St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 14, 2018

Newtowne Mission from 1640 ♦ First Chapel Built 1662
Current Church Built 1731

OLDEST CATHOLIC CHURCH
IN ORIGINAL THIRTEEN COLONIES

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!
Registration forms are in the church vestibule
and on our parish website

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday 4pm (Anticipated), Sunday 8am and 11am

DAILY MASSES
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8am

HOLY DAY MASSES
As announced in the bulletin

CONFESSIONS
Saturdays after the 4pm Mass, Sundays 7:30-7:50am
& 10:30-10:50am, and by appointment

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
Following the 8am Mass until 5pm

BAPTISMS: By appointment with Father

MARRIAGES: Make arrangements with your Pastor
at least six months in advance; call the Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
Email Paula McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com

BULLETIN ITEMS
Deadline is Friday, one week before Sunday date
Send items to sfx1640bulletin@gmail.com
**What do you . . . BELIEVE?**

Listen to parishioner, Peter LaPorte, as he explores the history and significance of the Apostles’ and Nicene Creed:
- What does it mean to say, “I believe”?
- Is belief different than faith?

This is the first in a three-part series. Peter completed his graduate certificate in Theology from St. Leo's University in 2017.

St. Francis Xavier Church
9:00 – 10:00am
Sunday, October 14, 2018

**MANOR HOUSE UPDATE**

Great News! The Newtowne Manor House is the recipient of the generous donation of $16,978.88 from the St. Mary’s County Garden Club. This donation is from the proceeds of the 2018 Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage held in May and an additional donation from the St. Mary’s County Garden Club in honor of the 80th Anniversary of the Garden Club in the county. The Newtown Manor House was selected as the Garden Club’s special project.

We are honored to have been chosen as their special project and appreciate all the hard work by the Garden Club members to organize, plan and execute such an event. A special thanks to all the parishioners who helped out to make it such a success.

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

“What you are is God’s gift to you. What you become is your gift to God.”

— Fr. Han Urs von Balthasar
(1905-1968)
Camp Maria Retreat:
This week, our parish school will come together as a community to attend a special retreat at Camp Maria Retreat Center in Leonardtown. Students will participate in a variety of activities that will help them grow closer to God and each other. Please pray for them as they continue to be stewards and deepen their relationship with the Lord.

Pray the Rosary for Healing
Join the Washington Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women in a nightly Rosary Telephone Call, 8pm EST Mon-Sat for the healing of all hurt by individuals within the Church. Now through Sep 4, 2019. Call 605-468-8016 and insert code 357090#.

Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections
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EMHC & Lector Workshops
The Archdiocese of Washington is holding workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) and Lectors. The EMHC workshop will instruct the faithful on how to serve effectively as an EMHC at Mass as well as when taking Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins. Lectors will be instructed on how to be effective proclaimers of the Word.

A $5 registration fee is payable at the door. RSVP by emailing liturgy@adw.org; please let Fr. Rob know if you are planning to attend.

Workshops held at St. Peter, Waldorf:
Workshop for EMHC: Sat, Oct 27, 9am-12pm
Workshop for Lectors: Sat, Oct 27, 1-4pm

Papa John’s 40% Off Coupon:
On behalf of Father Andrew White’s Destination Imagination teams, we would like to offer you a promo code to use to receive 40% off your Papa John’s order at the Leonardtown, Hollywood, and Charlotte Hall locations. Offer good until Jun 30, 2019! Papa John’s will donate 10% back to FAW Destination Imagination teams. Order online at papajohns.com and use promo code: FAWDI.

Altar Server Family Barbecue
Fr. Rob invites all altar servers and their families to a barbecue hosted by the Knights of Columbus on Sun, Nov 4 immediately following the 11am Mass. The barbecue is in appreciation for your service and will take place outdoors on the parish grounds. RSVP to Fr. Rob with the total number attending by Fri, Oct 19, at sfxparishmd@gmail.com.
The Good News About Sex, Openness to Life, & Marriage

Humanae Vitae: 50 Years Later

Join us for an engaging Panel Discussion with:
• KC & Ed Schnitker
• Kelly & Wayne Van Ryswick
• Fr. Carter Griffin
• Fr. Larry Swink

Food & refreshments will be served. All are welcome to attend, though not for young children.

St. Francis Xavier Church – Parish Hall
Compton, Maryland
Thursday, October 25, 2018 @ 7:00–8:30pm

Bereavement Support Group — A parish grief support group for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one in the recent past. Our next meeting is Sun, Oct 28, 9:15-10:15am, in the Rectory. Remaining dates are the following Sundays: Nov 18, Dec 9, Jan 27. Please feel free to join at any time. Questions? Call or email Fr. Rob, at the Rectory.

Newtowne Manor House Restoration

Donations to:
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Dear Parish Family,

A few times a year I serve on the Priest Domestic Violence Advisory Committee for the Archdiocese. We meet with Fr. John Enzler, President and CEO of Catholic Charities, to help families that are suffering from abuse in all its forms. As I have learned more about this issue, I realize how important it is that we talk about this in our parishes. Domestic violence refers to a pattern of violent and coercive behavior by one adult over another in an intimate relationship. It can consist of repeated severe beatings or subtle forms of abuse, including threats and control. It can include isolation. Isolation makes it hard for the person being abused to see friends/family; their mail is read, phone calls and texts are monitored, car keys are taken away, etc. If you or you someone you know is in a similar situation, please feel free to talk with me at any time.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The FBI says that every 15 seconds a woman in this country is abused and beaten. That 1 out of 3 or 4 women, either 25-30%, is battered in her lifetime in this country. Parish outreach can help build a community where this kind of violence is no longer acceptable. Towards this effort, Catholics for Family Peace (based at Catholic University) invites you to join them in a moment of prayer at 3 pm, wherever you are, for those suffering from violence and abuse and those who use violence to control others. We pray for them and for all who work to end domestic violence. Would you set an alarm to join them each day to pray at 3 pm? Learn more at www.catholicsforfamilypeace.org.

Peace and blessings,
Fr. Rob