



## St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

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**May 31, 2020**  
**Pentecost Sunday**

### **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

Saturday, 5:30 pm; Sunday, 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 4:30 pm. Please RSVP at [sfxstl.org](http://sfxstl.org).

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### **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.

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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 Fr. Matthew Baugh, SJ [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 Sister Carolyn McWatters at 314-977-1797 or [carolyn.mcwatters@slu.edu](mailto:carolyn.mcwatters@slu.edu) or Fr. Dan White.

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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: 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](mailto:terry@sfxstl.org) or Julie Kilian at [julie@sfxstl.org](mailto: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](mailto:terry@sfxstl.org).

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Or visit our website, [sfxstl.org](http://sfxstl.org),  
 and find the form under "Parish  
 Life."

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

I have a favorite Pentecost devotion. I bring to prayer all the various faith communities that have shaped and formed me over the course of my life. I start with my home parish back in Wisconsin and go from there. It is remarkable how every single year this spiritual exercise always provides a deep sense of gratitude.

What I find especially fruitful is how this act of remembering makes clear both the universal and local nature of the Church. The fundamental desire to love God and our neighbor, the need to pray together as a community, and the call to proclaim the Gospel is present in each. Each community is also unique and adds its own flavor to how we live out our discipleship. There is a rich diversity in our unity as Catholics. Our communion is not uniformity. That wonderful balance is what makes us who we are.

The coronavirus pandemic has shrunk our contacts with the wider world. That is the whole point of "sheltering at home." Our lives have become quite localized. This Pentecost it seems important to remind ourselves of our connections even in the midst of physical distance. Take some time this weekend to reflect on our being members of the Body of Christ throughout the earth. The gifts are varied but the source is the same. Many though we are, "We were all given to drink of one Spirit."

**Our lectors music ministers will be announced at the beginning of Mass.**

**No song sheets are included in this bulletin; we will be using instrumental music for the liturgy as a health precaution.**



## THANK YOU YOUTH FAITH FORMATION VOLUNTEERS

Even though our Youth Faith Formation program ended abruptly in March, that doesn't mean we didn't have a year of wonderful events. We had Eighth Grade and Youth Group retreats, First Reconciliation, The Christmas Tableau, Service Days, Sandwich Sundays and hours of valuable class time in between.

As is always the case, the only way we serve our 204 students is with an army of volunteers. Thank you to our **Catechists:**

Lisa Dickmann, Mona Vespa, Tessa DelRosario, Therese Beabout, Sam Agra, Julia Kreiser, Tracie Simpson, Lara Marietta, Genevieve DelRosario, Frank Delrosario, Colleen Wheadon, Tricia Grebel, Samantha Suchaczewski, Grace McDonald.

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### **Education Support Volunteers:**

Steve Gilbert, Carol Berger, John Stith, Bill Romer, Lisa D'Sousa, Emily Jorgensen, Christin Roskos

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word Volunteers and Babysitters:**

Clare McNamara, Bridget Curren, Grace Snider, Alyssa Buena, Clare I'shullebhain, Emaline Edson, Grace Ebenhoh, Catherine Gale, Henry Hummert, Linda Paradis  
Megan Davis

**Youth Faith Formation Commission Members:** Aimee Wittman, Chair, Steve Konradi, Jennifer Crowe, Melissa Eggleston, Genevieve DelRosario, Janet Mees Reinert and Mary Nagel.

**And most of all we owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to our Priests.** Father Dan, Father Matthew and Father Glenn enhance and bless our programs in ways too numerous to mention. Thank you so very much. What a blessing you are to all of us.

Please have a safe spring and summer. We can't wait to welcome you back in the fall.

Blessings to all,

Terry Edelman, Julie Kilian, Joanna Boyd-Wilhite

PS Registration is now open for the 2020-2021 College Church Youth Faith Formation Year.

The registration form is on the Youth Faith Formation webpage, <https://sfxstl.org/youth-family-faith-formation>.

## Catholic Social Teaching in the Time of Coronavirus

The following is part of a series of reflections that will touch on the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching. Please contact Christine with your own reflections on “Catholic Social Teaching in the Time of Coronavirus” at [christine@sfxstl.org](mailto:christine@sfxstl.org).

Week Eight: Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers



Rocco Gonzalez

Throughout the Bible, you see references to the essential act of treating workers with compassion and justice: from Isiah saying “To observe religious practices but oppress your works is to false worship” to James writing “Those who become rich by abusing their workers have sinned against God”. During these tumultuous times, we have seen various organizations keep to the Catholic Social Teaching of dignity of work and rights of workers. Unfortunately, there have also been just as many groups going against this important guideline.

The global economies have been severely damaged throughout the pandemic— stocks falling and businesses being lost. Behind these extremely visible signs from the media are thousands upon thousands of workers and their families who are losing not just their income but also their healthcare coverage. The small businesses within our communities have taken a serious blow with the social distancing and although the measures have been needed for public health it remains difficult to see our local institutions struggling.

While closures and profit margins for various organizations have increased exponentially, we must not forget the upsurge in our essential industries like healthcare and grocery. At a time when we all are told to work from home these neighbors cannot and have to risk exposure to COVID while ensuring our society continues to function in this “new normal”. Even with their essentiality, many of these workers remain among the lowest paid. Catholic Social Teaching emphasizes the right to safe working conditions and just wage which is founded in the contribution to the common good. The current public health highlights both the economic and health disparities of our communities. We must remind ourselves that these people, who Pope Francis calls “the saints next door”, should receive our gratitude as well as recognition from our nation. Restoring work, rescuing livelihoods and recognizing the needs and rights of workers should also be at the center of any economic recovery plan.

Working for Mercy Health here in St. Louis, it has been devastating seeing the impact COVID has had upon our communities as well as my coworkers. Given the new challenges within the industry, I have seen various departments get “rightsized” and other coworkers get furloughed. Even with all of these very difficult decisions, everyone still holds strong to the mission of this Healing Ministry. The people have taken such life-changing news in stride and continue to show grace in order to sustain Mercy through these economic struggles. Ensuring that the dignity of these coworkers remains intact, Mercy has given different benefits extended after their employment and guidance to find their next role.

Remember, the Lord has given us all strengths and gifts to bring to life the kingdom of heaven. The dignity of that work that we do through these talents must be held even during challenging times we find ourselves in today.

Deuteronomy 14:28-29

*The Lord blesses our work so that we may share its fruits with others.*



### Volunteers Needed!

College Church's Outreach Program provides assistance with Missouri State IDs and birth certificates for people with limited resources in St. Louis. Having closed our walk-in hours since mid-March to protect the health and safety of program guests and volunteers, we are now preparing to reopen June 2nd in a way that adheres to CDC best practices. We are seeking volunteers to help with on-site (at St. Francis Xavier College Church) ID and birth certificate assistance on Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays. Volunteers will receive in-depth training and ample on-site support.

#### Ideal volunteers:

- Feel comfortable working—as close as physical distancing allows—with guests who belong to at-risk groups; and do not themselves belong to at-risk groups
- Can commit to two hours a week of onsite service
- Will navigate, with ease, iPads and standard copy machine
- Approach individuals whose life experiences may not mirror their own with respect, patience, and compassion
- Are teachable! Willing and able to work with good humor, humility, and poise
- Communicate with care; able to create and maintain boundaries and stay calm under pressure

#### Volunteer Roles:

ID and Birth Certificate Volunteer: Works one-on-one with program guests to review Missouri State IDs and birth certificates requirements, managing paperwork needed for applications. New volunteers can be matched with a remote, at-home volunteer for real time guidance.

Set-up, Breakdown and Sanitation Ministry: Helps to set-up tables in the ballroom; serves as keeper of disinfectant spray, potential-maker of DIY masks; bathroom checker; greeter; CDC best practice facilitator and enforcer; breaker down of tables...

To find out next steps to volunteer or learn more, contact Tess Sanders at [outreach@sfxstl.org](mailto:outreach@sfxstl.org) or (573) 833-4817.

# Glennon Sunday

Where faith and healing unite

June 7



When SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital opened its doors as the nation's first free-standing Catholic pediatric hospital, a promise was made to the community that any child in need of care would be welcomed, whether their parents could afford to pay for care or not. That promise still holds true today.

St. Louis has a long tradition of responding generously in times of crisis, coming together in solidarity to give hope to those in need. SSM Health Cardinal Glennon is a proud part of that tradition, and we need you now more than ever.

In this extraordinary time of crisis, our costs to deliver care are extraordinary as well. Now is the time for our dear friends in the faith community to come together and partner with us as we uphold a commitment to our mission of faith-filled health care services, delivered by some of the region's best caregivers: *Through our exceptional health care services, we reveal the healing presence of God.*

Please join us by making a gift during Glennon Sunday weekend, June 6-7, online at [glennon.org](http://glennon.org). Together we will continue to make miracles possible bringing God's love and joy into the lives of our young patients. On behalf of our patients and families, may God bless you for providing hope, healing, faith and compassion to every child who walks through the doors at SSM Health Cardinal Glennon.

## **Concert: Hope Thru Connection:**

**Meaning in a Time of Pandemic with Carrie Newcomer.** Saturday, June 6, 2020 7 pm

Carrie Newcomer is a performer, recording artist, and educator, described as a "prairie mystic" by the Boston Globe and one who "asks all the right questions" by Rolling Stone. As one of the definitive voices of the heartland and progressive spirituality, Carrie has the ability for sharp observation of the world. She has attracted a devoted following with her warm voice, exquisite melodies, and an irreverent yet spiritual view of the world.

During this time of COVID-19, Carrie Newcomer and Mercy Conference and Retreat Center have agreed to move the benefit concert online. We have partnered to create an experience that will have professional audio & visuals, as well as an easy way for anyone to stream this experience from Carrie's home to yours.

For more information and to register: [www.mercycenterstl.org](http://www.mercycenterstl.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:

May 31st to June 6th: Do a cleanup of places you like to walk.

**May 30th and 31st, 2020**

Saturday  
5:30 pm Fr. White, S.J.

Sunday  
8:00 am Fr. White, S.J.  
10:30 am Fr. White, S.J.  
4:30 pm Fr. Baugh, S.J.

**June 6th and 7th, 2020**

Saturday  
5:30 pm Fr. Baugh, S.J.

Sunday  
8:00 am Fr. White, S.J.  
10:30 am Fr. Baugh, S.J.  
4:30 pm Fr. White, S.J.

**Bulletin Articles**

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



**Parish Immersion Trip to El Paso, TX:  
Thursday 10/22/20-Tuesday 10/27/20**

College Church still has plans for a border immersion trip to El Paso, Texas and Juarez, Mexico with the Jesuit ministry ‘Encuentro Project’ in October 2020. The purpose will be to facilitate learning and awareness about immigration through direct experience, with a goal of then taking action for immigration justice. The trip has a capacity of 14 people (adults only). All trip participants MUST have a valid passport. The total cost of the trip is expected to be approximately \$850 per individual.

Examples of Potential Activities:

- Meeting parishioners and staff of *El Sagrado Corazon* (Sacred Heart), a Jesuit parish founded in 1893, located 3 blocks from the Texas/Mexico border. Visit participants and instructors in Social Ministries adult education program. Participate in Sunday liturgy.
- Border Patrol’s information tour.
- Diocese’s office for immigration legal assistance (DMRS) overview presentation of immigration law.
- Mass with detainees at ICE Detention Center in El Paso. Meet detainees.
- Visiting Annunciation House, a hospitality house for migrants and refugees.
- Presentation on border environmental concerns, given by university professor from Cd. Juarez.
- Programs for the impoverished in Cd. Juarez, Mexico. Meet the people and the leaders (a passport is required); or other U.S. option.
- Eucharists and end-of-day reflections. Common meals in the evening.

For more detailed information or to register, contact Dean at mrlama51@gmail.com.



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