

## **St. Francis Xavier (College) Church**

*The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis*

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**April 17th, 2022**

**Easter Sunday**

**The Resurrection of the Lord**

### **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 5:15 pm, Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am.

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

Weekday Masses: 7:15 am and noon Monday through Friday, all in main church. (7:15 am Mass only on national holidays.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Mondays through 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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:associatepastor@sfxstl.org) with questions.

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

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

Funerals: contact Fr. Dan White at [frdan@sfxstl.org](mailto:frdan@sfxstl.org) or 314-977-7300.

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](http://sfxstl.org/parishioner-registration) or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions email [church@sfxstl.org](mailto:church@sfxstl.org).

Youth Faith Formation: Catechesis of Good Shepherd classes are available for preschool through 6th grade level students. Traditional religious education classes are available for grades 1 through 8. Classes meet September - May on Sunday mornings. Contact Terry Edelmann at [terry@sfxstl.org](mailto:terry@sfxstl.org) or Julie Kilian at [julie@sfxstl.org](mailto: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](mailto:terry@sfxstl.org).

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[church@sfxstl.org](mailto:church@sfxstl.org)

Or visit [sfxstl.org](http://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](mailto:joy@canainstitute.org) for info.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**



Happy Easter! May the joy and peace of the Risen Christ be with you.

Do you have a favorite Easter food? Specific foods are as important to Easter as they are to the celebration of Christmas. And I do not mean only the piles of candy we plan on devouring today. There is a long history of Easter-centric foods beyond the typical sugar high we get from the chocolate bunny and jelly beans.

Particularly prominent are Easter sweet breads. Babka is a classic Easter European bread for Easter. Pane di pasqua is common in Italy. I hardly need to remind you of the classic hot cross buns found in a variety of cultures. Bread and Easter seem to go hand in hand.

It makes sense because the second reading today from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians has a definite bread-making theme. He reminds them a little yeast leavens the entire dough. What is old should be tossed out so that the new can create a fresh batch of dough. Christ's death and resurrection has made everything new. There is no need for what is old.

What I appreciate is the smallness of the yeast. Such a tiny amount enables the dough to become bread. That tiny, handful of disciples witnessed the presence of the Risen Lord. Their faith is what we share on this Easter Sunday. It may seem insignificant and miniscule. Yet, it has the strength to achieve great things. New life in Jesus Christ enables all things.

**Do you love weddings?** Would you be interested in becoming a part of the College Church Wedding Ministry Team? We are currently looking to expand our Wedding Ministry and need a couple of Sacristans. This is a paid position. This position does require a Friday and Saturday commitment, however, this requirement is not for every weekend.

For more information call Sandy Hauck at 977-7303 or email her at [sandy@sfxstl.org](mailto:sandy@sfxstl.org).

**Reminder:** Don't forget fresh coffee, chocolate, tea, soup, chili, corn bread, brownie mix, and gift boxes from your friendly College Church Fair Trade Committee. All proceeds directly benefit our Jesuit sister parish, St. Peter Claver, in Belize. Order online at <https://sfxstl.org/buy-fair-trade>



**Our Leadership Transition:  
Becoming a more Synodal  
Church**

**Reflections on  
Our Leadership Transition**

On Easter Monday, College Church will officially begin a new model of parish leadership and I will become the Parish Life Coordinator (PLC). A PLC “has the responsibility of administering and overseeing the temporalities of a designated parish, as well as participating in and giving pastoral direction to the parish,” according to the archdiocese’s definition.

Ever since our parish began moving in this direction, I have had these two thoughts almost daily: “This is a big deal!” and “This is no big deal.” And I think both are true. On one hand, the week after Easter will feel about the same as the week before Easter. I will still organize the staff meetings, pay bills and work with parish leadership to become more synodal. Fr. Dan and I will continue to collaborate as we always have. And he will still preside at masses, weddings, funerals, etc.



On the other hand, I’m only the second lay woman in this Archdiocese to be a Parish Life Coordinator. For most of my life I think I had a subconscious assumption that there was a limit or a cap on what God would call me to as a woman and a lay person. And now I find myself asking the question, “What if there’s no cap?” For me, asking this question brings great joy.

I am also excited by the space being opened up by Pope Francis for women and lay people. Here at College Church and in other networks of Catholic women, I see an incredible abundance of talented, creative, wise, faith-filled lay people who feel called to ministry. As the Church becomes better able to listen and recognize the gifts and calls of lay people, I wonder if we might stop lamenting the decline of the Catholic Church. I think we might realize we were just looking in the wrong places. Our God is a God of abundance. This is no less true today than it was when the loaves and fish were multiplied.

What if there is no cap on what God is calling you to? What if there is no cap on what God is calling us to? What if there is no cap on God’s abundance? That’s a big deal.



**Katie Jansen**  
Parish Life Coordinator

**Now Hiring! 2022 Summer  
Associate VISTA Volunteers**

May 31st to July 22th

The two Summer Associate VISTA volunteers will work with both the weekly ID and birth certificate program at College Church and Saint Louis University’s Campus Kitchen. The VISTAs will, directly and indirectly, impact approximately 1,450 individuals through their work this summer.

Scan or click the link below to apply!  
<https://tinyurl.com/yc5rvbnw>



Questions?  
Please contact Christine Dragonette at  
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## Antiracism at College Church

At College Church, antiracism is an expression of our recognition that all are created in the image of God. As such, we respond—personally and collectively—to the call to identify, and to actively challenge, structures and systems that devalue people on the basis of race, and to practice restoration in the pursuit of justice.

### Alleluia! He is Risen!

We celebrate this feast of the Resurrection by sharing some reflections of hope, joy, and love.

#### The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

*Excerpt from a sermon delivered at the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, April 21, 1957*

People are always asking, “What is the most durable power in the universe? And the fact is that Easter answers that question....[that] the most durable, lasting power in this world is the power to love. And my friends, it seems to me that history tells us that. History’s a running commentary of it. We have seen the forces of military power hold the throne for a while, haven’t we? And it looked like this was the most durable power in the world. It seemed that might made right. It seemed that somehow the more guns and the more ammunition you could get, the greater the power was, the greater the durability of it. Then at every point in history, we have been able to see that this kind of power passes away.

This is the Easter message.... It says to us that love is a more durable power than all of the military giants, all of the nations that base their way on military power. I wish this morning that you would go tell Russia, go tell America, go tell the nations of the world that atomic bombs cannot solve the problems of the universe. Go back and tell them that hydrogen bombs cannot solve the problems of the world, but it is only through love and devotion to the justice of the universe that we can solve these problems. And then we can go away saying in terms that cry out across the generations that “God reigns, he reigns supreme, the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.”<sup>31</sup> He reigns because he established his universe on moral principles. And through the love that he revealed through Jesus Christ, things move on. God grant that you will catch the spirit of Jesus in Easter and live life with an exuberant joy.

#### Sister Thea Bowman, SFPA

*From: We Are Beloved-30 Days with Thea Bowman*

We become the miracle when we love one another. Jesus says, “As the Father loves me, I love you.” And “As I have loved you, love one another.” He doesn’t say love anyone that looks like you, thinks like you, prays like you, dresses like you, talks like you.

“Love one another as I have loved you. Greater love than this nobody has than to lay down life.”

Jesus said, “They will know you are mine, because you love one another.” When we love one another, we become the miracle. We witness to the miracle. We are transformed by his love, and the world beholds his glory in our transformation.

It has to be love, love that overcomes fear, that shares and makes sure that nobody is hungry, that unites us when we learn about each other, when we share our gifts, when we believe in each other, when we take time to listen to each other, and to share our stories, our arts, our customs, our traditions, when we break bread together.

#### Sister Anita Baird, DHM

*Excerpt from a sermon preached on April 21, 2021*

Jesus is raised from the dead and now sits at the right hand of God. He has gone to prepare a place for you and me that we, too, might be with him in glory.

#### That is why this is the day that the Lord has made and we rejoice in it!

That is way the Easter story is our story! It is a story of light overcoming darkness. It is a story of truth overcoming lies. It is story of love overcoming hate. It is a story of hope overcoming despair. It is a story of victory!

#### Happy Easter, church! Happy Resurrection Day!

Go forth and tell somebody, tell everybody, that Jesus Christ is raised from the dead. He has conquered death and the victory is ours in Jesus’ name. That’s good news, church! That is the heart of our faith! Death, o death, where is your sting? Death, o death, where is your victory?

**On this Easter day let us sing with the angels our song of praise...Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, to the Risen King!**

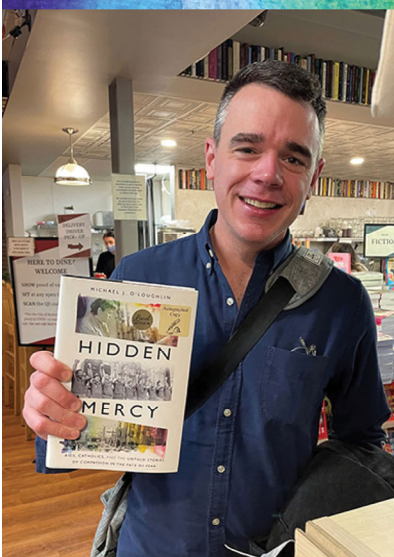
### All Things New Education Survey

The Archdiocese has posted a comprehensive education survey as part of its All Things New initiative. As with the Disciple Maker Index published earlier this year, information from this survey will be critical in advising Archdiocesan officials of what Catholic education should look like in the Archdiocese for the future. We encourage everyone to participate in the survey Here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/2p897b24>.



#### About the Survey:

- The survey is intended to get a snapshot of attitudes, beliefs, and decision-making criteria from various stakeholders about Catholic Education in the Archdiocese. This critical baseline information will be used in considering the future of Catholic education.
- Survey respondents will have the opportunity to share their input about Catholic Schools and Parish-Based Religious Education programs (e.g. PSR).
- The Catholic Education Advisory Task Force (comprised of Catholic School administrators, faculty, staff, parents, and pastors) developed the survey.
- The survey is designed to be taken by anyone regardless of parish affiliation, including those individuals who are not Catholic.
- It is not required that survey respondents currently send children to a Catholic School.
- The survey is designed to be anonymous and therefore does not ask for any identifying information, including name or school that an individual may be associated with.
- Survey responses will not be specific to an individual school or parish; therefore, results will not be connected to a particular school or parish.
- There are no survey questions geared toward current students. Other opportunities for current student feedback will be explored for the future.



## A Discussion and Book Signing with author Michael O'Loughlin

Thursday, April 21 | 7 PM

St. Francis Xavier College Church | Xavier Grand Ballroom, Lower Level  
Corner of Grand and Lindell Boulevards

Michael O'Loughlin, award-winning journalist and national correspondent for America magazine, will discuss his book *Hidden Mercy: AIDS, Catholics and the Untold Stories of Compassion in the Face of Fear*. He will speak about the way the Catholic Church compassionately ministered to the LGBTQ Community most impacted by the AIDS pandemic.

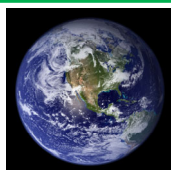
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**Eating Less Meat**

Abstaining from eating meat on Fridays has been our practice during Lent. Eating less meat can be a moderate sacrifice that significantly benefits our Earth and all her children. Our home planet is a life-sustaining gift from our gracious God. After Easter we can choose to continue abstaining from meat once a week or maybe a second day each week, or even more. For information on how eating less meat has an important environmental impact, please see The Diet that Helps Fight Climate Change here: <https://tinyurl.com/bddw223f>.

**St. Louis Earth Day Festival, April 23-24, 2022**

<https://earthday-365.org/festival/>

Volunteers are needed to cover 2-hour shifts at the MCU (Metropolitan Congregations United) at the St. Louis Earth Day Festival 4/23 or 4/24 on the Muny Grounds. Please go to this website for more information or to volunteer: <https://tinyurl.com/3nrdzffw>.

**Environmental Justice Day of Action**

Saturday, May 14th, 9:00 AM - Noon: Earthday 365 is partnering again with [North Newstead Association](#) and the [Young Friends of earthday365](#) to return to O’Fallon Park for another litter cleanup. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/yck69es9>. You may indicate College Church Circle of Creation as your group name, if you like.

**Visit the College Church Circle of Creation Committee’s Green Page** [sfxstl.org/circleofcreation](https://sfxstl.org/circleofcreation) to keep up to date on all of our resources related to caring for creation.

**Silent Prayer for Peace in Ukraine on Wednesdays at Sisters of St. Joseph**

A silent prayer for peace in Ukraine will be offered on Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m. in Holy Family Chapel at the Sisters of St. Joseph motherhouse 6400 Minnesota Ave, St. Louis, MO 63111. COVID vaccination required for entry. For more information, contact [mflick@csjls.org](mailto:mflick@csjls.org) or [legettsm@yahoo.com](mailto:legettsm@yahoo.com).

**College Church Youths Work Clean Up the Community**

Students from the College Church Youth Group spent a part of Sunday afternoon April 3 cleaning up the grounds of the Ackert Park Skilled Care Community in University City. The students raked leaves and spread mulch as the first step of the Spring Planting Season. The group attended the 10:30 Mass at the College Church and enjoyed pizza and a discussion session prior to arriving at the site in University City. For more information about Youth Group contact Julie Kilian at [julie.kilian4@gmail.com](mailto:julie.kilian4@gmail.com).



**April 17, 2022 (Easter)**

Saturday (Easter Vigil)

8:00 pm Fr. White, S.J.

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. Page, S.J.

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

**April 23-24, 2022 (2nd Sunday of Easter)**

Saturday

5:15 pm Fr. White, S.J.

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. Page, S.J.

10:30 am Fr. Page, S.J.

**This Sunday’s Scripture Readings:**

**First Reading:**

Acts 10:34, 37-43

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

**Second Reading:**

Colossians 3:1-4

**Gospel:**

John 20:1-9

**Bulletin Articles**

Email bulletin articles to Lexi Mentzel at [bulletin@sfxstl.org](mailto:bulletin@sfxstl.org) before Thursday at noon 10 days before the bulletin date.

**Online Giving Reminder**

Many of our parishioners have begun to contribute to College Church through our online link, which can be found at the top of our website, [sfxstl.org](https://sfxstl.org). You can also reach this link through the QR code here.



Thank you for your support!

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