St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 18, 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
“Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence.”

—Pope St. John Paul II

**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18**
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
*Collection for Maintenance Fund

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21**
*NO Bible Study: resumes Dec 5

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22**
Thanksgiving Day
Mass at 10am only
Rectory office closed Thu & Fri

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25**
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Last Sunday in the Liturgical Year
*Collection for Maintenance Fund

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2**
First Sunday of Advent

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8**
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mass celebrated Fri, Dec 7, 7pm (Vigil)
Sat, Dec 8, 9am (Holy Day)

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**SHARING OUR TREASURE**

**For Nov 11, 2018**

1st Collection (Offertory): $1,401.00
2nd Collection (FAW School): $1,373.00

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God our Father,
Graciously accept from your humble people a thankful heart and spirit.

Everything we have and are able to share with others ultimately comes from your love of your creations.

Often we think that everything we have is our own creation; we ask you this day to create in us a spirit of gratitude, that we may always know that all good gifts come from you.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**LADIES DAY OF PRAYER**

St. Michael’s Catholic Church is sponsoring a Ladies Day of Prayer on Mon, Nov 26 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Lexington Park. The day begins at 9:15am with coffee and doughnuts. There will be 3-4 short inspirational talks. After the second presentation, Rosary will be prayed and Confessions will be available. Mass at Noon, followed by a brown bag lunch (*drinks and desserts provided*). The day adjourns at 2:30pm (you may leave earlier as needed). Bring your friends and join us for this annual precursor to the season of Advent.

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**CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE AVAILABLE**

Copies of the schedule are in the back of church — if you volunteered to help clean, please be sure to pick up a copy. And thank you for participating in this important parish ministry! More volunteers are always welcome; email Wendy Schaller, schaller@md.metrocast.net.
RESCHEDULED!
FROM NEWTOWN TO GEORGETOWN:
CONNECTIONS AND LEGACIES
Due to a family circumstance, Dr. Adam Rothman had to postpone his talk to Feb 3 at 6:30pm, in the Parish Hall. Desserts and coffee will be served. Mark your 2019 calendars! Hope you can join us.

NEW BOOK STARTING NOVEMBER 29!
Scott Hahn’s “Signs of Life”
Join us! Two sessions meet Thursdays in the Parish Hall:
9-10am and 7-8:30pm.
Email Paul McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com.

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. Nightly through Sep 4, 2019.
Call 605-468-8016 and insert code 357090#.

DECEMBER COLLECTIONS
Dec 2   FAW School
Dec 9   Retired Religious in the US
Dec 16  Maintenance Fund
Dec 25  Christmas

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.

BRRR! COLD WEATHER IS HERE!
Does your heating system need a tune up?
Got a home repair that needs doing before the holidays?
Support the advertisers who support our parish and community! And be sure to tell them you saw their ad in the bulletin!
WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Our Book of Remembrance in the vestibule is open throughout the month of November. All are encouraged to write the names of their departed loved ones so we can pray for their blessed repose. Those named in our Parish Book of Remembrance will be remembered in the Prayers of the Faithful throughout the month of November. All Souls Envelopes will be placed on the altar as a reminder and remembrance of our dearly departed loved ones.

Thus says the LORD, the God of David your father:
I have heard your prayer; I have seen your tears.
Now I am healing you. --2 Kings 20:5

RETREAT FOR SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

As we move into the next stage of the Season of Healing, we recognize that the healing continues for all survivors of abuse. Therefore, on Sat, Dec 1 from 8:30am-5:30pm, the Archdiocese of Washington is offering a one day retreat for survivors. This day is not therapeutic in nature or an opportunity for professional counseling, rather it is a day centered on Christ and prayer. To protect the privacy of those attending, the location will not be publicized. For details and to register go to https://adw.org/outreach-to-survivors/.

TUESDAY EVENING MASS PRECEDED BY ADORATION & CONFESSIONS

At Holy Angels Church in Avenue
Every Tuesday
Adoration & Confessions from 6-7pm
Mass at 7pm

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL CRUSADER CONNECTIONS

A Thanksgiving Prayer from FAW Students:

Dear Lord,
Thank you for everything!
You came down from your perfect life to save us from sin. Thank you for sacrificing your life for all of us.
Thank you for all the wonderful blessings we have in our lives.
Thank you for the love you give to us through our family and friends.
Thank you for keeping us safe and healthy and giving us the opportunity to live and breathe.
Thank you for this day and watching over us and for loving us.
Thank you for the gift of our faith.
Thank you for this wonderful meal that we will share together.
Thank you for letting us experience the feeling of joy every day.
Thank you for giving us all that we need.
Amen.
May everyone have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Annual Archdiocesan School Income and Expense Report:

As parish stakeholders in the financial health of the School, you are entitled to view this annual report. Copies are available in the back of church.

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Dear Parish Family,

First, I want to take this opportunity to wish all of you a very blessed Thanksgiving, as some of you may be traveling for the holiday weekend. Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on November 22-23 in observance of the holiday.

The word Eucharist means thanksgiving. How appropriate then to begin our Thanksgiving family gatherings by first gathering as a parish family, in the name of Jesus Christ, to thank God at Holy Mass. If you are not traveling out of the area this week, I encourage you to join us here for Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 10am to praise and thank God for the many wonders He has done for us. He is the source of all blessings and the reason we give thanks.

Thanksgiving also is the name given to the time of prayer after we receive Holy Communion at Mass. With our Eucharistic Lord truly inside us, and before the Sacred Host is entirely absorbed by our bodies, we have a unique opportunity for deep union with Christ.

In that moment, we may pray words of adoration, contrition, thanksgiving, and supplication to our Lord so intimately present to us. And rather than leave immediately after receiving Communion, we remain in our pews to reflect on the humbling reality that we have just received Jesus Christ – body, blood, soul, and divinity.

“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all, making my prayer with joy.” — Philippians 1:3

Peace and blessings,
Fr. Rob