



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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sfxstl.org



May 5, 2019

Third Sunday of Easter

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 Edlmann at marietherese.edlmann@slu.edu.

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This Sunday at the 10:30 am mass our 2nd Grade girls and boys will celebrate their First Communion. It is a wonderful day for our community as they will share for the first time Christ's gift of Himself in the Eucharist. We welcome all the family and friends who are visiting for this special sacrament.

First Communion is a primal memory for us as Catholics. Being fed and nourished by the Lord is a defining experience. The encounter with Christ, receiving His Body and Blood, has been the foundation of the Christian faith from the very beginning. It makes perfect sense for us to trace our earliest, conscious participation with Him to be the Eucharist.



The best of part of all is that it is a memory renewed every time we come to mass. What began long ago (for some of us, really long ago!) is deepened whenever we receive the Eucharist. It connects our past, present and future in Jesus Christ. The celebration of First Communion is not simply about making memories. It is about making Christians.

First Communion Celebration

Today 25 of our young parishioners will receive the Eucharist for the very first time. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Chloe Joy Carmichael, Nathan Joseph Dickmann, Maximilian DelRosario, John Dunn, Luca August Favazza, Maeve Rebecca Fowler, Alice Theresa Grebel, Thomas Christian Hamlin, Kendal Mali Karsten, Noah Alexander King, Anna Olya Kowach, Fletcher Kasten Kraus, Harry Liebermann, Emilio Matteo Ghetti Lowder, Maggie Elizabeth McGinn, Evan Daniel O'Neill, Mariana Michelle Saenz, Amelia Annemarie Smith, Elizabeth Sonnenberg, Lily Abigail Spykerman, Zoey Adalyn Spykerman, Grace Ellen Stoll, Claire Eleanor Stuhlsatz, Justine Aimee Thorton and Elizabeth Rose Zipfel.

A special thank you goes to catechists: Julie Kilian, Maureen Stoll, Amanda Taylor, Patricia Daus, Mary Jo Hernandez, Julia Kreiser, Maeve Breslin and Megan Wieber.

This morning twenty-four second-graders from the parish will receive their First Communion. We all know and believe that all of creation is a gift from God and we are children of God. *What we are is God's gift to us. What we become, is our gift to God. We all have special gifts that will help us become the best son or daughter of God. At first Communion we will bring the gift of bread and wine to the altar, and through the words that Fr. Dan will pray, "This is my Body, this is my Blood", the bread and wine will transform into the Body and Blood of Jesus. That is God's best gift of love to us. The 1st communicants have also brought a symbol of a special gift that God has given them that they are thankful for this day. They have been placed in the sanctuary in gratitude to God on their First Communion day.*



Mariana- **lovey**- because I am comforted by my lovey.

Ellie - **Drama Club Book**- because I love being in the spotlight.

Zoey- **Basketball medal**- Because I like to play basketball and it is a good accomplishment to get a medal

Lily- **Basketball trophy**- I chose this item because I like to play basketball and it was a great accomplishment.

Claire- **A book**. *Little House on the Prairie*- because I love to read.

Thomas- **Soccer goalie glove**. Soccer is my favorite sport and I play it with my brother. The glove protects me.

Luca- **"Merry Christmas" piano music book**. Piano makes me and my friends really happy!

Maggie- **Basketball trophy**- I have the gift of good sportsmanship.

Grace- **Ballet shoe**- I love to dance and express myself through dance.

Alice- **Gymnastics leotard**- I love practicing gymnastics.

Kendal- **Paper mache lamb with ipad**- Jesus is the Lamb of God and I also like technology

Emilio- **Popsicle -stick Titanic**- because in building it I used God's gifts to me of curiosity, imagination, and creativity.

Anna- **Fox; stuffed animal**- it is my favorite and it makes me feel safe and happy.

Nathan-: **Baby brother's onesie**. I chose Evan's onesie because I love my baby brother and I help take care of him.

Fletcher- **Football**- I chose a football because I love playing sports. Also because it is special to me.

Amelia- **Ballet shoe**- I chose my ballet shoes because it makes me feel happy and it is fun.

Harry- **his cat "Feral"**- Feral makes me feel good and I love to play with him.

Evan- **hockey stick**. It brings me happiness and joy and that's my gift to God.

Justine-**a black beanie cat**; I like it a lot and it makes me happy.

Maeve- **a book**; reading makes me happy.

Max-**a soccer trading card**, because I love playing soccer.

Chloe- **My American Girl doll**. She is special she was given to me by my mom and dad. My aunt gave me her outfit that matches my 1st Communion dress.

Elizabeth- **"I chose my plaque with the face of Jesus**. The plaque says, "Seek the Lord and His Strength; Seek His Face Continually. Psalm 105:4. It is special to me because my dad gave it to me."

John- **a baseball card**. I love playing baseball, and I am grateful that God gave me athletic talent.

Invitation to Volunteer In College Church Youth Faith Formation Classes

The College Church Religious Education and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd programs are looking for adults to be catechists or aides for children ages three through Grade 8 in this coming school year. Our classes meet most Sundays from September through early May at 9:15. Classes are held in the Parish Center and in the Davis Shaughnessy Building. Experience is not required and training will be provided.

This is an excellent opportunity to share your faith with our children in the Jesuit tradition of God's love for us and service to others. Please pray about helping to catechize and evangelize in this ministry. For more information, contact Karen Weber at Karen@sfxstl.org for the Religious Education Program or Julie Kilian at Julie.kilian4@gmail.com for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program.



Married Couples' 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: caglmg01@swbell.net
Or College Church Adult Faith email: sfxAdultFaithFormation@gmail.com

Bulletin Articles

email bulletin articles to bulletin@sfxstl.org.
Before Thursday at noon

Bulletin Advertisers Needed

Please consider supporting our bulletin by purchasing an ad on the back page. J.S. Paluch Company provides the bulletin to our parish every week free of charge. In order to continue receiving our twelve page color bulletin we need to get more advertising. If you can help this effort, please call Mary Ottenberg at 314-757-7598, or email ottenbergm@jspaluch.com.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Social Ministry Commission Applications still available!

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.

If you missed the initial deadline to apply for the Social Ministry Commission, it's not too late! Contact Christine Dragonette at christine@sfxstl.org or 314-977-7309 for more information or for an application.

Ignatian Spirituality Lecture Series Featuring Fr. Stephen Pitts, SJ

“The God Who Breaks Down Barriers: Incorporating the Spiritual Exercises Into Work at the US/Mexico Border”

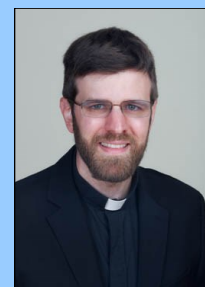
When: Wednesday, May 8th at 7:30 pm (doors open at 6:00 pm)

Where: Fleur de Lis room at the Rigali Center (20 Archbishop May Dr. 63119)

This is a FREE event!

More Info and Registration at 314-416-6400 or whretreat.org/speaker-series

Arrive Early! Dinner prepared by parishioners of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be available for purchase from 6-7:00 pm (\$10/person, cash or check only)



Sponsored by: White House Retreat, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, St. Francis Xavier (College) Church, St. Justin Martyr's Faith in Action Ministry, Peace & Justice Commission of the Archdiocese

Lenten Racial Justice Journey: A Reflection By Aimee Wittman

*Impacted. Challenged. Hopeful. Angry. Inspired. Privileged. Systemic. Messy. Stuck.
Grateful. Guilty. Motivated. Changed. Called.*

These are but some of the words that describe my personal experience engaging with the Lenten Racial Justice Journey readings, videos, and articles provided by the Social Justice Ministry at the College Church. I am struck by the complexity of creating a racially just community, and discerning how, as a white Catholic in St. Louis, I am called by our Church to be a part of the healing process in this work.

I am meditating on what I have done, and what I have failed to do. As the mother of three young children, I am reflecting on how the choices that I make and the work that I do as a parent can either build up or break down racial justice. There are no easy answers to the many questions swirling around in my head, from questioning where I choose to live to where I choose to send my children to school to how I celebrate or do not celebrate diversity in my home, in my networks, or in my life. Hopefully the act of asking the questions is one step in the journey.

I hope I will try to listen more in this continued conversation and, in partnership with my husband and children, actively seek ways to encounter and engage with racial justice work in our community. I am also most grateful for the opportunity to encounter these readings and resources as a part of my Lenten journey.



If you missed the Lenten Racial Justice Journey, please feel free to reach out to Christine at christine@sfxstl.org for the materials or to find out how to get involved in racial justice efforts at College Church.

College Church Legacy Society

As we celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord, it is an opportunity to reflect on the legacy of his time on this earth and how it sustains us every day of our lives. This reflection can lead us to think about our own life and legacy. Each one of us is a ripple on the pond of life reflected in those others whose lives we have touched. In a tangible way I know that there are those of you who have provided for a financial legacy that benefits the College Church.

We would like to recognize that legacy and thank those individuals who have included the College Church in their estate plans. We are establishing a College Church Legacy Society for this purpose and are asking those of you who have made these plans to let us know who you are so we can extend our thanks in a fun and tangible way. Please contact Katie Jansen Larson at (314) 977-1954, katie@sfxstl.org. Information and plans about the future of this group, as well as information on estate giving, will be coming in the future.

Neighborhood Faith Groups

Did you know there are now eight Neighborhood Faith Groups meeting within the SFX community? Are you interested in beginning a new group or maybe joining one that has already just begun meeting? Please join us for a meeting on Sunday May 19 at 11:45 in the Adult Faith Room of the Parish Center. Come hear what these groups have been doing and see if this is something you might be interested in joining! If you have questions feel free to email the Adult Faith email SFXAdultFaithFormation@gmail.com or Joe Milner at Joseph.Milner@slu.edu

Parish Life Commission Looking for More Members

The Parish Life Commission is responsible for planning many of our parish activities like the Appreciation Dinner we had this weekend. We meet once a month on the second Sunday in the ballroom after the 8:00 am Mass. Please take some time to come to our next meeting on June 10th to learn more about what we do and meet the members or call Mary Bet Erickson at 314-977-3400.

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.

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.**



Ramadan Iftar Dinner at St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

Friday, May 31

Gathering at 7:30 and meal after 8:00

Niagara Foundation and Turkish American Society of Missouri would like to invite you to our Ramadan Iftar (Fast-Breaking) Dinner, graciously hosted by

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church.

<https://www.niagarafoundation.org/ramadan-iftar-dinner-at-st-francis-xavier-college-church/>

Please RSVP by May 24 at the website listed above.

A donation for refugee student scholarships would be appreciated.

If you have difficulties registering for this event, please CONTACT Ali Durhan via email at missouri@niagarafoundation.org

First Friday Mass & Speaker: Claire Gilbert, Ph.D.

Join the Office of Mission and Identity on May 3 for mass, a light lunch and talk led by Claire Gilbert, Ph.D.. Gilbert, an associate professor of history in the College of Arts and Sciences, will focus the discussion on early Jesuit missions to Islamic and Eastern Christian lands. Feel free to bring a friend!



When: Friday, May 3, 2019 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Where: Boileau Hall, Saint Louis University, 38 N. Vandeventer Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108

Cost: Complimentary

Parking: Limited complimentary parking is available at Boileau.

Please RSVP by May 2.

Have you considered Including College Church in your estate planning? If so, we'd love to hear from you! Please contact Katie at katie@sfxstl.org

2019 Women Living Theology Conference

Mothers, Sisters, Daughters-Standing on Their Shoulders



Reflect with us on

- the contribution of women needed by today's world
- similar situations in history
- being faithful to our own callings
- and the lives of other women who have and still are working to make a lasting impact in our world

Featured Speaker: Edwina Gateley
Speaker, advocate, writer, poet, & mom

Dates: May 31, 2019 & June 1, 2019 from 9:00 am. - 4:00 pm

Cost: \$120 and includes lunch and parking both days. Limited financial aid is available.

For more information, or to register call 314-256-8804 or visit ai.edu. The deadline to register is May 19, 2019

Location: Aquinas Institute of Theology - 23 S. Spring Ave. - St. Louis, MO 63108

Co-sponsors: Adorers of the Blood of Christ, U.S. Region; Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Dubuque, IA; Hospital Sisters of St. Francis, Springfield, IL; Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet; Sisters of Mercy - South Central Community; Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Houston, TX

How God Speaks to Us

A Workshop for Seekers & Spiritual Directors

Date: Saturday, June 8, 2019

Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

AM session: The Art of Accompaniment; PM session: Recognizing Grace in Oneself and Others

Cost: \$50 – includes lunch and parking

Presenter: Bill Huebsch – spiritual director, writer, and international speaker

To register go to www.ai.edu or call 314-256-8804



PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers Jacquelyn Puetz, mother of Susan Lenihan of our parish who recently died.

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



Donut Sunday

There will be no donut Sunday in May because of Mothers' Day.



College Church Hoodies \$30.00
(mens sizes Small to 3X)

**We are also selling pint glasses
 for \$10 each.**

**Call Mary Beth at
 314-977-7304
 to place an order!**



Presiders

May 4 & 5, 2019

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

May 11 & 12, 2019

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

The Impact of Suffering: Pathways to Restoration Presented by Sister Jean Abbott, CSJ, MSW Saturday, May 11, 2019 9:00 am - 4:00 pm This workshop will teach skills and compassionate methods for our own emotional, physical and spiritual restoration and healing. It is designed for all who would like to increase awareness and learn these skills, whether for personal or professional reasons. Please visit www.mercycenterstl.org for more information.

A Spring Silent Retreat: Living in the Present May 20 – 24, 2019 led by Carol Marozzi, SSJ Retreatants will be helped to identify the obstacles that hinder the discovery of the richness of God’s life within them so that they can regain awareness of being and abide in God’s presence within. Please visit www.mercycenterstl.org for more information

Will you #standwithsisters?

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.

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

***The Impact of Suffering:
 Pathways to Restoration***

**Saturday, May 11 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
 Mercy Conference and Retreat Center**

This workshop will teach skills and compassionate methods for our own emotional, physical and spiritual restoration and healing. It is designed for all who would like to increase their awareness and learn these skills, whether for personal or professional reasons. Presented by Sister Jean Abbott, CSJ, MSW. Sr. Jean is a Sister of St. Joseph, a therapist, and an expert in working with victims of trauma. For more information, please visit <http://www.mercycenterstl.org>

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