

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday	November 1, 2014
Vigil for Sunday	5:30pm All Souls
Sunday	November 2, 2014
7:30am	All Souls
9:30am	All Souls
11:15am	All Souls
12:30pm	All Souls
1:45pm	Presentation/Concert by Al Barbarino
Monday	November 3, 2014
7:30am	Margaret Guarino
9:00am	Irene Lauria and Angelina Delia
Tuesday	November 4, 2014
7:30am	In Thanksgiving
9:00am	Michelina and Vincenzo Russo
Wednesday	November 5, 2014
7:30am	Catapano Family
9:00am	Savina and Michael Nigro
Thursday	November 6, 2014
7:30am	Rosa Trivino
9:00am	Mary Amatucci
Friday	November 7, 2014
7:30am	Bernadette Garland
9:00am	Albert Paziienza
10:00am	First Friday SFX School Mass
1-7pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8pm	Holy Hour and Benediction
Saturday	November 8, 2014
7:30am	Thomas King
9:00am	Sarah Brady
Vigil for Sunday	
5:30pm	Deceased Members of the Mazzella Family
Sunday	November 9, 2014
7:30am	All Parishioners of SFX
9:30am	Salvatore Picone
11:15am	Frank Ramunno
12:30pm	Raffaella and Luca Palumbo

League of the Sacred Heart will meet Friday, November 7th after the 9am Mass in the Rectory.

Today, November 1st/2nd We Welcome: Al Barbarino, our guest singer and speaker at all our Masses and the special Presentation/Concert after the 12:30pm Mass



All Souls Envelopes: Offertory envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church which will be placed on the altar throughout the month of November for special remembrance at every Mass.



St. Francis Xavier School: Children in Grades K to 8 will begin wearing winter uniforms on Monday, November 3rd. Good luck to our eighth graders who will be taking the high school entrance exam (TACHS) on Friday, November 7th. For updated information please visit the school website at sfxschool.net.



Religious Education—Learning to live our Catholic faith 24/7: "Wednesdays With Jesus": A heartfelt thank you to the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal for the inspiring class for the UPK children.

Confirmation students Community Service:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 1-7pm and Holy Hour and Benediction on First Friday, November 7th.

Rosary Making every Friday at 4pm in the Rectory.

Next Visit to the Residence of Williamsbridge Nursing Home: Saturday, November 15th. Please meet in front of the Church at 10:45am. Return time approx. 12:15pm.

Potluck Dinner, November 30th, Setup and Cleanup, Face Painter etc. Please call Rectory to sign up.

YOUTH CENTER: Saturday, November 8th after the 5:30pm Mass for all students grades 5 through 8, \$10 admission or free for those who attend the 5:30pm Mass.



Thanksgiving Food Drive by the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal: Will be most grateful to receive financial contributions or the following non-perishable foods: **cans of corn, green beans, sweet potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, cans of potatoes/box of mashed potatoes, stuffing and non-refrigerated dessert items.** Donations can be dropped off in the vestibule of the Church until November 15th/16th.

VOTING AND MORAL RESPONSIBILITY: Election Day is Tuesday, November 4th— Make sure to Vote as a Catholic. We encourage all citizens, particularly Catholics, to embrace their citizenship not merely as a duty and privilege, but as an opportunity meaningfully to participate in building the culture of life. Every voice matters in the public forum. Your vote counts. Please exercise that power in ways that defend human life, especially those of God's children, unborn, disabled or otherwise vulnerable.



Weekly collection (Parish Pay included)
October 19: \$6,200
Thank you for your generosity.
May God Bless you.



Dear Parishioners,

I want to again thank everyone for your tremendous response to our campaign to increase our weekly offering. I know another round of letters went out last week and that some may be a bit tired of receiving letters from me about this. Please remember that although the letters are signed by me, they are mailed out by the Archdiocese of New York at their expense. I understand so well that some may not be able to increase what they are now giving. Please just do the best you can and do not be put off by the letters. We have such a beautiful parish and I thank God for each and every one of you.

The beauty of our parish could be seen once again last weekend at the 5:30 Mass on Saturday evening, as our Church was filled with so many of our school children and their families to mark the beginning of another year of sports by gathering together for Mass – a beautiful reminder that everything we do as a Catholic School and Parish is rooted in and flows from our union with Christ in the Eucharist. The music at this Mass was provided by a group of our tremendously talented teenagers led by Ryan Gamilo and Shane Ceniza which I hope and pray is the beginning of a teen choir, and I thank them so much. The next day so many of our alumni from St. Francis Xavier basketball teams from 1980's through the present, along with their families, gathered in the gym for a full day and evening of alumni basketball games and reunions. It was a tremendous turn out and a great day for our school and parish. I want to thank the coordinator of our sports programs and coach, John Musto, for planning and executing this great event and all those who helped him.

With October behind us now, we have moved into the month of November beginning with the great Solemnity of All Saints yesterday as we honored the men and woman of every time and place who have achieved the goal of Heaven. Our belief in the Communion of Saints reminds us that we are all connected in the Church by our baptism - those of us still on our pilgrim way here on earth, the souls in Purgatory who are still being purified on their way to see God face to face in Heaven, and the Saints who have reached the goal. We call upon the Saints to intercede for us as we constantly seek the help of their prayers before God, and we look to the example of their lives of heroic virtue and holiness with the hope that we, too, can become like them. That is what we were made for – we were made to be saints, we were made for Heaven, we were made to see the face of God.

And today, November 2nd, we observe All Souls Day, a day we pray in a special way for all the souls of the faithful departed who may still be in need of our prayers as they undergo the purification necessary on the way to Heaven.

November is the month the Church throughout the world dedicates to remembering and praying for the dead. Inserted in today's bulletin are the names of all our parishioners who died this past year. And the greatest and most powerful prayer of all we could offer for them is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, as we are united with them in the One Perfect Sacrifice of Christ on the Cross by which He destroyed the power of death and opened up for us the gates of Heaven. As Jesus assured us in the gospel of St. John: *"I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in Me, even if He dies will live. And whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."* When God gives life it is forever, and whether we live or die are lives are in His hands and He will never let us go. No wonder Jesus is always telling us to trust in Him, to be patient, to persevere, to remain faithful, and to not be afraid - of anything, not even death. May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Matthew J. Furey



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER FEAST DAY CELEBRATION:

Sunday, November 30th Potluck Dinner in the gym immediately following the 12:30pm Mass. Drawing for \$10,000 Feast Day Raffle, fun, music, cotton candy, face painting and great food made by our Parish Family. \$5/adults plus your favorite dish. Please see insert in today's bulletin.



\$10,000 FEAST DAY RAFFLE: Tickets are \$50 each and are sold before and after every Mass on weekends in the Church vestibule and in the Rectory throughout the week (718-892-3330). The drawing will be held Sunday, November 30th at our Potluck Dinner Celebration in honor of our Patron Saint.



Please remember the following

members of our parish community in your prayers:

William Ahearn, Dennis Aiello, Edwardo Alicea, Mary Annunzio, Judith Arriaga, Betty Barbagallo, Nettie Bianchini, Joe Blandino, Louis Campisi, Flavia Chiappa, Marie Ciacco, Theodore Civetta, Jenny Cioffi, Loreen Clavin, Lorraine Capozzi, Angelo Caruso, Brenda Colon, Joanne Cunneen, Richard Daum, Carlann Defedele, Antoinette DeLillo, Baby Colin Depriest, Alfred DeSantis, John Dinelli, Patrick Dolan, Baby Max D'Onofrio, Carmella Emily DonVito, Mario Esguerra, Cheryl Espinoza, John Esposito, Esther Finn, Carmen Flores, Billy Fischer, Luis Paz Florencio, Sr., Pat Foley, Peter Frenna, Donald Gallagher, Alexis Marie Gonzalez, Cora Gonzales, John Hastings, Charlotte Hayes, Kerry White Hemmer, Laura Liferi Hernandez, Gloria Irizarry, Frances Jenkins, Felix Jaiman, Emily Koch (6-yr. old), Rosemarie Leo, Margaret Leonard, Ann Kittle, Angela Liferi, Gloria Lisanti, Lucy Lorusso, Barbara Lyne, Andy Massa, Vincent (Jimmy) Mastrogiovanni, Paul McAllister, Joseph Milone, Jennie Miraglia, Maria Mazzella, John Mullane, Brianan Murtagh, John Muzzillo, Michael Nichols, Paige O'Donnell, Teresa O'Hara, Kerry O'Keeffe, Rosa Maria Ortiz, Louie Paone, Ralph Palumbo, Sylvia Pankovcin, Virginia Parthen, Richard Quararone, Giselle Ramos, Thomas J. Reardon, Blake Rosenn, Angela Rizzo, Alejandra Rosario, Leslie Russin, Rosa Russo, Gloria Santaniello, Anthony Saraco, Theresa Smith, Niko Stravrianopoulos (3-yr. old), Marie Swain, Juliana Szanto, Paul Teehan, Frank Toapha, Justina Torres, Patricia Trainor, Lori Mayer Tricoli, Diana Vicinanza, Dominick Villara, Gelacio Villaviza (Fr. Nell's Father), Christopher Vitale, Kathy Vitale, George Walsh, Rev. Arthur Welton, Gary Wieler, Jonathan Wilson (12-year old), Ottilla Zangrandi, Madelyn Ziesel



In your prayers please remember all the men and women serving in our

Armed Forces, especially: Zachary Piragnoli, Nick Visconti, Christopher C. Cannata, Carlos E. Blanco, Emmanuel Martinez, Lt. Michael Tafone, Cpl. Christopher Antony, Cpt. Brian Pascuzzi, Master Sgt. Janelle Amador, Anthony Thomas Candito, Sgt. Troy Mastin, 1st Lt. Nicholas Cardillo



Pray for those who have died: Ernest Lopresti, All the Souls of the Faithful Departed