

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, October 19** 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.

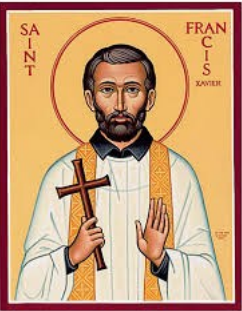
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The CWL Clothing Depot is always in need of volunteers who would be willing to help on the floor during store hours. This is only a three-hour commitment, 12 noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and/or 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the store located on the lower level of the Friendship 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.

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

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS is held at 7:45 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon, including on **Tuesday, Oct. 7**, includes Chaplet of the Holy Face, and prayers of reparation, followed by a time of personal meditation.

	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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 5, 2025

Ministries for October 12, 2025

Sacristan	Arlene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle
Proclaimers of the Word	Brenda Ritz & Brian Colquhoun
Prayers of the Faithful	Karen Omelan-Davis
Altar Servers	Arlene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle
Cross Bearer	Gawain Koshinsky
Gift Bearers	Karen Omelan-Davis & Ross Davis
Welcomers	Dave & Betty Schurman
EMHC	June Furmanic

READINGS FOR THE 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Kings 5:14-17: [Naaman said.] “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel. Please accept a gift from your servant.”

2 Timothy 2:8-13: The Word of God is not chained.

Luke 17:11-17: [Jesus said.] “Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God? Stand up and go; your faith has saved you.”

HAVE FAITH!

By: Sr. Dianne Bergant



That is so easy to say and so hard to do. This might be because we misunderstand what faith is and what it might do. Today's readings offer us three glimpses into what the Bible means by faith.

The reading from Habakkuk and the gospel passage seem to contradict each other. The gospel suggests that one can do wondrous things if one's faith is strong enough. Many people understand this literally and then are confused and terribly disappointed when things do not turn out as they wanted. Habakkuk is in a dire situation. He turned to God, but it seems to no avail: "You do not intervene" (Habakkuk 1:2). What response did he get? "Don't

give up. Don't lose faith."

Paul's letter was written to Timothy, one of Paul's own converts to faith in the risen Lord. Paul encourages Timothy to remain steadfast in that faith. It's clear that faith is not solely a set of beliefs and doctrines; it is a way of life—one that follows and is inspired by the example Jesus' life provides. It is also clear that living such a life might be dangerous, as evidenced by Paul's own imprisonment.

Reading the gospel passage again after considering these reflections, one might understand the power of faith in a new way. Perhaps the mulberry tree stands for the struggles that had to be endured by Habakkuk, the danger that Timothy faced in a hostile world, and the hurdles that challenge our own faith. It assures us that if we don't lose faith, we also can do wondrous things



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.

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 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).

MOVIE FORUM: The full-length 2003 film "Mother Teresa" starring Olivia Hussey will be shown Wednesday, Oct. 29 as a Feminine Genius follow-up event, with two times to choose from: 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd Floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Presented with permission, by free-will donation; includes drink and popcorn; everyone is welcome! Because space is limited, those attending must pre-register; find the form online at: <https://form.jotform.com/251257791562261> or contact Sr. Malou Tibayan at mtibayan@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5843. (Adult Faith is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal: <https://dscf.ca/baa>).