Sell what you have, and follow me.
October 14, 2018 • Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The first reading is about wisdom. It is a love poem written to the object of the author’s desire. The author loves wisdom itself and experiences wisdom as the source of all good things, all riches. The psalm tells us that wisdom is kindness. It is knowing and doing the work of God. It is understanding what our life is for. Hebrews recognizes that Wisdom is, in fact, the Word of God, Jesus. The source of our continuing life is Jesus. Mark makes this even more personal with the story of one man. A good man who has observed the laws from his youth, even in the loving presence of Jesus, cannot find the strength to leave his worldly possession behind and follow.

LETTING GO

Who does not strive to be successful? What good person does not want to be able to provide for their family all the necessities of life, to assure that they will have the means to feed, clothe, shelter, educate, and care for themselves and those they love as well as help their neighbors, strangers, the needy? Isn’t that what is asked of us, to love God and our neighbor as ourselves? The readings today make clear that even more is required of us. We must do all those things and we must realize that doing so is only the first step to understanding what is at the center our lives. We must realize that our accomplishments are not the measure of our value and worth. However successful or unsuccessful we are, our worth is measured by the truth that Jesus suffered, died, and rose for us. To truly know that, we must let go of everything else that roots us in time, space, and expectation and be willing to follow eternity.


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St. Francis Xavier Parish
7th and JEFFERSON STREETS, MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA. 26041
Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):
Sat. 3:30 p.m., or any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:
By appointment. Contact the Parish House at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:
By appointment. The Diocese requires instructions beforehand for the parents. Contact the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (C.C.D.):
Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. for Grades 1-12.

REGISTRATION AND CHURCH SUPPORT:
Parishioners should be properly registered at the Parish Office.
**Mass Intentions For The Week**

**OCT. 13**  
**SATURDAY**  
4:00 P.M.  
Deceased members of the Gordon & Skrzypek Families†  
(Gordon Family)

**OCT. 14**  
**SUNDAY**  
8:00 A.M.  
Mary Nadolski†  
(Nadolski Family)

10:00 A.M  
Donna Maine†  
(Terri Porter)

**OCT. 15**  
**MONDAY**  
8:00 A.M.  
Al Furline†  
(Duane & Daunel Gump)

**OCT. 16**  
**TUESDAY**  
8:00 A.M.  
Charles Sam Kandis†  
(Veronica DiCola)

4:00 P.M.  
Michael Saporito and his intentions  
(Mom & Tony)

**OCT. 17**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
8:00 A.M.  
Bob & Maggie Yeater  
(Jerry & Lottie Durbin)

**OCT. 18**  
**THURSDAY**  
8:00 A.M.  
In celebration of Roger & Cathy Frame’s wedding anniversary  
(Roger & Cathy Frame)

**OCT. 19**  
**FRIDAY**  
8:00 A.M.  
Bernard Weigand†  
(Jane Klug)

**OCT. 20**  
**SATURDAY**  
4:00 P.M.  
For Catholic Youth Leaders  
(Cecile Vo)

**OCT. 21**  
**SUNDAY**  
8:00 A.M.  
Father Rick Shoda†  
(Diane & Drew Haaser)

10:00 A.M.  
Al Furline†  
(Maggie Yeater)

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**WEEKLY SCHEDULES**

**Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:**
- 10/20  4:00 p.m. Julie Fecat/ L. Yoho
- 10/21  8:00 a.m.  T. Wise/ S. Kent
- 10/21  10:00 a.m.  P. Whitwam/  J. Kuskey

**Altar Servers:**
- 10/20  4:00 p.m. Frizzell family
- 10/21  8:00 a.m   Kent family
- 10/21  10:00 a.m. Whitelatch family

**Gift Bearers:**
- 10/20 4:00  p.m. John & Loretta Niemiec
- 10/21  8:00  a.m. John & Ruth Ann Harrigan
- 10/21  10:00  a.m. Carolyln Gordon

**Sacristy Cleaners:** Week of October 15, 2018  
Julie Anderson & Ruth Anderson

**Greeters:**
- 10/20 4:00 p.m.  Terri Porter
- 10/21  8:00 a.m.  Kitty Pazyk
- 10/21 10:00 a.m. Larry Freeland

**Bingo October 19, 2018**  
Raffle – John & Sheree Leonard
Kitchen – Jenny Ingram

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**COLLECTION: September 30, 2018**

- Envelopes - $ 2861.00
- Loose Offering - $ 708.00
- Electronic Giving - $40.00
- Building Repairs - $ 60.00
- Xavier Hall - $ 50.00
- Catholic University - $311.00
- Memorial Offerings - $ 25.00
- Pennies for God - $  3.81
- Attendance -  293

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**USE OF CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

Thank you to parishioners who use their contribution envelopes. This helps us identify active parishioners. It is helpful to you when requesting Sacraments as well as tax statements.

An alternative is electronic giving. This option is available at our website and is safe and very easy to set up. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call the office.

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Prayer To St. Michael will be said before Mass for the sanctification of the church. It can be found on page 316 of the missalette.
Pay a visit to our shrine on the corner of Seventh Street and Jefferson Ave. to view the respect life display!

The Sanctuary Candle
beside the tabernacle burns this week
In honor of
Georgetta Ledbetter
Requested by Kitty and Family

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Oct. 20 - West Virginians for Life Convention
Oct. 23 - Lifeline Screening
Oct. 23 - Parish Council meeting 6:30 pm
Nov. 2 - Memorial Mass
Nov. 3 - Knights of Columbus Steak Fry
Dec. 2 - St. Francis Xavier Feast Day Celebration
Jan 26 - World Youth Day

Our Parish offers prayers and condolences to the family of:

Josephine Yocum
May she rest in peace.

Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday
October 23, at 6:30

Knights of Columbus Steak Fry
Saturday, November 3
Xavier Hall
$25 per person.
Contact Cork Potts at 304-845-2686
or Duane Gump at 304-845-8390

What You Don’t Know Can Hurt You!
• If you are age 21-80 learn you risk for developing 6 different chronic diseases
• $3 out of every $4 spent on healthcare is for treatment of chronic disease
• Better lifestyle habits can help prevent 80% of heart disease and 90% of type 2 diabetes

The 6 for Life Health Assessment measures your risk of developing 6 chronic diseases, including heart disease, congestive heart failure, stroke, diabetes, COPD and lung cancer. A customized report will determine which risk factors contribute most to your disease risk and are within your control to change. Finger-stick blood tests along with biometric measurements are included with this assessment. These are separate from vascular screenings.

St. Francis Xavier Parish is hosting a Life Line Screening preventive health event on Tuesday, October 23, 2018.

Protect your health by registering today for the 6 for Life Health Assessment for $79.
Call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle.

WANTED
Parish Photographer
Someone who will capture the events and activities of the parish and parishioners for historical archives and website publications.