



*First Communion 2023*

## **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**

**April 30, 2023**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

### **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/collegechurchlivestream](https://tinyurl.com/collegechurchlivestream)

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, 10:30 am through 11:45 am.

### **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 frtim@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 Fr. Tim McMahon at frtim@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 or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions email 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 Jennifer Quick at jennifer@sfxstl.org or Julie Kilian at julie@sfxstl.org for more information.

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To reach the Pastoral Council, email sfxpc@sfxstl.org.

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**Prayer requests to:**

[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.

**Reflection from Our Parish Life Coordinator**

By Katie Jansen

**Invitation: a crowd-sourced reflection for Pentecost**

I invite you to please join me in an experiment. I was listening to NPR (National Public Radio) and heard a crowdsourced poem put together by Kwame Alexander about sleep that was just beautiful: <https://bit.ly/nprpoem>. And it gave me an idea. What if we as a faith-community were to crowd-source a reflection for Pentecost? I'll offer a few questions for your reflection. From those who'd like to share their reflections with me, I hope to use portions to create one collective reflection for the parish.

**Our premise in faith:**

The Holy Spirit works within and among all of us. And we are a beautiful and vibrant community to the extent that we recognize the Holy Spirit among us. As we will hear on Pentecost, "they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim."

**To stimulate reflection:**

Here is an excerpt from a reflection by Ronald Rolheiser in *Give Us This Day*:

*The Christian paschal cycle has five distinct moments: Good Friday, Easter Sunday, the Forty Days, the Ascension, and Pentecost... Taken together, they constitute a paradigm for how we are invited to handle the many deaths, disappointments, and broken dreams in our own lives.*

*Scripture tells us that, in his death, Jesus left us an example we should follow. How do we do that? In non-religious language, we might put it this way. The five interpenetrating moments in Jesus' life that stretch from Good Friday to Pentecost invite us to always do this: Name your deaths. Claim your births. Mourn what you lost. Don't cling to what you had, but let it ascend. Receive a new spirit for the life you are already living.*

*Sound abstract? It's not. We are always dying in some ways, though we are never dead. We are always alive with new life. But we need to grieve what's died, adjust to the new, and let the old ascend. If we do this, Pentecost will happen in our lives. We will receive a new spirit for the life that we are, in fact, living.*

*And this Holy Spirit will exorcise the dissatisfaction and restlessness that perennially gnaw at our souls by bringing our lives - and the spirit by which we are living them - in sync.*

**How to participate:**

For our crowdsourced reflection, please consider the following questions. You may answer just one or two -- however you feel moved.

**What are you grieving? What are you giving birth to? What do you need to allow to ascend? What new spirit might you receive?**

Feel free to be creative in how you answer the questions: write a poem, craft a prayer, or describe an image or a memory or a longing or a hope.

Please email your piece to me at [katie@sfxstl.org](mailto:katie@sfxstl.org) by Sunday, May 21. If emailing is not workable for you, feel free to drop off your piece at the office.

As we embark on this experiment, I wonder what will come of our many voices and perspectives and experiences and encounters -- gathered into one piece in the spirit of Pentecost?

### **Creative Summer Art Camp—Punta Gorda, Belize**

**Do I believe in the benefits of the creative arts?**

**Am I open to working with diverse cultures?**

**Do I want to make a global difference by working with others?**

Consider volunteering in Punta Gorda, Belize!

Camp Creative was founded by St. Louisan, Julie Kuhnert, while she and her family were missionaries at St. Peter Claver parish in Belize. Now, in its 11th year, the summer camp serves 200+ children, and has expanded to include a 2nd camp in the Mayan village of Big Falls. Camp Creative is looking for volunteers to spend time in Punta Gorda, Belize, working with the local community, to assist at a week-long summer day camp.

#### **What if I don't really work with children?**

That's ok too! With a teamlike approach, volunteers work directly with Belizean teachers OR children. Camp Creative has a local coordinator & Belizean teachers that return year after year to volunteer. The community sees this camp as a local effort and American volunteers are able to work up front, or behind the scenes, as they'd like. This culturally sustainable approach also helps to create a more immersive experience for all of our volunteers. We become one awesome team - not two teams coming together.

A willingness to be flexible is a must! Camp is a half day and there are many opportunities for small town, jungle, archeological, cultural, and ocean exploring. We come prepared with all art supplies for the children attending camp, as well as backpacks, school supplies, and classroom items for the teachers. Camp Creative provides a unique opportunity for school age children to experience hands-on art projects, while also supplying classrooms with future resources.

There are two date options, with flexibility in the travel dates. Camp 1 (in Punta Gorda): the week of 7/3-7/7 **OR** Camp 2 (Mayan village 30 min. outside town): the week of 7/10-7/14.

For any additional questions, contact Julie Kuhnert, 314-614-3354 or [kuhnertj@hotmail.com](mailto:kuhnertj@hotmail.com). Kuhnert Family Belize Mission Facebook page has some great posts and pictures from past camps and activities—to paint a better picture of what to expect while volunteering.







## Annual Catholic Appeal

When we act alone, we are limited in what we can do. It is only when we all respond to God’s call and act with Christ’s love in our hearts that we can make an impact on the lives of those who seek it.

In this week’s Gospel from **John 10:1-10**, Jesus said, “I am the gate for the sheep...I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.” Jesus is our shepherd who calls out to us and leads us to verdant pastures. As Catholics, it must be our joyful duty to respond to this call and bring our brothers and sisters in need into His flock so that they, too, can receive this abundant life. Through acts of charity and love towards others, we share God’s many blessings and demonstrate our devotion to the Lord.

*Beloved:*


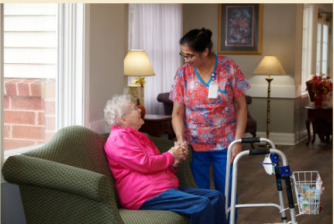
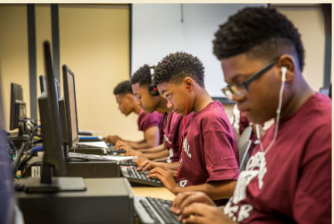
*If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good,  
this is a grace before God.  
For to this you have been called,  
because Christ also suffered for you,  
leaving you an example that you should follow in his footsteps.*

**1 Peter 2:20b-21**

We are called to follow in Christ’s footsteps and seek out those who need His love. And we can do this through our *Annual Catholic Appeal*. When we come together to support the *Appeal*, we can truly fill every heart with hope and serve the Lord with gladness. As one Church, let us *Reach out in Love*.

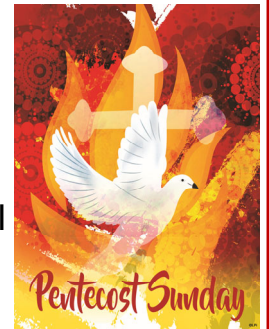
Please give to the *Appeal* by picking up a pledge card in the back of church or visit [aca.archstl.org](http://aca.archstl.org) to learn more about how the *Appeal* helps our brothers and sisters in need to overcome the obstacles they face. You can also Text-to-Give by texting “ACA” to **243725**.

Some of what your gift supports:

		
Elementary School Assistance <b>\$2,000,000</b>	Catholic Charities <b>\$1,650,000</b>	Archdiocesan and Parochial High Schools <b>\$1,416,000</b>

## The Pentecost Potluck Returns: Signups are Open!

On **Sunday, May 28th** after the 10:30am Mass, we will once again come together for a Pentecost Potluck. As Pentecost celebrates the birthday of the Church, when people of many different languages all heard the Good News, we will celebrate the many cultures present in our community with all different varieties of food!



Sign up to bring a dish and/or to volunteer here: [tinyurl.com/sfxpentecost](https://tinyurl.com/sfxpentecost)

## Middle School Social Justice Camp

Parents of rising 6th, 7th, & 8th graders: Please register at this link for middle school social justice camp: <https://sfxstl.org/youth-group-registration>. *We anticipate spots will fill up fast, so please register soon.*

This year, Camp is based on the Beatitudes, specifically focusing on "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness..." leading us to experiential learning at food service agencies and food insecurity change-makers in STL. We are grateful for our coordinating team, College Church staff, along with college and high school students who will help us facilitate small groups of middle school campers and accompany us to our local sites.

Please contact [Jennifer@sfxstl.org](mailto:Jennifer@sfxstl.org) with questions.

## 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 Joe Milner, 977-7305 or [joe@sfxstl.org](mailto:joe@sfxstl.org)

## The Next Chapter

The Next Chapter is a program grounded in Ignatian Spirituality that has been offered in the St. Louis community for the past six years. It is a six-month guided journey in a group setting for people who are approaching retirement or who are recently retired. The ultimate goal of the program is to assist one to discern how he or she wants to live the next chapter of life. For more information, go to [www.nextchapterprogram.org](http://www.nextchapterprogram.org).

The next session of the program begins in October of 2023. The first step for participating in the program is to attend an information session. There session will be held on May 25 and June 5 at the Mercy Conference and Retreat Center, 2039 Geyer Road. The sessions start at 6:30 p.m. To RSVP please email Tom at [thomas.auffenberg@slu.edu](mailto:thomas.auffenberg@slu.edu) and indicate which session you will attend.



## 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.

## April is Arab-American Heritage Month



We seldom reflect upon the fact that Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, and all twelve Apostles were olive-skinned Middle Eastern Jews. Our Christian faith began in the Middle East. It has its deepest roots in cities like Jerusalem, Galilee, Nazareth, and Bethlehem. The Gospel spread throughout the world from those places. This month we will explore the impact world events and individuals of Arab descent have had on our American society and our church.

## Arab Americans Who Are Making History

Philanthropist Dina Habib Powell immigrated from Egypt to the U.S. as a child. She worked in the Bush and the Trump administrations in several senior advisory roles. She is president of the Goldman Sachs Foundation where she formed a program called “10,000 Women,” to provide women entrepreneurs around the world with financial and management education as well as loans to begin their own businesses.

Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib is a lawyer and the daughter of Palestinian immigrants. Her name means “righteous.” Elected to the U.S. Congress in 2018, she represents western Detroit, Michigan, and surrounding suburbs. She is the first Palestinian-American woman to serve in the U.S. Congress. Previously she served as the first female Muslim in the Michigan state legislature.

Attorney Nauman Wadalawala was born in St. Louis to parents who immigrated from Pakistan. He is a graduate of St. Louis University (undergrad), and St. Louis University Law School. Wadalawala previously served as Assistant Counselor for the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office in Clayton, MO. Currently he is an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri.

## My Journey with Lamar Johnson

By Ginny Schrappen

It all began many years ago when our deacon asked me if someone from our Pax Christi group would write a young man who had been recently sentenced to life without parole. The deacon was involved in prison ministry and had met Lamar and knew that he would appreciate someone from the outside writing to him. I was the head

of our Pax Christi group at the time and said I would get someone for the task. After thinking about it briefly, I decided I could be that person and thus began a correspondence and relationship that has lasted 25 years.

Lamar was in the Potosi Prison at the time and once I sent my first letter to him, basically introducing myself, he responded. I was amazed at his beautiful penmanship and then as I read the letter, I could tell that this young man was intelligent. He shared a bit about himself and our letters continued at regular intervals. Often it would be six months between letters, but neither of us ended it prematurely.

Lamar was transferred to Charleston, farther away and a larger prison. While he was there we would occasionally talk on the phone, very briefly. He had to make the calls, the public does not call in. I began to think about visiting him but had some reservations. I knew I did not want to go alone and asked a friend to accompany me. In order to visit a prison or jail, one must fill out a form issued by the state to get approved. My friend did not want to list her social security number, a requirement, so I needed to find another soul to journey with me and I was successful.

We visited Lamar about ten years ago. I was nervous with anticipation. The prison is a safely guarded and secure establishment. Going through the metal detectors and being searched was similar to the TSA at the airport or entering one of our schools. The visiting area reminded me of a school lunchroom. The visitor is directed to a particular table and then waits for the prisoner to enter the room. I was very excited. We were able to hug each other and sit across a small table and talk. It was a very comfortable and rewarding experience and I knew we would come again. After a few visits I felt I could do this alone and I did. A few years later Lamar was transferred to the Jefferson City Correctional Center which is where he was released.

Lamar shared parts of his life story with us and we learned that the Midwest Innocence Project was handling his case as it more than met their criteria: a young man of color who happened to be a friend of the deceased, and was accused of murder. A lot of what happened at his trial and subsequent hearings has been

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viewed or read about by many people. In his life he has had a full range of emotions, disappointments, and lengthy years in prison for a crime he did not commit. We all felt that justice would eventually be served and it was on Valentine's Day, 2023, when Judge David Mason exonerated Lamar.

My journey with Lamar has changed a lot since his release. I am learning that his world has expanded very much and is taking him to all parts of the country to speak about himself. Lamar is reconnecting with his children and grandchildren and other family members and enjoying life as he never imagined. We will always be fond of each other, but it is time now for me to step back. I was there in some of the dark times and have great memories of our visits, phone conversations, and letters.

## **OPENINGS ON THE SFX PASTORAL COUNCIL**

The St. Francis Xavier (College) Church Pastoral Council is a group composed of the parish life coordinator and twelve active 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 two openings on the Pastoral Council starting in August 2023. 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?

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

### **CURRENT LEADERSHIP**

#### **Co-Chairs**

Jen Hahn-Petruso &  
Aimee Wittman

#### **Secretary**

Amy Sanders

#### **Members**

Martha Daly  
Dick Fleming  
Mary Lenihan  
Maurice Muia  
Sara Price  
Deepan Rajaratnam  
Winnie Sullivan  
Grace Teofilo

#### **Commission Chairs**

#### **Adult Faith Formation Commission:**

Laura Greiner

#### **Development Commission:** Dick Fleming

**Finance Committee:** Chris Tkach

**Pastoral Care Commission:** Bridget Brennan

**Social Connections Commission:** Maureen Hook

**Youth Faith Commission:** Jenny Crowe



**If you are interested in serving, would like to nominate another parishioner, or would just like more information, please contact Council Co-Chairs Jen Hahn-Petruso [jenpetruso7@gmail.com](mailto:jenpetruso7@gmail.com), Aimee Wittman [aimeewittman@gmail.com](mailto:aimeewittman@gmail.com) or Katie Jansen 314-977-1954, [katie@sfxstl.org](mailto:katie@sfxstl.org).**





Come learn about the Ignatian Spirituality Project!

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> after 8:00 and 10:30 masses**

with ISP Regional Director Claire DesHotels in the vestibule of the church. Ignatian Spirituality Project offers experiences of hope, healing, and belonging to men and women recovering from homelessness and addiction. Our spiritual programs provide participants with the encouragement and empowerment necessary to make real, transformative life changes.

**About Us**

We believe spirituality has an important role to play in breaking the cycle of homelessness and substance use addiction. The opportunity to nurture an authentic, lived spirituality within a supportive community can be critical for those trying to rebuild their lives, secure stable housing and maintain long term sobriety.

**Our Program**

ISP St. Louis provides overnight retreat and spiritual reflection programs facilitated by local volunteers. We partner with local transitional housing agencies and shelters who refer candidates for our retreat programs. We also cultivate relationships with ISP program alumni who continue to stay connected with our community and grow in leadership roles.

For more information, contact Claire DesHotels [cdeshotels@ispretreats.org](mailto:cdeshotels@ispretreats.org) Or visit [ispretreats.org](http://ispretreats.org)

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**RE and CGS 23-24 Class Registration**

It's time to sign up for the RE & CGS programs for the 23-24 school year. Our registration deadline is May 15, 2023. Cost increases \$25/student for late registrations in August.

Please visit <https://sfxstl.org/yf-registration-confirmation> for more information and to register. Interested in being a Catechist or classroom assistant? Please contact Julie at [julie@sfxstl.org](mailto:julie@sfxstl.org) or Jennifer at [jennifer@sfxstl.org](mailto:jennifer@sfxstl.org).

**Sunday Scripture Discussion**

Next week after the 8:00 Mass, please join Sisters Sally and Donna for a shared discussion on the Sunday Scriptures. We meet in the Adult Faith Room in the Parish Center. Refreshments will be served.

**Please Join Us To Welcome Father Matt Ruhl, SJ, Pastor of our Sister Parish, St. Peter Claver in Punta Gorda, Belize**

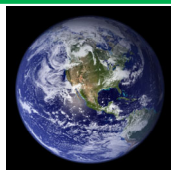
Father Matt will be saying the 5:15 Mass on Saturday, May 6th followed by an appetizer reception in the Ballroom.

Please join us to hear about the works of our St Louis Jesuits in Belize and the support you give through the Sister Parish Commission and Belize 2020.

In order to plan for the reception, please RSVP to Dale Auffman at [daleauf@aol.com](mailto:daleauf@aol.com) if you think you can attend.



## Circle of Creation Green Corner



**Spring Volunteer Opportunities** are sponsored by [Open Space STL \(volunteer.openspacestl.org/](http://Open Space STL (volunteer.openspacestl.org/), formerly the Open Space Council) and [Great Rivers Greenway \(greatriversgreenway.org/stewardship-opportunities/](http://Great Rivers Greenway (greatriversgreenway.org/stewardship-opportunities/)) in collaboration with other groups. Earthday365 cosponsors [Environmental Justice Days of Action \(earthday-365.org/environmental-justice-days-of-action\)](http://Environmental Justice Days of Action (earthday-365.org/environmental-justice-days-of-action)) in cooperation with various organizations.

**O'Fallon Park Clean-up** will be on Saturday, May 6, from 9:00 AM - noon along with a nature-based Family Fun Day from 10:00 AM - noon.

**St. Louis Aquarium Foundation** in collaboration with Great Rivers Greenway sponsors Revamping the Riverfront to prevent plastic pollution from entering the Mighty Mississippi and eventually, our oceans. Events coming up are on June 8, July 1, August 23, and September 25. For more information and to register, visit: <https://www.stlaquariumfoundation.org/events/revamp-the-riverfront/>.

Save the Date: **Operation Clean Stream** is scheduled for August 26, 2023

**Subaru retailers** nationwide are proud to partner with TerraCycle® to help keep hard-to-recycle trash out of local landfills. TerraCycle® converts this trash into useful new goods for the community. Subaru dealers have placed Zero Waste Boxes™ in their showrooms to collect the following specific hard-to-recycle trash, and they invite their customers to bring in their own hard-to-recycle waste to be part of this ongoing effort.

- Candy and snack wrappers
- Disposable cups, lids, and straws
- Coffee, tea, and creamer capsules

**REI Co-op is no longer accepting candy wrappers and snack bags to be recycled.**

**BatteriesPlus** stores accept free for recycling any rechargeable batteries and also any lead batteries (e.g., car batteries). For the recycling of alkaline batteries, they charge \$4 per pound. They also recycle fluorescent light bulbs of various sizes for modest charges. A BatteriesPlus store opened in June of 2022, not far from the College Church, at 4493 Forest Park Ave.

**Public Electronics Recycling events** sponsored by Midwest Recycling Center (MRC): <https://mrc-recycling.squarespace.com/electronics-recycling-events>

Visit the College Church Circle of Creation Committee's Green Corner on the Parish website to keep up to date on resources related to caring for creation: <https://sfxstl.org/circleofcreation>

## April 29-30, 2023

Saturday  
5:15 pm Fr. McMahon, SJ

Sunday  
8:00 am Fr. Reale, SJ  
Retreat and spiritual director

10:30 am Fr. Reale, SJ  
Retreat and spiritual director

## May 6-7, 2023

Saturday  
5:15 pm Fr. McMahon, SJ

Sunday  
8:00 am Fr. McMahon, SJ

10:30 am Fr. Stehly, SJ

### This Sunday's Scripture Readings:

**First Reading:**  
Acts 2:14a, 36-41

**Responsorial Psalm:**  
Psalms 22:1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6

**Second Reading:**  
1 Peter 2:20b-25

**Gospel:**  
John 10:1-10

### Bulletin Articles

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

### Online Giving Reminder

Click the blue bar at the top of our website, [sfxstl.org](http://sfxstl.org). Or use this QR code.

