



# 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**

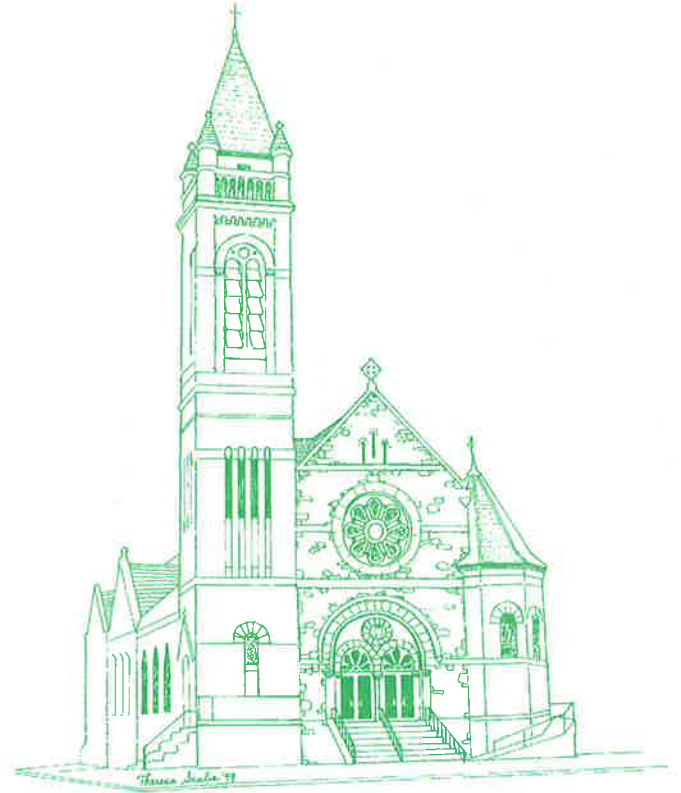
*Please notify the rectory before making  
arrangements with funeral homes.*

*Rev. Xavier Edet, S.S.J.,  
Pastor*

### **Religious Education**

*Joslyn Alexander, Director*

**SVD-SFX Head Start Center (410) 685-7288**



## 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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**Who is the greatest in God's kingdom?"**

**Scripture:** *Mark 9:30-37*

30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise." 32 But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to ask him. 33 And they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" 34 But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest. 35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." 36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them, 37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

**Meditation:** Whose glory do you seek? There can be no share in God's glory without the cross. When Jesus prophesied his own betrayal and crucifixion, it did not make any sense to his disciples because it did not fit their understanding of what the Messiah came to do. And they were afraid to ask further questions! Like a person who might receive a bad verdict from the doctor and then refuse to ask further questions, they, too, didn't want to know any more. How often do we reject what we do not wish to see? We have heard the good news of God's word and we know the consequences of accepting it or rejecting it. But do we give it our full allegiance and mold our lives according to it? Ask the Lord to fill you with his Holy Spirit and to inspire within you a reverence for his word and a readiness to obey it.

**Stewardship Reflections**

*"Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure--pressed down, shaken together, and running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return."*

**Mass Intentions**



**Saturday**

5:00 P.M. For the souls of Frank and Dorothy Rutkowski req. by John Rutkowski

**Sunday**

8:00 A.M. People of the Parish

11:00 A.M. The souls of Edmund and Marian Martin, req. by Jeff Martin

**Tuesday**

8:00 A.M. God's healing mercy for Marilyn Joyner, req. by Shanell and family

**Wednesday**

10:00 A.M. Continued good health for John Rutkowski, req. by Jeff Martin

**Thursday**

8:00 A.M. For the souls of Frank and Dorothy Rutkowski, req. by John Rutkowski

**Friday**

8:00 A.M. For the souls of Edmund and Marian Martin, req. by John and Jeff



**Today's Readings**

**First Reading:** Numbers 11:25-29 (137B)

**Second Reading:** James 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Next Week's Readings**

**First Reading:** Genesis 2:18-24 (140B)

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 2:9-11

**Gospel:** Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

## 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
Monday	October 1, 2018	Luke 9: 46-50
Tuesday	October 2, 2018	Matthew 18: 1-5, 10 or Luke 9: 51-56
Wednesday	October 3, 2018	Luke 4:16-30
Thursday	October 4, 2018	Luke 10:1-2
Friday	October 5, 2018	Luke 10: 13-16
Saturday	October 6, 2018	Luke 10: 17:24

### Pastorate Day of Prayer

*Pastorate Day of Prayer will be held on Saturday October 6, 2018 from 9:30-2:30, hosted by St. Ann*

### August Financials

Income: \$27,899.00

Expenses: \$ 41,838.83

Deficit: \$ 12,364.83

### Explanation:

*The month of August was a difficult month as far as finances. Parishioners with vacations and the cost of preparing children for school resulted in decreased income. In addition, there was a \$6,000.00 labor cost for the air conditioning system. Then there are the monthly operating costs, which includes: salaries, church supplies, candles, books, etc.*

## SPECIAL NOTICES

### Daily Mass Schedule Changes

*Please take note of changes to Mass schedules as it affects our Pastorate, St. Francis Xavier, St. Ann, and St. Wenceslaus. Effective September 2, 2018.*

### Sunday Masses

*5:00 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier (Saturday)*

*8:00 a.m. at St Francis Xavier*

*9:00 a.m. at St. Wenceslaus*

*11:00 a.m. at St. Ann*

*11:00 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier*

### Daily Masses

*Tuesday -8:00 a.m. @ St. Wenceslaus*

*Wednesday -10:00 a.m. @ St. Francis Xavier*

*Thursday -7:00 p.m. @St. Ann*

*Friday -8:00 a.m. @ St. Francis Xavier*

### For now, until further notice!

*Any Holy Day of obligation: one Mass at St Francis Xavier @ 10:00 a.m., information will be published in the bulletin.*

### September Circle Club Winners

*President: Stacy Brown - # 123- \$500.00*

*V. President- Rhona Pack # 69- \$100.00*

*Secretary- Theodora Butler # 114- \$100.00*

*Treasurer- Augusta Pierce # 67- \$100.00*

*1<sup>st</sup> Bonus- Irene Tackett # 129- \$ 50.00*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Bonus – Earnest Thames # 26- \$ 25.00*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Bonus - Mary English # 6- \$ 25.00*

*We would like to change the bonus amounts, for the bonuses, but we can't do it unless everybody turns in their card and money, and we get a few new members. There are extra numbers available if you are interested.*

# Special Notices

## Religious Education

### Young Adult Bible Study

*Time: Sunday 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.*

*Place: School Building beginning  
September 23, 2018.*

*Confirmation is just the beginning it is the start of life as a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church, the body of Christ.*

*Come join fellow St. Francis Xavier teen and young adult parishioner to read and discuss the word together. This will be an opportunity after Confirmation that continues into high school and beyond for youth to continue to grow in their relationship with the parish community and with Christ.*

*All are welcome.*

*Attention: Parents or guardians of children preparing for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.*

*We extend warm greetings at the beginning of our Faith Formation classes. I hope that we can work closely throughout the days ahead to help you nurture your child's faith.*

# Special Notices

## Religious Education Continued

*The first year of class participation is considered Level I Sacramental prep. The second consecutive year of class participation involves more detailed sacramental preparation: this is referred to as Level II SACRAMENTAL Prep. Parents or guardians of children preparing for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and confirmation) will be required to attend 4 catechetical sessions in preparation of the sacrament.*

*Dr. Kirk Gaddy will hold classes on Mondays from 7-8 p.m. on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and October 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*Sessions will also be held from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.: October 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Monday and Saturday classes will cover the same content.*

*Additional classes will be offered during Lent in the Spring. As we continue to share the responsibility of your child's Faith formation, let us pray that with our efforts we will achieve our goal.*

## SPECIAL NOTICE!

*Please Keep in Your Prayers  
All sick and shut- in SFX Parishioners*



*It's the giving time of the year and we would like to help a child have a good Christmas. As always, the children associated with the Angel Project are a part of our immediate church community. To apply, please fill out the forms located in your bulletin or you can find them in the back of the room. Please contact Suzonne Vickers by email at [svickers21@yahoo.com](mailto:svickers21@yahoo.com) with the requested information. One form per child. Children should be in high school or younger. All forms are due back no later than October 21, 2018. Please make sure the forms are filled out entirely for them to receive a gift.*

*Thanks:*

*Angel Project Team*

*Janet Wiggins*

*Renee Terry*

*Kim Grays*

*Suzonne Vickers*

*Mary Wattie*

*Joyce Logan*



*Scholarship recipients are as follows:  
Elementary and Middle School (\$500.00)*

*Kooper Massey*

*Tristan Coates*

*MaKayla Camille Morris*

*Jaliya J. Johnson*

*Khalil Quickly*

*High School (\$1000.00)*

*Trinity Bomar*

*Morgan Smith*

*College (\$1500.00)*

*James Price Jr.*

## 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 Parish office, 410-727-3103. Please also remember to contact the office 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.*

Please Submit Payment and requests to SFX Parish Office. WE would like to get a Table of 10. The ofc. has Tickets

**ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART  
(THE JOSEPHITES)  
125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WEEKEND  
NOVEMBER 16-18, 2018**

*(If It Had Not Been For The Lord On Our Side, Where Would We Be, Where Would We Be!)*  
*Psalm 124*

**BANQUET TICKETS**

I would like to purchase Banquet Tickets @ \$125.00 each  
for The Josephites 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
scheduled for November 17, 2018 beginning at 7:30 p.m.



Number of Tickets  
Requested:

\_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Money  
Enclosed:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY-STATE-  
ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT E-  
MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete and send this form with payment by check/money order to:  
The Josephites 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
1097-C W. Lake Avenue  
Baltimore, Maryland 21210

If you have any questions, please call by phone (410-727-3386) or e-mail (josephite1@aol.com).

**COME JOIN THE  
ST. BERNARDINE'S CHURCH FAMILY**

 for our "Outdoor"  
**Revival**



***Proudly Serving the Community for 90 years.....***  
*Sponsored by March Funeral Homes & Life Tribute Centers*

**Saturday, October 13, 2018**

**2:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

**Mt. Holly St. and Edmondson Ave**

Next to the church on the outdoor stage by Harcum Hall  
*(In case of inclement weather, the revival will be held in the Church)*

**Revivalist: Fr. Anthony M. Bozeman, S.S.J.**  
from

**St. Raymond & St. Leo the Great Parish  
(New Orleans, LA)**

**COME BE RENEWED, REVIVED, REUNITED AND REFRESHED IN THE LORD WITH US!**

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Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Bozzelli, Pastor      Wardell "Paul" Barksdale, Deacon