



St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday: 5:15 pm Anticipation of Sunday Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 4:30 pm

Weekday

Monday—Friday

7:15 am, Noon, 5:15 pm In the Chapel of Our

Lady located in the lower level.

(There are no 5:15 pm Liturgies on holidays)
Saturday: 7:15 am in the Chapel of Our Lady

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: 4:00 pm through 5:00 pm

Communal Penance Service – Sat. March 25 3:45 pm

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Fridays at 4:00 p.m.

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.

Pray for the Sick

Mary Kreisle **David Byrnes Paul Byrnes Jeff Ortman** Rose Zoia **Dolores Tape** Pam Orbin Art Taylor Liz Shen **Diane Mees** lack Korte Meliaa A Rosemary P **Mary Bruemmer** Mae Mary Black Geri Greger Lisa Zimmerer **Helen DeRuntz** Pat March Tom Urban Liz DeRum **Dan Toohey** Wayne Loui Cheryl Rauschenbach **Delores Garrido** Kathy Fitzgerald **Paul Fister** Nancy Partridge and service-dog, Glider Maryann Cochran Joe Lynne **Tuck Loui** Theresa Poetz Mary Jo Munkel Fr. Carl Dehne, SJ John and Colin Martin **David Schnelt Tom Reilly Monica Gunn Neil Kielty** Carol Williams Mary Beth Erickson **Pat Darcy** Linda Riek Paul Hanson **Betty Will-Bower** Sr. Alice Mary Buckley Eileen McCann

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Parish Information Fax: 314-977-7315 E-mail Address: church@slu.edu

The Parish Center will be closed if St. Louis City Schools are closed due to bad weather. Activities and events are also cancelled.

Hours: Monday through Friday:\ Saturday we are closed & Sunday: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm.

Bulletin notices must be submitted by email to church@slu.edu by noon on Thursday, ten days before the bulletin date. Holidays require additional time.

For Infant Baptisms, contact Fr. Juan Carlos Rivera, 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 noon.

For Christian Initiation of Adults, contact Joe Milner at 314–977-7305 or milnerjv@slu.edu For Marriages contact Sandy Hauck at 314-977-7303 for scheduling and preparation information.

For Funerals, contact Fr. White, SJ or Fr. Juan Carlos Rivera, SJ. To notify the parish that a member of your family has passed away and the funeral is not at the College Church, please contact Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or church@slu.edu.

Disability Access: Our church is equipped with an elevator and hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Parish Registration is 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 is available for kindergarten through eighth grade. Classes meet September through May on Sunday mornings. **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program** for ages 3-6 years. Contact Angie Doerr at 314-977-7302 or adoerr3@slu.edu.

Liturgy of the Word for Children is celebrated weekly for children in kindergarten through seventh grade at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. **Childcare** is available for children ages six months through pre-kindergarten during the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center Nursery. Contact Angie Doerr at 314-977-7302 or adoerr3@slu.edu.

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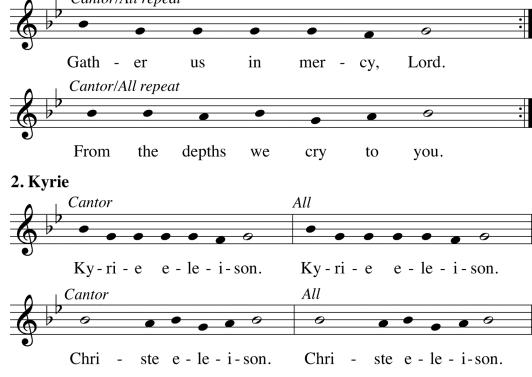
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Welcome to the College Church!

INTRODUCTORY RITES







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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33 Let Your Mercy be on us, O God

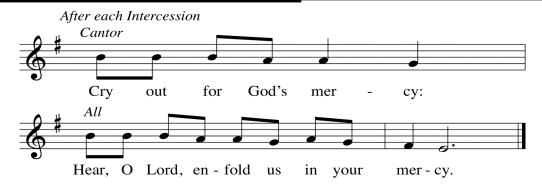
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Gospel Acclamation: Glory to You, O Word of

Gather 340

Intercessions Response





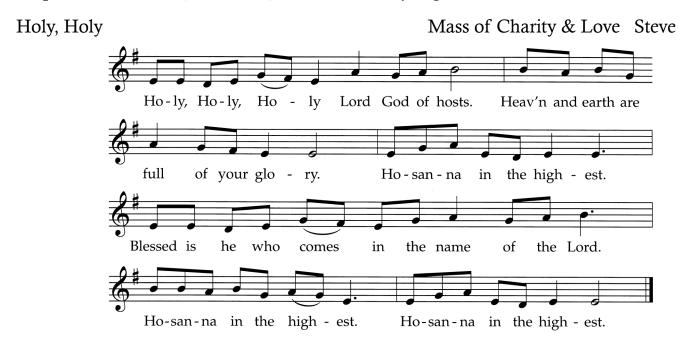
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The Nicene Creed may be found on the first page of the hymnal.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

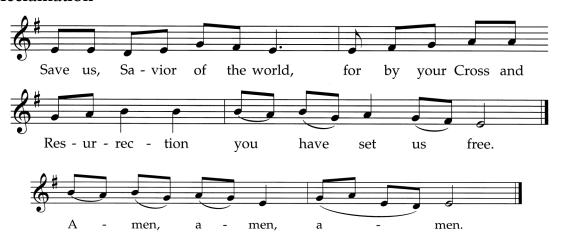
Preparation of Gifts (10:30 a.m.): The Lord is My Light

Gather 690



Memorial Acclamation

Amen





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



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COMMUNION RITE

Communion Hymn: Take and Eat Gather

Meditation Hymn (10:30 a.m): Only This I Want

Gather #

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Song: Transform Us Gather 878

Lenten Gathering Rite

Lent invites us 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." Then 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

Resources for Daily Prayer for Lent

There are a variety of online resources to help you pray. Some have text to read and others have audio presentations. Some are presented as daily emails that will be sent to you.

http://www.ignatianspirituality.com/ignatian-prayer/prayer-online/ lists various websites that offer daily reflections or prayer helps in the Ignatian tradition or Auxiliary Bishop Robert Barron of Los Angeles offers a daily email of Lenten reflections. To register, visit http://www.lentreflections.com/

SFX Women's Retreat Are you over-due for a relaxing weekend of peace, quiet, good food and spiritual nourishment? Take some time away and join your friends from College Church for a Women's Retreat March 24th-26th at King's House in Belleville, IL, just 15 minutes from St. Louis. Contact one of our Parish captains, Madeleine Ortman at 314-956-8839 or Tina Saunders at 314 739-4885, for further information or to register.



From the Pastor's Desk

Friday is St. Patrick's Day, and the next evening is our parish party. It is fitting for us to celebrate.

Our history as a faith community is rooted in the Irish-American experience. St. Francis Xavier (College)

Church was founded to minister to the growing Irish Catholic population of St. Louis. We were the first parish for English-speakers in the city. St. Patrick is commemorated on our steeple's north side, sharing pride of place with St. Ignatius Loyola.

I sometimes wonder what those early years were like with Archbishop Rosati, a native Italian, working with Jesuits who were mostly Belgian to create a parish for the Irish. Makes you wonder how they ever understood one another. Yet, their efforts brought College Church to life.

We can sometimes forget St. Louis has always been a place of diverse peoples. The Archdiocese has long benefitted from all the various places of origin of its faithful. There were challenges for sure. Unlike the song, all were not always welcome even among their fellow Catholics. Yet, here we are. No one would doubt the gifts we have received in abundance.

Perhaps that knowledge is something we can offer our fellow Americans these days. Differences can be a strength not something to fear. Diverse peoples can create unity. Migrants and refugees have made our Church what it is today; our country, too.

Strategic Plan Goal #3 is "To Foster Lifelong Faith Formation Rooted in Gospel Values and Ignatian Spirituality"

The Adult Faith Formation Commission helps to realize this very important goal by coordinating and promoting high quality experiences to inform and inspire our faith throughout our lives. Some opportunities include: Lenten Book Study, Women's Group, Dialogue with the Word, Sunday morning seminars, Bridges and Lightworks retreats, Just Faith, Serious Singles, Xavier books and many others.

The Adult Faith Formation Commission is looking for individuals who love to learn, to be inspired and to share their faith to consider participating in this very important ministry at College Church

If you are interested in learning more about opportunities to participate in the Adult Faith Formation Commission or about adult faith formation experiences, please contact Joe Milner at milnerjv@slu.edu or 314-977-7305 or Deacon Jim Griffard at griffardjm@slu.edu or 314-619-5700.

Thank You to the Parish Life Commission and everyone who helped make our Mardi Gras Appreciation Dinner such a fun evening! We are blessed with a parish full of people willing to help and serve our community. Many Thanks!



Lenten Individual Reconciliations In Church

Sunday, April 2nd from 9:15 to 10:15 am

On Sunday, April 2nd from 9:15 to 10:15 am we will have ten gentle confessors available for individual Confessions. Come and prepare for Easter with this wonderful sacrament of God's love and mercy. All are invited to participate!!!

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Ministry Under the Sign of the Cross

Lenten Afternoon of Reflection for Liturgical Ministers
Sunday, March 26, 2017 – noon- 4:00 pm in the College Church Ballroom



the Heart

In Baptism we Christians were claimed by and immersed in the Cross. There is a richness to the mystery of the cross and resurrection that transcends pain and suffering. What does that really mean? We will reflect together on our own experiences of the Cross, and see how it illuminates and challenges our lives and ministries. Facilitated by Sister Carolyn. RSVP to Sr. Carolyn by Friday, March 17 at sfxlitin@slu.edu or call 314-977-1797.

Parish Book Choice for Lent 2017

Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion By Father Greg Boyle SJ

Read the book on your own or join a small discussion group! To express interest in joining a Lenten book discussion group contact Carol Joselyn at 314-353-1391 or 515-570-3736 or email joselyn66 @gmail.com. She needs to know your name, address, zip code, preference for day of the week and time.

Join the Party! There will be a parish celebration of Tattoos on the Heart on April 23 after both Sunday Masses. There will be refreshments and a rich vigorous discussion.

College Church Lenten Book Group: FACEBOOK Option!

This year, to make book group participation available to more of our community, we are trying a Facebook book discussion group. We're reading the same book as the other book groups, Gregory Boyle's *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion*; we'll consider many of the same discussion questions.

The Facebook page is set up and available as St. Francis Xavier (College) Church Lenten Book Group. It's a "Closed Group," which means that anyone can see it exists and who belongs to the group, but the public cannot see posts. But don't let "Closed" make you feel excluded! Everyone is welcome. Simply find the group and ask to join. We hope to make this new social media approach work well for many, including those whose schedules, transportation needs, or other factors would make it hard to attend face-to-face meetings. For more information, email Victoria Carlson-Casaregola at Victoria.carlsoncasaregola @gmail.com, or personal message her on Facebook. *Please join us.*

Donut Sunday!

Donuts, coffee and juice will be offered after the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses this **Sunday, March 12th!** We are in need of additional volunteers to help with Donut Sunday. Please consider this!



Save Yourself Some "Green" and Get Your Xavier's Old Irish Pub

Tickets Today! Buy your tickets today for just \$25 for adults and \$15 for children (12 and under) and join the celebration of the "wearin" of the green" as Xavier's Old Irish Pub returns on March 18 (yes, we know it is the day <u>after St. Patrick's Day</u>). This family friendly party is part of College Church's 175th Anniversary celebration and features a hot corned beef dinner, non-alcoholic beverages, Irish music, dancers, and games. Beer, wine, and spirits – including Irish coffee -will also be available for modest donations. Irish patratisment includes the West Heavier. That the featuring Ken McKenne, the Kenney the Kenney of the Kenne

entertainment includes the Wee Heavies, Thatch featuring Ken McKenna, the Kavanaughs, Angie Nicholson, Jane Godfrey, Irish dancers, and other top-notch entertainers!

Tickets are on sale after 5:15 pm, 8:00 am, and 10:30 am masses this weekend, or online at brownpapertickets.com/event/2883539. But don't let your luck run out! This event sold out two years ago and advance ticket sales end Wednesday, March 15. Tickets at the door are \$35 (if available). Free parking is available in the Laclede garage.

Want to save even more "green"? Volunteer and get your ticket for just \$15! We still need volunteers to set up, clean up, tend bar, and work the event. Please contact Mary Jo at mjmunkel@aol.com today if you are interested in volunteering.

Ignatian Young Adults Spirituality • Social Justice • Community Tap into Faith Lenten Series

Xavier Young Adults is becoming Ignatian Young Adults, a ministry aimed at creating a community of young adults in St. Louis who have been formed by Jesuit institutions or who feel drawn to Ignatian values. As a kickoff to Ignatian Young Adults, we are hosting a Lenten "Tap into Faith" 3-part speaker series, which will focus on our three central values of Ignatian Spirituality, Community, and Social Justice. As part of the series, we will also discuss forming small faith groups and further building our Ignatian Young Adult community. We hope you will join us. Please feel free to contact skxccyoungadults@gmail.com with any questions.

Wednesday, March 15th from 7:00-9:00 pm Fr. Ron Mercier, S.J. on Spirituality Location: Schlafly Tap Room, 2100 Locust St.

Wednesday, March 29th from 7:00-9:00 pm Rev. Dr. Dietra Wise Baker on Social Justice Location: Schlafly Bottleworks, 7260 Southwest Ave.



Save The Date—Saturday, April 8th 175th Anniversary Fun Run



Join Fr. Dan and company as we return to our roots on Saturday, April 8th. This five mile run will begin at the fountain across from the church and head to the site of the first church at 9th & Lucas, and back. This is very much a DIY event: no times, race numbers, or much organization. You will receive a very sharp t-shirt for your \$15 entrance fee, and the winner will receive a firm handshake from Fr. Dan. Please contact Mary Beth to volunteer or register at 314-977-7304 or email church@slu.edu to register.

Save the Date-Companion Ministry Training Program

We are seeking parishioners interested in visiting parishioners who are homebound, or residing in nursing homes. Training will be on Saturday, March 25th. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Jane Conrad at 314-276-2313 or conradpjif@aol.com





Upcoming Events

March 18, 2017 St. Patrick's Day Celebration in the ballroom following the 5:15 pm Mass

April 8, 2017 Fun Run

May 14, 2017 May Crowning at the 10:30 am Mass

June 4, 2017 Parish Picnic following the 10:30 am Mass

I ♥College Church because ...

Why I love College Church: Let me count the ways. . . . Two stand out:

One: I cherish the unpretentiousness and genuine-ness of our faith Community. We are all welcomed just as we are. **Two:** I love that as we walk up the steps into the Church or ascend via the elevator we leave our titles and accolades out on the corner. We are all welcome. We are all equal. We are indeed the Body of Christ Jesus. I am humbled and grateful to be a part of this Community.



Bridget Brennan

College Church Trivia

In what window is Xavier's great friend and saint, St. Ignatius Loyola?

A. # 2 on the south side, B. right next to Xavier on the north (Lindell side)

C. #6 on the south side near Bellarmine

Did You Know

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church history:

1506, April 7 – St. Francis born in northern Spain

1622, St. Francis canonized by Pope Gregory XV

1840, April 8 – Bishop Rosati lays cornerstone at Old College Church

1891, Feb. 21 – William Tecumseh Sherman funeral.

1906, St. Francis Xavier elementary school opens

1931, St. Francis Xavier high school opens on West Pine

The Letters of St. Francis

Instructions for Fr. Barzaeus, SJ departing for Hormuz

Pay close attention when you hear confessions, since you will find individuals who, because they are ashamed of some foul and ugly sins, are afraid to reveal them. In order to encourage such persons tell them that you know others that are greater than those, treating it all lightly.

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Trivia Answer: $C_{-\#6}$ on the south side near Bellarmine

Share your College Church memories on our Anniversary Facebook page:

175th Anniversary of Saint Francis Xavier

College Church! We'd love to hear from you.

Social Ministry



Take Action!

An integral piece of Metropolitan Congregations United (MCU)'s "Break the Pipeline" campaign involves engaging people of faith in legislative action that works toward breaking the school to prison pipeline. Here are two pieces of Missouri legislation that need your support:

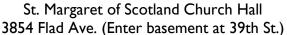
SUPPORT Senate Bill 40 (Raise the Age): This bill would raise the age of juvenile court jurisdiction in Missouri from 17 to 18 years of age and prohibit the detention of anyone below the age of 18 in an adult jail, unless certified as an adult. The bills would also raise the age that a youth can be certified and transferred to the adult system except for the most serious offenses.

SUPPORT Senate Bill 287 (Police Bias Reform): This bill creates a process for reducing bias in policing by requiring police officers to report details for each person they stop, to be compiled, published, and analyzed for bias.

For more detailed information on these bills, visit http://www.senate.mo.gov/ and click on "Bill Search"

To look up your legislators, visit http://senate.mo.gov/legislookup/

Legislative Advocacy Training: A Catholic Perspective Saturday, March 25th from 8:30am-noon





This event will both ground advocacy work in our Catholic faith and teach effective practices to speak out for justice. We will be joined by representatives from Metropolitan Congregations United (MCU), State Rep. Peter Merideth, State Sen. Jamilah Nasheed, and advocacy experts Beth Griffin and Ruth Ehresman.

Please RSVP by either:

Visiting this link: https://tinyurl.com/zcwar2z Emailing Gerry Connolly at gtconnolly@yahoo.com Or calling Christine at 314-977-7309



Lent 2017: With Mary Toward Racial Justice

Wednesdays during Lent March 1st-April 5th 6:45pm (Soup and Bread), 7-8:30 (Presentation)
St. Mary's High School Cafeteria
4701 S. Grand Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63111



March I: Amy Hunter "Parents as Servant Leaders and Activists: Parents' Work is Saving Our Sons and Daughters"

March 8: Bridget McDermott Flood "Gathering at the Table"

March 15: Rev. Arthur Cavitt "Vessels of God's Will: Mary, Amos, & Habakkuk"

March 22: Dan Stout "From The Face of Empathy to People of Action"

March 29: Dominic Duren and Bro Mike Murphy SM "The Dismas Journey"

April 5: Javier Orozco, OFS, PhD "Guadalupe's Encounter with Juan Diego- What Can It Teach Us About Racial Justice?"

Presiders

March 11th & 12th

Saturday

5:15 pm Fr. J. Hunthausen, S.J.

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. J.C. Rivera, S.J. 10:30 am Fr. D. White, S.J. 4:30 pm Fr. J.C. Rivera, S.J.

March 18th & 19th

Saturday

5:15 pm Fr. D. White, S.J.

Sunday

8:00 am Fr. D. Daly, S.J. 10:30 am Fr. R. Mercier, S.J. 4:30 pm Fr. D. White, S.J.

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 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

STL/YMPHONY LIVE AT POWELL HALL

"Gospel According to the Other Mary"

Please join us at Powell Hall on March 24th & 26th for special presentations of John Adams' the "Gospel of the Other Mary". The story tells the traditional Passion story with contemporary voices of social activism and spirituality. Tickets are \$20 using the promo code OTHERMARY.

Lenten Books and Materials

The season of Lent has started. It is a time to reconnect with the person God is calling us to be. This will be the last week for Lenten materials and books.

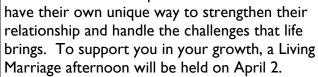
There are books on the Examen, Reimagining the Ignatian Examen; A Simple Life Changing Prayer; and Sleeping With Bread. Each of these offer valuable insights into praying the Examen. There are several items by Pope Francis including collections of his daily homilies. There are also some children's activity booklets for Lent and Easter. Recordings of Fr. Kavanaugh's homilies and CDs of St. Louis Jesuit music are also available. These materials are today in the ballroom. If you would like to get one at another time, please contact Joe Milner, milnerjv@slu.edu

We have a new website. The address is sfxstl.org.

Please check the new website for online bulletins, homilies from the previous weekend, our calendar and information about upcoming events!

Living Marriage-The First 10 Years

Growing in marriage and keeping your relationship vibrant takes work. Each couple will



The session will be focused on the experiences of change and growth with a focus on couples in their first 10 years of marriage. There will be presentations, time for couples to dialogue and time for dialogue with other couples. We will meet from noon until 4:00 pm with a lunch included. The session is free but an offering to cover the lunch expense would be appreciated. Childcare can be arranged if needed.

To register or learn more about the afternoon, contact Joe Milner by calling 314 –977-7305 or email milnerjy@slu.edu

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