



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 25th, 2019
Twenty-first 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 McWaters, 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 Edelmann 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 Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org.

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

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 remove names.**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



The school year has begun once again. This Monday nearly everyone from kindergarten to university will be back in the classroom. May one and all have an academic year filled with wisdom.

The Society of Jesus has long been associated with education. Contrary to popular belief, though, that was not the reason the Jesuits were founded nor was it a ministry they originally sought out. But rather quickly St. Ignatius Loyola saw how impactful education could be to accomplish the goals of the Jesuits.

His executive assistant and right-hand man Juan Polanco wrote to the Jesuits in Spain about the advantages of Jesuit schools. He first states that Jesuits benefit from the discipline, perseverance and diligence teaching requires. Secondly, the students benefit from intellectual development and faith formation. They learn as well how to serve God.

Finally, Polanco notes the great benefit to a city or locality. Today's students are tomorrow's civic and ecclesial leaders. All will enjoy the fruits of a well-educated citizenry.

Students, teachers and everyone benefit from the formation of mind and soul. God's blessings on this holy work.

Save the Date for Xavier Days

Our eighth Annual Parish Celebration, Xavier Days, will be held at College Church on October 4th. All parishioners are welcome!

Our celebration will be on Friday, October 4th, from 6:00 pm. to 8:00 pm. in the Xavier Ballroom. There will be hearty appetizers, wine, beer and soda. We will also present the 2019 Bronsgeest Award to Mary Beth Erickson for her many years of dedicated service to the College Church. It will be a great opportunity to just relax and meet other members of our parish community.



Please join us! More information and a registration form will be available in upcoming bulletins. This is an event you must RSVP to attend.

College Church 101



Becoming a member of College Church can be challenging. Since most people do not live in the immediate area or share a common elementary school to connect families, one must find new ways to meet people and form relationships. We are also an Ignatian parish led by members of the Society of Jesus and that offers unique opportunities.

College Church 101 is a set of three presentations to help people get to know the College Church. These sessions will present the parish leaders and activities; an overview of the parish history; and the ideals of a Jesuit parish.

If you are new to the College Church community or if you have been with us and want to review your knowledge of College Church, plan to attend College Church 101. Sessions will be held on Sept 15, 22 and 29 between the Sunday morning masses in the Adult Faith Room. Refreshments will be available about 9:00 a.m. and presentations will begin at 9:15 a.m. Please call 977-7305 or e-mail Joe Milner, Joseph.Milner@slu.edu if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you!

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

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers, Mary Ann Kirchner, sister of Pat Darcy of our parish, and former parishioner, Elizabeth Estes, who recently died. May they and all the departed share in the peace and joy of God's presence forever.

Feast of St. Louis

Today, throughout the Archdiocese, we will commemorate the life and faithful discipleship of our patron, King Louis IX of France, who is also the patron of the City of St. Louis and of Saint Louis University. He was born in 1214 in Poissy, France.

He became king of France at age 12. His mother Blanche instilled in him a great commitment to God and a life based on virtue.



He strove to embody the finest of Christianity in his time, seeking to be a just and upright sovereign, who sought to provide for those in need and promote values. His friend Joinville wrote that he allowed no profanity nor spoke ill of others. He forbade usury, protected vassals from cruel lords, and ordered restitution when innocent people were injured by warfare. He was known as a fair arbitrator for disputes among nobles and common people. He made himself available to people in need. He would go out and sit under a tree and anyone who had a matter that needed to be settled could present their situation to him directly.

Louis was renowned for his charity. The peace and blessings of the realm come to us through the poor he would say. Beggars were fed from his table, he ate their leavings, washed their feet, ministered to the wants of the lepers, and daily fed over one hundred poor. He founded many hospitals and houses: the House of the Felles-Dieu for reformed prostitutes; the Quinze-Vingt for 300 blind men (1254), hospitals at Pontoise, Vernon, Compiègne. He died on August 25, 1270 in Tunis, Algeria.

From the letters of St. Louis:

“In order to avoid discord, never contradict anyone except in case of sin or some danger to a neighbor; and when necessary to contradict others, do it with tact and not with temper.”

“In prosperity, give thanks to God with humility and fear lest by pride you abuse God’s benefits and so offend him.”

“Be kindhearted to the poor, the unfortunate and afflicted. Give them as much help and consolation as you can. Thank God for all the benefits he has bestowed upon you, that you may be worthy to receive greater. Always side with the poor rather than the rich, until you are certain of the truth.”

Farewell and God Speed, Sam and Rebecca

As we approach a new Youth Faith Formation year at the College Church we want to wish all the best to Sam Herbig and Rebecca Cunningham who are leaving us. Sam has been our Coordinator for Religious Education, and staff to our Youth Group program for the last two years. And he has helped in so many other ways. He will be the new youth minister and theology teacher at Rosati-Kain High School. Rebecca has been our Youth Group director for the past four years and is now enrolled in the St. Louis University Medical School. We will miss them, and we know they will excel in their new endeavors.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

School Supplies Needed



College Church is once again partnering with the Peace & Justice Committee of the Rock Church to collect needed school supplies for students in Pre-K through 6th grade at Columbia Elementary School.

If you are able to provide any of the below items, please drop them off to the College Church parish center at 3628 Lindell Blvd.

63108 anytime Monday-Friday between 8:30am-4:30pm EXCEPT between 12-1pm OR on Sunday between 7:30am-12:30pm. We will be collecting items through Monday, September 9th. Contact Christine at christine@sfxstl.org or 977-7309 with any questions.

Thank you for any donation you can provide!

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| -No. 2 pencils | -Markers | -Crayons | -Glue | -Filler paper |
| -Colored pencils | -Dry erase markers | -Spiral notebooks | -Erasers | -Backpacks |
| | | | -Folders | |

**Join us for a Racial Justice “Dinner and a Movie” Series
with College Church and Rock Church
2nd Thursdays in August, September, October**

Next Movie Date: **Thursday, September 12th** at Tegeler Hall
Dinner at 5:30pm, Movie starts at 6:15pm, Discussion after the movie

Film: MOVIE CHANGE (due to the length of the film *Malcolm X*) *Selma*

A chronicle of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s campaign to secure equal voting rights via an epic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, in 1965.

Location: Tegeler Hall auditorium, 3550 Lindell Blvd (off the southeast corner of Grand and Lindell).

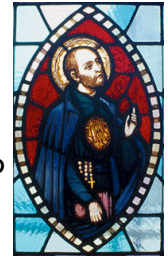
Parking is available either in Laclede Garage (save your ticket for validation) or at metered parking on Lindell. Dinner will be provided.

Please RSVP to Christine at christine@sfxstl.org or 977-7309.



Save the Date: October 10th will be the next movie event

LIGHTWORKS - AN EXPERIENCE OF IGNATIAN PRAYER



LIGHTWORKS is a “light form of work,” a series of limbering up exercises for the spirit. Physical exercises build muscle, increase stamina, and develop flexibility. So **LIGHTWORKS** does for the spirit. These exercises of prayer and reflection build our relationship with God and help us become more aware of God’s presence in our lives. It consists of weekly group sessions. Participants are given scripture passages or reflections from the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius to pray over each week. These invite us into conversation with God about our lives. Then during the weekly session, there is sharing about these passages and a presentation. There are 16 weekly sessions with eight before Thanksgiving and eight in the new year. Light-Works will be offered at St Louis U High on Oakland this fall on Monday evenings from 6:30 until 8:30, beginning on September 30. Flyers will be available soon at the doorways of the church. For more information, please contact Joseph Milner at 314-977-7305 or joseph.milner@slu.edu

Season of Creation

September 1 was proclaimed as a World Day of Prayer for Creation for the Orthodox in 1989. It was embraced by the major Christian European Churches in 2001 and by Pope Francis for the Roman Catholic Church in 2015, when he extended the World Day of Prayer for Creation to the "Season of Creation".

The newly-proclaimed “Season of Creation” (although not an official liturgical season) offers us the chance to focus our attention on God the creator and to reflect on our human responsibility as creatures of Earth to serve and protect all of life. The timeframe precedes October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron of ecology. This is a time for us to pray in gratitude to God for the gift of creation, to learn about **integral ecology**, and to take concrete actions to care for Earth.

We will observe the Season of Creation in the following ways:

- The Ignatian Solidarity Network has created an **Ecological Examen** as a tool for prayer, reflection and action on behalf of our beloved Earth. This will be available September 1.
- Each week in the bulletin and on an easel in the vestibule there will be a **quote from Pope Francis’ encyclical *Laudato Si’ – On the Care of Our Common Home*** and a suggested action you might choose to take during that week.
- Our **Sunday mass music** will include hymns which reflect the sacredness of creation.
- A **Pet Blessing** will occur at 10:00 am on Saturday, Oct 5 in the dog park across the street.
- Our speaker for this season will be **Dr. Peter Raven, PhD**, world-reknowned botanist scientist and environmentalist and one of the writers of *Laudato Si*. On Sunday, October 6 at noon he will deliver an address entitled “Protecting the Earth: An Environmental, Economic and Moral Challenge”. Please mark your calendars!

Welcoming our Neighbors

Today, at the 10:30 mass, we welcome members of the Turkish Muslim community in St Louis. Some have visited us before and others are new to St. Louis and visiting the College Church for the first time. Many have experienced persecution in their homeland and have immigrated to the United States to live in freedom. They will be seated throughout the assembly so if you are seated near a family, please welcome them and offer assistance if needed. All are invited to join us in the ballroom for refreshments following the mass. Please come downstairs, meet some of our neighbors and welcome them to St Louis and the College Church.

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 nine 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.

Auction items needed!

- Bottles of alcohol and wine valued at \$25 or more
- Stays at Summer or Vacation homes
- Cardinals tickets, Blues tickets or other sporting event tickets or paraphernalia
- Tickets to a concert, play or other performance
- Restaurant or retail gift cards (\$50 or more is ideal)
- Group outings or experiences such as wine tastings
- Family friendly items or experiences

Contact: Katie Jansen Larson,
katie@sfxstl.org



Saint Francis Xavier College Church
Grand Night Gala
at The Coronado
Friday, November 8, 2019

Save the Date!

Bulletin Articles

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

Welcome to the new Stewardship/Financial Development section of the bulletin. Each month it will communicate information on how your generosity impacts the mission and ministries at College Church. It is helpful to know concretely the many ways you enable SFX to do all the wonderful things it does. God alone is aware of everything taking place here, but this can provide some sense of the breadth of activities.

This month we want to focus on the facilities of the parish. That is the church, parish center, ballroom, and offices in Jesuit Hall. This is the physical space where so much of our ministry and work takes place.

A Weekend in the Life of College Church – Ever wonder about all that goes on here? If so, here's a taste from a typical weekend this past spring: Saturday, March 9th - Sunday, March 10th.

Saturday – Wedding 1pm, Wedding 3:30pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Vigil Mass 5:30pm Midtown Trivia Night 6pm (ballroom)

Sunday – Mass 8am, Donut Sunday ballroom, RCIA meet 9am, R.E. classes 9:20am, Mass 10:30am, Anti-racism meeting 12pm, R.E. Commission meeting 12pm, Mass 4:30pm, Mass 9pm SLU Campus Ministry

That gives a sense of how much is going on here, and the incredible usage of our facilities. Hence, the need for constant upkeep, repairs and long-term projects.

Relationship with Saint Louis University Two years ago St. Francis Xavier parish and SLU began a new relationship in regards to our shared home, College Church. You may know the parish grew out of the original chapel when SLU was downtown. You may not know that the parish church has always been owned by the university. Since fiscal year 2017-18, the parish has paid rent on our use of the church and parish office buildings. SLU provides services (gas & electricity), improvements, and general upkeep. This relationship has proven beneficial to the parish. When the bathroom sink springs a leak in the middle of mass, SLU's facilities are right on campus. More importantly, SLU has made major investments in the infrastructure. Last year we switched over to LED lights in the church and added a new light board. This year SLU in putting a new HVAC system in for the church and parish office. This will cost roughly \$900,000. Our rent to the university is \$190,000. We are clearly getting an excellent return on our expenditure. Each spring Fr. Dan meets with SLU representatives to plan the next projects, and discuss the various needs of our facilities.

Did You Know? Many of our parish offices are across the street at Jesuit Hall. They moved in 2013 in order to accommodate dedicated space for our expanding Religious Education program. Each year we pay \$32,000 rent to Jesuit Hall for the use of office space on the 7th floor.

Jesuit Response to Victims of Sexual Abuse

In December, 2018 the Jesuits of the United States Central and Southern Province released the names of those Jesuits credibly accused of sexual abuse of minors and vulnerable adults. In response to the release of those names we encourage anyone who has felt victimized by a Jesuit, or who seeks to report abuse by a Jesuit to contact their local law enforcement agency. They are also encouraged to contact Carol Zarinelli Brescia, MSW, LCSW, who can respond pastorally on behalf of the Jesuits. She can be reached confidentially at (314) 915-7168, or UCSOutreach@jesuits.org.

Presider's Schedule

August 25th and 26th, 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 31st and September 1st, 2019

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

**SEXUAL ABUSE
SURVIVOR
GROUPS**

FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF
CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE



This ministry will be offered **at no cost** to the participant. The closed groups will meet at the Crestwood location of **Saint Louis Counseling** on Wednesday evenings beginning **September 4**.



Adult survivors of child sexual abuse who have previously participated in individual therapy may inquire at **314-544-3800**.

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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.

*SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Foundation is presenting a **FREE** life planning forum on:*

Thursday, August 29, 2019 at the Missouri Athletic Club West from 10 am – 12 pm.

Prepare yourself and your family for the unexpected and hear from experts who will reveal essentials for life planning including Ethics for Moral Understanding; Wills and Trusts for Financial Certainty; Philanthropy—a Legacy for All; and Health Care Directives for Legal Harmony.

Light fare du jour and refreshments will be served.

*For more information or to register for this **FREE** event, please call 314-577-5605.*

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