



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

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October 18, 2020
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 pm, Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 4:30 pm. Please RSVP at sfxstl.org.

Online Masses will be posted on our YouTube channel. Subscribe here: tinyurl.com/collegechurchmass

Weekday Masses: 7:15 am and noon Monday through Friday, 5:15 pm Monday through Wednesday, all in main church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Mondays and Wednesdays, 10:45 am through noon.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Francis Xavier College Church, form a welcoming Jesuit parish community. As followers of Jesus Christ, we praise God, love our neighbors as ourselves, celebrate liturgy and the sacraments, engage in lifelong formation and proclaim God's reign of justice, mercy and peace.

PARISH INFORMATION**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** church@sfxstl.org

The Parish Center is closed if St. Louis City Schools are closed due to bad weather. Activities and events are also cancelled.

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Saturday we are closed & Sunday: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm.

Bulletin Notices: must be submitted to church@sfxstl.org by noon on Thursday, ten days before the bulletin date. Holidays require additional time.

Infant Baptisms: Visit the Baptism page on the SFX website, www.sfxstl.org/baptism-1, for information on infant baptisms and required preparation class. Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month, at 12 pm. Contact associatepastor@sfxstl.org with questions.

Christian Initiation of Adults: contact Joe Milner at 314-977-7305 or joseph.milner@slu.edu

Marriages: contact Sandy Hauck at 314-977-7303 for scheduling and preparation information.

Funerals: contact Sister Carolyn McWatters at 314-977-1797 or carolyn.mcwatters@slu.edu or Fr. Dan White.

Disability Access: Our church has an elevator and hearing assistance system. Please see an usher for assistance.

Parish Registration: Available online at sfxstl.org/parishioner-registration or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions email church@sfxstl.org.

Youth Faith Formation: Available for Pre-K through eighth grade. Classes meet September - May on Sunday mornings. Ages 3-6 use the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org or Julie Kilian at julie@sfxstl.org for more information.

Liturgy of the Word for Children: Suspended until further notice due to the pandemic. Contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org.

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- Michael Anderson
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- David Williams
- Julia Williams
- Lisa Zimmerer*

* Long-term

Prayer requests to:

church@sfxstl.org

Or visit our website, sfxstl.org, and find the form under “Parish Life.”

Join our intercessory prayer group on Zoom,

Friday mornings at 9 am:

Contact Bridget Brennan at joy@canainstitute.org for info.

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK



Do you think that the Church deliberately gave us this Gospel just three weeks before a national election? The short answer is no, of course. But it is a gift of the Holy Spirit to reflect on what is God’s and what is Caesar’s in this political moment.

I wish there was a very clear understanding of how to discern between the two. There is no exact teaching on the role of Church and state in the New Testament. The two thousand year history of Christianity has encompassed a multitude of forms of government, and a diversity of ways Christians have related to the state. There is simply no consensus on the ideal form of government, the precise role of the faithful within society, or what exactly are the parameters of this relationship. Like most things, it is complicated.

There are, however, some general notions that can help. The first is Catholics believe Church and state have responsibilities that should be respected by both. Government should not interfere with religious freedom or practice, and the Church must allow the state to exercise its rightful role. Ideally, the two encourage and support the work of the other.

Another basic belief is Catholics are not only permitted but have a moral duty to engage in civic life. Our faith is not just an hour on Sundays or something done in the confines of our home. It should inform our entire lives. “Faithful Citizens” captures this idea as we seek the common good as members of the wider society.

Our current political climate is not great. Catholics should do all we can to improve our social discourse, not add fuel to the fire.

Reflections on Black Catholic History Month

For the last three years during the month of November, St. Francis Xavier (College) Church has celebrated Black Catholic History Month, revealing the unique gifts and grace bestowed on our family of faith.

As part of the plans for this year’s celebration, the Racism and Reconciliation Committee invites you to share your personal reflections, insights, inspirations, or experiences related to the celebration of Black Catholic History for publication in the bulletin and other church media. Please forward your reflection or questions to Lisa Burks (Imburks60@gmail.com) or Christine Dragonette (christine@sfxstl.org).

Openings on the SFX Pastoral Council

The St. Francis Xavier (College) Church Pastoral Council is a group composed of the pastor and twelve active, adult parishioners who meet regularly to deliberate, reflect, and make decisions on a variety of issues related to the operations, programming, and spiritual life of the parish. The Pastoral Council provides support and direction to the various parish Commissions and Committees, and is generally charged with making sure that all activities support the parish's Mission. There will be four openings on the Pastoral Council starting in January 2020. Council members serve for a three-year term with the option to serve a second term. The group meets one Saturday morning per month, and also participates actively in various special events throughout the year. A parishioner may nominate another parishioner or nominate himself/herself.

PROCESS

Nominees will be asked to submit a short statement explaining their interest in serving on the Council answering the following three questions: (1) What has drawn you to SFX College Church, and what are your hopes for the future of the parish? (2) What background and experience, either professional, personal, or as a parishioner, would you bring to the Council and how would you apply it? (3) Can you commit to regular attendance and participation at Council meetings and, from time to time, assisting with special projects or events?

Fr. Dan will meet with each nominee to discern whether or not the nominee would be a good fit for the council.

CURRENT LEADERSHIP

Chair

Lisa D'Souza

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Members

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Commission Chairs

Adult Faith Formation Commission: Laura Greiner

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Liturgy Commission: Sr. Sherri Coleman

Parish Life Commission: Carla Bolland

Social Ministry Commission: Christina Greiner

Youth Faith Commission: Aimee Wittman

If you are interested in serving, would like to nominate another parishioner, or would just like more information, please contact

Council Chair Lisa D'Souza

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or Fr. Dan White

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Saint Francis Xavier College Church Virtual Gala of Gratitude

November 20-22, 2020

Save the Date!

Auction items needed!

- Stays at Summer or Vacation homes
- Electronics
- Jewelry
- Restaurant or retail gift cards (\$50 or more is ideal)

Photos needed!

- Weddings, Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, Galas

Contact: Angela Pancella
church@sfxstl.org
 (314) 977-1954

Donors will be provided with a donation acknowledgment form from the parish for tax purposes.





NETWORK's Nuns on the Bus Is Coming to Saint Louis (Virtually)!

Join Us:

**Site Visit with College Church Outreach Program
Tuesday, October 20, 2020, 11:00 AM Central**

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Watch the event LIVE at www.nunsonthebus.org/live
or on Facebook at www.facebook.org/NunsontheBus/live

In 2020, We The People face consequential decisions about how to respond to a global health crisis as well as racism and white supremacy, xenophobia, and economic inequality in our nation. These are difficult times, but there are reasons for hope. Across the U.S., people are speaking out for justice and advocating for policies to mend the gaps. With a federal election coming up, we know that **who we elect — at every level of government — matters.**

Nuns on the Bus: The Virtual Tour will highlight the most pressing issues in our nation, elevate the lived experiences of those facing the greatest challenges, and help participants prepare to vote for the common good on Election Day. **Join us on this important journey!**

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For more information, visit nunsonthebus.org
or email info@networklobby.org.

Nuns on the Bus is a project of NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice and NETWORK Advocates for Catholic Social Justice. NETWORK was founded in 1971 by Catholic sisters to educate, organize, and lobby for economic and social transformation.

November - Month of Prayer for the Faithful Departed

On November 2 we will have our annual Mass of Remembrance for those who have died in the past year. It will be held at 5:15 pm in the main church. All are welcome, especially those who have lost loved ones during the past year. For those unable to be physically present, the mass will be livestreamed.

We will continue our prayerful remembrance of our deceased loved ones throughout the month of November. We will again have a shrine area set up with pictures of our loved ones and candles. If you would like to bring a picture of your loved one to be placed in this area, please bring it by the weekend of **October 25th**. Be sure to have the name of the person as well as your name on the back so that we can return it to you at the end of the month. Our Book of Remembrance will be there as well, and you are welcome to add the names of those whom you would like us to pray for throughout the month.

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Would you like to live the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius in your daily life? Get to know others who have also made Jesuit Spirituality a priority in their lives.

We would like to start a virtual Christian Life Community in our parish. We need only six or seven people to form a new community. Please call Ann Padberg, Regional CLC Coordinator 314-696-9610 or annpadberg@charter.net. Pick up a CLC brochure in the vestibule or ask Ann to send you one. A few people have already expressed an interest and we will start a new group as soon as we have at least six people.

Join us and learn the CLC Way of Proceeding.

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“...must be the *preeminent priority* for Catholic voters.”

“You’re *Catholic in Name Only* if you vote for...”



Have you ever heard these things?
Or wondered how to respond?

October 20, 7-9 PM CDT

Zoom Registration:

<https://bit.ly/CreightonJPS>



WANTED: CLOTH

The Immigrant & Refugee Ministry at St. Pius V is in need of cloth and fabric that can be used to make protective masks. Donations can be brought to the I & R Office at 3310 South Grand Blvd. or contact the office at irofficestpv@gmail.com or 314-772-1525 ext 204.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Green Corner

“Opt to Act” for Earth



REI Co-op is sponsoring Opt to Act, 52 simple weekly challenges to reduce your impact on the Earth, get active, and leave the world better than you found it. This well-researched website (Just Google REI Opt to Act Plan), actually helps with information on why and how to take these steps.

This week’s tip:

Week 47 (October 18-October 24): If you don’t need it immediately, consider a slower shipping option. Innovators are working on ways to make shipping more sustainable (think: trucks that can drive in a tight formation and use wind drag, rather than fuel, to move forward). In the meantime, opt for slower shipping options at least once this week.

October 17-18, 2020

Saturday
5:30 pm Fr. White, S.J.
Sunday
8:00 am Fr. Stewart, S.J.
10:30 am Fr. Greene, S.J.
4:30 pm Campus Ministry

October 24-25, 2020

Saturday
5:30 pm Fr. Stewart, S.J.
Sunday
8:00 am Fr. White, S.J.
10:30 am Fr. Stewart, S.J.
4:30 pm Campus Ministry

The 10:30 am Mass will be livestreamed, and will have Outdoor Communion. RSVP at sfxstl.org.

Bulletin Articles

email bulletin articles to church@sfxstl.org before Thursday at noon 10 days before the bulletin date.

Faith and Civic Engagement

With each day that we draw nearer to the 2020 election, it seems more likely that we are hearing (or using) words like “debate,” “divide,” “defend,” or “defeat,” rather than the words “listen” or “love.” Yet, we are people of faith who desire to build the Kingdom of God “on earth as it is in Heaven.” That kingdom is one of love where we are called to act with compassion in service of achieving the common good. We seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit through prayer, reflection, learning and engaging with others. The church supports us in our journey of forming a conscience for faithful citizenship through its teachings, through shared prayer and through our community of believers.



Please visit <https://sfxstl.org/faithful-citizenship> for prayers, reflections, opportunities to learn about Catholic Social Teaching, and important dates related to the 2020 election.



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