

The **MINISTRY SCHEDULES** for the months of November and December are ready for pick up in the welcoming area. If you are not going to be at church on a Sunday when you are scheduled for a ministry, please find a replacement if possible and let Jo-Anne Lund or Irene LeGatt know.

LECTIO DIVINA: Bible prayer session on the Sunday readings 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25 at St Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cres., Saskatoon. Bring your Bible or Bible app or Living With Christ. For more information contact Sr. Marlene, MACE, at: srmarlene@sasktel.net

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.

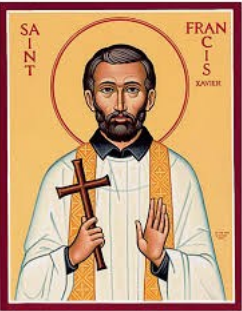
FOOD PANTRY APPEAL: The emergency food pantry at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish is appealing for donations to assist some of the most vulnerable in our community, including those who came to Saskatoon because of wildfires in our northern communities. Donations of food staples are greatly needed, including 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

St. Francis Xavier Parish Financial Update

	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.
Collections	\$5,795.40	\$5,691.90	\$6,719.30	\$7,275.00	\$5,356.60	\$8,287.00
Diocesan Collections	\$1,045.80	\$135.00	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$91.40	\$93.50	\$2,248.71	\$38.15	\$11,560.54	\$309.95
Reimbursements	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Collections	\$6,932.60	\$5,920.40	\$9,093.07	\$7,313.15	\$16,957.14	\$8,596.35

Total Collections for Jan—Sept 2025	\$65,201.55
Total Income for Jan—Sept 2025	\$89,636.22
Total Expenses for Jan—Sept 2025	\$88,023.74
Operating Profit for Jan-Sept 2025	\$1,612.48

If you have any questions regarding the financial information, please email Ryan at rnbaker@rcdos.ca



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MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

“A welcoming community, empowered by baptism, committed to the Gospel”

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

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 19, 2025

Ministries for October 26, 2025

Sacristan	Irene LeGatt
Proclaimers of the Word	Noah Foster & Jane Isinger
Prayers of the Faithful	Jo-Anne Lund
Altar Servers	Guy Belliveau & Irene LeGatt
Cross Bearer	Lane Foster
Gift Bearers	Koshinsky Family
Welcomers	Arlene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle
EMHC	June Furmanic

READINGS FOR THE 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18: Give to the Most High as he has given to you, generously, according to your means.

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18: [Paul said,] “I have competed well, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Luke 18:9-14: [The LORD said,] “Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

KEEP AT IT

By: Sr. Dianne Bergant



We ask something of God because we recognize that we are needy and unable to meet the need for which we plead. This itself is a good prayer because it acknowledges our human limitation, an acknowledgment that might be very difficult for us to voice. Such prayer is also an admission of our dependence on God and our trust in God's loving care. A prayer of petition can be profound. However, what are we to do when our request is not realized? Do we ask again? And, if so, how many times? If it is never realized, do we stop asking? This is precisely the issue in today's readings.

Moses held his hands up in prayer, and he grew tired. His prayer addressed a community need—victory over the Amalekites—and two leaders of the community assisted him so that the plea for help could continue until victory was won.

The gospel passage tells a story about a woman whose need of justice made her bold. As a widow in a patriarchal society, she had no husband to speak on her behalf. She had to plead her own case again and again until a just decision was delivered. The moral of these stories is clear: Keep at it!

What happens when our prayer does not seem to be answered? It is still a good prayer, acknowledging our fundamental need and God's loving care of us. The moral of our story is the same: Trust and keep at it!



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.

THANK YOU: A huge thank you to Ron Ritz and the San Lorenzo Ruiz Knights of Columbus Council #11429 for putting on a delicious pancake breakfast last Sunday. It was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you.

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 **November 13, 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.

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLE EXHIBIT, DESIGNED AND CREATED BY ST. CARLO ACUTIS will be presented from 7 p.m. to 9:30 pm on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon (corner of Attridge Drive and Forestry Farm Park Drive). The schedule includes: 7 p.m. presentation and guest speakers, 7:45 p.m. musical Eucharistic Adoration, 8 p.m. viewing exhibit with wine and cheese. This event is presented by the St. Joseph High School Community Council and the Cathedral of the Holy Family to highlight the devotion of the recently canonized young "millennial saint," St. Carlo Acutis (1991-2006).

We will be having a display for the month of November to pray for and to remember those loved ones who have passed away. We invite parishioners to bring photos of deceased family and friends to be included in the display. Photos can be left in the sacristy.

The **BOOK OF LIFE** has been placed in the welcoming area and we welcome you to write the names of those loved ones who have passed away since November 1, 2024. The names will be read at the mass on the first Sunday of November which is also All Souls Day.

The **MASS FOR ALL SAINTS DAY** will be held on **Saturday, November 1** at 9:00 am at St. Joseph Parish.