Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2025



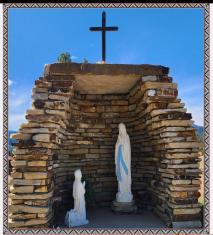
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OUR MISSION AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER IS TO PROMOTE SPIRITUAL GROWTH, RELIGIOUS FORMATION, FELLOWSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP WITHIN OUR PARISH. WE SHALL GIVE WITNESS TO CHRIST BY MINISTERING AND LIVING THE WORD OF GOD.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Schedules of Masses/Liturgy

Tuesday through Friday 4:30 p.m. Adoration

Confession

5:00 p.m. Vespers 5:30 p.m. Mass

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Adoration

Confession

4:30 p.m. Holy Rosary 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Holy Rosary

10:30 a.m. Holy Mass

Office Hours

Monday 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. *and*

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Religious Ed Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Call or text: 719-501-2771 If you leave a message or text, you will get a response during their office hours.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Peter John Abogado, SSS Cathy Walkup

Juan Casaus and Candy Madrill
Parish Volunteers

Parish Volunteers

Parish Admin.
Secretary
Rel. Formation CRE
Maintenance
Music Director

In case of an Emergency, call: Jim Vigil 719-369-7658

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. (Fr. Stephen Olamolu)
FIRST FRIDAY MASS 8:00 a.m. followed by Adoration
(Fr. Peter J. Abogado, SSS)

CONFESSION

SUNDAY 7:30 am - 7:55 a.m.

ST. ALOYSIUS

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

CONFESSION

Before Sunday Mass 8:15 a.m.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Adoration 9:00 a.m.
Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man."

Luke 6:20-22



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MASS INTENTIONS For 02/15/25 through 02/21/25

Saturday ~ February 15th ~ 5:00 p.m.

For the People of St. Francis Xavier

Sunday ~ February 16th

OUR LADY OF LOURDES ~ 8:00 a.m.

+RAY SERENA by Bob & Kathy Figueroa

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ~ 10:30 a.m.

+ALREDO & FRANK MARTINEZ by Richard & Rose Martinez

Monday - February 17th
No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday ~ February 18th ~ 5:30p.m. No Special Intentions

Wednesday ~ February 19th ~ 5:30 p.m. +HELEN MONNET by Debbie Monnet

Thursday ~ February 20th ~ 5:30 p.m.
No Special Intentions

Friday ~ February 21st ~ 5:30 p.m. No Special Intentions

OTHER INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Feb. 17th: +Msgr. Francis P. Cawley Feb. 20th: +Rev. Stephen S. Murawski

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order were seven men from Florence, Italy who founded the order in 1233. They were canonized in 1888. Their Feast Day is February 17th.

- They were wealthy cloth merchants who left their homes to devote themselves to prayer and service of God.
- They were members of the Society of St. Mary.
- They lived a penitential life.
- They received visions of Mary, who called them to with draw from the world.
- They formed a community outside the city walls and lived as hermits.



Prayer to the Holy Family

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, model for all Christian Families, guide us to seek goodness and holiness in our everyday choices, actions and attitudes. Encourage us when our faith is weak and when we fail to lead one another to Christ. Make our home a real dwelling place of peace, joy and love, where you are ever present among us. May we

work to uphold each one's dignity, integrity and unique contributions to the well-being and growth of our family. And when our time on earth is complete, bring us all safely home to you in the company of heaven. Amen.

Readings and Feast Days for 02/16/25 through 02/22/25

16 SUN SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

17 Mon Weekday green/white [The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order] Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13

18 Tue Weekday green Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21

19 Wed Weekday green Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Mk 8:22-26

20 Thu Weekday green Gn 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33

21 Fri Weekday green/white *[Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church]* Gn 11:1-9/Mk 8:34 -9:1

22 Sat The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle white *Feast* 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

Ouote from St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta:

"Joy is one of the best safeguards against temptation. The devil is a carrier of dust and dirt and he uses every opportunity to throw what he has at us. But a joyful heart protects us from this dirt. This is because Jesus is there in our Joy. Jesus takes full possession of our soul when we surrender to him joyfully. St. Francis de Sales said, 'A sad saint is a bad saint.' St. Teresa of Avila worried about her sisters only when she saw them lose their joy. Joy is a source of power for us."

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle, Feast Day - February 22nd

While an actual chair exists in Rome that some believe was used by St. Peter, the Chair of St. Peter **represents the papacy**, the unbroken succession of popes throughout the Church's 2,000-year history. Given by Christ Himself to St. Peter in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 16 verses 13-18, Peter's supreme pastoral office is passed to each of his successors as Bishop of Rome.



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Francis Xavier February 9, 2025 Our Giving to God

Offertory 2,065.59 **Building Fund** 20.00

Volunteers Needed to Help with Snow Removal

If you are able, we are in need of volunteers to help with snow removal as needed. Please let Jim Vigil or the ushers know if you can help.

WEEKLY OFFERING/ DONATION

Make your weekly offering or a donation to the church by scanning the OR Code located on the right.





ONLINE MOBILE APP

Sign up for the online/mobile app by scanning the QR Code located on the

ST ALOYSIUS LADIES GUILD RETREAT - MARCH 1ST

All women are invited to this retreat. The topic is Healing with Fr. Ed Wills. Cost \$10. Please call to sign up (719-489-3543).

Gather: 9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m. - Noon (lunch provided) Session I

Session II 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Optional: 8:30 Mass, Adoration & Benediction follows

Optional: 4:00 p.m. Mass

PARISH INFORMATION

Legion of Mary Meets every Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in the classroom

Divine Mercy Meets every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in the

Finance Committee Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council Meets every 4th Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Hall Rental Call Jamie Vigil 719-250-6630

Knights of Columbus #557 1200 Acero Ave 719-564-9620

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MINISTERS February 22nd and 23rd, 2025

Commentator Lectors **Eucharistic** Ministers

SATURDAY - 5:00 p.m./Bilingual Mass

Pat Muniz Karen Garcia (Spanish) Paul Montez

Conrad Valdez

SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.

Karl Aguilera Karen Aguilera **Tony Baca**

Juanita McCulley-Santos

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Our Lady of Lourdes February 9, 2025 Our Giving to God

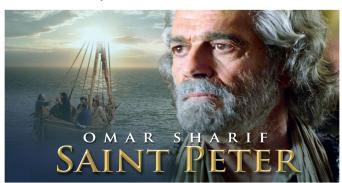
Offertory: \$ 760.00

Announcements

We have a few more weeks to bring non-perishable food for the poorest of the poor families served by Los Pobres in Avondale. Please remember Sister Nancy in your prayers, as she goes about her work in helping these folks, especially at this time.







Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.

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An offering from the 🚱 Augustine Institute

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MINISTERS February 23, 2025

Commentator Lectors

Kathy Serena

Eucharistic **Ministers** Karen Ortiz **Star Reynolds**

Altar Server Dylan Ortiz

Dick Amman

Regina Fortune

The Epistle Reading's Call to Christian Discipleship

Christian discipleship is at the heart of the faith, calling believers to follow Christ not just in word but in action. Throughout the New Testament, the epistles—letters written by apostles such as Paul, Peter, James, and John—serve as guiding instructions for living a life rooted in Christ. These epistles emphasize themes of faith, love, perseverance, and service, providing a clear and compelling call to Christian discipleship. Through their teachings, believers are encouraged to grow in their relationship with Christ, develop a Christ-like character, and actively serve both the Church and the world.

Living by Faith and Grace: One of the primary messages found in the epistles is the call to live by faith and grace. Paul, in his letters to the Romans and Galatians, stresses that salvation comes not through works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 3:28, Galatians 2:16). This foundational teaching reminds disciples that their journey begins with surrendering to God's grace, trusting in Christ's redemptive work on the cross. However, faith is not passive; James reminds believers that "faith without works is dead" (James 2:26). This balance between faith and action is central to Christian discipleship—believers are saved by grace but called to live out that grace through good works.

Developing Christ-like Character: The epistles also emphasize the transformation of character that comes with discipleship. In Galatians 5:22-23, Paul outlines the "fruit of the Spirit," which includes love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. These virtues are evidence of a life shaped by the Holy Spirit. Similarly, in Colossians 3:12-14, Paul calls believers to "clothe themselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience," bearing with one another and forgiving as the Lord forgave them.

Christian discipleship is not just about external actions but internal transformation. The epistles challenge believers to put off the "old self" and put on the "new self" (Ephesians 4:22-24), striving for holiness and reflecting Christ in their daily lives. This transformation is ongoing and requires discipline, prayer, and a deepening relationship with God.

Serving Others in Love: Another key aspect of discipleship emphasized in the epistles is the call to serve others. In Philippians 2:3-4, Paul encourages believers to imitate Christ's humility, considering others above themselves. Similarly, 1 Peter 4:10 teaches that each person has received gifts from God to be used in serving one another. The epistles remind Christians that discipleship is not about self-promotion but about self-giving love, modeled after Jesus' own life and ministry.

Perseverance in Faith: Finally, the epistles encourage perseverance in faith, especially in the face of trials and opposition. Hebrews 12:1-2 urges believers to "run with perseverance the race marked out for us," fixing their eyes on Jesus. The apostles knew that following Christ would not always be easy, but they assured believers that God's strength would sustain them.

Therefore, the epistle readings provide a powerful call to Christian discipleship, urging believers to live by faith, grow in Christ-like character, serve others, and remain steadfast in their faith. By heeding these teachings, Christians can fully embrace their calling as disciples of Jesus Christ.