



## St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

*The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis*

3628 Lindell Blvd.

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# February 10, 2019 Fifth 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 [marybeth@sfxstl.org](mailto:marybeth@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](http://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 314-977-7315 with questions.

Christian Initiation of Adults: contact Joe Milner at 314-977-7305 or [joseph.milner@slu.edu](mailto: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 Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or [church@slu.edu](mailto:church@slu.edu).

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](http://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](mailto:karen@sfxstl.org)

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 Karen Weber at 314-977-7302 or [karen@sfxstl.org](mailto:karen@sfxstl.org).

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 Lula Chatman  
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**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**



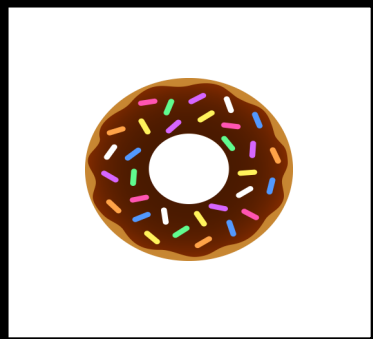
One of the prominent themes in the Gospels is Jesus the healer. The Evangelists depict again and again Christ's ministry towards the sick and suffering. Even his opponents acknowledged the power he exercised to cure all kinds of infirmities.

Physical ailment in first century Palestine was not simply a matter of being lame or blind. The human person was seen as one, spiritual and physical. Just as important, an individual was intimately embedded into a communal network of relations. Thus, when illness occurs it is a spiritual conflict as well as physical, and it has enormous repercussions for communal ties. Sickness, in whatever form, was a profound experience of separation.

Jesus' power is directed to the whole person, not just fixing the physical problem. Faith is essential to the encounter with Him. The Gospel's stories recount not only the person's restoration to health, but also to the wider community. The person is healed and made whole in every way. That is why the healing Christ brings is so much connected to the inauguration of God's Kingdom. Healing is symbolic of God's definitive in-breaking into all creation through Jesus Christ.

Our celebration of anointing the sick is an expression of this belief. Illness, separation, and suffering are not the last word.

Please join us today in the ballroom for Donut Sunday!



**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.

## 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*

*Blest are they who have not seen*



Thank you for your support in helping make the Pancake Breakfast a success last weekend!

Religious Education



## The Love of Christ Impels Us: Becoming an Anti-Racist Parish

### What is anti-racism?

Racial prejudice usually means a belief that some racial groups are better or worse than others. Structural racism describes the ways in which our institutions and structures create and maintain racial inequalities. **Anti-racism** goes beyond simply avoiding racism, and is an effort to oppose and dismantle racism and to promote racial equity.

### Why is College Church talking about anti-racism?

College Church has a long history of commitment to justice and racial equity. More recently, since 2014 and the Ferguson uprising, we as a parish have been asking ourselves some hard questions about our role in racial inequality. In addition, the USCCB recently released its pastoral letter against racism, which explains how the work of anti-racism is deeply rooted in our Catholic faith.

### What anti-racism work has College Church been doing?

Since June, parishioners and staff representatives have been meeting monthly as the College Church Anti-Racism Leadership Team. We hope to create a focused vision and mission for our parish to become an anti-racist institution. That means we want to be working purposefully to oppose racism and create racial equity: within ourselves as individuals, within our parish as a community, and within our city. We are asking: How can College Church increase our commitment to dismantle racism? How can we grow in our understanding of racism and inequality? What would College Church look and feel like if our intentional identity was that of a truly anti-racist institution?

### How are we doing this work?

We have connected with Crossroads, an organization based in the Midwest that helps religious communities and secular organizations learn how to do the work of anti-racism. Their vision is that *Racism dehumanizes us all —Dismantling racism heals us all*. Their method is to help organizations transform themselves, thereby transforming their communities. The Leadership Team attended a full-day training with Crossroads and has been using their tools to conduct focus groups within already established commissions and ministries within our Parish.

### What is next? The Leadership Team needs to hear from you!

We will conduct focus groups in February throughout our parish community. We hope all members of College Church will participate. We need to hear what you think about the current status of racism in our city and country and why—and how much—it matters that the Church, and College Church in particular, address issues of racial justice. Once we understand our parish's responses to these questions, we can move forward together. **PLEASE SIGN UP TO BE PART OF A FOCUS GROUP IN THE BACK OF CHURCH OR ONLINE AT [sfxstl.org/antiracism-work/](http://sfxstl.org/antiracism-work/).**

### Want to be involved?

Our team has been evolving and is still very much in the beginning stages of this work. We acknowledge that our current team lacks gender and racial diversity, as it is mostly female and mostly white. We value the experiences and gifts of all of our parishioners and want to enrich the makeup of our leadership team. Please contact Father Dan [frdan@sfxstl.org](mailto:frdan@sfxstl.org) or Christine Dragonette [christine@sfxstl.org](mailto:christine@sfxstl.org) if you are interested in being a part of this impassioned ministry.

You can sign up to be part of a focus group at [sfxstl.org/antiracism-work/](http://sfxstl.org/antiracism-work/).

**SOCIAL MINISTRY****Thank you, Bombas socks!**

In response to our request, four large boxes of socks for Hot Stuff were generously donated by Bombas Socks, with a commitment for additional future donations! Bombas Socks exists to help meet the #1 most requested clothing item at homeless shelters and to bring awareness to an under-publicized problem in our country. For every pair of socks purchased, a pair of socks specifically designed to meet the challenges of the homeless community (antimicrobial treatment to minimize the need for frequent laundering, reinforced seams and darker colors for greater durability and less visible wear) is donated to organizations serving the homeless throughout the country. Thus far, more than 10 million pairs have been donated. To learn more about Bombas Socks, or to order socks engineered for maximum comfort, visit the website at <https://bombas.com>.



**“Dinner and a Movie” Matinee Series with College Church & Rock Church  
CANCELLED FOR FEBRUARY**

The lunch and movie event with the Rock Church, originally scheduled for February 9<sup>th</sup> and moved to February 16<sup>th</sup>, has been canceled this month altogether due to space issues at the Rock. We apologize for the change.

**Please save the date and check the bulletin for more info on the next event on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Social Ministry Grant Writing Volunteers Needed**

Social Ministry expenses for birth certificates and IDs are around \$60,000-70,000 per year. These funds are secured by our devoted grant writers. We are in need of some creative people who can help social ministry search for funds, write grants and find new venues for continued funding. Please contact Christine Dragonette at 314-977-7309 if you have questions, ideas or can help.

## Save the Date!



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church  
Trivia Night is back!

Friday, March 1st in the ballroom.

Come show off your big brain!



## ***Violence Prevention in Our Society The Role of the Faith Community***

Tuesday evenings in February  
Aquinas Institute  
23 S Spring Ave  
Time: 6:30-8:30 pm  
Admission is FREE

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

Please register on our website: [www.ai.edu](http://www.ai.edu) or by calling 314-256-8804

## 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, 314977-7305 or [milnerjv@slu.edu](mailto:milnerjv@slu.edu)

## College Church Seminars on Gospel Infancy Stories now on Luke 1 & 2

Discover how these stories are not mere history but literary and theological masterpieces. The whole Gospel in miniature. Please consider joining us. Come when you can.

Adult Faith room. Sundays 9:15-10:15. FREE!



## CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: [sfxstl.org](http://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!

*“Sacred Water: Precious Gift & Critical Concern”*



**Saturday, February 23 – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**  
**College Church Ballroom**

Water is the source and sustenance for all life on Earth. It is sacred and essential. Yet clean water is becoming an increasingly scarce commodity around the world. Pope Francis has addressed this in his encyclical *Laudato Si'*. Please consider joining us for this day of reflection on this very important issue. We will ponder the sacredness of water and the water crisis in the world, and consider possible responses.

This is sponsored by the College Church Circle of Creation Committee. Presenters will be Carolyn McWatters, RSM and Corlita Bonarrens, RSM.

Participants are invited to bring their own reusable water bottle for the day.

Cost for the day will be \$35. **RSVP** by Tuesday, February 12 to Carolyn McWatters ([carolyn.mcwatters@slu.edu](mailto:carolyn.mcwatters@slu.edu)). Please indicate if you need a vegetarian or gluten-free lunch option.

**History in Technicolor: North County Students Reflect on Black History Month**

This is an exhibit that runs through February 26th and is sponsored by North County Churches Uniting for Racial Harmony and Justice at the Good Shepherd Art Center in Ferguson.

The Good Shepherd Art Center's hours are Wednesday-Friday 10:00 am-5:00 pm and Saturday 11:00 am -5:00 pm.

Location: 252 South Florissant Rd between Simply Thai and Kathy's Kitchen Restaurants, about one mile north of Highway 70.

Cost: FREE

For more information, please call: 314 522 1155.

We look forward to seeing you there!

**First Reconciliation**

On Saturday, Feb. 9th twenty-four of our Religious Education students celebrated their First Reconciliation. May God continue to bless each of these children, who experienced God's bountiful love and mercy through this beautiful sacrament.

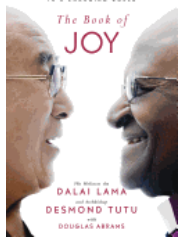
A special thank you to their catechists, who helped prepare them: **Julie Kilian, Amanda Taylor, Maureen Stoll, Mary Jo Zipfel and Julia Kreiser.**

Chloe Carmichael, Max DelRosario, Nathan Dickman, John Dunn, Luca Favazza, Isabel Gilihan, Alicia Grebel, Thomas Hamlin, Kendall Karsten, Noah King, Anna Kowach, Harry Liebermann, Emilio Lowder, Maggie McGinn, Evan O'Neill, Mimi Saenz, Amelia Smith, Elle Sonnenberg, Lily Spykerman, Zoey Spykermann, Ellen Stoll, Claire Stuhlsatz, Justine Thorton, Elizabeth Zipfel



## Lenten Books and Materials

The season of Lent begins in early March. Along with our parish book for Lent, many people find it helpful to have a booklet with daily reflections. Starting on Feb 17, reflection materials will be available in the Lower Hall after the Sunday morning masses. These include: the Little Black Book with a scripture verse and a reflection on a person, event or practice that invites us to deeper faith; Sacred Space from the Irish Jesuits with a line from one of the readings of the day and a reflection on it; and Wondrous Encounters by Richard Rohr. There are booklets with inspiration from Pope Francis, Henri Nouwen and materials for teens and children. If you would like to get one at another time, please contact Joseph Milner at joseph.milner@slu.edu or 314-977-7305.



### The Parish Book Choice for Lent is *The Book of Joy*, by the Dalai Lama and Bishop Desmond Tutu.

Nobel Peace Prize Laureates His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu have survived more than fifty years of exile and the soul-crushing violence of oppression. Despite their hardships—or, as they would say, because of them—they are two of the most joyful people on the planet.

In April 2015, Archbishop Tutu traveled to the Dalai Lama's home in Dharamsala, India, to celebrate His Holiness's eightieth birthday and to create what they hoped would be a gift for others. They looked back on their long lives to answer a single burning question: How do we find joy in the face of life's inevitable suffering?

During a week filled with laughter and tears, they traded intimate stories, teased each other, and shared their spiritual practices. The result is the gift of this book, where these two global heroes, who have stared into the abyss and despair of our times, reveal how they have learned to live a life brimming with joy.

The Book of Joy was a unanimous hit with the SFX Lenten Book committee, and we believe it is a spiritual feast that will inspire personal reflection and stimulate lively discussions among the book groups that are formed every year in the parish community during lent.

If you are interested in joining or hosting a Lenten book discussion group that will meet once a week during lent, or would like more information, contact Carol Joselyn by phone (515)570-3736] or email [joselyn66@gmail.com]. She needs to know your name, phone number, and email address.

The book will be available after Sunday morning Masses starting on Feb 17, or copies can be reserved for pickup at other times. The price of the book is \$19.00.

### Mercy Conference and Retreat Center

**2039 N. Geyer Frontenac, MO 63131 314-966-4686**

Navigating White Water: Resilience Series

February 10, March 3, April 7 1:30 - 3:45 pm

This series of four interactive workshops will explore how spirituality and research based Psychology can be used to enhance resilience at home and at work. You may attend any or all of the sessions.

Facilitated by Dr. Tom Wagner, PhD

For more information, please visit <http://www.mercycenterstl.org>



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<https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/>

**Presiders**

**February 9 & 10, 2019**

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

**February 16 & 17, 2019**

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

**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@mercycenterstl.org](mailto:modde@mercycenterstl.org).

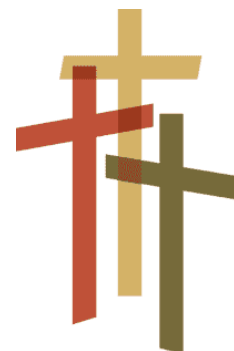
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