

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church



The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis 3628 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63108 314-977-7300



January 6, 2019 The Epiphany of the Lord

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, Noon, 5:15 pm 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>marybeth@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-I, 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 314-977-73with 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 Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or church@slu.edu.

<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 Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304.

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 Karen Weber at 314-977-7302 or karen@sfxstl.org

<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 Karen Weber at 314-977-7302 or karen@sfxstl.org.

<u>Safe Environment Program Compliance</u> contact Terry Edelmann at marietherese.edelmann@slu.edu.

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PRAY FOR THE SICK

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Call Mary Beth at 314-977-7304 to add or remove names.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The magi make one of the great cameo appearances in the Scripture. Their story is recounted only in St. Matthew's Gospel. They enter and exit rather quickly. We are not even sure what to call them: magi, wise men, kings? What is certain is they have been extremely popular throughout the Church's history.

The renowned Scripture scholar Raymond Brown considered the magi's appeal a prime example of Christian *midrash*. That is, an imaginative exposition of a biblical story intentionally aimed to build faith and piety. Brown thought "coloring-in the outline of the magi" with the familiar hues of later Christian periods perfectly legitimate. The story of the Messiah's birth needs to be incarnated (my pun, not his) in different times and varied cultures.

Christians in the U.S. should ponder how we might interpret the magi. We hear often about the need for walls, how exceptional America is, and appeals to our worst tendencies. Mary and Joseph welcome these odd foreigners, and they in turn bestow gifts on the infant Jesus. A very different concept of welcoming the stranger indeed.

Welcome

"A big welcome to Fr. Jim Caime, SJ who will be serving as our assocate pastor for the first half of 2019. Fr. Jim recently completed eight years on Beijing, China at the Center for Chinese Studies. He has also worked at Loyola University of New Orleans.

We are happy to have him with us."

Thank You!

Many thanks for all the beautiful Christmas cards and goodies brought to the parish center for Christmas. We loved them all! We hope you and your families have a blessed new year!

Fr. Dan and the College Church staff

Welcome to the College Church! <u>INTRODUCTORY RITES</u>

Gathering Song: The First Nowell Gather 460

Glory to God Mass of Light

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Psalm 98: All the Ends of the Earth

Lynn Trapp

Gospel Acclamation:

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THE NICENE CREED MAY BE FOUND ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THE HYMNAL.

Intercessions Response (10:30 am): Child of Mary

Huck, Alonso

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Gather 461 Preparation of Gifts: (5:30, 8:00): What Star is This? **Bob Dufford**

(10:30) The People That Walked in Darkness

Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Light Gather 361, 362, 363

COMMUNION RITE

Gather 391 Breaking of the Bread: Lamb of God—Isele

Communion Hymn: We Three Kings Gather 463

Gather 462 Meditation: (10:30 am) - Epiphany Carol

CONCLUDING RITE

Gather 437 Recessional Song: Joy to the World

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If you can help this effort, please call Mary Ottenberg at 314-757-7598, or email ottenbergm@jspaluch.com.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Join us for a "Dinner and a Movie" Matinee Series with College Church and Rock Church 2nd Saturdays in January, February, March, April

Next Movie Date: **Saturday, January 12th** in the College Church Ballroom Lunch at 11:30am, Movie starts at 12pm, Discussion after the movie Film: *Blindspotting*

Collin (Daveed Diggs) must make it through his final three days of probation for a chance at a new beginning. He and his troublemaking childhood best friend, Miles (Rafael Casal), work as movers and are forced to watch their old neighborhood become a trendy spot in the rapidly gentrifying Bay Area. When a life-altering event causes Collin to miss his mandatory curfew, the two men struggle to maintain their friendship as the changing social landscape exposes their differences. Explores the intersection of race and class set against the backdrop of Oakland.



Location: College Church Ballroom, downstairs at 3620 Lindell Blvd (off the corner of Grand and Lindell). Lunch will be provided.

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

Save the Date: February 9th will be the next movie event

Save the Date: Hot Stuff will be on Saturday, February 2nd, 2019

This February, we will again open the ballroom to hundreds of men, women, and children, offering food, clothing, and hospitality. Here are three ways to help:

CLOTHING DONATIONS: The following donations may be dropped off now until 2/2 to the parish center mail room and labeled "Hot Stuff:" Socks and underwear, T-shirts, hoodies, sweatshirts, gloves, hats, scarves, heavy pants, winter coats, shoes/boots, and blankets (all for men, women, and children).

FOOD DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERING: To sign up to bring needed food items or to volunteer (multiple shifts available), please visit the following link (https://signup.com/go/VszySep) or contact Christine at (314) 977-7309 or christine@sfxstl.org.

Thank you for helping to make this event a success!

St. Patrick Center (SPC) Casserole Program: Volunteers Needed!



St. Patrick Center in downtown St. Louis provides opportunities for self-sufficiency and dignity to people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. You can support the mission by joining the College Church casserole team. Our members each make a monthly casserole which is then served by SPC to their clients. It's an extremely flexible ministry, as you can make and deliver your frozen casserole to the Parish Center any day of the month.

For more information, please email Mary Claire Voss at clairevoss@sbcglobal.net or call Christine Dragonette at 314-977-7309. Thank you!

College Church Hoodies \$30.00

(mens sizes Small to 3X)

We are also selling pint glasses for \$10 each

Call Mary Beth at 314-977-7304 to place an order!





Violence Prevention in Our Society The Role of the Faith Community

Tuesday evenings in February
Time: 6:30-8:30 pm
Admission is FREE

February 5: "Violence in Scripture" and "Violence in American Culture"

February 12: "Bullying & Suicide" and "Domestic Violence & Sexual Abuse"

February 19: "Transmission of Violence in Families, Peer Groups, & Communities" and "Gun Violence as a Public Health Concern"

February 26: "The Nature of Evil" and "Reconciliation & Forgiveness"

Presented by Dr. Barry Hong and Rev. Marc D. Smith

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 in-



formal and focus on the issues which the participants deem important.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Joseph Milner, 314977-7305 or milnerjv@slu.edu

Invitation to Surviving Divorce

"I'm furious. What can I do with this anger?" "If God is good, why did He allow this divorce?" "Why does it hurt so much?" Find the answers to these questions and more in a new ministry to Catholics who have suffered from divorce: The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide.

The 12-week DVD program features Catholic experts who present Church teaching along with lay men and women who share their challenges on the way to true healing. Immaculate Conception Parish – Dardenne is hosting the program beginning January 10, 2019.

There is a \$25 fee which will cover all materials needed. (Scholarships are available for anyone). Contact Debi at debijo@att.net for more information.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: sfxstl.org

Check the website for online bulletins (current and archived), homilies, upcoming presiders, a link to daily readings, our calendar & information about upcoming events!

White House Retreat

The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola is the manual for discerning how God is calling us to follow Him. The "White House" Jesuit Retreat Center in South St. Louis County applies the Spiritual Exercises to our daily lives to develop our faith, deepen our peace and increase our gratitude. You are personally invited to prayerfully consider joining a group of men from our parish to make a retreat at the "White House", February 7th-10th.



The Epiphany of the Lord

The beauty of the natural setting, the prayer and liturgies and the comfort of the accommodations combine to make this a spiritually renewing and rewarding experience. Reservations can be made online at www.whretreat.org or please call David Schnelt (314-791-0227), John Hartung (314-918-1950), John Webster (636-394-2770) or Deacon Jim Griffard (314-619-5700).







College Church Tours

Our wonderful College Church Docents would be happy to offer tours of our beautiful 176 year old Church.

Please contact Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or email church@slu.edu with a date and time to schedule a tour for your group.

College Church Seminars Sundays 9:15 to 10:15 am in the Adult Faith Room

Open seminar meetings on the Infancy Narratives in chapters one and two of Matthew and Luke. College Course-like meetings but no tests or homework QUESTIONS LIKE:

Are these stories historical facts? Or are they just symbolic stories? Was Jesus really born in Bethlehem? Do Matthew and Luke contradict each other? Was there ever a universal census? Were all Bethlehem

children killed? Why weren't Mary and Jesus' family disciples of Jesus before his Resurrection? Why did they think that he was crazy? ANSWERS LIKE: The true messages of the Infancy stories. The real meaning of Virginal Conception of Mary. The evolution of the gospels' understanding of who Jesus was. What saying Jesus is the Son of God means. What the real meanings of Magi and Shepherds and other details are. For further information, contact Dr. Nichols at nicholfw@slu.edu. Bringing a Bible is desirable but not essential



Bulletin Articles

email bulletin articles to bulletin@sfxstl.org.

JUST FAITH @ COLLEGE CHURCH & THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY PROJECT OF ST. LOUIS

invite you to a special presentation by Ann Rotermund, Senior Director of Mental Health Services at the St. Patrick Center (retired) and Delnita McGhaw as they describe the importance of Spirituality in Recovery and Homelessness

When: Wednesday, January 9th, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

Where: The Adult Faith Room of the Parish Center, St. Francis Xavier College Church

3628 Lindell Blvd. (Free Parking is available in the Laclede Ave garage)

A free will donation will be taken to support the mission work of the Ignatian Spirituality Project in St. Louis

Go to ispretreats.org for more information about this vital mission.



With All We Are: Mission, Purpose & Information
Saturday, February 2, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Check-in at 8:30am / Lunch is included
Mercy Conference and Retreat Center
2039 North Geyer Rd 63131 * mercycenterstl.org

Join us for this day of reflection intended for those who have a role of service and leadership in an agency, school, family or ministry.

Through the application of an easily-remembered framework, attendees will learn how to:

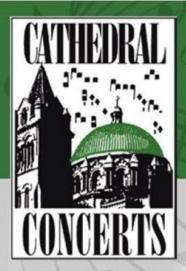
- Clarify and align the mission of organizations, large and small
- Apply several simple models for leading change in groups
- Serve in a leadership role with optimism and without resentment
- Understand the meaning of "calling" in our lives.

The day will consist of presentations, discussion, and time for prayer and reflection. Cost: \$60



Facilitated by Don Eggleston, MEd, M.Div., is the author of a book by the same title as this program. Don's background is in Mission Leadership in Catholic healthcare and he holds a Certificate in Leadership of Organizational and Social Change from Case Western University. Please register by Noon on Jan. 28 online at mercycenterstl.org

October Offertory Report						
_	Oct. 7	Oct. 14	Oct. 21	Oct. 28	Total	Budget
Offertory: Envelopes	\$6,090	\$6,700	\$2,220	\$5,011	\$20,021	\$18,610
Offertory: On-Line	\$4,130	\$6,065	\$5,005	\$7,245	\$22,445	\$21,335
Offertory: Loose Cash	\$1,205	\$1,570	\$1,000	\$900	\$4,675	\$4,910
Offertory: Holy Day	\$0	\$0	\$275	\$0	\$275	\$60
TOTALS	\$11,425	\$14,335	\$8,500	\$13,156	\$47,141	\$44,855



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An Evening of Contemporary Gospel featuring the North City Deanery Choir Friday, January 18, 2019 8 PM
Free and Open to the Public



An Evening of Sacred Music featuring
Dello Thedford & The Gospel Symphonic Choir
Friday, January 25, 2019 8 PM
Free and Open to the Public



An Evening with American Spiritual Ensemble Friday, February 1, 2019 8 PM Tickets: S42, S29 and S19

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YOU ARE THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Sometimes the Washington DC office numbers of our members of Congress are busy. Here are their local office phone numbers:

Sen. Roy Blunt: 314-725-4484

Sen. Josh Hawley

Rep. Lacy Clay (MO 1st District): 314-367-1970

Rep. Ann Wagner (MO 2nd District): 636-779-5449

White House Comment line https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/

Eucharistic Ministers Needed VA and SLU Hospital

Veterans' Administration Healthcare and St Louis University Hospital are both in need of persons who can bring the Eucharist to patients at their locations. This is a ministry that assists people in their healing process and feeds the minister's heart and soul as well.

VA- ministers are needed to take Communion on Sundays. Volunteers would be scheduled on a rotating basis, and serve no more than monthly. SLU – Scheduling would be flexible: daily, weekly or every other week.

If interested, please contact: SLU: Pastoral Care Department – 314-577-8066 or Chaplain Tom Sanger or Administrative Asst Alice Kim; VA: Chaplain Stu King 314-894-6566.

Mercy Center Opportunities

Time of Quiet Prayer for Immigrants and Refugees:

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:00 pm. We invite all to join us in quiet prayer for Immigrants and Refugees. Mercy Center Chapel.

For more information, contact Cathy Modde at 314-909-4646 or email modde@mercycenter stl.org.

Presiders

December 29 & 30, 2018,

Saturday

5:30 pm Fr. White S.J.

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. White, S.J.

10:30 am Fr. White, S.J.

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

Janauary 6 & 7, 2019

Saturday

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

Sunday

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

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

SAVE THE DATE!Spring 2019 Dialogues

Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 Presenter: Rhodora Beaton, Ph.D.

Topic: "Encountering God: Sacraments and

Sacramentality in Everyday Life"

Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Presenter: Tom Bushlack, Ph.D.

Topic: "Mindful Discernment: Contemplative Prayer for Developing Practical Wisdom"

Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Presenter: Sr. Carla Mae Streeter, OP

Topic: "Straight Talk Today about the Real

God"

Time: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Cost: \$25 - lunch included

Location: Il Monastero Banquet Center, 3050

Olive, St. Louis, MO 63103

For more information, contact Diane Henderson at 314-256-8856 or henderson@ai.edu

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