

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue,
and many who heard him were astonished. - Mk 6:2

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JULY 7, 2024

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekends:

Saturday: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m.

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday 8 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m. & 7 p.m.



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Parishioners should be registered at the parish office. Please update your information when you move.

PRACTICING CATHOLIC: RECOGNIZING GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place." It could be the slogan of high school reunions everywhere.

I speak from experience — I didn't go to my high school reunion, but I do live in the same area in which I grew up. Ghosts from the past lurk in every grocery aisle and gas station. Former classmates fill my prescriptions at the pharmacy. I am always sure to see an old teacher or two at the Fourth of July parade.

If my teenage self knew that this was her future, she would be horrified. She wanted to grow up and move away, not because she didn't like living in this town, but because she wanted to reinvent herself. And you can't reinvent yourself in your native place. In your hometown, you'll always be exactly what you are — no more, no less.

The same was true for Jesus, who was probably the only person actually worthy of admiration at his high school reunion. When he returned to his native place, he was what he had always been — God and man, Messiah, miracle-worker. This is not something he became, it was always within him.

But the people of Nazareth cannot accept it. Why?

Well, probably for the same reason that I wanted to reinvent myself when I was 16. We don't often see anything worth venerating in the "right now" of our lives. We think happiness is a promotion or a pay bump away. We think we'll finally be holy when we find the time to take that silent retreat. We think we will be beautiful when we lose ten pounds.

The Nazarenes lived with God right under their noses, and they didn't realize it. So, when he came in all his greatness, the dissonance was too much to bear, and they rejected him. They didn't want that God — the one they had dismissed or overlooked or ignored. They wanted a different one. A shinier one. One that didn't look like the "right now" of their lives.

But that's where God is, folks. He's in the right now, and nowhere else. He's waiting there for you, with all the happiness, holiness, and beauty your life needs.

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." — Mark 6:4

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman, LPI

WORSHIP & OUTREACH



JULY 6 SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. Carmina Oakland †
Stan & Kitty Pazyk

JULY 7 SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Ray Yocum †
Yocum Family

10:00 a.m. Loretta Saporito †
Cathy Frame

JULY 8 MONDAY

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

JULY 9 TUESDAY

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased
Pierogi Volunteers
Libby Magnone

JULY 10 WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. Loretta Saporito †
Wayne & Joan Lemasters

JULY 11 THURSDAY

8:00 a.m. Seminarians ♥
Jane Klug

JULY 12 FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. Mary Zaid Stees †
Danny Prado

JULY 13 SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. Fr. That Son ♥
Maggie Yeater

JULY 14 SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Edith Fana Olex †
Her Daughters

10:00 a.m. Karen Eisenhower †
Denise Ferris

The Sanctuary Candle
beside the tabernacle
burns this week for
Vince Scarbin

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION TAKES PLACE EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTER MASS FROM 8:30AM-10AM

Beginning July 10, join us in a special prayer initiative during Wednesday Adoration as we uplift the intentions of six families each week. We will be offering prayers for both the living and deceased members of these families. Scheduled families are encouraged to join us during Wednesday Adoration, as we come together in prayer and support for their intentions.

The Eucharist is the center of the life of the Church and in the Eucharist, Jesus offers Himself to God and He deserves worship and adoration. During Adoration, come before the Blessed Sacrament to share your pure love and allow Christ to work through you.

St. Pope John Paul II said, "The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in the sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease."

This week during Adoration, we will remember in our prayers the intentions of the following families: Adams, Ali, Allen, Amedro, Anderson, and Andlinger.



Prayer REQUESTS

Recently Sick: John Eddie Williams, Kate Kavanaugh, Suzy Lunau, Carlene Crow, Kimberly Peffley, Scott Peffley, Sage Rich, Lois Frey, Kathy Patrello, Bob Kleinedler, Bobby Kleinedler, Karen Swierkos-Wayne, David & Anastasia Yeater, George Zacherl, Brian Hill, John Kirchner, Ted Scarbin, Angela Montesano, Nash Casto, Catherine Pellerin, Eleanor Smith, Sandina Leonard, Deanne Ferraro.

Homebound: Judy Seidel, Kathryn Helfer, Rachel Kerekes, Phyllis Prado, Jim Brown, Katie Melchiori.

Nursing Homes: Kathryn Ferrera, Angeline Sellers, Fay Melchiori, Dwight Furbee, Earl Richards, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Ron Flading, Barb Meyer, Raymond Pennybacker, Mary Yaney.

SCHEDULES: JULY 13-14

Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 pm: **D. Prado/L. Magnone**

8:00 am: **L. Remke/C. Frame**

10 am: **D. Zacherl/D. Kosky**

ALTAR SERVERS

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Linda & Butch Miller

OFFERINGS: June 23

Envelopes	\$	2,739.00
Loose Offering	\$	329.00
Church Repair	\$	55.00
Xavier Hall	\$	30.00
Memorial Gifts	\$	100.00
US Church		
Missions	\$	20.00
Online Giving	\$	195.40
Attendance		248

NEWS & COMMUNITY

JOIN US MONDAY, JULY 8 @ 6:00PM in the church parking lot to help beautify the parish landscaping.

BYO Shovel and get ready to roll up your sleeves as we plant a Mugo Pine, a Japanese Maple tree, several Dwarf Spruces and many colorful Pieris Japonica.

Green thumb not required!!
All are welcome to join!



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Pilgrimage**

LAST CALL FOR TICKETS!!

Thanks to Bishop Mark and the Catholic Sharing Appeal, there are still a handful of FREE tickets left for the National Eucharistic Congress from July 17-22.

Claim your ticket now!

Email bkime@dwc.org or call Bernadette at 304-233-0880, ext 288.

OUR DIOCESE WILL COMMEMORATE THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF IT'S FOUNDER, BISHOP RICHARD WHELAN ON JULY 7, 2024.

Bishop Whelan established our diocese in 1850. At the time, there were only seven churches and chapels and six priests to supply a Catholic population estimated at 5,000 spread throughout western Virginia. Whelan shepherded our diocese until his death in 1874. During his pastorate of 24 years, Whelan grew the church in West Virginia to 55 churches, 29 priests, one hospital, a college, and orphanage, and an estimated 18,000 Catholic population.

On Monday, July 8, the 12:05pm Mass at the Cathedral will include a special remembrance of Bishop Whelan and you are invited to attend.



SCAM ALERT!

DON'T BE A VICTIM!

More and more often these days we hear of attempts to scam – often the elderly – out of money.

Just this past week the diocese sent an email warning us of a scammer who wanted to donate money to a parish, requesting the parish bank account routing number in order to wire the money.

And just this past week, one of our own parishioner's Facebook accounts was hacked: the hacker claimed Danny Prado's Facebook identity and put a car up for sale. (It was a REALLY good deal!) Several parishioners messaged him their interest. When the reply came back to wire (fake Danny) the money, suspicions were aroused, hackles raised.

One last-but-not-least thought: if you ever get a call from someone claiming to be Fr. Sebastian, Sister Marita or Sister Agatha declaring they are in a dire situation and need cash quickly – this is guaranteed to be a scam. We do not call, email or text anyone asking for cash.

Be careful, stay vigilant. Don't trust anyone (but Jesus!) ☺



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, July 9 10am	Chair Yoga with Emily Xavier Hall
Wednesday, July 10 11:30am	Line Dancing with Lottie in Xavier Hall
Wednesday, July 10 1:30-2:30pm	Line Dancing for Beginners with Lottie in Xavier Hall
Friday, July 12 6pm	Bingo every Friday in Xavier Hall
Tuesday, July 23 6pm	St. Vincent de Paul in the church basement
Wednesday, July 31 6:30pm	Parish Council Meeting in the church basement
Sunday, August 25	Parish Picnic Mass at noon, picnic to follow at St. Jude Park



THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR JULY 21, Catholic

Communications Campaign and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Your generosity will help to empower those working in the margins to break the cycle of poverty.

To learn more, visit:
www.usccb.org/cchd



The Miraculous Medal Perpetual Novena is prayed every Tuesday before Mass. All are invited to join us in prayer.

The bus for the Sugar Creek Shopping Trip, scheduled for September 12, is full!!

Stay tuned for more upcoming parish activities in the near future!