



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

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Saint Francis Xavier
College Church

February 25, 2018 Second 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.

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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 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.

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

We are once again coping with the aftermath of another horrific school shooting in this country. Once more the shocking images of young victims have dominated our national press. We seem caught in an ongoing nightmare of very troubled men with access to weapons that cause unspeakable carnage.



I am not a politician or a constitutional lawyer so I will refrain from engaging on the legal ramifications of the 2nd Amendment. It is possible for us to look at gun violence from the perspective of who we are as Christians. And let's be clear, this scourge is the same whether in a high school in Florida, or the nearly daily shootings here in St. Louis.

You may be unaware (I was) that the United States Bishop's Conference issued a statement in the wake of the Las Vegas shooting in October. It reads in part, "Society must recognize that the common good requires reasonable steps to limit access to such firearms by those who would intend to use them [for evil purposes]." Individual rights are balanced by the common good. An essential part of our faith is to look to the needs of all, especially the vulnerable and powerless.

Perhaps we need to give gun violence the same attention we do to issues like abortion, immigration, and the death penalty. Our rich understanding of respect for all human life certainly can inform how we think about guns.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY AFTER BOTH MASSES IN BALLROOM!

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

Huck, Alonzo

Cantor/All repeat

Gath - er us in mer - cy, Lord.

Cantor/All repeat

From the depths we cry to you.

Kyrie:

Cantor *All*

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

Cantor *All*

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

Cantor *All*

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

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Dismissal for Liturgy of the Word

Gather 324

Responsorial Psalm 116: I Will Walk Before the Lord

Gather 1020

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to You, O Word of God

Gather 342

Dismissal of Catechumens and Candidates:

May the word of God strength-en you. May the word of God

nour-ish you. May the word of God com-fort you all your life.

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Intercessions Response:

Huck, Alonzo

Cantor/All repeat

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: Transform Us

Gather 878

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.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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Communion Song: Christ be Our Light

Gather 590

Meditation: (10:30) Jesus Christ, Inner Light

Suzanne Toolan, RSM

*Ostinato Refrain: All



Je - sus Christ, in - ner light, let not our own dark-ness con-quer us.



Je - sus Christ, in - ner light, en - a - ble us to wel-come your love.

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Song: We Are Marching In the Light of God

Gather 594

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PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers Gerald Phelan, husband of parishioner Mary Phelan. May he and all the departed share in the peace and joy of God's presence forever.

PASTORAL CARE VISITS

If you would like to have someone bring communion to you or have a pastoral visit, please contact the parish by calling 314-977-7300.

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 trust as we enter into the great prayer of the mass.**

GRAB YOUR POPCORN: LENT GOES TO THE MOVIES

There are many ways to direct our prayer and spiritual life during Lent. A somewhat unconventional aid is cinema. Certain films are excellent resources to deepen the themes of the season. This Lent we will feature two films each week from two well-known cinephiles, our pastor and our provincial Fr. Ron Mercier. Here are their selections for the First Week of Lent.

Fr. Dan

The Straight Story (1999) - At the core of the Lenten journey is the call to heal relationships following the path of Christ the Reconciler. "The Straight Story", a slow moving but beautifully shot film, invites us to follow the trip made by Alvin Straight (73 years old) from Laurens, Iowa to Mt. Zion, Wisconsin, riding a lawn mower so as to seek reconciliation with his older brother, Lyle. This true story shows the change in Lyle's heart and in the hearts of many he encounters along the way. Rated G *darkness does not overcome it*. A visually stunning film directed by Oscar-winner Alfonso Cuaron. Rated R

Fr. Ron

Four Little Girls (1997) – A documentary by Spike Lee tells the story of the 1963 bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, AL. The most shocking hate-crime of the Civil Rights Era killed four girls at church attending Sunday school.

Through interviews and archival footage, the girls and the times are remembered by family and friends. The film is a searing indictment of racial violence, and a testimony to the power of compassion in the midst of enormous tragedy. Rated PG

THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION'S FAITH OUTREACH INITIATIVE AND SFX PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

St. Louis University's Health Resource Center and the Geriatric Education Center are offering a FREE Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment clinic for people 65 or older. The clinic is the first Thursday of the month at the Health Resource Center, 1408 North Kingshighway, #213.

A comprehensive cognitive and physical assessment is more extensive than a screening appointment. Over a two hour visit (approximate), the team will conduct the following assessments: medical, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, nutrition, and social services.

To schedule an appointment, please contact the SLU Geriatric Division Office at 314-977-8462.

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.

prayer & conversation for ignatian young adults



Saturday
March 3
5-7 pm

Beer
Wine
Soda
Snacks

Young adults (post-undergrad to 35) who are alumni of Jesuit high schools and universities, former Jesuit Volunteers, Alum Service Corps, members of Jesuit parishes, or formed by Ignatian Spirituality.

The evening will begin with vigil mass. Fr. Ronny O'Dwyer, SJ, Director of Billiken Teach Corps, will preside.



A Lenten reflection by Michael Mahr, SJ, Jesuit scholastic studying at SLU, and time to mingle with follow the liturgy.



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Free parking directly across Vandeventer

RSVP > Claire Peterson
cpeterson1@jesuits.org

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!

Caring for Our Common Home: Two Showings of *Blue Gold*

WHEN

- 1) Thursday March 15 - pizza (provided) at 5:45 pm, movie at 6:15, discussion at 7:45pm.
- 2) Sunday March 18 - movie at noon, discussion at 1:30 pm.

WHERE

SFX Ballroom.

Rsvp to christine.dragonette@slu.edu or 977-7309.

The Circle of Creation invites you to view the ninety minute documentary *Blue Gold: World Water Wars*. The film documents the environmental issues behind why we are rapidly losing our fresh water supplies, the politics behind water ownership and distribution that are worsening the situation, and the scenarios of what will happen as water becomes increasingly scarce. The documentary looks at how we are using up water faster than it can be replenished through natural systems – we are mining as much as 15 times more groundwater than is being replenished, at the rate of 30 billion gallons a day. We're also polluting it beyond use, destroying the wetlands that are natural filters, and blocking the rivers that carry nutrients that keep the water healthy and lands fertile. Basically, we're desertifying the planet, and helping to send all our fresh water straight to the ocean via soil erosion, building more and more hardscaps, and cutting down forests. See dates and times above.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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 March. Please contact Ann Padberg at 314-696-9610 or annpadberg@charter.net.

Lenten Books and Materials

This weekend will be the final opportunity for Lenten books and materials. If you are looking for a resource to accompany you on your Lenten journey, check out some of our resources from Pope Francis, Henri Nouwen and Ronald Rolheiser, OMI. Books by Fr. Mark Thibodeaux are also available. The materials will be available after the Sunday morning masses this weekend.. If you would like to get one at another time, please contact Joseph Milner at joseph.milner@slu.edu or 314-977-7305.

Scripture and My Life – Developing a Real Relationship With Christ Jesus

Were you a student of the Baltimore Catechism? Do you know *about* Jesus, but have been wondering how to get to really *know* Jesus? A small group meets each Sunday to discuss the Sunday scriptures and how they develop this relationship. It's called "Dialogue with the Word," and it takes place on Sundays after the 8:00 Liturgy (about 9:30) to about 10:20. This way folks can do this *after* the 8:00 or *before* the 10:30 Liturgies. No preparation needed. Just come as you are! Teens welcome, folks fresh from RCIA welcome! Facilitators are Lea Koesterer, Steve Gilbert, and Carla Mae Streeter, OP. Contact Carla Mae Streeter, OP (Coordinator) for more information at streeter@slu.edu or 314-256-8882.

Fr. Mark Thibodeaux, SJ speaking at College Church on February 26

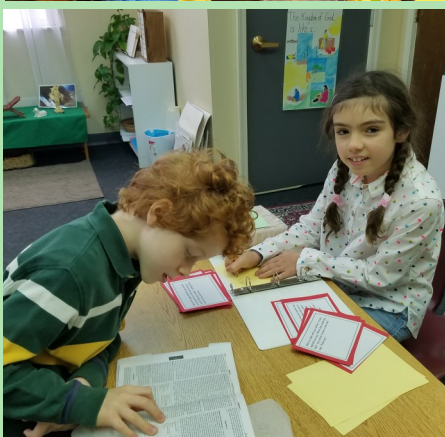
The Saint Louis University Bicentennial Lecture Series, "The Jesuit Influence in American Spirituality, Education and Society," will open the 2018 bicentennial year with a presentation by Mark Thibodeaux, SJ. "Discerning Our Role in Creating a Society of Justice and Love" will be held Monday, Feb. 26, 7-8:30 pm at St. Francis Xavier College Church.

Thibodeaux is novice director for the Central Southern Province of the Society of Jesus in Grand Couteau, La. A former high school teacher, counselor, retreat director and spiritual director, he has drawn from his wealth of experience and is author of four books on prayer, including *Armchair Mystic: Easing into Contemplative Prayer*, and *God's Voice Within, The Ignatian Way to Discover God's Will*. The native Louisianan holds degrees in psychology and theology from Loyola University New Orleans and Weston Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, Massachusetts.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This Sunday we are celebrating our RE program, all our students, parents, and volunteers!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS A GLANCE

Total Number of Students Participating in all RE Programs this Year

275+

Number of Students Registered in RE Classes and CGS Atria

210

Total number of Service Days

12

Number of Youth Group Members who attended the Overnight Retreat

25

Number of RE Volunteers

71

Number of Parent Teacher Volunteers

15

PRESIDERS**March 3-4**Saturday

5:30pm 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

March 10-11Saturday

5:30 pm Fr. Mike May, SJ

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. Dan Daly, SJ

10:30 am Fr. Dan White, SJ

4:30 pm Fr. Jason Brauninger, SJ

WEEKLY READINGS**Monday:** Dn 9: 4b-10; Ps 79: 8, 9, 11&13;
Lk 6: 36-38**Tuesday:** Is 1: 10, 16-20; Ps 50: 8-9, 16bc-17,
21&23; Mt 20: 17-28**Wednesday:** Jer 18: 18-20; Ps 31: 5-6, 14, 15-16;
Mt 20: 17-28**Thursday:** Jer 17: 5-10; Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4&6;
Lk 16: 19-31**Friday:** Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-38a; Ps 105: 16-
17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46**Saturday:** Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-
10, 11-12; Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32**Sunday:** Ex 17: 3-7; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9;
Rom 5: 102, 5-8; Jn 4: 5-42**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 draws 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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