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**JANUARY 30, 2022** 

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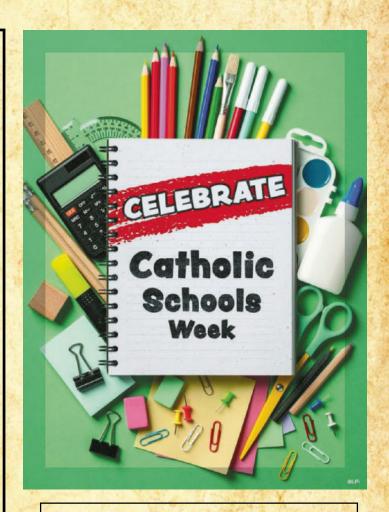
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### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday

7:30am, 4:00pm (Vigil for Sunday)

Sunday

8:00am, 10:00am (Family Mass) &12Noon

Weekdays

7:30am

**Holy Days** 

Vigil 7:00pm 7:30am & 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm

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### **MASS INTENTIONS**

<u>Saturday January 29, 2022 (Vigil Mass)</u>
4pm Josephine Mazzella rquested by Maria and Lena
Mazzella

Sunday January 30, 2022 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary
Time National Catholic Schools Week Begins
8am John Tronconi requested by Mr and Mrs Thomas
Tronconi

10am Dominico Cipollone requested by Guisseppe and Pasqua Assalone

12Noon Andy Payla requested by Patricia Balbi

Monday January 31, 2022 St. John Bosco
7:30am Vincent Firsching requested by The Barretta
Family

Tuesday February 1 2022

7:30am Llesh Ujk Veshtaj requested by Maria Veshtaj

<u>Wednesday February 2 2022 Presentation of The Lord</u> 7:30am All Souls

Thursday February 3, 2022 Sts. Blaise and Ansgar 7:30am Maria Schneider requested by Fred Gartner

<u>Friday, February 4 2022</u> 7:30am ++

Saturday February 5, 2022 St. Agatha
7:30am Anna Como requested by Mr. and Mrs. John
Garibaldi

<u>Saturday February 5, 2022 (Vigil Mass)</u> 4pm Marçelo Miruku requested by Kristina Miruku

Sunday February 6, 2022 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8am Joseph Nicosia requested by Antoniette Piccolo 10am John Gerriasi requested by Michael and Joyce Gaglione

12noon Elizabeth Ann Teehan requested by Margaret
Ann Filetto and Scott Soloman

Our gifts back to the Lord
Sunday Collection January 23 2022 \$4,513.00
Thank You and May God Bless You!

# From the Desk of Our Pastor, Father Salvatore DeStefano

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

The month of January is almost over. The winter so far has been harsh and cold, and we've got two months of it to go. I'm sure most of us are starting to think of the warmer weather that's coming and looking forward to sunnier days. I've found it's always good to plan ahead during these frigid days ti keep the spirits up. There's plenty of good times ahead and what better way to remain hopeful than by nourishing our spiritual life with Christ.

Here are some wonderful things coming up in the months ahead:

February 22–Solemn High Mass on the feast of the Chair of St. Peter at 7 pm. This is a custom started by Father Robert Aufieri some years ago and I'd like to keep it each year in his honor. This will take place at St. Clare's.

Ash Wednesday is March 2. This year we will distribute ashes in a normal fashion, unlike last year when we did the sprinkling in the forehead. Some people were disappointed we couldn't make the sign of the cross with the ashes last year—understandably so—but this year will be back to normal (I joked last year that to make up for it, we'd make two crosses on your head this year). That was a joke—but you'll definitely sport a nice big cross this year!

Lenten Mission from March 13-17.
The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal will lead a mission at St. Francis Xavier. This promises to be an excellent opportunity to get closer to Jesus, as the Friars always do a great job. More information to follow, but put those dates in your calendar. You won't regret it.

In addition to these events, we have resumed Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 11 am to 2 pm each Saturday. This is of course one of the greatest things we can do to get closer to God. The first two Saturdays of each month are at St. Francis Xavier the last two at St. Clare's.

And, of course, daily Mass is always a good idea if we can fit it in to our schedule. Every day we have Mass at 7:30 am at St. Francis Xavier and 8:30am at St. Clare's. That's a great way to begin the day

God Bless You, Father Sal. Did you know this week is Catholic Schools Week? We are so happy to share the good news about our beautiful St. Francis Xavier School with you. We serve 3K, UPK, and Kindergarten through Grade 8 students. If you have already enrolled your child in our vibrant school



community, we are so happy to serve you! If you are interested in learning more about our caring, kind school community, we encourage you to look at our video on YouTube—St. Francis Xavier School—A School You Can Believe In! Visit our school website, sfxschool.net to get the information you need to enroll your child in our school. Give your child the gift of a Catholic education; it's a gift that will serve your child well throughout life.



It is with deep sadness to announce the passing of Father Arthur Welton. He served as pastor of St. Francis Xavier Church from 1998-2009.

Eternal Rest Grant unto Him,
O Lord.

And let the perpetual light shine upon Him. May he rest in peace. Amen

#### Mass of Christian Burial

Please pray for the soul of Stephen Panzarino who was buried from our church on January 22, 2022.



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.<u>Healing After Abortion</u>: Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. For dates, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (866)-575-0075 (toll free) or go to sistersoflife.org

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Eucharistic Adoration will be held at St. Francis Xavier February 5 &12 St. Clare of Assisi February 19 & 26 11:00am—2:00 p.m. Come and spend time with the Lord.



Just a reminder the 2022 Mass Intention Book is opened. Please write down your requested mass intentions and bring it to the Rectory. Each announced Mass is \$20.00.

#### **Year-End Contribution Statements**

We wish to thank all of our parishioners for their generous support throughout this past year. If you would like a statement for your envelope contributions for tax year end 2021 please call the Rectory, starting on January 12, 2022.

PLEASE NOTE: That a statement will be sent to you only if you request one.

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The governor has mandated the wearing of masks in all indoor facilities.



### PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR COMMUNITY PRAYERS:

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Antonio Vito (a young boy), Lucy Vogel

## REMEMBER ALL THE MEN & WOMEN SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES ESPECIALLY:

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