



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

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February 16th, 2020 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm Anticipation of Sunday

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am and 4:30 pm

Monday - Friday

7:15 am, Noon & 5:15 pm

In the Chapel of Our Lady located in the lower level.

Saint Louis University Campus Ministry:

Sunday: 9:00 pm (when the University is in session)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Friday: 10:45 am through Noon

Saturday: 4:30 pm through 5:30 pm

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 Fr. Matthew Baugh, SJ 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: Celebrated weekly for children in kindergarten - fourth grade at 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Childcare is available for children ages six months through pre-kindergarten during the 10:30 am Mass in the Parish Center Nursery. Contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org.

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- Linda Castillon*
- Edgar & Ingrid Canavan
- Ben, Michelle and Bryan Chappell
- Justin Lee Coy
- Monica Gunn
- Paul Hanson*
- Mary Jane Henning*
- Terry Kippenberger*
- Pat March*
- Mary McDevitt
- Joan McLean*
- Karena Menard
- Nancy Partridge* & Glider
- Bob Powers*
- Ruthann Redmon
- Mark Roddy*
- Dennis Saunders*
- Jennifer Saunders*
- Family of Candace Sexton
- Art Taylor*
- Jacob Verghese
- Donald Webre*
- Tracy Anthony Whitlock
- David Williams
- Julia Williams

* *Longterm*

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



This is Mardi Gras weekend. It seems there are only two ways to view this unofficial Church holiday. One is puritanical. This perspective sees any notion that being Catholic could involve joy and celebration as suspect. The other option, far more popular these days, is to embrace the bacchanal whole-heartedly. It is the perfect excuse to eat, drink and act stupid.

As usual, a middle-way is best. Mardi Gras makes no sense without Lent. It grew out of the last days of preparation for the strict observance of the Lenten season. The celebration is the recognition of the weeks of prayer, fasting and alms-giving right around the corner. Mardi Gras is tied to the great season of preparation that culminates with the Holy Triduum.

The notion of balance is key to understanding the Catholic perspective. The origins of this time of revelry in the dreary days of winter remind us to live with joy even as we prepare for the somber period of Lent. Feasting and fasting are intimately related, and both are necessary for a healthy spiritual life. By all means enjoy the party, but do Lent with the same enthusiasm.

A story is told of St. Teresa of Avila that on a feast day in the convent a delicious meal featuring pheasant was served. St. Teresa torn into the bird with great relish. Some of the sisters were quite shocked. Looking up she simply stated, "Sisters, when we fast, we fast; when we pheasant, we pheasant." Happy Mardi Gras.



To sustain the future of the College Church,
I submit my offertory online.

If you give on-line, please take this card when you enter church. Place in the collection basket when it comes around to show your financial support of College Church.

Welcome to College Church!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

<i>Gathering Song: Sing a New Song to the Lord</i>	<i>Gather 627</i>
<i>Glory to God: Congregational Mass</i>	<i>Gather 322</i>
<i>Dismissal for Children's Liturgy of the Word (10:30)</i>	<i>Gather 324</i>

LITURGY OF THE WORD

<i>Psalm 119: Blessed Are They Who Follow the Law of the Lord</i>	<i>Gather 1107</i>
<i>Gospel Acclamation</i>	<i>Gather 336</i>

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<i>Anointing of the Sick: You Are Mine</i>	<i>Gather 721</i>
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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

<i>Preparation of Gifts: (10:30) Eye Has Not Seen</i>	<i>Gather 728</i>
<i>Eucharistic Acclamations: Community Mass</i>	<i>Gather 370, 373, 372</i>

COMMUNION RITE

<i>Breaking of the Bread: Lamb of God—Community Mass</i>	<i>Gather 389</i>
<i>Communion Hymn: Ubi Caritas</i>	<i>Gather 696</i>
<i>Meditation: (10:30 am) - Wisdom, My Road</i>	<i>Gather 583</i>

CONCLUDING RITE

<i>Recessional Song: Let Justice Roll Like A River</i>	<i>Gather 810</i>
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The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will take place this weekend at the 5:15, 8:00 and 10:30 Masses.

The special graces of God in this sacrament can have these effects in those who open their lives to God:

*uniting of the sick person to the passion of Christ
strengthening, peace and courage to endure the sufferings of illness or old age
forgiveness of sins if needed
restoration of health, if it helps the spiritual well-being of the person
the special companionship of Christ for the passage into eternal life.*

May all of us experience deeply the healing power of Christ!

SPOTLIGHT ON YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

This academic year parish leadership wants to communicate more consistently how your generosity impacts College Church's ministries. It is helpful to recognize the many ways you enable SFX to do the wonderful things it does. God alone knows everything taking place here. We can, though, provide a sense of our activities, and our financial commitment to making them succeed.

This month the focus is Youth Faith Formation. This important program engages young people from toddlers to high school students. It helps fulfill the essential responsibility to pass our share our faith with the next generation of Catholics.

Programs: Our programming begins even before birth with baptismal preparation for parents. A nursery program for our youngest parish members is offered during mass. The major focus of YFF are: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes for pre-school through 6th grade, and traditional religious education with emphasis on Ignatian Spirituality for First through Eighth Grade. The youth group is for teens. Sundays at the 10:30 mass children's Liturgy of the Word for children preschool through 2nd grade is celebrated. Preparation for Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation is also part of YFF.

Numbers: *201 students enrolled in grades PreK-8
 *12 members in Youth Group
 *20-25 children participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word
 *151 total families

Staffing: This year we created a team approach to leadership for YFF. There are three part time directors, and two SLU assistants. We are grateful for generous volunteers. Each Sunday morning two bring order to chaos at Davis-Shaughnessy Hall. There are 45 volunteer Catechists including parents, community members, women religious and Saint Louis University students. We have ten babysitters, and eight Children's Liturgy of the Word Leaders.

Facilities: YFF programs meet 28 Sundays a year. That means space is a precious commodity. Dedicated space for the CGS children is a necessity. SLU is incredibly generous to allow us space for free.

What's New? This year YFF has made an even greater effort to reach out to parents. As the first and best teachers of the faith, speakers and discussion groups have addressed their concerns. We have also sought to deepen our Ignatian Spiritual heritage, and incorporate the parish's anti-racism work. Finally, youth participation in liturgical ministries has grown considerably.

Finances: The fees for our programs are \$225 for one child, \$400 for two children, \$475 for three children, or \$560 for four or more children. In total we received about \$28,000 in registration fees this year. This covers less than half of the cost of our programming. We are grateful to the parish for generously subsidizing this program through the Pancake Breakfast, weekly offertory, the Gala



HISTORY OF BLACK CATHOLICS IN ST. LOUIS



The history of Black Catholics in the Archdiocese of St. Louis goes back to the 1700's. Sacramental records of enslaved and free people of color can be found for 1759 (St. Genevieve), 1766 (Old Cathedral) and 1792 (St. Charles Borromeo in St. Charles).

Journey with Ms. Sullivan as she shares among other things, information about the apostolate to African Americans and the first space given to enslaved and free Blacks for worship.

For more information contact:
joycejones@archstl.org or 314-792-7596

WHEN

**February 20, 2020
6:30pm - 8pm**

WHERE

**Cardinal Rigali Ctr
Fleur-de-Lis Room**
20 Archbishop May Dr. ,
St. Louis, MO 63119

PRESENTER

Ms. Winnie Sullivan
Executive Director,
PenUltimate Press, Inc.



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Peace & Justice Commission

**SAVE THE DATE:
APRIL 25, 2020
HONORING THE LIFE OF
SISTER ANTONA EBO
MORE INFO TBA**

Please Join Us

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

To benefit Youth Faith Formation Programs

Sunday, February 23

after the 8 am and 10:30 Masses

in the Ballroom

Adults \$9

Children (14 and under) \$7

Families (2 adults and 4 or more children) \$35



Purchase Tickets after Sunday Masses or at sfxstl.org.

Note: This is a major fundraiser for Youth Faith Formation.

Please consider **sponsorship** at \$100, \$500 or \$1,000. Sponsors receive a family ticket to the breakfast. Signups are available in the back of Church after both Masses and on our website sfxstl.org.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!!

Married Couples Date Night Valentine Potluck



Date nights are important for married couples to get out and have some together time. And what better time way to celebrate Valentine's day than a potluck dinner to beat the high restaurant prices!

Mark your calendar, grab your spouse and bring along a dish to share and come join other married couples in our parish for date night.

Saturday, February 22
College Church Ballroom
6:30 – 8:30

We will have time for socializing and time for reflection. There will be humor and good conversation. We will provide non-alcoholic drinks; feel free to bring your own beer, wine or adult beverage of choice. We look forward to seeing you!!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Carl and Laura Greiner:
Email: caglmg01@swbell.net Phone: 314.974.4215

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Volunteers Needed for New Outreach Program Role

What: Airtable data entry volunteers. Airtable is the processing software we use to look up whether or not guests have visited previously, enter new guests into the database, and check for eligibility.

When: Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays from 9-11am as part of our Outreach Program for ID and birth certificate assistance. You can choose which day(s) you volunteer, and how often.

Volunteers Needed



This exciting new role is perfect for a steady, detail-oriented introvert or extrovert who likes to work behind the scenes. If you are looking to do service that is straightforward and methodical, while still being an integral part of our ministry, this is the role for you. To learn more, email or call Tess Sanders at outreach@sfxstl.org or call at 314.977.7311.

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.

Feb. 2-8: Call your utility companies to ask about green energy options.

Feb. 9-15: This Valentine’s Day give a plant or local in-season flowers instead of roses.

Feb. 16-22: Go meatless one day this week

Feb. 23-29: Switch to electronic bill notifications and payment.



This well-researched website (just google REI Opt to Act Plan) actually helps with information on why and how to take these steps.

Funeral Arrangements for Anne Chilson

Friday, February 21

Visitation in church starting at 4:00 pm

Funeral Mass at 6:30 pm

Reception afterwards in ballroom

Memorial contributions can be made to St Francis Xavier Social Ministry.

Lenten Books and Materials

The season of Lent begins on February 26. Reflection materials are now available in the Lower Hall after the Sunday morning masses. These include: the Little Black Book with a scripture verse and a reflection on a person, event or practice that invites us to deeper faith; Sacred Space from the Irish Jesuits with a line from one of the readings of the day and a reflection on it; and several booklets with excerpts from the preaching of Pope Francis.

Daybreak is a series that presents passages from the writings of particular authors arranged for reflection during Lent. Each booklet features a different author. These include Fr. John Kavanaugh, SJ,, Fr. Ronald Rolheiser, OMI, scripture scholar Sr. Diane Bergant, CSA, and liturgist Fr. Paul Turner.

Other booklets feature reflections from Henri Nouwen, Cardinal Newman, and storyteller Fr. Connery. There are books that draw from the writings of St. Ignatius, St. Francis and St. Claire, and Thomas Merton. Joyce Rupp, OSM, has a new book for Lenten reflection, *Jesus, Friend of my Soul*, that offers a two page reflection for each day.

Additionally, there are booklets for children with stickers, suggested activities for older children, and some with reflections for teens and young adults. If you would like to reserve a book or pick one up during the week, please contact Joseph Milner at joseph.milner@slu.edu or 314-977-7305.

**On March 1, 2020 we will roll up our sleeves and help save lives!
We will proudly partner with the American Red Cross to hold a blood drive
in memory of Mary Beth Erickson.**

Each pint of blood we collect can help save up to three lives and will touch the lives of so many more. What a great way to pay it forward and to honor Mary Beth!

Sunday, March 1st, 9 AM to 2 PM in the Ballroom

REGISTRATION IS EASY

**Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-2767) or visit
RedCrossBlood.org and enter: CollegeChurch to
schedule an appointment.**

Questions: contact Carla Bolland at 314-520-3135 or
bolland5815@sbcglobal.net.



Thank you for helping to make this drive a success!

Sponsored by the Parish Life Commission

Interested in Learning about the Catholic Faith?

If you would like to learn more about the Catholic Church, its beliefs and practices, you are invited to come to our inquiry sessions. These offer an opportunity to ask questions about Catholic beliefs and practices. They are informal and focus on the issues which the participants deem important. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Joseph Milner, 977-7305 or joseph.milner@slu.edu



Women's Retreat

Get away from it all for the weekend! Experience the beautiful surroundings, prayerful environment, delicious food, comfortable rooms and insightful presenters with other women from our Parish on March 27th-29th. Join us for a time of rest, renewal and spiritual nourishment just 15 minutes away from St. Louis. Contact one of our Parish captains, Madeleine Ortman 314-956-8839 or Tina Saunders at 314-739-4885 for more information or to register. This is a great way to spend part of the Lenten season in preparation for a glorious Easter!



JOIN US TODAY

The Adult Formation Commission is pleased to announce a session to help us have a better understanding of the church's funeral rites. The presenter will be Sister Catherine Vincie, RSHM. The session will be on **Sunday, February 16 from 9:15-10:25 am** in the ballroom. Catherine was on the faculty in liturgical studies at Aquinas Institute of Theology for 20 years before assuming her present position on the leadership team of her religious community in Tarrytown, NY. Catherine will present on the structure and meaning/theology of the Order of Christian Funerals and address some of the pastoral issues associated with Funeral planning. As many of us are entering into or already firmly in our senior years, this is a good opportunity to get us thinking about this very important topic!

Communal Lenten Formation Activity

There is a long tradition of adopting a special practice for Lent in order to make a more generous offering of ourselves to the Lord in this season. As an expression of our communal desire to be formed more deeply by the Lord—not only as individuals but as a parish—our pastor Fr Dan White proposes that we adopt a common Lenten practice this year *as a parish*. Think of this as something you can do, not just for yourself, but for the parish, and even for the whole Church.



The idea is to reflect together in small groups on the Sunday gospel as a way of entering more deeply into our weekly encounter with the Lord in the Mass. What makes this passage from the gospel "good news"? What new horizon does it open for me and for our parish? How do I sense it forming me more profoundly in the love of God?

Beginning the weekend of February 22-23, we invite you to sign up for a small group that will meet once a week during Lent for about 45 minutes each time. A large variety of groups will be available, some meeting on Sundays at the parish, others elsewhere in the area and on other days.

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Sophie's TABLE

AND WHO SHALL LEAD US


Liberators and Leaders from Gendered Margins

Friday, March 20 - Saturday, March 21, 2020
 Eden Theological Seminary
 475 E Lockwood Ave, St. Louis, MO 63119


To register: <http://www.cvent.com/d/xhqcg6>




Rev. Dr. Valerie Bridgeman
Founder and CEO



Rev. Dr. Sonja B. Williams
Associate Dean of Students and Professor, Eden Theological Seminary, Wisdom Partner





Dr. Jeffrey McCune
Associate Professor, Women, Gender, Sexuality Studies, at Washington University, St. Louis, Wisdom Partner



Jaha Zainabu
Artist in Residence

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February 15th & 16th, 2020

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

February 22nd & 23rd, 2020

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

Bulletin Articles

email bulletin articles to
church@sfxstl.org before
 Thursday at noon

Trivia Night



saturday March 14, 2020
 doors open @ 6pm first question 7pm

**\$25 per person or
 \$200 for a table of 8**

taking place at:

Paddy O's 618 S. 7th St.
 (just south of the stadium)

Light snacks, soft drinks and 1 free beer token per person provided.
 You may bring in your own snacks, but please no outside beverages.

Contact: Darienne 314-757-6111 or
 email Pat: patrickbrueggen@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul TRIVIA NIGHT

WHERE: St. Vincent de Paul Gym
 1408 S 10th St.
 St. Louis, MO 63104

WHEN: March 7, 2020
 7:00 p.m.
 Doors open at 6:15

COST: \$25 per person with 8 people per table

SIGN UP: Pay online here: www.sites.google.com/site/svdptrivianight
 Email questions or registration: svdptrivianight@gmail.com
 Mail registration with payment:
 Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 Attn: Trivia Night Committee
 1408 S. 10th Street
 St. Louis, MO 63104



All proceeds will be used to provide emergency rent and utility assistance to those in need throughout St. Louis.
GRAND PRIZE: \$250 CASH!



- ALSO FEATURING -

- Silent Auction
- Beer & Soda
- 50/50 Raffles
- Heads or Tails Game

*Please bring cash to participate in games!
 *1 entry for Heads or Tails to win a \$20 prize