St Francis Xavier Parish

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Pastor: Fr. James Cherickal ◆ Associate: Fr. Eduardo Lopez ◆ Deacons: Mr. Anthony Wong, Mr. Ryan Fernandes

Parish Secretary: Joanita Miranda ◆ Office Assistant: Katherine Gomez

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm ◆ closed 1pm to 2pm ◆ closed during all Masses

Daily Masses

Monday to Friday Saturday 8:00am and 7:00pm

7:30am

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 7:30am ♦ 9am ♦ 10:30am ♦ 12pm ♦ 1:30pm

Sacrament of Confession

Morning: Monday to Saturday 30 min before Mass Evening: Monday to Thursday 6:30pm - 6:50pm Evening: Friday 6:15pm - 6:45pm Evening Saturday 4:00pm - 4:50pm

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

Fridays 6:00pm-7:00pm

Devotions

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Our Lady of Velankanni
Precious Blood
St. Anthony of Padua

Wednesdays after Masses
Saturdays after 7:30am Mass
Thursdays at 9:00pm
Tuesdays after 7:00pm Mass

Baptism

- Celebrated on the first and last Saturday of the month
- Information in the parish office or on website

<u>Marriage</u>

- Contact Parish Office at least one year in advance
- Information in Parish office or on website

Pastoral Care of the Sick & Homebound

- For Sacrament of the sick contact Parish Office
- For Holy communion contact: sfxlaypastoral@gmail.com

Rite of Initiation of Adults into the Catholic Faith

Interested in becoming Catholic?

Please contact: rciaministrysfx@gmail.com

<u>Funerals</u>

Death of a family member can be a very traumatic experience; preplanning can ease the burden on the family. When death happens, please contact the parish and the funeral home.

The SFX Bereavement Team will walk with you as you grieve

Liturgical Ministries

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Advisory Committees

Building Committee
Finance Council
Parish Council
Stewardship Committee

Organizations

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Catholic Women's League Knights of Columbus Rosary Apostolate St. Vincent de Paul Legion of Mary

Parish Schools

 San Lorenzo Ruiz
 905-501-0400

 St. Hilary
 905-568-0056

 St. Jude
 905-568-3720

 St. Valentine
 905-890-0909

 St. Veronica
 905-696-6980

 St. Francis Xavier S.S.
 905-507-6666

 St. Marcellinus S.S.
 905-564-6614

Welcome New Parishioners

To register please contact the Parish Office

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This summer, there was a visitor from New Jersey who was very excited to see so many young families attending Mass at St. Francis Xavier. She was amused to witness the young parents bringing toddlers to such busy church. She was also impacted by the numerous Altar Servers lined up in procession and the noticeable youthfulness of the lectors during Mass.

Yes, we are very blessed with a vibrant community of faith-filled families. Thanks to our grandparents and parents who have transmitted this precious faith to our young people. Good families are the base unit of any good society. St. John Paul II reminds us: "As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live". On the same note, St. Mother Teresa instructs us: "If you want to bring happiness to the whole world, go home and love your family".

While accepting the above said ideals about family, we all know, the ground reality we face might be slightly different. Families go through enormous stress these days in the various stages of their lives. Immigration, job hunting, parenting skills, communication struggles, financial management etc. can cause constant stress in any family. Someone humorously once said: "Some family trees bear an enormous crop of nuts"! Managing stress, and finding joy in family life can be an art.

Keeping this in mind, I have arranged an interactive workshop for parents and couples. Fr. Kurien who holds a doctorate in Psychology will be presenting effective ways to enrich marital companionship, conflict resolution, parenting, communication skills etc. Fr. Kurien will be conducting similar workshops in Scarborough and Brampton, but he will be residing in our rectory. Therefore, if any couples would like any additional personalized guidance or counselling, please feel free to contact the parish office and/or extend this invitation to friends! Here is a summary of the important details:

REVIVE - A Couple Enrichment Program

Date & Time: October 21st from 9am to 12pm

Location: Fr. D'Souza Hall, St. Francis Xavier Parish Registration: Contact the parish office or through the parish website (starting October 5th)

Once again, I strongly encourage ALL couples and parents to participate!

In Christ, Fr. James Cherickal

Knights of Columbus Food Drive





Weekend of October 7th and 8th

Thank you!

Most Needed Items

Rice, lentils, breakfast cereals, granola bars, jams, pasta cookies, powdered milk, tea & coffee

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre

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THE 2023 WOMEN TOGETHER RETREAT

Wednesday October 25, 2023 ♦ 9am to 3pm Concluding with Holy Hass

Info: 905-278-5229 ♦ office@qoa.ca (Cost: \$45.00

SFX Emeralds Meeting

All Seniors are Welcome to Join

Music ★ Socialize ★ Pray ★ Laugh October 10th at 1pm



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The Catechism Corner



 \mathbf{Q} : Who are the angels?

A: The angels are purely spiritual creatures, incorporeal, invisible, immortal, and personal beings endowed with intelligence and will. They ceaselessly contemplate God face-to-face and they glorify him. They serve him and are his messengers in the accomplishment of his saving mission to all CCCB 328-333, 350-351

SFX Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry Starting Soon!



Contact: sfxyouth1@gmail.com

Berequement Sessions

Bereavement Sessions Sep. 29th to Nov. 24th
For eight weeks meetings on Fridays

730pm to 930pm

The Bereavement Ministry Provides:

♦ emotional support ♦ validation of feelings ♦

♦ discussion of coping strategies that lead towards healing ♦

Registration required: 905 890 5290/sfxbereave@gmail.com

Revive - Couple Enrichment

Saturday October 21, 2023 ◆ 9am to 12pm REVIVE

A Psycho Spiritual Approach to Couple Enrichment



- **♦** Effective Communication
- ♦ Conflict resolution
- ♦ Growing through pains

Lead By: Rev. Dr. Kurien Jacob At: St. Francis Xavier Parish

Registration: Parish office/Parish website (starting Oct 5th)

Parent Info Nights - Communion & Confirmation

Please Register Online Prior to Attending Meeting

First Holy Communion

Dates: October 10th 11th or 12th

Times: 5pm ♦ 6pm ♦ 7pm

Confirmation

Dates: October 16th 17th 18th or 19th

Times: 5pm ♦ 6pm ♦ 7pm

Please Note:

- ♦ kindly bring:
- 1. Baptism certificates
- 2. registration form
- 3. registration fee
- ♦ Please arrive 45min

prior to meeting

Confirmation Enrollment Ceremony: October 14 & 15 Catechism classes begin: October 28, 2023

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 - 2. Find your parish (Saint Francis Xavier Parish 5650 Mavis Miss.)
 - 3. Put in your name and email

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday October 2, 2023

8am †Celine Uchong 7pm †Stella Palumbo

Tuesday October 3, 2023

8am Special intent. Cesar & Teresita Torrefranca

7pm Special intention Jonathan Dique

Wednesday October 4, 2023

8am †Steve & Ana Pirabon 7pm Thanksgiving Sharon D'Sa

Thanksgiving Nestly Magbanua

Thanksgiving for blessings & favors received Thanksgiving in honour of St. Padre Pio

Special intention Jerry Torres

Special intention Soares & Lobo families

Special intention Elizabeth Ward

†Amelia Frances

†Avelino & Josephine Soares

†Antu Joseph

†Rosario Azurin

†Deceased of the Soares & Lobo families

Thursday October 5, 2023

8am †Oscar Llanza

7pm Special intention Elisa Rodrigues

Friday October 6, 2023

8am Thanksgiving Florine Pinto

7pm Thanksgiving Arnold Millicent

Thanksgiving Cabayan Family

Thanksgiving Valerie Bernadette Kelly

Thanksgiving for favours received & healing

Special intention Gomes Family Special intention Sharon Alen

†Joseph Donnelly

†Magdalena Cabanting Galang

†Conrad Arguelles Garcia

†Jovito D'Souza

†Vincent Simon Corriea

†Ernesto Ortanez

†Remedios Canlas Paras

†Antu Joseph

†Joseph Hung

†Cruz Gonsalvez

†Rommel Garcia

Saturday October 7, 2023

730am †Elizabeth Xavier

5pm †Isagani Bumanlag

Sunday October 8, 2023

730am Pro Populo

†Agatha & Michelle Delemos

9am †Anthony Lawrence

1030am Thanksgiving Bridget Bautista

12pm Thanksgiving Nadine & Craig De Souza
130pm Thanksgiving/honour of Our Lady of the Pillar

The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together

St. John Chrysostom



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