

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

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October 20th, 2019 Twenty-ninth 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, 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: 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.

Youth Faith Formation: 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.

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

And Joshua mowed down Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword. This is the last sentence of our first reading from Exodus. The lector then proclaims, "The word of the Lord", and we respond, "Thanks be to God".

Does that make anyone else feel a bit uneasy? Are we really thanking God for the Israelites mowing down human beings with the sword? Doesn't this fit perfectly the whole notion that the bible is simply one long description of a vengeful, blood-thirsty God who exists to smite our enemies?

Well, no. Scripture and our understanding of it are far more complex than a single line yanked out of context. But at the same time that line and many others like it are not uncommon. They are part of the Bible. It is also not helpful to state that is the God of the Old Testament while we worship the God of the New Testament. God did not change in the few intervening centuries.

Our Catholic faith provides a way forward because of the understanding of Scripture and tradition. The Bible is God's word but always understood through the faith community, i.e. tradition. The Church interprets Scripture through the person of Jesus Christ. We are not believers in a book, but in a person.

Therefore, we see everything through the lens of the Good News of Jesus Christ. That is the measure that guides our lives.

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.

Next Sunday, October 27th, there will be shared prayer after the 10:30 Mass.

We will gather in the north transept near the tabernacle. Feel free to join us to pray together for any special needs you may have.

Anointing of the Sick

The **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick** will take place this weekend at the 5:30, 8:00 and 10:30 Masses. The special graces of God in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can have these effects in those who open their hearts to God's healing power:

- uniting of the sick person to Jesus in his sufferings
- strengthening, peace, and courage to endure the sufferings of illness or old age
- forgiveness of sins if the person has the need
 - possible restoration of health
- **the loving support and comfort of the community**

Following the homily, the assembly **prays** for those to be anointed. Those who are near them can **hold their hand or place a hand on their shoulder** during the prayer. The priests will then come down the aisles to anoint those who wish to receive the sacrament. Please stay at your pew. Those who are able should **step out into the aisle** next to their pew. Those who are unable to stand may **remain in their seat and raise a hand** as the priest comes down the aisle.

You will be anointed on your forehead and the palms of your hands with the words:

Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. Res: Amen

May the Lord who frees you from sin, save you and raise you up. Res: Amen

***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 Testament, 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.



November- Month of Prayer for the Faithful Departed

On November 1 , **Feast of All Saints** we thank God for and celebrate all the saints, living and deceased, canonized and not, whose lives have borne witness to their discipleship and provide us with example and inspiration. Masses will be held at 7:00 am in the chapel, and at noon and 5:15 in the church.



On November 2 we celebrate the **Feast of All Souls**. The Church has a long-standing and beautiful practice of praying for the dead. Jesus prayed that he “should not lose anything of what (the Father) gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day”. Those who have died may still be in that process of purification that we have termed purgatory. Bolstered by our belief in the communion of saints, and as a way to keep them close to us, we surround them with our love and prayers as they transition into the fullness of life and love. Praying for the dead reminds us that death is not the end, but rather the beginning of a new life in God.

On November 2 we will have our annual **Mass of Remembrance** for those who have died in the past year. It will be held at 10:30 am in the chapel, followed by a simple reception in the ballroom. All are welcome.

We will continue our prayerful remembrance of our deceased loved ones throughout the month of November. This year we will have a **shrine area** set up with pictures of our loved ones and candles which will stay burning. If you would like to bring a picture of your loved one to be placed in this area, please bring it the weekend of Oct 27th. Be sure to have the name of the person as well as your name on the back so that we can return it to you at the end of the month. Our **Book of Remembrance** will be there as well, and you are welcome to add the names of those whom you would like us to pray for throughout the month.

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



Bulletin Articles

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

Join us for our

GRAND NIGHT GALA & AUCTION

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

AT THE CORONADO BALLROOM

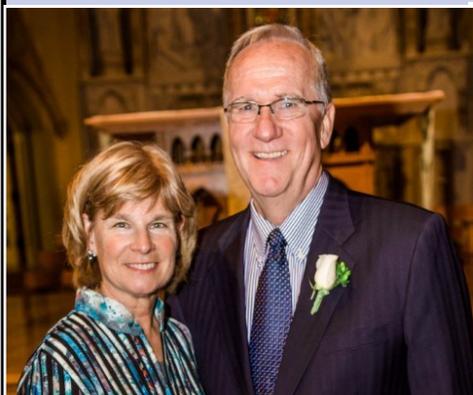


Tickets are now on sale online at
<https://sfxgala2019.bpt.me/>

This is our parish's largest fundraiser of the year. It is a fun evening as well as a vital source of revenue for our ministries and parish. For the first time we will be honoring a group of parishioners who help us to find God in all things through their witness of faith and leadership.

We are excited to honor
Steve and Mary Frank, Tom and Dale Auffmanberg and Marty and Susie Lenihan
 with our new *Companions of St. Ignatius* award.

Please join us for this great night and celebration!!
 For more info contact Angie at angie.doerr@slu.edu



We are Grateful!

A huge thank you to the many people who made materials for our YFF program over the past few months. We could not do this work without your help. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us!

Christina Ryan
 Elise Webster
 Christin Roskos
 Maribeth Mees

Grace Ebenhoh
 Kay Barnes
 Rita DeRuntz
 Patricia Chavez

Dave Ebenhoh
 Carol Stanton
 Stefani Weeden-Smith



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.

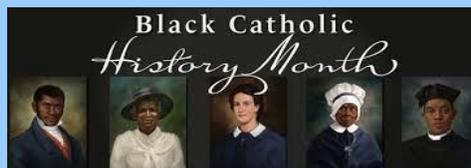
Take Action for Justice: Join College Church's Medicaid Expansion team

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 healthcareformissouri.org



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.



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

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!

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

When: Today, 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



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.



Xavier Days October 4th, 2019

Thank you to everyone who came out for a wonderful evening! A good time was had by all!

Presider's Schedule

October 19th & 20th, 2019

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.

October 26th & 27th, 2019

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



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