

**A Message From Fr. Denny**

On Thursday, May 10 there was a special banquet at the Perry Davis which honored the teachers and staff at SFX School. Two of our 8th grade students and three alumni gave testimonials and thanked our teachers for their dedication. Those present were amazed at the number of teachers and staff that we have. Some wondered if folks in the parish realized this. So I decided to print some factual info in this week's bulletin.

K - 2nd grades: Six teachers: Caroline Paulus, Patty Rash, Linda Beer, Debbi Oelke, Linda Leavitt, Margaret Howe; 3rd - 5th grades: Six teachers: Pam McNamara, Sarah Fettig, Molly VandenBrink, Mary Ann Evans, Katie Greyerbiehl, Kathy Meier; Middle School teachers: Marsy Burns, Sarah Dawley, Adam Dobrowolski, John Elwell; Kindergarten - 8th Grade Curriculum teachers: Seven teachers: Cheryl Crowley, Jeff Doublestein, Amalia Galindo, Sue Levitte, Jerry Westerman, Sr. Kathy, Fr. Tony; Administrative Staff: three: Phyllis Daily, Sandra Beer, Kathy Godfrey; Child Development Staff: Five: Brenda Smielewski, Becky Kott, Krystyna Green, Leigh Helton, Lisa Kerner.

That's quite a crew. Margaret Howe was honored for teaching in our school for 25 years, Debbi Oelke for 26 years, and Mary Ann Evans for 33 years.

The cost of operating our school for one year is \$1,022,500.00. Our school benefits from an impressive amount of support from the parish. Thank you for believing in Catholic School Education.

So far we have raised \$73,872 from three weekends of CSA collecting. We still need \$49,970 to meet our assessment. Only 257 have given a CSA gift thus far. So we should have no problem making target if we all do our part.

Eighth Grade graduation Mass is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23 at 7 p.m. This Mass is, of course, open to the entire parish. I think it would be great if folks were there in a show of support for our graduates.

**An Evening to Remember**

The entire staff of St. Francis Xavier School would like to thank Fr. Denny, the School Advisory Council, and the Home and School Booster Association (in particular, Mrs. Maggie Kromm) for a wonderful Staff Appreciation Dinner. Thanks also to all the supportive parents who joined us to show their appreciation. It was a most thoughtful and enjoyable evening.

SFX School Staff

<b>STEWARDSHIP</b>	
<i>is what I do after I say "I Believe"....</i>	
<b>Kids Coins For Kids</b>	\$ 71.21
<b>Cemetery Maintenance Fund</b>	\$ 60.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 3,385.00
<b>Tuition Angel Fund</b>	\$ 45.00
<b>Endowment</b>	\$ 7.00
<b>Envelopes (371)</b>	<b>\$13,930.56</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$ 1,584.25</b>
<b>Total Collection Last Week</b>	<b>\$19,083.02</b>
<b>"What return shall I make to the Lord for all he has done for me?"</b>	
The second reading today contains the somber warning that Jesus is coming soon and will bring to each person the reward that his or her conduct deserves. Has my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me been such that I could respond joyfully, "Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!?"	

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**High School Youth Group**

High School Youth Group meets this Sunday, May 20th from 6-8 pm in the John Paul II Youth Center. Our topic for this Sunday is "Faith & Flip-Flops: Strategies for a Faith-Filled Summer". We will be having our Best Local Pizza Contest! Come hungry!

A Mandatory Parent and Teen Meeting for the High School Youth Conference at the Franciscan University of Steubenville will also be held this Sunday, May 20th at 5:00 pm in the John Paul II Youth Center. One parent and any teen attending are required to attend this meeting.

God Bless, Liz Gengle


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**THANKS A HEAP!**

**A Week to Remember!**

The teachers at St. Francis Xavier School would like to thank the Home and School Booster Association for the great "Teacher Appreciation" Week. It was a most creative and enjoyable week filled with many thoughtful "happenings." (Mrs. J. Hoffman is a most creative President.)

By the end of the week, each and every teacher felt appreciated by each and every student. We would like the parish to know that we, the teachers at SFX are filled with gratitude daily for our very blessed and special students and their families.

SFX School Staff 

**Catechists Needed**

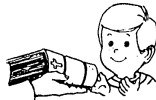
Catechists are needed for Grades 1 and 2 and the Middle School for the 2007-2008 academic year. Sr. Kathy would like to begin the training in June. The Faith Formation Program begins in September and ends in May and is held Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30. We would like to keep the class sizes to ten or less. If the Lord is calling you to this ministry, please respond by calling Sr. Kathy at 347-2681 to volunteer.

**Registration for Faith Formation Classes**

Registrations are being taken for Faith Formation classes for all children not attending St. Francis Xavier Catholic School in the Parish Office or Office of Faith Formation during office hours. Forms may be picked up for new registrations. Classes are provided for Kindergarten through Grade 8.

The Faith Formation Program will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30 p.m. during the 2007-2008 academic year.

**Why I Am a Catechist**



My name is June Miller and I have been a catechist in the Faith Formation Program for going on thirteen years. I love to share my faith and plant seeds of faith. In all the years I have been a catechist, my faith has truly grown and continues to grow. No two years have been the same. They have always been rewarding. I became a catechist when my children were starting faith formation. Without even thinking I asked if help was needed. I actually turned around to see who volunteered; it was me. The Holy Spirit spoke through me and I have been greatly blessed to be part of many children's lives. It is wonderful to see the children grow and turn into wonderful young adults. My relationship with the Lord has grown closer. I love being a catechist in the Faith Formation Program.

June Miller  
Kindergarten Catechist



**Summer 2007 Vacation Bible School**

**"Assorted Saints and the Virtues of Faith, Hope & Love"**

**Dates:** June 25-29      **Time:** 9am - 12pm  
**Location:** SFX Parish Hall      **Who:** All kids 2007/08  
Preschool-6th Grade  
**Fee:** \$15 per child, which includes all supplies, snacks, crafts, and a Vacation Bible School music CD. Financial assistance available for those in need.  
Registration forms available in the Parish Office or by calling Deborah at 347-3748.

**HELP NEEDED**

St. Francis Xavier School is looking for a Head Coach for the 7 & 8th grade boy's Basketball team and two Assistant Coaches, one each for the girl's and boy's teams. Both seasons begin October 15. Contact Sue Levitte, Athletic Director (347-3651 x 31) or send a resumé to:

St. Francis Xavier School  
414 Michigan St.  
Petoskey, MI 49770



**St. Francis Xavier School** is offering a new summer school program in language arts to enhance student's skills. It is our hope to serve 15 students for three weeks in August. Donations are needed to cover the cost of three teachers and the study materials. Please call our school as soon as possible to help make a difference for these children.

Thank you,  
Phyllis Daily, Principal

**Habitat for Humanity**

We're at it again! Our parish is working with six other local churches to help a deserving family build a home this summer. Land has been purchased in the Springbrook subdivision and we are close to selecting the partner family. Please consider pitching in on this wonderful ministry. 347-8646

**Migrant Workers**

For the last three summers our parish has reached out to the migrant worker in our community with Spanish Masses, English lessons, and social activities. Parishioners Amalia and Miguel Galindo have been the heart and soul of this important ministry, devoting countless hours and showing inspiring compassion for these hard-working visitors. Sadly, the Galindos are moving to Alabama. They will be sorely missed.

You can do two things to help. First, before they leave town, please thank Amalia and Miguel for all their hard work and their great example to us. And second, please think and pray about how we can continue this ministry. If you speak Spanish, muy bien! But we need cooks, organizers, soccer players and phone callers - no Spanish necessary. After praying about it, if the Spirit moves you please call John Hoffman or Barb Kitscher to learn more.



God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:  
A BLARE OF TRUMPETS FOR THE LORD.

**SCRIPTURES FOR WEEK OF May 20-26**

**Sun:** "I am with you always, until the end of the world"

Do I remember from the reading or the homily?  
What is one theme of each reading? What is my reaction or response to each reading?

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11  
Second Reading: E[phesians 1:17-23  
Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

Is there a phrase or verse to memorize and store in my heart?

**8am Intention:** *St. Francis Xavier Parish*

**10am Intention:** *D. Jim Spring*

**12noon Bay Shore:** *Lorenzo & Carla Borlemehi*

**8am Mon:** Acts 19:1-8; Gospel Jn 16:29-33

**Intention:** *Michael & Christina Peterson family*

**5:30pm Tues:** Acts 20:17-27; Gospel Jn 17:1-11a

**Intention:** *D. Mary DeLuca*

**8am Wed:** Acts 20:28-38; Gospel Jn 17:11b-19

**Intention:** *D. Joan Green*

**8:30am Thurs:** Acts 22:30, 23: 6-11; Gospel Jn 17:20-26

**Intention:** *D. JoAnn Zmikly*

**8am Fri:** Acts 25:13b-21; Gospel Jn 21:15-19

**Intention:** *D. Joseph & Josephine Scorfienza & Emily Hoffman - Aniv. of death*

**5 pm Sat:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Gospel Jn 21:20-25

**Intention:** *Frank & Carol Ronan family*

**LECTORS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 26/27, 2007**

**5:00 pm** Pat Hoffman

**8:00 am** Kim Philliben & Bill Kanine

**10:00 am** Rachel Brooks & Brian Brachel

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 26/27, 2007**

**5:00 pm** Audrey Mania, Brian & Teresa George, Austin & Virginia Cole, Sally Morris

**8:00 am** Ed Collins, Jim & Marianne Hoffman, Mary Putters, Maureen McCarthy, Frank & Julie Holzschu

**10:00 am** Sally Parish, Bud & Mary Riley, Bill & BJ Steffens, Jim Holtz

**GREETERS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 26/27, 2007**

**5:00 pm** Dan & Jennifer Cleary, Frank & Carol Ronan, Nancy Jakab, Ellen Byerlein, Mary Jane Phelan

**8:00 am** Roger & Joyce Clark, Lyle Eaton, Chuck & Bonnie Farrugia, Pete & Linda Kelbel, Catherine DeVet

**10:00 am** Ann Burek, Pat Baier, Drew & Lisa Rust, Aleece Balchik, VandenBrink family

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 26/27, 2007**

**5:00 pm** Lucas & Sam Robbins, Will Klooster

**8:00 am** Connor Reed, 2 Thompson's

**10:00 am** Jonah & Christian Chickering, Drew Rust

**St. Francis Solanus - Bay Shore**

Envelopes \$280.00  
Loose \$ 63.00  
\$343.00

**Liturgical Ministers - May 27, 2007**

Minister of the Word: Bill Blackburn

Eucharistic Minister: Joan Sonnenberg

Server: Tim Sysko

Usher: Dave Meyer

Offering: Audrey & Clint Etienne

*Prayer Chain: Sandi Meyer 347-6190*

**"O, Come Let Us Adore Him"**

**St. Francis Xavier Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Adoration on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Entrance on South side of church (ramp side) off State St.

**VOCATIONAL VIEW**

Our Spiritual Life is a Journey - following the call of Jesus to "Come, Follow Me." Say "Yes" over and over again.

 PRAYER REQUESTS	LeiAnn (Locke) Hunter, Carol Reed, Samuel Theodore Kolinski, Kerri Malloy, Carolyn Rostar, Larry Shear, Pvt. Ryan Craig, Duncan Livingston, Mike Dainoviec, Jessica Kohlligian, Karen Golovich, Martha & Robert Fate, Sr., Ann Beer, Peggy Beyers, Therese Skoczylas, Ed Kelbel, Sr., Helen Dyksterhouse, Dorothy Batterbee, Robert Pung, Frank & Gertrude Kline, Lois Brinkel, Mary Ketchman, Ralph Kilpatrick, Betty Riley, Casie Parker, Penny Pemberton, Rose Case, Ryan McCarthy, Tim Geottes, Sarah Miller, Floyd Francis, Brian Kuebler, Geri Brown, Laura Ilenich, Gregg Hosler, Catherine Donnelly, John Salisz, Michael J. Foltz, Linda Gardner All shut-ins and those in care facilities
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**Persons of Ministry**

Cemetery	Don Paulus	347-2976
Prayer Chain	Margaret Pennell	347-4753
	Bea Wolf	347-2711
Resect Life Committee	Mike LaVictoire	526-1302
Greeters	Bonnie Farrugia	347-9632
Hospitality	Sally Parish	590-0949
Coffee Hours	Carol Gietzen	347-6935
	Mary Ellen Pulaski	347-4648
Newcomer's	Jim & Linda Beno	347-7926
Health Ministry	Suzanne Holguin	347-4133
Peace & Justice	Fred Liederbach	347-8646
Br. Dan's Food Pantry	Mary Moellering	347-7423

*Sponsor of the Week  
Emmet Brick & Block*