

PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH HALL – The San Lorenzo Ruiz Knights of Columbus Council #11429 pancake breakfast is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on **Sunday, September 21** at St. Joseph Parish Hall on the corner of Broadway Avenue and 8th Street East in Saskatoon. Adults: \$10; Children 5-15 years: \$5, Family \$35.

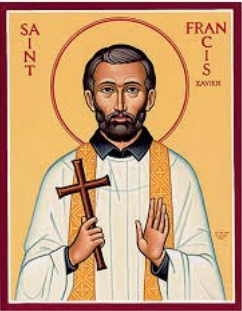
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The CWL Clothing Depot is always in need of volunteers who would be willing to help on the floor during store hours. This is only a three-hour commitment, 12 noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and/or 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the store located on the lower level of the Friendship Inn building, 619-20th Street West, Saskatoon. Your much-needed support as a volunteer would contribute to the continued operation of the non-profit CWL Clothing Depot where you would be warmly welcomed, much appreciated and part of a great service the depot provides to financially challenged members of our community. Volunteers do not have to be CWL members, and can be men or women. Call Bea at (306) 242-5042 for more information.

SASKATOON PREGNANCY OPTIONS AND SUPPORT CENTRE FALL GALA will be held **Friday, Sept. 26** at Prairieland Park Hall A, 503 Ruth Street, Saskatoon (doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner is at 6:15 p.m.). Get tickets before Sept. 22 online at: <https://shop.authentigate.ca/store/prairieland/1348> or for more information about this fund-raising gala dinner and silent auction, please e-mail: contact@saskatoonpregnancyoptions.com.

FOOD PANTRY APPEAL: The emergency food pantry at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish is appealing for donations to assist some of the most vulnerable in our community, including those who came to Saskatoon because of wildfires in our northern communities. Donations of food staples are greatly needed, including powdered milk, peanut butter (small sizes), coffee, tea, canned beans, meat and fish, canned soups and vegetables, pasta sauce, pasta, rice, and ramen noodles. Monetary donations permit the parish to purchase exactly what is needed. Contact Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish at (306) 653-4945; the parish office is located at 426 Ave. J S., Saskatoon

	March	April	May	June	July	August
Collections	\$18,821.40	\$5,795.40	\$5,691.90	\$6719.30	\$7,275.00	\$5,356.60
Diocesan Collections	\$0.00	\$1,045.80	\$135.00	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Miscellaneous	\$214.45	\$91.40	\$93.50	\$2,248.71	\$38.15	\$11,560.54
Reimbursements	\$2,225.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Collections	\$21,261.56	\$6,932.60	\$5,920.40	\$9,093.07	\$7,313.15	\$16,957.14

Total Collections for Jan—Aug 2025	\$56,914.55	If you have any questions regarding the financial information, please email Ryan at rnbaker@rcdos.ca
Total Income for Jan—Aug 2025	\$81,039.87	
Total Expenses for Jan—Aug 2025	\$80,205.03	
Operating Profit for Jan-Aug 2025	\$834.84	



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MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
“A welcoming community, empowered by baptism, committed to the Gospel”

<i>Sacrament of Penance:</i>	30 minutes before Mass or by appointment
<i>Weekday Liturgies:</i>	Wednesdays at 9:00am (except 3rd Wednesday of the month: Adoration and Confession at 5:30pm and Mass at 6:30pm)
<i>Eucharistic Liturgies:</i>	Sundays at 9:00am

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 21, 2025

Ministries for September 28, 2025

Sacristan & EMHC	June Furmanic & TBD
Proclaimers of the Word	Jo-Anne Lund & Betty Schurman
Prayers of the Faithful	Karen Omelan-Davis
Altar Servers	June Furmanic & Anna Vu
Cross Bearer	Dave Schurman
Gift Bearers	Karen Omelan-Davis & Ross Davis
Welcomers	Arlene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle

READINGS FOR THE 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

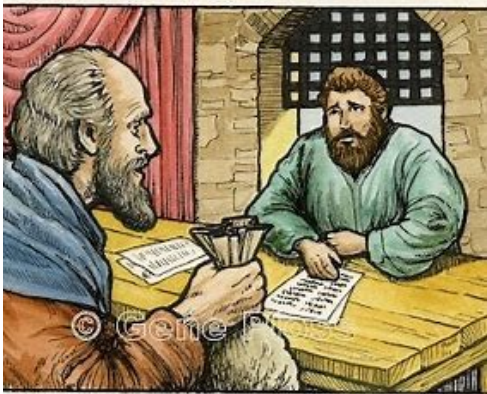
Amos 6:1a, 4-7: Woe to those who are complacent in Zion... They shall be the first to go into exile.

1 Timothy 6:11-16: You, man of God ... pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.

Luke 16:19-31: There was a rich man ... And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus.

GOD OR MAMMON

By: Sr. Dianne Bergant



Jesus tells a story that might sound confusing to us because it reflects economic practices of his time, not ours. His original audience likely recognized the situation as one that was familiar to them. In the story, an employee fails to oversee and enhance the material holdings of his employer. However, when it came to getting what he could for himself from the employer's assets, he shows remarkable ability. One might say, "Good for him!" Even the employer thought the employee's actions showed resourcefulness.

Jesus does not applaud the specifics of the man's behavior, acceptable or not, as the case may have been. Rather, he notes that the man used whatever was available to him to ensure his own comfort in the future. Jesus then states that the ingenuity of such a man is more noteworthy than that of children of light. What a condemnation!

Jesus goes on to condemn mammon. Just what is that? It is too easy to say that mammon is money, though money is part of it. A good definition is "the greedy pursuit of gain." This could be any kind of gain over others when we make that gain the primary value in our lives. The story shows that the employee was amazingly industrious in his pursuit. In comparison, the children of light (you and me?) too often fail to demonstrate comparable industry in pursuing the true wealth of which Jesus spoke. Once again, a choice is placed before us: God or mammon?



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a **WELCOME BACK PANCAKE BREAK-FAST** on **Sunday, October 5th** in the St. Francis Welcoming Area following Mass. Cost of the breakfast to you will be by your very generous donation.

A **PARISH TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE (TRC) GATHERING** will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, at the Bishop Klein Room of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. A meal will be provided for participants at no cost. These ongoing gatherings are for parishes who have, are beginning, or would like to increase networks with other parishes to advance TRC efforts. For smaller parishes that may not have the capacity to create a TRC committee, the event is an opportunity to draw attention available opportunities to join the church in this historic journey. To assist with meal planning, please register before Sept. 22 online at: <https://form.jotform.com/252118673131249> or for more information, contact Myron Rogal at (306) 659-5841 or mrogal@rcdos.ca. (Office of Justice and Peace is supported by the BAA.)

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER encourages a scent free atmosphere for the comfort of those with sensitivities and allergies to perfumes. We ask that parishioners refrain from wearing products with fragrances to mass.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: For the foreseeable future, Ryan will be in the parish office Thursdays from 8:00am until 3:00pm.

E-TRANSFERS: Should you wish to donate to St. Francis Xavier Parish by using E-transfers, please use the following instructions:

1. Send an e-transfer using the following e-mail: sfxsaskatoon@rcdos.ca
2. Use the following question: What is the name of our favorite shrub? The answer is willow.
3. If you wish to use your own questions, please send an email to rnbaker@rcdos.ca with the answer. Thank you for your continued support of St. Francis Xavier Parish.

Fr. Hoang will be away until the end of September for holidays. We will still have Sunday morning Mass as usual, but there will be no Wednesday morning Masses or Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in September.

St. Francis Xavier has resumed holding **MASS AT SUNNYSIDE CARE CENTRE** on St. Henry Avenue on the **second Thursday of every month at 2:00 pm**. The next Mass is scheduled for **October 9, 2025**. We are looking for volunteers to assist with the mass. Volunteers would serve as lectors and music ministers amongst other duties. If you are interested in volunteering or participating, please speak to Fr. Hoang or Jo-Anne Lund for details. All are welcomed to attend.

As many of the volunteers in the different ministries are away during the month of September, it won't be possible to offer coffee after Mass during the month of September unless there are additional volunteers. If you are able to help out during the month of September, please talk to June Furmanic.

