



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



August 4th, 2019
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm Anticipation of Sunday

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am and 4:30 pm

Monday - Friday

7:15 am and Noon

In the Chapel of Our Lady located in the lower level.

Saint Louis University Campus Ministry:

Sunday: 9:00 pm (when the University is in session)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Friday: 10:45 am through Noon

Saturday: 4:30 pm through 5:30 pm

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 FAX: 314-977-7315 E-MAIL ADDRESS: church@slu.edu

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 bulletin@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 Fr. Dan White, SJ at 314-977-7310 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, SJ or Sister Carolyn McWatters, RSM. To notify the parish of a funeral for a family member not at the College Church, please contact Katie Jansen Larson at 314-977-1954 or Katie@sfxstl.org.

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

Parish Registration: Available online at collegechurch.slu.edu or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions, contact Katie Jansen Larson at 314-977-1954.

Religious Education: Available for kindergarten through eighth grade. Classes meet September - May on Sunday mornings. Ages 3-6 use the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Contact Terry Edelman at terry@sfxstl.org or Julie Kilian at Julie.kilian4@gmail.com

Liturgy of the Word for Children: Celebrated weekly for children in kindergarten - seventh 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 Edelman at terry@sfxstl.org.

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

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 Margaret Barker
 Mikaela Chatman
 Jennifer Saunders
 Joan McLean
 Bob Powers
 Leslie Matula
 Diane Williams
 Patrick Pasierb
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 Lula Chatman
 Don Berg
 Greg Fiudo
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 Art Taylor
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 Pat March
 Liz DeRum
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 Paul Hanson
 Mary Geary Dunn
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remove names.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

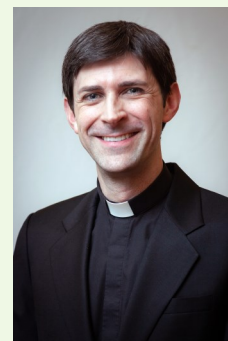
The first line of the Book of Ecclesiastes is one of the most famous in Scripture, *Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!* Written about three centuries before Christ, it is an extended reflection on the enigma that is human life. The author wrestles with the seeming futility of our existence. God's plan is difficult to discern, and happiness is fleeting. Our enjoyments and pleasures are feeble pursuits that distract from the inevitable darkness that follows from death.

It makes one wonder how such a book made it into the Bible. There is very little of the consolation, wisdom, certainty and assurance we expect. Ecclesiastes is a great reminder the Bible is not a book, but a library. There are all sorts of genres that express a multitude of notions of who God is, and what it means to be human.

Ecclesiastes is not the last word on the Jewish-Christian Scriptures. It is a limited slice of an amazingly diverse tradition. Yet, it is an important. Every believer at one time or another has felt as Qoheleth does. There is great truth in his wrestling with doubt and refusing to provide easy answers.

Faith should not be afraid to confront the very real struggles of our lives. It does not ask us to ignore or explain away the challenges. Our understanding is always limited, partial and flawed. It is good to be reminded of that.

Matthew Baugh, S.J. has been assigned to St. Francis Xavier (College) Church as our new associate pastor. Matthew was ordained a priest on June 8th in New Orleans. He just begin his pastoral year with us on August 1st. Matthew is originally from Casa, Arkansas (pop. 179). He first met the Society of Jesus while on a Rhodes Scholarship at Oxford University in England. He entered the Jesuits in 2007. Matthew has studied at the University of Toronto, taught at Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama and has completed recently his theology studies at Boston College. The College Church community extends a warm welcome to you, Father Matthew!



August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption.

Masses will be at 7:15 in the chapel; noon and 5:15 pm in the church.

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 Joseph Milner, 314-977-7305 or joseph.milner@slu.edu



If you give on-line, please take this card when you enter church. Place in the collection basket when it comes around to show your financial support of College Church.



To sustain the future of the College Church,
I submit my offertory online.

COUNTDOWN TO YOUTH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS



In just about a month Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and Religious Education classes will begin. Starting September 8 and continuing most Sundays through May 17 the Parish Center and the Davis Shaughnessy building will be alive with students from preschool through eighth grade beginning or continuing their faith formation in the Jesuit tradition of Ignatian spirituality.



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There is still space available in some classes, and we can use additional volunteer catechists and aides in some classes as well.

Youth Faith Formation programs at the College Church emphasize God's love for us, God's presence in all things and our responsibility to do service for others. For more information about the program, contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org or Julie Kilian

at julie.kilian4@gmail.com. To register on line go to <https://sfxstl.org/religious-education-registration>.



SOCIAL MINISTRY

Community Garden Volunteers Needed!

For the past several years SFX College Church has partnered with Loyola Academy to sponsor a garden bed at Bell Community Garden. Volunteers from the parish have met the boys at the garden in the spring and the fall to help them plan, plant, and harvest vegetables that they bring back to school to be served during lunch. The boys have learned so much about getting their hands dirty and growing their own food.



We are looking for few volunteers to carry on this valuable outreach and partnership with Loyola Academy. The volunteer commitment requires a couple afternoons a week from 3:30 to 4:30. Some home gardening experience would be helpful as well as a willingness to work with and to teach these young men some gardening skills. We will help you get oriented with Bell Community Garden and Loyola Academy.

Please contact Christine Dragonette if you are interested at christine@sfxstl.org or 977-7309. Thank you!

**Join us for our next movie in the Racial Justice “Dinner and a Movie” Series
“Do the Right Thing”**

Next Movie Date: **Thursday, August 8th** at Tegeler Hall
Dinner at 5:30pm, Movie starts at 6:15pm, Discussion after the movie,
“Do the Right Thing”. Past films have included everything from *Hidden Figures* to *The Hate U Give* to *The Butler* to *Black Panther* and more.

Location: Tegeler Hall auditorium, 3550 Lindell Blvd (off the southeast corner of Grand and Lindell).
Parking is available either in Laclede Garage (save your ticket for validation) or at metered parking on Lindell. Dinner will be provided.

Please RSVP to Christine at christine@sfxstl.org or 977-7309.
Save the Date: September 12th will be the next movie event



New Members Needed for St. Vincent DePaul Society at College Church



Have you felt the desire to live your religious convictions and give something back for all you have received? You are invited to join other parish members serving people in need within our parish area by joining the St. Francis Xavier conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Two-person teams visit the homes of those in need to help with food, rent, utilities, clothing, and other types of support.

The amount of time you wish to give is completely up to you. To learn more about this rewarding experience, please contact Christine Dragonette at christine@sfxstl.org or 314-977-7309.

Witnessing Whiteness at College Church

When: The following Monday evenings from 6-8pm in the College Church parish center. Please sign up **ONLY** if you can commit to making at least eight of the following ten sessions from 6-8pm: **8/19, 8/26, 9/9, 9/23, 9/30, 10/14, 10/28, 11/11, 11/25, 12/9**

To sign up: Use the link <https://forms.gle/LgPtndUe329mamU9> or contact Christine at christine@sfxstl.org or 977-7309.

Ignatian Young Adult Summer Beer Tasting

When: Sunday, August 18th after 4:30 mass

Where: Grassy area just south of College Church or Ballroom (if needed for weather)



Join Ignatian Young Adults for a beer tasting and snacks after 4:30 Mass on Sunday, August 18th to learn more about upcoming Young Adult opportunities and events this fall! Sample some local beers and meet other young adults in the parish! All young adults age 21-39 with an interest in Ignatian Spirituality are welcome to attend.

Bridges Retreat at College Church

Looking to deepen your prayer life and your relationship with God? The Bridges Retreat will be offered at four St. Louis area sites on various days and times starting in September, 2019. Over the retreat, there are nine monthly group meetings along with weekly, individual conferences with a prayer companion. Experience discernment, contemplation and meditation and enjoy the comradery of other members of the Bridges community. **Information sessions will be held in the Ballroom at College Church on Sunday, August 4, 2019, after the 8:00 am Mass and Sunday August 11, 2019 after the 10:30 am Mass.**

For additional information go to the Bridges website, <http://bridgesfoundation.org> or contact the Director, Linda Leib, at lin-da.leib@bridgesfoundation.org

or 314-313-8283 for further information.

The St. Louis Jesuits COMING HOME

One Last Concert Where It All Began

SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 • 3PM

POWELL HALL  ST. LOUIS, MO

TICKETS ON SALE at the POWELL BOX OFFICE 314-534-1700 or powellhall.com
For more information stlouisjesuits.com

JustFaith

JustFaith Group 2019 Forming at College Church

JustFaith is an intensive, small group (8-12) experience for people looking to learn more about Catholic Social Teaching and deepen their commitment to care for the vulnerable in their community. Through study, dialogue, speakers, immersion experiences and prayer, participants explore glaring contemporary justice realities and their implications to their lives and the lives of the marginalized.

Just Faith 2019 will commence Tuesday, October 1. This year there will be two 9 -week sessions, one in the fall and one in the new year. If you are interested in learning more about Just Faith at College Church, an information session will be held after the 8:00 and 10:30 masses on Sunday, Aug 25 in Room 113 in the parish office. Information is also available at justfaith.org. You can also talk to the numerous Just Faith Alumni in our Parish, or contact Christine Dragonette at Christine@sfxstl.org or at 314-977-7309.

Married Couples' Retreat

Growing in Love

An Ignatian, Semi-Silent Weekend Retreat

August 16-18, 2019

(Friday evening to Sunday lunch)



Love grows when it's cultivated. Every marriage goes through seasons of love. Each has its own challenges and rewards. It is never too early or too late to nourish your marriage. This uplifting weekend will be mixed with talks, prayer, and time for dialogue with your spouse, and practical tips to keep your marriage growing. There will be plenty of time for reflection and enjoying the beautiful grounds of the Marianist Retreat Center.

4000 MO-109, Eureka, MO 63025

Information and registration is available on the St. Francis Xavier (College Church) website:
sfxstl.org/married-couples-retreat.

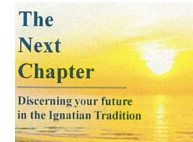
Questions? - Contact Carl and Laura Greiner: caglmg01@swbell.net
Or College Church Adult Faith email: sfxAdultFaithFormation@gmail.com

Bulletin Articles

email bulletin articles to bulletin@sfxstl.org.
Before Thursday at noon

The Next Chapter program is grounded in Ignatian spirituality and is sponsored by the Saint Louis University Office of Mission and Identity. It is a six-month guided journey with a group of approximately eighteen people who are approaching retirement or who are recently retired. 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 begins in October of 2019. The cost is \$750.00.



To learn more about The Next Chapter program and have an opportunity to ask questions, you are invited to attend an information session at Boileau Hall on the St. Louis University campus. The information session dates are May 14, May 23, June 6 and September 17. The meetings will run from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

To RSVP for an information session and/ or to request more information on the program, please email Tom Auffenberg at thomas.auffenberg@slu.edu

Upcoming Programs at Mercy Conference and Retreat Center

Neuroscience, Contemplative Practices & Well Being: How Spirituality Affects Our Health and DNA August 23 & 24, 2019

Mercy Conference and Retreat Center Visit www.mercycenterstl.org for more information.

We'll explore recent findings in neuroscience and positive psychology, showing how practices such as Mindfulness, Meditation, Gratitude and Compassion, slow aging in our cells, keep our brains healthy and nimble, reduce stress, and bring more health and happiness into our lives. Presenter: Anne Kertz Kernion

Digital Distraction: Technology, Our Brains and Spiritual Practices August 25

1:30-3:30pm Mercy Conference and Retreat Center Visit www.mercycenterstl.org for more information.

We will explore the ramifications of tech overuse and how several spiritual practices have been shown to help thwart those detrimental effects. Helpful strategies to limit the pitfalls of online use, and suggested activities to nurture our journeys will be offered.. Presenter: Anne Kertz Kernion

Journey to Inner Peace for Families: Making Calm Our Superpower! Sunday Afternoons: August 11, 18, September 8, and 15

Mercy Conference and Retreat Center Visit www.mercycenterstl.org for more information.

Relieve stress and feel more joy. Build stronger families. Journey to Inner Peace and let's take the mystery out of mindfulness, meditation, and visualization. Join us for all four sessions or pick and choose which to attend. Some sessions are for parents, grandparents, caregivers and children; others are for adults only. This group experience is also geared for those who work with children and teens. Facilitator: Vicki Israel, CGIP

College Church Hoodies \$30.00
(mens sizes Small to 3X)

**We are also selling pint glasses
 for \$10 each.**

**Call Katie at
 314-977-1954
 to place an order!**



Presiders

August 3rd and 4th, 2019

Saturday	
5:30 pm	Fr. White, S.J.
Sunday	
8:00 am	Fr. Baugh, S.J.
10:30 am	Fr. White, S.J.
4:30 pm	Fr. Baugh, S.J.

August 10th and 11th, 2019

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4:30 pm	Fr. Baugh, S.J.



Accompanying the Dying
 A Workshop for Spiritual Directors & Chaplains

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2019

Time: 9:00 am – 11:30 am

Cost: \$35

To register, visit ai.edu or call 314.256.8804

Our presenter, Sandra Spencer, is a spiritual director, and retired chaplain. For 17 years she served as chaplain and Director of Pastoral Care at Saint Louis University Hospital where she cared for trauma patients, cancer patients, and their families.

Aquinas Institute of Theology - 23 S. Spring Ave. - St. Louis, MO 63108 – 314.256.8800

College Church Tours

Our wonderful College Church Docents would be happy to offer tours of our beautiful 176 year old Church. Please contact Katie Jansen Larson at 314-977-1954 or email Katie@sfxstl.org with a date and time to schedule a tour for your group.

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INFORMATION SHEET

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