

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

AUGUST 23, 2026

Pastor C. Hightower, SJ Associate Pastors Pat Conroy, SJ Mark Hoelsken, SJ



Upcoming Events:

- August 23rd - Parish Picnic & Pie Contest 11:00 am
- August 30th - Bishop Michael Warfel to celebrate the 8:00 am & 10:00 am Mass to promote the Marriage Encounter Weekend here in Missoula October 23 - 25
- September 23rd - Afaria Night!
- October 1st - Women's Scripture Study
- October 4th - Cinnamon Roll Sunday & the Blessing of Animals by the Grotto

Prayer

May -

Terry King, Dale Anderson, Dustin Olsen,
Connie McLaughlin, Virginia Bourassa, Mark Purdy,
Jan Hulquist, Jim Bigelow, and Jennifer Andres

receive His healing and consolation.

May -

Fredrick "Brian" Walter, Bruce Peterson, Marcella Seitz,
and Emma Neuman,
rest in the peace of Our Lord's loving arms.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2026

Sunday 8/23	Deanna Quamme Evie Cote For the People*
Monday 8/24	Shane Pelletier
Tuesday 8/25	Lynn & Jackie Goldhahn*
Wednesday 8/26	No Intention
Thursday 8/27	Patrick O'Brien
Friday 8/28	Evie Cote
Saturday 8/29	Bill Brodsky
Sunday 8/30	Jerome O'Brien Linda Cronk For the People*
Monday 8/31	Arabella Robinson*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2026

Tuesday 9/1	Doreen Campbell
Wednesday 9/2	No Intention
Thursday 9/3	John Antonioli

Mass Times: Saturday 5:00 pm,
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, & 6:00 pm.
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 am
Communion Service on Wednesday at 8:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration - Wednesday 8:30 am - 2:30pm
& First Friday of the month 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Reconciliation - Wednesday 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm and
Saturday 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm or by appointment.

MASS SCRIPTURES FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2026

Saturday 8/22	Ezek. 43:1-7ab Ps. 85 Matt. 23:1-12	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 8/23	Isa. 22:19-23 Ps. 138 Rom. 11:33-36 Matt. 16:13-20	21st Sunday in OrdT.
Monday 8/24	Rev. 21:9b-14 Ps. 145 John 1:45-51	St. Bartholomew, Apostle
Tuesday 8/25	2 Thess. 2:1-3a, 14-17 Ps. 96 Matt. 23:23-26	
Wednesday 8/26	2 Thess. 3:6-10, 16-18 Ps. 128 Matt. 23:27-32	
Thursday 8/27	1 Cor. 1:1-9 Ps. 145 Matt. 24:42-51	St. Monica
Friday 8/28	1 Cor. 1:17-25 Ps. 33 Matt. 25:1-13	St. Augustine
Saturday 8/29	1 Cor. 1:26-31 Ps. 33 Mark 6:17-29	The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Sunday 8/30	Jer. 20:7-9 Ps. 63 Rom. 12:1-2 Matt. 16:21-27	22nd Sunday in OrdT.
Monday 8/31	1 Cor. 2:1-5 Ps. 119 Luke 4:16-30	

MASS SCRIPTURES FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2026

Tuesday 9/1	1 Cor. 2:10b-16 Ps. 145 Luke 4:31-37
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Collections for August 16, 2026 Regular - 6,978.00 Loose - 2,176.79 Religious Ed - 250.00 Online Giving -
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THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- **Parish Picnic August 23rd 11:00 am!** Join the fun & fellowship and enter your favorite pie in our annual contest! Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. The Knights of Columbus will be at the grill cooking up hamburgers and hot dogs. We will have a bounce house and other activities for the children. Please bring your pie to Reidy Hall prior to the 10:00 am Mass.
- **Faith Formation Sign Up's are open!** - please register online at our website for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, First Reconciliation & First Communion, Marriage Preparation, OCIA, and learn more about our Middle /High School youth ministry program, LIFT - Living In Faith Together. Questions or if you are available to assist with one of these ministries please contact Shai slafleur@sfxmissoula.org
- **Challenge & Mission** -An invitation to join **"Challenge"** - a commitment of just 10-15 minutes a day to pray and meditate on scripture. Then reflect in prayer, with a small support group based off of the 'SEEL retreat' which will meet weekly from Noon to 2:00 pm in the dining room of the Parish office beginning Tuesday, September 8, 2026 "Challenge" by Fr. Mark Link, SJ is great if you're not ready for the 'SEEL retreat', or if you have already experienced the SEEL retreat and would like to continue in a small faith sharing group! More information will be given at our first gathering. For those who have done the "Challenge Book" & "Vision Book", we are starting the **"Mission"** Book which has the same format. Join us for Scripture, meditation and a Reflection – sharing our faith. Beginning Wednesday, September 9, 2026 10:00 to 11:30 am meeting in the Parish office dinning room.
- **VOX SFX Podcast -Seeking Truth In A World Of Illusion** *So many young people fall into the trap set for them by social media. It is easy to get swept along with each new fad and, with all of the content creators vying for our clicks, become confused in all the noise. In the world of Gen Z, truth is often mixed in with falsehoods, and it can be difficult to keep true to oneself. But it's not impossible. To show us the way in staying true to oneself and one's faith, we have Molly Patko. We at SFX have been blessed to have her with us this summer. As a student of Religious Studies at Gonzaga University, Molly has delved deeply into the history of Catholicism, seeing it through the lens of one of the faithful and as an academic. She joins Nicholas for this episode as we explore the life of a faith filled student and how we might follow her example in seeking truth in a world of illusion. You may listen at you favorite directory, on our YouTube channel or on our website sfxmissoula.org.*
- **Fáilte Montana Irish Festival** - Friday, 28 August, 2026 Caras Park, Missoula, 2:30 – 9:30 pm Headlining: The Young Dubliners. Plus, live music, singing & dancing from talented local performers. FREE • FAMILY-FRIENDLY • ALL ARE WELCOME. Come celebrate Irish culture, music & community! Information - www.friendsofirishstudies.com
- **2026 Italian Festival** Sunday, September 13 from Noon to 5:30 pm at St. Anthony's Parish enjoy food &

The Vocation Chalice Ministry - This ministry invites a family, couple, or individual every two weeks to take home a consecrated chalice as a focal point for daily prayers dedicated to vocations. If you're interested in participating, use the link on our website or this QR code! Questions contact John Neuman at jneuman@sfxmissoula.org.



Reminder: our primary bulletin is our e - bulletin sent every Thursday at 1:00 pm through a platform Evangelus. If you do not currently receive, click on the 'wing' icon located at the top of the page on our website!

St. Francis Xavier Parish will often use parishioner likeness in print, video, website or in social media sites for the purpose of sharing our church community with others.