

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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October 13th, 2019 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm Anticipation of Sunday

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

<u>Monday - Friday</u> 7:15 am, Noon & 5:15 pm 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: Saturday: 10:45 am through Noon 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 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.

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

<u>Youth Faith Formation</u>: Available for Pre-K 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@sfxstl.org for more information.

<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.

<u>Safe Environment Program Compliance</u> contact Terry Edelmann at terry@sfxstl.org.

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PRAY FOR THE SICK

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The care of creation is not simply the most important political, economic and cultural issue the world faces. It could be the most significant religious and spiritual issue we face as well.

There is simply no way to offer a thorough reflection on the topic in a 250 word column for our bulletin. But I want from time to time to offer what I hope are ways we can wrestle with the issues from a faith perspective.

Consider the term "progress". This typically means for us "more". Whether that is wealth or highways or internet access or the GNP or faster delivery service, progress is conceived of as expanding our limits. Progress is about infinite possibilities and resources that can be utilized to make everything better.

The harsh truth of the matter is that there are very real limits. Creation is finite, and at a certain point it can be damaged irreparably. There is enormous push-back against this notion, of course, yet that hardly changes the reality.

This is not easy to accept when we have been so conditioned to think otherwise. Here is where our faith is essential. We believe that everything is gift from God. Christian progress is growing in love of God and of our neighbor. That value guides everything else we do.

That is human flourishing. That is the "more" we should pursue. If progress is understood as being better stewards of God's creation and greater solidarity with all people, we will be much better off.

Mystagogy anyone?

Have you been wanting to go deeper into the Mystery of how the liturgy and its scriptures impact our daily life and struggles? Join us for the *Dialogue with the Word* which meets on Sundays, 9:30 - 10:20 am from September 8 to June 14 in the Ignatius Room, main floor of the Pastoral Center. Facilitators are Lea Koesterer, Steve Gilbert, and Carla Mae Streeter, OP. For more information, contact Carla Mae at Aquinas Institute of Theology, 314-256-8882 or streeter@slu.edu.

Donut Sunday

Today is Donut Sunday in the ballroom! Please stop by after either the 8:00 am or 10:30 am Masses.





Second Grade Families in the Offertory Procession

You will notice some new faces participating in the Offertory Procession this Fall. We have invited our second grade families to bring down the gifts at some of our 10:30 Masses as a way of introducing them to the Parish community. Our second grade class is deep in preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. These events are opportunities for celebration not only for the child and the family, but for their entire parish family. The students are on an important faith journey and we want them to know

they have the parish with them as they progress toward these important days.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick continues the ministry of Jesus through the church in offering strength, healing, and renewal to all who are sick, who are preparing for surgery, or who have experienced the diminishment of life through advancing age.

It is available individually throughout the year to anyone who is in need. Each fall and spring, the College Church celebrates it communally over a weekend. Next weekend, October 20 and 21, at the 5:30 mass on Saturday and 8:00 and 10:30 masses on Sunday, the sacrament will be offered after the homily. If you or someone you know would benefit from prayer for healing and strength, please plan to attend.

The College Church Seminar has begun! Each Sunday, Adult Faith Room, 9:15 am, all welcome, any time.

New Testament Apocrypha

That is, pious- or semi-Christian writings that never made it into the New Testa-

ment, some secret, some popular: like Gospels of the Nazareans, of Thomas, of Peter, of Mary, of Truth; Second Treatise of the Great Seth; Acts of Thecla, of Peter; Correspondence of Paul and Seneca; The Didache; Letter of Paul to the Laodiceans; Shepherd of Hermas, Hymn of the Pearl, and many, many more, as far as we can get to. Helps understand sources of some popular Christian stories. The New Testament itself never looked so good!

Not required, but helpful to give Dr. Nichols your e-mail address so he can send info: nicholfw@slu.edu.

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 would like to be trained as a Eucharistic Minister, please contact Sister Carolyn. A training will be held on October 17th from 3:30-5:00 pm.

Bulletin Articles

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





Pastoral Care Ministry, St Francis Xavier College Church

The Pastoral Care Ministry at St Francis Xavier College Church has been active for many years. Its size, scope of service and leadership have varied across these years. What has not varied is the deep commitment of those parishioners who volunteer to serve in its mission, who are in fact its very ground and heart. The ministry has been enriched by a long history of competent and compassionate leaders, most recently Jane Conrad. Mary Beth Erickson, in her years as Director of Parish Life, played an invaluable role in facilitating communication between parishioners and the parish office.

This past July, in anticipation of stepping down from her leadership role, Jane Conrad partnered with Bridget Brennan and other interested parishioners to identify areas of pastoral need, reviewing existing services and brainstorming new ones. The meetings were quite productive; new volunteers have joined the ministry and numerous suggestions were generated relative to service, particular groups in need, etc. Because the largest demographic of our parish is aging adults, the needs of this group must be an integral focus of our parish.

Below are the four areas in which Pastoral Ministry will minister:

I. Companionship in Prayer

•Pray for all parishioners, especially those on the prayer list. This will include a Shared Prayer opportunity on the 2nd (after 8:00 mass) and 4th (after 10:30 mass) Sundays before the Blessed Sacrament Altar.

•Standardize process for personal contact with those on prayer list

•Support those experiencing life transitions: aging, job loss, divorce, retirement, pregnancy loss

2. Companionship with the Sick, the Dying and the Bereaved

•Provide home visits, prayer, Eucharist as needed

- •Facilitate reception of Sacrament of Sick
- •Help coordinate the annual Mass of Remembrance

•Provide access to necessary resources (grief groups/literature/organizations etc)

3. Care of the homebound

•Provide home visits, prayer, Eucharist as needed

4. Assist with transportation to and from Church

Pastoral Care Ministry will also address:

•<u>Education -</u>Organize and offer presentations/lectures/panel discussions on pertinent topics, such as aging, illness, death, bereavement, childhood grief, advance care planning, palliative care, etc.

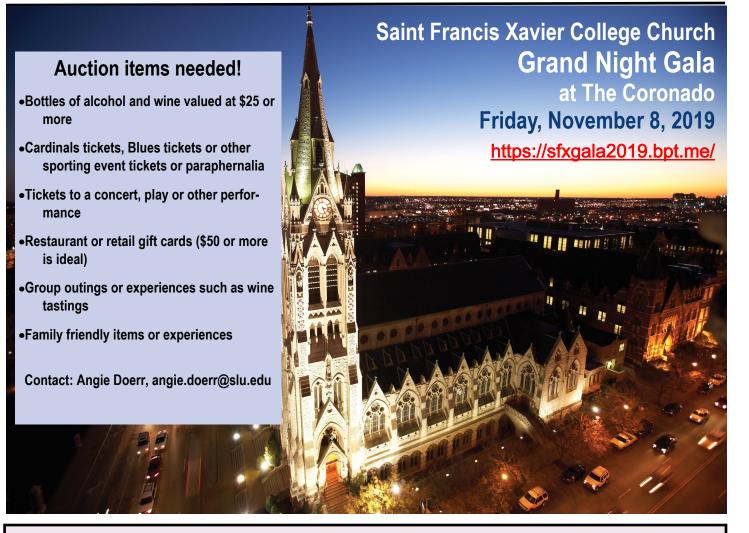
•<u>Collaboration -</u> Work with community organizations which provide relevant services for parishioners' needs, e.g. Alzheimers Association, Care Giver Support, Grief Support Groups (including children's grief).

If you or a loved one needs any of the above services, or if you would like to volunteer to assist, please contact Bridget Brennan at 314-435-0299 or pastoralministrysfx@gmail.com.

Look for more information in upcoming bulletins for the SHARED PRAYER offering.

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Anti-Racism Focus Group Summary Conversations After Masses this weekend, October 12th-13th

When: This weekend, October 12th-13th after the Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:00am, and Sunday 10:30am Masses

Where: College Church Ballroom

What: Discussion on our Anti-Racism Focus Groups Summary: What does this tell us? Where do we go from here?

Background:

This past fall, many members of our College Church community participated in anti-racism focus groups to share feedback on the state of racism and racial justice work in our parish and our wider communities. The College Church Anti-Racism Team conducted 19 focus group meetings this past spring with our parish community, receiving feedback from approximately 178 participants. The Anti-Racism Team has summarized the responses and organized them into the focus group summary that you will receive today (also available in electronic format on our website). Whether or not you had a chance to participate in a focus group, please join us to process the summary and engage in next steps.

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SOCIAL MINISTRY



Learn about our Sister Parish: St. Peter Claver in Punta Gorda, Belize

WHEN: Sunday, October 27th after both the 8:00 and 10:30 am Masses WHERE: Xavier Ballroom (coffee, donuts & juice provided) Contact: christine@sfxstl.org or (314) 977-7309



After our visit last summer, College Church began a sister parish relationship with St. Peter Claver in Punta Gorda, Belize. Become a part of College Church's hopes for global understanding and outreach as we explore and share in the culture, education and parish life of the people of St. Peter Claver & Punta Gorda. We will also share updates on our sister parish relationship and how you can get involved.

Sponsored by the Fair Trade/Sister Parish committee of College Church.

Take Action for Justice: Join College Church's Medicaid Expansion team

Missed the training? You can still get involved! Contact Christine at (314) 977-7309 or christine@sfxstl.org if you would like to join the Medicaid Expansion team.



Background:

The Affordable Care Act provides states the opportunity to expand Medicaid coverage, and 36 states have expanded. Missouri is one of the 14 states that have not expanded Medicaid. In the absence of action by the Missouri legislature, Metropolitan Congregations United and other organizations are working to qualify a constitutional amendment for Medicaid Expansion for the November 2020 Missouri ballot by gathering signatures on a petition. More info at <u>healthcareformissouri.org</u>



What We Have Seen and Heard: Black Catholic Heritage in St. Louis A Panel Discussion

When: Sunday, November 3rd from 12-1:30pm (after the 10:30 Mass) Where: College Church Ballroom

Did you know November is Black Catholic History Month? Please join us after the 10:30 Mass for a panel discussion highlighting our local St. Louis Black Catholic heritage.

First we'll hear an overview of this local history from parishioner Winnie Sullivan, who will also moderate the panel. We will then be joined by panelists who will share their experiences and perspectives on Black Catholic history in St. Louis.

Refreshments will be provided. Contact Christine with any questions at 977-7309 or christine@sfxstl.org.



Day of Reflection for Newly Married Couples

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church is having a retreat day for couples married in the past five years. It will be an opportunity to reflect upon the joys and challenges of your first years of marriage. There will be an opportunity for learning more skills for success, and a panel of peers sharing their stories. Couples will have time to reflect together.

The event will be on Saturday, November 16th 2019 at the Sisters of St. Joseph Carondelet Motherhouse in St. Louis. The address is 6400 Minnesota Ave St. Louis, MO.

The day begins at 9:30 am and concludes at 4 pm with Mass, including the renewal of marriage vows. Cost is \$25 per couple, which includes lunch. Join us afterwards for a chance to socialize just down the street at Perennial Brewery.

> Register for the event here <u>https://sfxstl.org/marriage-reflection</u> Contact Fr. Dan White, SJ if you have questions at <u>frdan@sfxstl.org</u>

Parish Life Commission Looking for More Members

The Parish Life Commission is responsible for planning many of our parish activities, like our recent Xavier Days. We meet once a month on the second Sunday in the ballroom after the 8:00 am Mass. For more information, please call Katie Jansen Larson at 314-977-1954.



Young Adults: Join us for our October Tap into Faith with Sr. Renita Brummer

When: Tuesday, October 22nd from 7-9pm

Where: Urban Chestnut Brewing Company, Midtown location (3229 Washington Ave, 63103)

Join Ignatian Young Adults for the next Tap Into Faith as we continue our series on the Jesuit Universal Apostolic Preferences. We welcome back Sr. Renita Brummer, who is the Minister General Sister of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. She will be sharing with us Pope Francis's passion for caring for our common home as we faithfully consider our response to environmental crisis.

All young adults aged 21-39 are welcome to attend!

Aging America: Coping with Loss, Dying and Death in Later Life

When: Sunday, October 20th from noon 1:30 after the 10:30 Mass
Who: Hospice Foundation of America (HFA) webinar
Where: Ballroom of St. Francis Xavier

College Church

The Pastoral Care Committee has invited Kristen Errnst from Baue Funeral Home to share this webinar with us.

America is aging at a rapid rate with 10,000 people in the US turning 65 every day. Medicare is expected to include 80 million enrollees by 2040. How can mental health professionals, healthcare providers, clergy, bereavement specialists and the wider community support the growing number of aging Americans through their losses, grief and healthcare challenges in later life?

Please bring a fruit and/or vegetable dish for the gathering before the presentation.

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, November 7, 2019



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HONORING:

Reverend Charles Bouchard, O.P.

Senior Director, Theology & Sponsorship Catholic Health Association of the United States

AND

Reverend Craig Holway Pastor, St. Joan of Arc Parish, St. Louis

The Cedars 939 Lebanon Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 5:45 pm – Cocktails and Dinner

All proceeds to benefit the Aquinas Institute of Theology Preaching and Scholarship Fund

FOR EVENT INFORMATION AND TO PURCHASE TICKETS, VISIT: ai.edu/GPA2019

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.

Belize 2020

College Church Social Ministry Americorps VISTA Communications Development	Presider's Schedule
Specialist position open	October 12th & 13th, 2019
This one-year, full time Ameri- corps VISTA position will start on November 12, 2019 and will focus on both internal and external communications for St. Francis Xavier's direct service pro- grams, especially the ID and birth certificate program.	Saturday 5:30 pm Fr. Mercier, S.J. Sunday 8:00 am Fr. White, S.J. 10:30 am Fr. White, S.J.
To apply by October 21st, please visit: https://tinyurl.com/y5grbuko	<u>October 19th & 20th, 2019</u>
Questions? Contact Christine at <u>christine@sfxstl.org</u> or (314) 977-7309	Saturday 5:30 pm Fr. Tueth, S.J. Sunday 8:00 am Fr. White, S.J. 10:30 am Fr. Baugh, S.J. 4:30 pm Fr. Baugh, S.J.

Belize 2020 Trivia Night Join us for a trivia night to benefit our Jesuit works in Belize!

Saturday, October 19th at 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:00 pm)

Si Commons, Saint Louis University High School 4970 Oakland Ave, St. Louis, MO 63110 (Free parking available)

\$25 per person for tables up to 8

Cash prizes for top trivia competitors (1st & 2nd place) Beer, wine, soda and bottled water provided (no coolers allowed) Bring your own snacks

To purchase tickets online: www.belize2020.org/trivianight or contact Arlene at kulade5@yahoo.com or 314-623-0412

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