

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

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Masses: Saturday at 4:00pm

Sunday at 7:30 (Memorial - Labor Day) & 9:00am

Tuesday – Friday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days: check bulletin, Facebook, or website

Adoration: 1st Friday of the Month Following 8am Mass

Confessions: Saturday 3:00 – 3:30 pm, Other times by request

Parish Office Hours: Tuesdays 11am-4:30pm

Blessing of Homes: please contact the Parish Office.

Homebound: Wishing to receive Communion? Please contact the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick is available anytime, please contact the parish office.

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated as needed.

One parent must be a practicing Catholic. One godparent must be a Catholic

at least 15 years of age. Contact the Parish Office for more info and to

schedule.

Marriage: Anyone contemplating marriage in the Catholic Church must be a

practicing Catholic. Father must be contacted six months prior to the

wedding. Prenuptial requirements must be completed prior to the wedding.

Contact the Parish Office.

In the Event of a Death: Please notify the parish office

Those interested in being put on a prayer list: Please contact the parish

office. There is also a form on the website.

Register w/the Parish: There are registration forms on the bulletin board at

the back of church, feel free to fill one out and throw it in the collection

basket. Or you may register on our website.

Knights of Columbus: Meet every 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Women's Fellowship: Meet every 1st Friday for Mass/adoration, then meet

up for breakfast

Parish & Financial Councils: Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

For job openings in the diocese visit: <https://diocesefwsh.org/hr/>

For more events in the diocese or to subscribe to Today's Catholic visit: <https://todayscatholic.org/> (digital subscription is free!)

Readings for: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity:

Reading 1 Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

Psalm Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56

Reading 2 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel John 3:16-18

REFLECTIONS... from Father Daniel

The theme of today's feast is: IN what kind of God do you believe? All three readings teach us today something about the nature of God. The first tells us that the biblical God is quite different from the god worshipped by people of other religions. God does not become angry, is not willful, does not punish us and is not spying on us. The Gospel tells us that he has not moved away from us, but has joined his life to the world and to ours. The second reading teaches us that God is family, a family open to us all.

The Most Holy Trinity is one of the basic mysteries of our Christian faith, and in today's preface to the Eucharistic prayer we proclaim our faith in "Three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, Yet One Lord, One God." One of the most important things about a mystery is that we can know some things about it but we cannot understand it fully. That is the way the Trinity has always been, because God is too great for our minds to understand. In the words of St. Augustine, "If we understand Him, he is not God."

For Christians, Why should the Most Holy Trinity matter? Because God wants to reveal God's self to us just as two lovers want to share with each other. God wants us to know Him as well as is possible because He loves us and wants us to love him. The Trinity is the only way that we can know the greatness of Jesus and the love Jesus has for us that our God humbled himself totally for our sake. The persons of the Trinity are united in love, and God is a model for how he would want us to be - united in one, loving and caring about each other. Remember, God puts people in your path to get your attention, and there is nothing more touching than knowing that people are smiling or happy because of you.

250th Anniversary of the Birth of our Nation:

In honor of the 250th anniversary of our nation the USSCCB will be consecrating the US to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Thursday, June 11th. In honor of the anniversary USSCCB is encouraging all parishes all across the country to participate in 250 hours of Adoration and 250 Works of Mercy. St. Francis Xavier will have 3 opportunities for Adoration during the month of June & July in participation. Adoration will be Friday, June 5th following 8am Mass, Thursday, June 11th 6:30-7:30pm, & Friday, July 3rd following 8am Mass. Please join us in prayer at 1 or all of these adoration times. In honor of the 250th anniversary of the birth of our nation.

Piercetown Days:

The Parish Council is looking for a volunteer to help head up our float for the Piercetown Day parade Saturday, July 18th at 12pm and volunteers to walk or ride in the parade. Theme is : Stars, Stripes, & 250 candles. Please contact the office or a parish council member.

Your Used Stamps and Postcards can

Help Spread the Light of Christ:

On average, 50 used commemorative stamps can generate enough money to provide a healthy lunch at schools run by the Sisters of the Holy Cross around the world. That's the impact you can make when you save the canceled commemorative or unusual stamps and postcards from your mail and send them to the Sisters of the Holy Cross Stamp Ministry. If you have a stamp or postcard collection you'd be willing to donate, it can do even more! Money raised through the sale of these items supports our Ministry With the Poor, where small projects have life-changing impact. Leave at least 1/4 inch on each side of the stamp when cutting it from the envelope.

Mail to:

Sisters of the Holy Cross, Stamp Ministry

200 Rosary Hall

Notre Dame, IN 46556.

Questions?

Call 574-284-5675 or

www.cscsisters.org/stamp-ministry/

Mass Intentions for the Week and Activities:

Saturday, May 30th, 3:00 Reconciliation

4:00 St. Francis Community

Sunday, May 31st The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

7:30 Our Parish

9:00 +Sophia Long

Monday, June 1st, No Mass **2 Peter 1:2-7** **Mark 12:1-12**

Tuesday, June 2nd, 8:00 + Mario Martinez

Wednesday, June 3rd, 8:00 + Loretha Dahm

Thursday, June 4th, 8:00 + Thomas Field

Friday, June 5th, 8:00 Special Intention of Ginny Hatfield

Saturday, June 6th, 3:00 Reconciliation

4:00 Art DeLaCruz

Sunday, June 7th, Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

7:30 Our Parish

9:00 + Al Gilson

Upcoming Calendar Events:

Sunday, May 31st, The Most Holy Trinity

Tuesday, June 2nd, Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30pm

Friday, June 5th, Adoration following Mass

Sunday, June 7th, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Sunday, June 7th, Graduation Mass 9am

Thursday, June 11th, Adoration 6:30pm

Tuesday, June 16th, Parish Council 6:30pm

Saturday, June 20th, Parish Knight at the TinCaps 6:35pm

Sunday, June 21st, Father's Day

Monday, June 22nd-Friday, June 26th NO MASSES

Friday, July 3rd, Adoration following Mass

Saturday, July 4th, 250th Anniversary of Independence

Tuesday, July 7th, Knights of Columbus 6:30pm

Tuesday, July 14th, Parish Council 6:30pm

Thursday, July 16th, Community Dinner 5pm-out

Friday, July 17th & 18th Piercetons Days

Saturday, July 18th Piercetown Days Parade 12pm

Saturday, July 25th Hot Dog& Ice Cream Social following Mass

Last Week's Collection:

Loose: \$503 Envelopes: \$ 1,520

Local Food Pantry: Item of the week-**Cereal/ PB&J/**

Ministers Schedule:

Saturday, June 6, 4:00pm

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Rick Zydek

Lectors: Chris Lemmon

Sunday, June 7, 9:00am

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Linda Seiss

Lector: Mary Sutton

Please Keep in Your Prayers this Week:

Sue DeLaCruz, Tom & Jena Brovont, Brent Widman, Bela Moran, Kathy Biltz, Donald Gebert, Megan Cruse, Dan Gagnon & Maggie Elipusan.

Eucharistic Ministers:

It is recommissioning time for Eucharistic ministers. If you have recently completed Diocese training and would like to be added to our list or if you are interested in volunteering for our parish as a eucharistic minister, please contact the office at office@sfxpiercetn.org.

Parish TinCaps KNight:

The Knights of Columbus have organized a parish outing to the TinCaps on Saturday, June 20th. Game time is 6:35pm. Tickets are \$11.50 per person. Money for tickets is due to Rory Karczewski by May 31st. Tickets will be handed out the following weekend of June 7th. Parishioners are welcome to drop an envelope with their name, number of tickets, and payment into the collection basket, at the office, or in the mail prior to the *May 31st deadline*.

Parish Volunteers Wanted:

Looking for a way to volunteer or participate more in the parish? We are still in need of a few more counter volunteers for collections for the 1st & 2nd Sundays of the month. Counting happens after Mass on Sunday. Contact the office for more info. The Parish Council would love to welcome more Saturday Mass parishioners to the council. We are always looking for more usher/greeters, gift bearers, lectors and Eucharistic ministers or choir members. So we invite you to share your gifts with the Lord. If you would like to volunteer to help at Mass please contact the office at office@sfxpiercetn.org.

Graduates Mass:

Mass for Graduates will be June 7th at 9am. If you would like to offer cards of congratulations for our Graduates Hannah Landrigan & Hunter Rostochak please feel free to throw your cards of congratulations into the collection basket. There will also be a box for cards at their Mass. If you are a new registration to the parish and have a graduate that would like to be included in the graduation Mass, please contact our DRE Sharon DeLong or the office at office@sfxpiercetn.org.

ST. AUGUSTINE MEN'S GROUP:

If you struggle with addiction to pornography or sexual struggles, you are invited to be made new. With groups meeting in Fort Wayne and South Bend, the lives of men have been transformed because of their willingness to change, to be honest, and to seek connection not only with God but with their fellow brothers through the Saint Augustine Men's Group. Meetings focus on the positive and what we can do to overcome our daily struggles. Discover a path to true freedom by visiting diocesefwsb.org/augustine or e-mailing staugustinefwsb@gmail.com

Due in Autumn: Cast out into the Deep

Men 15-35 are invited to a summer discernment experience with priests and seminarians. Spend the day kayaking, hiking, praying, and exploring God's call for your life in the beauty of creation. Cost is \$10 RSVP to cbonahoom-nix@diocesefwsh.org by July 3rd.

FAITH FORWARD: CONNECTING OUR GRADUATING SENIORS:

Parishes around the diocese are participating in Newman Connection's Faith Forward movement — a national initiative helping graduating high school seniors stay connected to their Catholic faith as they move on to college, the military, or the workforce. By sharing their post-graduation plans, seniors can be personally connected to a Catholic campus ministry, military chaplain, or young adult parish near their next destination. If you are a graduating senior — or the parent or grandparent of one — please learn more sign up today at signupnc.newmannministry.com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

Give the gift of a happier marriage this Summer! Give, and receive, the gift of a more passionate, connected, and loving marriage. Enroll today!

Attend at:

Lindenwood Retreat Center, Plymouth IN

June 26-28th

Overnight stay Friday and Saturday as well as all meals are included. There's no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be. Apply at www.wwme.org, or contact Jeff and Brenda at: application@wwme-ni.org or 260-484-1664.