MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday November 22, 2014—Vigil for Sunday

5:30pm Anna Radovanovich

Sunday November 23, 2014—Christ the King

7:30am All Parishioners of SFX 9:30am Anna Radovanovich

11:15am Ida Civetta 12:30pm Joseph Petrozza

November 24, 2014 Monday 7:30am Rose Galasso

9:00am Carmela and Francesco Nigro

Tuesday November 25, 2014 7:30am Louis Lucie, Jr. 9:00am Lucy Coscia

Wednesday November 26, 2014

7:30am Intentions of Catherine McNamara (Living)

9:00am Aisling Cooke

10:00am Thanksgiving Mass SFX School

November 27, 2014—Thanksgiving Day Thursday

7:30am Vincenza Lopane

9:00am Thanksgiving Day Mass-All Parishioners

Friday November 28, 2014 7:30am Stella Parker

9:00am Jessie, Joseph and Angelina Delia

Saturday November 29, 2014 7:30am Rosetta lodice 9:00am Mona Tutino

Vigil for Sunday

5:30pm Anna Radovanovich

November 30, 2014 -First Sunday of Advent Sunday

7:30am All Parishioners of SFX 9:30am Anna Radovanovich 11:15am Yolanda Fronk James M. Ferrari 12:30pm

> Happy Thanksgiving May you and your families have a joyful and blessed Thanksgiving With love and gratitude

All your priests and staff at the Rectory Thanksgiving Day Mass: Please join us at the 9am Mass for our Parish Mass of Thanksgiving

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BANNS OF MARRIAGE -Second Time Anthony Minella and Siobhan Slattery



Weekly collection (Parish Pay included) November 16: \$5,775 Thank you for your generosity.



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER FEAST DAY

CELEBRATION: Next Sunday, Nov. 30th Potluck Dinner in the Gym after the 12:30



Mass. Drawing for \$10,000 Feast Day Raffle. Fun, music, camaraderie, cotton candy, face painting, great food made by our parish family, fun for the whole family and chances to win more prizes (50/50 prize and lady's handbag, make-up and toiletry baskets, large painting, wine, table cloth set, and more). \$5/adults plus your favorite potluck dinner dish. Please complete the flier inserted in today's bulletin.

St. Francis Xavier School: During the Thanksgiving season, the children collected canned goods for the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal to donate to families who are less fortunate than us. On Wednesday, November 26th, Fr. Matthew will celebrate Thanksgiving Mass for all the children and their families. For updated information please visit the school website at sfxschool net.



Religious Education—Learning to live our Catholic faith 24/7: As we give thanks for all of God's

blessings, may we also give thanks to all the volunteers of the SFX Religious Education Program who give selflessly from their hearts to teach the children about Jesus' love. And, to know that every time we volunteer, lives are changed. A Blessed Thanksgiving to all. There will be no classes on November 30th. Classes will resume on December 7th. The Annual Christmas Pageant which will be held on December 14th at 9:30am in the gym. Our Parish Family is invited to attend as Christmas comes alive with our children being a part of the beginning-The Birth of Our Lord in Bethlehem. Please join us to celebrate the true spirit of Christmas.

Christmas at St. Francis Xavier: As we prepare our Church for the Christmas Season, a reminder that Christmas Flowers and Decorations can be memorialized in honor of a loved one. The envelopes will be in the vestibule of the Church and included with your Church envelopes. You can leave these envelopes at the Rectory or drop them in the collection basket. Each \$25 donation can be memorialized with up to three names.



The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a "Giving

Tree" this Advent Season. Please take a white angel from the tree located in the vestibule of the Church and fulfill a gift request. You can place your gift under the tree. The gifts will be given to the residents of Williamsbridge Manor Nursing Home. Also, the tree will have angels in blue and pink for gifts for children. The gifts will be given to the children in East Harlem by the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Please do not wrap (wrapping paper can be included). What a lovely way to fulfill your role as an "Angel to the World."

Today's second collection is the Thanksgiving Day Collection for Human Development.



Dear Parishioners.

It is hard to believe that Thanksgiving and the Advent Season are upon us. What better time to Pastor say thank you to all of you for all you are and do for this beautiful parish. Thank you for making

St. Francis Xavier such a beautiful place to be. I hope as many as possible can join us next Sunday afternoon as we anticipate the celebration of our Parish Feast Day with our Family Pot Luck Dinner and the drawing of our Feast Day Raffle right after the 12:30 Mass in the School gym. There will be plenty of food, music and fun for the children. This event has really become a wonderful parish family celebration.

Today we come to the last Sunday of the Church's Liturgical Year with this great Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Next week we begin a brand new year of grace with the First Sunday of Advent as we spiritually prepare for Christmas. We begin the New Year next Sunday in the same way we end the current year today - focusing on Jesus, our Savior, our Redeemer, our Shepherd, and our King. The whole structure of the Church's year teaches us that Jesus Christ is the beginning, the end, and the center of our entire lives.

The Kingdom of Christ the King is not one of domination and tyranny, but one of justice, love and peace. His throne in this world is not found in an opulent palace, but on the wood of the Cross. His Kingdom was established not by force, but by allowing Himself to become powerless and to suffer the agony of the Cross. The power of Christ our King was not manifested in the way the world thinks of power, but in humble, selfless, sacrificial, unconditional love. Love is the driving force behind all that Jesus endured in His Passion, and by His Resurrection this love was revealed as the most powerful force in the universe - more powerful than evil, more powerful even than death.

To proclaim that Jesus Christ is our King is to proclaim that we belong to Him, and that He alone - and not anyone or anything else - has dominion over our lives, over our minds, and over our hearts. Today's Feast of Christ the King calls each of us to consider whether we truly profess Christ as our King not just with our words, but in the way we think and live. If Jesus does not have dominion over my life, then someone or something else will. There will never be true peace and justice in our world until Christ the King reigns in every human heart - beginning with my own heart.

As we enjoy Thanksgiving Day on Thursday with our families and friends, let us give thanks first and foremost that we have such a King, who exercises His dominion and power over our lives not with the power of fear and domination, but with the power of love and mercy.

Perhaps on Thanksgiving day we can take a few moments to say to our Lord Jesus: "Thank you Jesus for loving me so much, and help me to love you more and more." Have a happy and blessed Thanksgiving.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Matthew J. Furey



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER FEAST DAY RAFFLE

First Prize: \$10,000 Second Prize: \$1,000 Third Prize:

Raffles are \$50 each and will remain on sale before and after every Mass in the Church vestibule, and in the Rectory during the week until the drawing on Sunday, November 30th.

The raffles are selling slower than usual. There are only two weeks left to go. We have come to rely on the money raised from the raffle over these past few years to pay some major bills and to accomplish various repairs and improvements to our church and school buildings. Last summer we were able to do much needed pointing on the two school buildings which we could not have accomplished without increasing our debt if it were not for the funds in the Raffle Account. Please try to support this important effort for our parish if you can, and join us for our parish celebration of our Patron Saint at the Family Pot Luck Dinner on Sunday, November 30th.

Please remember the following

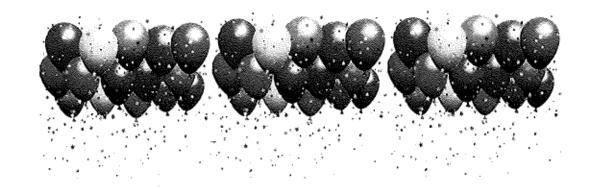
members of our parish community in your prayers: William Aheam, Dennis Aleilo, Edwardo Alicea, Mary Annunzio, Judith Arriago, Betty Barbagallo, Nettie Bianchini, Joe Blandino, Louis Campisi, Flavia Chiappa, Marie Clacco, Theodore Civetta, Jenny Cloffi, Loreen Clavin, Lorraine Capozzi, Angelo Caruso, 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., Peter Frenna, Donald Gallagher, Alexis Marie Gonzalez, Cora Gonzales, John Hastings, Charlotte Hayes, Kerry White Hemmer, Laura Lifrieri Hernandez, Gloria Irizarry, Frances Jenkins, Felix Jaiman, Emily Koch (6-yr. old), Rosemarie Leo, Margaret Leonard, Ann Kittle, Angele Lifrieri, Glorie Lisanti, Lucy Lorusso, Barbare 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, Louis Paone, Ralph Palumbo, Sylvia Pankovcin, Virginia Parchen, Richard Quarterone, Giselle Ramos, Thomas J. Reardon, Blake Rosenn, Angela Rizzo, Alejandra Rosario, Leslis Russin, Rosa Russo, Gloria Santaniello, Anthony Saraco, Theresa Smith, Mko Stravnianopoulos (3-yr. old), Marie Swain, Juliana Szanto, Paul Teshan, Frank Toapha, Justina Tomes, Patricia Trainor, Lori Mayer Tricoli, Diana Vicinanza, Dominick Villara, Gelacio Villaviza, Christopher Vitale, Kathy Vitale, George Walsh, Rev. Arthur Welton, Gary Wieler, Jonathan Wilson (12-year old), Ottilia 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. Bianco, Emmanuel Martinez, Lt. Michael Tafone, Cpl. Christopher Antony, Cpt. Brian Pascuzzi, Master Sgt. Janelle Amador, Anthony Thomas Candito, Sgt. Troy Mastin, 1st Lt. Nicholas Cardiello



Pray for those who have died: Ida Conte, Mary Jane Villani, Joseph DeFedele, Debra Newman, Maria Libera and All the Souls of the Faithful Departed



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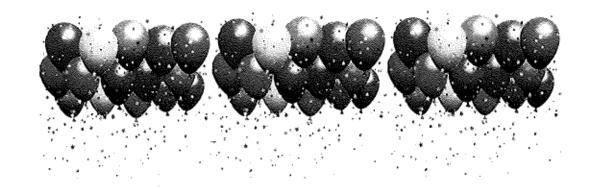
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USE THE TEAR-OFF FORM BELOW.
\$5/ADULTS PLUS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD DISH ---- CHILDREN FREE!!

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