

# St. Francis Xavier Parish 2025



January 1st we  
celebrate the Feast  
Day of Mary,  
Mother of God.

This is a Holy Day of  
Obligation.

Mass times:

Tuesday, December 31st at 6:00 p.m.,  
Wednesday, January 1st at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

**Join us on Tuesday, December 31st to  
Honor our Blessed Mother and Celebrate  
the New Year in Rome!**



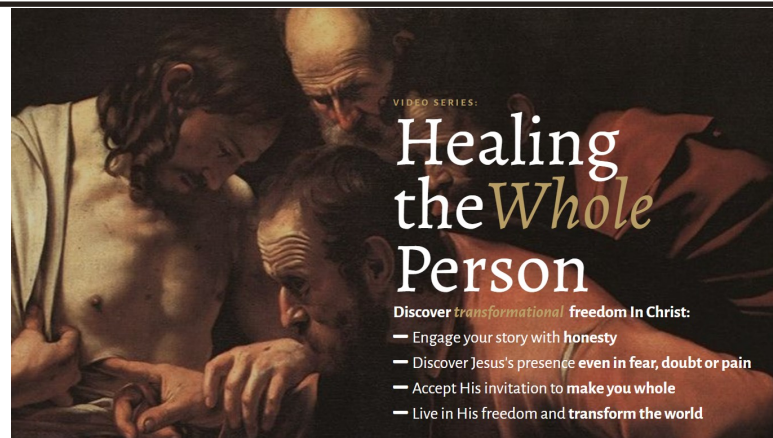
WITH FR. MARK-MARY AMES, CFR

themselves falling more in love with this powerful Marian devotion, becoming a source of grace for the whole world. Visit [AscensionPress.com](http://AscensionPress.com) to sign-up!

If you've ever struggled to build a habit of prayer, this podcast is for you.

In Ascension's Rosary in a Year podcast, Fr. Mark-Mary Ames, CFR, guides listeners in a step-by-step journey that will change the way you pray – no matter where you are in your spiritual life.

By starting small and adding on over time, listeners will find



Through a grant by the Catholic Foundation of Northwestern PA, we are happy to be able to bring to our Diocese the 8-video resource of the John Paul II Healing Center: "Healing the Whole Person." Stay tuned in the New Year for ways to participate. The graces of the Jubilee Year are upon us!

*Celebrate Jesus Christ, being the Light to the World!  
Join us making Candles on Epiphany and then bring  
it back on Candlemas Day to have the candle blessed!*

Candle Making: Jan. 5th - Noon-2:00 p.m.  
St. Francis Xavier Parish Center

Cost \$32 or if you have a vessel from a  
previous year that is clean & without cracks,  
you can reuse it and save \$2.

RSVP: Irene 814-476-7657 x7, visiting our  
website or scanning the QR Code.

Blessing: Masses on Feb. 1st & 2nd



Are you visiting our parish for the 1st Time? Have you received all your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion? Would you simply like to know more about the Catholic Faith (even if you were raised Catholic).

We are always inviting anyone who is interested in discovering more about the Catholic Church to ongoing Formation Opportunities.

If you are in need of any of the Sacraments of Initiation, today may be the day to inquire about how we can help you prepare to receive them! If there is a teaching of the Catholic Church that you have a difficult time accepting/believing, now may be the time to dive deeper into the reason behind the belief.

We are all on a pilgrimage of faith. Please allow us to journey with you.

Contact Irene for more information: 814-476-7657 x7, [evangelization@stfrancisxaviermckean.org](mailto:evangelization@stfrancisxaviermckean.org)

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from St. Francis Xavier Parish

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You don't need to have all the answers—you just need to be present and walk with them. Grace will do the rest. Scan the code to get started.


[eucharisticrevival.org/walk-with-one](https://eucharisticrevival.org/walk-with-one)





**Jubilee Journey:**  
*Celebrating Together for Holy Year 2025*



 Journey with the Diocese of Erie  
[ErieRCD.org/HolyYear2025.html](https://ErieRCD.org/HolyYear2025.html)


The Jubilee Year has begun! A year filled with opportunities to celebrate and receive God's Love and Mercy!

Join Bishop Persico on Sunday, December 29th at 11:00 a.m. at St. Peter's Cathedral for a special Mass opening the Jubilee Year locally.

Visit the Diocesan website for full details and the many opportunities to receive an indulgence daily throughout 2025!


Jubilee Years are celebrated every 25 years! It has its origins in the Old Testament when the Israelites were called to set everything "anew" every 50 years. "You shall proclaim liberty in the land for all its inhabitants." (Lev 25:10)

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Join us Later in 2025 for:

**MARDI GRAS**

Mardi Gras March 1st  
and  
Ash Wednesday,  
March 5th

