



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

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April 12, 2020
Easter Sunday

LITURGY SCHEDULE

No public Masses until further notice to help protect the health of our parishioners.

Online Masses will be posted on our YouTube channel. Subscribe here: [tinyurl.com/collegechurchmass](https://www.tinyurl.com/collegechurchmass)

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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* Long-term

Prayer requests to:

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Fr. Bob Houlihan, S.J. was pastor of College Church in the 1970's. Some of our more, ahem, seasoned parishioners may remember him. I knew Fr. Bob from his days at the retreat house outside Denver. He once said, "I preach nothing but the Resurrection. Everything I say or do comes out of the Resurrection of Christ." More and more, I have come to see the wisdom of his insight. The Christian life only has meaning in relationship to Christ's victory over the grave. It is the lens through which all else is viewed.

The crucified and risen Lord is the paschal mystery that draws us together this day. And, though physically distant, we are together this day. This is hardly the first Easter Sunday Christians have celebrated in the midst of suffering, uncertainty, economic collapse, and yes, plague. The triumph of God's love over fear and death is the same, whether we are able to fill our beautiful church or when we have to shelter at home.

Joy, hope, and love are the foundation of Easter. That looks and feels a bit different in 2020, but they remain the same. As Fr. Bob knew, Christ's resurrection transforms his people no matter the circumstances. His victory is now our victory. This is who we are as disciples of Christ. May we always live as people of the Risen Lord, He who is our light and our life.

Happy Easter. Alleluia!

View Galleries of Easter at College Church

We've uploaded photos and video from Easter in previous years at College Church and put them on our website. You can find them at

<https://sfxstl.org/easter>

(If you are reading this ahead of time, you might want to wait until Easter morning to visit the page!)

Catholic Social Teaching in the Time of Coronavirus
Social Ministry Commission
St. Francis Xavier College Church

Week One: Introduction
Cheryl Sommer



Her response delighted and saddened me! There I was learning to make Christmas tamales with a small group of people, most of whom I had just met. I told about my work with the Catholic Campaign for Human Development-- the Catholic Church's work to empower low-income people to break down systems of injustice in their lives. I explained that this was part of our essential living out of Catholic Social Teaching. A woman in her thirties blurted out, "That's amazing!" I wish I'd heard about this earlier. I may not have left the Catholic Church!"

I'm often delighted when people tell me how wonderful our Catholic Social Teaching is. I'm all too often saddened when former Catholics say they never heard about it. Grounded in our Jewish roots, the teaching of Jesus and most recently developed by our popes and bishops in the last 130 years, Catholic Social Teaching has great wisdom. It addresses social justice, the ordering of our society, the role of government, wealth distribution, and other current social concerns.

In this time of Covid-19 and beyond there will be much to rethink. Catholic Social Teaching has much to offer us as we ponder what kind of society and economy we want for the future. Over the next few months, St. Francis Xavier's Social Ministry Commission will be reflecting on 7 key themes of Catholic Social Teaching including Human Dignity, Rights and Responsibilities, Option for the Poor, Care for Creation, and more. As we look to the future for a better world, we will be sharing reflections with you on what these themes may have to say to us as a parish and a faith community at large. Our Catholic Social Teaching has great wisdom to offer. Let's share it freely and joyfully!

Keep an eye out for more reflections within this ongoing series. Please contact Christine with your own reflections on "Catholic Social Teaching in the Time of Coronavirus" at christine@sfxstl.org.

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:

April 12 to April 18: Read about environmental issues on the Co-op Journal: <https://www.rei.com/blog/impact>

April 12th, 2020

Easter Sunday
10:30 am Fr. White, S.J.

April 19th, 2020

Divine Mercy Sunday
10:30 am Fr. White, S.J.

Bulletin Articles

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



We want to say thank you for your support of College Church, especially over the last several weeks. Everyone who contributed videos and reflections to our Virtual Triduum pages, all those who worked hard to make our Masses on YouTube as reverent and beautiful as possible, all those who have continued to contribute financially, everyone who has been making calls to check in on fellow parishioners—you have truly been gracious and giving in the midst of a challenging time. God’s blessings to all.

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