**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 |
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| 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"**

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| ***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 |

## *32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

November 8, 2026

**Ministries for November 15, 2026**

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| Sacristan / **EMHC** | Arlene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle / **June Furmanic** |
| Proclaimers of the Word | Jo-Anne Lund & Nicky Curtis |
| Prayers of the Faithful | Jane Isinger |
| Altar Servers | Alrene Hodges & Rosalyn Kohle |
| Cross Bearer | Dave Schurman |
| Gift Bearers | Koshinski Family |
| Welcomers | Marilyn Kowalski & Gloria McGee |
| Coffee before/after Mass | June Furmanic/June Furmanic |

**READINGS FOR THE 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Proverbs 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31**
Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Acclaim her for the work of her hands.

**1 Thessalonians 5:1–6**
You yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night.

**Matthew 25:14–30**
[[Jesus said,] "It will be as when a man who was going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them."

## The Light of Wisdom

Fr. Joseph Juknialis



The dark of night can unsettle and frighten children, but darkness can disturb adults, too. It's not so much the feeling when the lights go off that unsettles us grown-ups as it is the dark of uncertainty. We graduate from school and wonder what to do with our lives. Should we stay in a relationship? How do we find meaning again in the midst of grief and the loss of someone we love? And, sometimes most of all, where is God when we need God? We may even wonder whether to believe. At such times, we bump and bruise our way through the obstacles that life's darknesses cause. Leonard Cohen's song "Anthem" echoes a note of hope when we feel lost in the dark as he sings about how light always seems to find a way to seep in between the cracks of our everyday living. Like stars that are visible only at night, new opportunities are often most readily recognized when we find ourselves stumbling through the dark.

Long before Leonard Cohen, Jesus told the parable of ten virgins, some wise and some foolish. In the midst of that story, he tells of a bridegroom who comes to the waiting virgin attendants at midnight. In other words, it is the Lord God who comes into our lives in the darkest times, if only we are wise enough to recognize such a coming. How, then, do we negotiate the darkness? Stay the course. In time, wisdom reveals a path. Trust that light will come, all in God's time—not ours. Finally, wisdom always comes in the darkest of times, seldom when our lives are bright as day

**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 **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**.

There will be a **9:00 am morning Mass** on Remembrance Day, Wednesday, November 11th at St. Francis Xavier Parish. All are welcome.

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.

The monthly mass at **SUNNYSIDE CARE CENTRE** will take place **Thursday, November 12 at 2:00 pm**. All are very welcomed to attend. For more information, please contact Jo-Anne Lund.

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.

**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!

On the **third Wednesday** of each month, which for November is **November 18**, there is **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND RECONCILIATION** beginning at 5:30 pm followed by mass at 6:30 pm. On those Wednesdays, there is no morning mass at 9:00 am.

### A Word from Pope Leo XIV



Brothers and sisters support each other in hardship; they do not turn their back on those who are in need; and they weep and rejoice together in the active pursuit of unity, trust, and mutual reliance. The dynamic is that which Jesus himself gives to us: "Love one another as I have loved you."

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME,
NOVEMBER 12, 2025