



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis

**3628 Lindell Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108
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**March 31, 2019
Fourth Sunday in 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 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, 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

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 Karen Weber at 314-977-7302 or 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.

Safe Environment Program Compliance contact Terry Edelmann at marietherese.edelmann@slu.edu.

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 Bob Powers
 Leslie Matula
 Diane Williams
 Patrick Pasierb
 Kandice Draper
 Lula Chatman
 Don Berg
 Greg Fiudo
 David Byrnes
 Paul Byrnes
 Pam Orbin
 Art Taylor
 Mary Bruemmer
 Lisa Zimmerer
 Pat March
 Liz DeRum
 Wayne and Tuck Loui
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 Joe Lynne
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 Monica Gunn
 Campbell Hodge
 Pat Darcy
 Linda Riek
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Call Mary Beth at 314-977-7304 to add or remove names.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Language shapes our faith. Take for instance how various languages refer to our current liturgical season of prayer, fasting and penance that prepares us for Easter. This season in Latin is *Quadragesima*, “the forty (days)”. The various romance languages are similar. The Spanish, for instance, is *Cuaresma*. This, too, refers simply to the forty days.

English, however, is different. We call this time Lent from the Old English word *lencten*, meaning “spring”. *Lencten* is also the root for the English word “lengthen”. For English-speakers, the name for this liturgical season stresses not the number of days but how they are growing longer. The light of the sun that each day increases in length points to the Resurrection of Christ, the light of the world.

Lent is a delightful reminder of the intimate connection of our liturgical calendar with the natural world. The Church year grew out of the seasons of the northern hemisphere: the cold, dark nights of winter give way as daylight grows longer. The increased sun brings new life as plants and flowers re-emerge after lying dormant for many months. Nature, experienced during the Lenten season, was symbolic of Christ’s death and resurrection. Early Christians found God’s revelation in Jesus reinforced by the revelation found in creation.

We have moved a long way from the human experience of, say, 900 AD. Our culture and society is much farther removed from the rhythms of nature that so formed our spiritual ancestors. It remains, however, possible to share in their wisdom. Spring is the best season in Missouri with beautiful, flowering trees, warm (not sweltering!) days, and more hours of sunlight. Take time to enjoy and appreciate the renewal of life all around for it reminds us of the One who is Life.

New Parishioner Welcome TODAY!

If you registered as a member of our parish and have not attended a new parishioner gathering, please join us on Sunday, March 31st following our 8:00 am Mass in the ballroom. **Attendance at one of our gatherings is necessary to formally complete your parish registration.** There you will have an opportunity to meet other new parishioners, as well as Fr. Dan and members of our parish council. This social event is a wonderful way to learn more about the College Church and the variety of activities taking place in the parish. for some reason. We hope that you will be able to join us!

Visit sluh.org/summer for info on robotics classes and athletic camps for grade school and middle school students.

Lenten Scrutiny Rites

The season of Lent invites all Christian to reflect upon Baptism. For those to be baptized, the church offers special prayers on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent to assist them in looking into their hearts so that they may surrender more fully to God. The scrutiny rites have a two fold purpose: First, they are to "uncover then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful." We pray that they may have a clear self-understanding so that they may know their need for God. Secondly, the rites are "to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good." These prayers also ask God to help them recognize the gifts and virtues that are within them. This year we have four people who are ready to receive the sacraments of initiation: Gennena Richardson, Jonathan Howard, Kelsey Todd, and Jackson Zartman.

While the prayers in the rite address the journey of the Elect toward baptism, they also serve as a reminder to each of us that we need to reflect upon our lives and uncover all that needs God's healing and all the gifts that need to be brought forth in service of others. As we journey toward Easter and prepare to renew our baptismal promises, may the presence of the Elect invite us to deeper reflection and greater commitment in being true disciples of the Lord.

We Are Counting Our Blessings!

All College Church volunteers are invited to an evening of recognition and an appreciation dinner on Saturday, May 4th at 6:00 pm in the ballroom. There will be free parking in the Laclede garage. We are most grateful for your faithful help and support in keeping all of our ministries up, running and expanding.



The dinner is free for our volunteers, but you do need to RSVP before Tuesday, April 23rd either by phone call to 314-977-7300 or email to joyce@sfxstl.org. Your presence is important to us! We'll gather at 6:00 pm. Fr. Dan White, S.J. will begin with an opening prayer and welcoming comments at 6:30 pm. followed by dinner. We're sure it will be a pleasant evening and a wonderful opportunity to show our appreciation and get to know each other better. We hope you'll be able to join us!

Will you #standwithsisters?

During March, in honor of National Catholic Sisters Week, 14 congregations of St. Louis Catholic Sisters are promoting a campaign celebrating the ways women religious and their supporters stand up for social justice issues in our community, such as immigration, poverty, human trafficking, racism, homelessness and more. How can you stand with the sisters? Visit standwithsisters.org for our stories and follow #standwithsisters on social media.

Being Mortal—A Pastoral Care Committee Presentation

The film **Being Mortal** (58 minutes) will be shown by the Pastoral Care committee on April 7 after the 10:30 am Mass in the ballroom. It will be followed by comments from a panel and audience participation. Death is something we will all one day face. So why is it so hard for doctors to talk with their patients about dying? How can the medical profession better help people navigate the final chapters of their lives with confidence, direction and purpose? Renowned surgeon Atul Gawande explores the relationships between doctors and patients nearing the end of life, and shows how many doctors struggle to talk honestly and openly with their patients who are dying. **Being Mortal** is an intimate and revealing journey with relevance to all of us. It explores the burgeoning art and science of palliative care and the ways in which having a conversation around the question "What are your priorities if your time is limited?" can empower patients to experience the end stages of life and live their lives fully. The ultimate goal is not a good death but a good life — all the way to the very end.

Please bring a fruit and/or vegetable dish for the gathering before the film.

Praying With the Women of The World

We are excited to announce that we have found a wonderful prayer resource for walking in solidarity with the suffering women of our world. This setting of the Stations of the Cross has been written to awaken us to more prayerfully consider and pray for their suffering in our midst. We will gather to pray "The Way of the Cross With the Women of the World" during Lent: on **Monday, April 8 at 7:00 pm**. Everyone is invited!

IVC – Experience Making a Difference!



The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is an exciting program that invites faith-motivated volunteers to serve with the poor and marginalized. Volunteers are age 50 and better, retired or semi-retired. Volunteers reflect and pray in the Ignatian tradition on their service, meet monthly with other IVC Volunteers and with a spiritual reflector. See our website for more information: www.ivcusa.org, find St. Louis under the *locations* tab.

If service, prayer, and reflection interest you, **contact Sr. Amy Diesen, OSF for more information at 314-758-7147 or IVCSTL@jesuits.org**. Or come to an information session with current volunteers at 10:00 am on April 11th, 2019 at the Il Monastero Banquet Center (3050 Olive St, St. Louis, MO 63103). Please RSVP to Sr. Amy.

Justice. Outreach. Education. - J.O.E. Talks with the Sisters of St. Joseph

Join the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet for J.O.E. Talks, a new presentation series aimed at education and action for racial and cultural justice issues. Talks will be held two to three times a year on Saturday mornings. The first talk is "People, Poverty and Public Policy," with Tamara Kenny on Saturday, April 6 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am at the sisters' motherhouse, 6400 Minnesota Ave., St. Louis, 63111.

Tamara, the director of advocacy and community engagement for Catholic Charities, will share how we can take action and influence public policies that reduce poverty. Continental breakfast will be served. Presentation is free; free will offering accepted. RSVP by April 3 to 314-481-8800 or motherhousesvp@csjsl.org. Learn more at csjsl.org.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

“Lunch and a Movie” Matinee Series with College Church & Rock Church Saturday, April 13th Rock Church gym (1118 N. Grand, 63106)

Lunch at 12:00 pm, Movie starts at 12:30 pm, Discussion after the movie

Film: *The Hate U Give*

Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Now, facing pressure from all sides of the community, Starr must find her voice and stand up for what's right.

Lunch will be provided. We would like to extend a special invitation to young people in 8th grade or older to join us as well.



Please RSVP to Christine at christine@sfxstl.org or 314-977-7309.

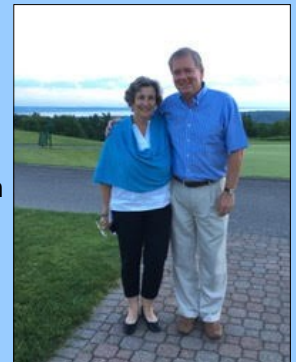
Social Ministry Commission Seeks New Members

Do you consider social justice an integral part of your faith? Are you interested in helping our parish move forward in our service, justice, and peacemaking efforts? The Social Ministry Commission invites you to prayerfully consider applying for membership.

For more information about being a part of the Social Ministry Commission, or to request an application, please contact Christine Dragonette at christine@sfxstl.org or 977-7309. Applications will be due by Friday, April 19th.

Current SMC member Dale Auffman shares her reflections here:

“My husband, Tom and I met in college at the University of Santa Clara. We have spent most of our married life here in St. Louis and the Jesuit works have always been a big part of our and our family’s life here. As our family commitments diminished we started coming to the College Church more and more. We have always been drawn to a faith community that not only ‘talks the talk’ but also ‘walks the walk’. That is what we found at the College Church. So, when I saw an invitation in the bulletin to consider joining the social ministry commission, I followed through. I knew a few other members through my involvement with Just Faith and they were very encouraging. In my three and a half years on the commission we have been involved in a number of important and eye opening projects. Besides the direct outreach here at the College Church, I have been involved in some of the interfaith outreach with the Muslim faith. I have been involved with SLU and the Jesuit works in Belize for a number of years so I have worked on their efforts to become a sister parish with the Jesuit parishes in Belize. Since the 2016 elections, I have felt more and more compelled to “do something” to combat some of the affronts to our immigrant brothers and sisters as well as some of the serious racial issues that divide our city. The Commission exposes one to a number of opportunities to get involved and hopefully make a difference. It has also afforded me the opportunity to meet and work with a variety of like minded, hard working folks from a variety of age groups. So, if the Spirit has been encouraging you to get a bit more involved, I strongly recommend that you follow through and check out the Social Ministry Commission.”





Married Couple's Retreat
Growing in Love
An Ignatian, Semi-Silent Weekend Retreat
August 16-18, 2019
(Friday evening to Sunday lunch)

Love grows when it's cultivated. Every marriage goes through seasons of love. 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 time for 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 Marianist Retreat Center.

4000 MO-109, Eureka, MO 63025

Information and 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
 Or College Church Adult Faith email: sfxAdultFaithFormation@gmail.com

The Tony McDonald Memorial Just Faith Capstone Presentation

THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY PROJECT IN ST. LOUIS

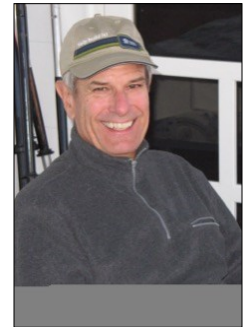
Featuring

Fr. Bill Ceed, SJ,, Founder

Tuesday, April 30TH

St. Francis Xavier College Church Ballroom

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm



This Capstone Presentation culminates the 2018-2019 Just Faith Program Year at St. Francis Xavier College Church. The mission of this year's Just Faith program is "taking actions to build community." Fr. Creed's and ISP-STL's work to link our vast and diverse community in actions dedicated to social justice reflects that mission.

Theology for Life – Spring 2019

"Into Your Hands I Commend My Spirit" The Reconciling Passion of Jesus in Luke's Gospel.

Presented by: Fr. Seán Martin on **Tuesday evenings:** March 19 – April 9, 2019 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Cost: \$25 per session; \$80 for all four

Sessions To register go to www.ai.edu or call 314-256-8804 **Location:** Aquinas Institute of Theology - 23 S. Spring Ave. - St. Louis, MO 63108

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: 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!

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers Joe Koerner of our parish and Oliver Dulle, father of Cathy Dulle of our parish, who recently died.

May he and all the departed share in the peace and joy of God's presence forever.



Special Collection

On March 31 the US Church will sponsor a collection to support the work of **Catholic Social Services**. Your donations help our migrant brothers and sisters in the US through the USCCB's Migration and Refugee Services, the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc., and the USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church. Around the world CRS gives a wide variety of humanitarian work to assist Jesus in the poor and marginalized. Envelopes will be at the church doors. Thank you for your generosity!

Tuesday, April 9, 2019
Presenter: Sr. Carla Mae Streeter, O.P.



Topic: Straight Talk Today about the Real God

The God with a stick, the God who condemns to hell-will the real God please stand up? What is the true picture of the Holy One scripture gives us? How have we been reading it? How should we be reading it? What difference does Jesus make? Where do we fit among other world religions? What does the Church say on all this? What are we to say when we are asked who God is for us personally?

Time: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. **Cost:** \$25 (includes lunch)

Location: Il Monastero Banquet Center (SLU Campus) 3050 Olive St., St. Louis, MO 63103
 Free Parking on site To register, or for more information, contact Diane Henderson at 314.256.8856 or henderson@ai.edu

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Volunteers are needed to help blow up and tie balloons and make the ribbon streamers that are such a glorious part of our 10:30 am Easter Sunday Mass celebration. People who can help should come to the ballroom at 9:30 Good Friday morning, April 19. If you can come, or if you need more information, contact Karen Weber at Karen@sfxstl or Terry Edelman at edelmanm@slu.edu. Thank you in advance for your help.



St. Louis Voices from the Holy Land Film Series is an offering of five documentaries exploring issues preventing peace in Israel/Palestine. A moderated discussion follows each screening. **March 31, at 2:00 pm** *The People and the Olive* at St. Louis County Library Headquarters Auditorium, 1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO. Contact: st.louisfriendsofbethlehem@gmail.com

L'arche Old Time Square Dance

Saturday, April 6th at 6:00 pm in the College Church Ballroom
 Free Parking in the Laclede Garage—suggested donation \$5.00
 Call 314-405-8025 or email office@larchestlouiss.org

Statement of Revenue and Expense as of December 31, 2018

| | <u>Jul 18– Dec 18</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>\$ Over Budget</u> | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | | | |
| Income | | | | |
| 1 | Offertory/Gifts/Contributions ¹ | \$402,900 | \$385,900 | \$17,000 |
| 2 | Social Ministry Gifts & Grants ² | \$102,900 | \$94,600 | \$8,300 |
| 3 | Religious Education & Adult Faith | \$20,500 | \$26,800 | (\$6,300) |
| 4 | Weddings & Events ³ | \$121,000 | \$108,200 | \$12,800 |
| 5 | Maintenance & Repair | \$7,900 | \$7,200 | \$900 |
| 6 | Beyond Sunday ⁴ | \$5,400 | \$6,600 | (\$1,200) |
| 7 | Fundraising | \$104,500 | \$130,900 | (\$26,400) |
| | Total Income | \$765,100 | \$760,200 | \$5,100 |
| Expense | | | | |
| 8 | Personnel Costs | \$367,200 | \$364,500 | \$2,700 |
| 9 | Prof Services: Music, RE, Janitorial | \$38,800 | \$36,400 | \$2,400 |
| 10 | Supplies | \$27,200 | \$40,000 | (\$12,800) |
| 11 | Social Ministry Outreach Program | \$42,200 | \$40,600 | \$1,600 |
| 12 | Buildings and Equipment | \$112,100 | \$114,200 | (\$2,100) |
| 13 | Archdiocese Assessments | \$63,100 | \$63,000 | \$100 |
| 14 | Other | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| | Total Expense | \$650,600 | \$658,700 | (\$8,100) |
| | Net Income | \$114,500 | \$101,500 | \$13,000 |

1. Unrestricted grants (gifts from retirement or family funds) are included in this total. They are higher than budgeted. Offertory is currently as budgeted through December. Please continue to support our ministries with your regular offertory as winter and spring tend to be a time when offertory is less.
2. Social ministry has had a very successful year with grants. The parish was also very generous with the Social Ministry Christmas Collection. We have reached our matching goal with the Brown Sisters Fund. Thank you!
3. Weddings and Events includes the rental of the ballroom with revenues substantially higher than budget and prior years.
4. We receive 40% of Beyond Sunday contributions made by our parishioners. Thank you for your donations to this campaign!

Presiders**March 30 & 31, 2019**

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

April 6 & 7, 2019

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