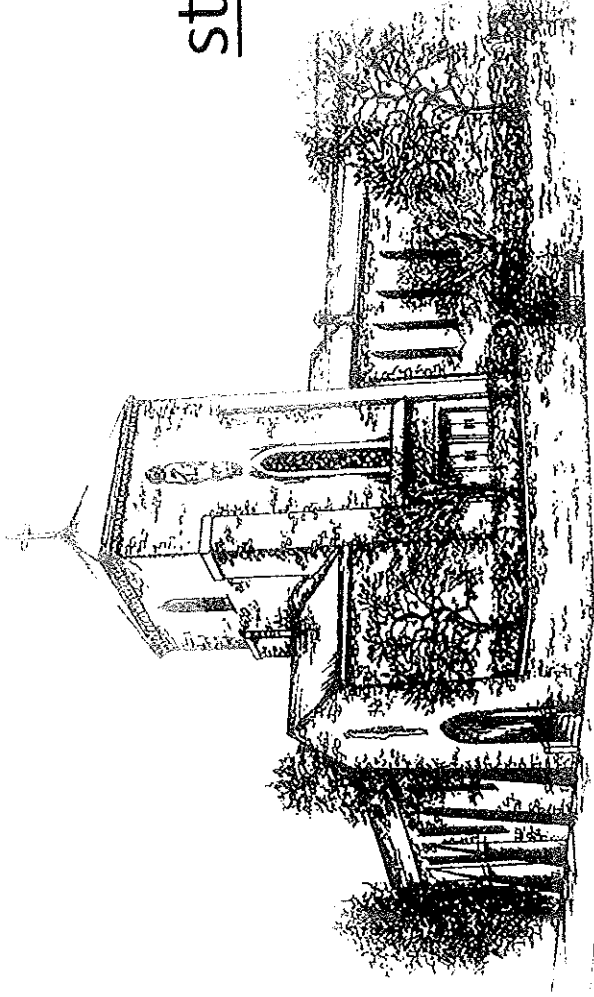
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SUNDAY CLASSES: 9:30AM – 11AM FOLLOWED BY THE FAMILY MASS AT 11:15AM

At St. Francis Xavier we care about and love our children and families. We look upon Religious Education as a total Parish experience involving not just the child, but also parents, families, catechists and priests that form our Parish Family of Faith. Religious Education means getting to know Jesus and learning what is expected of one who chooses to follow Him in the Catholic tradition. Our program is composed of learning, prayer, sacramental preparation, bible studies, liturgy, community service and putting out faith into action using the gifts and talents that God has given us.

Parents are the primary educators of their children. They prepare their children for receiving the Sacraments and are role models of Christian life for their children which involve the following:

Family Commitment: To support the Catholic beliefs and teachings; involve students in Parish Life; continue on-going religious education and faith development of adults. Also, by being present in worship by attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation because we are celebrating the miracle of the Eucharist as a Parish Family.

Attendance and Lateness: Children are expected in class on time. Absences are limited to four. If your child is ill, please contact the Religious Education Office so he/she can make up the missed classwork. If a student has perfect attendance for the academic year, he/she will receive a Perfect Attendance Award.

Behavior in Class: Children are expected to be on their best behavior and respectful.

Homework & Testing: Please help your child(ren) to know their prayers and review lessons.

Thank you for bringing your child(ren) to the Religious Education Program of St. Francis Xavier. Together we can attain our common goal of providing our children with the love of Jesus. May God bless you.

September 2015

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 FIRST FRIDAY	5 CONFESSIONS
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
13 CLASSES PARENT'S MTG. IN GYM DURING CLASS TIME <i>Ordinary Time</i>	14	15	16	17	18 LADIES NIGHT OUT -- POCKETBOOK BINGO 7pm	19 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH ALTAR SERVER FIRST PRACTICE AT 2PM IN CHURCH
20 CLASSES CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 11:15 MASS <i>Ordinary Time</i>	21	22	23	24	25	26 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
27 CLASSES 7 th Grade & Parents in Class Welcome Back BBQ after 12:30 Mass <i>Ordinary Time</i>	28	29	30	ROBE MEASUREMENTS FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES SEPTEMBER 2015		

October 2015


ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 CLASSES <u>9:30 AM MASS</u> CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COME TO CHURCH FOLLOWED BY ROSARY PROCESSION; INSTALLATION OF ALTAR SERVERS <i>Ordinary Time</i>	5	6	7	8	9 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	10 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
11 NO CLASSES <i>Ordinary Time</i>	12 Columbus Day	13	14	15	16 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	17 Catechetical Forum-Monroe, NY - For Catechist CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
18 CLASSES CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS DUE - SEE BELOW <i>Ordinary Time</i>	19 CONFIRMATION PARENTS' & STUDENTS MEETING 7PM IN CHURCH	20	21	22	23 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	24 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
25 CLASSES <i>Ordinary Time</i>	26	27	28	29	30 Rosary Making Rectory 4pm	31 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH

CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENT DUE OCTOBER 18: SACRAMENTAL FEE \$100

November 2015

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 CLASSES ALL SAINTS DAY Daylight Savings	2 ALL SOULS DAY	3	4	5	6 First Friday Adoration 1-7pm – Holy Hour with Benediction Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	7 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
8 CLASSES <i>Ordinary Time</i>	9	10	11	12	13 Rosary Making Rectory- 4pm	14 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
15 CLASSES <i>Ordinary Time</i>	16 FIRST PENANCE PARENTS' MTG. 7PM IN CHURCH	17	18	19	20 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	21 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
22 CLASSES <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe</i>	23	24	25	26 HAPPY THANKSGIVING 	27	28 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
29 NO CLASSES <i>1ST SUN. OF ADVENT</i>	30					

December 2015

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 FEAST OF FRANCIS XAVIER 7:30PM MASS	4 First Friday Adoration 1-7pm – Holy Hour with Benediction Rosary Making Rectory -4pm	5 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
6 CLASSES <u>ST. FRANCIS XAVIER FEAST CELEBRATION AFTER 12:30PM MASS WITH RAFFLE & POTLUCK DINNER</u> <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	7 Vigil Mass: 7:30pm For IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	8 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION <u>Masses: 7:30am, 9am, Noon, 7:30pm</u>	9	10	11 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	12 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
13 CLASSES CHRISTMAS PAGEANT FAMILY CATECHESIS <i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i>	14 RECONCILIATION MONDAY – CONFESSIONS 2PM-8PM IN CHURCH	15	16	17	18 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	19 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
20 NO CLASSES <i>4th Sunday of Advent</i>	21	22	23	24 CHRISTMAS EVE <u>Masses: 4pm, 5:30pm & Midnight</u>	25 CHRISTMAS <u>Masses: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:15am & 12:30pm</u>	26 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
27 NO CLASSES <i>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>	28	29	30	31 MARY, MOTHER OF GOD – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION- VIGIL MASS: 5:30PM		

January 2016

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 MARY, MOTHER OF GOD – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION <u>Masses:</u> <u>7:30am,</u> <u>9:30am, 11:15am &</u> <u>12:30pm</u>	2 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
3 CLASSES CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS DUE – SEE BELOW** EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	4	5	6	7	8 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	9 CONFESSIONS 4-5PM IN CHURCH
10 CLASSES (Report Cards) <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	11	12	13	14	15 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	16 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
17 CLASSES <i>Ordinary Time</i>	18 (Martin Luther King)	19	20	21	22 <u>DAY OF PRAYER</u> Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	23 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
24 CLASSES <i>Ordinary Time</i>	25	26	27	28	29 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	30 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
31 CLASSES <i>Ordinary Time</i>						

*CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS DUE ON JANUARY: 1. INFORMATION FORM, 2. LETTER TO BISHOP LAGONEGRO, 3. SAINT NAME, 4. SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 10, 2016

Lenten Fast and Abstinence: During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the Faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily life through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

“Fasting” requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

Abstinence prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY are days of **fast and abstinence**. **Fridays in Lent** are days of **abstinence**.


February 2016

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 First Friday Adoration 1-7pm – Holy Hour with Benediction Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	6 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
7 CLASSES Ordinary Time	8	9	10 ☩ ASH WEDNESDAY Ashes Distributed: <u>7:30am, 9am,</u> <u>12 Noon, 4pm,</u> <u>7:30pm</u>	11	12 7PM – STATIONS OF THE CROSS Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	13 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
14 NO CLASSES (Midwinter Recess) 1ST Sunday of Lent	15 (President's Day)	16	17	18	19 7PM – STATIONS OF THE CROSS Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	20 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
21 CLASSES 2ND Sunday of Lent	22	23	24	25	26 7PM – STATIONS OF THE CROSS Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	27 FIRST PENANCE 11:30 AM ARRIVAL IN CHURCH AT 11:15AM FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION IN GYM CONFESSIONS 4-5PM IN CHURCH
28 CLASSES 3RD Sunday of Lent	29					

March 2016

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>NOTE -- *CONFIRMATION NIGHT OF RECOLLECTION -- March 4th (For Parents, Candidates and Sponsors)</p>	<p>NOTE -- **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION RETREAT (For Parents & Children) -- March 5th Important information will be given out as well.</p>	1	2	3	4 First Friday Adoration 1-7pm -- Followed by Benediction & Stations of the Cross Rosary Making Rectory-4pm <i>* See Note</i>	5 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH **See Note
6 CLASSES 4 TH Sunday of Lent	7	8	9	10	11 7PM -- STATIONS OF THE CROSS Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	12 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
13 CLASSES 5 TH Sunday of Lent CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS DUE -- SEE BELOW***	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 7PM--STATIONS OF THE CROSS Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	19 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH St. Joseph's Day
20 CLASSES  PALM SUNDAY	21 RECONCILIATION MONDAY -- CONFESIONS 3PM-9PM IN CHURCH	22 CONFESIONS NOON IN CHURCH Chrism Mass -- St. Patrick's Cathedral	23 CONFESIONS NOON IN CHURCH	24 HOLY THURSDAY 9am Solemn Morning Prayers MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 7:30PM & ADORATION AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE TIL MIDNIGHT	25 GOOD FRIDAY 9am Solemn Morning Prayers LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION: 3pm 7PM -- STATIONS OF THE CROSS	26 <u>EASTER VIGIL</u> 9am Solemn Morning Prayers Easter Vigil Mass: 8pm CONFESION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
27 NO CLASSES <u>EASTER SUNDAY</u> Masses: 7:30am, 9:30, 11:15am and 12:30pm	28	29	30	31		

*** CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS DUE MARCH 13: 1. COMMUNITY SERVICE 2. RETREAT PERMISSION FORM


April 2016

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 CLASSES <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i> 3PM Holy Hour, Divine Mercy	4 The Annunciation of the Lord	5	6	7	8 Rosary Making Rectorv-4pm	9 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
10 CLASSES 3 RD Sunday of Easter	11	12	13	14	15 Rosary Making Rectorv-4pm	16 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
17 CLASSES 2015-16 RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION BEGINS 3 RD Sunday of Easter 4 TH Sunday of Easter	18	19	20	21	22 Rosary Making Rectorv-4pm	23 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
24 CLASSES 5 TH Sunday of Easter	25	26 CONFIRMATION RETREAT:7:30AM MASS SFX 8:15AM DEPARTURE DON BOSCO, STONY POINT, NY & REHEARSAL	27	28	29 Rosary Making Rectorv-4pm	30 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH

MAY 2016

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 CLASSES CONFIRMATION TEST 6 TH Sunday of Easter	2 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSAL	3 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSAL	4 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSAL ASCENSION THURSDAY VIGIL 5:30 PM (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)	5 ASCENSION THURSDAY (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)- 7:30AM, 9AM, NOON & 7:30PM	6 First Friday Adoration 1-7pm -- Holy Hour with Benediction Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	7 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 11AM CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
8 NO CLASSES FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PREP 11:15AM MASS (MOTHER'S DAY)	9	10	11	12	13 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	14 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
15 CLASSES MASS HONORING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN, MAY CROWNING, & BREAKFAST	16	17 CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL 4PM – 5:30PM IN CHURCH	18 CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL 4PM – 5:30PM IN CHURCH	19	20  CONFIRMATION 4PM ARRIVAL IN GYM AT 3PM W/SPONSOR	21 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
22 CLASSES MAY CROWNING <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>	23	24	25	26	27 Rosary Making Rectory-4pm	28 CONFESSION 4-5PM IN CHURCH
29 CLASSES 9:30 AM MASS:CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COME TO CHURCH FOLLOWED BY CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION	30 (MEMORIAL DAY)	31				