



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

3628 Lindell Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63108



November 10th, 2019
Thirty-second 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@sfxstl.org

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 sfxstl.org/parishioner-registration or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions, contact Katie Jansen Larson at katie@sfxstl.org

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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 to add or remove names.**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



The calendar year and the liturgical year share little in common. But there are moments when it can be helpful to look at them together. The month of November is such an occasion.

November is chock-full of wonderful feast days of saints. This month reveals the richness of our belief in the communion of saints. We begin with the feast of All Saints, and the variety, diversity and uniqueness of the holy ones we celebrate continues for thirty days.

There are wise Church leaders like Charles Borromeo and Pope Leo the Great. Margaret of Scotland and Elizabeth of Hungary were powerful royal women who sought compassion and justice for the poor. We celebrate Cecilia the patron saint of music, and the apostle Andrew. Martin of Tours turned his back on the Roman army to embrace the faith, while Martin de Porres was a bi-racial Dominican brother whose simple acts of kindness were legendary in his home of Lima, Peru. There is even a local connection with the feast day of Rose Philippine Duchesne. And many more!

Our relationship to the holy men and women who have gone before us is one the most distinctive features of Catholicism. This great cloud of witnesses are models and guides, friends and companions in faith. They remind us of the gifts of the Spirit manifest in so many ways among so many people for the good of all.

Donut Sunday



We have had to cancel Donut Sunday today because of another event in the ballroom. Our next Donut Sunday will be December 8th. Please stop by after either the 8:00 am or 10:30 am Masses.

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.

Welcome to the College Church!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: Sing With all the Saints in Glory

Gather 539

Glory to God: Glendalough Mass

Gather 261

Dismissal of the Children (10:30):

Gather 324

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Responsorial Psalm 17: Lord, When your Glory Appears

Gather 1187

Gospel Acclamation: Glendalough Mass

Gather 262

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts: (10:30): This Alone

Timothy Manion

*Eucharistic Prayer Acclamations: Glendalough Mass**Gather 263, 264 , 267*

COMMUNION RITE

*Breaking of the Bread: Lamb of God**Gather 269**Communion Song: On Eagle's Wings**Gather 691**Meditation (10:30): In The Shadow of Your Wings**Gather 795*

CONCLUDING RITE

*Recessional Song: We Shall Rise Again**Gather 871*

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SOCIAL MINISTRY

Xavier Winter Inn Volunteers Needed!

Every winter St. Francis Xavier College Church hosts a Winter Inn, offering emergency shelter to those who need it on **Wednesday and Thursday nights** when the temperature falls below 20 degrees. From **December through February**, an all-volunteer crew runs Winter Inn, providing guests with a warm bed, hot meal, and hospitality on nights **when temperatures drop below 20 degrees.**



Contribute to a joyful and essential service! Volunteer positions include:

◇ Set-up Crew ◇ Greeters/ Hosts ◇ Dinner Cooks ◇ Innkeepers ◇ Cleaners ◇ Laundry Drivers ◇

Want to learn more? **New Volunteers:** Sign up for a fun *and* mandatory training on **10:30 am, Saturday November 16th** or **6:30 pm, Thursday November 21st**

To SIGN UP à <http://bit.ly/WinterInn> or email Tess Sanders at outreach@sfxstl.org if you can't make those dates.

Returning Volunteers: Woohoo! Welcome back. Be on the lookout for an email with opportunities to sign-up to volunteer this winter.

Donations Needed: For more information or to donate winter hats, gloves, scarves, new socks and underwear, please contact Tess Sanders at outreach@sfxstl.org.

Thank you for providing shelter and cheer to those who need it!

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.

Shared Prayer

“For whenever two or three are gathered together in my name, I am in their midst” (Mt 18:20). The Pastoral Care Committee would like to provide opportunities for parishioners to come together in prayer for the persons listed on the “Sick List” in our weekly bulletin, as well as for other personal needs. There is definitely peace and comfort that comes from sharing prayer together. Please join us on the **2nd Sunday of the month after the 8:00 Mass** and on the **4th Sunday of the month after the 10:30 Mass** at the Blessed Sacrament Altar. In Shared Prayer groups, confidentiality is of utmost importance and what is said in shared prayer remains in the group. This allows all participating to relax and open their hearts in prayer, knowing the group will be holding up their intentions then and throughout the coming days.

Youth Singers and Instrumentalists Needed for Christmas

We are gathering names of young people who would like to be involved as singers or instrumentalists for our Christmas Eve 4:30 Mass. Practices will be held on the three Saturdays in December: December 7th and 14th from 9-10 am and December 21st from 9-10:30 am. Children need to be in the third grade or higher. If your child would like to participate, please contact Sr. Carolyn at Carolyn.mcwatters@slu.edu no later than November 27th.

Thank you!

Thanks to all of you who supported the gala in any way!
 It was a wonderful, successful event.

See you again in two years!

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

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.

Bulletin Articles

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

The Priesthood of the Faithful – Part I

The liturgical renewal mandated by Vatican II has resulted in a renewed understanding of the prayer of the mass and its centrality to our lives of faith, and of the role of each baptized person in its celebration. This renewal has occurred due to faith-filled, well-informed, committed assemblies. Those assemblies, such as ours here at College Church, enter into the prayer of the Mass with the “full, conscious and active participation” called for by the Council documents. This participation is rightly ours by virtue of our baptismal consecration as a “**royal priesthood**” – **the priesthood of the faithful**. This is perhaps a concept few people are aware of.



What is this *priesthood of the faithful*? Historically the role of the priest was to stand in the place of the people and offer the proscribed sacrifices to God on their behalf. He served as the mediator between God and the people. After Jesus’ death and resurrection Jesus was seen by the Christian community as the great High Priest – the one who completed and fulfilled the obligation to offer sacrifices by giving the supreme sacrifice of his own life, after which no further sacrifices were needed.

Baptism claimed us for Christ, joining us to him in an indissoluble bond. We have become part of him, members of his Body. The gift of Jesus’ life in total love is an eternal, ongoing NOW reality. Jesus continues his eternal self-gift to the Father. When we gather on Sunday we are consciously uniting ourselves with him in offering ourselves to the Father – as “spiritual sacrifices pleasing to God” (1 Pt 2:5) – a **priesthood of the faithful** (*to be continued*).

College Church Legacy Society

As we celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord, it is an opportunity to reflect on the legacy of his time on this earth and how it sustains us every day of our lives. This reflection can lead us to think about our own life and legacy. Each one of us is a ripple on the pond of life reflected in those others whose lives we have touched. In a tangible way I know that there are those of you who have provided for a financial legacy that benefits the College Church.

We would like to recognize that legacy and thank those individuals who have included the College Church in their estate plans. We are establishing a College Church Legacy Society for this purpose and are asking those of you who have made these plans to let us know who you are so we can extend our thanks in a fun and tangible way. Please go to our website <https://sfxstl.org/legacy-society>. Information and plans about the future of this group, as well as information on estate giving, will be coming in the future.

SIMPLIFY YOUR LIFE

AND HELP OUT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER COLLEGE CHURCH

Do you have trouble remembering to write that check before you come to Mass? Do snowy Sundays, vacations and Summer holidays make you feel a little of that Catholic guilt when your weekly contribution doesn’t get made? Online giving is a great way to make your life easier and provide a consistent, predictable revenue stream for our church. Thank you for all your support through offertory giving!

Access Online Giving:

Go to sfxstl.org. Click on the blue bar at the very top of the webpage.

For assistance setting up or making changes to your online giving, please call (800) 348-2886.

Fair Trade Christmas Market

St. Francis Xavier College Church

*Shop for beautiful and unique hand-crafted items,
plus coffees, teas, and chocolates*

Sunday, December 8th

9:00AM-1:00PM



**College Church Ballroom
3620 Lindell Blvd**

Vendors (including new vendors this year!)

**SFX Fair Trade, Zee Bee Market,
Plowsharing Crafts, Partners for Just Trade,
The Bridge Market, Forai,
Noonday Collection and Xavier Books**

*Proceeds will benefit
our Belizean Sister Parish of St. Peter Claver*

Soup, cornbread, cookies
coffee, cider, tea, hot chocolate available
(good will offering appreciated)

Raffle tickets available for 50/50 and raffle baskets!

Black Catholic History Month



Presider's Schedule

November 9th & 10th, 2019

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

November 16th & 17th, 2019

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

In 1990 the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus of the United States designated November as Black Catholic History Month in order to recognize the long history and proud heritage of black Catholics. It is an opportunity to reflect on the contributions of so many who served the church from its earliest days. This year, we will be sharing the stories and the legacy of black Catholics in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. We celebrate the many ways our Catholic community has been enriched and continues to be blessed through these lives of faith and service.

The Oblate Sisters of Providence

The Oblate Sisters of Providence were founded in 1829 by Mother Mary Lange, OSP and Father James Hector Joubert, SS in Baltimore, Maryland, with a central ministry of educating black children. It is the first successful Roman Catholic sisterhood in the world established by women of African descent and continues to this day to be primarily women of color. In October 1880 Reverend Mother Louise Noel, Mother Superior of the order, and three companions arrived in St. Louis to run the black Catholic school associated with St. Elizabeth's Parish. The school grew and flourished under the Sisters' leadership; upon their arrival in St. Louis, the parish opened a separate school building for the first time, later expanding again to move to a new, larger building.

One notable local Oblate Sister of Providence was Sister Mary Wilhelmina, who grew up wanting to become a nun. Originally from St. Louis, Sr. Wilhelmina spent many of her years teaching in Archdioceses across the United States, including St. Louis. In 1995, she left the Oblate Sisters of Providence to co-found the Benedictines of Mary, Queen of Apostles in Pennsylvania. Sr. Wilhelmina passed away earlier this year and her legacy lives on in both the Oblate Sisters of Providence and the Benedictines of Mary, Queen of Apostles.

Photograph of Sister Mary Wilhelmina from *The Catholic Key Online* article found at <https://catholickey.org/2019/06/06/sister-mary-wilhelmina/>

For additional information, please look under Social Ministry/Race & Reconciliation on the SFX website: <https://sfxstl.org/race-reconciliation>

Openings on the SFX Pastoral Council

The St. Francis Xavier (College) Church Pastoral Council is a group composed of the pastor and twelve active, adult parishioners who meet regularly to deliberate, reflect, and make decisions on a variety of issues related to the operations, programming, and spiritual life of the parish. The Pastoral Council provides support and direction to the various parish Commissions and Committees, and is generally charged with making sure that all activities support the parish’s Mission.

There will be four openings on the Pastoral Council starting in January 2020. Council members serve for a three-year term with the option to serve a second term. The group meets one Saturday morning per month, and also participates actively in various special events throughout the year. A parishioner may nominate another parishioner or nominate himself/herself.

PROCESS

Nominees will be asked to submit a short statement explaining their interest in serving on the Council answering the following three questions: (1) What has drawn you to SFX College Church, and what are your hopes for the future of the parish? (2) What background and experience, either professional, personal, or as a parishioner, would you bring to the Council and how would you apply it? (3) Can you commit to regular attendance and participation at Council meetings and, from time to time, assisting with special projects or events?

Fr. Dan will meet with each nominee to discern with the council whether or not the nominee would be a good fit.

CURRENT LEADERSHIP

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Liturgy Commission: Sr. Sherri Coleman

Parish Life Commission: Carla Bolland

Social Ministry Commission: Christina Greiner

Youth Faith Commission: Aimee Wittman



If you are interested in serving, would like to nominate another parishioner, or would just like more information, please contact
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