

CHURCH OF SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 28, 2019

DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Staff

Pastor: Father Robert B. Flannery

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Youth Ministry

Director of Religious Education: Bill Harper

Musicians: Jamal Kinchen, Joyce Hesketh and Paul
Transue

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday, 5:30 PM

Sunday, 9:00 AM

Sunday, Spanish Mass 12:15 PM

Child Care and Kiddies Bible

During Sunday 9:00 AM Mass, Xavier Hall

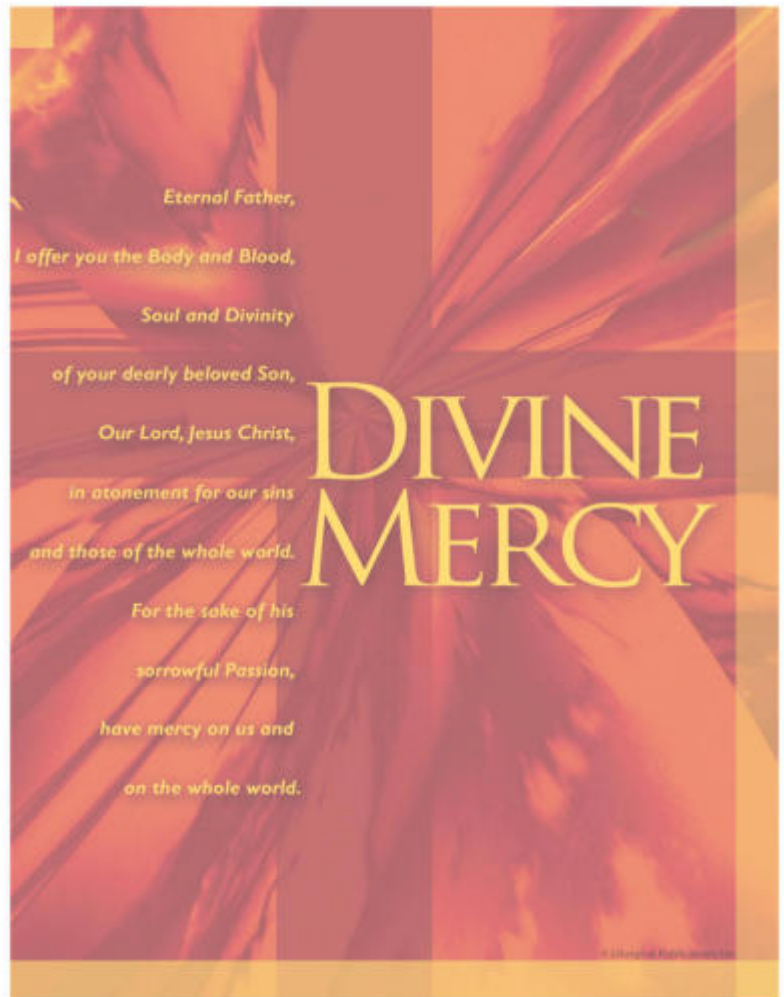
Baptism in Carbondale:

Baptism preparation required for parents and god-
parents preferably before the birth of the child.

Marriage Preparation: Every Catholic planning to get
married – regardless of where or to whom – is advised
to contact Fr. Bob at least nine months before the wed-
ding to be made aware of proper guidelines.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:30-5:00 PM



Pastoral Partnership Relationship

Newman Catholic Student Center

Weekend Mass Schedule: Sunday 11:15 AM

5:15 PM during school year

Phone: 529-3311

Cluster Relationship

Saint Andrew Elementary School

723 Mulberry Street Murphysboro, IL

Phone: 687-2013

Saint Andrew Catholic Church

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 PM &

Welcome New Parishioners!
Please register

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

Saturday April 27, Vigil: Divine Mercy Sunday
5:30 PM Thomas DeSimone

Sunday, April 28, Divine Mercy Sunday
9:00 AM Father Stephen Humphrey
12:15 PM Our Parish Family
Spanish Mass

Monday April 29, St. Catherine of Siena
12:15 PM Mid Day Prayer Service with Communion

Tuesday, April 30, Easter Weekday
5:15 PM Mass at Newman Center

Wednesday May 1, Eater Weekday
7:20 AM Morning Prayer with Communion

Thursday May 2, St. Athanasius
5:15 PM Mass at Newman Center

Friday, May 3, Saints Philip and James
5:30 PM Evening Prayer with Communion

Saturday May 4, Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter
5:30 PM Thomas DeSimone
Our Parish Family

Sunday, May 5, Third Sunday of Easter
9:00 AM Kenneth McCormick
Michael Dimiceli
12:15 PM Spanish Mass



For the Weekend of May 4 & 5, 2019

Saturday, 5:30 PM

Altar Servers: TBA
Ministers of the Word: Trudi Volk, Fran Harackiewicz
Ministers of Hospitality: Scott Thorne
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Mary Mechler, Laura Kidd, Gus Mihalopulos, Dan Beavers, Marsha Murphy, Sandy Warhausen, John Morgando

Sunday, 9:00 AM

Altar Servers: TBA
Ministers of the Word: Danuta Del Rio, Bob Drone
Ministers of Hospitality: Carl Mitchell, Margie Mitchell
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Dolores Lovell, Trudy Winkler, Karen Shaw, Pat Crips, David Koster, David Frisch, Sharon Wunderle

**Your gifts to God & Parish
Stewardship of Treasure**

For the Weekend of April 20 & 21, 2019

Weekly Projected Income Needed	\$ 7,247.00
Last Week's Income Received	<u>8,742.50</u>
Gain/(Loss)	1,495.50



Wednesday is designated as a Day of Prayer for the sick and hospitalized parishioners and their families. Please remember: Jim Merkle, Mary Beckerer, Jeanine Maloney, Kimberly Murray, Jamie Yancy, Carmen

Merod, Shirley Connelly, Austin Chew, Richard Walsh, Marie Ice, Barb Grace, Jack Riley, Tracy Hall, Sheffield Boardman, Matt Murphy, Bill Cahoy, Andrezej Mietelski, Harper Smith, John Huffman, Carolyn Huffman, Julia James, Suzanne Harju, Douglas Laczynski, Jim Tarr, Milta Kalert, Audra Harrison, Howard W. Hesketh, Kay B., Jesse Weaver, Kathleen Schneider, Diana Chervinko, Pat Volk, Helen McCormick, Pat Waters, Father Bob Beloin, Sarah and Ethan Hosmon, Sarah Hefferman, Frank Smith, Rebecca Hernandez, Tristin Dooley, Father Ken Schaefer, Brooke Banuelos, Leticia Sanchez, Shirley Reibold, Marge Huffman, Melvin Cripps, Michael Cripps, Steve Galt, Savy Knight, Gary Tretter, Anna Mae Smith, Father Richard Mohr, Lee Hartman, , Sally Varsa, Max Boardman, Marilyn Bush, and **ALL THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS.**

If you or anyone in your family is hospitalized, please let the parish office know so Father Bob can visit and administer Anointing of the Sick.



Emily Timpe in the loss of her husband, Gene; and to the family, especially the children and grandchildren, of Frank Bleyer, who recently died. Please keep the deceased and their families in your prayers.

Readings for the week of April 28, 2019

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21
St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf.17b]/Mt 13:54-58

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14



Please pray for our
Confirmandi who will
receive the Sacrament of
Confirmation
from Bishop Braxton
On May 5th, at 5:00pm,
St. Peter Cathedral, Belleville.
We will be joining with other parishes.

*Alek Abell
Allayna Glidewell
Jessie Harper
Joan Huh
Tommy McGreevy
Blake Mueller*

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!



CHURCH MATTERS

by Bill Harper
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Religious Education News

April 28-NO PSR

April 29-RCIA-7pm Xavier Hall

May 5-Graduation Sunday

PSR

***Confirmation-St. Peter Cathedral
Belleville 5pm***

May 6-RCIA Dinner-Hunan 6pm

May 12-MOTHERS DAY

PSR

May 15-Youth Ministry Commission meeting 6:30pm in Xavier Hall Library

May 19-Last PSR 2019

May Crowning/Family Mass 9am

PSR Catechist Appreciation Dinner 6pm

May 22 Initial Child Protection Training-6pm

In lower Xavier Hall

VOCATIONS CORNER

April 28:

“A priest of my diocese once told me that God speaks in whispers, not in loud clashes. From a young age, I heard a quiet whisper from God to consider becoming a priest. Throughout my years of discernment, that quiet whisper never disappeared. There are many young people in the world today searching for God. Do all you can to help them to listen to his quiet whisper, most especially through your prayers.”

Fr. Alan M Guanella - *Columbia April 2017 issue*

Thanks to all of you and to the Knights of Columbus who together donated over 250 rosaries (8 pounds of them) which are now en route to Fr. Jim Chambers, OMI, to take to Zambia. If you have more rosaries at home that are no longer being used, please retain them at home in case a later drive is organized.

WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING
Women's Club Meeting dinner will be Wednesday, May 1, at 6:00 pm at Hunan's Restaurant. Please RSVP by Monday, April 29 so the restaurant knows how many to prepare for. Call the church office at 457-4556.

His Excellency, Bishop Braxton, will celebrate a special Mass just for couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (and their families) on Sunday, June 2nd at 1:30 PM, at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Belleville. The Bishop extends a personal invitation to all those with a significant anniversary. Please contact the parish office immediately in order for us to submit your information. You will then receive a personal invitation from the Bishop.

Second Sunday of Easter (or of Divine Mercy) Peace and pardon. The disciples of the Lord, in great fear, locked themselves away in the upper room. Jesus breaks in upon them to declare two realities. To be at peace is first - from him, the Father, and the Holy Spirit. To extend pardon is second - given not just to the Twelve but to all the followers. Four of the spiritual works of mercy fall into this pardoning need. There is much we can do.

- How can I bring peace to my home and work?
- What delicate work of pardon and forgiveness will fill my words and actions?
- How will I comfort and forgive in this second week of Easter joy?

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Fishing Expedition for Special Populations—Wednesday, May 8th at Bleyer Lake. Over 800 special population children and adults from nine southern Illinois counties are expected to participate this year. We need your help to make this event a success. Volunteers are needed to help participants with their fishing equipment, bait the fishing hooks, and encourage their efforts. All fishing equipment and a picnic lunch will be provided. Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age, unless accompanied by a parent or school official. Volunteers should plan to be at Bleyer Lake from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. Participants will be arriving at 9:00 am. There are some sign up sheets in the gathering space of church or you may call Elizabeth at the Bank of Carbondale (549-2181),

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Our May regular monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, May 1, at 7:00 pm in Xavier Hall. A summary of our Parish Lenten Fish Fry will be discussed along with Council business matters. Please attend if your schedule permits. Refreshments will be served.

Spring Farm Blessing: - All are invited to the **Annual Diocesan Spring Blessing of the Farm**, which will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at 1:00 P.M. at Frey Farms. Frey Farms is located at 22251 County Rd. 700 E; Dahlgren, Illinois 62828. Those attending are invited to bring seed and soil in marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. Food will also be collected for the needy of the area. Please join us for food and fellowship following the Blessing! If you would like directions to the Frey Farms please contact the parish office and we will provide them.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

SUN	April 28	9:00 am Mass Babysitting in Xavier Hall for 9 am Mass NO PSR
MON	April 29	12:15 pm Spanish Mass 12:15 pm Mid-Day Prayer Service with Communion 7:00 on RCIA
TUES	April 30	5:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour at Newman Center
WED	May 1	7:20 am Morning Prayer Service with Communion 6:00 pm Women's Club Meeting at Hunan
THUR	May 2	7:00 pm Knights of Columbus
FRI	May 3	5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center Evening Prayer Service with Communion
SAT	May 4	5:30 pm Mass
SUN	May 5	9:00 am Mass Babysitting in Xavier Hall for 9 am Mass 10:00 am PSR 12:15 pm Spanish Mass 5:00 pm Confirmation at Cathedral in Belleville



Dear Saint Francis Xavier Parish Family,

On this Octave of Easter – the Easter event for eight entire days—I wish you and your loved ones continues Easter blessings! Many thanks again to everyone who helped with our Holy

Week and Triduum celebration, especially for the great number of altar servers, including members of the Confirmation class and other high school students. Due to rain on Holy Thursday, the Altar of Repose was held in our daily Mass chapel. It worked out very well, especially with the procession inside church. In talking with others including the Pastoral Council and musicians we will have it there in the future.

This is also **Divine Mercy Sunday** which was begun by Saint Pope John Paul II in the last years of his papacy. May this special Sunday liturgy with its rich readings of mercy and forgiveness touch the lives of all of us on our respective journeys of faith.

We congratulate the children who are making their **First Communion** this Saturday: Mackenzie Reaves, Nora Epplin, Naomii Akamani, Gabriel Guzman, Gabriel Hurtado, Juan Diego/Leyva, Maria Pimienta, Yarezi Pimienta, Christian Villega, Lynette Villega, and William Paskert. We want to thank their parents and second grade catechists, Nancy Compton and Rocio Arnold, for their help in the children's preparation as well as Bill Harper, our Pastoral Associate.

We pray for all of **the victims of the Easter Sunday bombings** in the three churches and hotels in Colombo, Sri Lanka. I emailed the former Sri Lankan Fr. Victor Silva who served as chaplain at the Newman Center for a number of years. He and his family are okay. He told me that on my trip to visit him in Sri Lanka about twelve years ago, he had taken me to one of the targeted hotels and one of the targeted churches. I extended the Catholics in Carbondale's sympathy for this horrible tragedy. Fr. Victor will be visiting Carbondale in July for several weeks, and we look forward to seeing him again.

This Sunday night, April 28th, at 4:45 pm, **the Carbondale Interfaith Council has organized a Prayer Vigil before the 5:15 pm Newman Evening Mass.** People will gather outside Newman to welcome those attending Mass and will express their sympathies to Christians who were killed while attending Catholic Mass at two churches and a Methodist Service at another church. Newman was chosen because of the time of the service, but also since both Fr. Nonis (now deceased) and Fr. Victor had served there. Everyone is invited to attend the Vigil at 4:45 pm Sunday.


On Wednesday morning of this past week, our good friend and longtime parish trustee for fifty years, **Frank Bleyer** passed away at the age of eighty-eight years. Frank was not only a faithful Catholic, but also a most generous donor to our parish, the community of Carbondale, those needing help, and to many other people and a great number of worthy causes. There are many who counted him as a friend including myself. His yearly picnic and fishing event for those people with special limitations is just one of the many ways he touched the lives of others. Frank will be greatly missed at Saint Francis Xavier, and we thank him and his great family for their testimony in living out their Catholic faith in their various walks of life. May Frank rest in God's loving embrace!

God's peace,

Fr. Bob
Pastor

Many thanks to everyone who remembered me and the staff at Easter with cards, prayers, and goodies.

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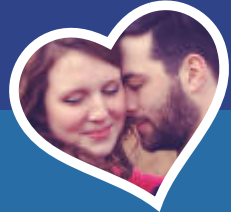
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