

St. Francis Xavier Church

The First African American Catholic Community in the Country
Founded 1793

Served by the Josephites since 1871

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Holy Days: 10:00 AM & 7:00 PM

except when the Holy Day falls on a Monday

Holiday, Mass and Novena will be at 8:00 AM only

Weekdays

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM followed by Bible Study

OTHER SCHEDULED EVENTS

Confessions

Before Masses or by appointments

Marriages

Notify the rectory at least 6 months in advance

Baptisms

*The Sacrament of Baptism is conferred
on the Fourth Sunday, at 2 PM.*

Notify the rectory at least 1 month in advance

Funerals

*Please notify the rectory before making
arrangements with funeral homes.*

Rev. Xavier Edet, S.S.J.,

Pastor

Religious Education

Joslyn Alexander, Director

SVD-SFX Head Start Center

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THE JOSEPHITES

"Glorious St. Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercessions in obtaining from the benign Heart of Jesus all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special favor we now implore of men and means for our seminary, college and novitiate. Guardian of the Word Incarnate, we feel animated with confidence that your prayers in our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Amen"

Mission Statement for St. Francis Xavier Church

In the tradition of the oldest African-American Catholic Church in the United States, St. Francis Xavier is committed to meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of our parishioners and our surrounding community.

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REFLECTION

Jesus frees us from spiritual blindness and sin

Do you recognize the light of God's truth and power in your life? God wants to remove every obstacle that might hinder us from recognizing the light of his truth and wisdom for our lives. Saul, the first king of Israel, failed to recognize God's light and power to save him from his enemies. God replaced Saul with David, the youngest of Jesse's eight sons (1 Samuel 16). God saw something in David which Jesse and his other sons did not recognize - a man after God's own heart who delighted in doing what was pleasing to the Lord (1 Samuel 13:14). David was a man of courage and vision who defeated his enemies and united his people. His strength and success came not from himself but from God who anointed him with the power and wisdom of his own Spirit.

What can keep us from the light of God's truth, wisdom, and strength for our lives? Sin blinds us and causes us to stumble and fall - unable to rise on our own or to walk in the freedom of God's love and truth. Sin clouds the mind in moral confusion, and it grows in darkness and resists the light of God's truth. Only God's light can uncover the darkness of sin and free us to walk in the path of holiness and peace with God.

The light of the world

When the disciples saw a man who had been blind from birth, they asked Jesus what kind of sin had caused this blindness. The Jews had understood that many infirmities were the result of human folly and sin. While sin can lead to physical, mental, and spiritual infirmities, not all sickness is the direct result of sin. Sickness can befall us for a variety of reasons. Jesus answered that God had allowed this infirmity for a greater purpose which God wanted to demonstrate as a sign of his presence and power. Jesus then made a claim which only God could rightfully make. Jesus stated unequivocally, I am the light of the world (John 9:5). In so many words Jesus was saying that he is the one true source of power and light which sustains life and overcomes the darkness of sin, confusion, and spiritual blindness. Jesus' mighty works - his miraculous signs - confirmed the truth of his message and claim to divine authority and equality with his Father in heaven. One of his greatest signs was the healing of a man who had been blind from birth.

Healing of man born blind

When Jesus approached the blind man he first awakened hope in him - the hope which God offers those who seek his help.

Stewardship Reflections

Acts 20:35

"In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Mass Intentions



Saturday

5:00 P. (1) Happy Repose for the soul of Eular Chavis, req. by Dorothy Mello

(2) Happy Birthday blessings for Celeste Johnson, req. by Sissy

Sunday

8:00 A.M. People of the Parish

11:00 A.M. Happy Repose of the Soul of Napoleon Sykes, req. by the Family

Tuesday

8:00 A.M. (1) In memory of Grady & Ethel Hill, req. by Dottie Mello

(2) God's blessings and healing on Mabel Smith, req. by Dottie Mello

Wednesday

10:00 A.M. In Loving Memory of Frank and Dorothy Rutkowski, req. by John Rutkowski

Thursday

8:00 A.M. All forgotten souls in the Martin Family, req. by John & Jeff

Friday

8:00 A.M. God's blessings on all the sick in my family, req. by Dottie Mello

Today's Readings

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:16, 6-7, 10-13a

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Next Weeks Readings

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45



SPECIAL NOTICES

Scriptures for Daily Meditation



"And the Scripture gives us hope and encouragement as we wait patiently for God's promises to be fulfilled" Rom. 15:4

Day	Date	Gospel
Mon.	3/27/2017	John 4:43-54
Tues.	3/28/2017	John 5:1-16
Wed.	3/29/2017	John 5:17-30
Thurs.	3/30/2017	John 5:41-47
Fri.	3/31/2017	John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat.	4/01/2017	John 7:40-53

Holy Week/Easter Activities



- April 3, 2017 - Joint Penance Service of St. Ann's, St. Francis Xavier and St. Wenceslaus
Venue: St. Francis Xavier Church
Time: 7:00 p.m.
- April 9, 2017 – Palm Sunday – 2 Masses at 8:00 a.m. and 11: a.m.
Palm will be distributed at all Masses
- April 13, 2017 – Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper – Washing of the feet
Time: 7:00 p.m.
- April 14, 2017 – Good Friday
Passion Service at 3:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m.
- April 15, 2017 – Easter Vigil, Event starts at 7:00 p.m.
- April 16, 2017 – Easter Sunday, 2 Masses at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

SPECIAL NOTICES

Stations of the Cross Devotions



Will be celebrated each Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. during the Lenten Season. Parishioners are encouraged to make the Stations of the Cross as part of their Lenten Devotions. Many graces are given for those who walk the final hours of Jesus' life on earth. Confessions during Lent will be held on Friday evening from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm. and also after Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross will be led by the different organizations in the Church.

Schedule for the Stations of the Cross

- Friday, March 31, 2017-Mass Choir
- Friday, April 7, 2017-Lectors, Eucharistic and Hospitality Ministers
- Good Friday –April 14, 2017- Youth Ministry

Seven Sorrows of Mary

Please join CDA Court #2257 on Friday, April 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the church for the honoring of Our Lady of Seven Sorrows. There are two feasts in honor of the Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Friday before Palm Sunday and September 15th. Booklets will be provided.



Special Notices

Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary's Retreat "Entering into the Father's Joy"

Come join the Sodality of Blessed Virgin Mary on their weekend Retreat, April 21-23, 2017. For first time retreatants and/or young adult up to 30 yrs. of age the cost for the weekend is \$185.00. For retreatants that have been on retreat before at Loyola on the Potomac (A Jesuit Retreat House) the cost is \$235. A deposit of \$115.00 is due now along with registration. Free Van Transportation will be provided by the Sodality of BVM. We will be leaving from SFX Church at 1:30 P.M. on Friday, April 21, 2017. Return on Sunday, April 23, 2017 after lunch at the Retreat house. If you are interested in attending, please contact: Lorraine Bell (410) 889-9196 or Martha Lewis Dorsey (410) 668-1258.

Archbishop Annual Appeal 2017

If you missed the opportunity to pledge over commitment weekend, you can still make a gift either through the mail or online at www.archbalt.org/appeal. Forms are available in the back of the church. Remember, that the Archdiocese Appeal is not just another special collection, rather, it is the one time during the year that all Catholics are asked to join together as one to make a significant pledge to support the work of the Archdiocese. The contribution serves the needs of parishes, schools, and the people throughout the Archdiocese

Special Notices

Catholic Daughters Annual Lenten Prayer Luncheon

Come join the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court SFX#2257 for their Annual Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at SFX undercroft from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Theme: "Finding Unity in Diversity", guest speaker Fr. Kenneth Gaddy, CSSR. Tickets are \$12.00 and can be purchased from any CDA member.



Make a pilgrimage to Fatima here in our own Diocese

St. Benedict Church, 2612 Wilkins Ave., Baltimore, is hosting the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima on Monday, March 27, 2017 – 8 a.m.-10:00 p.m. in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions. Many favors and graces, including cures, and countless conversions are associated with the historic Image of Our Lady. The day includes 8:00 a.m. arrival and mass, many opportunities for prayer through the day, and 6 p.m. Procession with the Image followed by Adoration, confessions, and prayer. Compline and Benediction will conclude this wonderful day. Learn more about the tour and the statue of www.fatimatourforpeace.com.

St. Francis Xavier New Website

St. Francis has a new website you can go there to retrieve the weekly bulletin. The website is: www.historicfrancisxavier.org. Please utilize the new website for your bulletin.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

Please Keep Your Prayers

All sick and shut-in parishioners of STX

- Thelma Fly
- Lorraine Bell
- Marian Quickley Johnson
- Lucretia Coates
- Mabel Smith
- Doris Russell
- Donald Johnson
- Bernadette Morgan
- Dorothy Coleman
- Helen Singleton

The names listed are just a few; if you know of others, please notify the church office.



Religious Education

Children's Envelopes- Envelopes have been distributed to all Sunday School children. Start your child on a lifetime path of stewardship practice by using their envelopes weekly.

Thank You

Joslyn Alexander, Director Religious Education



Step Up to the New Year!!

We are inviting all parishioners to step up to the New Year by making a onetime donation to support the continued renovations and repairs of our church and rectory. Your contribution will be for St. Francis Xavier only.

For Your Information

Please Note:

If you are sick at home or in the hospital, or if you know of someone who is, Please Contact the Rectory, 410-727-3103. Please also remember to contact the Rectory to advise us when to remove your name from the Sick and/or Shut-in Listing.

Mass Intentions

The normal donation for a Mass Request is \$5.00 and must be paid at the time of request. We will no longer take Mass requests over the telephone. Mass requests envelopes are located on the table in the rear of the church.

Address changed?

Please notify the office if you have moved for address changes.

Proper Church Etiquette

No cell phones or other electronic devices should be left on while in Church, especially during Mass. Also, please do not chew gum, eat or drink at anytime while you are in Church, especially when receiving Holy Communion our mouths should be free from all food items. Parents please do not bring potato chips or other foods to give your children during Mass. Food is being found in the Pews. Please give them snacks before Mass. If you cannot hear the Lector or other Ministers from the Altar, please raise your hand and do not yell out in Church, this is very disrespectful. We ask your full cooperation in adhering to these rules of etiquette.

Parish Membership/Census Update:

The use of Church envelopes is the responsible way to support your Parish. Parishioners are requested to register at the church office, Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or complete the following form:

Name _____

Street _____

Phone _____ Zip _____

- Moving out of Parish
- Want Envelopes
- Change of telephone number/address
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Please cut out and drop in the Collection Basket or mail to the Rectory.

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISHIONERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL
OUR SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS!**

Addison, Dorothy	4/09	Hargrove, Cecelia	4/09	Pullett, Kathleen	4/18
Afungchwi, Donald	4/11	Hargrove, Michael	4/17	Rainey, Easter	4/06
Arroyo, Teresa	4/16	Harlee, Justyn	4/16	Ralph, Teresa M.	4/05
Bailey, Adrienne	4/22	Holcombe, JoAnn	4/26	Richardson, Jannie	4/04
Ball, Hayes	4/20	Holman, Helen	4/29	Ricks, Tyrika E.	4/13
Bell, Theodoric	4/19	Holmes, Nikita	4/06	Roberts, Maya Circe	4/04
Bennett, Adlette	4/19	Hyman, Kendall	4/13	Ross, Daria	4/26
Booker, Doreen A.	4/11	Jackson, Abreyah	4/08	Rowe, Derrode T.	4/05
Brooks, Andrea	4/06	Jacobs, Miranda E.	4/02	Ryan, John J.	4/01
Brown, Naije	4/20	Johnson, Andrea	4/02	Sands, Sandra	4/10
Burley, Jacqueline	4/11	Johnson, Cory W.	4/03	Scott, Lowand	4/27
Burley, Rhonda	4/15	Johnson, Devon	4/18	Sharif, Soraya	4/10
Butler, Eva L.	4/07	Johnson, Marian	4/20	Simms, Margaret	4/23
Carter, Khalil	4/26	Jones, Jessica A.	4/02	Stanley, Kimberly B.	4/11
Carter, Lawanda	4/20	Joyner, Marilyn	4/28	Sterm, Omeka E.	4/10
Chambers, Herman	4/11	Joyner, Tonee R.	4/16	Stokes, Carl F.	4/30
Chase, Vanessa E.	4/08	Kane, Harold	4/28	Stokes, Cynthia	4/29
Church, Stephen B.	4/23	Kane, Matthew Irving	4/04	Sykes, Brenda	4/25
Clark, George	4/17	Kelly, Dionne L.	4/14	Taylor, Dondre	4/18
Coleman, John G.	4/22	Kerney, Angelique	4/07	Taylor, Rhyan Jayla	4/19
Cooper, Wayne N.	4/02	Kerney, Lisa	4/27	Taylor, Robert	4/14
Culmer, Kierra	4/30	Kerney, Monica	4/12	Taylor, Shaquoia	4/22
Curtis, Rose	4/07	Lane, Mildred	4/10	Terry, Brittany	4/17
Cutlette, Dennia	4/10	Langley, Anne H.	4/03	Thames, Raynard	4/16
Daughtry, Monique A.	4/07	Latham, Jordan D.	4/25	Thomas, Brian A.	4/16
Davis, Antonio	4/29	Lyons, Christopher	4/28	Uche, Hansitta	4/30
Davis, Monique D.	4/24	Mackall, Marcus A.	4/19	Washington, Caryn	4/15
DeGross, Demaris	4/12	Martin, Leonard Sr.	4/16	Whitley, Niya S.	4/21
Douglas, Chiranda	4/07	McCarter, Eboni	4/23	Williams, Brittany	4/29
Drake, Celestia A.	4/28	Mobley, Carissima M.	4/10	Williams, Morgan	4/16
Drayton, Brian	4/09	Moore, Kearyce, M.	4/02	Wilson, Michael T.	4/07
Duke, Nina	4/28	Nicholson, Gloria	4/07	Woods, Doris	4/17
Egbunine, Innocent	4/07	Nipper, Sharron Patricia	4/07	Woods, Larry	4/21
Egbunine, Sharon	4/28	O'Garro-Roles, Sherron	4/14		
English, Mary	4/03	Oglesby, Rickia	4/02		
Floyd, Deborah	4/26	Owens, Donna	4/20		
Forde, Andrea	4/24	Owens, III Robert	4/04		
Gaddy, Jr. Kirk E.	4/20	Pasley Jr., Christopher	4/11		
Gray, James H.	4/16	Patterson, Janice L.	4/13		
Gray, Sr. Reginald	4/12	Paul, Monica	4/17		
Grays, Sheryl E.	4/05	Perrin, Mary F.	4/03		
Green, Damaris	4/12	Powell, Danielle	4/15		
Haney, Seaton N.	4/16	Powell, Marsha	4/09		
Hare DeMello, Terrance	4/30	Price, Marvin	4/05		



**ST. FRANCIS XAIVER PARISHIONERS CELEBRATING WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL OUR SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS!**

James M. & Caroline Chambers	4/11	Floyd & Sara Hargrove-Johnson	2-Apr
Reginald & Dennyse Drummond	4/25	Clifton & Renae Pierce	15-Apr
Frederick & Beryl Graham	4/16	Charles & Doris Russell	25-Apr
Lozarus & Damaris Green	4/03	James & Lailta Wescott	9-Apr
Daniel & Natalie Hare	4/18		



**St. Francis Xavier Eucharistic Community
Yours Prayers Are Requested For The Sick Of The Parish**

April 2, 2017

Rhonda Acree	Mildred Lane
Theresa Baker	Hilda Langley
Avonda Barnes	Margaret Lewis
Lorraine Bell	Mildred Mattison
Dorothy Bennett	Florine Matthews
Nina Bonaparte	Julia Matthews
Alfred Brown Sr.	James McLinden,SSJ
Hattie Brown	Stephanie Washington-Merritt
Garland Burley	Shelia Hurtt-Moore
Harry Butler	Bernardette Morgan
Vanda Chambers	Yvonne Newby
Xavier Church	Mary Parker
Dorothy Coleman	Marlene Patterson
Lucretia Coates	Nadine Pulliam
Esther Davis	Doris Russell
John Davis	Frances Sears
Kimberly Davis	Helen Singleton
Thelma Fly	Antoinette Soares
Thomas Grays	Mabel Smirth
Rochelle Hagans	Vickie Smith
Frances Hance	Wanda Smith
Bertha Johnson	Andrew Tackett
Betty Johnson	Paul Thaniel
Cornelia Johnson	Ann Walker
Donald Johnson	Barbara Williams
Marian Quickley Johnson	Peggy Williams



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April 2017

Historic St. Francis Xavier Church

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Healthy habits for happy hearts

Human beings are creatures of habits – we love our comfortable routines. Healthy diet and exercise practices make our bodies strong. The same is true of spiritual habits. They can strengthen our souls. The key to living a happy life is to develop healthy habits of the heart.

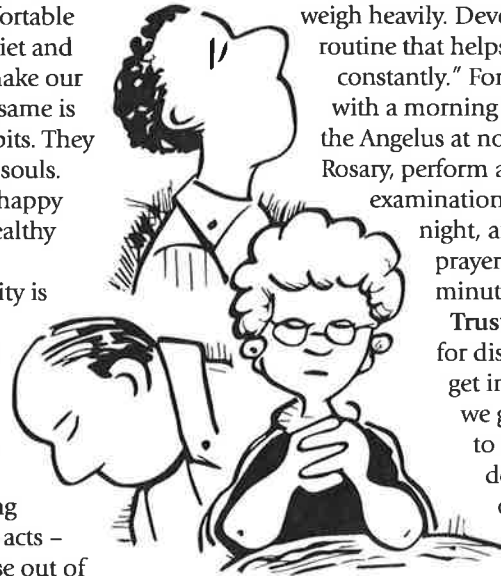
Humility. Humility is closely tied to gratitude and is the appropriate response to contemplating the greatness of God. Regularly meditating on God's immense acts – creating the universe out of nothing, sacrificing himself to save us – is a sure way to appreciate his love and generosity.

Prayer. Happy Catholics use prayer to connect to God and gain distance from

worldly preoccupations that can weigh heavily. Develop a prayer routine that helps you "pray constantly." For example, start with a morning offering, recite the Angelus at noon, pray a daily Rosary, perform a brief examination of conscience at night, and sit in silent prayer for at least 15 minutes.

Trust. No one asks for discomfort but we get into trouble when we go out of our way to avoid it. In so doing, we can put ourselves before God and others. Healthy

Catholics know that there is no avoiding suffering and it can even be meaningful. Trusting that God loves us dearly and will use our suffering for good makes the suffering easier to bear.



One Minute Meditations

St. Zita of Lucca

Born to poor, pious parents in

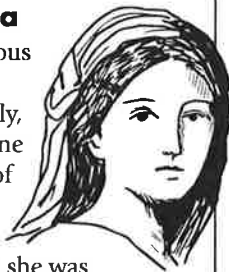
Monsagrati, Italy,

St. Zita became the servant of the wealthy

Fatinelli

family when she was

twelve. For her hard work, piety, and generosity, she was despised by her fellow servants and overburdened by her employers. Eventually, her love and humility won over her enemies, and she was given charge of all household affairs. Famous for helping the sick, the poor, and the imprisoned, she is the patroness of domestic workers.



Heart to heart

There is nothing wrong with "pestering" God (Matthew 7:7), but think: if this was all we did with our loved ones, what quality of relationship would that be? Instead, God seeks a personal relationship with each of us—to converse with us heart-to-heart. Of course, tell him what's on your heart, but don't forget to listen to him, too.

"Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you"
(James 4:8).



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics believe in the "Real Presence"?

We believe that Jesus is really, truly, and substantially present in the Eucharist because we have it on divine authority. Referring to the Eucharist, Jesus told his disciples, "whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life" (John 6:54). Jesus makes this



promise to us every time we receive the Eucharist at Mass. When the priest, acting in the person of Christ, consecrates the bread and wine, Jesus becomes really and truly present, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

Take an antidote for a deadly sin

Some sins are considered especially deadly because they lead to other sins. Fortunately, the “Capital” or “Deadly” sins such as envy, pride and lust have antidotes. For example,

Envy is wanting what someone else has. Heavy doses of gratitude will help. Our peace is restored when we remember that all good gifts come from God and are glad for others’ good fortune and grateful for our own.

Pride is seeking attention and honor that belong to God. Pride makes us focused on ourselves,



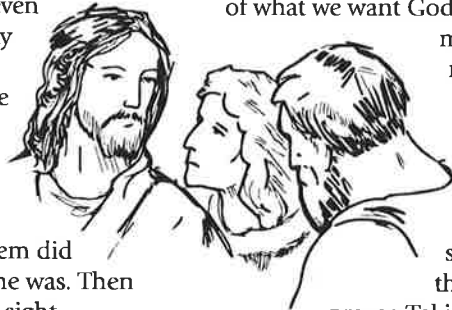
concerned about how we appear to others. Humility is a counter. Purposely draw attention to others, rather than yourself. Praise and thank God daily for your gifts.

Lust is focusing on sexual self-gratification rather than glorifying God. Sexuality is a gift from God and not inherently impure. Lust, however, is misuse of that gift, straying from God’s intentions for us. Love, willing the good of the other, is at the heart of what it means to be human. Love for God and each other is the antidote.

from Scripture

Luke 24:13-35, Jesus hides in plain sight

Jesus was so close to Cleopas and his companion on the road to Emmaus, he could have tripped them. Yet neither man recognized him. Jesus even gave clues to his identity that he quoted from Scripture. The men were too caught up in the pain and disappointment of the crucifixion. Only when he broke bread with them did they see Jesus for who he was. Then he was gone from their sight.



Both Cleopas and his friend had formed such clear ideas of what they wanted Jesus to be that they failed to see him for who he was. They expected a

warrior king and almost missed the universal savior. Aren’t we like that, too? Don’t we have such expectations of what we want God to be that we miss who he really is?

Christ’s presence in our lives isn’t revealed so much by the song of angels as the whisper of a

prayer. Taking the time to be alone with God, to read Scripture, and seek him in the people around us will help us uncover Christ’s presence everywhere.

Q & A Why are there religious orders?

Historically, religious orders were founded in response to a need within the Church. Each order receives a special



grace from the Holy Spirit, called a charism, which helps to build up the Church. For example, the charism of the Sisters of Life is to protect human life in all its stages.

There are two “kinds” of religious orders: contemplative and active. Members of contemplative orders live apart from the world in closed-off communities. They devote themselves entirely to prayer. Members of the active orders do their work in the world, though there is often a contemplative element to their life as well.

Religious life is “a permanent state of life recognized by the Church, entered freely in response to the call of Christ to perfection...characterized by the profession of...[vows]” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*). All religious orders have the mission to spread the Gospel by how they live. They vow to live in poverty, chastity, and obedience so they can dedicate their lives, hearts, and minds completely to God’s service.

Feasts & Celebrations

April 1 – St. Hugh of Grenoble (1132). St. Hugh was the bishop of Grenoble, France, and as bishop, he worked hard to reform his diocese of corruption. St. Hugh was also the friend and patron of St. Bruno, giving him the land where the Grand Chartreuse was built. With his help, St. Bruno founded the Carthusian order.

April 9 – Palm Sunday. The Sunday before Easter is called Palm Sunday and recalls Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem, when he was greeted by crowds waving palms and cheering,

“Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest” (Matthew 21:9). It marks the beginning of Holy Week.

April 24 – St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen (1622). In his native Prussia, St. Fidelis became a lawyer and championed the poor and oppressed. He joined the Franciscans. During the Protestant Reformation, St. Fidelis worked hard to bring people back to the Catholic faith. He was martyred by an angry mob.



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Faith Builders of St. Francis Xavier Church

Fish and Chicken Dinner

All Dinners \$13

Date: Friday, March 31, 2017

Time: Noon to 6:00 p.m.

Place: 1501 E. Oliver Street
(St. Francis Xavier Undercroft)

MENU

Fish or Chicken
Collard Greens
or
String Beans
Potato Salad
or
Macaroni & Cheese
Bread
Can Soda



VARIOUS DESSERTS SOLD
SEPARATELY

For tickets contact any Faith Builders Member
Lillian Smith 443 562-1929 (c) or 410 488-5784 (h)
Michael Allen, Donna Booth, Theodora Butler, Theresa Butler, Sandra Davis,
Celestia Drake, Dennyse Drummond, Cecelia Hargrove, Polly Hargrove,
Jackie Hart, Gwen Williams or Patricia Williams



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March 25, 2017

St. Francis will be hosting a BUNNY HOP –Easter Egg Hunt & Easter Basket Raffle immediately following the 11:00am mass on Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017.

Keeping with the tradition started by Mrs. Barbara Williams, we are requesting a donation of either candy or a monetary contribution for Easter Sunday. Your donation will support a fun filled Easter Sunday for our children. In addition to providing a bag of treats, our children will have an egg hunt, games, face painting, and a special visitor – you should not forget your cameras. Committee members will be available following each mass to collect your donations.

Additionally, an Easter Basket will be raffled with the following:

A bottle of wine, 2 wine glasses and cork, Ode school box candies, 2 packets of String cheese, Beef jerky, Pepperoni, Crackers, DVD, 2 Movie tickets, and popcorn.

Tickets Cost- \$3.00 for 1 Ticket or 2 Tickets for \$5.00.

All proceeds will help in support of Children's Day Programming scheduled for June of 2017!

For more information, please feel free to contact Wy Chambers 410-961-6198 or Irma Bevan 443-564-1403.