

MASS INTENTIONS



Newly Baptized: We welcome into our Parish Family:

Isabella Caruso daughter of Vincenzo and Angela

There are still Masses available for 2016. Please come to the Rectory Monday through Friday from 9am-9pm, Saturday from 9am-5pm, or Sunday from 9am-3pm. The 2017 Mass Book will open Tuesday, March 29th. To have a Mass offered for a loved one living or deceased is the greatest gift you can give them.



St. Francis Xavier School: The children in Grades 3 –8 are taking the ELA State Exam. The Sports Dinner has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 9th at the Villa Barone. Application and scholarship information is available online at www.ApplyCatholicSchoolsNY.org. Please visit sfxschool.net.



Religious Education—Learning to live our Catholic faith 24/7:

The children, by their Works of Mercy, were able to purchase **four bunny rabbits** from the Catholic Relief Services in their name. They received the following thank you: “Thank you so much for your generous donation. We greatly appreciate your compassion and support of our humanitarian efforts in 93 countries. Your gift and prayers are powerful vessels that provide an abundance of hope and help to our most vulnerable brothers and sisters overseas. Your support is a blessing we cherish. God bless you.”
“Wednesdays With Jesus”: This week the children learned that it isn’t enough to say, “I love you.” We must show our love for Jesus by showing our love for one another and caring for one another.

St. Gianna Mass: Thursday, April 28, 2016 (The Feast of St. Gianna) for couples suffering infertility and recurrent miscarriage: at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Catherine of Siena, 411 East 68th Street, Manhattan. Family and friends are also invited. Following the Mass there will be veneration of the relics of St. Gianna; an opportunity to meet with Creighton physicians and practitioners who specialize in assisting couples with infertility; and a light reception. For further information, please call Sr. Shirley Ann at the Family Life/Respect Office at (212) 371-1011 X3195 or email sr.shirleyann@archny.org.

Holy Name Society is sponsoring a collection of supplies for babies and young mothers in need in our City **until Sunday, May 1st**. Items needed: newborn baby clothes, maternity clothes, “Baby-Bjorn” style carriers (over the shoulder), plain baby strollers (not the kind that convert to car seats), food cards for Stop & Shop and other supermarket chains in NYC, Metro cards for bus and subway travel. Donations can be left in the large boxes in the Church Vestibule for the Sisters of Life at Visitation Mission Center in Manhattan.

St. Francis Xavier Card Party Committee Presents The Great Gatsby, this THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2016. Please call Liane Weihe 347-410-2744. Please see flier inserted in today’s bulletin.


Xavier Players Proudly Present: “The Lion King”: April 29th, 30th and May 1st. \$15/person. See flier in Vestibule of the Church.

Please visit our Parish Website: stfrancisxavierbronx.com. The Parish Bulletin can be read each week on the website.

Next Week’s Readings (Fourth Sunday of Easter): Acts 13:14, 43-52; Psalm 100:1-2,3,5 (3c); Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30.

Saturday	April 9, 2016
Vigil for Sunday	
5:30pm	Peter Arabia
Sunday	April 10, 2016
7:30am	All Parishioners of SFX
9:30am	Salvatore Picone
11:15am	Deceased Members of Burckardt and Noll Family
12:30pm	Mary Marziliano
Monday	April 11, 2016
7:30am	Beto Ore
9:00am	Teresa Corsetti
Tuesday	April 12, 2016
7:30am	Intentions of Brian Gillick (Living)
9:00am	Maria Ciaccio
Wednesday	April 13, 2016
7:30am	Joe DeGuardia
9:00am	Emma and Bruno Fronk
Thursday	April 14, 2016
7:30am	Special Intentions
9:00pm	Reverend Monsignor Robert D. Saccoman (10th Anniversary)
Friday	April 15, 2016
7:30am	Carmela D’Alessandro
9:00am	Fanny Carlantone
Saturday	April 16, 2016
7:30am	Reverend Robert Holick—Jacobi Chaplain
9:00am	Fiore and Angela Maria Capogna
Vigil for Sunday	
5:30am	Carolyn Cuffari
Sunday	April 17, 2016
7:30am	All Parishioners SFX
9:30am	Carolyn Cuffari
11:15am	Maria and Nicholas Knopf
12:30pm	Maria Avellino

This Week’s Second Collection is for: The Archdiocese of the Military.



Our Gifts Back to the Lord

Weekly Collection (Parish Pay included) 2016

April 3, 2016 : \$5,446

Second Collection (Capital Expenditures): \$2,367

March 27, 2016 (Easter Sunday) To Date: \$18,824

Collection last year (Parish Pay included) 2015

April 5, 2015 (Easter Sunday): \$18,147

Second Collection (Capital Expenditures): \$3,105

Thank you for your generosity. May God bless you.



Dear Parishioners,
 We are in the midst of this glorious Easter Season when nature itself is bursting forth with new life. Everything during this time of year speaks to us of New Life and Renewed Hope, even Opening Day this past week.

We have in today's Gospel for this Third Sunday of Easter another account of Jesus appearing to His disciples after He had risen from the dead. The Apostles had gone back to their old trade of fishing, and caught nothing all night long. At the break of dawn they saw Jesus standing on the shore, but did not recognize at first that it was Jesus. They recognized that it was the Lord after He directed them to a miraculous catch of fish, a foreshadowing of what Jesus would send them out into the world to do in beginning the Mission of the Church - to be fishers of men, casting their nets out into the deep in preaching the Gospel to every nation.

When they arrived at the shore, Jesus was there and had a meal prepared for them, a charcoal fire with bread and fish on it. Jesus then took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. How could we not think of the Eucharist here? The Risen Jesus is just as really, truly, and substantially present to us in the meal we share at every Mass as He was to the Apostles in the meal he shared with them on the sea shore that morning.

Cardinal Dolan has been saying since he arrived as our Archbishop that, of all of the pressing issues facing the Catholic Church today, nothing is more urgent and essential for the vibrancy of our Catholic faith and for the clarity of our Catholic identity than our participation in Sunday Mass. For, as Cardinal Dolan put it: *"the Mass is nothing else but the supreme work of the Lord Jesus – His Sacrifice on the Cross, the New Covenant ratified in His Blood – made present to us anew. We need to realize that our salvation comes not from the many good things we do, but from what God has done for us in Jesus Christ."* With the new life and renewed hope Easter brings, let us recommit ourselves to putting Sunday Mass, to putting Jesus in the Eucharist at the heart of our lives and of the lives of our families.

Let us pray that, during this Easter Season the Lord may grant us a deeper awareness of the supreme gift that the Eucharist is for us and rekindle in our hearts a deep devotion and reverence for His Real Presence in this Most Blessed Sacrament. Let us pray, too, for the children of our parish who will be receiving their First Holy Communion in just a few weeks, that our Lord will touch them in a very special way and instill in them an abiding faith, reverence, and awe for the mystery of the Eucharist. *"Sweet Sacrament we Thee adore, O make us love Thee more and more."* May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,
 Fr. Matthew J. Furey

Holy Year of Mercy: December 8, 2015 through November 20, 2016
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Corporal Works of Mercy

- To Feed the Hungry
- To Give Drink to the Thirsty
- To Clothe the Naked
- To Shelter the Homeless
- To Care for the Sick
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- To Bury the Dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- To Convert Sinners
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- To Advise the Doubtful
- To Comfort the Sorrowful
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- To Forgive Injuries
- To Pray for the Living and Dead



So far 112 of our parishioners have pledged \$31,905 to the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal which puts us at 60.7% of the goal for our parish of \$52,500. Cardinal Dolan is asking your support of the many charitable works of the Archdiocese. Please consider making a gift or pledge to help our Parish surpass our goal and earn a much needed rebate for our Parish. Please fill out your pledge card and send it in, or drop it in the collection or at the Rectory. Extra pledge envelopes are available in the Vestibule of the Church. You can also make a gift online: www.cardinalsappeal.org. If you have already made a pledge, thank you!

11th Annual Divine Mercy Conference in this Jubilee Year of Mercy: April 16, 2016, 9am-5:30pm, Cardinal Spellman HS, Bronx, NY. Registration Open at 7:30am. \$60/person and lunch \$9/person. Featured Speaker is Sr. Briege McKenna, OSC. www.thedivinemercy.org/Bronx or call 1-800-462-7426.

"The Seed that Became a Garden": A book of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys by Louise Finn, CND. Tells how Marguerite left France to travel to 17th century Canada. Available at Amazon and 1-800-343-2522.



Remember
 in
 Prayer

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, Nellie Calderon, Louis Campisi, Flavia Chiappa, Marie Ciacco, Theodore Civetta, Jenny Cioffi, Loreen Clavin, Lorraine Capozzi, Yolanda Carrozza, Angelo Caruso, Brenda Colon, Mary Coccozrea, Joanne Cunneen, Richard Daum, Margaret Mary Dean, 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, Bill Ford, Luigi Fumo, Donald Gallagher, Maritza Garcia, Brian Gillick, 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), Janet Kreaige, Rosemarie Leo, Margaret Leonard, Ann Kittle, Angela Lifrieri, Gloria Lisanti, Lucy Lorusso, Barbara Lyne, Andy Massa, Vincent (Jimmy) Mastrogiovanni, Paul McAllister, Theresa McDermott, Jennie Miraglia, Maria Mayo, Maria Mazzella, Marjorie Morales, Brianan Murtagh, John Muzzillo, Michael Nichols, Paige O'Donnell, Kerry O'Keefe, Rosa Maria Ortiz, Louie Paone, Ralph Palumbo, Sylvia Pankovcin, Virginia Parchen, Richard Quartarone, Barbara R. and Mollie R, Giselle Ramos, Thomas J. Reardon, Blake Rosenn, Angela Rizzo, Alejandra Rosario, Rosa Russo, Gloria Santaniello, Maureen Dean Schmidt, Theresa Smith, Niko Stravrianopoulos (3-yr. old), Marie Swain, Paul Teehan, Frank Toapha, Justina Torres, Patricia Trainor, Lori Mayer Tricoli, Dominick Villara, Christopher Vitale, Kathy Vitale, George Walsh, 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. 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 Cardiello



Pray for those who have died: Kenneth Hogarty, Andrew Delisi

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HOLY DOORS OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK

- Saint Patrick's Cathedral (New York City)
- Basilica of Saint Patrick's Old Cathedral (NYC)
- Saint Frances Cabrini Shrine (NYC)
- National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Middletown)
- Shrine of Mary Help of Christians (Stony Point)
- St. Mary's Villa Chapel (Sloatsburg)

OBTAINING A JUBILEE INDULGENCE – YEAR OF MERCY

All those who, on pilgrimage, enter a Door of Mercy with the proper intention and disposition, and fulfill the conditions ordinarily attached to a Plenary Indulgence (C.992), can obtain a Jubilee Indulgence once daily either for themselves or for the souls of the faithful departed.

A Plenary Indulgence is remittance of temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven. The usual and prescribed conditions for obtaining a Plenary Indulgence for Baptized Catholics in the state of grace (free from mortal or grave sin) who have the intention of gaining the indulgence are:

Have an interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial or less grave sin; and

Go to Confession (Sacrament of Reconciliation) within 20 days after your Pilgrimage to the Door of Mercy; and

Worthily Receive Holy Communion; and

Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father. This prayer is up to the individual, but customary and suggested prayers are: The Profession of Faith (Creed from the Mass) or one "Our Father" and one "Hail Mary."

It is appropriate but not necessary that Sacramental Confession, reception of the Holy Eucharist, and prayer for the Pope's intentions take place at the time of the Pilgrimage to the Holy Door of Mercy.

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Fifty Five Dollars

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER GATSBY CARD PARTY !!

CRAZY FLAPPERS ON THE LOOSE

Known as the SFX Card Party Committee, this group has been spotted soliciting gifts along Morris Park Ave. Proceed with caution, these dolls are extremely funny and looking for a good time.

50/50 Raffle Tickets are on sale now !!!!!!!!!!!

Please buzz Liane Weihe 347.410.2744 or Catherine DiPasquale 917.416.2541 for information.

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER IGNORES PROHIBITION LAW

18th Amendment Violated

BRONX, NY - Saint Francis Xavier will be holding their Soiree' on April 14, 2016 at Maestro's Caterers. Guaranteed to be the Bee's Knees! Get dolled up for a night of food , hooch, and raffles. Don't forget your clams for chances to win prizes. Wet Blankets will get the Bronx Cheer !!

Maestro's Caterers
1703 Bronxdale Ave

April 14, 2016

JUICE JOINT
OPENS
7 O'CLOCK

\$55^{per person}

Tickets on sale in the Saint Francis Xavier Rectory.

**Table
Name:** _____

Phone: _____

**Dames'
Names:** _____

**Dough
Enclosed:** _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER