



HE SAW AND BELIEVED

April 20/Abril 20 Easter Sunday

Domingo de Resurrección

**Sacrament of
Reconciliation
Horario de
Confesiones**

Wednesday/Miércoles

6:15 - 6:45 p.m.

Thursday/Jueves

7 - 8 p.m.

Saturday/ Sábados

4 - 4:45 p.m.

Sunday/Domingos

7:45 - 8:15 a.m.

Office Hours

Mon. - Thurs.

8:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Oficina de Ministerio Hispano

Lunes– cerrado

Martes a Viernes:

12:30pm.-3pm.

Saturday: cerrado

Domingo: 9:30-11am

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Saturday, April 19

5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. NO MASSES

8:15 p.m. Our Parish Family

Sunday, April 20

8 a.m. Morgan Ctr-John & Jean Gluckler

8:30 a.m. Manuela Rocha

11:00 a.m. Helen Watkins, Mary, Effie
& Preston Blanchard

6 p.m. Antonia Abreu

Monday, April 21

Noon Mike & Cathy Dowdy

Tuesday, April 22

Noon Theresa & George Smith

Wednesday, April 23

8 a.m.

7 p.m. Mary Ellen Van Vactor

Thursday, April 24

8 a.m. John LaNeve Sr.

Friday, April 25

8 a.m. Albert Lee

Saturday, April 26

5:00 p.m. Dr. Patterson &
Isabelle Jordan

7:00 p.m. David & Joanne Crowley
(at the Jekyll Island United Methodist
Church)

Sunday, April 27

8:30 a.m. Mike & Cathy Dowdy

11:00 a.m. Glenn George Yanik

6 p.m. Victor Manuel Lemus Sosa

Entrance: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today,
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Offertory: Roll Away, The Stone, 193

Communion: To Live With Him
Forever, 494, I am The Bread Of Life,
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Closing: Alleluia! Alleluia! Hymn Joy,
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Week of April 20, 2025

Sunday The Resurrection of the

Lord Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1
-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1
Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9

Monday Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps
16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt
28:8-15

Tuesday Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5,
18-19, 20 and 22; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday Acts 3:1-10; Ps
105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Ps 118:24;
Lk 24:13-35

Thursday Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab
and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48

Friday Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2
and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1
and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk
16:9-15

Sunday Sunday of Divine Mercy
Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15,
22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19;
Jn 20:19-31

Easter Sunday Childish or Child-like?

The Gospel for Easter this year reminds me of little children. Mary of Magdala runs from the tomb when she sees it has been opened. Then Peter and the other disciple race each other to the tomb. The other one wins the race but Peter goes in first (John 20:1–5). I can picture the disciple stopping suddenly and Peter running into him, tripping and ending up in the tomb. But putting slapstick aside, there is another way they are like children.

Remember the Gospel about St. Thomas, who would not believe Jesus' resurrection until he could see him? Compare that to the disciple in today's reading, who "saw [the empty tomb] and believed" (John 20:9). That is real faith. For all he knew, someone could have taken Jesus' body and left the cloths behind. But he must have remembered Jesus saying that he would rise again. That is the kind of faith we find in a little child.

Children will believe in things they cannot see, especially if there is a good reason. We "bribe" them into believing in Santa Claus or the tooth fairy by giving them Christmas presents or money under the pillow. They will also believe in Someone real who they cannot see. If we teach them that God made them and loves them, if we love them ourselves and teach them to love others, they will have good reasons to believe in God. As they get older, we can teach them how to pray, save money for the poor, visit the sick, or volunteer to help the homeless. We can reinforce what they learn in religion class and encourage them as they prepare for First Communion or confirmation.

Jesus didn't say that only children could enter the Kingdom. He said we must become like children if we want to enter the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 18:3). What he means is that not only can we help teach children how to have faith, we can also learn from them about faith. Becoming like children does not mean being selfish or stubborn, throwing tantrums when we don't get our way. Those are childish behaviors that we put aside. Instead, we can keep a child-like faith and trust in God. Teaching them about God is a great way to help our own faith to grow. By giving them real examples of God's love for them, they will continue to believe long after they have given up the fairy tales of childhood.

Tom Schmidt

Domingo de Pascua ¿Infantil o ingenuo?

El Evangelio de Pascua de este año me recuerda a los niños pequeños. María Magdalena sale del sepulcro corriendo cuando ve que está abierto. Luego Pedro y el otro discípulo hacen carrera para ver quien llega al sepulcro primero. El otro gana pero Pedro entra primero (Juan 20,1-5). Puedo imaginar al discípulo pararse de repente y Pedro chocándolo, tropezando y terminando dentro del sepulcro. Pero dejando de lado las payasadas, hay otra forma en que son como niños.

¿Recuerdas el Evangelio sobre Santo Tomás, que no creía en la resurrección de Jesús hasta poder verlo? Compáralo con el discípulo en la lectura de hoy, que "vio [el sepulcro vacío] y creyó" (Juan 20,9). Esa es la fe verdadera. Alguien podría haber tomado el cuerpo de Jesús y dejado atrás las telas, pero seguro se acordó que Jesús dijo que iba a resucitar. Ese es el tipo de fe que encontramos en un niño pequeño.

Los niños creen en cosas que no pueden ver, especialmente si hay una buena razón. Los "sobornamos" para que crean en Santa Claus o en la Hada de los Dientes dándoles regalos de Navidad o dinero debajo de la almohada. También creerán en Alguien real que no pueden ver. Si les enseñamos que Dios los creó y los ama, si los amamos nosotros mismos y les enseñamos a amar a los demás, tendrán buenas razones para creer en Dios. A medida que crezcan, podemos enseñarles a orar, ahorrar dinero para los pobres, visitar a los enfermos o ser voluntarios para ayudar a los desamparados. Podemos reforzar lo que aprenden en la clase de religión y animarlos mientras se preparan para la Primera Comunión o la Confirmación.

Jesús no dijo que solo los niños podrían entrar en el Reino. Dijo que debemos volvernos como niños si queremos entrar en el reino de los cielos (Mateo 18,3). Lo que quiere decir es que no solo podemos ayudar a enseñar a los niños a tener fe, sino que también podemos aprender de ellos sobre la fe. Volverse como niños no significa ser egoístas o tercos, hacer berrinches cuando no nos salimos con la nuestra. Esas son conductas infantiles que dejamos de lado. En cambio, podemos mantener una fe y una confianza en Dios como las de un niño. Enseñarles acerca de Dios es una forma excelente de ayudar a que nuestra propia fe crezca. Al darles ejemplos reales del amor que Dios tiene por ellos, seguirán creyendo mucho después de haber abandonado los cuentos de hadas de la infancia.

Tom Schmidt



You are cordially invited to attend the
**90TH BIRTHDAY
MASS AND CELEBRATION**

in honor of

The Most Reverend J. Kevin Boland
BISHOP EMERITUS OF SAVANNAH

on

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 2025 AT 6:30 P.M.

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW



CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

222 E. HARRIS STREET
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA 31401

NO GIFTS, PLEASE.

**NOVENA TO THE DIVINE MERCY
STARTED GOOD FRIDAY**

Jesus asked Saint Faustina, that this novena be prayed prior to the Feast of Divine Mercy (the Sunday after Easter), beginning on Good Friday.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering **ABC**:

A – Ask for His Mercy. *God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.*

B – Be merciful. *God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.*

C – Completely trust in Jesus. *God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.*

The devotion ends on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27th. Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

After you complete the requirements, say the following prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, have mercy on me a poor sinner. Lord Jesus Christ, You promised St. Faustina that the soul that has been to Confession and the soul that receives Holy Communion will receive the complete forgiveness of all sins and punishment. Please, Lord Jesus Christ, give me this grace. Amen.

Pamphlets containing the complete Novena to Divine Mercy are available in English and Spanish on the tables.

Knights of Columbus State Charity Raffle

Up to 70 % of the proceeds from ticket sales will be used to benefit St. Francis Xavier School. The prizes are: 1st Place - \$5000, 2nd Place - \$2500, 3rd Place - \$1000. Tickets may be obtained through a member of the Knights. 1 ticket \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20. Tickets will be available after weekend Masses and at the Fish Fry. Winners will be drawn on May 17th at the Georgia Knights of Columbus Convention. For more information, call Don Heinecke at 912-577-8722.

SUNDAY - Domingo

8:30 am (inglés), 11:00am. (inglés)
6:00 pm. (español)

MONDAY - Lunes

12:00 pm (inglés)

TUESDAY - Martes

12:00 pm (inglés)

WEDNESDAY - Miércoles

7:00 pm (inglés)

THURSDAY - Jueves

8:00 am (inglés), 7:00 pm Hora Santa

* adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

FRIDAY - Viernes 8:00 am (inglés)

Primer viernes de cada mes misa bilingüe a las 7:00 pm

SATURDAY - Sábado 5:00 pm (inglés)

Our **Youth Group** meets each Wednesday that school is in session and is open to all **rising 9th through 12th graders**. The youth rooms in the St. Joseph Family Center will be open at **3:30 pm** for homework or games, with an activity or sport beginning at **4:30 pm**, dinner is provided at **5:30 pm**, a spiritual lesson at **6:00 pm**, followed by Holy Mass at **7:00 pm**.

Ministerio Juvenil, Grados 9 a 12. Nos Reunimos Todos Los Miercoles en los salones de la escuela de catecismo 3:30pm. A 7:30pm, los esperamos!

First Holy Communion for our PSR and St. Francis Xavier Catholic School students will be on Saturday, **May 10**, at **10:00 am**.

Primera comunión, para nuestros estudiantes de la escuela dominical de catecismo y para los estudiantes de la escuela católica de san francisco Xavier, el sábado **10 de Mayo a las 10am**.

Bishop Parkes will join us to confer the Sacrament of **Confirmation** on our high school students at a special Mass on **Wednesday, May 28**, at **6:00 pm**.

El Obispo Parkes nos estará acompañando para conferir el sacramento de confirmación a nuestros estudiantes preparatoria, en una misa especial el **miércoles 28 de marzo a las 6pm**.

St. Vincent de Paul requests rice, chicken broth, black beans and canned fruit.

Our **Young Adult Ministry** meets for fun, faith and fellowship on most Friday evenings. The Young Adult Ministry consists of **college students, FLETC students and young adults (single and married) between the ages of 18-35**.

An Invitation to all- Lenten Taize' Service April 15th at 7pm at St. Francis Xavier Church

What is Taize'? Taizé Prayer is a distinctive style of meditative prayer developed by an ecumenical community of monks in rural France. This quiet, moving reflective prayer hour combines elements of the Church's traditional Liturgy of the Hours with elements of contemplative meditation. A typical Taizé prayer service incorporates periods of silence with meditative readings from Scripture, prayers of intercession, and the frequent repetition of simple, contemporary chants repeated over and over. This creates a beautiful and meditative prayer hour suitable for Lent. Invite a friend or neighbor and join us!

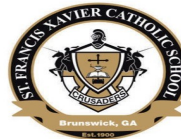


Admissions NOW ACCEPTING NEW STUDENTS 2025-26 School Year



912-265-9470

information@sfxcs.org
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**Saturday
May 17, 2025**

CRUSADER 5K & FUN RUN

Event Details

7:30 A.M. - 5K begins

9:00 A.M. - Fun Run begins

8:30 A.M. to Noon - Family Fun Day

Race begins at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School and continues throughout historic downtown Brunswick, GA.

Registration: www.runsignup.com

Sponsorship: www.sfxcs.org



EVENT ENTRY AVAILABLE FOR NON-RUNNERS
FOOD TRUCKS, ACTIVITIES, AND MORE

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CALL TO HOLINESS is JUNE 22-25

For rising 7th graders through graduating senior girls

VOCATION DEI is JUNE 25-28

For rising 7th graders through 10th grade boys

REGISTRATION OPENS EASTER MONDAY
SAVANNAHVOCATIONS.ORG



At St. Francis Xavier Catholic School, we are dedicated to fostering a Christ-centered learning environment where faith, academic excellence, and character development go hand in hand. Our goal is to inspire students to grow in their love for God, knowledge, and service, equipping them to make a meaningful impact in the world.

Job Opportunities 2025-2026 School Year

**Teaching Positions
Preschool - 2nd Grade
Spanish, Religion and PE**

Please email amarr@sfxcs.org
No phone calls please.

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Grupo de Oración
Nuestra Señora de Lourdes te invita

**Retiro de Sanación
La Misericordia de Dios
transforma mi vida.**

Sábado 26 de Abril
9:00am / 5:00 pm

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Invitado
Ivan Molina

Jesús en Ti Confío

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
1120 newcastle St. Brunswick GA
31520

Divine Mercy Celebration
April 26- Celebracion de la
Divina Misericordia- Xavier
Hall from 9am. to 5pm.
April 27- Venta de
Antojitos mexicanos
despues de cada una de
las misas de Domingo en
el salon parroquial.

**Mexican Food Sale after
each Sunday's Mass in
Xavier Hall.**