

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis
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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm Anticipation of Sunday Saint Louis University Campus Ministry:

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am and 4:30 pm Sunday: 9:00 pm (when the University is in session)

Monday - Friday Sacrament of Reconciliation

7:15 am and Noon Monday-Friday: 10:45 am through Noon In the Chapel of Our Lady located in the lower level. 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.

<u>Bulletin Notices:</u> must be submitted to <u>bulletin@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 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.

<u>Funerals</u>: 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.

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

<u>Parish Registration</u>: Available online at collegechurch.slu.edu or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions, contact Katie lansen 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

<u>Liturgy of the Word for Children:</u> 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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PRAY FOR THE SICK

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I would like to invite everyone to the North City

Deanery Interracial Relations Committee Annual
Pilgrimage. I assure you the event will take less time than it does
to read the title!

The Pilgrimage began as a way for the parishes of this deanery to pray together, learn about one another, and share the richness of our congregations. We have moved around to highlight different neighborhoods of our deanery. This year it will be held on Saturday, September 7th in downtown St. Louis. We begin at 9am and will conclude around noon.

We will begin at St. Joseph Shrine. St. Joe's was founded about the same time as College Church to serve the German Catholic community. It is one of the most beautiful churches in the city. We will also stop at the original site of SLU and SFX to share a bit of our story. From there, we will see the site of the first African-American parish in St. Louis, St. Elizabeths's. The pilgrimage concludes at St. Nicholas Church where we will enjoy lunch.

This will be a morning of walking, talking, praying, learning, laughing and eating. In other words, it checks every box for fun. Please join us.

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! The cost to attend is \$20 per person. This is an event you must RSVP to attend. To register online, please visit https://sfxstl.org/xavier-days.

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 am and presentations will begin at 9:15 am. 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

Children's Liturgy of the Word for Ages 3 - 10

Children's Liturgy of the Word resumes Sunday, September 8th. This is a program for children in Preschool through Fourth Grade to experience God's presence in the proclamation of the Word during the 10:30 Mass. Children are called forward after the Opening Prayer. The Presider greets the children and then they process to the Parish Center where they are divided into three groups by age. The room leaders help the children hear the Word of God and nurture their response in prayer, praise and Christian living. The children return to the Congregation following the Prayers of the Faithful. Any child in the designated age range is welcome, no pre-registration is required and they do not have to be members of the parish.

Nursery Reopens for the Year

Starting Sept, 8 our Nursery will be open from 10:20 am to 11:45 am on Sundays and welcomes children ages 9 months to two years. Please come by Room 107 of the Parish Center to sign your child in. If you are unaware of where the Nursery is located, one of the ushers can give you directions.

Just Faith

JustFaith Group 2019 Forming at College Church

Take a spiritual Journey into compassion. Through the lens of Catholic Social teaching, JustFaith invites participants to take a journey into compassion, justice and peace. The program seeks to breathe new life into the Church, cultivating an expanding community of Christians who foster compassion in our world. Books, articles, online videos and immersion experiences expose participants to obstacles that hinder human flourishing, so that the group might explore together how their own gifts and skills can meet the world's needs.

JustFaith 2019 will commence Tuesday, October 1. This year there will be two 8 -week sessions, one in the fall and one in the new year. Information is available at <u>justfaith.org</u>. You can also talk to the numerous JustFaith Alumni in our Parish, or contact Christine Dragonette at <u>Christine@sfxstl.org</u> or at 314-977-7309.

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 LIGHT-WORKS 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

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!

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





Season of Creation

September I 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 environ mentalist 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!

Idea for the Week:

As a family, plan to have at least one meatless meal or day this week.

Reason:

Did you know that each time you eat a plant-based meal instead of an animal-based one, you can save about 280 gallons of water and protect 12-50 square feet of land from deforestation, overgrazing and pesticide and fertilizer pollution?

A Special Invitation from Central Reform Congregation Sunday, September 22, 2019 1:00 – 3:00 pm Beyond the Climate Crisis: From the Failure of Eden to Eden Once Again.



Friends from all walks of life are invited to this event. Rabbi Waskow, a prolific activist, author and speaker on the topic, will address climate change and the challenges to our planet from a progressive faith perspective. Other speakers include Rev. Traci Blackmon, Aamna Answer, and Rabbi Susan Talve. Musical guests include the Choir of Cornerstone Institutional Baptist Church and Drummers of the African Hebrew Israelite Community. Open to the public and free to all at Central Reform Congregation, 5020 Waterman Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63108. www.CentralReform.org/Waskow

The Alzheimer's Association's Faith Outreach Initiative and SFX Pastoral Care Committee

The Alzheimer's Association recognizes the importance of spirituality in our lives and has developed a program to partner with congregations to provide education and support to their members. Through the Pastoral Care Committee, the Alzheimer's Association wants to be there for those with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias, as well as for their care givers. There are helpful resources available for those affected and the College Church plans to raise awareness of them through this initiative. We hope to serve those in need with care, concern and confidentially. Some of these resources are the Association's 24/7 Helpline, assistance in obtaining a diagnosis, individual and family care consultations for planning, education programs, support groups, and special events both through the Association and at SFX. For further information please contact: Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline: I-800-272-3900 Faith Outreach parishioner for SFX: Martha Daly,

marthadaly@hotmail.com, 314-265-5653, Association website: www.alz.org/greatermissouri

Engaging Spirituality Starting September 23 Hubbard House--8321 Church Lane, E. St. Louis, IL

Engaging Spirituality, a JustFaith Ministries program, is a spiritual deepening process for adult Christians bringing the power of the Holy Spirit to bear upon the needs of our world. Participants reflect on the wisdom teaching of our Christian traditions and of spiritual teachers as we prayerfully reflect on our lives. The program consists of 22 two and a half hour sessions. The group will meet bi-weekly on the 2nd and 4th Monday evening of each month at Hubbard House, 8213 Church Lane, E. St. Louis, IL. Included in each meeting will be contemplative and meditative prayer and considerable time for prayerful silence together. There will also be an opening and closing retreat and three immersion experiences. For more information, go to justfaith.org/programs/engaging-spirituality To register, contact Cheryl Sommer at cherylsommer@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Programs at Mercy Conference and Retreat Center

Journey to Inner Peace for Families: Making Calm Our Superpower!

Sunday Afternoons: 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

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



Gala Auction Wish List - Can You Help Us??

Our Parish Grand Night Gala is on Friday, November 8th,, a little over two months away. Below is our Gala auction wish list. Can you help us? All donations are truly appreciated! For more information contact Angie Doerr at angie.doerr@slu.edu. Thank you in advance for your help and support!!

Events & Entertainment

- •Cardinal tickets or other sporting event tickets and paraphernalia
- •Concert/theatre/backstage pass/tickets
- •Restaurant Gift Cards (\$50 or more is ideal)
- Winery/distillery/microbrewery tours
- Movie theater gift cards and passes
- •Fast food restaurant gift cards ie Subway, Chick-fil-A, Imos Pizza, Domino's etc

Travel & Leisure

- •Vacation homes/Condo/timeshares
- Hotel certificates
- •Airline miles or tickets
- Hotel/Resort package
- •Unique Excursions Fishing/Rafting trip
- •Bed & breakfast stays
- •Round of Golf for four with lunch

Technology

- •iPad/Kindle/laptop
- •Flat screen television

- Home theatre system
- •Video game system

Unique Opportunities

- Private meal for group prepared by wellknown chef
- •Bench/sideline experience with favorite sport team
- •Tailgate party
- •Hosted BBQ, progressive dinner, etc.
- Tennis/Golf/Ski package or lessons
- Cooking classes
- Home remodel packages landscaping, paint ing, interior design, etc
- Quality home furnishings
- •KitchenAid mixer, Cuisinart, espresso maker
- •Fitness items and gym memberships
- Quilts
- Themed baskets
- •Pool table, pinball machine, jukebox
- Bottles of Alcohol/ Wine (valued at \$25 or more)

GALA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Gala Committee is looking for volunteers to help with this year's event. This is our largest fund raiser of the year and is a critical source of revenue for our parish. Please consider volunteering to help with some of the arrangements, organizing silent auction items, and assembling of baskets. We are also looking for help with the set up and the night of the event. We will have an informational Gala meeting on **Sunday, September 15th at 9:30 am in the Lower Adult Room** of the Parish Center. Please join us and be part of the fun and success of our evening! For more information, contact Angie Doerr at angie.doerr@slu.edu.





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

Presider's Schedule

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.

September 7th & 8th, 2019

Saturday

5:30 pm Fr. May, S.J.

Sunday

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

ASYLUM SEEKERS, DREAMERS, REFUGEES, PEOPLE AT THE BORDER,

TRAFFICKING ...What are we to do?

Every day you read about these and how people are impacted by laws and policies, especially children. As each day passes, we are increasingly challenged to figure out how we are to live out our faith—the Greatest Commandment, the Beatitudes, how to Walk Humbly, Love Mercy and Do Justice with our God.

Join us for our Exploring Migration: A Faith Journey program beginning Sept 12 at St. Margaret of Scotland School from 6:30 to 8:45 pm. Online Registration is now open.

This eight-session faith-filled program provides you with a chance to explore immigration, asylum, refugees, border issues and human trafficking and to discover more about our Catholic teachings, our values, our God, and the millions of people who are on the move in every part of the world.

Each session begins and ends with prayer and is intermixed with readings, occasional videos, guest speakers, and the time to explore these issues in a small group setting. It offers you the opportunity to discuss how do we live out our faith and what might we be called to do. It is a powerful and faith-filled time.

We have set a maximum of 13 participants. The cost is \$20. You register and pay on-line at our WeShare site: https://stmargaretstl.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/ExploringMigrationAFaithJourney

When you register, we will send more information about the program and about the two small paperback books we will be using.

For more information, contact Astrid Homan at astrid@frontier.net or 636.399.0366

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