

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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August 14, 2022 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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.

<u>Bulletin Notices:</u> must be submitted to <u>church@sfxstl.org</u> by noon on Thursday, ten days before the bulletin date. Holidays require additional time.

<u>Infant Baptisms:</u> 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 frdan@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. Dan White at frdan@sfxstl.org or 314-977-7300.

Disability Access: Our church has an elevator and hearing assistance system. Please see an usher for assistance.

<u>Parish Registration</u>: Available online at sfxstl.org/parishioner-registration or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions email church@sfxstl.org.

<u>Youth Faith Formation:</u> 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 or Julie Kilian at julie@sfxstl.org for more information.

Safe Environment Program Compliance contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org.

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

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Margaret Baughman Bill Bollwerk* Kathy Bookstaver Ann Burk Maureen Carney* Alice Edler Steve Frank* Al Frei Jessi Haselhorst Paul Hanson* Butch Henning* Jeanne Hermann* Laura Kaiser and Family Terry Kippenberger* Julianne Lister Tom McDermott Eddie McDevitt Sr. Mary Kay McKenzie * Karena Menard* Liz Moloney* Suzanne Mondello Mary Nicholson Nancy Partridge* & Glider Joan Rice Mark Roddy* **Jennifer Saunders* Betty Schnorbus** Mark Segovia John Seibel Fr. Gary Seibert, SJ* Jean Steely Greg Stephen Colleen Starkloff Marjorie Woodeye Lisa Zimmerer* * Long-term

Prayer requests to: church@sfxstl.org

Or visit 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 for info.

Reflection from our Parish Life Coordinator

By Katie Jansen

Thank you for filling out the Disciple Maker Index earlier this year. Please go to <u>sfxstl.org/all-things-new</u> to see our report. The results of the survey show us that College Church is in a strong place. In general, parishioners are actively engaged and like the direction the parish is headed. There is an abundance of gifts and engagement among parishioners. We are grateful that Saint Louis University owns and maintains our buildings which reduces our facility expenses.

One challenge and opportunity we have is to increase the diversity of age and ethnicity of parishioner engagement to better reflect our everchanging parish community. This will require us all to be more intentional about building relationships with one another and inviting each other into ministry roles.

As part of All Things New, College Church is being asked to consider how our ministries can serve the wider archdiocese. What are our ministerial strengths that we could share with Catholics throughout the region? We may have some unique partnering opportunities coming out of All Things New. We hope to continue to work closely with parishes in the North City Deanery - possibly in new ways. We also have an opportunity to more proactively engage young adults while they are at SLU. And, we are a part of the central corridor where many young adults are moving and many engaged couples live.

The next step in this process will be to receive draft proposals from the Archdiocese about how parishes and ministries might be reorganized. This will be brought to parishes for feedback in October.

As we anticipate this next phase, it is important that we continue to practice synodality. We accompany one another; we listen to one another, and through that we are able to listen to the Holy Spirit. It is so simple and yet so profound. It is the act of being fully present to one another. It opens us up as individuals and as community to where we are called to go and how we are called to change.

Parish Life Coordinator Installation on Sunday, August 21

Katie Jansen will be formally installed as our Parish Life Coordinator on Sunday, August 21st. Monsignor Dennis Stehly the Archdiocesan Vicar General will preside on behalf of Archbishop Rozanski. Fr. Tom Greene, SJ the provincial of the Central and Southern Province of the Jesuits will also join us. This is a significant milestone in the 182 year history of St. Francis Xavier (College) Church. All are encouraged to participate in the 10:30 liturgy that day. Please come to celebrate with joy this new chapter for our faith community.



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Upcoming Special Celebrations

Today, **Sunday, August 14**, we will bring back Donut Sunday as well as have an informal farewell for Fr. Dan (before our more elaborate celebration/fundraiser on Sunday, November 13). This will also take place after the 8 am and 10:30 am Masses. Donut Sundays will then be ongoing on the second Sunday of the month. Would you like to help volunteer at these gatherings? Reach out to the chair of our Social Connections Commission (formerly known as Parish Life), Maureen Hoock (butmomwhy@gmail.com).

On **Sunday, August 21 at the 10:30 am Mass,** we will celebrate the installation of Katie Jansen as Parish Life Coordinator. The celebrant at the Mass will be Monsignor Dennis Stehly, with Fr. Tim, Fr. Dan and our Provincial, Fr. Tom Greene, as concelebrants. We will have a small reception in the ballroom after Mass.

Do you love God AND love to do laundry?

If so, our altar linen ministry might be the perfect way for you to serve our community and more specifically, our liturgies. We are looking for new volunteers to join our altar linens ministry. How does this work? All the needed information would be provided. Depending on your availability, once every other month or so, you would pick up the linens from the Sacristy after Mass one weekend and bring them back the next weekend. If you have any questions and/or are able to volunteer, please contact Meg Beugg at meg@sfxstl.org. Thank you!

Welcome to all of our new (and returning) graduate students!

We really look forward to getting to know you and want you to be an important part of this community. Please sign up for our email list and/or register with the parish at sfxstl.org/parishioner-registration. If you would like to be involved as a Lector, Greeter/Usher, Eucharistic Minister, or Acolyte, Meg Beugg would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Meg at meg@sfxstl.org. Looking to get involved in any other way, please contact Angela Pancella at angela@sfxstl.org and she would be glad to point you in the right direction.

Young Adult Faith Group Four-Part Series Starts August 16

Are you a young adult looking for community? Are you looking to feed your faith with other young adults? Why don't you consider joining College Church's Young Adult Faith Group?

We are starting a beer and Bible study series on August 16th at 7pm. The title of this series is "Ignite." This is a four-part series. We will meet every 2 weeks in the adult religious faith room. If you can't make the session on August 16th, don't worry! The format of this series is centered around the theme of igniting our faith. You will be able to jump in at any time.

If you are interested in this or in the Young Adult Faith Group in general, please call Sandy Hauck at 314-977-7303 or email her at sandy@sfxstl.org for more information.



College Church is Hiring!

Parish Accountant

The Parish Accountant is a salaried position that is 20-24 hours per week. The Parish Accountant is a member of the parish administrative staff and provides day-to-day fiscal and operational services.

Youth Faith Formation

The Administrative Director of Youth Faith Formation is a salaried position that is 25-30 hours per week. The Administrative Director, in partnership with the Formation Director, oversees the religious formation of children in the parish and supports parish family life informed by our identity and values as a Jesuit parish in the City of St. Louis.

Liturgy Coordinator

The Liturgy Coordinator is a part-time salaried position that is 12-15 hours per week. The role of the Liturgy Coordinator is to ensure that liturgies are well organized and run smoothly.

For more information, scan QR code or go to sfxstl.org/job-postings









Walking Together with Neighbors in Need

The St. Francis Xavier Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is asking for your prayerful consideration to assist our Conference in the following areas:

Conference Member: Become a volunteer with our Conference to assist neighbors within the boundaries of our parish. This includes accompanying another member to

make home visits to neighbors who have requested assistance with any number of basic necessities.

Donating to the Conference: Our parish has a locked box in the back of church (against the north wall as you enter through the main doors) for cash and check donations or through our website at sfxstl.org and clicking on the blue banner at the top of the page. Gift cards for Schnucks are also appreciated.

Drivers: Volunteer to take older neighbors who cannot manage public transportation to a St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store to shop for requested items. Neighbors are given a voucher for the requested items which are paid for by our conference. If you have a truck or van, please consider helping with delivery and set-up of larger furniture items to the neighbor's apartment.

For further information or to volunteer, please contact Chris Deason, Conference President, at 636-236-9122 or mcdeason58@gmail.com



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.

A Tribute to Father Dan White

Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:8



The College Church community is full of gratitude for the countless ways Fr. Dan has served our parish in the last ten years. Members of the Antiracism Team, the Racism and Reconciliation Committee, and others who work for racial justice in our church and in the community would like to recognize some of the special ways God has blessed this work through Fr. Dan's ministry. The following are some of their reflections.

Fr. Dan has provided prophetic leadership through his presence and his preaching. He bears witness to the call of the Gospel to love one another and to seek justice. – Katie Jansen

What strikes me about Fr. Dan's presence in antiracism work at SFX is his consistent showing up and speaking up. By showing up again and again at meetings, conversations, and events, he helped create the space, time, and priority in our parish for this work. By speaking up in homilies and in written reflections again and again, he created a foundation for parish conversations on antiracism. A leader's actions and words can create consistency and invitations for a community and his have done that. – Maureen Ebenhoh

I appreciate Fr. Dan's excellent delivery of some of the most pertinent and meaningful sermons I have ever heard. They challenge us all. He is really an introvert who responds to all in a very sincere, kind, and open manner. He has a great sense of humor. He can deliver a challenge with his thought-provoking sermons that are also encouraging and positive. –Joan McGinnis

Steadfast fidelity to the vision of antiracism. –Mary White

I joined College Church just as it was becoming an Anti-Racist parish, my timing could not have been better. This was one of the reasons I wanted to leave my home parish of 46 years. I fell in love with you the first time I attended mass and listened to your homily. I have never been disappointed, you always have a wonderful delivery, NO NOTES, and leave us with a nugget or more to digest throughout the week and even later. Your sense of humor and timing is on a par with no one else's. You deserve a sabbatical, but you are going to be missed immensely. – Ginny Schrappen

When we talk about becoming an antiracist parish, we usually speak of the desire to ensure that all who come to College Church feel welcomed, feel as if they belong. Many influences guided my own decision to become a College Church parishioner, but three were most significant.

About ten years ago, parishioner Mary McDevitt and I were members of the same board of directors. One afternoon, as we were waiting for a meeting to begin, Mary invited me to come to College Church. As part of that invitation, she mentioned, "we've got a new, young pastor, and he's a great homilist." Mary's invitation meant something special to me, though I had visited College Church regularly on and off since graduate school. She had planted a seed.

A few years afterward, that seedling's growth was nurtured. For the meditation after Communion at the 10:30 Mass I attended, the choir sang Bernadette Farrell's Restless is the Heart. It was exquisite, and—as a person for whom music has always been important—I immediately thought, "I want to be part of *that* group."

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Finally, about a year later, on a hot Sunday in August, I was visiting College Church again when Fr. Dan approached the pulpit to preach. The occasion was the anniversary of the death of Michael Brown. Fr. Dan's words were like lightning, striking at the heart of the injustice of Brown's death—unlike anything I'd ever heard in church—and they were met by a congregation that leapt to its feet with rousing applause. That was the tipping point. With that experience, Mary's seed bore fruit, as I knew that my own restless heart had found a faith community to call home. — Winnie Sullivan

When we work on racial justice and in committee, we may not know if we are heard or if the efforts will impact the larger organization. To me, the gift that Father Dan has given to the church community around racial justice is incorporating the message of justice and closeness with God and each other into the mass through his beautifully thoughtful and poignant homilies. It was also a gift to SEE Father Dan at the anti-racism committee meetings. He made time for us and made everyone feel welcomed. Father Dan, we so appreciate all you've done to amplify and elevate the work on racial justice. We will miss you dearly and wish you the best. —Thi Nguyen

At first glance Fr. Dan is a very quiet person and appears to be on the shy side. What you soon find out is that when he does speak it is powerful and life changing. I have had the pleasure of working with him the past seven years on the North City Deanery Interracial Relations Committee. His commitment to that ministry and the insights and leadership he gave spoke volumes to who he is as a person, a friend, and an ordained man of God. I will miss him but will never forget him. God speed Fr. Dan. Peace. – Joyce Jones

I have been thinking how to capture the many, many ways Fr. Dan has been key to our progress with antiracism. I think what I appreciate most is the humility with which he approaches every question. Open to hearing all voices, considering all input, and truly valuing the input from every person. He is the embodiment of servant leadership. – Lisa D'Souza

Fr. Dan, thank you so much for all the ways that you have encouraged us in our journey to become an anti-racist parish. You have been our co-collaborator and partner in this work, and we are so grateful for your commitment, voice, and advocacy. Thank you for all that you have done to support us as we have engaged in this work. We ask for your continued prayers for our efforts and we will miss you so much, Fr. Dan! – Aimee Wittman

Father Dan, you have been the guiding light on our Anti-Racism work. Thank you for always being steadfast. Many of your sermons are etched in my heart and mind. Wishing you all the best in your next chapter. I hope our paths cross again. – Stefani Weeden-Smith

I would say what I appreciate most is Fr. Dan's bold leadership from the pulpit, as he consistently proclaimed the need for us to seek racial justice as a faith institution and I believe has had a huge role in engaging the wider congregation in this journey. – Christine Dragonette

An important contribution Fr. Dan has made to our work of antiracism is his desire and ability to build relationships. Recognizing the gift and the grace within individuals, our parish, and the community, he challenges us to do the same. We have been blessed to have him accompany us for this part of our journey. – Lisa Burks

This quote from the Talmud captures for me Father Dan's ministry at College Church:

"Do not be daunted by the enormity of the world's grief. Do justly, now. Love mercy, now. Walk humbly, now. You are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are you free to abandon it." – Tim Plunkett

Thanks for making us happen. —Larry Morini



Based on the results of the Discipleship Maker Index (DMI) that was offered in the spring of this year, seeing an increase in young adult involvement is the top priority of the archdiocese. In response, the All Things New Team, the Office of Young Adult Ministry and the Young Adult Ministry Subcommittee have created a survey to gather feedback from young adults.

All young adults whether single, discerning, married, priest or religious, with or without children, ages 18-39 are encouraged to fill out the survey. Here they may anonymously share their beliefs and interests, their needs, their experience in parishes, and their hopes for the future of the church in St. Louis. Responses are due by September 12th with a report being published in October.

To learn more visit the All Things New Website: https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/Ways-to-Engage/Young-Adult-Survey

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

EIGHTH GRADE CATECHIST FOR YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

The College Church Youth Faith Formation Program is looking for a lead catechist for its eighth-grade class. Class work includes the all-important preparation for Confirmation. There is a curriculum in place and the individual will receive strong assistance from staff and parent volunteers. There will be presenters from the community throughout the year.

This individual must be a practicing Catholic. Prior teaching experience is preferred but not required.

This is an opportunity to share your faith and provide leadership in a pivotal time for a young person's faith development. For more information contact Terry Edelmann at 314.712.4316 or Julie Kilian at 314.698.9268.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR YOUTH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS



Families with children preschool through eighth grade can register for the 2022-2023 St. Francis Xavier College Church Youth Faith Formation Programs. The College Church offers both a traditional religious education (RE) program and a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) program. The RE program is available for children second through eighth grade. The CGS program is offered for children from preschool through sixth grade. You may be put on a waiting list for the CGS program.

Classes meet at 9:15 on Sunday morning in the College Church and in Davis-Shaughnessy Hall, just west of the Pius XII Library. RE classes conclude at 10:20, GCS classes go until 11:15 with children brought to their parents during the 10:30 Mass.

For more information contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org or Julie Killian at julie.kilian4@gmail.com.





Circle of Creation Green Corner

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A memorial Mass for Richard Joseph Vaughan was celebrated at SFX on June 30. The College Church

Circle of Creation Committee recognizes Carolyn and Joe Vaughan as the founders of our committee since they had requested the initial announcement of a meeting of interested parishioners to form a committee for the Environmental Ministry of SFX and chaired that first meeting on January 18, 2015. We continue our work in light of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' promulgated on June 18, 2015.

Passport to Clean Water: Virtual Challenges for kids aged 5 – 18 and their families is sponsored by The Open Space Council. Information and registration here: <u>http://openspacestl.org/passport-to-clean-water/</u>

The Open Space Council's 55th Annual **Operation Clean Stream** on August 27-28, 2022. Information and registration here: <u>http://openspacestl.org/2022/06/25/registration-for-operation-clean-stream-2022-open/</u>

Earthday365 sponsors **Environmental Justice Days of Action**. Information and registration here: <u>https://earthday-365.org/environmental-justice-days-of-action/</u> September 10, 2022 Marine Villa Cleanup October 15, 2022 O'Fallon Park

Revamp the Riverfront with St. Louis Aquarium Foundation September 17, 2022 10:00 AM to Noon. Save the date on your calendar. Gloves, bags, and snacks will be provided. Information and registration is found here:

https://greatriversgreenway.org/event/revamp-the-riverfront-with _st-louis-aquarium-foundation-2/

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

August 20 from 8:00 AM to Noon 900 TR Hughes Boulevard O'Fallon, MO, 63366 hosted by City of **O'Fallon**

August 27 from 9:00 AM to Noon 13201 Clayton Road St. Louis, MO, 63131 hosted by Principia School

Visit the College Church Circle of Creation

Committee's Green Corner (<u>https://sfxstl.org/circleofcreation</u>) on the Parish website to keep up to date on all of our resources related to caring for creation.

August 13-14, 2022

Saturday 5:15 pm Fr. White, S.J. Sunday 8:00 am Fr. McMahon, S.J. 10:30 am Fr. McMahon, S.J.

August 20-21, 2022

Saturday 5:15 pm Fr. McMahon, S.J. Sunday 8:00 am Fr. White, S.J. 10:30 am Msgr. Stehly (concelebrants: Fr. Greene, S.J., Fr. Mcmahon, S.J., Fr. White, S.J.

This Sunday's Scripture Readings:

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Bulletin Articles

Email bulletin articles to Angela Pancella at angela@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. You can also reach this link through the QR code here.

Thank you for your support!

