

CHURCH OF SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

**Fifth Sunday
Of Easter
May 19, 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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Director of Religious Education: Bill Harper
Musicians: Jamal Kinchen, Joyce Hesketh and
Paul Transue
Choir Director: Arlene Transue
Secretary: Marilyn Bush
Bookkeeper: Jeff Chmiola
Custodian: Nic Duran

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 5:30 PM **May 18, Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter**
David Evans
Our Parish Family

Sunday, 9:00 AM **May 19, Fifth Sunday of Easter**
Frank Bleyer
12:15 PM Spanish Mass

Monday 12:15 PM **May 20, Easter Weekday**
Noon-Day Prayer with Communion and Adoration

Tuesday, 5:15 PM **May 21, Easter Weekday**
Mass at Newman Center

Wednesday **May 22, No Mass or Morning Prayer Service**

Thursday 5:15 PM **May 23, Easter Weekday**
Mass at Newman Center

Friday, 5:30 PM **May 24, Easter Weekday**
No Intention

Saturday 5:30 PM **May 25, Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter**
Our Parish Family

Sunday, 9:00 AM **May 26, Sixth Sunday of Easter**
Kenneth McCormick
12:15 PM Spanish Mass



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 Reimbold, 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, Tina Reaves, Don Lawrence, Fr. Carl Scherrer, Harry Schauwecker, Margaret Sharkey, Balbiña Szalkucki, 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.



For the Weekend of May 25 & 26, 2019

Saturday, 5:30 PM

Altar Servers: James Anterola
Ministers of the Word: Aldwin Anterola, Suzanne Schmitz
Ministers of Hospitality: Volunteer Needed
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Mary Mechler, Clare Mitchell, Thom Mitchell, Gus Mihalopulos, Laura Kidd, John Morgando, Dan Beavers

Sunday, 9:00 AM

Altar Servers: Mercedes Fernandez
Ministers of the Word: Ken Shaw, Danuta DelRio
Ministers of Hospitality: Denny Kortcamp
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Steve Buhman, David Frisch, Karen Shaw, Leeta Wilson, Sharon Smaga, Jo Nast, Sharon Wunderle

**Your gifts to God & Parish
Stewardship of Treasure
For the Weekend of May 11 & 12, 2019**

Weekly Projected Income Needed	\$ 7,247.00
Last Week's Income Received	<u>3,317.87</u>
Gain/(Loss)	(3,919.13)

Readings for the week of May 19, 2019

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13
[cf. 1]/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16
[1ab]/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21
[cf. 12]Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12
[10a]/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 [2a]/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Again and again in the stories of Acts of the Apostles we hear of the trials and sufferings endured by the first Christian missionaries because of their proclamation of Jesus. A perusal of chapters 13 and 14 of Acts of the Apostles reveals that such was the case in each of the cities named in today's reading. These first missionaries realized that the hardship as an inevitable, indeed necessary, part of Christian discipleship. Such had been, after all, the way of the Lord and master. The Gentiles' faith in Jesus seems to have been one of the most unexplained happenings in these early days, despite numerous Old Testament texts which point to it. This, too, became cause for rejoicing and praising the Lord.

Second Reading: Throughout Easter Time, we celebrate the passing way of the reign of death and the new creation of life eternal with God. The vision of John we hear today looks to fulfillment in the full realization of new creation at the end of time when all is transformed and made new.

Gospel: The first part of today's Gospel, spoken by Jesus to the disciples at table with him the night before he died, takes us back to the painful moment of Judas' betrayal and Jesus' imminent death on the Cross. In John, this is the moment of Jesus' glorification. This same reality must be lived out by his missioned disciples, as we heard in today's First Reading. It is interesting to hear the "love commandment," the second focus in today's Gospel, in these last days of Easter Time ("the little while") prior to Jesus' Ascension. To love one another as Jesus loved them is

WOMEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST

The Women's Club Annual Breakfast will be held June 2 after the 9 a.m. Mass (about 10:30) at Xavier Hall. All women of the parish are invited, also bring your daughters. We need to know how much food to prepare, so please make your reservations by May 29. Call Margie Mitchell at 457-6915 (evenings) or Linda Buhman at 618-303-0378 (leave a message). There is no charge for the breakfast, just bring non-perishable



CHURCH MATTERS

by Bill Harper
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Religious Education News

May 19-Last PSR 2019

May Crowning/Family Mass 9am
PSR Catechist Appreciation Dinner 6pm

Monday, May 20-NCYC meeting 6:30pm in lower Xavier Hall-Parents, Confirmandi and High School youth

May 22 Initial Child Protection Training-6pm
In lower Xavier Hall

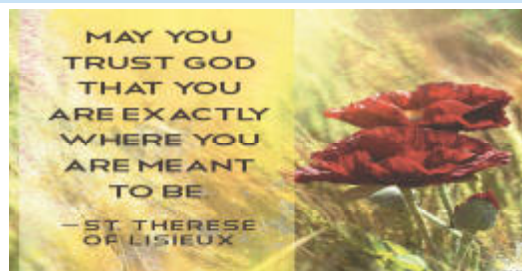
VOCATIONS CORNER

May 19

"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

Happy Easter! Alleluia! May your celebration of Easter continue throughout this most joyful season. To help maintain your focus on Jesus, tune in to Covenant Network Catholic radio where we pray daily the Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Regina Coeli and The Divine Mercy Chaplet. You will find live call-in shows, Q & A programs about Catholic teaching as well as faith-nourishing programs on Scripture, the saints and Church history. Tune in to 88.3 FM on your radio, or listen on our free Covenant Network app on your mobile device or on our website: ourcatholicradio.org.





The 2020 Confirmandi (9th graders) and any other Catholic high school youth, are invited to

attend the National Catholic

Youth Conference (NCYC), in Indianapolis, IN on November 21st through November 24th, 2019. The total cost to attend is \$540.00. Our policy for youth events is that the cost is shared by 1/3 families, 1/3 parish and 1/3 fundraising. Bus transportation and hotel is covered in this cost. The only meals provided are breakfasts at the hotel in the mornings. We can decide how to handle the other meals at our **sign up meeting on Monday, May 20th at 6:30pm in lower Xavier Hall.** There is a \$100.00 non-refundable deposit due to the diocese on June 17th. Adults are welcome to attend, as chaperones. Anyone 18 years of age or older must be compliant with the Diocesan Child Protection Policy. I will be holding an Initial Child Protection Training at Saint Francis on Wednesday, May 22nd at 6pm. A mailing to our high school youth, Confirmandi and parents went out this past week. Contact Bill Harper if you didn't get the information.



Our deepest sympathy to Chris and Helen Wisinski in the recent loss of their niece, Joyce Eckert.

We also extend our sympathy to Tommy Povolish in the loss of his wife, Beverly.

Please keep the deceased and their families in your prayers.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

SUN	May 19	9:00 am Family Mass/May Crowning Babysitting for 9:00 am Mass in Xavier Hall 10:00 am Last PSR Class 12:15 pm Spanish Mass 6:00 pm Catechists Appreciation Dinner
MON	May 20	12:15 pm Noon Day Prayer with Communion and Adoration NCYC meeting 6:30pm in lower Xavier Hall-Parents, Confirmandi and High School youth
TUES	May 21	5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center
WED	May 22	NO Mass or Prayer Service 5:30 pm Choir 6:00 pm Initial Child Protection Training in Xavier Hall
THUR	My 23	5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center
FRI	May 24	5:30 pm Mass
SAT	May 25	5:30 pm Mass
SUN	May 26	Feast of the Ascension 9:00 am Mass Babysitting for 9:00 am Mass In Xavier Hall 12:15 pm Spanish Mass



Dear Saint Francis Xavier Parish Family, **Blessings to all as we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Easter!** This is Sunday is the last Sunday for our Parish School of Religion (PSR). We want to thank all of our catechists (religion teachers), the students and their families for participating in our religious education program and for growing in their faith as they do so. A special "thank you" is extended to our Pastoral Association, Bill Harper, who among other responsibilities is our Director of Religion Education.

We are starting a new tradition this year at Saint Francis Xavier as we are observing our tribute to the Blessed Mother at the 9 am Sunday morning Liturgy. At this Family-centered Mass, the younger children will bring flowers to Mary's statue and others will be involved in several other ways.


By the way, our **Youth Commission** for the parish – at their recent meeting last week – has come up with some exciting social events for this summer. Stay tuned in to Bill Harper's column regarding this. Also, we hope that our high school students will take advantage of the upcoming National Catholic Youth Conference being held in Indianapolis this fall. It is a great opportunity to experience, and I truly hope that all of our high school youth will participate in it. We want to thank the Knights of Columbus for spear heading our **Roses for Mother's Day** this past weekend. The Knights also make a donation to Pro-Life, Respect Life causes related to mothers and their unborn children.

A week ago Thursday and Friday, I was asked to con-celebrate and preach at **the funeral of my college roommate's father, Richard Kelly**, which was held in their home parish of Saint Edward's in Waterloo, Iowa. His son, Jerry Kelly, was my roommate at Saint John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota where we both were in the Men's Chorus together. Tragically, Jerry was killed in a car accident while he was student teaching his senior year in college in the Twin Cities. He was my best friend. The family, naturally, knew of our close ties and after Jerry's death asked me to be part of the weddings of two of Jerry's siblings and to be part of other family special occasions. I relay this to show what a blessing it is to be a priest and to be part of people's lives in a variety of ways. I'm grateful for the blessings and graces these kind of relationships with parishioners and friends have been given to me.

I received an invitation and will be attending the installation of our former ordinary, **Archbishop Wilton Gregory, as the new Archbishop of Washington D.C.** this coming Tuesday. We were both ordained in 1973 and worked closely together with the USCCB Secretariat of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs.

God's peace,
Fr. Bob
Pastor

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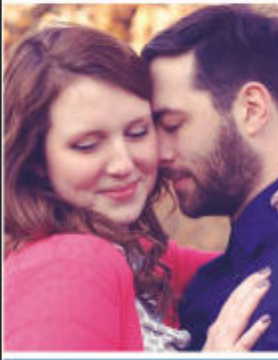
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