

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 24, 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 Friday	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	Parish Admin.
Cathy Walkup	Secretary
Juan Casaus and Candy Madrill	Rel. Formation CRE
Parish Volunteers	Maintenance
Parish Volunteers	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 8:30 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.



Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."
Luke 13: 23-24

MASS INTENTIONS

For 08/23/25 through 08/29/25

SATURDAY - August 23rd - 5:00 p.m.

+ No Mass Intentions

SUNDAY - August 24th

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

For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes

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

+**SUZANNE SIMPSON (birthday)** by Karen Aguilera

+**RUBEN ALVARADO (heavenly birthday)** by your daughter Pauline

VELKIS McCULLEY- MATTHEWS (health) by the McCulley family

MONDAY - August 25th - 5:30 p.m.

No Mass Scheduled

TUESDAY - August 26th - 5:30 p.m.

No Mass Intentions

WEDNESDAY - August 27th - 5:30 p.m.

For the People of St. Francis Xavier

THURSDAY - August 28th - 5:30 p.m.

No Mass Intentions

FRIDAY - August 29th - 5:30 p.m.

No Mass Intentions

OTHER INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

August 23rd: +Deacon Rodger Behr

August 24th: +Rev. Vincent Peter, OSB

August 27th: +Rev. Albert Schaller, OSB

August 29th: +Rev. Sylvester H. Schoening

Readings and Feast Days

for 08/24/25 through 08/30/25

24 SUN TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
green Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

25 Mon Weekday green/white/white [Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest] 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22

26 Tue Weekday green 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26

27 Wed Saint Monica white Memorial 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32

28 Thu Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
white Memorial 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51

29 Fri The Passion of Saint John the Baptist red Memorial
1 Thes 4:1-8 (429)/Mk 6:17-29

30 Sat Weekday green/white [BVM] 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration for classes has now begun for the 2025-2026 catechetical school year. *Classes start Sunday, September 14th.*

Religious Education Office Hours are Tuesday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. If you have any questions regarding classes or to become a catechist please reach out to Candy or Juan. You can call or text them at 719-501-2771. If you leave a message or text, someone will respond to you during R.E. Office Hours.

Facts regarding St. Augustine, Feast Day - August 28th

1. He was from Northern Africa. He was born in 354 in the small city of Thagaste (Algeria).
2. He grew up in an interfaith home.
3. His mother prayed for many years for his return to the faith. During this time, he explored many religions.
4. Saint Augustine struggled with lust and immorality.
5. He became a Christian in his 40s. Saint Augustine found God and is a Doctor of the Church.

There will be No Mass at our church on Fiesta Day, Sunday, August 31st, due to the Fiesta Day Mass being held at Aguilera (Bessemer) Park. The Mass at the park will begin at 8:00 a.m.

BURRITO & BAKE SALE SPONSORED BY THE REL. EDUCATION

Burritos and Baked Goods will be sold after the 10:30 am Mass. This fundraiser is being held to help out Religious Ed. It will occur after Mass in front of the Church. Please stop by and purchase some delicious home made food.

Prayer to St. Monica on her Feast Day - August 27th



*Dear St. Monica,
Troubled wife and mother, many sorrows pierced your heart during your lifetime. Yet, you never despaired or lost faith. With confidence, persistence, and profound faith, you prayed daily for the conversion of your beloved husband, Patricius, and your beloved son, Augustine; your prayers were answered. Grant me that same fortitude, patience, and trust in the Lord. and grant me the grace to accept His Will in all things, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen*

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August 24, 2025

St. Francis Xavier
August 17, 2025
Our Giving to God

Offertory Collection \$ 2,062.50
Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary \$ 565.00

NO FOOD OR DRINKS IN THE CHURCH

Please respect the sanctity of Our Church and do not bring any food or drinks with you to the Mass. Thank you so much for your understanding.

The Passion of St. John the Baptist - August 29th

1. John the Baptist and Jesus Christ were second cousins on the mother's side. John was 6 months older than Jesus.
2. They met each other only two times. Their first meeting occurred when they were still in the womb of their mothers. The second time was at the baptism of the Savior.
3. John baptized people in the Jordan river in Bethabara.
4. John is called "the Baptist" because his main mission was fulfilled on the day of the Baptism of the Lord. On that very day, St. John was honored to see the Holy Trinity.
5. St. John convicted Herod Antipas for his illegal marriage with Herodias, the wife of his own brother Philip, who was also Herod's niece. The Forerunner was imprisoned after Christ's sermon on the mount. He was so popular among simple people that the authorities did not dare to execute him for long.
6. During his imprisonment, John was visited by his disciples, and even Herod
7. As a reward for her dancing at the feast, Salome, the daughter of Herodias, got John's head on the plate at the command of her mother.

WEEKLY OFFERING/DONATION

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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 classroom

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 August 30th and 31st, 2025

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
<u>SATURDAY - 5:00 p.m.</u>		
Pat Muniz	Eric Martinez Monica Lucero	Eric Martinez
<u>SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m. - No Mass due to Fiesta Day Mass in park</u>		
n/a	n/a	n/a
	n/a	

Our Lady of Lourdes
August 17, 2025
Our Giving to God

Offertory Collection \$ 1,045.00
AMD \$ 25.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, August 24th, is the last day to sign up for Bible Study. Signup sheet is in the back of the church.

This coming Tuesday at 9:00 please come to the church for our Fall cleanup. We'll spruce up the garden in the front of the cabin, plant Spring bulbs, trim around the church and cabin and sweep the large walks. Bring your garden gloves, and your favorite garden tools.

Formation Class led by Fr. Peter

This class is for lectors, commentators, Eucharistic ministers & altar servers.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH AT 10:00 A.M.

The meeting will be held in the parish hall.

Please RSVP to Fr. Peter or Pat Muniz.

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Feast of Saint Monica

Dr. Tim Gray & Dr. John Sehorn

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Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MINISTERS August 31, 2025

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Tara Stosek	Star Reynolds Regina Fortune	Jean Schloss Karen Ortiz
	<u>Altar Server</u>	
	Dylan Ortiz	

Why the Sunday Obligation Matters: A Call to Community and Worship



For many Catholics, the idea of a “Sunday obligation” can sound strict or burdensome, especially in a busy and fast-paced world. But at its core, this obligation is not a legalistic rule—it is a loving invitation from God and the Church to keep our relationship with Him alive and growing. It is a call to something greater than just attendance: it is a call to encounter, to community, and to worship.

God gave us the gift of the Sabbath in the Ten Commandments—not as a restriction, but as a grace. “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy” (Exodus 20:8). From the beginning, God knew we would need rest, renewal, and spiritual nourishment. For Christians, Sunday is the “Lord’s Day,” the day of Christ’s Resurrection, the day when darkness was overcome by light and life triumphed over death.

Attending Mass on Sunday is not just about fulfilling a rule. It is about showing up for the most important relationship in our lives—our relationship with God. We make time for the people we love. We celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and holidays because they matter. In the same way, Sunday Mass is a weekly celebration of God’s love, mercy, and saving power.

When we attend Mass, we are reminded that we are not alone. We belong to a larger family—the Body of Christ. The Sunday obligation calls us to be present not only for ourselves but also for our brothers and sisters in faith. Our presence encourages others. Our prayers unite with theirs. Our singing, responses, and gestures create a visible expression of the Church as one people gathered before God.

In an age of individualism and isolation, the Sunday obligation reminds us that faith is not private. It is personal, yes—but never solitary. We need each other. We need the Word of God proclaimed. We need the Eucharist. We need the community of believers to support us in our joys and struggles. Skipping Mass regularly weakens that bond and slowly disconnects us from the grace that comes from being part of the living Church.

Furthermore, the Sunday Mass is where we receive the greatest treasure of our faith: Jesus Himself in the Holy Eucharist. There is no substitute for this. Watching Mass online or praying at home may help in times of illness or difficulty, but they are not replacements for the real, living experience of being physically present with Christ and His people.

The Church does not impose the Sunday obligation to control or guilt us—but to help us. She knows how easy it is to drift away, to get lost in distractions, or to let our faith grow cold. The obligation is a spiritual anchor—a weekly call back to God, to grace, and to holiness.

So let us see the Sunday obligation not as a burden, but as a blessing. It is a rhythm of love, a discipline of grace, and a weekly reminder that God is at the center of our lives. When we say yes to Sunday Mass, we say yes to God—and to a deeper, richer, more faithful life in Him.

Saint Francis Xavier: Pray for us!

St. Francis Corner:
Fr. Peter John Abogado, SSS