



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

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August 29, 2021
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:15 pm, Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am. RSVPs are no longer needed.

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.

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 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 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.

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 Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org or Julie Kilian at 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.

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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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Our second reading for the next month comes from the Letter of James. It is impossible to know definitively the author's identity, but many scholars believe it is the James described as Jesus' brother in both Mark and Matthew's Gospel. This James became a leader of the Christian community in Jerusalem. James was martyred in the early 60's.

The Letter of James reflects in many ways traditional Jewish belief and piety. It is concerned with right conduct, worship and how the faith community is to live together. The text is more of an exhortation or extended sermon than it is a letter. James is not addressing a particular person but rather describes the necessary way of being faithful to God.

James has no illusions about the nature of the Church. There are significant divisions and behaviors that he sees as damaging to the faith community. Perhaps none more so than the use of words to separate and hurt the faithful. James says the tongue can be like fire, poison, and bitter water. It is especially harmful when those in authority or leadership act in such a way. He echoes Jesus in reserving his harshest judgement for religious leaders.

The ways we can build up or tear down one another with our words is always worth pondering. My favorite line from James is, "the tongue is a small member, and yet has great ambitions." Amen. Perhaps the next month can be a graced moment to use our tongues to bless God and uplift each other, and not hurt others.

Mary Wuller Memorial Mass

There will be a memorial Mass for Mary Wuller on Thursday, September 16th at 6 pm. The Mass will also be livestreamed; you will find the link that night on our YouTube channel:

tinyurl.com/collegechurchmass





Antiracism at College Church

“Will You Do Something Positive Right Now...?”:

The Legacy of Claude H. Heithaus, S.J.

The start of the academic year is an occasion for remembering those who, offering their own lives as examples, have taught us to critically confront the most difficult issues of our time. One such person was Reverend Claude Herman Heithaus, S.J., whose electrifying homily, at a student Mass seventy-seven years ago, was an important catalyst for the integration of St. Louis University (SLU) in the summer of 1944.

Heithaus taught Classical Art and Archaeology at SLU and served as the director of university publications and publicity. At a time when all Catholic schools in St. Louis were segregated, he became aware that an inquiry regarding admission of a young African American woman to SLU had been met with reluctance by the university's Council of Regents and Deans. He also learned that admission by another young black applicant to Webster College, run by the Sisters of Loretto, had been blocked by Archbishop John J. Glennon.

On February 11, 1944, Heithaus addressed a body of five hundred students from the pulpit of St. Francis Xavier (College) Church, and made an impassioned plea for racial justice, charging the congregation to commit to change. A portion of his sermon follows:

“Our Lord and model, Jesus Christ, commanded His followers to teach all nations. He founded one church through which all were to be saved. He prayed that all might become one in Him. He incorporated all races and colors into His Mystical Body. He died that all might be united in the happiness of the Beatific Vision...

“The Catholic Church, denouncing race discrimination in its encyclicals, has said that ‘those who enter the Church, whatever be their origin or their speech have equal rights as children in the House of the Lord.’ But some people say that Negroes have only those rights which the white men condescend to grant them...

“I am horrified to find that some Catholics have been infected with this diabolical prejudice against the Negro. Self-deluded fools that they are, they cling with blind obstinacy to the idea that the time has not yet come to give justice to the Colored children of God...

“And now I ask you Catholic students to look at the Blessed Sacrament and answer this question. Will you not do something positive right now to make reparation

for the suffering which this prejudice has inflicted upon millions of your fellow Christians?

“For the wrongs that have been done to the Mystical Body of Christ through the wrong done to its colored members, we owe the suffering of Christ an act of public reparation. Let us make it now. Will you rise please? Now repeat this prayer after me. ‘Lord Jesus, we are sorry and ashamed for all the wrongs that white men have done to Your Colored children. We are firmly resolved never again to have any part in them, and to do everything in our power to prevent them. Amen.’”

For this act of courage, Father Heithaus was reprimanded and, ultimately, reassigned by his superiors. But he is rightly credited with having been responsible, in part, for the admission of five African American students to SLU during the summer of 1944, affording the university the distinction of being the first in a former slave-holding state to integrate.

[The St. Louis Shakespeare Festival Presents Shakespeare in the Streets — The Ville](#)

Thursday, Sept. 9, Friday, Sept. 10, Saturday, Sept. 11
The Annie Malone House
2612 Annie Malone Dr. (front lawn)
Nightly at 8:00 p.m.
Free Admission

Not far from College Church and covering less than half of a square mile, bordered by St. Louis Avenue, MLK Drive, Sarah Avenue and Taylor Avenue, a community was formed out of the racism, restrictions, and exclusionary policies of the St. Louis region. With few other options, this is where black middle-class St. Louisans lived. The neighborhood, which came to be known as The Ville, grew to become a thriving center of African American culture-including businesses, human services, churches (including Jesuit parish St. Matthew the Apostle), and educational institutions of all levels. Here is located the historic Homer G. Phillips Hospital, which not only served the African American community, but also trained black doctors and nurses from across the county. Sumner High School, the first high school for black students west of the Mississippi, nurtured Chuck Berry, Billy Davis Jr., Margaret Bush Wilson, Dick Gregory, Grace Bumbry, Arthur Ashe and many others. Sadly, it was the choices afforded through desegregation that lured many residents away from the neighborhood, beginning the decline that is evident today.

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This is some of the historical context that will be present in this year’s production of Shakespeare in the Street. Sumner High School alumna, Mariah L. Richardson, has written an adaptation, inspired by William Shakespeare’s Hamlet, that incorporates the experiences of residents of the Ville. It promises to not only entertain but to provide insight into the perspectives and vision of this steadfast community.

For more information about this event, visit their website: <https://stlshakes.org/in-the-streets/> and this feature report about the Shakespeare in the Streets project: www.pbs.org/video/shakespeare-streets-bker5j/

Campaign for the Columbia Elementary School

For the past three weeks the parish has been collecting school supplies for Columbia Elementary School on St. Louis Avenue. Ginny Schrappen and Joan McGinnis co-chaired the campaign. On Wednesday, August 18th three completely filled SUVs delivered to the school the assortment of pen, pencils, backpacks, pencil cases, crayons, Post-It notes, etc. to the school. Ginny indicated this year’s campaign was three times the size of last year’s donations. Ms. Tiffany Houston, Columbia’s principal, was overwhelmed by the generosity of the College Church community. In addition to the school supplies, an anonymous parishioner made a \$250 contribution to the school fund. Thanks to all who contributed to the campaign.



“Sharing is shown in deeds not words.” (St. Ignatius).

NORTH CITY DEANERY
INTERRACIAL RELATIONS



ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS
 Peace & Justice Commission

Due to the unpredictability of COVID-19, the Delta variant and the rise in new cases, the North City Deanery Revival has been rescheduled to June 6-7, 2022.

DEANERY REVIVAL:

The Synodal Church: That All May Be One!

Tuesday Vigils for Racial Justice

Weekly prayer vigils for racial justice are held on the steps of College Church each Tuesday night from 6 to 7 pm. Please join us as we stand in witness and prayer for equality and peace. You are encouraged to bring a sign expressing commitment to justice. If your group or organization is interested in leading a Tuesday vigil, please contact Joan McGinnis: jfmc676@gmail.com.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Purchase Fair Trade Products and Support Our Sister Parish!

All the proceeds from our Fair Trade sales go directly to St. Peter Claver in Punta Gorda, Belize. Because of the pandemic, as well as a series of fires which destroyed farms in the community, unemployment in the area has increased dramatically.



Available items include soups, cornbread, hot cocoa and baking cocoa, as well as our ongoing sales of chocolate, tea, and coffee! To purchase, please visit: sfxstl.org/buy-fair-trade

The deadline for ordering delivery or pick-up for the 1st and 3rd Sunday is the Tuesday before. The next deadline is this Tuesday, August 31st, for pickup/delivery on September 5th. Please contact Christine at christine@sfxstl.org with any questions and thank you in advance for your support!

The Next Chapter

Discerning your future
in the Ignatian Tradition

The Next Chapter Program is a six-month guided journey grounded in Ignatian Spirituality whose purpose is to help people transition to a fulfilling retirement. The ultimate goal of the program is to assist people to discern who God is calling them to be and what God is calling them to do in their next chapter of life. The program group will be approximately eighteen people who are approaching retirement or who are recently retired. For more information see www.nextchapterprogram.org.

The program begins in October of 2021. The cost is \$750.00.

To learn more about The Next Chapter program, meet its leaders, and have an opportunity to ask questions, you are invited to attend an information session. The sessions will be held via Zoom calls or in person depending upon the Covid restrictions at the time. If in person, the location of the meetings will be announced closer to the meeting dates. Information session will start at 6:30 p.m. on September 13 and 16. The estimated length is 1-1 ½ hours.

To RSVP for an information session, email Tom Auffenberg at thomas.auffenberg@slu.edu indicating which information session you will attend.

Shadow @ SLUH

St. Louis University High School invites all 8thgrade boys to come for Shadow@SLUH. Spend ½ school day with a Jr. Billiken host beginning in late September. Visit admissions.sluh.org to create your SLUH Admissions Account and register.

YOUTH AND FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Registration Open For Religious Education This Fall

College Church offers a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program and a more traditional Religious Education program as well. The RE Program at the College Church provides children in grades 1 - 8 with an Ignatian approach to their faith lives. Classes meet from 9:15- 10:15 on Sunday mornings, September through May. Children learn to experience God's love for them, and to share that love with those in their midst.

The program offers exceptional sacramental preparation, in-class service opportunities starting in the second grade and outside service days beginning in fifth grade. Classes include instruction based on a Loyola University Press Curriculum, and other hands-on learning activities helping children find God in all things.

Catechists include parents and St. Louis University students who volunteer because of their eagerness to share their love of God with others. For more information contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org, or visit the Youth and Family Faith Formation website to register: sfxstl.org/youth-faith.

We are also looking for volunteers for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. We are hosting a formation course here at College Church, beginning in September. For more information, please contact Julie Kilian at Julie@sfxstl.org.

College Church's Youth Group at the Haiti Packathon

Six members of the College Church Youth Group, along with acting youth group directors Julie Kilian and Terry Edelmann, participated in a meal "packathon" which resulted in 113,000 meals prepared for Haiti in a two-hour session.

Members Robbie Winter, Tyler Winter, Elizabeth DeFoy, Nicholas Sheppard, Dominic Lee and Jack Taylor joined 350 local volunteers at Chaminade College Prep on Saturday, August 14 to package the meals. The students, in a well-organized assembly line, filled and sealed plastic bags filled with rice, pinto beans, vitamins, and freeze-dried vegetables. Each bag contained six servings or meals.

Shortly before the session started news came out about another deadly earthquake in Haiti, making the event all the more significant. The packathon was organized by the CRUDEM Foundation and was one of many taking place around the country.

For more information about the College Church Youth Group please contact Julie at julie.kilian4@gmail.com or Terry at terry@sfxstl.org.





Virtual Trivia Benefitting the St. Vincent De Paul Society at SFX

Friday, September 17th 2021 at 6:30pm

Sign up: <https://bit.ly/3r5b6py>

Donate to the SVDP conference: <https://bit.ly/3r6flm6>

Please join us for a fun evening of virtual trivia to support the College Church St. Vincent DePaul Society's work providing direct assistance with rent, utilities, food, furniture, and more in our local St. Louis community! With the help of the parish, the SFX SVDP conference helped 25 neighbors last year, and we would like to increase our giving in 2022.

Take part in virtual trivia as a team of eight, for \$200 per team. Be sure to sign up quickly, as we only have room for ten teams for this inaugural event! You'll also have the opportunity to participate in a raffle and auction for a chance to win great prizes.

Can you sponsor the event? Crucial to the success of this trivia night are our sponsors. 100% of your sponsorship will go towards direct assistance to neighbors around the parish. In addition to monetary sponsorships (beginning at \$100), we also accept any in-kind donations, including gift cards, vacation homes, alcoholic beverages, and other creative gifts for the auction and raffle. Please reach out to Madeleine at mmswanstrom2000@gmail.com if you would like to sponsor the event.

Can't make it to trivia, but still want to support the work of our SVDP conference? We would greatly appreciate any donations. Again, 100% of your donation goes to directly to Neighbors in Need around the parish. Follow this link to donate: <https://bit.ly/3r6flm6>

Our 2021 Ministry Fair Has Become Ministry Month!

Every Sunday during the month of October, after the 10:30 am Masses, we will highlight our various ministries in order to showcase the multiple opportunities we have for involvement in our parish community. This will take the place of the planned Ministry Fair; it will also be part of our Mass livestream.

Look for writeups about our ministries and commissions in October bulletins as well!

Circle of Creation Green Corner

Periodically check the Circle of Creation Green Corner of the Parish website for the latest on the Season of Creation (September 1 through October 4) events.



sfxstl.org/circleofcreation

An Immersive Virtual Summit on Healing, GREEN TEAM SUMMIT 2021, is being held during evenings, 5:00 pm CT or later, on September 12 – 14 (You are not required to zoom every session for those three days; you may choose what is appropriate and you have time for). This occurs during the Season of Creation as endorsed by Pope Francis, starting on Sept. 1 and culminating on Oct. 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

Together, we will walk on a virtual meditative journey through the vividly green wetlands in Shawnee National Forest in Southern Illinois, tour a farm bringing local produce to their community, gather in a racial healing circle, learn to create a simple recipe from in-season ingredients and so much more (including an eco-bedtime story for children Tuesday, Sept. 14th at 8pmCT).

Join us to be inspired and encouraged in your environmental and anti-racism work by registering FOR FREE today.

greenteamsummit.org

August 28-29, 2021

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

September 4-5, 2021

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

The 10:30 am Mass will be livestreamed. RSVP at sfxstl.org.

Bulletin Articles

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

Online Giving Reminder

Over the past several years (even before the pandemic!), we've been inviting our parishioners and friends to consider supporting College Church through online giving. If you set up weekly or monthly gifts, it saves the trouble of writing out checks, and it means our ministries can better rely on stable funding.

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. We wanted to make it more convenient to reach this site, so we have made a QR code for it. You can find this code on cards we will leave in the pews every week.

Thank you for your support!



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