St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
JUNE 2, 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, June 2—7th Easter**  
The Ascension of the Lord  
*Collection: FAW School  
*Snack Packs for Kids collection:  
aids children in food-insecure households  
**No First Friday Adoration**

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Sunday, June 9—Pentecost**  
*Bereavement Group: 9:15-10:15am, Rectory  
*Food Pantry collection: place items in the  
vestibule of church

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**Sharing Our Treasure**  
May 26, 2019

1st Collection (Offertory): $2,897.00  
Online Giving (not available) ——  
Second Collection (None) ——

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“The entire Church must recall  
that we all belong to Christ  
first and foremost.  
Our dignity is not to be found  
in numbers, influence, or  
possessions — but in Him who  
remains with us even during the most turbulent  
moments of life.”  
—Archbishop Wilton Gregory

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**The SFX Outreach Committee is looking to energize and increase our food pantry donations!**

**For the month of May our focus is on**  
SNACKS: jello, pudding, fruit cups,  
cookies, chips, pretzels, nuts.

Of course, **any donation is always welcome and greatly appreciated.** Suggestions are listed on a flyer in the back of church.

Bring non-perishable foods to church and place them in the plastic bin in the vestibule.  
A volunteer delivers donations weekly to the food pantry.

Thank you for your help with this vital parish ministry, in support of the food pantry at Our Lady of the Wayside Church.

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**Do you know someone who is homebound or residing in a nursing home and who would benefit from a visit or communion call?**

Please call or email the rectory and let us know!  
Our Parish Outreach Committee is presently reaching out to those parishioners unable to attend Mass. Email sfxparishmd@gmail.com or call 301-475-9885.
Help Support Our Historic Church for the Long Term!

St. Francis Xavier was founded in the early 17th century, and our current Church has been in continuous use and a critical part of the fabric of the community since 1731. Our Church is on the List of Historic Places of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Through the generous support of an anonymous patron, the “SFX-Westmore Endowment Fund” has been established in collaboration with the Community Foundation of Southern Maryland to help secure the preservation and viability of our historic Church. The fund is designed to preserve and grow the principal of donations made into the Endowment and use a portion of annual investment income to provide support for preservation work done to the 1731 Church.

There are TWO ways you can help grow the SFX-Westmore Endowment Fund!

**Online**

https://www.chsound.org/sfx-westmore-endowment-fund/

**Mail**

P.O. Box 716, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622

(Receipts are mailed within 2 weeks of receipt of your contribution)

(Please make checks payable to “Community Foundation of Southern Maryland” and note “SFX-Westmore Endowment Fund” in memo line)

The Community Foundation of Southern Maryland is a 501(c)(3) public charity. All gifts to the SFX-Westmore Endowment Fund are deductible to the fullest extent of the law. If you have questions about the SFX-Westmore Endowment Fund or the Community Foundation of Southern Maryland, please call (301) 362-1212 or email info@chsound.org.

About the Community Foundation of Southern Maryland

The Community Foundation of Southern Maryland is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, autonomous public charity created by and for the people of Southern Maryland. We work with you to help you fulfill your charitable interests and goals – easily and effectively.

We build charitable funds that support community needs and opportunities. At the Community Foundation of Southern Maryland, we realize that your gifts are more than money. Your gifts are made up of your hopes and dreams for a better community. We want to help you make an impact today and for years to come by creating your own LEGACY.

The Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for the Month of June:

**The Mode of Life of Priests**

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

THE SOUND of Music

Friday, June 28, 2019 at 7:00 pm

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Admission is free

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Why switch to Online Giving?

It helps Father and the Finance Council manage our parish finances, by ensuring a regular, sustained level of giving. PLUS—you’ll never need to hunt for your envelopes, or miss a donation because you’re out of town!

It’s easy: Enroll at stfrancisxavierchurch.org.

Click on Online Giving — My Online Donation—select “View Donor Portal” to set up your one-time or recurring contribution. Thank you!

Sign up today at stfrancisxavierchurch.org
Newtowne Manor House Restoration

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Mulberry Music Festival - Act I
St. Mary’s College of Maryland
Fri, Jun 14, 6 - 9 pm
Featuring gospel recording artist, Jason Nelson, and a diverse line-up of local musicians: The St. Peter Claver Gospel Choir, Dominion Apostolic Chorale, South Point Church Posse, John Tillery and Living Sacrifice, Ministerio Amor en Cristo, St. Luke’s of Scotland Choir
Free and open to all
On the Townhouse Greens of St. Mary’s College

Help Your Marriage
Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (retro-vigh) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program Aug 30 - Sep 1, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, call 443-400-7017, or email: 3015@retrouvaille.org

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 Jun 9, 9:15am, in the Rectory. For more information, email Fr. Rob, sfxparishmd@gmail.com.

Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections

Chick Fil A Spirit Night: TOMORROW NIGHT!
Mon, Jun 3, from 5-7pm. FAW will receive a portion of all sales if you mention you are there to support the Spirit Night. Invite your family and friends and enjoy an evening out together! Kindly remember to mention you are there to support FAW so the school will receive the proper credit.

First Friday Mass: We invite all parishioners to join on Fri, Jun 7, at 9am at St. Aloysius Church, for our final First Friday Mass of the School Year, led by our Second Graders.

Congratulations Class of 2019:
This past Saturday, 31 students from FAW’s Class of 2019 graduated. We congratulate them and wish them well as they continue to live our faith and celebrate many future successes. We are proud of you!

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Dear Parish Family,

June is the month traditionally devoted by the Church to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This year, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday, June 28. We are encouraged to pray and reflect on the Sacred Heart of Jesus as a sign of his great love for us.

To better appreciate this rich symbolism, it’s important to note that in the Jewish faith, the word ‘heart’ represented the core of the person. Not only was the heart considered to be a vital physical organ, but it was also thought to be the center of all spiritual activity and human emotion, especially love.

The Psalms say that God speaks to a person in their heart and that He knows the deepest longings of our hearts. Deuteronomy 6:5-6 captures the importance of the heart in the Old Testament with the great Shema: “Hear O Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today.”

The Biblical concept of the heart takes on even greater meaning and depth in the mystery of the Incarnation, when God became man. The Heart of Jesus represents the divine love that he shares with the Father and the Holy Spirit in the Trinity. At the same time, it represents Our Lord’s divine love for us and the genuine human love that he felt in his human nature.

In our church, we have a beautiful statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to the right of the back altar. One thing we can do to honor the Sacred Heart is to visit the sanctuary to pray before that statue some time during this month.

Peace and blessings,
Father Rob
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