Third Sunday of Easter April 30, 2017

From the Pastor

Dear parishioners,

Last Sunday's Memorial Mass for Father Crowley with Cardinal Wuerl was a beautiful tribute. We received a beautiful thank you note from Fr. Crowley's sister Kay thanking everyone for all you did for the Mass, as well as for taking care of her brother, especially during the final weeks of his life. Here is a picture of the Mass:



During the past few weeks we had our triannual external financial audit and our archdiocesan deanery audit. We did very well and our financial and sacramental records are in good order, as well as our control procedures. Next week I will put a financial snapshot in the bulletin. We are doing well in meeting our needs at this time. Thank you for your generous support of our mission at SFX!

Lastly, congratulations to our 2nd graders that made their 1st Confessions this past week. Please keep them in prayer as they prepare for their 1st Holy Communion in May.

God bless, Fr. Dan

Mother's Day Carnations

If you wish to place a carnation[s] on the altar for Mother's Day, please complete the form on the envelope in back of the church and place in the collection basket by May 7th. Donation: \$2.00 per carnation.

"Walk in the Park" 5k Fun Run/Walk



Join us for this fun event to benefit our parish's Newtowne Manor House Preservation Fund on Saturday, May

20th open to all ages and all abilities. Course starts at St. Francis Xavier Church and follows the road into picturesque Newtowne Neck State Park. Registration will start at 8 a.m. with the run/walk to start at 9 a.m. The registration fee will help preserve this landmark of our history. Kids 12 and under participate for free. Information on registration is available in the vestibule and is also available on our website:

www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org

Also, if you are interested in helping as a volunteer or sponsor for the event, please contact Chris Senese at 301-475-9361.

Pope Francis' 2018 Synod on Young People

Pope Francis wants to hear from you! In preparation for an international gathering of Bishops (Synod) next year, Pope Francis wants your input on the topic of *Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment*. People of all ages, Catholics and non-Catholics, are invited to give feedback on how the Church can engage and support youth and young adults. To participate in the survey, please visit www.SharewithFrancis.org.

Spiritual Book Club

The SFX spiritual book club has just concluded its first book. We have two groups that meet



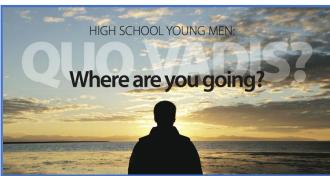
every other Thursday (9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.). We will be starting the next book in May (book TBD). If you have an interest in joining one of the groups, please contact Fr. Dan. It is a great way to share our faith and get to know each other.

Vocations Discernment Dinner & Camp

For young men, college age and up:

An evening of Mass, dinner and to discuss the priesthood with priests and seminarians. Sunday, May 14th, 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. at St. John Paull II Seminary, 145 Taylor Street, NE, Washington, DC. RSVP to oneillt@adw.org. For more information contact Fr. Mark Ivany at vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020.

For high school men:



For high school men interested in attending the Quo Vadis Camp at Mount St. Mary's Seminary July 16-19, for fellowship, sports, prayer time and discerning your vocation. Register at www.dcpriest.org. For more information contact Fr. Mark Ivany at vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020.

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Saturday – April 29th

4:00 p.m.

Confessions @ 3:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass

Sunday – April 30th

Third Sunday of Easter 8:00 a.m. – SFX Parishioners 11:00 a.m. – Dan Kirby+ Rosary before Masses

Monday – May 1st

St. Joseph the Worker 9:00 a.m. – Fr. Thomas Crowley+

$Tuesday - May 2^{nd}$

St. Athanasius 9:00 a.m. – No Mass

$Wednesday - May 3^{rd}$

Saints Philip & James 9:00 a.m.

Thursday – May 4th

9:00 a.m.

Friday – May 5th 9:00 a.m.

Saturday – May 6th

4:00 p.m.

Confessions at 3:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass

Sunday – May 7th

Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:00 a.m. – SFX Parishioners 11:00 a.m. Rosary before Masses