

**St. Francis Xavier Cathedral  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2014**

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**A warm welcome is extended to all those visiting with us today.**

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**2014 Catholic Archdiocesan Appeal  
Parish Report New Providence  
Up to July 16<sup>th</sup> 2014**

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Donors</u>
St. Francis Xavier	\$69,200.00	132
Sacred Heart	38,900.00	53
Our Lady's	26,800.00	131
St. Joseph's	30,200.00	160
St. Anselm	30,200.00	49
St. Bede	11,200.00	19
St. Thomas More	28,000.00	37
St. Cecilia	12,300.00	51
Queen of Peace	7,800.00	113
Holy Family	30,200.00	245
St. Paul's	44,700.00	12
Resurrection	11,200.00	31

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The 2014 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal is in progress. Our donors' goal for this year is 500. We thank the **132** person's who have contributed to the 2014 Appeal and look forward to an additional **368** person's making their contributions. Remember, no gift is too small and none is too large. Please make your pledge/payment today.

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**Archbishop Pinder's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

The commemorative supplement celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Episcopal Ordination of Archbishop Pinder is available at a cost of \$5.00 per copy. Interested persons can pick up a copy from the parish office Monday through Friday from 9:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

**Sick & Shut-In:**

Please pray for and visit the sick and shut-ins of our parish. Some of these persons are: Merlene Miller, Dame Paula Mitchell, Therese Mitchell, Madlyn Neely, Simone Paul, Carmetta Ramsay and Marguerite Roberts.

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

Wedding anniversary greetings are extended to: Philip & Brenda Mitchell, 20 years Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> August and Peter & Beverley Brown, 44 years Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

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**RCIA NEWS**

Persons wishing to become Catholic and those Catholics who have not yet received their First Communion or Confirmation are invited to join the RCIA programme. A meeting will take place in the parish centre on Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Regular weekly sessions will resume on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September at 7:00 p.m.

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**Youth/Young Adult News**

All youth and young adult gatherings are closed for the summer.

A Youth Rally will take place at St. Francis beginning Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> through Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> August from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Father Oswald Ferguson will preside.

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**Upcoming Events**

**Archdiocesan Youth Trivia Competition**

***Come One...Come All!*** The Youth and Young Adult Ministry of our Archdiocese will present its first annual Archdiocesan Trivia Competition. Teens, 15 to 19 years old are encouraged to participate in this fun-filled competition between the youth of our sister parishes. The trivia kicks off on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Youth from the parishes of St. Joseph and St. Thomas More will compete in this initial competition. In order for St. Francis parish to be well represented at this Trivia, youth from our parish are invited to submit their names to the parish office no later than Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> August. Further information can be obtained by contacting Mr. Bernard Higgs, Ms. Deangela Ferguson, Mr. Donald Adderley or Ms. Branishka Lewis.

**Marriage Renewal Workshop**

A Marriage Renewal workshop will take place here at the Cathedral on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The fee is \$20.00 per couple. Couples interested in taking part in this workshop are asked to register at the parish office. Deadline for registration is Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> August at 3:00 p.m.

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**This Week's Readings:**

**Monday:**

*Week IV of the Psalter*

Ezekiel 24:15-23/

Psalm Deuteronomy 32:18-21/

Matthew 19: 16-22

**Tuesday:**

Ezekiel 28:1-10/Psalm Deuteronomy 32:26-

27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/

Matthew 19:23-30

**Wednesday:**

***St. Bernard,***

***Abbot and doctor (1090-1153)***

Sirach 15:1-6/

Psalm 119/John 17:20-26

Or

Ezekiel 34:1-11/Psalm 23/

Matthew 20:1-6

**Thursday:**

***St. Pius X,***

***Pope (1835-1914)***

1 Thessalonians 2:2b-8/

Psalm 89/John 21:15-17

Or

Ezekiel 36:23-28/Psalm 51/

Matthew 22:1-14

**Friday:**

***The Queenship of the***

***Blessed Virgin Mary***

Isaiah 9:1-6/

Psalm 113/Luke 1:26-38

Or

Ezekiel 37:1-14/

Psalm 107/Matthew 22:34-40

**Saturday:**

Ezekiel 43:1-7ab/

Psalm 85/Matthew 23:1-12

**Sunday:**

***Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time***

***Week I of the Psalter***

Isaiah 22:19-23/Psalm 138/

Romans 11:33-36/Matthew 16:13-20

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**Chuckle:**     *Unanswered Prayer*

The preacher's 5 year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon.

One day, she asked him why.  
"Well, Honey," proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. "I'm asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon."

"How come He doesn't answer it?" she asked.