St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

27TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 4, 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-DUSK
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
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 Friday 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, OCTOBER 4**  
27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
Second Collection: Peter’s Pence

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7**  
New Bible Study Session begins—see article

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8**  
New Book Club Session begins—see article

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9**  
Adoration after the 8 am Mass: Face Masks required

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10**  
*That Man Is You*: 6-7:30am—In-person or Online  
Matt Cosgrove, matthewcosgrove@verizon.net,  
Mark Coontz, mark_coontz@live.com

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
Second Collection: FAW School

**REVISED OCTOBER COLLECTIONS**
Oct 4   Peter’s Pence  
Oct 11  FAW School  
Oct 18  World Missions  
Oct 25  Maintenance Fund

**SHARING OUR TREASURE**  
September 27, 2020

- Offertory   $754.00  
- Online giving   $1,140.00  
- Second Collection (none)   —

**Drive-Through Breakfast**  
Sunday, Oct 18!  
Parish Hall: 8:30am — 12:30pm

Regular Pancakes  
Eggs, Bacon, Sausage  
Drive-Through & Pick-Up Only!  
$7  
Proceeds benefit local charities  
Sponsored by the  
Knights of Columbus

**NEWTOWNE MANOR MASKS — JUST $15!**
To purchase an embroidered Manor House mask, call Pat Greenwell, 301-475-5268 or Sarah Matisick, 301-247-7416.  
All proceeds go to the  
restoration of the Manor House.  
The current project is a roof replacement.

**Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic?**
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), a program designed 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 HAS BEGUN, WITH OPTIONS FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL CLASSES.  
For details or to register, call or email Father Rob, 301-475-9885, SFXparishmd@gmail.com.
COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS AVAILABLE

If you missed the first opportunity to purchase a personalized brick for our new courtyard, you have a second chance! Father is making available another opportunity to memorialize your family, loved one, or friend. Bricks are $200 each.

Use the order form available on the parish website or call the Rectory for assistance.

SFX WEEKEND MASSES ONLINE

Saturday 4pm Mass, October 3
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83800738943
Meeting ID: 838 0073 8943

Sunday 8am Mass, October 4
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85855559924
Meeting ID: 858 5555 9924

Sunday 11am Mass, October 4
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89203822721
Meeting ID: 892 0382 2721

FACEBOOK LINK
www.facebook.com/stfrancisxavierchurchmd
Join us starting Thu, Oct 8, as we explore “What Is Heaven” by Mother Angelica

The Kingdom of Heaven is a place of indescribable beauty, where all pain, suffering, and tears cease, and the Triune God sits on His Throne surrounded by magnificent angels proclaiming and blessing His Holy Name without end. Mother Angelica, celebrated Foundress of EWTN Global Catholic Network, brings clarity to the enigma of eternal life with God and pours light upon the greatest mystery of all – Heaven itself – in these insightful pages.

We meet via ZOOM, at 9am. To register, or for more details: paula.mcleod@gmail.com

REligious education for children is now in session—meets the 1st & 3rd Sundays at 9:15am via zoom

Our parish has joined with St. Aloysius parish to offer a flexible, family-centered model of faith formation, called Family of Faith. Family of Faith replaces the traditional Sunday School program, empowering and equipping parents as the primary catechists of their own children. An emphasis is placed on disciplines for discipleship (such as daily prayer, weekly Mass, and monthly Confession) as a family.


SOMETImeS BAD THings HAPPeN IN GOOD FAMILYs

You and your family deserve to be safe and loved in your home. If you are living in fear, change is possible. Call the 24/7 National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE

Break the silence

FaTher andrew white (FAW) school crusader connections

FAW Kid’s Fishing Derby:
Catch a good time at the Kid’s Fishing Derby at Gilbert Run Park on Saturday, Oct 10. Join session #1 from 9-11am or session #2 from 2-4pm. Your $20 entry fee will benefit Father Andrew White School. Prizes will be awarded for the biggest fish, most fish caught, and the smallest fish. Contact Rachel for more info or to register: rrhrussell@hotmail.com.

FAW Crusader Cup:
Our parish school is hosting its 11th Crusader Cup Golf Tournament. Please join us Friday, Oct 16 at Breton Bay Golf & Country Club for a guaranteed good time — no matter what golf game you bring!! Find details on how to sponsor or register to play at http://fatherandrewwhite.org/crusader-cup-golf-tournament/

Newtowne Manor House Restoration

Donations to:
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For more information:
LYNN DELAHAY, 240-925-6485
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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
Dear Parish Family,

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The FBI says that every 15 seconds a woman in this country is abused and beaten — that 1 out of 3 or 4 women, either 25-30%, is battered in her lifetime in this country. Parish outreach can help build a community where this kind of violence is no longer acceptable.

Towards this effort, Catholics for Family Peace (based at Catholic University) invites you to join them in a moment of prayer each day at 3pm, wherever you are, for those suffering from violence and abuse and those who use violence to control others. We pray for them and for all who work to end domestic violence. Would you set an alarm to join them each day to pray at 3 pm? www.catholicsforfamilypeace.org.

A few times a year I serve on the Priest Domestic Violence Advisory Committee for the Archdiocese. We meet with Fr. John Enzler, President and CEO of Catholic Charities, to help families that are suffering from abuse in all its forms. As I have learned more about this issue, I realize how important it is that we talk about this in our parishes. Domestic violence refers to a pattern of violent and coercive behavior by one adult over another in an intimate relationship. It can consist of repeated severe beatings or subtle forms of abuse, including threats and control. It can include isolation. Isolation makes it hard for the person being abused to see friends/family, their mail is read, phone-calls and texts are monitored, car keys are taken away, etc.

If you or you someone you know is in a similar situation, please feel free to talk with me at any time.

Faithfully, in Christ,
Fr. Rob

Saturday – October 3
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
4pm — Ronnie Delahay †

Sunday – October 4
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8am — John Connelly †
11am — St. Francis Xavier Parishioners

Monday – October 5
Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos
8am — Deacon Thomas Genis †

Tuesday – October 6
St. Bruno
No Mass

Wednesday – October 7
Our Lady of the Rosary
8am — Ann Wathen †

Thursday – October 8
8am — John Connelly †

Friday – October 9
St. Denis
8am — Russell Plunkett †

Saturday – October 10
4pm — Celebrant’s Intention

Sunday – October 11
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8am — Joseph Borek
11am — St. Francis Xavier Parishioners

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.

Bunky Taylor, Karen Huseman, those in hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation & long-term care facilities; or homebound.
Our beloved dead: Don Mattingly, Diane Hall, and all who have died from the coronavirus.