



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

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Saint Francis Xavier
College Church

March 25, 2018 Palm Sunday

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.

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 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

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

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- Lula Chatman
- Don Berg
- Greg Fiudo
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- Paul Byrnes
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- Art Taylor
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- Geri Greger
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- Liz DeRum
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- Maryann Cochran
- Joe Lynne
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- Monica Gunn
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- Linda Riek
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Call Mary Beth at 314-977-7304 to add or remove names.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Passion of Jesus Christ is heard twice during Holy Week. Palm Sunday rotates between the three synoptic Gospels (this year is St. Mark), and Good Friday is always the Passion according to St. John.



Scholars consider the Passion narrative to be the earliest section of the Gospels. All four tell the same basic story, though each account differs in some of the particulars. Clearly the suffering and death of Jesus was the defining moment of his life for the first believers.

The length and detailed description lends itself to prayerful reflection. There is much to ponder in these holiest days of the Church year. Fr. Dave Fleming, SJ in his commentary on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius stresses the desire to be close to Jesus in his suffering. We should “stay with Jesus in his sufferings borne on my behalf and because of my sins.”

St. John describes an extended “Last Discourse” by Jesus to the disciples at the Last Supper. Jesus asks them to remain in me as I in you. That is what we seek in these days. Remain with the Lord in His Passion so we may share in His Resurrection.

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 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



WELCOME TO COLLEGE CHURCH!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Rite: Hosanna!

Francis Patrick O'Brien

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho -
 san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na, Ho -
 san - na, Ho - san - na in the high-est!

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Dismissal for Liturgy of the Word (10:30)

Gather 324

Responsorial Psalm 22: My God, My God

Gather 33

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to You, O Word of God

Gather 342

Acclamation Within the Proclamation of the Passion: Adoramus Te Christe

1. Women 2. Men 3. All

1. A - do - ra - mus te Chri - ste, 2. a - do - ra - mus te Chri - ste,
 3. a - do - ra - mus te Chri - ste, a - do - ra - mus Chri - ste.


Dismissal of Catechumens and Candidates (10:30)

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 (10:30)



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

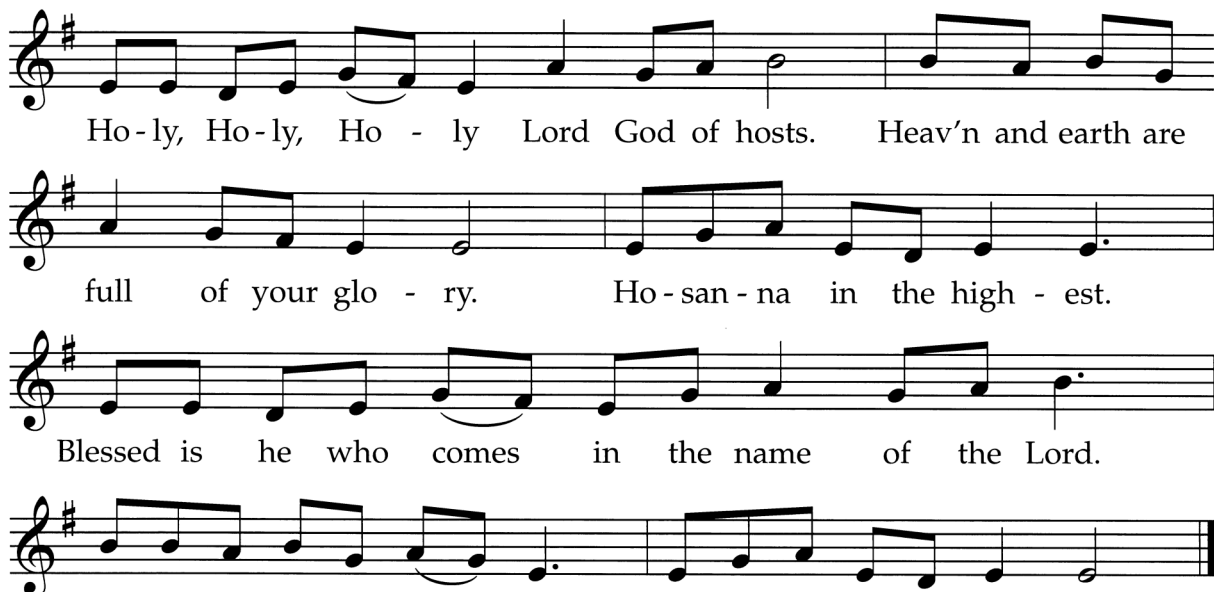
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts: At The Name of Jesus (10:30)

Gather 569


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: No Greater Love

Gather 701

Meditation: Morning Glory, Starlit Sky (10:30)

Arr. P Herbig

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Song: Jesus, Remember Me

Gather 510

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We Are Counting Our Blessings!

You are invited to an evening of recognition and an appreciation dinner on Friday, April 27 at 6:30 pm. We are most grateful for your faithful help and support



in keeping our Ministries up, running and expanding. The dinner is free for our volunteers, but you do need to RSVP before Thursday, April 19 either by note, phone call to 314-977-7300, email to joyce@sfxstl.org OR sign up on line at our website, sfxstl.org Your presence is important to us! We'll gather at 6:30 pm, Fr. Dan White, S.J. will begin with an opening prayer and welcoming comments at 7:00 pm followed by dinner. We're know it will be a pleasant evening and a wonderful opportunity to show our appreciation and get to know each other better. I hope you'll be able to join us!

CATHOLIC WEDDINGS 101: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO DO BEFORE YOU SAY "I DO"

Join us for a question and answer session on getting married in the Catholic Church. This will be an introduction to all wedding-related aspects. We will discuss everything from marriage prep to navigating photographers and florists to the actual wedding liturgy. The experts at College Church will answer any and all of your questions regarding wedding logistics. Whether you were engaged recently, getting serious with your significant other, or simply curious, please come.

This event is Thursday, April 5 at 6 pm in the St. Francis Xavier (College) Church ballroom. Speakers are Sandy Hauck, Director of Wedding Ministry at College Church, and College Church pastor, Fr. Dan White, S.J.

Refreshments provided!

This event is co-sponsored by SLU campus ministry and St. Francis Xavier (College) Church.

Do you give online?

Do you miss having something to
put into the offertory collection?

Then this card is for YOU!



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

CHILDREN'S EASTER LITURGICAL MOVEMENT



All children ages four and up are invited to participate in the "Ribbon Procession" at the 10:30 am Easter Sunday Liturgy. The children will process down the aisle waving their "ribbon bouquets" and will remain on the altar steps throughout the Gloria. If your child/children would like to participate, please meet in the back vestibule of the Church by 10:10 am to receive their ribbon bouquets and practice. There will be no reserved seating. Make

sure your children know where you are sitting in church, so they'll know where to return at the end of the Gloria. For more information, contact Angie at angie.doerr@slu.edu

Nursery closed during Holy Week and Easter. There will be no babysitting during the Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday Liturgies. There will no **Children's Liturgy of the Word** on Easter Sunday.

Help Wanted! On Friday, March 30 from 9:30 to 11:30 am help is needed to blow up the balloons used at the 10:30 am Easter Sunday Liturgy. Please contact Sam Herbig at sam.herbig@slu.edu if you can help.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Young Adults ages 22-40:

**Consider joining the St. Vincent DePaul Society at College Church
Visit us in the vestibule after the 10:30 Mass this weekend**



College Church's St. Vincent DePaul Society visits individuals in our parish boundaries to assist with rent, utilities, furniture items, and food. Our group is a young adult conference, providing individuals in their 20s and 30s an opportunity to grow in their faith and help those in need within our parish and neighborhood.



Did You Know?

- In 2017, the SFX conference paid over \$3,075 in rental assistance
 - In 2017, the SFX conference made 38 home visits
- Over the last 2 years, the SFX conference helped 9 neighbors get new mattresses

**For more information, see us in the vestibule after the 10:30 Mass
or contact Michelle Williams at mschaeffler@gmail.com.**

Outreach Program Updates



Through our twice-weekly Outreach Program, trained volunteers work one on one with people experiencing poverty and homelessness to facilitate their access to Missouri State IDs and birth certificates from any state. Official identification is necessary for access to a host of resources and services; however, people in poverty face barriers to both navigating the process of obtaining identification and covering the cost. This year, in addition to our regular process, we have also provided information on the new photo ID law for voting.

Here are some statistics on our program from the first half of this fiscal year, July through December 2017:

- Served 1,688 guests
- Assisted with 993 Missouri State ID cards
- Assisted with 1,178 birth certificates from any state
- Provided 1,270 toiletry care kits
- Provided 1,344 bag lunches
- Guests most commonly reported needing their documents for employment, housing, social services, health needs, voting, and school
- 41.5% of guests reported that they were previously incarcerated
- 46% of guests reported that they were experiencing homelessness



Thank you for your ongoing support of our program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Emily Edwards at outreach@sfxstl.org.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

WELCOME!

During the Easter Vigil, **Shawn Scott** will receive the sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist); **Rebecca McMiller, Taylor Hebenstreit, Brian Kim, and Ryan Hopkins** will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church as they renew their baptismal commitment and are confirmed; and **Ryan McCluskey** will complete his Christian Initiation with the sacrament of confirmation. Please pray for them this week and welcome them when you see them as they enrich the parish with their presence and faith.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM OF CHRIST'S PASSION, DEATH, AND RESURRECTION

Triduum means three days and the church observes over three days the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. The liturgical celebrations of these days focus on the central mysteries of our faith related to the dying and rising of Christ. It is through Christ's gift of himself for our salvation that we enter into the new covenant of God's love, share in the new life that God offers and experience the formation of God's people as Church. The days are observed according to traditional Jewish observance which goes from sundown to sundown. The first day is that of Christ's passion and death from sundown Thursday until sundown Friday. It begins with the celebration of the Last Supper on Thursday evening that recalls gift of the Eucharist to us and Christ's humble service in washing the feet of his disciples. It challenges us to give ourselves fully in the service of God and to one another. Following the Mass, the Eucharist is processed to the tabernacle and all are invited to watch and wait with Christ as he awaited his arrest in the garden that night. The liturgical celebration continues on Friday with the celebration of the Lord's passion and death. During this celebration, the passion according to St. John is read, intercessions for the church and all people are offered, a cross is brought forward to reverence and communion is distributed. On Friday, the church observes a fast as we recall all that Christ gave up and endured for us. We are invited to give up some of our bounty and share in the poverty and suffering for our sisters and brothers who lack food each day. The second day is from sundown Friday until sundown Saturday and recalls the day that Christ's body laid in the tomb. There are no public liturgies on Saturday. As Christ's body rested, so the church rests, watches and waits for God to act. The third day celebrates Christ's resurrection. It begins with the Easter Vigil after dark on Saturday evening when a fire is lit, the paschal candle is blessed, the Exultet praising God for the resurrection is sung, readings recalling God's saving acts throughout history are proclaimed, catechumens are baptized, candidates are received into full communion, the Holy Spirit is given in confirmation and the Easter Eucharist is celebrated. The celebration of the resurrection continues on Sunday morning with the opportunity for everyone to renew their baptismal commitment.. Please join us on these holiest days of the Church year as we remember and join Christ in the journey to newness of life!

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| March 29 | Holy Thursday | 7:30 pm |
| March 30 | Good Friday | 3:00 pm |
| March 31 | Easter Vigil | 8:00 pm (No 5:30 pm Mass) |
| April 1 | Easter Sunday | 8:00 and 10:30 am |

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, 314-977-7305 or milnerjv@slu.edu



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 Fifth Week of Lent.

Fr. Ron

Selma (2014). How far will one go in seeking the good? This historical drama, based on the march for from Selma to Birmingham in 1965, captures the internal struggles in Martin Luther King, his family, colleagues and others. The constant question in the film is whether to march for freedom in the face of the threat of violence as they cross the Edmund Pettus Bridge. The willingness to risk all, rooted in faith and in a desire to transform the world for the sake of others, is a very Lenten theme. As we prepare to walk the Passion with the Lord, where are we called to share in his reconciling and healing work? **Rating: PG-13**

Fr. Dan

Babette's Feast (1989) This Danish film is the personal favorite of Pope Francis. A refugee plans a remarkable feast for her neighbors after an unexpected financial windfall. A fable on food that reveals self-sacrifice and the desire for healing. One's gift is used to change others, even those who may not feel the need change. A good meditation on Holy Week as we seek to follow the Lord. **Rating: G**

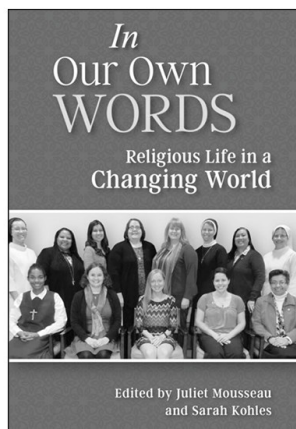
IN OUR OWN WORDS

Religious Life in a Changing World

SUNDAY APRIL 8 | 2:00-4:00 P.M.

Aquinas Institute of Theology | 23 S. Spring Ave. | St. Louis, MO 63108

A panel conversation and open dialogue with authors Juliet Mousseau, R.S.C.J., Sarah Kohles, O.S.F., and Thuy Tran, C.S.J. This program is free and open to the public. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.



BEGINNING TODAY PRESIDERS AND DAILY READINGS CAN BE FOUND ON THE PARISH WEBSITE, SFXSTL.ORG

The Saint Louis University Bicentennial Lecture Series
The Jesuit Influence on American Spirituality, Education and Society

Jesuit writers, practitioners and scholars will speak on the ageless aspects of Ignatian spirituality and the Jesuit mission.



Four Mondays in 2018

7-8:30 p.m.

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April 16: Lessons from Pope Francis on American Politics and Civic Life

Matt Malone, SJ

Editor-in-Chief, *America* Magazine; Catholic Press Association award winner

September 24: Reimagining Health Care: Ignatian Insights for Achieving the Greater Good

Michael Rozier, SJ

Researcher and practitioner, health policy and public health ethics

November 5: Jesuit Education: Do We Need a New Paradigm?

Michael Garanzini, SJ

Secretary of Higher Education, Society of Jesus, Rome; Visiting Professor of Research, Graduate School of Education, Fordham University

For more information, visit our Facebook page @ *SLUJesuitMission* or call 314-977-7065

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MARRIED COUPLE'S RETREAT

Running the Paschal Mystery - The Way of Love

An Ignatian, Semi-Silent Weekend Retreat

August 17-19, 2018 (Friday evening to Sunday lunch)



Love thrives when it's cultivated. Every marriage goes through stages of love—romance, disillusionment, misery, reconciliation and generativity. Each has its own challenges and rewards. It is never too early or too late to nourish your marriage. This uplifting weekend will be mixed with talks, prayer, and dialogue with your spouse and practical tips to keep your marriage growing. There will be plenty of time for reflection and enjoying the beautiful grounds of the Toddhall retreat center.

Our facilitator, Dr. Terry Nelson-Johnson, will share his passion for narrative theology to connect life stories with The Story of the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Through storytelling, poetry, and humor, Terry will encourage us to enter more deeply into the mystery of grace, the mystery of spirit, and the mystery of God.



Toddhall Retreat Center, 320 Todd Center Dr, Columbia, IL 62236
Registration is available on the St. Francis Xavier (College Church) website:
sfxstl.org/married-couples-retreat Space is limited; register early
Questions? - Contact Carl and Laura Greiner (cagimg01@swbell.net)



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Passion Sunday

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