



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church



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Saint Francis Xavier
College Church

February 18, 2018 First Sunday of Lent

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 marykay.horan@slu.edu by noon on Thursday, ten days before the bulletin date. Holidays require additional time.

Infant Baptisms: contact Fr. Jason Brauninger, SJ at 314-977-7301 for scheduling and preparation information at least 45 days in advance. Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month, at 12:00 pm.

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Marriages: contact Sandy Hauck at 314-977-7303 for scheduling and preparation information.

Funerals: contact Fr. Dan White, SJ or Sister Carolyn McWaters, 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.

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 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 Angie Doerr at 314-977-7302 or angeline.doerr@slu.edu

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Call Mary Beth at 314-977-7304 to add or remove names.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

One of my favorite pop culture characters as a young Jesuit in the 1990's was Reverend Lovejoy the long-suffering pastor in *The Simpsons*. A favorite episode was his attempt to co-opt the influence of the Super Bowl on his congregation. The day of the game his message board outside church claimed, "Every Sunday is super at church!" His appeal failed miserably.



Now, I appreciate even more Rev. Lovejoy's quixotic attempt to take on the true national religion of our country. It is easy to criticize the spectacle as the ultimate in national excess fueled by the unholy alliance of gambling and advertising. In fact, I just did. But I believe there is something to ponder that sports in general, and Super Bowl Sunday in particular, provide a shared reference point in an increasingly fractured society.

Consider the fact that no one watches the Super Bowl alone. Even people who hate football gather together to socialize, eat and share in the experience. This may just be the most communal event of the calendar year for Americans. There is little else we agree on besides a desire to see the game.

Might I add that usually the game itself is so bad that this is really an opportunity to talk with family and friends we may have not seen in a while. Anything that can get us together to laugh and tell old stories is not all bad.

If you give on-line, please take this card when you enter church. Place in the collection basket when it comes around to show your financial support of College Church.



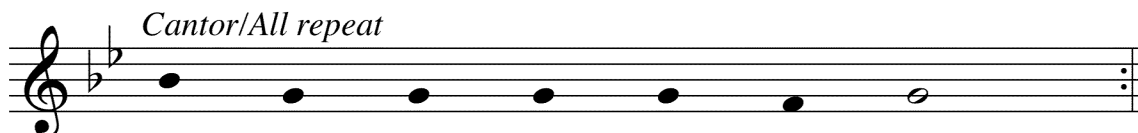
To sustain the future of the College Church,
 I submit my offertory **online.**

WELCOME TO COLLEGE CHURCH!

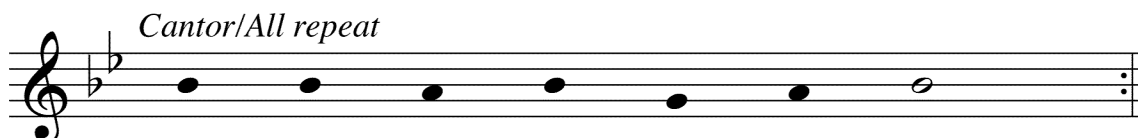
INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: Gather Us In Mercy, Lord

Alonzo Huck

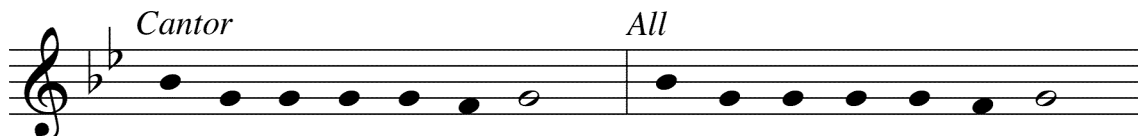


Gath - er us in mer - cy, Lord.

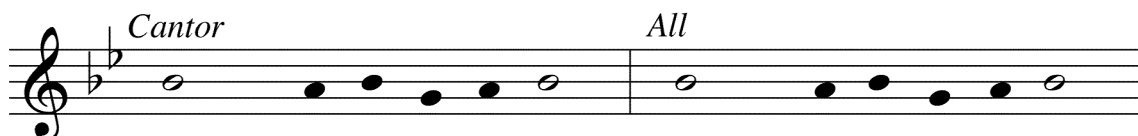


From the depths we cry to you.

2. Kyrie



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.



Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Dismissal for Liturgy of the Word

Gather 324

Responsorial Psalm 25: Your Words, O Lord, Are Love & Truth

Gather 342

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to You, O Word of God

Gather 342

Intercessions Response:



Hear, O Lord, en - fold us in your mer - cy.

After each intercession:

All

Hear, O Lord, en - fold us in your mer - cy.

THE NICENE CREED MAY BE FOUND ON THE INSIDE COVER OF THE HYMNAL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts: Turn to Me

John Foley, SJ

Refrain

Turn to me, O turn, and be saved, says the Lord, for
I am God; there is no oth-er, none be -
side me. I call your name.

Holy, Holy (Mass of Charity and Love)

Steve Warner

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation


Save us, Sa - vior of the world, for by your Cross and
Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

Amen


A - men, a - men, a - men.

COMMUNION RITE**Breaking of Bread: Lamb of God**


Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Communion Song: Return to God

Gather 478

Meditation: (10:30) Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

Scot Soper

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Song: The Glory of These Forty Days

Gather 481

Lenten Gathering Rite

Lent is a season of preparation for the great feast of Easter, in which we are invited to pause and ponder the quality of our relationship with God and others...to celebrate the good we find there and to seek forgiveness and reconciliation for what is lacking. The traditional Lenten disciplines – prayer, fasting and almsgiving – provide us the contours and practices for the conversion we seek.

During this penitential season the Gathering Rite we will sing gently implores, “Gather us in mercy, Lord. From the depths we cry to you.” The presider will invite the assembly to either kneel or bow our heads during the penitential rite. Either posture is a way of helping us bodily recognize and acknowledge our need for God’s mercy. Doing this together further underlines the communal nature of our Lenten journey of conversion and of our need for one another. **Our bodies, our voices, our hearts unite in humility and**

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Jul - Dec 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
1	Offertory/Gifts/Contributions ¹	\$400,175	\$420,155 (\$19,980)
2	Social Ministry Gifts & Grants ²	\$68,945	\$92,035 (\$23,090)
3	Religious Education & Adult Faith	\$30,905	\$30,665 \$240
4	Weddings & Events	\$102,160	\$98,760 \$3,400
5	Maintenance & Repair	\$7,300	\$8,000 (\$700)
6	Beyond Sunday ³	\$6,565	\$4,500 \$2,065
7	Fundraising	\$130,505	\$103,870 \$26,645
	Total Income	\$746,555	\$757,975 (\$11,420)
Expense			
8	Personnel Costs	\$378,780	\$380,470 (\$1,690)
9	Prof Services: Music, RE, SM	\$39,850	\$41,255 (\$1,405)
10	Supplies	\$33,540	\$34,190 (\$650)
11	Social Ministry Outreach Program	\$36,520	\$44,450 (\$7,930)
12	Buildings and Equipment	\$101,590	\$102,445 (\$855)
13	Archdiocese Assessments	\$57,855	\$58,185 (\$330)
14	Other	\$5,650	\$5,500 \$150
	Total Expense	\$653,785	\$666,495 (\$12,710)
	Net Income	\$92,770	\$91,480 \$1,290

1. **This year we have a goal to increase our offertory collection by 7%.** Last year we increased giving 4%. Thank you to all who have pledged to increase your offertory giving! We are so grateful.
2. Social Ministry expects to receive the bulk of its grant revenue in early 2018.
3. We receive 40% of Beyond Sunday contributions made by our parishioners. Thank you for your donations to this campaign.

Sign up for online giving by going to osonlinegiving.com/714, or visit sfxstl.org and click on the online giving bar at the top of the page.

NORTH CITY DEANERY
INTERRACIAL RELATIONS

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS
 Peace & Justice Commission

2018 CLOUD OF WITNESSES
 Past and Present
Speaker Series and Revival
 All presentations begin at 6:30 PM

Thursday, February 22, 2018
Ms. Lynn Squires, President
St. Charles Lwanga Center
Board of Directors
 St. Francis Xavier College Church

SOCIAL MINISTRY

A Road Trip In Israel/Palestine

...what the travel brochures don't tell you

Come to the Ballroom Sunday, March 4 after the 10:30 Mass (program will begin around noon), to hear parishioner Lea Koesterer share her experience traveling to Israel and Palestine as part of the Interfaith Peace Builders Olive Harvest Delegation.



Canaan Fair Trade food products will also be available for tasting! Maftoul, Freekeh, Olive/caper tapenade, Olive oils: Rumi, garlic infused, crushed chili infused.



Reminder of Clothing Donation Policy for Social Ministry

YEAR ROUND Social Ministry has a need for the following items:
NEW socks and NEW Underwear

Travel size toiletry items (soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion)
Over the **WINTER** we have a need for the above items and: Hats, gloves, and scarves

If you are able to donate any of the above items, please drop them off in the parish center office with a note that says "Outreach Program."

We no longer accept shirts, shoes, or other clothing items. If you are looking to donate clothing items we do not accept, please check out Goodwill and the Salvation Army. We also no longer collect coats over the winter. If you are looking to donate coats, please check out the St. Louis Winter Outreach's website @ <http://www.stlwinteroutreach.org/> for contact information and how to make donations.

Contact Emily Edwards with any questions at outreach@sfxstl.org or 977- 7311. Thank you!

THE LITURGIES OF LENT

The St. Francis Xavier (College) Church community invites you to celebrate these important liturgical celebrations, culminating in the Sacred Triduum of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. **All services are in the church.**

Holy Week

March 24-25 Passion Sunday 5:30 pm; 8:00 & 10:30 am; 4:30 pm

The Sacred Triduum

March 29	Holy Thursday	7:30 pm
March 30	Good Friday	3:00 pm
March 31	Easter Vigil	8:00 pm
		No 5:15 pm Mass
April 1	Easter Sunday	8:00 and 10:30 am
		No 4:30 or 9:00 pm Masses

The College Church Choir will sing at both Easter Morning Liturgies.

For more information, call the Parish Center at 977-7300.

Complimentary parking is available in the Laclede garage.

**CHRISTIAN LIFE
COMMUNITY**

Living Ignatian spirituality in every day life



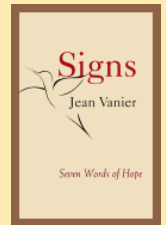
Join us and experience living your life based on Ignatius Loyola's Spiritual Exercises. We will explore Christian Life Community as a way of life which combines community, mission, and prayer. We hope to begin a new group in February. Please contact Ann Padberg at 314-696-9610 or annpadberg@charter.net.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION**Lenten Books and Materials**

As we enter the season of Lent, along with our parish book for Lent, many people find it helpful to have a booklet with daily reflections. Reflection materials are 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. Additionally, there are booklets with inspiration from Pope Francis, Henri Nouwen and Ron Rolheiser. There are materials for teens and children and many other booklets. If you would like to get one at another time, please contact Joseph Milner at joseph.milner@slu.edu or 314-977-7305.

Parish Lenten Book - *Signs: Seven Words of Hope*, by Jean Vanier

Jean Vanier founded the first L'Arche community over fifty years ago. These are now part of a worldwide network of small group homes where people with learning disabilities share their life with others who help each other live in freedom and dignity. A number of our parishioners are actively involved in three L'Arche homes in the St. Louis area.



Out of the wisdom Vanier brings from his experience at L'Arche, he suggests seven paths of hope for both our own personal transformation, and a transformation of our often ailing Church: a path from humiliation to humility; from conformity to conscience; from exclusion to encounter; from power to authority; from isolation to community; from strength to vulnerability; from secret to mystery. With seven short chapters full of wisdom and experience, it is a perfect book for reflection during Lent.

The book is available in the ballroom on Sunday mornings for \$10. Books may also be purchased on Amazon, and e-book versions may be purchased on Amazon and ibooks.

Read the book on your own or, if you wish to join a small discussion group or online group, please provide contact information to the booksellers, or email Carol Joselyn at joselyn66@gmail.com, or call her at (515) 570-3736.

RESERVED FOR FR. DAN

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Youth Faith Commission invites you and your family to a fundraiser

RE Pancake Breakfast - All You Can Eat!!!!

To benefit our RE Programs

Sunday, February 25

After the 8:00 and 10:30 am Masses in the Ballroom

Tickets on sale in the back of church or

Online at <https://repancakebreakfast.bpt.me>

Cost: \$8.50 per adult and \$6.50 per child

Family Rate: \$35.00 for two adults and three or more children

All are welcome!!!! Join us for this fun and delicious event!!!

Note: Our RE Pancake Breakfast is a fund raiser for our growing RE Programs. If you would like to become a sponsor, there are three levels of giving available - \$100, \$250, and \$500. All sponsorships include a family ticket pass to the breakfast. Signups are available in the back of the church after both Masses or online at <https://repancakebreakfast.bpt.me>.

All sponsors will be recognized at the breakfast on Feb. 25. Thanks in advance for your help and support.



At the Pancake Breakfast we are excited to partner with *Eye See Me African American Children's Bookstore* in providing the best multicultural books on the market. It is

enriching for our children and for all children to see children of color as the main characters in books.



Take advantage of the wide selection of affordable books available to add to your library. The book sale will be in the Chapel vestibule just outside the Ballroom.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atria Open House

Join us Sunday, Feb. 25 after 10:30 Mass for a tour of our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atria. This is a Montessori based program for the young child that helps them fall in love with God. Come to the Mary altar in the front of Church immediately following Mass and a catechist will direct you to the atria.

LENTEN DIRECTIVES

Jesus said, "Whoever wishes to be my follower must deny his very self, take up his cross each day and follow in my steps." (Lk 9:23)

The Church helps us fulfill these words by prescribing penitential practices for all Catholics. The American Bishops have called us to fast and abstinence during Lent. Fasting is a sign of our complete dependence upon God. Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14) and Good Friday (March 30) are days of fasting for those ages 18-59. Fasting means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). Abstinence from meat invites us to join the poor of the world in eating simply. Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat. All who are 14 years of age and older, unless there is a serious health problem, are asked to share in this discipline. In addition, everyone is encouraged to find ways during Lent to draw closer to God through prayer and spiritual practices. Consider being part of one of our Lenten book discussion groups, and embracing the daily practice of praying the Examen as ways to deepen your relationship with God and with others in Christ's Body.

PRESIDERS**Feb. 24-25**Saturday

5:30pm Fr. Jason Brauninger, SJ

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. Ron Mercier, SJ

10:30 am Fr. Dan White, SJ

March 3-4Saturday

5:30 pm Fr. Jason Brauninger, SJ

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. Dan White, SJ

10:30 am Fr. Jason Brauninger, SJ

4:30 pm Fr. Dan White, SJ

WEEKLY READINGS**Monday:** Jas 1: 1-11; Ps 119: 67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76; Mk 8: 11-13**Tuesday:** Jas 1:12-18, Ps 94: 12-13a, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8: 14-21**Wednesday:** Jl 2: 12-18; Ps 51: 3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17; 2 Cor 5:20-6: 2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18**Thursday:** Dt 30: 15-20, Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk 9: 22-25**Friday:** Is 58: 1-9a; Ps 51: 3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9: 14-15**Saturday:** Is 58: 9b-14; Ps 86: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5: 27-32**Sunday:** Gn 9: 8-15; Ps 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3: 18-22; Mk 1: 12-15**ONLINE RESOURCES FOR DAILY PRAYER**

There are a variety of resources for prayer that can be accessed online. Some offer a daily reflection focused on the daily mass readings and others follow a theme. If you would like encouragement during the coming days of Lent, check out one or more of these resources to support your journey:

Sacred Space - <http://www.sacredspace.ie/> (from the Irish Jesuits with a prayer structure connected to one of the daily readings for Mass),

Pray-as-you-go— <http://pray-as-you-go.org/> (from the British Jesuits is an audio presentation with part of the daily scripture reading, music and reflection questions),

Jesuit Prayer— <https://jesuitprayer.org/> (this is a collaborative between the Jesuit provinces of the United States that offers the daily scripture, a Jesuit reflection and a prayer for the day.)

Daily Inspiration— <https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/prayer/daily-inspirations> (offered by Loyola Press, it presents part of the daily scripture and a brief reflection.)

Living Lent Daily

<https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/26966/lenten-invitation-from-william-barry-sj> (by registering, you will receive a daily email that draw's on Fr. Barry's book, *A Friendship Like No Other*.)

Message of the Day

<https://www.themessageoftheday.com/en/?promocode=Zenit> (presents a video of Pope Francis, with English voice over, that offers an inspirational message. It requests a monthly contribution to fund the ministry.)

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Get away from it all for a weekend! Experience the beautiful surroundings, prayerful environment, delicious food (that you do NOT have to cook), comfortable rooms and insightful presenters at King's House in Belleville. Make a retreat with other women from our parish on April 6-8. Join us for a time of rest, renewal, and spiritual nourishment, just 15 minutes from St. Louis. Contact one of our parish captains: Madeleine Ortman (314) 956-8839, or Tina Saunders (314) 739-4885 for further information.

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