

JUNE 5, 2016

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

You changed
my mourning
into dancing;
O Lord, my God,
forever will I
give you thanks.

Psalm 30:12, 13

St. Francis Xavier and St. John the Baptist
Catholic Churches

The Parish Communities of : St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church ~ St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Physical & mailing address: 1708 East Tenth Street, Merrill, WI 54452

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Parish Directory

- Parish Office.....536-2803
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Parish Website: www.stfrancismerrill.org
 Staff email addresses are listed on the parish website

- St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store.....539-1131
- St. Vincent de Paul Outreach.....539-2666
- St. Vincent Free Clinic.....539-9566
- Merrill Community Food Pantry.....536-4505

Mass Schedule (SJB-St. John Baptist SFX-St. Francis Xavier)

Weekend Mass

- Saturday.....4:00 PM at SFX
- Sunday.....7:45 AM & 9:30 AM SFX
- Sunday.....11:30 AM at SJB

Weekday Mass

- Tuesday.....6:00 PM at SFX
- Wednesday.....9:00 AM at SFX
- Thursday9:00 AM at SJB and 10:30 AM at Pine Crest
 (2nd & 4th Thursdays at Pine Crest are Word & Communion)
- Friday.....8:00 AM at SFX

Reconciliation Times (and by appointment)

- Saturday.....3:00 PM (SFX) Tuesday.....5:30 PM (SFX)
- Wednesday.....8:15 AM (SFX) Thursday.....9:15 AM (SJB)

Parish Office Hours: Monday 12:30-4:00 PM

Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Friday 8:00 AM-3:00 PM

(closed daily 12-12:30 for lunch)

Low Gluten Eucharist (.01%) are available.

Please see Fr. Chris before Mass.

Parish office email: kleggett@stfrancismerrill.org

Bulletin deadline Tuesday at Noon.

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Come and Join Us

Friends of Jesus Charismatic Prayer Group:

Our next meeting is June 8th at 6:00 PM.

Everyone is welcome to join us.

Moms in Prayer:

Meetings vary. Call Irene at 536-9430

Eucharistic Adoration:

In "The Little Flower Chapel" Sun-Thur, 5AM-12AM

Friday 5AM-10PM, Saturday 5AM-11 AM

Evening Prayer:

Wednesday at 5:45 PM in "The Little Flower Chapel"

Rosary:

St. Francis: Tuesday @ 5:30 PM & Friday @ 7:30 AM

St. John's :Thursdays @ 8:30 AM

and Pine Crest on Saturdays @ 9:30AM

St. John the Baptist Thursday Social Time:

Every Thursday following 9:00 AM Mass

Little Knights Playgroup:

We meet every Friday that school is in session from 9:00-10:30 AM



THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS at SFX in "The Little

Flower" Chapel burn in honor of: **Joan Tamboli**

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord. May the perpetual light shine upon her.

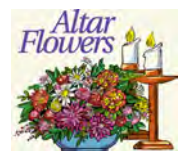
PRAYER CHAIN: Please call Kris at the Parish Office with your prayer chain requests. You may leave a message if necessary. The messages are checked daily even on weekends. Thank you.



Altar Flowers this weekend are in

loving memory of: **Roman Radlinger**

By : His Family



SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK

June 6, 2016

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 121:1bc-8; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 65:10-13; Mt 5:20-26



Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11; Gal 2:16, 19-21; Lk 7:36 -- 8:3 [7:36-50]



Weekly Schedule: June 6-12, 2016

| Monday 6/6 | Tuesday 6/7 | Wednesday 6/8 | Thursday 6/9 | Friday 6/10 | Saturday 6/11 | Sunday 6/12 |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------|--|--|
| | 5:30 PM SFX Reconciliation 6:00 PM SFX Mass and 8th Grade Graduation | 8:15 AM SFX Reconciliation 9:00 AM SFX Mass 6:00 PM SFX Charismatic Prayer Group | Last Day of School 9:00 AM SJB Mass Social follows 10:30 AM Pine Crest Mass 6:30 PM SFX Bell Choir | 8:00 AM SFX Mass | 9:00 AM SFX Reconciliation 1:00 PM Klement/Cortright Wedding 4:00 PM SFX Mass | 7:45 AM SFX Mass 9:30 AM SFX Mass 11:30 AM SJB Mass |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> SFX= St. Francis Xavier SJB= St. John the Baptist </div> | | |  | |  | |

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 11-12, 2016

Readers:

- 4:00 PM (SFX) Emily & Elizabeth Weix
- 7:45 AM (SFX) Katy & Mary Ball
- 9:30 AM (SFX) Evelyn Lee, William Osterbrink

Servers:

- 4:00 PM (SFX) Mason & Clayton Evans, L. Karpenske
- 7:45 AM (SFX) Bobby & Deb Hoff, Brian Ball
- 9:30 AM (SFX) E. Hanson, M, A, M Rydeski

Greeters/Ushers:

- 4:00 PM (SFX) L. McAllister, J. Folta, Volunteers
- 7:45 AM (SFX) T & A Ball, S & T Gessler
- 9:30 AM (SFX) C. Lee, J & B Rammer, A. Bacon

SCRIP sellers:

- 4:00 PM (SFX) Alicia Weix
- 7:45 AM (SFX) Patti Gessler, Sue Riebe
- 9:30 AM (SFX) Clark & Betty Ambrose

Ministry Schedules and sub lists for both parishes are on our website:
www.stfrancismerrill.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Week of June 6, 2016

Tuesday

6:00 PM (SFX) Intention: SFX 8th Grade Graduates

Wednesday

9:00 AM (SFX) Intention: † Roxanne Sladek
 By: Bill & Kathy Wulf

Thursday

9:00 AM (SJB) Intention: † Ted Zettler
 By: Sandy Zettler

 10:15 AM (at Pine Crest) Intention: Recovery of Sr. Dolores Lilla
 By: Monica Talbot

Friday

8:00 AM (SFX) Intention: † Eugene & Carol Koss
 By: Family & Friends

Saturday

4:00 PM (SFX) Intention: † Bert Hout
 By: Family

Sunday

7:45 AM (SFX) Intention: † Dave Bonnell
 By: Skip & Barb Ott

 9:30 AM (SFX) Intention: People of the Parish

 11:30 AM (SJB) Intention: † Howard & Loretta Felix
 By: Patty Mosser

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST at Park Place
 June 12, 2016: Dale Palecek

ROSARY LEADER at Pine Crest
 June 11, 2016: Mark Bares

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEER
 Week of June 12, 2016: Shirley Gajewski

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism. You must be a registered and contributing member of the parish to have your child receive this sacrament.

Anointing of the sick: This sacrament is available upon request by calling the parish office. Please do not wait until it becomes an emergency because a priest will not always be immediately available.

Parish News

PASTOR'S CORNER by: Fr. Chris

In today's reading we hear of two women who lose their only son. For these women, it is desperate times; their lives are in serious jeopardy. In their culture and in their time, a woman relied on her husband who was obliged to look after and take care of her. This care would stem from the close ties to the husband's family. If her husband died, there was still a connection to the family through the son and it was possible to receive care through the son's connection to the family. With this little bit of background let us now look at other aspects of the stories.

In the first story, if we recognize it, Elijah, this woman, and her son have been trusting in the Lord. A jar of flour and jug of oil have not run dry; it is the time of a severe drought. And in today's story, she loses all hope with the death of her son. She recognizes that she is as good as dead and lashes out at Elijah. Elijah knows her plight and takes the son and prays to the Lord as he performs this form of resuscitation. In today's gospel passage, we have a similar situation in the city of Nain. There is a funeral procession and Jesus recognizes this woman's plight, through the loss of her only son. However, Jesus does something unusual, by touching the coffin. The coffin bearers had stopped at this unusual gesture. Why? Because, this act would have made Jesus unclean and it would have required Jesus to go through a purification ritual in order for him to be welcomed back into the community. Yet, we hear that at Jesus' word the young man arises and begins to speak and Jesus gives him to his mother.

These are stories of hope and trust in God, no matter what circumstances we find ourselves in. God is there for us, and He recognizes our pain. I can't help but think of Mary and how she was left without her Son to support her. And how much are we called to reach out to those who lose their sense of security. Lastly, how much do we allow these stories to increase our trust in God?

St. Francis Xavier School Rummage Sale

Wednesday, June 15 3:00-7:00 PM

Thursday, June 16 8:00-4:00 PM

Friday, June 17 8:00-11 AM

Our annual rummage sale is back! You may drop off your household goods, books, clothes and games inside door #6 & #7 (school entrance) Monday, June 13 and Tuesday, June 14 from 8-4 PM.

CCW UPDATE: A huge thank you to all the women who were able to come and make our first meeting of the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) successful. We had over 20 women there and another 10 who wanted to come but had previous commitments for that night. A great start. We will be spending this summer organizing our different areas of focus groups. So many ideas were shared. They include Hospitality Sundays with a special twist, a welcome committee, prayer bookmarks, pilgrimages, a winter spiritual retreat to Marywood, missionary trip opportunities, updating our parish library, a sewing group, book/movie sharing time, social concerns activities, guest speakers, garden group, sponsor a biblical art contest, visiting the home bound, upgrading the rosary garden and repair of the Blessed Mother statue, parish pamphlet. As you can see many, many ideas surfaced and we will spend the summer prioritizing and setting them in motion. We are still in the planning stages and need your input. Our next meeting is June 29th at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria. It will last until 8pm at the groups request. Refreshments will again provided. If you haven't filled out a survey yet please do so. Extra copies are on the parish bulletin board. We all feel very blessed to be part of this dynamic group. Please join us.

Wedding Banns III: Matt Klement and Jessica Cortright announce their intention to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony on June 11, 2016. Please keep them in your prayers.

Prayer List: Rick Loof, Duane Tomajcik, Millie Martin, Elaine Hinke, Sally Wiley, Ed Truckenbrodt, Paula Pleski, Kathy Colclasure, Julieanne Opichka, and Phyllis Sheil.

Family Rosary: Summer is almost here! Those busy weekends with friends and family. Finish your weekend with a quiet time of reflection and prayer by joining us in the Family Rosary. We meet in the church and begin at 6 PM tonight (June 1).

Summer Office Hours:

Monday Noon-4:00 PM

Tuesday-Thursday 8:30-4 PM

Friday 8:30 AM-Noon



SFX School News

Mrs. Frisch's 3K preschool class is excited to start celebrating spring! They are pictured below with their frog projects.



Notes from the Finance Office.....

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School received a check for \$3,055.20 from the Diocese of Superior from Catholic Schools Week donations! The Catholic Schools offering in January is a Diocesan wide offering that provides funding for the Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Superior. The collections at the parish level, which were \$1,300.00 for St. Francis Xavier and \$185 for St. John the Baptist this year, were sent on to the Diocese who in turn divides 100% of the realized funds collected from all of the parishes in the Diocese among all the Catholic schools in our Diocese based on the number of students. Thank you for your participation in this collection!

From the Holy Father's General Audience: June 1, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our continuing catechesis for this Holy Year of Mercy, we now turn to the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector (Lk 18:9-14). Jesus contrasts the arrogance and self-righteousness of the Pharisee's prayer with the tax collector's humble recognition of his sinfulness and need for the Lord's mercy. True prayer is born of a heart which repents of its faults and failings, yet pleads for the grace to live the great commandment of love of God and neighbor. Indeed, the proud disdain of the Pharisee for the sinner at his side prevents him from being righteous in God's sight. To pray well, then, we need to look into our own hearts and there, in humble silence, let the Lord speak to us. The honesty and humility which God asks of us is the necessary condition for our receiving his mercy. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the model of such prayer. In her Magnificat, she tells us that God looks with favor on the humility of his servants, and hears their plea. May she, our Mother, help us to pray as we ought.

Religious Education News

Totus Tuus is July 31-August 5. We are in need of some volunteer help with Totus Tuus this summer:

- ◇ One host family to provide overnight sleeping accommodations for 2 adults for the week they are here. They arrive to your house around 10 PM, and leave by 8 AM each day. You would only need to provide a quick breakfast each morning.
- ◇ Six families who would like to host the team for supper. You may cook in your home, or provide a meal here at the Church for them.
- ◇ Volunteers to provide and serve snacks during the week.

If you would like to help in any of these areas, please contact Joe Velie at 715-536-2803, ext. 222.

Confirmation: The date and time for Confirmation has been set for November 6 at 11 am at St. Mary's in Tomahawk. Bishop Powers will preside. This school year's 10th grade Confirmation students will be confirmed at that time.



In the Gospel we see how Jesus was moved with pity and said to the widow, "Do not cry," and the people knew that "God had visited his people." *Remember in your prayers the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, Outreach Office and Free Clinic.*



T H A N K Y O U OUR GIFTS TO OUR LORD

For the weekend of May 21 - May 22, 2016

| <u>St. Francis Xavier</u> | Actual | Amt needed | Over (Under) since 7/1/15 |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Adult Envelopes | \$6,799.00 | \$7,827.00 | (16,195.89) |
| Loose Collection | \$191.00 | \$270.00 | 2,505.52 |
| ACH giving | \$300.00 | \$1,186.54 | 1,096.75 |
| Debt Relief | <u>\$545.25</u> | <u>\$788.46</u> | <u>1,224.90</u> |
| TOTAL | \$7,835.25 | \$10,072.00 | (11,368.72) |



The parish office will be closed on Monday, June 13th for an offsite meeting. Please plan accordingly. Thank you.

ST. FRANCIS SCRIP ORDER FORM

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| \$ _____ | WalMart/Sam's (2.5%) | _____ \$25 | _____ \$100 | |
| \$ _____ | 3's Company (5%) | _____ \$10 | _____ \$25 | |
| \$ _____ | 2510 Restaurant (7%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | Amazon.com (3%) | _____ \$25 | _____ \$100 | NEW NEW NEW |
| \$ _____ | Applebee's (8%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | Arby's (8%) | _____ \$10 | | |
| \$ _____ | B P (1.5%) | _____ \$50 | | |
| \$ _____ | Barnes & Noble (9%) | _____ \$10 | _____ \$25 | |
| \$ _____ | Bath & Body Works (13%) | _____ \$10 | _____ \$25 | |
| \$ _____ | Best Buy (2%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | Book World (9%) | _____ \$10 | | |
| \$ _____ | Cenex (3%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | Chips (10%) | _____ \$5 | | |
| \$ _____ | Club 64 (5%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | County Market (5%) | _____ \$10 | _____ \$25 | _____ \$50 _____ \$100 |
| \$ _____ | Cosmo (10%) | _____ \$5 | _____ \$8 | |
| \$ _____ | Culver's (5%) | _____ \$5 | _____ \$10 | |
| \$ _____ | Dairy Queen (10%) | _____ \$20 | | |
| \$ _____ | Designer's Plus (5%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | First Street Coffee Station (5%) | _____ \$5 | _____ \$25 | |
| \$ _____ | Fleet Farm (5%) | _____ \$25 | _____ \$50 | |
| \$ _____ | Friendship House (20%) | _____ \$10 | | |
| \$ _____ | Gander Mountain (8%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | Hardee's (10%) | _____ \$5 | | |
| \$ _____ | Holiday (5%) | _____ \$20 | _____ \$50 | |
| \$ _____ | Hugo's Pizza (8%) | _____ \$5 | | |
| \$ _____ | Health Market (4%) | _____ \$20 | | |
| \$ _____ | Kohl's (4%) | _____ \$25 | _____ \$100 | |
| \$ _____ | Kwik Trip (gas 5%) | _____ \$25 | _____ \$100 | (In store purchase are worth 15%) |
| \$ _____ | Ku's Wokery (10%) | _____ \$10 | | NEW NEW NEW |
| \$ _____ | Lee's Piggly Wiggly (3%) | _____ \$25 | _____ \$50 | _____ \$100 |
| \$ _____ | Los Mezcales (15%) | _____ \$10 | | |
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| \$ _____ | Mobil (1%) | _____ \$50 | | |
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| \$ _____ | Shell (2.5%) | _____ \$25 | _____ \$100 | |
| \$ _____ | ShopKo (2%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | Studio 808 (10%) | _____ \$5 | | |
| \$ _____ | Subway (6%) | _____ \$10 | | |
| \$ _____ | Target (2.5%) | _____ \$25 | | |
| \$ _____ | Taco Bell (5%) | _____ \$10 | | NEW NEW NEW (replaces KFC) |
| \$ _____ | Walgreen's (6%) | _____ \$25 | | |

Summer picnics and cookouts are coming! Buy SCRIP first.

Father's Day is June 19th. Dad would love a gift card!

\$ _____ **GRAND TOTAL** check # _____ or cash seller's initials _____

St. John the Baptist—Bloomville, WI

Parish Support—May 22, 2016

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|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Actual Amount of envelopes & loose: | \$ 554.00 |
| Amount Needed for the budget: | \$1016.00 |
| Over (Under) Since 7/1/15: | \$ 294.10 |

Liturgical Ministries— June 12, 2016

Readers: Joe Zimmerman, Gayle Dobson
Greeters/Ushers: Jim Feuerstein, Perry Block
Servers: Volunteers
SCRIP Seller: Sandy Tank
Eucharistic Ministers may volunteer by taking a necklace before Mass begins.

Who's Who:

Trustees: Jim St. Mary, Leona Vander Sanden
Parish Council: Anne Schoone (Chair), Paul Polacek
Joe Zimmerman, Kris Block, and Bernie Ineichen

Parish News:

⇒Thank you to everyone who continues to support the food pantry with their donations. The basket for your donations is in the back of church.

⇒**Cemetery Need:** We could use 55 gallon steel drum/barrel with removable lid to be used for refuse, old flower pots, plastic containers, etc. Also, we are in need of someone to make a few signs out of plywood so people know where to dump excess dirt, containers, and plant perennials.

⇒Cemetery Trivia:

⇒Question #2: Who donated the land for the cemetery? And in what year? (The answers will be hidden in next week's bulletin.)

Looking Ahead:

⇒Our chicken dinner and sweepstake drawing is planned for August 7. Sweepstake tickets are being printed and will be mailed to you later this summer. This is great opportunity to make sure the parish office has your correct mailing address.

Cemetery Thank you:

The cemetery project is moving along very nicely. We would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to the following people for helping with the project:



Matt Leder for bringing out his heavy equipment to clear the area for the new parking lot

Perry Block, Andy Block and Anton Ineichen for being there to cut trees and clear fences.

Sandy and Rusty Tank for providing some delicious treats on clean-up day

Leona Vander Sanden for her hard work, diligent research and continuing motivation.

Jean Klimek for her ongoing tender loving care of the cemetery all summer long. Jean is not able to hand trim around each stone, so if you can, please trim around your family stone and flowers.

To all those who are known and unknown who have helped in any way to make this a very beautiful and holy ground. God bless you all.



Notes from the Finance Office.....

- ◆ The parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church donated a total of \$1,277.00 to the Catholic Home Missions Appeal this year. St. John the Baptist donated \$146.00. The appeal funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups, especially Hispanics. This past year the Diocese of Superior received a local grant of \$135,000 to assist with Leadership Development and Lay Ministry Formation. Thank you for your support.
- ◆ St. Francis Xavier recently received a generous bequest from the estate of **Dahlia Pezzi**. St. Francis Xavier would like express its sincere appreciation of the bequest. This bequest will greatly help to finance the needs of the parish and school.

We hope you'll consider including a gift to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church and School in your will or living trust. Called a charitable bequest, this type of gift offers these main benefits:

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St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church and School continue to be very grateful to all who support the Parish financially. Without your financial support, physical presence, and most especially your prayers, we could not succeed in our mission as Church.



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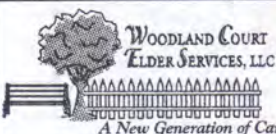
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