

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◆ **A warm Welcome to all our guests.** We are so happy you are here to celebrate with us!! New to Our Catholic Church Parish? You will find forms at the back of the church, please Drop a form at the parish office with your information or call us at 575-374-8894 to register with us!
- ◆ **Annual Catholic Appeal 2025:** Our parish goal is \$10,500 — : If you did not receive a brochure or pledge card for the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA), they are available with Mrs. Rosie DeHerrera and at the back of the church. Prayerfully consider making a Pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal.
- ◆ We are in need of more **Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers** 18 years of age and older for weekend Masses, Please give your Time, talents and treasure Be the first to welcome our Parishioners and visitors to mass, assist with collections, and distribute bulletins, Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. Training will be provided.
- ◆ All those who are Volunteering in different ministries are requested to complete “**Virtus**” safe environment program. Log into the Archdiocese Website www.archdiosf.org All participants must have a background check and current VIRTUS Certificate on file in the Parish Office.
- ◆ **Congratulations,** Jennifer DeHerrera and all Graduates!
- ◆ Fr. Joji would like to schedule family visits on the first, third, and fifth Sundays of each month, after the 10:30 AM Mass. On those Sundays, he plans to visit families, spend time with them, and join them for a meal. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of the church if you are interested.
- ◆ **ALTAR SERVERS :** A great opportunity for children who have made their First Communion, High School Students, College Age and older parishioners to Serve at the Celebration of the Eucharist. Fr. Joji will give training for both boys and girls, please sign up on the sheet. Thanks

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JUNE 8, 2025
PENTECOST SUNDAY (Solemnity)



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Parish Office Hours (CCD Building)

Monday: 10:00am—4:00pm
Tuesday: 10:00am —2:00pm
Wednesday: 1:00pm—5:00pm
Thursday: 10:00am—4:00pm

St. Francis Xavier, Clayton

Saturday Mass 5pm & Sunday 10:30am

Weekday Mass: Monday 7am

Wednesday & Friday 12:10pm

Thursday 5:30pm & Adoration

Confession: Saturday 4 pm to 5pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Des Moines

Sunday Mass 8am (Oct 1 - May 31)

Confession: Sunday before 8am

St. Joseph, Folsom

Sunday Mass 8am (Jun 1 - Sept 30)

Confession: Sunday before 8am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism classes are offered. Contact Fr. Joji.
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples must contact the parish office at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date. They must participate in a Weekend for Engaged Couples and attend an introductory class in Natural Family Planning.
SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: The Sacrament is administered upon request to those seriously ill, permanently handicapped, very elderly, and those undergoing major surgery.
HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Holy Communion will be brought to the home. Please call the rectory or the priest when someone is ill and unable to come to church.

Gospel Reflections: Happy Birthday to our Mother Church! The Church was born this day, when the Holy Spirit of the Lord descended upon the Apostles and our Mother Mary. Fulfilling what Jesus promised, the Holy Spirit comes with power. This power allows us to continue experiencing the life of Jesus and to communicate that life to everyone willing to receive it. It is the Holy Spirit who empowers us to live and share Christ's life, that we may create a community of love rooted in the divine life. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Church continues to become for the world the sacrament of the powerful and far-reaching Divine Presence. In the Scripture Readings for today's Mass, we hear two accounts of the Pentecost. The more dramatic of the two occurs in our First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1-11) where the Holy Spirit descends upon the Apostles, empowering them to speak in different tongues so that the Jews from different lands who had gathered in Jerusalem could hear the message of Jesus proclaimed in their own language. The second, and perhaps less dramatic account is found in today's Gospel (John 20:19-23) where the Risen Jesus, himself, appears to the Apostles on Easter Sunday, breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, empowers them to forgive sins in his name, and commissions them to go forth and continue the mission of announcing the coming of the Kingdom of God.

Taken together, these two accounts make one thing clear – that even though Jesus has ascended back to the right hand of the Father in Heaven as we celebrated last week in the Ascension, his work of proclaiming the coming of the Kingdom of God was not yet finished, and he was entrusting that mission to the Apostles. By virtue of our Baptism into the life of Christ, that mission of proclaiming Christ has been entrusted to us as well. As we go about the work of announcing and building God's Kingdom here on earth, it is important to remember as St. Paul makes clear in our Second Reading today (1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13) that each of us has been gifted by God in some unique way and therefore has a special contribution to make to the overall mission of the Church. Like the body with many parts that Paul refers to, we are to work in harmony and collaboration, calling forth and welcoming the authentic spiritual gifts of all. We acknowledge the seven-fold gifts of the Holy Spirit – wisdom, knowledge, understanding, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord – all of them tools that equip us in our mission as co-workers with Christ for the spread of the Gospel and the salvation of souls. Filled with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and nourished by the sacred Body and Blood of Christ through the Eucharist, may we boldly go forth to be and bear Christ's presence to the world and so continue the work of building God's Kingdom here on Earth.

Masses offered June 2025

+All the Departed Parishioners & Family Members
SI All the Sponsors, Benefactors & Supporters of SFX
SI Good Health & Well-Being of all Parishioners & Families

Sat, June 7 +Sharon Chosvig by Ross & Shelley Carter
 +Arlene Webster by Ross & Shelley Carter

Sun, June 8 +Orlando Lucero by Gloria Lucero & Family
 +Steve & Jane Arellano by Family

Sat, June 14 +Viola M. Ruiz by Ricky Maestas
 +Sharon Chosvig by Ross & Shelley Carter
 +Richard Sintas by Teri Mansfield

Sun, June 15 +Jose & Evelyn Maestas
 by Gloria Lucero & Family

Quotable Saints

“Even if we speak with a low voice, even if we whisper without opening our lips, even if we call to God only from the depths of our heart, our unspoken word always reaches God and God always hears.” -St. Clement of Alexandria

Readings For the Week

9 Mon The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church Gn 3:9-15, 20/ Jn 19:25-34
 10 Tue 2 Cor 1:18-22/ Mt 5:13-16
 11 Wed Saint Barnabas, Apostle Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/ Mt 5:17-19
 12 Thu 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6/Mt 5:20-26
 13 Fri Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church 2 Cor 4:7-15/ Mt 5:27-32
 14 Sat 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37
 15 SUN THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Solemnity Prv 8:22-31/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: (Continues from previous bulletin)

Crown of Thorns: We remember that during His Passion, the soldiers placed a crown of thorns on Jesus' head. In one of His revelations to St. Margaret Mary, Jesus told her that the crown of thorns symbolizes our individual sins, which prick His heart.

The Cross: In the Gospels, Jesus hangs upon the cross as He dies for us. In the image of the Sacred Heart, the Heart of Jesus no longer hangs upon the Cross, but rather the Cross stands atop the Sacred Heart, as if to say that the Heart of Jesus is what supported the Cross and what supports us when we have to bear a cross. It was the Divine Love of the Sacred Heart that willingly accepted death on the Cross for our sake, and it is that same Divine Love that transforms the Cross into the most powerful act of redemption.

The Open Wound: After Jesus dies on the cross, a soldier pierces His Heart with a lance, and blood and water flow out—the mercy of God floods the world. The open wound in the image of the Sacred Heart shows us that the Heart of Jesus is always open to us, His mercy always available to us, that He never closes His Heart to us.

At this moment in our world, torn by so much violence and suffering, we need to let our own hearts be filled with the love of the Sacred Heart, so that the flames of God's love reach the world through us. So let us ask for two graces this month: first, the grace to be convinced of God's love for each one of us personally, manifested in the Sacred Heart of Jesus; second, for the grace to show that love to all those around us, to love others as Jesus has loved us. In this month, we invite you specially to start each day praying the consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Divine Heart of Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer myself to God the Father in the Holy Sacrifice of the Altar, with all of my works, studies, prayers, sufferings and joys of today, in reparation for our sins and so that your Kingdom come, We ask this through Christ Our Lord Amen.

May 31—June 1, 2025

St. Francis Xavier
 Saturday/Sunday collection: \$2007.00
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Des Moines
 Sunday collection: \$515.00

Thank you for your Generosity!!

Lectors

Saturday, June 7—Britt Fisk
Sunday, June 8—Pat Podzemny
Saturday, June 14—Sammie Wood
Sunday, June 15—Sandy Vaughn

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, June 7—Andrea and Britt
Sunday, June 8—Sophie and Beverly
Saturday, June 14—Rosie and Shelley
Sunday, June 15—Sophie and Beverly

USHERS

Saturday, June 7
 Robert Montoya & Jeremy Fisk
Sunday, June 8
 Maurilio Valdez & Andrew Trujillo
Saturday, June 14
 Gus Wood & Robert Montoya
Sunday, June 15
 Deano Arellano & Maurilio Valdez

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



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Prayer for the Sick : O Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen