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MASS TIMES

Weekend: Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 8:30am & 10:30am

Weekday: Tuesday: 6:30pm Wednesday: 9:00am Thursday - Saturday: 8:00am

CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesday: 5:30-6:20pm Thursday: 4:30pm Friday: 7:30-7:50am Saturday: 3:30-4:45pm

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Wednesdays (10:00am) — Friday (5:00pm)

Located at the Faith & Education Center (219 19th St. NW, Buffalo) through the Parish Office Doors (Left Side of Building)

SACRAMENT INFORMATION Call the Parish Office to schedule

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact at least 6 months in advance

Baptism Preparation Class:

NEW DATE & TIME Third Thursday of Each Month 6:30-7:30pm St. Sophia Room (in Parish Hall)

Sacrament of Baptism: First & Third Weekend of the Month Saturday: After 5:00pm Mass Sunday: After 10:30am Mass

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

If there is an emergency and you need to reach Fr. Nathaniel Meyers, please call 763-684-0075 and press option 6



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18-19

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

NEXT WEEK'S DAILY READINGS

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9 | Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c | Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16 | Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 | Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25 | Ps 147 :12-13, 14-15, 19-20 | Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12 | Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5 | Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 | Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 | Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25 | Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6 | Mk 11:27-33

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8 | Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 (13) | Heb 9:11-15 | Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

MAY 26, 2024 | THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

FROM FATHER'S DESK

Father Nathaniel Meyers



Memorial Day is always a blessed occasion as this civil holiday calls us to consider those who have fallen in the service of our country. Since 1971, the United States has held this holiday on the last Monday of May (prior to this it was always held on May 30th) and thus the significance of the holiday has been somewhat lost over the past 50 years as it truly has become just a long weekend for most people and a chance to engage in shopping or hosting a bar-b-que. Yet, for the faithful of the Archdiocese, we have been blessed to host the priestly ordinations over the Memorial Day weekend and thus connect this civil holiday with a deeply religious celebration.

While it is always beautiful to see new men being ordained to the priesthood, 2024 promises to be even more exceptional for us here at St. Francis Xavier because this very weekend one of our native son's will now be a priest of Jesus Christ according to the order of Melchizedek. Fr. Alex Rasset—who received his prior sacraments all through our parish, graduated from our parochial school, and was an exceptional leader for our Teens for Christ youth group—now will himself be presiding at the altar of the Lord and bringing the Eucharist into the world. As Fr. Alex receives the powers of priestly ministry, the key element of his life will be to offer a memorial to Christ.

"Hoc facite in meam commemorationem" is the Latin text that concludes the Words of Institution in the Eucharistic Prayer (we translate this into English as "Do this in memory of me"). One can probably easily see the connection between the Latin word commemorationem and our English word memorial. The Latin original is in the accusative singular case, meaning that its place in the prayer is to direct attention to a specific person—namely to Christ Himself. The priest in praying these words is announcing to those who have gathered at prayer, as well as to himself, that our lives must be lived in memory of Christ. When we gather with friends, when we go to the grocery story, when we watch Netflix, or whatever else we can think of in life—all of it should be done in accord with the mystery of the Eucharist and to make the life of the Lord present and known to those in our midst.

Fr. Alex and his brothers who are beginning their priestly life this weekend will have countless opportunities to live these words of the Eucharistic Prayer and they will have the blessings of God to help them in this noble endeavor. However, they will also need us to continue praying for them and supporting them in their priestly vocation. While kind words and gifts can do wonders for a priest, the actually greatest thing any of us can do to support Fr. Alex is to ourselves live the reality of those words: *Hoc facite in meam commemorationem*. Pursuing sainthood and growing in holiness is the best way we can help secure Fr. Alex in his new life as a priest. Whatever we do in life, let us each be sure to make each of our decisions a memorial of Christ's life and love.

In Christ, Fr. Meyers



Parish Mission: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." — Matthew 28:19-20

Parish Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 8:30am-4:30pm Friday: 8:30am-12noon Saturday & Sunday: Closed

Parish Contact Information

Pastor: Father Nathaniel Meyers <u>nate.meyers@stfxb.org</u> 763-489-9223

Deacon: Deacon Paul Buck paul.buck@stfxb.org

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Congratulations 8th Grade Graduates

Congratulations to the 8th Grade Class of 2024! Graduation Mass & Banquet will be this Thursday, May 30 @ 5:30 pm.

Logan Danielson, Jackson Adams, June Leffingwell, Arabelle Erickson, Lexi Provo, Kathryn Roberg, Ava Tiernan, Keaton Roder, Landon Kirschner, Nolan Gustafson, Jakob Johnson, Madelyn Kuzma, Anna Utsch, Will Miriovsky, Daniel Niemela, Micha Tscholl, Evan Larson & Anna Vastina Biganza

(Not Pictured: Megan Cooper)





faithful + beginnings at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School

Thank you!

A special thank you!

The students and staff want to thank Fr. Meyers for his leadership and teachings over the past ten years. As well as sharing his dogs with us. Students will recognize Fr. Meyers at the school Mass on Wednesday, May 29.

Preschool Programs / Graduation

We had a wonderful year of fun and learning in preschool this year. We end our school year with a celebration recognizing our littlest learners.

T/Th Classes - Thursday, May 30 @ 9:30 am M/W/F Classes - Friday, May 31 @ 9:30 am

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR			
Thursday, May 30th			
9:30am	Preschool End of Year Program (T/TH Classes)	Trinity Hall	
5:30pm	8th Grade Graduation Mass & Banquet	Church	
Friday, Ma	Friday, May 31st		
9:30am	Preschool End of Year Program (M/W/F Classes)	Trinity Hall	
Sunday, June 2nd			
10:30am	2024 High School Senior Mass Recognition	Church	
Wednesday, June 5th (LAST DAY OF SCHOOL)			
1:00pm	School Year Closing Mass	Trinity Hall	

School Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 7:30am-3:30pm

School Contact Information

Principal: Alisa Louwagie alisa.louwagie@stfxb.org 763-489-9227

Administrative Assistant: Shelly Barthel shelly.barthel@stfxb.org 763-489-9228

Weekly School Liturgy: Wednesday - 9:00am Trinity Hall

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Open to All Parents, Family and Parishioners!

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School Mission Statement:

In partnership with families and our parish, we foster discipleship, academic excellence, and the development of each child in the light of faith.

Volunteer Opportunity QR Code:

New! Our success is in partnership with the many volunteers that help in various ways at STFX School. Scan the QR Code below to see our current volunteer needs, sign-ups and contact information.



PARISH NEWS

PRAY FOR OUR PARISH VOCATIONS

Father Alex Rasset (Diocesan Priest) Andrew Scherber (Apostolic Life) Sophia Nikula (Religious Life) Mitchell Kendrioski, Teaching Parish Seminarian (Diocesan Priesthood)

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners Mary Danielson Joan Raisanen Paul Fladung Mary Ellen Klatt William Schouviller Irmina Holthaus Natalie Fix Chris Larson Jerry Niesen Mary Stevens Lawrence Endres Mary Kay Biegler Karen Kocer-Suerth Jana Endres

Alice Zaske Marv Schmidt Gerry Hundt **Bob Baldwin** LuVern Solien

Family/Friends Dan Poirier Maria Belle Van Lith Michele Kendrioski Elizabeth (Endres) Beissel Karah Jacobson Joe Anderson

MEASURE OUR TREASURE TO THE LORD

Collection for May 19, 2024

Our parish is grateful for your support. Thank you!

STFX MASS SCHEDULE (C = Church, S = School)

Mass Not Available on Mondays

Monday, May 27th—Memorial Day (St. Augustine of Canterbury) 8:00am (C) †Charlie Holthaus

Tuesday, May 28th 6:30pm (C) †Paul Riley & †Marilyn Marben

Wednesday, May 29th (St. Paul VI) 9:00am (S) Fr. Meyers (14th Anniversary of Ordination)

Thursday, May 30th 8:00am (C) +Lomer & +Doris Des Marais

Friday, May 31st (Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary) 8:00am (C) Living & Deceased Thomes Family

Saturday, June 1st (St. Justin Martyr)

8:00am (C) †Vern Peters 5:00pm (C) †Ruth Jans

Sunday, June 2nd (The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ) 8:30am (C) Living and Deceased of James Quast & Ambrose Munsterteiger Families

10:30am (C) Parishioners of St. Francis Xavier

Mass Intentions are available for the living or deceased. To request a Mass Intention, contact Travis at: 763-684-0075; travis.nelson@stfxb.org

CONGRATULATIONS FR. ALEX RASSET!

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God. St. Francis Xavier Church staff and parishioners want to congratulate Fr. Alex Rasset on his Presbyteral Ordination to serve our Archdiocese! Fr. Alex was ordained with 12 other men on Saturday morning, May 25th.



Please keep Fr. Alex in your prayers, as well as all those that serve God's church in their vocation!

RECENT BAPTISM

Congratulations to the Newly Baptized!

Jaxson Lee Mills (Son of Steven & Abigail Mills)



FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR FATHER MEYERS

Sunday, June 9th | 11:30am-1:00pm | Parish Hall

After 10 years in Buffalo, it is with sadness to announce that Father Nate Meyers will be leaving St. Francis Xavier on June 16th. After a brief vacation, he will be assigned to Transfiguration in Oakdale, MN. In celebration and thanksgiving for Father Meyers' years of



faith-filled leadership, there will be a reception held in his honor. Please join us to say good-bye & wish him well!

PORK IN THE PARKING CHAMPION!

Congratulations to Brad Maenner!

Congratulations to our Pork in the Parking Lot cook-off winner, Brad Maenner! Brad wins bragging rights and gets the coveted BBQ Champ Reserved Parking Spot to use beginning September 1st this year until August 30th, 2025, including all holidays such as Christmas and Easter!

Thanks to all those that participated in the cook-off, as well as those that attended this great event!

MEMORIAL DAY MASS/CEMETERY VISIT

This Monday, May 27th | 8:00am Mass **Cemetery Blessings After Mass**

Join us for Mass and the blessing of St. Francis Xavier & St. Mark Cemeteries (weather permitting) to honor those men and women who have died

in war, as well as those who have fought for our freedoms as Americans.

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed May 27th.



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PARISH NEWS CONTINUED

KC'S "FATHER-DAUGHTER" DANCE

Saturday, June 1st | 7:00-8:30pm | Parish Hall

Invitation to all Fathers (Grandpas – Uncles): The STFX Knights of Columbus council is holding their inaugural "Father – Daughter" Dance! A "Father's Barbeque

Picnic" will follow the 5:00pm Mass. Free-will offering meal includes brats, potato salad, coleslaw and beverages.

ATTENTION STFX HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Graduation Mass | Sunday, June 2nd | 10:30am Mass

You are invited to attend the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, June 2nd in honor of you! Please wear your Graduation Gown (no caps please).



There will be a group picture taken at the end of Mass. The Knights of Columbus scholarships will also be presented.

GOD BLESS YOU FATHER MEYERS!



14th Anniversary of Ordination Ordained on May 29, 2010

Cards for Fr. Meyers can be placed in the baskets available at next weekend Masses or sent to parish office.

Dear Lord Jesus, You have given us a holy priest in Fr. Meyers. We are grateful for the many blessings of this good man who brings us Your Holy Sacraments of salvation. Father in heaven, bless and multiply Fr. Meyers' ministry so that Your Church will multiply for Your glory and for our salvation. Amen.

STFX CUSTODIAL POSITION OPENING

The Church of St. Francis Xavier is seeking a custodian to work Monday-Friday, with occasional weekend on-call. This position will work at both the church and school locations. A benefits-eligible position if full-time.

Responsibilities include, but not limited to: Must be punctual and reliable; Good working techniques; Ability to move up to 50lbs; Be able to safely operate cleaning equipment; Knowledge of cleaning materials, chemicals and making sure to follow Federal, State, and local statutes, and manufacturer instructions and safety data; Ability to work independently; Accomplish all tasks assigned by Head Custodian.

Qualifications: Must pass required physical; High school diploma or equivalency required; Previous maintenance and custodial experience preferred; Boiler license helpful.

Application Instructions:

Please email a letter of interest and resume to Jackie Carriere, STFX Business Administrator, at <u>jackie.carriere@stfxb.org</u>. Deadline to apply is June 1st. Looking to have successful applicant start July 1st. Full details at <u>https://stfxb.org</u>.

UNBORN BABY ADOPTION PROGRAM

Second Month Developing Baby

Your baby is making progress developing all of its external features and internal organs. The baby's brain is functioning at



40 days. The baby's mother can hear its heartbeat now on an ultrasonic stethoscope. Its milk-teeth buds are present at 6½ weeks. And it has been reported that a two-month old baby can suck its thumb. From this moment onward, your spiritually adopted baby grows and refines its body. But everything the baby needs to survive once it is born is already present by the end of the eighth week. Pray that the Lord of Life might move the heart of the baby's mother to give it the most precious gift of all -- the gift of life.

PRAYER: Jesus, Mary and Joseph I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

CATHOLIC Q & A: VOCATION



Question: What does it mean to discern a vocation?

Answer: The word vocation comes from the Latin word *vocare*, meaning "to call." A vocation is a calling or invitation from God to serve in a particular way. For Catholics, that calling might be as a priest, sister, or married person. Vocation is the way we respond to the invitation to share in God's grace and witness to God's love in the world.

Discerning a vocation is the process in which we pray for God's guidance. We listen for God's message that is often quiet and unassuming in a world filled with noise and distractions. We look at our gifts and talents, seek the advice of others, examine our motives, and listen to see what God is asking of us. The goal of discernment is to follow what the Lord wills, not what we think is the best idea. Many men enter a seminary to discern if that is their vocation, only to discover that their calling is to marriage. Others have resisted the idea for long periods of time, until finally they could resist no more. Some great saints have described that dilemma. Vocation is a human process of divine origin, and each of us must strive constantly to hear the call of God in our lives.

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BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Articles due on Tuesday (12noon) for weekend bulletin. Submit to Travis at <u>travis.nelson@stfxb.org</u>.

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH NEWS

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EXTREME FAITH CAMP 2024

June 10th-14th For All 6th-8th Grade Youth

It's a full week of an amazing camp experience —EFC is middle school youth from St. Francis and other local parishes hanging out at a sweet camp! Enjoy swimming, boating, nature hikes, sports, as well as Mass, small groups, talks, prayer, reconciliation, Adoration and much more to dive into your Catholic faith and set you up to take what you learned home to continue growing in your faith! Get ready for a new summer highlight. Register at <u>https://stfxb.faithenroll.net/</u>.

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH!

Every Recycled Can Counts!

Place your aluminum in the can trailer located in gated area by garage behind STFX School.

CAMP BLAZE 2024



July 9th-11th For Current 1st-5th Graders

During this event, participants will participate in lots of fun and crazy games, cool crafts, engaging formational talks. The children will be able to learn to take their prayer deeper through different prayer experiences, listen to amazing praise and worship music, attend Mass, Adoration and Confession -- all to help introduce the Holy Spirit to them and teach them how to talk to and listen to God! Register at https://stfxb.faithenroll.net/.

GENTLY USED LEGOS™ NEEDED!!

We are in need of LOTS of gently used Legos[™] for Camp Blaze. We are not looking for new sets, only those that are used and not broken. Contact Debbie to donate your blocks, <u>debbie.gladitsch@stfxb.org</u>.

AREA & ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

HEALING THE WHOLE PERSON STUDY

Wednesday Evenings | 6:00-9:00pm June 5th - June 26th & Sunday, June 30th Church of St. Michael, St. Michael, MN

Do you or a loved one struggle with anxiety, depression, anger, addictions, illness, or repetitive sin patterns? Are you ready to slow down and grow closer to the Lord?

You may find this program helpful! This all new video series, featuring Dr. Bob Schuchts and Sister Miriam Heidland, SOLT, *Healing the Whole Person* is an 8-part study developed for understanding and experiencing the healing power of God in the wholeness of body, soul and spirit. Participants learn how to identify and bring their wounds to the Lord to receive His insight, healing and freedom.

The cost is \$50 for the cost of the workbook and the video study. Each teaching builds upon the previous, so we ask that you are able to attend all sessions as there is a limited number of participants. Register by calling 763-308-5003 or email <u>stm.hwp.study@gmail.com</u>.

JOB OPENING AT ST. HENRY, MONTICELLO

The Church of Saint Henry is seeking a part-time Director of Religious Education, 25-29 hours per week. For a complete job description, qualifications, and application instructions, please visit the Saint Henry website at <u>https://www.sthenrycatholic.info/</u> and go to "open positions."

CELEBRATE & CONNECTOPEN HOUSE

Saturday, June 8th | 1:00-3:00pm St. Michael Church (St. Joseph's Hall), St. Michael

You are invited to an Open House to "Celebrate and Connect" with the School Sisters of Notre Dame. Join us for this informal opportunity to renew old friendships and create new memories with over a dozen Sisters who either taught or grew up in St. Michael. Coffee and cookies will be served.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 31st. Register online at

www.ssndcp.org/cc or by emailing Heather Spann at <u>hspann@ssndcp.org</u>.



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Questions? Contact Heather at 507-389-4230.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT KING'S HOUSE

June 3rd-6th — Women's Silent 4-day Midweek Retreat *Do This in Memory of Me* | Led by: King's House Staff

Includes Mass, personal prayer time, Reconciliation, Scriptural Rosary and a healing service. Per person: \$50 deposit at registration and Suggested Donation of \$300; includes 3 overnights, private accommodations and 9 meals; Register at <u>www.kingshouse.com</u>; call 763-682-1394.

June 5th-8th (9:30am-3:00pm) — King's House Garage Sale Storage areas were cleaned out and found some things to part with. Cash or card only; no checks. Please no early arrivals!





REMEMBERING THOSE THAT SERVE/SERVED



cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask that you bless the members of our armed forces.



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