

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday	October 24, 2015
Vigil for Sunday	
5:30pm	Anthony F. Perri
Sunday	October 25, 2015
7:30am	All Parishioners of SFX
9:30am	Betty Catarcio
11:15am	Anthony Saraco
12:30pm	Lillian and Victor DiGiambattista and Marie DeBellis Pascale
Monday	October 26, 2015
7:30am	Gloria Vegliante
9:00am	Michael Fragola
Tuesday	October 27, 2015
7:30am	Lucy Mariani
9:00am	Antonio Cipollone
Wednesday	October 28, 2015
7:30am	Special Intentions Janelle Amador (Living)
9:00am	Adrian Garcia
7:00pm	Recitation of the Rosary
Thursday	October 29, 2015
7:30am	Patricia Foley
9:00am	John Carlantone
Friday	October 30, 2015
7:30am	Special Intentions Marie Pistelli (Living)
9:00am	Pasqualina and Domenico Castaldo
Saturday	October 31, 2015
7:30am	Anthony Iuso
9:00am	Anthony DiGiambattista
Vigil for Sunday	
5:30pm	All Souls in Purgatory and Lucia Palumbo
Sunday	November 1, 2015
7:30am	All Parishioners of SFX
9:30am	Vincenzo and Michelina Russo
11:15am	Ferante and Bassani Families
12:30pm	Cosimo Gabriele



Newly Baptized: We welcome into our Parish Family **Xavier Castro** son of Yumar and Sarina



All Souls Day: What greater gift for your departed loved ones than to be remembered in a special way at all the Masses. Offertory envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church which will be placed on the altar for All Souls Day and remain throughout the month of November.

All Souls Day: Those who have died in the last year will be remembered in a special way by name at the 7:00pm Mass on Monday, November 2nd. Please see flier inserted in today's bulletin.

House Blessings: We have an ancient tradition in our faith of having our homes blessed by a priest. These blessings benefit and protect all who live within the home and are a great thing to have done even if you have lived in your home for many years. While the ceremony itself is simple, it is a powerful way to sanctify the home: the place we spend so much time and a place that is very dear to us. If you would like to have your home blessed, we would be very happy to come any time you would like! Just call the rectory and we will set up a time and date. There is no fee or offering for this service.

Recitation of the Rosary Wednesday evening, October 28th, at 7pm in the Church in Honor of the Blessed Mother Mary. Please join us.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Next class is tomorrow, Monday, October 26th. If you are interested in receiving the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist) and being received into the Catholic Church at Easter, or if you are already baptized but not yet received First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, please call Rectory at 718-892-3330. **Classes are Mondays at 7pm in the Rectory. If you missed the first class, please register or just come to the Rectory on Monday evening.**



St. Francis Xavier School: The children in Grades K-4 are looking forward to a Halloween Party on October 29th sponsored by the Home School Executive Board. A special thank you to Liane Weihe for coordinating this special event. School will be closed October 30th for teachers Bronxwide meeting. Visit sfxschool.net.



Religious Education—Learning to live our Catholic faith 24/7: God made us in His image to know Him, to love Him, to serve Him, and to be happy with Him now and forever. **Confirmation Meeting for Parents and Students: Tuesday, November 3rd at 7pm in the Church.**



Can you spare some time to be with Jesus who is truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle in the Small Chapel off the Vestibule of the Church? Please stop in - He is waiting for you.



Banns of Marriage Announced Third Time
Joseph DeFazio and Dorothy Alvino



Weekly Collection (Parish Pay included)
October 18: \$5,658
Second Collection: (World Mission Sunday): \$1,379
Thank you for your generosity. May God bless you.

Next Week's Readings (Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time):
Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3); Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52.



Dear Parishioners,

As I write this letter on Wednesday morning, it is looking like the Mets will get into the World Series. While I am a Yankee fan first, it is great to see our other New York team doing so well. Whether they make it or not, it was a great season for them. Congratulations to all the Met fans!

While it may not be being followed as carefully by many, we also are in the final week of the Synod on the Family in Rome with Pope Francis and Bishops from around the world, including Cardinal Dolan. In the midst of so much moral confusion in our world today about marriage and human sexuality, and with all the "hot button" issues that may come up during the Synod, Cardinal Dolan put the focus very clearly in his remarks at the beginning of the Synod when he said: "The starting point of the Synod must be what God has revealed to us about marriage and the family: that one man and one woman, united in lifelong, life giving, faithful love, eager for God's gift of babies, raised with tenderness in the sacred communion of the family, is the premier relationship of this life, so holy that it reflects the interior love of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in the Most Blessed Trinity. To defend, support, sustain, renew, and restore that noble nature of Marriage and family as God intended it from the beginning is our starting point for the Synod and our goal...God's Word must always come first."

It is fitting that this final week of the Synod began with Pope Francis canonizing as Saints a married couple, Louis and Zelig Martin, whose nine children included a Doctor of the Church, Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus, the Little Flower. It is the first time in the Church's history that a married couple was canonized together at the same time. In his homily at the Canonization Mass, Pope Francis spoke of Saints Louis and Zelig as holy spouses: "The holy spouses, Louis and Zelig Martin, practiced Christian service in the family, creating day by day an environment of faith and love which nurtured the vocations of their daughters, among whom was Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus."

Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles wrote in his reflections on the Synod: "Saints Louis and Zelig are not rarities. How many holy spouses there are, hidden saints of the everyday, in every time and every place in the Church. There are holy spouses and holy families in every part of the world today – ordinary men and women trying to live faithfully by the Church's teachings and the grace of her Sacraments."

Archbishop Gomez went on to quote Pope Francis, who said, echoing Cardinal Dolan, that in thinking about the family, we must be "led by the Word of God, on which rests the foundation of the holy edifice of the family, the domestic Church and the family of God."

Affirming these words of the Pope, Archbishop Gomez writes: "As we enter this final week of the Synod, I think it is important for us to keep this 'foundation' in mind, to try to see God's vision for the family more clearly and to understand how important the family is for the Church's future and the future of civilization."

"Lord I want to see", the blind beggar, Bartimaeus, asked of Jesus in today's gospel. Bartimaeus may have been physically blind, but He could see on a deeper level. He could see with the eyes of faith as He called out to Jesus, "Son of David, have pity on me." And Jesus responded, "Go, your faith has saved you." And immediately Bartimaeus received his sight and followed Jesus. That is what it means to truly see: to believe and to follow Jesus and His way of living. *Lord Jesus, help us to see your beautiful plan for our lives, which begins with your plan for marriage and family life. May God bless us all.*

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Matthew J Furey



\$10,000.00 SFX FEAST DAY RAFFLE

Tickets are \$50.00 each
First Prize-\$10,000.00
Second Prize-\$1,000
Third Prize-\$500



Tickets will be sold before and after every Mass on weekends in the Church Vestibule and in the Rectory throughout the week. The drawing will be held Sunday, December 6th, 2015 at a Potluck Dinner Reception Celebration immediately following the 12:30pm Mass.

St. Theresa School, Ladies Night Out Basket Bingo, Friday, 11/06/2015, 7pm, gym, coffee & dessert provided, BYOF & BYOB, \$30/10bingo w/3 games. Reserve your tables dgiacinto77@gmail.com

Please remember the following members of our parish community in your prayers:

William Ahearn, Dennis Aiello, Eduardo Alica, Mary Annunzio, Judith Ariaga, Betty Barbagallo, Nettie Bianchini, Joe Blandino, Nellie Calderon, Louis Carpi, Flavia Chiappa, Mario Ciacco, Theodore Civetta, Jenny Gioff, Loren Clavin, Lorraine Capozzi, Angelo Caruso, Brenda Colon, Mary Cozzocrea, Joanne Cunneen, Richard Dauri, Carlann Defede, Antoinette DeLillo, Baby Colin Depriest, Al & Dot DeSantis, Patrick Dolan, Baby Max D'Onofrio, Carmella Emily DonVito, Mario Esguerra, Cheryl Espinoza, John Esposito, Esther Finn, Carmen Flores, Billy Fischer, Rosemarie Flatley, Luis Paz Florencio, Sr., Peter Frenna, Donald Gallagher, Maritza Garcia, Brian Gillick, Alexis Marie Gonzalez, Cora Gonzales, John Hastings, Charlotte Hayes, Kerry White Hemmer, Laura Liffieri Hernandez, Gloria Iribarry, Frances Jenkins, Felix Jaiman, Emily Koch (8-yr. old), Janet Kreage, Rosemarie Leo, Margaret Leonard, Ann Kittle, Angela Liffieri, Gloria Lisanti, Lucy Lorusso, Barbara Lyle, Andy Massa, Vincent (Jimmy) Mastrogiovanni, Paul McAllister, Theresa McDermott, Jennie Miraglia, Maria Mayo, Maria Mazzella, Marjorie Morales, John Mullane, Brianan Murtagh, John Muzzillo, Michael Nichols, Paige O'Donnell, Kerry O'Keefe, Rosa Maria Ortiz, Louie Paone, Ralph Palumbo, Sylvia Pankovcin, Virginia Paschen, Richard Quararone, Giselle Ramos, Thomas J. Reardon, Blake Rosenti, Angela Rizzo, Alejandra Rosario, Rosa Russo, Gloria Santaniello, Maureen Dean Schmidt, Theresa Smith, Niko Stravrianopoulos (3-yr. old), Marie Swain, Paul Toehan, Frank Toapha, Justina Torres, Patricia Trainor, Lori Mayer Tricoli, Diana Vicinanza, Dominick Wilara, Christopher Vitale, Kathy Vitale, George Walsh, Otto Weihe, 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 Pasquazi, Master Sgt. Janelle Amador, Anthony Thomas Candito, Sgt. Troy Mastin, 1st Lt. Nicholas Cardillo

Pray for those who have died: Deceased Parishioners of SFX

ALL SOULS DAY

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MEMORIAM



All parishioners who have had a Funeral Mass here in the past year will be remembered by name at a special Mass on Monday, November 2nd, 2015, at 7:00pm

If any parishioner has a loved one who has died in the past year whose Funeral Mass was not here and would like to have their name mentioned, please complete this form and return it to the Rectory by Monday, October 26th.

Name of Deceased _____

Your Name _____

Your Address _____

Phone Number _____



THE SERRA CLUB OF THE BRONX & WESTCHESTER



FROM: MEL FICARA, PRESIDENT
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October 5, 2015

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SISTER MARY PIETA
FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF RENEWAL
TO ADDRESS
THE SERRA CLUB OF THE BRONX & WESTCHESTER
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28th, 2015

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Sister will speak about Father Benedict Groeschel, CFR who established the orders of the Franciscan Friars of Renewal and Franciscan Sisters of Renewal.

The Serra Club is an international organization whose mission is to foster and promote vocations to the ordained priesthood and vowed religious life and through this ministry, fosters and affirms the members' common Catholic faith. Luncheon meetings are held at noon at the Eastwood Manor at 3371 Eastchester Road [corner of Eastchester and Boston Roads] in The Bronx.

The cost of the luncheon is \$25.00. Please call 718 | 671 - 8915 for additional information and to make reservations by October 26th.

Our luncheon consists of:

*Fruit Plate - Salad - Pasta
Entrée - Dessert
Bread - Wine - Soda - Coffee - Tea*

