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

	July	August	September	October
Collections	$5,362.85	$8,520.00	$7,610.55	$7,728.10
Diocesan Collections	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$285.00
Miscellaneous	$12,481.95	$60.20	$2,433.55	$900.00
Reimbursements	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Total Income	**$17,844.80**	**$8,580.20**	**$10,043.90**	**$8,913.10**

Total Collections for Jan—Oct 2026 **$ 86,491.36**
Total Income for Jan—Oct 2026 **$142,406.11**
Total Expenses for Jan—Oct 2026 **$ 88,969.22**
Operating Profit for Jan-Oct 2026 **$ 53,436.89**

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

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 22, 2026

Ministries for November 29, 2026

Sacristan / **EMHC**	Arlene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle / **Gloria McGee**
Proclaimers of the Word	Kiply Yaworski & Jim Moorehead
Prayers of the Faithful	Jo-Anne Lund
Altar Servers	Arlene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle
Cross Bearer	Dave Schurman
Gift Bearers	Koshinsky Family
Welcomers	Ron & Brenda Ritz
Coffee before/after Mass	June Furmanic / June Furmanic & Nicky Curtis

READINGS FOR 1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7
Lord, you are our father; we are the clay and you our potter: we are the work of your hand.

1 Corinthians 1:3-9
God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son.

Mark 13:33-37
[Jesus said,] "May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping."

PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR INSTINCTS

Fr. Joseph Juknialis



Invite Marty into your home, and the first thing he'll ask is whether you have cats. Marty is allergic to cats—big time—even if they have been confined to another room. His eyes turn red. He sneezes. He coughs and wheezes like an old-time Model T. Cats are his nemesis. It is ironic that Marty has befriended a stray cat from his neighborhood. Though he never pets the kitty or allows him into his home, each day he feeds the cat and puts milk out on the deck outside his living room. And if the cat fails to come around, Marty worries about him.

There is something instinctive in us that moves us to care for the underdog, even if it's a cat. The Sunday gospel this week suggests that the innate desire to care for the weakest among us is a godly instinct. It's where we meet God, and we need to pay attention to it simply because it's how we come to a sense of God in our lives.

We all search for meaning, looking for it every day in the hidden corners of our lives and in the free moments of our busyness. Sometimes we find it, and sometimes we limp back home at the end of the day. More often than not, it's when our day has been brushed with the color of caring for someone else that we feel good about that day. It's a godly instinct that's not to be ignored.

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.

This is the last Sunday for the display in remembrance of our loved one. You are welcomed to take your photos after mass. Any remaining photos will be placed in the sacristy.

The **2026-2027 MISSALS** are now available and can be purchased in the welcoming area after mass. The cost is $5.00.

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.

Mark your calendar. The next **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST** will be held **November 22nd** at **St. Joseph's Hall** on 8th Street from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm.

Mark your calendar. **Thursday, December 3** is the **FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER**. To mark the Feast Day, we will be holding a mass at 5:00 pm. All are welcome.

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS CENACLE, which includes adoration, the rosary, benediction, hymns and various prayers, will be held at 7:30 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 3**, at St. Michael Catholic Church, #18-33rd St. E., Saskatoon. Everyone is welcome!

A CONTEMPLATIVE MASS led by Fr. Kevin McGee will be held at 5 p.m. on First **Friday, Dec. 4**, 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 for reflection and recognition of the Intimate Presence of Christ.

SCAM ALERT – Fraudulent messages continue to circulate via e-mail, as well as via text and message apps, allegedly coming from our priests, bishop, or others in the Catholic community, asking for money, gift cards, or other gifts. DISREGARD all such messages! Do NOT reply or engage with the individuals sending these messages. Do NOT send gift cards, money, or cash transfers if requested to do so over e-mail or via text message.

A Word from Pope Leo XIV



Artificial intelligence now demands to be "disarmed," freed from logics that turn it into an instrument of domination, exclusion, and death. Like nuclear energy, it must be at the service of all and of the common good. Decisions about technology must never be separated from conscience and responsibility.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 25, 2026