St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 2, 2020

Newtowne Mission from 1640

First Chapel Built 1662

Current Church Built 1731

OLDEST CATHOLIC CHURCH IN ORIGINAL THIRTEEN COLONIES

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THE CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY 7AM-8PM
for personal prayer

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!
Registration forms are on our parish website

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday 4pm (Anticipated), Sunday 8am and 11am
Rosary 30 minutes before Mass 1st & 5th Sunday

DAILY MASSES
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8am
Rosary at 7:30am before Mass

HOLY DAY MASSES
As announced in the bulletin

CONFESSIONS RESUME NORMAL SCHEDULE
In the Parish Hall to allow for adequate social distancing: Sat after the 4pm Mass; Sun 7:30-7:50am & 10:30-10:50am, and by appointment

WEEKLY FRIDAY ADORATION
Immediately after the 8am Mass

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/PRAYER LIST
Send items to SFX1640bulletin@gmail.com
Deadline is Friday, one week before Sunday date
THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 2**
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Collection: Catholic Communications Campaign & Campaign for Human Development

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5**
The Wild Goose: 7pm, Zoom
For link, email SFXparishmd@gmail.com

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 6**
Spiritual Book Club: 9am, Zoom
For link, email paula.mcleod@gmail.com

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 7**
Adoration after the 8am Mass
Facial covering use and social distancing must be observed

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8**
That Man Is You! Faith & Reason Meeting: 7:30am: Zoom — Email oregonyankee@gmail.com for link and reading list

LOOKING AHEAD

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 9**
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Collection: FAW School

SHARING OUR TREASURE
July 26, 2020

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“A CATHOLIC RESPONSE TO THE 2020 CENSUS
It is estimated that the state of Maryland lost nearly a billion dollars in state funding during the 2010 census, and subsequently, the state did not obtain its share of funding.

**The 2020 Census is safe and confidential. It does not have a citizenship question.**
Every person, regardless of immigration status, has the right to be counted. Completing the Census is easy. People can respond online, by paper, or by phone. Help is available in many languages. Visit https://2020census.gov/en.html OR call 844-330-2020 (English) or 844-468-2020 (Spanish).

**Governor Hogan urges every Marylander to complete the census. The response period has been extended to August 14, 2020.**

ONLY TWO SESSIONS LEFT!
DON’T MISS OUT!

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
Leonardtown, Maryland

THE WILD GOOSE
DISCOVER A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

AN UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY!
Featuring Fr. Dave Proulx, TOR, this incredible 14-part video series is awakening God’s love and transforming power in the hearts of all who participate. Discover the Holy Spirit who has been revealed to us by Jesus Christ and who leads us to our heavenly Father.

The adventure consists of Fr. Dave speaking on an attribute of the Holy Spirit, a practical application on how to respond to the Holy Spirit, and testimonies of people from across the country whose lives have been impacted by the Spirit of God.

A DISCUSSION, PRAYER & VIDEO EXPERIENCE LED BY FR. BOB MARO
Find out why the ancient Celts called the Holy Spirit “The Wild Goose”

14 WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
on Zoom:
May 19 – August 12, 2020
7:00 – 8:00 pm

To register and gain access to the Zoom link: cfp parish md@gmail.com

No cost! Free study guide (PDF) with discussion/reflection questions available to all participants.

Thought for the Week:

“If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy.”

— St. John Vianney (1786-1859)
Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic? Or would you or someone you know like a refresher in the basics of the Catholic faith?

If your answer is yes to any of these, consider joining the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) here at the parish this coming fall. The RCIA is a series of classes for adults who were never baptized, or who were baptized in another Christian tradition, and interested in learning more about the Catholic faith.

A new RCIA class is now forming, to begin this coming September. A person does not have to be certain they want convert to Catholicism when the classes begin. All they need is an open mind and heart.

If you or someone you know might be interested, encourage them to call or email Father Rob, 301-475-9885, SFXparishmd@gmail.com.

That Man Is You! (TMIY) resumes Sat, Sep 12
This year TMIY will be offered both in person (at the Parish Hall) and virtually on Zoom, from 6-7:30am. The videos will have a fresh, new multi-speaker format, featuring eight new speakers and new topics.

TMIY is open to all men seeking a better relationship with Jesus Christ, not just parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Parish.

Why TMIY? Because God is calling men to be better in all relationships, whether as husbands, fathers, or members of the Church and community.

This year’s program — The Vision of Man Fully Alive — will enable men to experience authentic freedom as sons of God. Through living the three-fold mission of abiding presence, joyful service, and loving sacrifice, their hearts and homes will experience the joy that God desires. To sustain them on their spiritual journey, the men will be led directly to the three spiritual foods that Christ Himself proclaims: the Eucharist, the Word of God, and the Will of God.

That Man Is You! is a 26-week, structured program that meets on Saturday mornings for 90 minutes and consists of fellowship over a light breakfast, a video, and a small group discussion.

Week 1 begins Sat, Sep 12, from 6-7:30am
Join us in the SFX Parish Hall or on Zoom

To register or for more information, contact Matt Cosgrove, matthewcosgrove@verizon.net or Mark Coontz, mark_coontz@live.com.

SUMMER VACATION
THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED AUGUST 16-23
Wealth Masses Online

Though we tried to create a YouTube channel to livestream our weekend Masses, we will need to continue using the Zoom links after all, due to requirements for streaming from a mobile device.

Zoom Links:
Saturday 4pm Mass, August 1
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83800738943
Meeting ID: 838 0073 8943

Sunday 8am Mass, August 2
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8585559924
Meeting ID: 858 5555 9924

Sunday 11am Mass, August 2
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89203822721
Meeting ID: 892 0382 2721

Facebook Link
www.facebook.com/stfrancisxavierchurchmd

Father Andrew White (FAW) School Crusader Connections

Now Enrolling:
Our award winning parish school, Father Andrew White, is now enrolling students for the 2020-2021 school year. For more information, check out its website at www.fatherandrewwhite.org. Our principal, Ms. Francisco, is happy to answer your questions. Call her at 301-475-9795 or email principal@fatherandrewwhite.org. She looks forward to giving you a personalized tour so you can learn about the dedicated and caring staff and find out how the students are “Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow, Living our Faith.”

The Holy Father’s Intention for August:
The Maritime World

We pray for those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and women, and their families.

Newtowne Manor House Restoration

Donations to:
St. Francis Xavier Church
21370 Newtowne Neck Road
Leonardtown MD 20650
Memo line: Manor House Restoration
For more information:
Lynn Delahay, 240-925-6485
George Matisick, 301-475-9698
NEWTONEMANORHOUSE@GMAIL.COM

We Pray the Rosary
† At 7:30am before our weekday Masses (Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri)
† 30 Minutes Before all Masses
The First & Fifth Sunday of Each Month

Growing with The Gospel

Gospel
Today you filled your basket with five loaves of freshly baked bread and two fish you caught in the Sea of Galilee. You sat down in front of Jesus to hear him better. You shared your food with Jesus and the others nearby. You were amazed when the disciples had 10 baskets left over. The disciples gave you two baskets full to take home with you. Your mother and grandmother were very proud that you shared.

Prayer
Lord, thank you for giving me enough to share.
Dear Parish Family,

This Tuesday, August 4, we celebrate the feast of St. John Vianney. St. John Vianney was ordained a priest in 1815 in the remote village of Ars, France. He was known as a holy confessor because he would typically spend up to 16 hours each day hearing confessions. Despite being greatly persecuted by the devil, he maintained a heroic patience and childlike simplicity. Because of his exemplary, faith-filled life, the Church has named him as Patron of Priests.

In a special way, we ask St. John Vianney for his intercession for all priests and seminarians during this challenging time in our church and in our world. Below is a beautiful prayer for priests, attributed to St. Thérèse of Liseux:

A Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, eternal Priest,
keep your priests within the shelter of
Your Sacred Heart,
where none may touch them.
Keep unstained their anointed hands,
which daily touch Your Sacred Body.
Keep unsullied their lips,
daily purpled with your Precious Blood.
Keep pure and unearthly their hearts,
sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood.
Let Your holy love surround them and
shield them from the world’s contagion.
Bless their labors with abundant fruit and
may the souls to whom they minister be their joy
and consolation here and in heaven their
beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen.

Faithfully, in Christ,
Fr. Rob

Saturday – August 1
St. Alphonsus Liguori
4pm — Rev. Christopher Posch, OFM †

Sunday – August 2
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8am — St. Francis Xavier Parishioners
11am — H. Winship Schmitt †

Monday – August 3
8am — Deacon Leonard F. Cain †

Tuesday – August 4
St. John Vianney
No Mass

Wednesday – August 5
Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
8am — Olas Miller †

Thursday – August 6
The Transfiguration of the Lord
8am — Rev. Christopher Posch, OFM †

Friday – August 7
St. Sixtus II & Companions
8am — Charles Downs †

Saturday – August 8
St. Dominic
4pm — Fr. Luis G. Salcedo †

Sunday – August 9
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8am — St. Francis Xavier Parishioners
11am — Elmer Francis Tippett †

Our intentions:

Danielle Kirrane, Julia Sievertson, Wally Bowles, Louise Payne, those in hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation & long-term care facilities; or homebound.

Our beloved dead: Mary Fleury, and all who died from the coronavirus.

Our Intentions List is refreshed each month.
To have someone included in the intentions for the next month, please resubmit your request by email to SFXparishmd@gmail.com or phone the rectory so we can keep this list current.

If you are seriously ill or preparing for a surgery, call the Parish Office to arrange for the sacrament of anointing.