

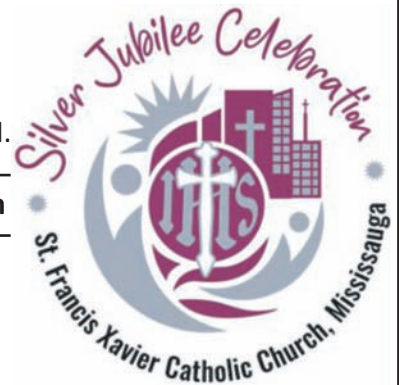
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Deacons: Mr. Anthony Wong, Mr. Ryan Fernandes ♦ Parish Secretary: Joanita M.



Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm ♦ closed 1pm to 2pm

Daily Masses

Monday to Friday 8:00am and 7:00pm
Saturday 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 Wednesdays after Masses
Our Lady of Velankanni Saturdays after 7:30am Mass
Precious Blood Thursdays at 9:00pm
St. Anthony of Padua Tuesdays after 7:00pm Mass

Baptism

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

Marriage

- ❖ 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

Funerals

Death of a family member can be a very traumatic experience; pre-planning 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

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Parish Schools

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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

Giving Up or Growing Up?

“What are you giving up for lent?” Is a habitual question Christians encounter during the season of Lent!

Now I ask you:

**“Really, what are you going to give up this time?
Or do you want to grow up?”**

Perhaps it is a good idea to start by reflecting on the following verse:

“Return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful”. (Joel 2:12).

The prophet Joel’s invitation becomes very relevant and timely during this season of Lent. The invitation to render our hearts to the Lord may seem like an impossibility because we live in a time in which we are compelled to live lives filled with the demands of earthly survival. However, this is exactly what Lent is meant to help us achieve.

Lent is a time of intentional self-examination of conscience. A time of internal purification without any external pressure. A time to administer self-motivated penalties for our failures. It is also a time to return to the Lord to make our lives beautiful. We sometimes forget that without God we are nothing. Ash Wednesday reminds us that without God, we are just a pile of dust. However, we are a pile of dust that is beloved by our Creator so we must respond to that love by giving up what keeps us from Him and ultimately growing up as well.

With King David, let us pray the **Psalm of Repentance:**

“Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love
According to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

...Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit.”
(Psalm: 51)

May this season of Lent be a time of growing more and more closer to the Lord,

Fr. James Cherickal
Pastor

Ash Wednesday

February 14, 2024

Holy Mass Schedule

Morning:	7am	8am	9am
Midday:	11am	12am	1pm
Evening:	6pm	7pm	8pm



Remember, you are dust
and to dust you shall return Gen 3:19

Please Pray for the Sick in Our Parish

Loving Father,

Great Healer and Comforter, we pray for our family and friends who are struggling with infirmity and weakness especially:

**Kristoffer Toledo, Oscar Valbuena,
Anthony De Souza, Pepito D'Souza &
Christopher Lawrence**

May they be assured of your healing power and the comfort of your loving presence surrounding them.



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The Catechism Corner



Q: Why is the Church one?

A: The Church is one because she has as her source and exemplar the unity of the Trinity of Persons in one God. As her Founder and Head, Jesus Christ re-established the unity of all people in one body. As her soul, the Holy Spirit unites all of the faithful in communion with Christ. The Church has but one faith, one sacramental life, one apostolic succession, one common hope, and one and the same charity. CCC 813-815, 866

CWL Membership Drive 2024

The Catholic Women's League
is many things to many people:



- ◆ A place to deepen one's faith
- ◆ An opportunity to discern God's call and serve His people
- ◆ A place to act on important social issues
- ◆ A sisterhood of support & empowerment

To be part of the league/for info contact: Shiroma
647 272-9392 ◆ shiromacwl@gmail.com

Parish Lenten Mission

Inviting You to
Make this Lent a Holy One!



Reflections

On the Words of
Jesus Christ
from the **Cross**



Fr. Michael Coutts

March 4th to March 6th ◆ 7pm to 8:15pm

CWL Contests and Awards

Jean McCann Service Award

Recognizes the role played in parishes by Confirmed Youth
February 16, 2024 ★ Ages 15 to 18

Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay/Poetry Contest

Promotes awareness/positive attitude towards pro-life issues
February 16, 2024 ★ Grades 7 to 12



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Temporary Mass Schedule Changes

All Holy Masses Will be Celebrated in the Main Hall
THE SUNDAY 6AM MASS IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE

TEMPORARY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

<u>Saturday Vigil Masses:</u>	<u>Sunday Holy Masses:</u>
5pm	7am 8am 9am
6pm	10am 11am 12pm
	1pm 2pm

- ◆ Weekday Holy Mass times remain the same
- ◆ The Adoration Chaple will remain closed
- ◆ Kindly visit another parish for confessions

Thank you for your continued cooperation

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday February 12, 2024

8am In honour of The Holy Family
7pm †Anthony Rodrigues

Tuesday February 13, 2024

8am †Paul Miranda
7pm †Thanksgiving Theresa Parssanha

February 14, 2024
Ash Wednesday

All Holy Mass offered for:
The forgotten souls in Purgatory

Thursday February 15, 2024

8am Special intention Marie Reed
7pm †Henry De Souza

Friday February 16, 2024

8am †Norbert Castclino
7pm Thanksgiving Lilanie Salcedo
Special intention Antonio B.
Special intention Palmira Rodrigues
Special intention Mark Mclean
†Gonzago & Merlyn Fernandes
†Christina Mascarenhas
†Anthony Paradiso
†Pedro Joans
†Jovita Agsulio
†The deceased Marion brothers
†Luu Van Tiep
†Sotero & Tomasa Gacutan
†Joseph Do
†Dominick Cardozo

Saturday February 17, 2024

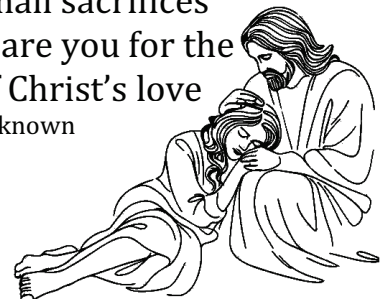
730am †Gilberta Viveiros
5pm †Maria Santana Simoes
6pm †Maria Dung Phan

Sunday February 18, 2024

7am †Deceased of the D'Souza family
8am †Jimena Bernardino
9am Thanksgiving Amanda Gomes
10am Pro Populo
11am Thanksgiving Castillo family
12pm †Deceased members of Goan Association
1pm †Zenida Ong
2pm Thanksgiving Pais family

May the small sacrifices
of Lent prepare you for the
bounty of Christ's love

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