



Remembering our loved ones prayerfully this November.

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

3628 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63108

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sfxstl.org

November 15, 2020 Thirty-Third 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, Wednesdays and Fridays, 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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 Fay Efken*
 Diane Flynn
 Mary Frank
 Gene Grabbe*
 Monica Gunn
 Jessi Haselhorst
 Paul Hanson*
 Mary Jane and Butch Henning*
 Christina Bah Ireland
 Laura Kaiser and Family
 Terry Kippenberger*
 Carlita Logan
 Jill and Dwain Loupe
 Pat March*
 Mark Marsh
 Karena Menard
 Nancy Partridge* & Glider
 Lyn Pickel
 Ruthann Redmon
 Joan Rice
 Mark Roddy*
 Dennis Saunders*
 Jennifer Saunders*
 Fr. Gary Seibert, SJ*
 Family of Candace Sexton
 Maryann Shay
 Art Taylor*
 Judy Taylor*
 Jacob Verghese
 David Williams
 Julia Williams
 Lisa Zimmerer*

* Long-term

Prayer requests to:

church@sfxstl.org

Or visit sfxstl.org, and find the form under "Parish Life."

Join our prayer group on

Zoom, Friday mornings at 9:

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Next weekend is our Virtual Gala of Gratitude. The past few years we have celebrated our Gala down the street at the Coronado ballroom. This time around the Gala comes to your living room.

My initial plan was to not have a Gala 2020, and move to an every-other-year event. COVID-19 managed to wreck that idea just like everything else. The challenging financial year requires me to once again appeal to your generosity. The pandemic has impacted our revenues from offertory, weddings, and rental of the ballroom. The Gala will help us to make it through a difficult fiscal year.

These circumstances, however, have also revealed an opportunity. This year's Gala takes place the weekend before Thanksgiving. My hope is this can be a moment to express our gratitude even in the midst of this awful year. This crisis has revealed much about us, both good and bad. That kind of knowledge is always helpful. God is faithful, and no global pandemic can change that truth.

The weekend starts with the live section of the Gala Friday evening. This will be roughly 75 minutes of content focused on our parishioners, our ministries, and all we give thanks for in 2020. Saturday will feature a series of recorded videos to take a deeper dive into some of the great work going on at College Church. We conclude Sunday with the Feast of Christ the King.

I encourage everyone to participate. All the events are absolutely free! Simply register on our website. Thank you for your generous support of St. Francis Xavier. See you next weekend.

Advent Materials

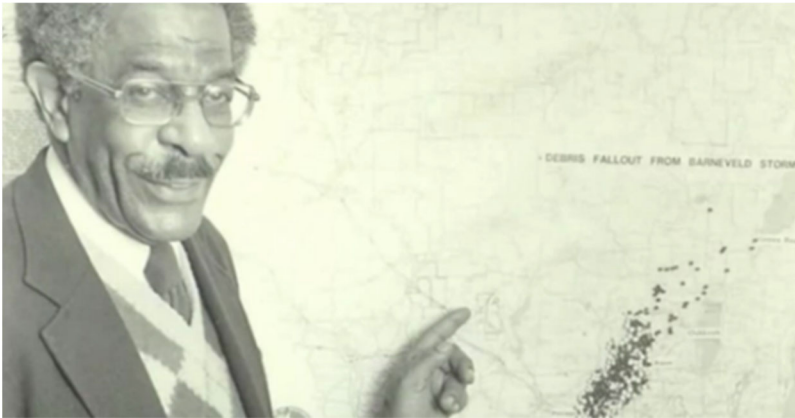
The season of Advent, our preparation for the coming of Christ, begins on Nov 29. In past years, the Adult Faith commission has offered a variety of reflection booklets and Advent calendars to assist your preparation.

This year, you may choose from a list of materials on the parish website to customize an Advent bag or box for your household. These include an Advent ring and candles as pictured to the right, Advent calendars, and reflection books and booklets. Orders must be placed by today (Sunday, Nov 15) and items may be picked up on Sundays, Nov 22 or Nov 29. If you are not able to pick up your request, it can be mailed to you. Please check our website for full details: <https://sfxstl.org/advent-materials>



Authentically Black and Truly Catholic: Black Catholic History Month at College Church

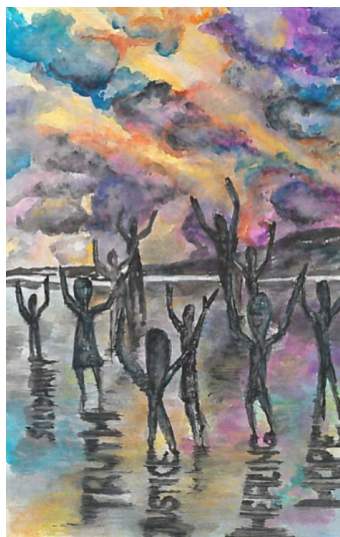
This year marks the thirtieth anniversary of the Church's designation of November as the month during which we celebrate the contributions of black Catholics. In recognition of this milestone, we will feature—in the bulletin, on our website, and in informational displays around the church—five such individuals whose lives embody a pursuit for racial justice, grounded in a strong and resilient faith. Each of the five lived in St. Louis, and some had specific ties to College Church and to the St. Louis University community. Together, their lives reflect the long history and rich heritage of black Catholicism.



Charles E. Anderson (1919-1994) was a trailblazing scientist, a veteran of WWII, and the first black man to earn a doctorate in meteorology, who would be known for an illustrious career in research, teaching, and policy. He is recognized for his activism in working with other black Catholics in St. Louis to pursue racial justice and expanded opportunities for African Americans, particularly in relation to the desegregation of St. Louis University (SLU).

Learn more by visiting: <https://sfxstl.org/black-catholic-history-month>

The Charles E. Anderson article is written by Heidi Ardizzone, an Associate Professor in American Studies at Saint Louis University.

**Prayers for Racial Healing**

This month, as we celebrate the faith-filled lives and contributions of Black Catholics, let us recognize the racial injustice that persists. We come together in prayer asking God to give comfort and courage to those who endure the injuries of racism, as well as wisdom and courage for all to stand against the powers that oppress. We join our voices in prayers for racial justice.

You can find a collection of prayers for racial healing on our Black Catholic History Month page: <https://sfxstl.org/black-catholic-history-month>

Change in Mass Schedule

The last 4:30 pm Mass (the Campus Ministry Mass) for the year will be November 22nd. It will resume when classes resume at the end of January.

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

Secretary

Margie Borges

Members

Gwendolyn Hood

Jeff Leonard

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Matt Perlow

Jen Petruso

Amy Sanders

Winnie Sullivan



Commission Chairs

Adult Faith Formation Commission: Laura Greiner

Financial Development Commission: Mike Eggleston

Finance Committee: Carl Greiner

Liturgy Commission: Sr. Sherri Coleman

Parish Life Commission: Carla Bolland

Social Ministry Commission: Laurie Knight

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

314-977-7310, frdan@sfxstl.org.

Saint Francis Xavier College Church Virtual Gala of Gratitude November 20-22, 2020

Registration Open Now!

<https://sfxstl.org/virtual-gala>

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.



Parish Men’s White House Retreat, February 11-14

The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola is the manual for discerning how God is calling us to follow Him. The “White House” Jesuit Retreat Center in South St. Louis County applies the Spiritual Exercises to our daily lives to develop our faith, deepen our peace and increase our gratitude.

You are personally invited to prayerfully consider joining a group of men from our parish to make a retreat there, the evening of February 11th to the afternoon of the 14th.

The beauty of the natural setting, the prayer and liturgies and the comfort of the accommodations combine to make this a spiritually renewing and rewarding experience.



More information about the retreat (including COVID precautions) and online registration is available at www.whretreat.org or by calling John Hartung (314-918-1950), Bill Morrison (314-991-8599) or David Schnelt (314-791-0227).

**Toward the Least Harm:
Xavier Winter Inn Volunteers Needed!**



This winter St. Francis Xavier College Church will host Winter Inn, offering emergency shelter to 14 individuals who need it on **Tuesday and Wednesday nights**—beginning in December through February—when the **temperatures drop below 20 degrees**. We will offer guests a warm bed, hot meal, and hospitality while adhering to CDC best practices to prevent the spread and contraction of the COVID-19 virus.

There are a variety of volunteer roles, many of which do not require presence during open shelter hours. Opportunities for joyful participation include:

◇ Set-up Crew ◇ Greeters/ Hosts ◇ Cooks ◇ Meal Servers ◇ Innkeepers ◇ Cleaners ◇ Laundry Drivers

Live Zoom Training 5:30 to 6:30 pm on Wednesday November 18th

Sign up here <https://rb.gy/jmvym1> or email Tess Sanders at outreach@sfxstl.org if you cannot join the scheduled training in real time and would like to receive a video recording.

Additional Food Support Needed for Winter Shelters

In addition to the many volunteers needed to make Xavier Winter Inn successful, there is a need for extra support providing casseroles for other winter shelters. Our Lady of Sorrows is collecting 9 x 13 casseroles (meat, vegetable, or breakfast) to distribute to shelters throughout the winter. Both casserole cooks and drivers are needed. If you are able to contribute a casserole, please drop it off to the Our Lady of Sorrows parking lot at 1pm on any of the following Saturdays: November 14th, December 12th, January 16th, or February 13th. For questions or more information, contact Mary Ellen Mueller at maryem@brick.net or (314) 374-1712.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Forty million people in the US live in poverty. This organization does great work in supporting programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their own communities. You can learn more about this campaign at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Green Corner

“Opt to Act” for Earth



REI Co-op is sponsoring Opt to Act, 52 simple weekly challenges to 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 51 (November 15-21): Check the sustainability attributes of items you buy regularly. Have you considered how the products you use are made, and where they’re made? What about the impact those materials might have on the environment as they break down, and how the production and distribution of that product might contribute to high emissions rates?

November 14-15, 2020

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

November 21-22, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm Fr. White, S.J.
Sunday 8:00 am Fr. Daly, S.J.
10:30 am Fr. White, 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.

Novena Daily Videos available starting at 9am November 7- 15, 2020

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/126311690667

Prayer Service November 16 6:30 pm

St. Alphonsus ‘Rock’ In person and on Facebook Live

https://www.facebook.com/interracialrelations

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION



Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton



Venerable Henrietta Delille



Venerable Pierre Toussaint



Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman



Servant of God Mother Mary Lange



Servant of God Julia Greeley



Thomas Wyatt Turner



Sister Antona Ebo, F. S. M.



Fr. Cyprian Davis, O. S. B.