St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
APRIL 21, 2019

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, APRIL 21 — EASTER SUNDAY
*Mass at 8am and 11am
The Rectory will be closed Easter Week—Apr 22-26: No Daily Mass/Communion Service

LOOKING AHEAD

SUNDAY, APRIL 28 — 2ND EASTER
DIVINE MERCY
*Polish Dinner, Parish Hall, 4-7pm

FRIDAY, MAY 3
*First Friday Adoration: 8:30am-5pm

SUNDAY, MAY 5 — 3RD EASTER
*Collection for FAW School
*Snack Pack Collection

SATURDAY, MAY 11
*First Holy Communion, 9am

SUNDAY, MAY 12 — 5TH EASTER
*May Crowning immediately following the 8am Mass
*Collection for Catholic Relief Services
*Food Bank Collection

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15
*Sacrament of Confirmation, 7pm

SHARING OUR TREASURE
FOR APR 14, 2019

1st Collection (Offertory): $2,457.57
Online Giving —
Second Collection (Maintenance) $921.00

“I am the Resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live even though they die.” —John 11:25

The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. —Lk 24:1b-3

DATE CHANGE!!

2019 Annual Jubilarian Mass now Sun, June 16 at 2PM!

The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 16, at 2pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Use the sign-up forms in the vestibule of the church to register: deadline is Fri, Apr 26.

Dear St. Francis Xavier parish:
Thank you to everyone who so generously responded to the Lenten Food Drive.

Your donations to this, as well as throughout the year, are what make it possible for us to continue to assist those in our community who need help.

Dennis M. Cantwell, President
OLW Mary Lou Gough Food Pantry

Mother’s Day Carnations
If you wish to place a carnation(s) on the altar for Mother’s Day, please use the envelopes on table in the narthex of the church. Place in the collection basket by May 5. Donation is $2 per carnation: make checks payable to Knights of Columbus. Call Jim Howe, 301-904-9041.

PARISH HALL CLOSED IN AUGUST
Please note that the Parish Hall will be closed from August 5—26 for painting of the existing paneling and ceiling in the main meeting room. There will be no reservations accepted for events during this time. The Parish Hall will reopen Monday evening, August 26. I appreciate your patience as we refresh and brighten up our hall.

The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima
Friday, May 17, 2019 at 7:00 pm

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH HALL
Admission is free
Shown on the wide screen and in surround sound!
Faith Rally Concert:
FAW is having a school-wide Faith Rally during the school day on Monday, April 29. Later that day, consider joining the Father Andrew White Rhythm Rejoicers and the Community Choir for an evening of faith and music. The concert starts at 6pm at St. Aloysius Church. Admission is free and open to the whole community!

Amazon Shopping:
Remember to start your Amazon shopping at www.smile.amazon.com. The first time you shop, select Father Andrew White as your charity of choice and Amazon will send our parish school a small percentage of your purchase! There's no cost to you and all of your Amazon benefits continue to apply. To date, FAW has received $2,368.97 just by families beginning their shopping at www.smile.amazon.com instead of www.amazon.com. Thank you for considering supporting the school in this simple way.

Our School will be closed from Good Friday through Friday, April 26, as we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord. May you have a blessed and joyful Easter!
Dear Parish Family,

Alleluia! Let us be glad and rejoice, Alleluia! I wish you and your family the grace and abundant blessings of the Risen Christ! I pray that each of you has a very happy and blessed Easter. May this season of grace bring each of us closer to our Risen Lord, who out of great love for us sacrificed His life for our salvation.

My sincere thanks goes out to all the choir, under the direction of Richard Edwards and Lynn Delahay, for an outstanding job in providing us with sacred music during Holy Week and the Triduum. I am also deeply grateful to Jacquelynn Kirby and all the volunteers who helped her decorate the church and the Parish Hall for Holy Week. The beautiful music and arrangement of Easter flowers has truly helped us to lift our minds and hearts to God in prayer. Thank you so much!

Congratulations to Todd Earhart, who was baptized, and also to James Black, Stacey Koviak, and Angela Rudman who completed their Christian initiation and were received into the Church during the Easter Vigil here at St. Francis Xavier! We welcome you and encourage you to continue your study, prayer and growth in the Catholic faith, which is now your own.

During the Easter season, we pray the Regina Coeli. I recommend this prayer as a beautiful way of praising God during this season of joy:
V. O Queen of heaven, rejoice! Alleluia!
R. For He Whom you did merit to bear, Alleluia.
V. Has risen, as He said, Alleluia.
R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia.
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia.
R. For the Lord has risen indeed, Alleluia.

Easter blessings, Father Rob

**Saturday – Apr 20**
Holy Saturday
8pm — Lucy Marie Lacey †

**Sunday – Apr 21**
The Resurrection of Our Lord
8am — St. Francis Xavier Parish
11am — Frances (Teeny) Cusic †

**Monday – Apr 22**
No Mass

**Tuesday – Apr 23**
No Mass

**Wednesday – Apr 24**
No Mass

**Thursday – Apr 25**
No Mass

**Friday – Apr 26**
No Mass

**Saturday – Apr 27**
4pm — John Lynch †

**Sunday – Apr 28**
2nd Easter—Divine Mercy
8am — St. Francis Xavier Parish
11am — Frances Cusic †

**For healing:** Carol Russell, Valerie Brown, Frank Greenwell, Glen Priddy, Kitty Priddy, Gertrude Oertly, Lisa Davis, Joanie Johnson, Allen Sieverston, Richie Fazio, Myla Ashton, Olas Miller, Joan Polko, Shirley Nickerson, Bubby Spalding, Judy Bakewell, John Abell, Carolyn Russell Weiler, and Erin Schaller.

**Our beloved dead:** Jack Hodges, Christine Russell, Teeny Cusic, John Hall, and John Garner

Email sfxparishmd@gmail.com and let us join in prayer for one another. If you are seriously ill or preparing for a surgery, call the Parish Office to arrange for the sacrament of anointing.