St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
NOVEMBER 1, 2020

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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, NOVEMBER 1**  
SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS  
*2nd Collection: FAW School*

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2**  
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

8am Mass will be offered for all the Faithful Departed

*This is National Vocation Awareness Week. During this week, and throughout the year, let us pray for and encourage religious vocations. We urge parents, teachers, and catechists to discuss religious vocations and join our archdiocese’s efforts to promote openness to considering a religious vocation.*

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4**  
Bible Study: 7pm, Zoom—see article to join us

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5**  
NEW Book Club—*The Advent of Christ*: 9am, Zoom

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6**  
Adoration after the 8am Mass: Face Masks required

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7**  
*That Man Is You*: 6-7:30am—In-person or Online

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8**  
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
*2nd Collection: Retired Priests of the Archdiocese*

**SHARING OUR TREASURE**  
**October 25, 2020**

- Offertory: $2,719.00
- Online giving: $825.00
- Second Collection (Maintenance): $390.00

**Th”ough for the Week:**  
*Pray before you vote – vote in the name of God. Pray that we will once again be a nation under God.*

—Mother Angelica (1923-2016)

**“With a Very Grateful and Humble Heart...”**

Pope Francis named our Archbishop, Wilton Gregory, as one of 13 new cardinals to be elevated at the November consistory in Rome!

Archbishop José Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the USCCB, said: “The naming of the first African American cardinal from the United States gives us an opportunity to pause and offer thanks for the many gifts African American Catholics have given to the Church.”

The morning that Pope Francis named him as a new cardinal, Archbishop Gregory celebrated a 250th anniversary Mass for Holy Angels Parish in Avenue—what a blessing for the people of Holy Angels parish and all of St. Mary’s County!

Let us continually pray for Cardinal-elect Gregory and his ministry.

Banneker School (BBES) Principal Audrey Ellis is thankful for our continued desire to support BBES kids! Through the end of 2020, BBES has a federal grant to provide breakfast and lunch for all students. Thus, BBES will not need snack packs at this time. Principal Ellis will let us know whether the program is extended for 2021. Thank you for your support!

**WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD**

On All Souls’ Day, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, the Church prays for those who have gone before us in faith, trusting that God will hear and answer our prayers that they know eternal light, happiness, and peace. At St. Francis Xavier, the 8am Mass on All Souls Day is offered for all those whose names are submitted to us on the special All Souls envelopes included with your October monthly envelope packet. You also may use an envelope of your own. During the month of November these envelopes will be placed on the altar as a remembrance of our dearly departed loved ones.
MOVIE NIGHT IS BACK!

Friday, November 13, 2020 at 7:00 pm
St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall
Shown on the wide screen & in surround sound!
ADMISSION IS FREE.

This documentary film dives deep into the pivotal bond between Pope John Paul II and President Ronald Reagan. Just six weeks apart in the spring of 1981, the pope and the president took bullets from would-be assassins. Surviving strikingly similar near-death experiences, they confided to each other a shared conviction: that God had spared their lives for the purpose of defeating communism. It is based on a book written by Robert Orlando and Paul Kengor.

NEWTOYNE 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.

ORDER A COMMEMORATIVE BRICK
Honor a family member, loved one, or friend! Use the order form on the parish website or call the Rectory.

Retired Priests Collection—Nov 7 & 8 Honoring Their Lifetime of Service
Continuing Christ’s mission, archdiocesan priests have selflessly served the faithful and the community, some for forty years or more. Let’s join together to help provide financial care for our retired priests so they can live in dignity. 100% of your donation goes directly to help provide housing, medical care, and other necessities to our retired priests.

BOOK CLUB
NEW BOOK!
Join us Thursday mornings Oct 29-Dec 3 as we explore “The Advent of Christ” by Edward Sri. We meet via ZOOM, at 9am. To register, or for more info: paula.mcleod@gmail.com

AN ENCOUNTER GRACE BIBLE SERIES

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TWO GROUPS/LOCATIONS TO CHOOSE FROM!
MORE INFORMATION AND LINK TO REGISTER AT WWW.ENCOUNTERGRACE.CO

Mondays
11/9-19/2020
7 pm -8:30 pm
St. Mary’s Church
Bryantown MD

Tuesdays
11/10-12/8/2020
7 pm -8:30 pm
Shepherd’s Old Field Market
Leonardtown MD
**Donations to:**
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Memo line: Manor House Restoration

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Election Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people in America. May we choose a President of the United States and other government officials, according to Your Divine Will. Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of the family, and the sanctity of the aging. Grant us the wisdom to give to You, what belongs to You, our God. If we do this, as a nation, we are confident that You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen.

**SFX WEEKEND MASSES ONLINE**

Saturday 4 pm Mass
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83800738943?pwd=V2tVa2toOTJZeWFUYVcybjkvQUhyQT09
Meeting ID: 838 0073 8943  Passcode: 209543

Sunday 8 am Mass
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85855559924?pwd=UWNqc3pMSUMvN1BVdTBJNXZsSW1hdz09
Meeting ID: 858 5555 9924  Passcode: 631626

Sunday 11 am Mass
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89203822721?pwd=SjNCbEdzMkdVL1lram9Ed0JUbTZLZz09
Meeting ID: 892 0382 2721  Passcode: 958270

FACEBOOK LINK
www.facebook.com/stfrancisxavierchurchmd

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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

**MINTED CARDS**
Stay in touch this Christmas season. Use code FUNDRAISWHITE to buy your Minted holiday card. You get 20% off and FAW gets 15% back.

**Save the Date:**
FAW School is hosting a “Fishin’ for Tuition” Open Water Rockfish Tournament Nov 21/22. Cash prizes awarded!

**White House Christmas Ornament:**
$24.95 each, $22.95 for 12 or more. Orders are due Nov 23.

Dear Parish Family,

This Sunday, November 1, we celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints**. This beautiful feast reminds us of an essential teaching of our Catholic faith: we believe in the Communion of Saints, which we acknowledge every time we recite the Creed at Mass. Each of us is part of that Communion of Saints through our prayers for others here on earth (known as the Church Militant), asking for the prayers of those saints in heaven (the Church Triumphant), and praying for the holy souls in Purgatory (the Church Suffering). We call these souls “holy” because we know they are being purified from the effects and attachments of their earthly sins and are on their way to heaven.

Monday, November 2 is **All Souls Day**, when we pray for all the faithful departed who are in Purgatory. You can remember your loved ones by entering their names on the contribution envelopes provided in the vestibule of the church. These envelopes can be put in the collection basket at Mass. They will be placed at the altar to remember your departed loved ones at Mass throughout the month of November.

We will also have a **Book of Remembrance** in the vestibule of the church for enrolling the names of our deceased loved ones. The Book of Remembrance will remain in the vestibule throughout November.

**Prayer for the Faithful Departed**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,*  
*and let perpetual light shine upon them.*  
*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*  
*Amen.*

Faithfully, in Christ,  
Fr. Rob
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