

Second Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2025



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OUR MISSION AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER IS TO PROMOTE SPIRITUAL GROWTH, RELIGIOUS FORMATION, FELLOWSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP WITHIN OUR PARISH. WE SHALL GIVE WITNESS TO CHRIST BY MINISTERING AND LIVING THE WORD OF GOD.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Schedules of Masses/Liturgy

Tuesday through Friday	4:30 p.m. Adoration Confession 5:00 p.m. Vespers 5:30 p.m. Mass
Saturday	4:00 p.m. Adoration Confession 4:30 p.m. Holy Rosary 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass
Sunday	10:00 a.m. Holy Rosary 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass

Office Hours

Monday	9:00 a.m. - Noon
Tuesday - Friday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Religious Ed Office Hours

Tuesday and Friday	9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Call or text: 719-501-2771 If you leave a message or text, you will get a response during their office hours.	

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Peter John Abogado, SSS	Parish Admin.
Cathy Walkup	Secretary
Juan Casaus and Candy Madrill	Rel. Formation CRE
Gypsy Clearo	Music Director
Parish Volunteers	Maintenance

In case of an Emergency, call: **Jim Vigil** 719-369-7658

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY:	8:00 a.m. (Fr. Stephen Olamolu)
FIRST FRIDAY MASS:	8:30 a.m. followed by Adoration
CONFESSION:	during Adoration (Fr. Peter J. Abogado, SSS)

ST. ALOYSIUS

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY:	8:30 a.m.
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CONFESSION

BEFORE SUNDAY MASS:	8:15 a.m.
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FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

MASS:	8:30 a.m.
ADORATION:	9:00 a.m.



**John the Baptist
appeared, preaching
in the desert of
Judea and saying,
"Repent, for the
kingdom of heaven
is at hand!"**
Matthew 3:1-2

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MASS INTENTIONS For 12/06/25 through 12/12/25

SATURDAY - December 6th - 5:00 p.m.

- +FRED and CONNIE VIGIL** by Arlene & Bernadette
- +EDDIE and MARY VIGIL** by Nancy, Rena, Jim Vigil & family
- +JOHN A. and IRENE A. VIGIL** by Michael, Dennis, Nicole & family

SUNDAY - December 7th

OUR LADY OF LOURDES - 8:00 a.m.

- +JEAN FREDRICK** by Regina Fortune

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER - 10:30 a.m.

- +PETRA McCULLEY** by the McCulley Family
- +VICKI MARTINEZ** by Richard & Rose Martinez & family

MONDAY - December 8th - 5:30 p.m.

**Mass of the Immaculate Conception
No Mass Intentions**

TUESDAY - December 9th - 5:30 p.m.

No Mass Intentions

WEDNESDAY - December 10th - 5:30 p.m.

No Mass Intentions

THURSDAY - December 11th - 5:30 p.m.

For Parish Intentions & the People of St. Francis Xavier

FRIDAY - December 12th - 5:30 p.m.

- +MAGDALENA MARTINEZ** by Richard & Rose Martinez
- +ODELIA TRUJILLO** by Rose Martinez & family

2nd Sunday of Advent

Candle Name: **Bethlehem Candle**
1st Week of Advent Represents: **Peace & Preparation**
Candle Color: **Purple**



"During this second week of Advent, we reflect on our lives and focus on becoming better-versions-of-ourselves in **preparation** for Jesus' coming. We remember the journey Joseph and Mary took from Nazareth to Bethlehem. What has your journey toward Christmas been like so far?" -Dynamic Catholic Website

Lord Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace, come into our world and still the storms of our hearts. As we light the second candle of Advent, grant us the peace that only You can give. Make us instruments of Your peace in our homes, our communities, and our world. May Your peace reign in our hearts always. Amen.

Readings and Feast Days for 12/07/25 through 12/13/25

7 SUN SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT violet Is 11:1-10/
Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

8 Mon THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE white
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Patronal Feastday of the United
States of America) Solemnity [Holyday of Obligation] Gn 3:9-
15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

9 Tue Advent Weekday violet/white [Saint Juan Diego
Cuahtlatotzin] Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

10 Wed Advent Weekday violet/white [Our Lady of Loreto]
Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

11 Thu Advent Weekday violet/white [Saint Damasus I, Pope]
Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15

12 Fri USA: Our Lady of Guadalupe white Feast Zec 2:14-17
or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47 (690A),
or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary

13 Sat Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr red Memorial Sir 48:1-
4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND (DECEMBER 13TH AND 14TH) FOR THE RETIRED RELIGIOUS

"The generosity of U.S. Catholics continues to make a profound difference in the lives of aging religious," said John Knutsen, NRRO director. "This year, we invite all Catholics to help provide the care and dignity these women and men of faith so richly deserve."

Rising health-care costs and the absence of traditional retirement plans have placed significant financial strain on many religious communities. The Retirement Fund for Religious helps address this need, supporting more than 21,000 religious over the age of 70.

December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"From all eternity God chose with infinite wisdom the woman who would be the Mother of His divine Son. To prepare for the Word Incarnate a spotless and holy tabernacle, God created Mary in grace and endowed her from the moment of her conception with all the perfections suited to her exalted dignity. — *Liturgical Meditations*, The Sisters of St. Dominic

The Pope's Monthly Intentions For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

If you have not registered with our Parish or need to update any of your information, please pick up a Registration Form from Jim Vigil at the back of the Church.

St. Francis Xavier and Our Lady of Lourdes

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St. Francis Xavier
December 7th, 2025
Our Giving to God

Offertory Collection \$ 1,472.00
Thanksgiving Collection \$ 618.50

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MINISTERS December 13th and 14th, 2025

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
<u>SATURDAY - 5:00 p.m.</u> Pat Muniz	Conrad Lucero Lawrence DeHerrera	Paul Montez
<u>SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.</u> Jamie Vigil	Pearl Casaus Maria Maes	Margaret Siegrist

Our Lady of Lourdes
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Our Giving to God

Offertory Collection \$ 1,290.00

Announcements

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is tomorrow, Monday, December 8th. Father Peter will celebrate Mass at 11:00 at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Please bring gently used coats and other warm clothing to the church for those in need. The items will be taken to Los Pobres the week of December 14th.

We will be delivering small (unwrapped) toys for a child for Christmas. Those toys will be distributed by Los Pobres.

WEEKLY OFFERING/DONATION

Make your weekly offering or donation by scanning this QR Code.



ONLINE MOBILE APPLICATION

Sign up for the online/mobile app by scanning this QR Code located on the

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation):** December 8th, Mass at 5:30 p.m.
- No Religious Education Classes:** Dec. 21st and 28th there will be no Youth or Adult Classes on Sunday. Also, no Sacrament Classes will be held on the Dec. 26th nor January 2nd.
- Christmas Eve Mass:** 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Day Mass (Holy Day of Obligation): 10:30 a.m.
- New Year's Eve Mass:** 7:00 p.m.
New Year's Day Mass: 10:30 a.m.

"Am I not here who am your Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection?"
Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego in 1531

PARISH INFORMATION

Legion of Mary Meets every Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in the classroom

Divine Mercy Meets every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in the classroom

Finance Committee Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council Meets every 4th Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Hall Rental Call Jamie Vigil 719-250-6630

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MINISTERS

December 14, 2025

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Kathy Serena	Star Reynolds Wayne Huber	Jean Schloss Julie Lord

Altar Server

Steve McLaughlin

Donations Requested



We are asking, if you are able, to please donate any amount of money to purchase Poinsettias for our church. You can put it in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Poinsettias" or you can bring to the Parish Office. Thank you.

ADVENT PENCE SERVICE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12TH @ 4:00 PM

The powerful voice of John the Baptist, crying out in the wilderness and His message, "Prepare the way of the Lord," is as urgent today as it was 2,000 years ago. John invites us to repentance-not as a punishment, but as a freeing act. When we clear away our sins, resentments, and old habits, we make room for grace. This is a wonderful week to seek the Sacrament of Reconciliation and experience the healing mercy of God.

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GUADALUPE THE MIRACLE AND THE MESSAGE

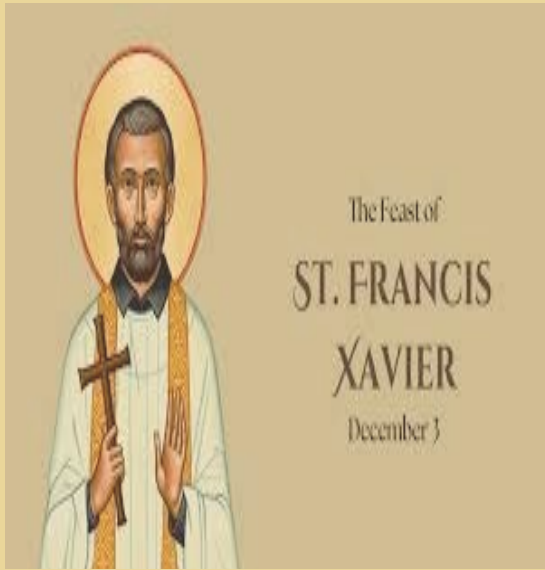
Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message

Enjoy this film narrated by Jim Caviezel that walks us through our Mother's miraculous appearance to Juan Diego, an encounter that has influenced the conversion of millions of people.

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Saint Francis Xavier: A Heart on Fire for Christ



Last December 3rd, we joyfully and proudly celebrated the feast of our patron saint, Saint Francis Xavier—a missionary whose life still inspires us today. His story is not just a tale of distant lands and heroic journeys; it's a strong reminder of what God can accomplish through a heart completely surrendered to His mission.

Francis Xavier was born on April 7, 1506, in the castle of Xavier in Spain. He grew up in a noble family and received an excellent education, eventually traveling to Paris to study at the prestigious University of Paris. It was there that God placed in his life a most influential friend—St Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. At first, Francis had ambitions of success and honor in the academic world. His dreams were filled with accomplishments, titles, and recognition.

But Ignatius saw in Francis something deeper, something waiting to be awakened. He often repeated to him the words of Jesus: “What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his soul?” Those words slowly worked their way into Francis’s heart. Eventually, he surrendered his ambitions to God and embraced the calling to serve Christ fully. He became one of the first members of the Society of Jesus, the Jesuits—men completely committed to evangelization and service to the Church.

What followed was one of the greatest missionary journeys in Christian history. In 1541, Francis was sent to Asia. He traveled thousands of miles—from India, to Sri Lanka, to Malaysia, to the islands of Indonesia, and even reaching Japan. Everywhere he went, Francis proclaimed Jesus Christ with passion and joy. He learned new languages, adapted to foreign cultures, and lived among the poorest people. He baptized tens of thousands and established Christian communities where the faith had never before been known.

What made Francis such an extraordinary missionary was not just his travels—it was his love. He deeply cared for the people he served. He wrote letters begging for more missionaries because his heart was overwhelmed: “Many people here are not becoming Christians for one reason: there is nobody to make them Christians.” This burning desire to bring souls to Christ consumed his entire life.

Francis dreamed of reaching China, believing that evangelizing its leaders would open the door to millions more souls. But before he could enter the mainland, he fell ill and died on December 3, 1552, at the age of 46, on a small island off the coast of China, still longing to proclaim Jesus to the ends of the earth.

Today, St. Francis Xavier is honored as one of the greatest missionaries of all time, second only to St. Paul. He is also the patron of missionaries and, most importantly for us, our patron saint—a companion, intercessor, and model of faith. His life invites us to reflect: Do we still have a missionary heart? Do we share our faith with enthusiasm? Are we willing to step out of our comfort zones so others may experience the love of Christ?

We may not travel across oceans or learn new languages as Francis did. But we are called to be missionaries right where we are—in our homes, our workplaces, our communities, and especially in our parish. By showing kindness, offering forgiveness, serving the poor, and speaking about God’s love, we continue the mission that Francis Xavier began.

As we celebrate his feast, let us ask St. Francis Xavier to pray for us—that our hearts may burn with the same zeal that fueled his journey. May we be courageous in faith, generous in service, and joyful in proclaiming Jesus Christ to the world.

St. Francis Xavier, pray for us!