St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 28, 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
THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28
30th IN ORDINARY TIME
*Being at One with the Creed
Second of three sessions on the Creed:
9-10am, Church
*Bereavement Support Group:
9:15-10:15am, Rectory

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1
SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
MASS AT 8AM & 7PM
*No Book Club or RCIA

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2
ALL SOULS’ DAY—Mass at 8am only
*First Friday Adoration 8:30am-5pm
Vespers & Benediction 4:30pm

LOOKING AHEAD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4
31ST IN ORDINARY TIME
*Collection for Retired Priests of the
Archdiocese
*Monthly Snack Packs for Kids collection

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11
*Collection for FAW School
*The Nicene Creed at Mass and in our lives
Third of three sessions on the Creed:
9-10am, Church

OUR ADULT CHOIR IS WARMING UP FOR CHRISTMAS!
Add your voice to the music!
Choir practice is Wed evenings, 7-8pm, in the church. All voice parts are welcome. Email
Richard Edwards, redwards93@verizon.net or Lynn Delahay, ldelahay@hotmail.com.

ALTAR SERVER FAMILY BARBECUE
Sun, Nov 4 immediately following
the 11am Mass. RSVP to Fr. Rob
with the total number attending, at
sfxparishmd@gmail.com.

“We are all called to be great saints; don’t miss the opportunity!”
— Mother Angelica
(1923-2016)
November 2
First Friday Adoration
8:30am-5pm
Please join us for Vespers at 4:30pm
Followed by Benediction
Revive your spirit. Refresh your soul. Spend 30 minutes with Our Lord.

Retired Priests Collection—Nov 3 & 4
Honoring Their Lifetime of Service
Continuing Christ’s mission, archdiocesan priests have selflessly served the faithful and the community, sometimes for forty years or more. Let’s join together to help provide financial care for our retired priests so they can live in dignity. Please use the envelopes that have been mailed to you from the Archdiocese, or use the special collection envelope in church next weekend. You can also donate using your smart phone, by texting “Priest” to 301-231-1816. A link will be sent back to you to complete your generous gift for this important collection. Be assured that 100% of your donation goes directly to help provide housing, medical care, and other necessities to our retired priests.

Mark Your Calendar
☑ Sunday, Dec 2, 7pm
SFX Church hall
Guest Speaker Dr. Adam Rothman, Georgetown University professor, will deliver a talk “From Newtown to Georgetown: Connections and Legacies”. More details to follow.
☑ Sat, Apr 6, 2019, Third Annual Walk in the Park. Details later.

WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD
Here at St. Francis Xavier, Mass on All Souls Day is offered for all those whose names are submitted to us on the special All Souls envelopes included with your October monthly envelope packet. Extra envelopes are available in the church vestibule.

During the month of November these envelopes will be placed on the altar as a reminder and remembrance of our dearly departed loved ones.

Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections
Honoring our Saints:
Our parish school will be sponsoring a special All Saints’ Day Mass at St. Aloysius Church this Thu, Nov 1 at 9am. Join us!
The third grade class will host this Mass as they become greeters, lectors, and cantors.

Immediately following the Mass (around 10am), please come to the Father Andrew White School Gym to attend our Saints Wax Museum. Third graders will be dressed as saints and will share interesting facts about the saints they represent. We look forward to celebrating All Saints’ Day with you!

Congratulations Confirmandi!
Congratulations to the 31 students who were confirmed last Thursday night by Bishop Dorsonville! May the Holy Spirit continue to strengthen them to live as disciples of Jesus Christ. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Your love!
“ON AN EMPTY STOMACH, YOU CAN’T LEARN ANYTHING”
Snack Packs for Kids at Benjamin Banneker Elementary School (BBES)

Did you know that one-third of St. Mary’s public school children live in food-insecure households? While these children may get lunch at school, they go home on the weekend with the real fear of hunger.

St. Francis Xavier parish is partnering with the St. Mary’s Interfaith Council to provide healthy, kid-friendly, easy to prepare snack foods to keep children from going hungry. **Using the approved shopping list, pick up snacks when you’re at the grocery store.** Then drop off your donation in the back of church the first weekend of each month. Volunteers will pack the snacks into bags, and on Fridays the BBES school counselors will inconspicuously put the packs into student backpacks to take home. **To learn more or to help with this new parish ministry,** email Wendy Schaller, at schaller@md.metrocast.net

**SNACKPACK SHOPPING LIST**
- These items have been carefully selected to be healthy and easy for children to prepare at home: thank you for not making substitutions
- Applesauce snack Ccups
- Cans of pasta with meat
- Cracker packs
- Easy Mac N Cheese
- Granola bars
- Fruit cups in juice packs
- Fruit Snacks-100% fruit
- Instant lunch bowls
- Instant oatmeal
- Juice boxes-100%fruit
- Ramen noodles
- Rice Krispies treats
- Shelf-safe milk boxes
  - single-serving size
- Small boxes of cereal

**Domestic violence can happen to anyone.**
If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship, or if you have questions about abuse, help is here. Call 1-800-799-SAFE (7233), or go online to thehotline.org. Teens/YAs text “loveis” to 22522.

**PAPA JOHN’S 40% OFF COUPON:**
Support FAW School’s Destination Imagination teams and receive 40% off your Papa John’s order at the Leonardtown, Hollywood, and Charlotte Hall locations. Offer is 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.

**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#.

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**Memo line:** Manor House Restoration
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**Prayer for Those Who Await a Service Member’s Return**
God of all goodness, look with love on those who await the safe return of their loved ones who serve in the armed forces of their country. In faith and hope, we turn to you for comfort. Grant that we may trust in your mercy. Send an angel to sustain us as we await their safe return. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Dear Parish Family,

This week we have two important feasts to remember. **Thursday, November 1**, is the **Solemnity of All Saints**, a Holy Day of Obligation. It reminds us of a central truth of our Catholic faith: Our firm belief in the Communion of Saints, which we profess when we recite the Creed at Mass. Each of us is part of that Communion of Saints through our intercessory prayer for others here on earth (known as the Church Militant), asking for the prayers of those saints in heaven (the Church Triumphant), and praying for the holy souls in Purgatory (the Church Suffering). We call these souls “holy” because we know they are being purified from the effects and attachments of their earthly sins and are on their pilgrim way to heaven. The Communion of Saints also reminds us that we are not meant to live in isolation. Rather, we should be concerned for the temporal and spiritual welfare and well-being of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

**Friday, November 2** is **All Souls Day**, when we remember and pray for the faithful departed who are in Purgatory. You can remember your departed loved ones by entering their names on the contribution envelopes provided for that day. (Extra envelopes are at the back of the church.) Put your envelopes in the collection basket at Mass. They will be placed at the altar so each person will be remembered during the novena. We also have a Book of Remembrance in the vestibule for enrolling the names of deceased loved ones. All of the names written in the Book of Remembrance will remembered in the Prayer of the Faithful during all the weekend Masses throughout the month of November.

Peace and blessings,
Fr. Rob
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