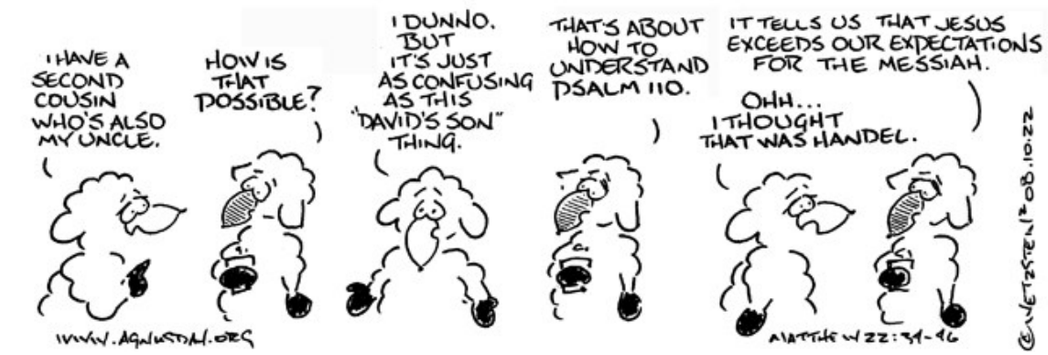
BIBLES, HOLY CARDS, ROSARIES, CROSSES – The diocesan Hospital Chaplaincy Office is seeking donations of materials to assist with spiritual care outreach to patients at hospitals in Saskatoon. If you have Bibles, holy cards, rosaries, crosses or other small sacred items that would be appropriate to share with those facing illness, please consider donating them "Attention to Jackie Saretsky, Hospital Chaplaincy" at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd floor of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, or call (306) 659-5839 for information. (Hospital Chaplaincy is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

The **CWL CLOTHING DEPOT** is requesting gently-used donations of men's clothing-winter/fall coats, jeans, shoes. Also, good condition towels and small appliances like toasters, coffee pots and frying pans. Drop-off times for donations are Monday to Friday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the back door in alley of the CWL Clothing Depot building, 619-20th Street, Saskatoon – ring the bell. Donations will be much appreciated. For donation inquiries or to become a volunteer, call (306) 242-5042.



St. Francis Xavier Parish Financial Update

	June	July	August	September
Collections	$7,238.00	$5,362.85	$8,520.00	$7,610.55
Diocesan Collections	$10.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Miscellaneous	$7,303.61	$12,481.95	$60.20	$2,433.55
Reimbursements	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Total Income	**$14,550.61**	**$17,844.80**	**$8,580.20**	**$10,043.90**

Total Collections for Jan—Sep 2026 **$ 78,763.26**
Total Income for Jan—Sep 2026 **$132,760.96**
Total Expenses for Jan—Sep 2026 **$ 84,517.16**
Operating Profit for Jan-Sep 2026 **$ 48,243.80**

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

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 25, 2026

Ministries for November 1, 2026

Sacristan / **EMHC**	Irene LeGatt / **Brenda Ritz**
Proclaimers of the Word	June Furmanic & Betty Schurman
Prayers of the Faithful	Karen Omelan-Davis
Altar Servers	Irene LeGatt & Gloria McGee
Cross Bearer	Dave Schurman
Gift Bearers	Karen Omelan-Davis & Ross Davis
Welcomers	Arlene Kohle & Rosalyn Kohle
Coffee before/after Mass	June Furmanic / June Fumanic & Nicky Curtis

READINGS FOR THE 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14
These are the one who have survived the time of great distress.

1 John 3:1-3
Everyone who has this hope based on him make himself pure, as he is pure.

Matthew 5:1-12
[Jesus said,] "Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

THE OTHER SIDE OF LOVE

By: Fr. Joseph Jukinalis



Dennis is one of the local street people who lives around the parish where I live. He is usually pleasant and courteous and wants to do things right, though he also struggles with his own set of demons. For the most part, Dennis seems to be finding his way through the mazes of life, as people do in their own fashion. In some ways, the parishioners have become a family for Dennis, or at least a part of the family scattered about the neighborhood. Frequently he will be gone for a time, and we will wonder what happened to Dennis, only to find him drifting back among us.

These days Dennis is angry with us. For whatever reason, Dennis brought his assembled belongings and took up residence on our garage roof. The roof is flat and has a two-foot-high wall around the edge, a place that affords a bit of shelter from the wind. Soon, however, the parish came up with a list of reasons why it would be best if Dennis did not live on our garage roof—safety, security, and insurance among them. So Dennis was asked to move on, and that's why Dennis is angry with us.

The parish staff tries to be sensitive and caring about the street people. They try to let them make their own way when that is what they want to do. Yet at other times the staff needs to do what is best for everyone involved in the parish. It's not always easy to know how to love someone.

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: 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.

The Mass for **ALL SOULS DAY** will be held on **Monday, November 2** at **9:00 am** at St. Francis Xavier Parish.

The **BOOK OF LIFE** has been placed in the welcoming area. We welcome you to write the names of those loved ones who have passed away since November 1, 2025. We will read out the names at the Mass on **All Souls Day and on Sunday, November 8th**.

A CONTEMPLATIVE MASS led by Fr. Kevin McGee will be held at 5 p.m. **Friday, Nov. 6** at St. Mary Parish, 211 Avenue O South, Saskatoon. The rhythm of the Contemplative Mass is a gentle steady flow, marked by 20 minutes of silence after communion to allow space for reflection and recognition of the intimate Presence of Christ.

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 kitchen area or sacristy.

The **MINISTRY SCHEDULES** for the months of November and December are ready for pick up in the welcoming area this weekend.

DONATIONS NEEDED: The emergency food pantry at Our Lady of Guadalupe Indigenous Catholic Parish in Saskatoon is appealing for donations to assist some of the most vulnerable in our community. Donations of food staples are greatly needed, including powdered milk, peanut butter (small sizes preferred), 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 Avenue J South, Saskatoon.

Hope in Health Care - Support for health care professionals: The Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan (CHAS), in partnership with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, invites healthcare professionals to "Hope in Health Care" to explore the challenges and opportunities in living their vocations in a healthcare environment that includes practices such as medically-provided euthanasia (MAID). The next gathering is 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd Floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, SK. (corner of Attridge Drive and Forestry Farm Park Drive). For more information, contact Jackie Saretsky, diocesan Coordinator of Hospital Chaplaincy at (306) 659- 5839 or Dr. Mary Heilman, PhD, of CHAS at (306) 655-5197 or e-mail hope@chassk.ca. (Hospital Chaplaincy is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal – dscf.ca/baa)

A Word from Pope Leo XIV



Health cannot be a luxury for the few…. Universal health coverage is not merely a technical goal to be achieved; it is primarily a moral imperative for societies that wish to call themselves just. Healthcare must be accessible to the most vulnerable, then, not only because their dignity requires it but also to prevent injustice from becoming a cause of conflict.

Address to conference participants
Rome, March 19, 2026