



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

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December 29th, 2019 Feast of the Holy Family

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 jaerickson31@gmail.com 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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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



The flight into Egypt occurs only in Matthew's Gospel. Joseph flees with Mary and the baby Jesus to escape the murderous intentions of Herod. The family takes refuge in a foreign land to be safe from his fearful vengeance.

It is not the first time Egypt is place of safety for people in great danger. Recall in Genesis how Joseph is sold into slavery in Egypt escaping the violence of his brothers. He will later rise to power and welcome the people of Israel seeking relief from famine. It is there the people will be liberated from their bondage to become a great nation.

The story reminds us that from the very beginning Jesus is opposed by those who feel threatened by him, even as an infant. The Christmas story is not a feel-good nostalgia trip. It is a stark reminder that the coming of the Messiah disrupts the status quo. The light that comes into the world is to dispel the darkness.

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.

Welcome to the College Church!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Song: Awake, Awake

Gather 423

Glory to God: Mass of Creation

Gather 193

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128 Blessed Are They

Gather 86

Gospel Acclamation:

Barbara Bridge

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Intercessions' Response (10:30)*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts (10:30 a.m.): Infant Holy

Gather 445

Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Creation

Gather 198, 200, 202

COMMUNION RITE

Breaking of the Bread: Lamb of God

Gather 204

Communion Hymn: What Child is This

Gather 466

Communion Meditation (10:30 a.m.): Away in a Manger-

Gather 448

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Song: Go tell It on the Mountain

Gather 428

Do you long for a space to ask hard questions about race and privilege? JustFaith Ministries NEW module, ***Faith & Racial Equity: Exploring Power & Privilege*** is an eight week module that dives into specific issues related to power and privilege, including affirmative action; equal access to educational opportunities; racial disparity within the criminal justice system; and how to combat racism in our church, workplaces, and cities. The module will be offered here at College Church on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-9:00 pm beginning Jan. 21. **Registration is due by January 5!** For more information, see the website or contact Sister Carolyn - carolyn.mcwatters@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, 977-7305 or joseph.milner@slu.edu



College Church Will Host Part I of a Level I Training Course for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Next Summer!

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based approach to faith formation for children and has been a significant part of the Youth Faith Formation at College Church for over twenty years. The Archdiocese of St. Louis is sponsoring this course and the fees to participants are greatly reduced. Please consider joining us!

Please contact Julie Killian for more information at juliekillian4@gmail.com



The United States Association of
The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



January 1st Feast of Mary, Mother of God

Vigil Mass 5:15 pm in the Chapel and 10:30 am in the Chapel

Bulletin Articles

email bulletin articles to jaerickson31@gmail.com.
before Thursday at noon

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 **temperatures drop below 20 degrees**.

From **December through February**, an all-volunteer crew runs Winter Inn, providing guests with a warm bed, hot meal, and hospitality.



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: Email Tess Sanders at outreach@sfxstl.org or call 314.977.7311 to arrange a conversation.

Returning Volunteers: Woohoo! Welcome back. Email Tess and/or feel free to sign up for a “spot” in the coming weeks: bit.ly/WinterInnVolunteer to commit to the shifts you can work if/as we’re open.

Donations Needed: For more information or to donate winter hats, gloves, scarves, new socks and underwear, hot hands and feet, or travel size toiletries please contact Tess at outreach@sfxstl.org.

A New Daily Spiritual Resource

Local spiritual director, poet and artist, Clarence Heller, has recently launched A Piece of Goodness, a daily Twitter-length excerpt from one of his poems, with convenient access to the entire poem for those who wish to engage it. These messages are available through a daily email, a post on Facebook and Twitter. To view an archive of past posts or to subscribe, visit www.clarenceheller.com. The late David Fleming, SJ had this to say about Clarence’s first book, Everyday Sacred. “Everyday Sacred allows us to uncover the divine presence shining through our various worlds. These intimate poetic reflections and vibrant paintings take us through the everyday areas of nature, home, family, Jesus, communion, church, and the present moment, letting God invite us to wonder and to love. I strongly recommend savoring slowly the many marvelously rich nourishments here that each person can make his or her own.”



YOUNG ADULT WINTER RETREAT



**January 3-5, 2020
at White House Retreat**

**Directed by Fr. Mathew Baugh, SJ
with all new retreat content!**

\$100/person. whretreat.org/amdg 314-416-6400

SOCIAL MINISTRY

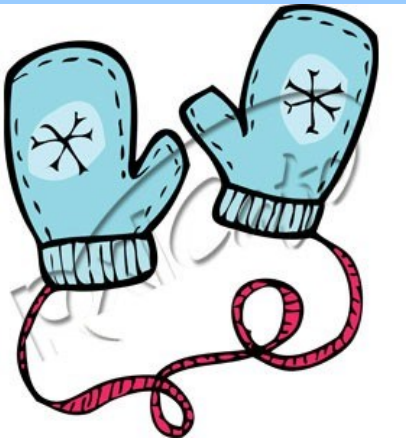


Thank you for your support of Social Ministry through the Annual Christmas Appeal and the Giving Tree!

We are so grateful for your generosity. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Save the Date for Hot Stuff: Saturday, January 25th, 2020



As the holidays approach and cold weather is upon us, please begin to save the following items for Hot Stuff:

- New underwear and socks
-New or gently used pants, winter hats, gloves, scarves, coats, blankets
-New or gently used shoes, belts
-Other warm clothing items

Keep an eye on the bulletin for a more detailed article with volunteer and food donation signups. Thank you for your generosity!

Volunteers Needed for New Outreach Program Role

What: Airtable data entry volunteers. Airtable is the processing software we use to look up whether or not guests have visited previously, enter new guests into the database, and check for eligibility.

When: Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays from 9-11am as part of our Outreach Program for ID and birth certificate assistance. You can choose which day(s) you volunteer, and how often.

Volunteers Needed



This exciting new role is perfect for a steady, detail-oriented introvert or extrovert who likes to work behind the scenes. If you are looking to do service that is straightforward and methodical, while still being an integral part of our ministry, this is the role for you. To learn more, email or call Tess Sanders at outreach@sfxstl.org or call at 314.977.7311.

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”, the evening of February 13th to the afternoon of the 16th. 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 John Hartung (314-918-1950) 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 Katie Jansen Larson at 314-977-1954 or email Katie@sfxstl.org with a date and time to schedule a tour for your group.

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/>


 The logo for 'TRIVIA Night' features the word 'TRIVIA' in large, multi-colored block letters (T: green, R: blue, I: orange, V: purple, I: blue, A: purple) and the word 'Night' in a smaller, red, cursive font below it.

To Benefit Social Ministry and Youth Faith Formation

- **Date:** Friday, January 31st at 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:00 pm)
- **Where:** College Church Ballroom, located at 3628 Lindell Blvd. 63108 at corner of Grand and Lindell on Saint Louis University Campus
- **Cost:** \$25 person, \$200 to reserve a table with a maximum of 8 participants per table
- **Arrangements:** Beer, soda, water and light snacks will be provided. Participants are invited to bring additional food and beverages, if desired.
- **Parking:** SLU Garage located at Grand and Laclede; entrance is on west side of Grand on Laclede Ave.
- **Special Features:** Mulligans 6 for \$10; 50/50 Raffle
- **To make reservations:** Contact Arlene at 314-623-0412 or email kulade5@yahoo.com

On March 1, 2020 we will roll up our sleeves and help save lives! We will proudly partner with the American Red Cross to hold a blood drive in memory of Mary Beth Erickson. Each pint of blood we collect can help save up to three lives and will touch the lives of so many more. What a great way to pay it forward and to honor Mary Beth!

The Parish Life Commission of College Church is leading the initiative. The drive will be from 9 AM to 2 PM on Sunday March 1, so put that date on your calendar.

Registration is easy and on-line. You can start TODAY to reserve your time to donate. Here's the link to sign up:

www.redcrossblood.org/mydrives.html/drive/1-A9SZY39

Please contact Carla Bolland at 314-520-3135 or by e-mail at bolland5815@sbcglobal.net for any questions.



Thank you for helping to make this drive a success!

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.

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.

Presider’s Schedule

December 28th & 29th, 2019

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

January 4th & 5th, 2020

Saturday	
5:30 pm	Fr. Tueth, S.J.
Sunday	
8:00 am	Fr. White, S.J.
10:30 am	Fr. Mercier, S.J.
4:30 pm	Fr. White, S.J.

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.

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: 1-800-272-3900 Faith Outreach parishioner for SFX: Martha Daly, marthadaly@hotmail.com, 314-265-5653, Association website: www.alz.org/greatermissouri

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Feast of the Holy Family

INFORMATION SHEET

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