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MESSAGES:

Saint Francis Xavier Parish

1838 **180 years** 2018
of Catholic service and witness.

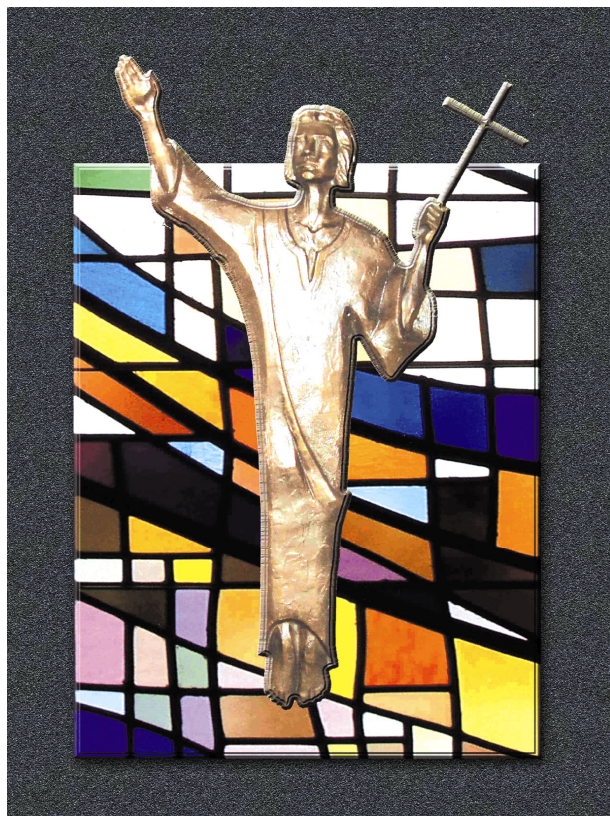
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Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
(closed for lunch Noon - 12:30 pm)
Parish Office is located on west side of Church

Sister Parish: Saint Peter the Apostle
Chacsinkin, Yucatan, Mexico

All are welcome in the family of Saint Francis Xavier
To be a registered member call the Parish Office



For in truth, no one is really timid and weak who knowingly leans upon the assistance of God.

-St. Francis Xavier

Mission Statement:	Saint Francis Xavier Parish, empowered by the Holy Spirit, witnesses to the presence of Jesus Christ and proclaims the Gospel Message through Catholic service to all.
Vision Statement:	We want to be a welcoming community where all people can deepen their faith relationship with God and each other through Liturgy and parish gatherings.

Mass Schedule

Saturday5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Week Days7:30 a.m.
Holy Day Mass..... 7:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. and by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Classes are required. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Visits to the Homebound

Regular visits are made on the first Friday of the month. Please call the office if you would like a visit.

Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements with the Pastor at least 6 months prior.

R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults and Children is an opportunity for any interested person who desires to become a full member of the Church. For information call the Parish Office.

Parish Staff

Administrator ~ Reverend Jason Feigh	476-7657
Deacon Assistant ~ Ron Fronzaglia	864-6772
Parish Secretary ~ Debbie Murnock.....	476-7657
Coordinator of Faith Formation/Religious Education ~ Megan Smolnik.....Faithformation8880@gmail.com	476-1622
Music ~ Marsha Fronzaglia	864-6772
Parish Center Reservation / Scheduling ~ Debbie Murnock	476-7657
Cemetery Information, Graves, Interments ~ Debbie Murnock.....	476-7657

Mass Intentions

Monday 7:30 am	August 13, 2018 Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus Communion Service
Tuesday 7:30 am	August 14, 2018 St. Maximillian Kolbe Betty McLaughlin (Family)
Wednesday 7:30 am 6:00 pm	August 15, 2018 Assumption of Mary Bill Harvey (Morning Mass Group) Our Parishioners Living and Deceased
Thursday 7:30 am	August 16, 2018 St. Stephen of Hungary Helen & Felix Wozniak (Family)
Friday 7:30 am	August 17, 2018 Weekday Mike Ferrick (Bill & Joan Chernicky)
Saturday 5:00 pm	August 18, 2018 Weekday Bill Harvey (The Rooneys)
Sunday 8:00 am 10:30 am	August 19, 2018 20th Sunday Ordinary Time Our Parishioners Living and Deceased Mike Ferrick (Chris & Sally Busko)

Please remember in your prayers..... Marsha A. & daughter, Cassandra Aho, Amy Altimier, Dan Always, John Armstrong, Dewey B., Marsha Badach, Emma Balinski, Vicky Barcio, Patty Bennett, Rachel Boume, Patty Brown, Randy Brucher, Amanda Bryant, Shelly Buffalari, Sam Burns, Tim C., Amy Campoli, Debbie Carrick, Todd Carrier, Abigail Carullo, Doug Chernicky, Rod Coburn, Eleanor Collings, Earl Corbin, Esther Craig, Dale & family, Trudy DeCarolis, Artie Defoy, Karen, Dickson, A. Dodick, Cathie Domkowski, Katie Dombkowski, Ron Dombkowski, Danielle Dorderder, Jonathan Ledger Dougherty, Bill Drakes, Dawn Duran, Bill Eberlein, Sr., Ashley English, Lynn English, Jack F., Ron & Helen Feldman, Fred Fields, Carrie Fiske, Mary Fiscus, Patrick Fitzgerald, Eleanor Fox, Carol Fullom, Denise Fulton, Julia G., Linda Gidos, Sally Gradler, Bob Greene, Debbie Grove, Carol H., John H.Jr., Larry H., Andy H., Jerry H., The Haynes Family, Larry Hanas, Frank Harrison, Nathan Heath, Nicholas Hendericks, Michelle Hetrick, Kathy Highhouse, Harold Hites, Maria Hoge, Gloria Hollenbeck, Molly Holmes, Holly, Rich Hudacky, Denise Hudson, Scott James, Trevor James, Jeremy, Jim, Jim & Linda, Charles Johnson, Luke Johnson, Nancy Johnson, R. Juarez & Family, Kathleen, Kevin K., Craig Kayden, Kelly King, Linda Kloecker, Judy Konkol, Betty Korrel, Thomas Kowalczyk, Ed Kuligowski, Sara L. Roberta Laird, Rose Lapenz, Gail Laughner, John Lewis, Janet Lombardo, Robin Macial, Tim Maciulewicz, Lexxi Maloney-Barnes, James Mantsch, Joe Matheis, Matt & Rachael, Paul Mayer, Patrick McKenrick, Shawn Morgan, Jr., Bill Muenz, Kathy Murr, Ron and Lynn Nash, Leny Nipper, Tom O., Buddy O'Leary, Loretta Olsewski, Bill Oshinski, Catherine Ott, Nadine P., Rick P., Kayden Painter, Michael Pamula, Patrick, Liz Pauly, Ron, Paige, David Pekelnicky, David Peter, Kathy Piotroski, Andrew Pitcher, Mike Pitonyck, Nathan Post, Erin Potter, Michael Potter, Mary Povath, Carrie Powell, Prayer Tent Intentions, Denise Pulson, Audrey & John Reese, Lucas Reynolds, Bill Reigleman & Family, Christi Reilly, Albert Renshaw, McKenna Ritter, Melissa Rindfuss, Joan Robinson, Rocky, Alan Rodgers, Debbie Rose, Frank Rumba, Lindsey Ryan, Jim S., Dave Sarra, Shirley Sayers, Janie Schwab, Jim Scully, Joseph Seth, Greg & Rochelle Sharrer, Therese Sauer, Madeline Sienecki, Robin Snyder, Tina, Gregory Thomas, Patricia Vadala, Dan Via, Erica Wagner, Margaret Wasser, Dan Weber, Lisa Weber, Maureen Wentzel, Caitlin Wentzel, Danny Wadsworth, Joe Warbanski, Carol Winschel, Bob Whitford, Lois Whitcomb, Denise Wilson, Jack Z., Walter Zawistowski, A Special Intention, and all the sick and suffering of the parish.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please call the prayer line at 476-7486. Please call the same number when you would like the person's name removed from the list.

Pray for the men and women in the military: Captain Timothy Lohse, Chief Petty Officer Aurelio Velazquez, Jr., Private Jeff Kinnear, Lt. Phillip Pointkowski, Captain Jenny Stewart-Allen

COLLECTION FOR LATIN AMERICA - Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and Caribbean, rural terrain and a lack of ministers are obstacles to practicing their faith. Your support to the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, as well as other programs to help share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. Please be as generous as you are able. To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

ZABAWA POLISH HERITAGE FESTIVAL - Holy Trinity Parish hosts at E. 23rd and Reed Sts. Friday, Aug. 24, 5-10 pm music by Squeezebox. Saturday, Aug. 25, Noon - 10 pm music by Lil John & the ATM Band, Mar-Vels, The Boys, polka Mass 5 pm. Sunday, Noon - 6 pm, music by Dyna Brass, Polish Mass 11 am. Food, Games, bakery, drawings and a kid area.

SIGN INTERPRETED MASS FOR THE DEAF - This Mass is held every Sunday at 11:00 am at St. Joseph/Bread of Life Community Church, 147 W. 24th St., Erie. For more information, call 824-1257 or email d&dministry@erieRCD.org.

SURVIVING DIVORCE MINISTRY - a 12 week group to help those who are separated or divorced, will run on Wednesdays from Sept. 5 - Nov. 28, from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie (Cost - \$15 for book/journal). Many topics to begin healing will be addressed through DVDs with experienced presenters and real men and women who have felt the pain of divorce. Please call the Family Life Office, 824-1250, or email: familylife@eriercd.org for more information and to register.

Monday	08-13	<i>Weekly Calendar</i>
Tuesday	08-14	
Wednesday	08-15	
Thursday	08-16	
Friday	08-17	
Saturday	08-18 Mass 5:00 pm	
Sunday	08-19 Masses 8:00 & 10:30 am	

STRENGTHENED BY THE BREAD OF LIFE

Today we resume the “Bread of Life” discourse from John’s Gospel that began two weeks ago. He makes reference to the Jews’ ancestors who ate manna in the desert. These days we would think primarily of Israel wandering in the desert, but faithful Jews would also have known the story of Elijah that we hear today. Strengthened by food and drink in the desert, the angel of the Lord sends him on his forty-day and forty-night journey (the biblical number for a preparation time). Like the food given to Elijah in the desert, Jesus tells his listeners that he is bread for the life of the world. It is very important that we not stop listening to Jesus after his promise of eternal life—a marvelous promise, but this “reward” is not the only reason we feast on the Bread of Life. We also come to the table to be made strong for the journey of mission, that the whole world might have life in the fullness of Christ. We are compelled, if we have eaten of the bread of life, to go forth in service to all.

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Adult: When has the bread of life given you the strength you needed to face a difficult situation in your life?

Child: What will you ask Jesus to help you with when you receive Holy Communion this week?

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water (1 Kings 19:4-8).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love (Ephesians 4:30 — 5:2).

Gospel — Jesus said, “I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread will live forever” (John 6:41-51).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

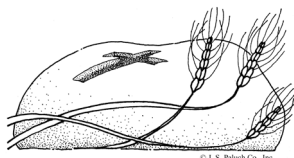
Wednesday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58



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WEEKLY COLLECTION

A Stewardship of Sharing

August 5, 2018

Households receiving envelopes—487 Envelopes used—141
Goal. \$5,215.00
Total Collection. \$4,218.00
Capital Improvements. \$659.00

Liturgical Ministry Schedule - August 15, 2018

7:30 am - E. Ministers T. & B. Hoover Lector G. Otteni
6:00 pm - G. Soltys K. Damore
L. Glaspell

Liturgical Ministry Schedule - August 19, 2018

Masses	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Ushers	D. Danylko B. Koehler T. Weber R. Fox	F. Kroto E. Lemock J. Schultz J. Blount	W. Mientkewicz D. Fiscus M. Buzzard M. Bourke
Eucharistic Ministers	D. Herbol C. Mangiaracina	B. Hoover T. Hoover	C. Gray R. Gray
Lectors	D. Herbol	A. Campbell	M. Murnock
Altar Servers	B. Schrupf	A. Roth N. Seeders	D. Gwinn C. Haywood
Cantors	D. Murnock	M. Whelan	K. Orlando

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Careful readers of the “Treasures” will have noticed that the two columns about the oldest monastic communities in the United States refer to the colonial states. The Louisiana Purchase gained a great treasure for our nation, the Ursuline monastery of New Orleans. Among the greatest pioneers of that city were nuns who came from France on a perilous voyage in 1727, pestered by pirates and tossed by fearsome storms. These were genteel, well-educated Ursulines, yet their first task was to roll up their sleeves and open a hospital to care for the pestilence-ridden colony. Next, they opened a school for girls and launched a plan to educate the women being shipped over from France to marry settlers. In this way, they had enormous influence in molding patterns of family and domestic life.

At Christmastime in 1814, the threat of a British assault on the city was growing. On the terrifying night of January 7, 1815, the women of New Orleans gathered in the monastery chapel to pray that the city be spared from destruction in battle. The mother superior made a vow to have a Mass of Thanksgiving on that date every year should the Americans win. That night, Our Lady of Prompt Succor, to whom the nuns had great devotion, became the protector and patron of this great city. The convent in the French Quarter is the oldest standing building in the Mississippi valley, and the only surviving building of the French colonial period. The nuns relocated in 1824, but their old monastery is preserved as a museum and archives for the Archdiocese of New Orleans. The school the nuns began, Ursuline Academy, is the oldest continuously operating Catholic school, and school for women, in the United States.

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From the Administrator's Desk

One of the definitions of “strength” is: “*power to resist force*”. This is a great reminder for us that our greatest strength we can have is Faith. Faith is freely given and should be freely accepted. It is Faith that feeds the greatest hungers of our hearts. We hear this played out in this weekend’s Readings. We cannot come to Jesus just wanting something that is temporary, but we come to him asking for what will help us endure. We can only have that strength of Faith, by letting him feed us with his body and blood, that guides us onward into an ongoing relationship. Let him be your/our Bread of Life so that we will be able to resist whatever is contrary to our lives as Christians.

The Gospel of John, particularly John 6, what we have heard from the last few weekends, is my favorite part of the Gospel (next to the Christmas Gospel’s as I LOVE Christmas, but that is a story for another day), because Jesus not only tells the disciples (and us today) who he is, but also what he will do. That is our own journey in this time of transition as well. As I said last weekend, I am honored and humbled to journey with you. As time goes on, I will be able to tell you more about myself, and how I became a Priest. But I would like to reiterate what I said last weekend. Please pray for me as I am for you. That is where we find our strength to live and to grow. Second, please continue to be patient as I get to know you as well. Third, please remember, I am not here with an agenda other than to bring the power of the Gospel to all of us. Please know that I will meet your needs to the best of my ability while juggling my assignment at Prep. I am so grateful already to the awesome staff and volunteers of our parish who continue to step up. I know change is not always easy, but it is necessary for us to grow. Who knows, maybe we learn something new along the way as well! Thank you to all who made the nut breads and organized our Socials after Mass and welcomed me and my parents. I had a blast (and too much to eat, but alas). **PLEASE REMEMBER THIS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15 IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION (The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary). OUR MASS SCHEDULE IS: 7:30AM AND 6PM. I hope to pray with you on that day!** In the meantime, feel free to contact me at anytime via phone or email (jason.feigh@prep-villa.com), and continue to enjoy these beautiful days of summer and before you know it many of us, including me, will be back in school!

CSA 2018 - It is hard to believe there are only four more months left of our campaign. We cannot thank you all enough for your pledges and continuing to pay down those pledges. If you haven’t become involved yet, it is not too late.

Families participating to date: 141

Totals as of: 8/5/18 - Pledged: \$50,850 Paid: \$42,740

**Bills paid: Diocese \$1,100 Penelec \$670
Hofmann’s \$81 Spectrum \$529
Pitney Bowes \$255 Toshiba \$180
Waste Management \$291**

Religious Education Faith Formation

FATHER PETERSON TOURNEY SCHEDULED FOR SEP-

TEMBER - The annual Father Peterson Golf Tournament benefitting Maria House Project will be held Sept. 15 at the Union City Country Club in Union City. Registration begins at 8:00 am, with a shotgun start at 9:00 am. The cost is \$75 per person and includes coffee and donuts, golf and a dinner buffet. The event benefits Maria House Project, an outreach to the marginalized, founded by the late Father James Peterson. For more info, call 873-0790. A registration form and application are available at www.unioncitycountryclub.com/father-peterson-tournament.html.

TAKE ME TO WORSHIP - The Diocese of Erie is very excited about the opportunity to participate again in the *Take Me to Worship* campaign that is being promoted in Erie County this summer and fall, August 24 - October 15, 2018. Data from this campaign has shown that when children participate in regular, weekly, organized religion, they are less likely to be involved in violence, drug and alcohol use, and other negative behavior. Let's take our families to Mass regularly! To find out more and to get involved, please visit www.takemetoworship.org.

LOTTERY WINNERS JULY 30 - 31

7/30/18	429	No Winner	\$0
	492	Pat Kosienski	\$25
	249	Carolyn Corbett	\$25
	942	Nancy Gangle	\$25
7/31/18	440	Julia Strzalka	\$125
	430	Bill Sitter	\$50
	441	Anita Faulhaber	\$50

Food Pantry



Our needs this week are hot dogs, beans, breaded chicken, meatballs, sauce, spaghetti, cereal, toilet tissue, laundry detergent, bar soap.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Greg Soltys	734-4957	Michael Stewart	796-6208
Cindy Zencik	476-7629	Kathy Orlando	450-2411
George Wilkosz	474-3131	Kevin Campbell	392-3151
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