

# St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 23, 2022



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St. Francis Xavier Parish, founded in Newtowne after the landing of the Ark and the Dove on St. Clement's Island, exemplifies an open-hearted community. As the oldest Catholic Church in the original 13 colonies, we continue to embrace our legacy in serving Christ and embody His teachings.

**THE CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY 7AM-5PM**

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!**

Registration forms are on our parish website

**SUNDAY MASSES—IN PERSON AND ONLINE**

Saturday 4pm\* (Anticipated), Sunday 8am & 11am

\*Livestream: [facebook.com/stfrancisxavierchurchmd](https://facebook.com/stfrancisxavierchurchmd)

Rosary 30 minutes before Mass 1st & 5th Sunday

## DAILY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, 8am ♦ Wed, 6:30pm

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month, 8am

## CONFESSIONS

30 min before all weekend Masses or by appointment

## WEEKLY ADORATION

Monday, 7-7:55am (before 8am Mass)

Friday, 8:35-9:35am (after 8am Mass)

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month, 7:30-7:55am

## BAPTISMS

By appointment with Father

## MARRIAGES

Make arrangements with your Pastor  
at least six months in advance; call the Rectory

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Email Paula McLeod, [paula.mcleod@gmail.com](mailto:paula.mcleod@gmail.com)

## BULLETIN ITEMS ♦ PRAYER LIST

•Send bulletin items to [SFX1640bulletin@gmail.com](mailto:SFX1640bulletin@gmail.com)

Deadline is Friday, one week before Sunday date

•Our Prayer List is refreshed each month:

Send Prayer List requests to [PinedaR@adw.org](mailto:PinedaR@adw.org)

If you are seriously ill or preparing for a surgery, call the rectory to arrange for the sacrament of anointing

**Rev. Ryan Pineda, Administrator**

[PinedaR@adw.org](mailto:PinedaR@adw.org)

**Deacon William Nickerson (Retired)**

**Deacon Joel Carpenter**

**Judith Gwynn, Parish Secretary**

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**Web:** [StFrancisXavierChurch.org](http://StFrancisXavierChurch.org)

**Tour:** [roundme.com/tour/249939/view/733](https://roundme.com/tour/249939/view/733)

## THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 23**  
**3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
CCD class

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26**  
\*1pm: Quilters Group, Hall  
\*CCD class

*We continue to join members of our faith community in praying the **9 Days for Life Novena** through Jan 27. Download the novena or sign up to receive the daily prayers via email or text, at*

*<https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>*

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 27**  
6:30pm: RCIA, via ZOOM

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 28**  
6:30pm: Bible Study— *St. Peter*  
Email Paul McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 29**  
6am: *That Man Is You*, Hall

## LOOKING AHEAD

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 30**  
**4TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
\*CCD class

\*Catholic Schools Week



*We salute our parish school, Father Andrew White, and acknowledge the wonderful work and commitment of teachers, staff, and students.*

## FEBRUARY COLLECTIONS

Feb 6 FAW School

Feb 13 Maintenance Fund



**This year, why not consider using Online Giving?** To sign up, or for more information, visit the *Online Giving* section of our parish website, at [stfrancixavierchurch.org](http://stfrancixavierchurch.org). Thank you.

SFX QUILTERS

ARE BACK!

We're meeting weekly in the parish hall every Wednesday at 1pm, starting this Wed, Jan 26. Join us as we work on a quilt to raffle off at our annual Christmas Bazaar.



ALL SKILL

LEVELS ARE

WELCOME!

From the 350th Anniversary quilt

## PARISH MINISTRIES HAVE RESUMED

**Knights of Columbus** meet every 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, in the parish hall.

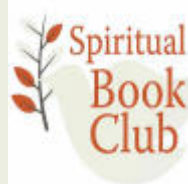
**CCD (Religious Education classes)** are back in session on Wed (6:15pm) & Sun (9:15am).

**RCIA** is meeting Thu at 6:30pm, via Zoom.

Our **Book Club** begins a new book Feb 3: meets Thu 9am in the hall.

**Bible Study Group**, meeting on Fri evenings, will begin a new session soon.

**That Man Is You!** is back on Saturday mornings. All men in the parish are invited for coffee and talk from 6-7:30 am.



## NEW BOOK BEGINS FEB 3

Join us as we examine

*The Saints' Guide to Happiness, Practical Lessons in the Life of the Spirit*, by Robert Ellsberg.

Ellsberg looks to the saints to answer the questions "What is happiness?" and "How might we find it?" In the preface, Ellsberg quotes St. Theophanis the Monk, one of the early desert fathers: "Do not deceive yourself with idle hopes that in the world to come you will find life if you have not tried to find it in the present world." Chapters cover how one can learn to Be Alive, Let Go, Work, Sit Still, Love, Suffer, Die, and See. To register or for more info, email Paula McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com.



## SHARING OUR TREASURE

1/16/2022

Offertory	\$1,593.00
Online Giving	\$590.00
2nd Collection (Maintenance)	\$793.00

# Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass

The Holy Eucharist, according to *Lumen Gentium* 11 (and expanded further in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*), is the source and summit of Christian life.

Hence, both private and public devotions to the Eucharist are encouraged. Furthermore, when the faithful honors Christ present in the sacrament, whether reserved in the tabernacle or exposed in a monstrance for adoration, one needs to remember that this presence is derived from the sacrifice of Christ, and it should be directed toward sacramental and spiritual communion.

All of our devotions indeed must stem from our love of the Eucharist.



**At St. Francis Xavier Church, it has been our practice to have a holy hour of adoration every Friday, after the 8am Mass.** Last September, when the Men's Group started meeting again, we added an opportunity for half-hour adoration followed by Mass every first and third Saturday of the month. As we begin the year 2022, some of our parishioners have requested that we add another day for adoration. **We now have adoration at 7am on Monday mornings before Mass begins.**

Probably some of you have stopped by for a few minutes or stayed for a whole hour to do an adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our church. Or perhaps, some of you do it in other churches. Whatever the case, please note that there are guidelines and a *Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction* published in *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass*. All of the citations below are from this document, published by the Bishop's Committee on the Liturgy.

## Regulations for Exposition

84 A single genuflection is made in the presence of the blessed sacrament, whether reserved in the tabernacle or exposed for public adoration.

85 For exposition of the blessed sacrament in the monstrance, four to six candles are lighted, as at Mass, and incense is used.

91 The ordinary minister for exposition of the eucharist is a priest or deacon. At the end of the period of adoration, before the reposition, he blesses the people with the sacrament.

95 During exposition there should be prayers, songs, and readings to direct the attention of the faithful to the worship of Christ the Lord. To encourage a prayerful spirit, there should be readings from scripture with a homily or brief exhortations to develop a better understanding of the eucharistic mystery. It is also desirable for the people to respond to the word of God by singing and to spend some periods of time in religious silence.

97 Towards the end of the exposition the priest or deacon goes to the altar, genuflects, and kneels. Then a hymn or other eucharistic song is sung. Meanwhile, the minister, while kneeling, incenses the sacrament if the exposition has taken place with a monstrance.

## Hymns during Adoration

### O Salutaris Hostia

(from the last two verses of *Verbum Supernum*, St. Thomas Aquinas)

O Salutaris Hostia  
Quae caeli pandis ostium.  
Bella premunt hostilia;  
Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino  
Sit sempiterna gloria:  
Qui vitam sine termino,  
Nobis donet in patria.  
Amen.

Masses of Pope Pius XII

1. O - sal - u - ta - ris Hos - ti - a,  
2. U - ni - trino - que Do - mi - no.

1. Quae cae - li pandis os - tium,  
2. SE - cerni - pi - ter no - bis in - tu.

1. Bel - la pre - munt ho - stia - li - a,  
2. Qui vi - tam si - ne ter - mi - no.

1. Da ro - bur, fer au - xi - li - um, A - men.  
2. No - bis do - net in pa - tri - a.

### Tantum Ergo

(from the last two verses of *Pange Lingua*, St. Thomas Aquinas)

Tantum ergo Sacramentum  
Veneremur cernui:  
Et antiquum documentum  
Novo cedat ritui:  
Praestet fides supplementum  
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque  
Laus et iubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus  
quoque  
Sit et benedictio:  
Procedenti ab utroque  
Compar sit laudatio.  
Amen.

1. Tan - tum er - go Sa - cra - men - tum, Vt no - bis ma - gis  
2. Ge - ni - ti - o, Ge - ni - to - que Do - mi - no - bus.

1. Sa - lus, ho - nor, vir - tus quo - que  
2. Sit et be - nedictio.

1. Pro - ce - den - ti ab utro - que  
2. Com - par sit lau - datio.

A - men.

## SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY



The sanctuary lamp in the church will be lighted for the soul of Charles Downs. The sanctuary lamp in the rectory chapel will be lighted for the soul of Mercy Aguinaldo. *To honor a loved one or pray for a special intention by offering to light the sanctuary lamps, call the office or email Fr. Ryan, PinedaR@adw.org.*

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: PROVIDING A MEETING PLACE BETWEEN HOPE & DESTINY IN JESUS CHRIST

For respectful assistance and information about death and burial, call 301-475-5005.

## POOR BOX

Thank you to all who contribute to our poor box (located in the vestibule, near the baptismal font). **For the month of February**, poor box contributions will be donated to the St. Aloysius Food Pantry.



## COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

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**Saturday, Jan 29 • 9am-2pm**

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•Call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to schedule your donation or for more information.

## Mass Intentions

To have a Mass offered for the birth or death anniversary of a loved one, or to mark a joyful occasion in someone's life, please call or email Judith in the rectory office, or stop by the rectory Mon, Tue, Thu from 9am-2pm. Dates can fill up quickly. Once the date is confirmed, you can send in or drop off your Mass offering/stipend.



## FATHER ANDREW WHITE (FAW) SCHOOL CRUSADER CONNECTIONS

**Italian Dinner:** Drive-thru, Sat, Feb 5, 4-7pm. Spaghetti, homemade meatballs, garlic bread, bottled water, dessert. \$10 adults, \$5 kids 4-12, free for 3 and under. All are welcome!

**Aftercare Staff needed for the remainder of the school year:** Applicants must be over 18 years of age and available 3-5 days per week from 2:45-5:30pm. \$20/hour. For details or to apply, email fawslibrary@fatherandrewwhite.org.

## BIBLE STUDY BEGINS FRI, JAN 28

**6:30PM, HALL**

### *Peter: Cornerstone of Catholicism*

The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and



confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter that is immediately informative and relevant to our lives.

Email Paul McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com, to register and for details on the study guide, which is available at formed.org. Get your free FORMED account today: visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup), enter our parish zip code, select our parish, enter your name and email—it's that easy!

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER NEWTOWNE ENDOWMENT Help ensure the preservation of our historic church!

Contribute online at <https://chesapeakecharities.org/fund/sfx-newtowne/>, click the DONATE NOW button, and select *St. Francis Xavier-Newtowne*;

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Call the office at 301-475-9885 or email Fr. Ryan Pineda at [PinedaR@adw.org](mailto:PinedaR@adw.org) for more information.



Last week, our Gospel reading was about the Wedding Feast at Cana. Although I mentioned that one way to look at the Gospel is to see marriage as a metaphor for our covenant with God, my homily focused on the transformation of water into wine and our Lord's conversation with our Blessed Mother as the ushering of the manifestation of the glory of God that will be fully revealed at the Cross. In my homiletics class, my professor insisted that we only cover one point. Hence, as much as I would like to have spoken about marriage in particular, I did not have the chance to do it.

This is the reason why I want to use this column to talk about marriage. God is the author of marriage, and, as Catholics, we believe that marriage is a lifelong, faithful partnership between a man and a woman. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (1601) further says that marriage is ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of children. The bond of marriage is indissoluble, and it lasts "until death do us part." Furthermore, John Paul II says in *Familiaris Consortio* (14) that at the heart of married love is the total gift of self that husband and wife freely offer to each other, becoming "one flesh" and being open to children, "who are a living reflection of their love."

Unfortunately, some marriages end in divorce and separation. Probably, you are in a "regular" marriage, or you are not married at all. Or perhaps, you are in an "irregular" marriage (you are divorced and remarried but not in the Church). Definitely, almost all of us know someone who is in this last situation.

If you are having marital problems, please email me so we can chat about it. I am not a licensed therapist, but I can point you to the right person and offer some resources that might be helpful. Also, if you are divorced and remarried and would like to get your previous marriage annulled, let me know as well. The Church is here not to judge you but to offer her help in reconciling you. You can check out <https://adw.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2019/10/Annulment-FAQ.pdf> for more information. Finally, if your marriage is not blessed in the Church, let us talk about it so we can convalidate your marriage.

*Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, pray for us.*

In Christ, Fr. Ryan

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday – January 22

*Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*

8am — For the Unborn

4pm — For the Unborn

### Sunday – January 23

*3rd in Ordinary Time*

8am — Rudy Marte †

11am — Pro Populo

### Monday – January 24

*St. Frances de Sales*

8am — Teresa Burket

### Tuesday – January 25

*The Conversion of St. Paul*

8am — Pablo Ortizo †

### Wednesday – January 26

*Sts. Timothy & Titus*

6:30pm — Elsie de Paz †

### Thursday – January 27

*St. Angela Merici*

8am — Antonio Fortaleza †

### Friday – January 28

*St. Thomas Aquinas*

8am — Amy Pachner †

### Saturday – January 29

*Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

4pm — Justino De Lara †

### Sunday – January 30

*4th in Ordinary Time*

8am — Angelina & Carlito Pulido †

11am — Pro Populo

## Pray For

**The sick:** Ernest Guy, Jake Pomerville, Theresa Ragustad, Deacon Andy Espinoza, Mark Coontz, Brenda Jean Jones, Bernie Gwynn, Jimmy Brown, Lucy Sambuco Funk, Chloe Thurnbaugh, Lauren Thurnbaugh, Ron Glockner, Brenda Mattingly Garber, Bill Law, Arthur Goeller, Kylee Viola, Elsie Marte, Mickey McAloon, Richard Fezio, Karen Feagley, Willard L. Jones Jr., Amanda Gwynn, Pacencia Santiago, Joan O'Dell, Glenn Priddy, Godilla Anana Gudelos, Kit Pilkerton, Mary Helen Farrell, Karen Huseman, Wally Bowles, Richley (Bunky) Taylor, Erin Schaller; those in hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation & long-term care facilities, or homebound.

**Our beloved dead:** Rev. J. Isidore Dixon, Deacon Thomas Spalding, Ruth Adelle Stewart, Katherine Mueller, Amalia Janeo, Fernando Peredo, all who have died of COVID-19, and all in our cemetery.

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