



## St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

*The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis*

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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

### **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

Lula Chatman  
 Don Berg  
 Mary Kreisle  
 Greg Fiudo  
 David Byrnes  
 Paul Byrnes  
 Jeff Ortman  
 Pam Orbin  
 Art Taylor  
 Liz Shen  
 Diane Mees  
 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 Schnell  
 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

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



**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:adoerr3@slu.edu).

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## From the Pastor's Desk

What do eggs, Mary Magdalene and Easter have in common? A lot more than you think, actually. The accounts of that early morning on the first day of the week differ in all four Gospels. They share in common, however, the presence of Mary Magdalene leading the women who go to the tomb of Jesus. John's Gospel relates that Mary is the first to see the risen Lord. She is sent forth by Him to tell the startling truth to the disciples proclaiming, *I have seen the Lord!* That is why the Church's traditional title for her is, "the disciple to the disciples."

Now, what about the egg? That is symbolic of Christ's tomb. Seriously. An egg is a seemingly cold, barren object that resembles nothing so much as a rock. Yet, inside is life. The egg was an early Christian symbol that captures the contradiction at the heart of our greatest feast: from the lifeless place of death springs forth our Eternal Life. Eggs and the decorating of eggs is a celebration of the paradox of the empty tomb.

This icon of the Russian Orthodox captures the richness of the first Easter. Mary Magdalene holds both the jar with oil to anoint Christ's body and an egg. She who came to mourn His death is now the herald of His resurrection. Alleluia, Alleluia!



## Save the Date Supper & Spirituality

Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00 pm  
in the Xavier Ballroom

## College Church, SLU and St. Louis: Where We Have Been and Where We Are Headed



Supper & Spirituality will begin with a shared meal followed by a presentation including questions and discussion. Join parishioners, Jeff Leonard, Tim O'Connell and our pastor, Fr. Dan White, S.J. for this presentation and discussion.

We ask if you are coming to help by bringing either a sandwich, bag of chips or cookies to be shared. Please RSVP to [church@slu.edu](mailto:church@slu.edu) or call 314-977-7300.

## Church Picnic



## SAVE THE DATE!

On Sunday, June 4, 2017 after the 10:30 am mass we will celebrate the close of our 175th Anniversary Year with a parish family picnic right here on St. Louis University Campus. We will have catered barbecue for lunch, and many activities for children.

Please save the date, more details to come!

## Cardinal's Baseball Tickets Available

Would like to join other College Church parishioners for a night at the Ballpark?

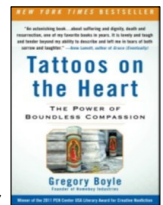


**Saturday, July 29th VS**  
**The Arizona Diamondbacks at 6:15 pm** (Seats are in the LP2 area)

**Tickets are \$25.00 each**

Buy your tickets NOW at the Parish Center front desk. Reservations and payments are due before Wednesday, May 10th. Checks should be made payable to St. Francis Xavier (College) Church. If you have any questions, contact Mary Beth Erickson at church@slu.edu or call 314-977-7300.

**Lenten Reading Celebration** Throughout the season of Lent, parishioners have been reading *Tattoos on the Heart*. Some have been sharing in small groups, others on line and some informally with friends. Next Sunday, April 23, gatherings will be held after both the 8:00 and 10:30 masses for anyone who has read the book during Lent to share their insights and to encourage one another in living out the insights that have been gained. Please mark your calendar and join us in the ballroom after either mass to meet others, share an insight that you have gained and offer suggestions for future sharing activities. For more information, please contact Joe Milner, milnerjv@slu.edu or 314-977-7305.



**From the Financial Development Commission**  
**Steve Clark, Dennis Corrigan, Jo Curran, Dennis Lane, Kevin Lee, Matt Perlow**

Why has each of us chosen to be a part of this amazing faith community? Is it the **liturgy** that is supported by sustaining and energizing homilies and music that lifts our souls ever closer to our loving God? Is it the gift of **spiritual formation** that is offered to our children and adults that builds and deepens our understanding of how we can become ever stronger Christians and followers of the Son of God? Might it be the ongoing **works of mercy and social justice** that are woven into the fabric of our parish – embraced and supported by so many of our parishioners in support of those in need and crying for justice? Or is it the **beautiful space and the beautiful people** with whom we gather in love and support? Each of us is here because we've chosen to be a part of this community.

Last September, Father Dan and the pastoral council asked us to consider increasing our offertory giving by 5-10% to support the ministries that are so important to us. Have you responded to that invitation yet? If you are not regularly supporting our mission, could you consider making a commitment of offertory giving at this time? We are grateful to those who have helped us reach 25% of our goal. We are in the final quarter of our fiscal year and are hoping that you will respond to that call now so that we can continue to support you on your journey through all of these ministries that are so meaningful for our community.

### Online giving is the easiest way to give!

- Visit our website: [sfxstl.org](http://sfxstl.org), click on the blue banner at the top of the page and follow the instructions
- Make payments directly from your bank account – just as you do if you pay bills online. Make payments to St. Francis Xavier (College) Church with the address 3628 Lindell Blvd. – St. Louis, MO 63108

**We thank you** for your prayerful consideration of the request we make in gratitude for the amazing gift that we've been given – the blessings we receive in this community - St. Francis Xavier College Church.



### Upcoming Events

**April 26, 2017** Supper & Spirituality: College Church, SLU and St. Louis

**May 7, 2017** May Crowning at the 10:30 am Mass

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

### I ♥ College Church because ...

SFX is a place of peaceful prayer, joyfulness and reconciliation. SFX has a beautiful choir, great Jesuit homilies, and a spirit that greets friends and strangers with the words “you are most welcome”. SFX is a beautiful faith-filled community but also we are neighbors to areas in the city experiencing abject poverty, poor housing, malnutrition and unjust educational opportunities. In my years attending SFX, my spirit has been lifted often by witnessing the works of mercy and justice by our social ministry programs, religious education, RCIA, hospitality efforts and our liturgies as we confront and help to resolve those issues. We are a diverse group with many “tribes” coming from throughout the nearby areas. But we all share the same joyful hope in the Risen Lord Jesus.

This Church of St. Francis Xavier, was blessed by His Grace Anthony Peter Mayala, Archbishop of Mwanza, on the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2003. The Plaque was placed by Rev. Fr. Fratern Masawe S.J., Provincial, Eastern Africa Province

**Alice Edler**

### College Church Trivia

What year did the College Church accomplish their goal of becoming handicap-accessible?

*Answer at the bottom of the page*

### Did You Know

*In the northeast corner of the baptismal area is the olearium or amby. This is a shrine for the holy oils used during the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Anointing of the sick.*

### The Letters of St. Francis

*Instructions for Fr. Barzaeus, SJ departing for Hormuz*

When you have gained a knowledge of the land from experience, which is the mother of all things, it will teach you what will be more to the service of God among all the many opportunities which will be offered to you there. As an end to all this, I recommend you above all to yourself, that you remember you are a member of the Society of Jesus.

*Goa 1549*

*Trivia Answer: 1994*

**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

### Green Corner

How is your Spring Cleaning going? Did you make it to the Recycling Extravaganza on April 2nd? If not, don't worry! There are always opportunities to recycle and re-purpose those items "Beyond the Blue Bin" throughout the year. Keep an eye on this Green Corner where we will be providing you with contacts and links to dispose of your unwanted household and yard items (e.g., holiday lights, unused/unwanted medications, costume jewelry, T-shirts, plastic flower pots).



To learn more, check out these extensive websites/organizations for more detailed information: [slcityrecycles.com](http://slcityrecycles.com) or google "St Louis Earth Day, Recycling Extravaganza." Remember, you can always find recycling help on our Parish website ([sfxstl.org](http://sfxstl.org)).

Again, be sure to make plans to visit the St. Louis Earth Day Festival, a great family-friendly event on April 22 and 23, on the Muny Grounds in Forest Park. You are sure to learn a lot, get a bunch of free items, and have fun listening to music while supporting our Earth.



### Just Faith 2017-2018: Be The Change

In the face of recent and emerging changes in our government and our society, many have asked: "what can I do to make a difference?" Many are searching for active and constructive influence in their communities to counter prevailing attitudes and proclamations. If this describes your feelings, please consider attending Just Faith at College Church beginning in the fall of 2017.

Just Faith is an intensive, small group learning experience for people looking to deepen their commitment to care for the vulnerable in their community. Through study, direct experience, dialogue, speakers and prayer, participants explore glaring contemporary reality and its implications to their lives and the lives of the marginalized. For further details about Just Faith go to [JustFaith.org](http://JustFaith.org) and keep an eye on this space for details about Just Faith 2017-2018 at College Church. As Mahatma Gandhi advised: Be The Change You Seek In The World.

For further details about Just Faith go to [JustFaith.org](http://JustFaith.org) and consider attending one of our monthly informational sessions after both the 8am and 10:30 am masses (**Please note the location change**):

**Sunday, May 21st (Chapel)**  
**Sunday, June 11th (Ballroom)**  
**Sunday, July 23rd (Ballroom)**  
**Sunday, August 20th (Ballroom)**

### Sign up to receive Social Ministry action alerts/opportunities

College Church's mission statement asks us to 'engage in lifelong formation and proclaim God's reign of justice, mercy and peace.'

BE AN  
ADVOCATE



Living out this statement requires standing and letting our voices be heard when injustice is being done. If you are interested in receiving emails from College Church Social Ministry about both legislative advocacy opportunities and community events/opportunities, please contact Christine at [dragonettecm@slu.edu](mailto:dragonettecm@slu.edu) or 977-7309 for more information.

**Presiders****April 15th & 16th**

Saturday

8:00 pm

Fr. D. White, S.J.

Sunday

8:00 am

Fr. J.C. Rivera, S.J.

10:30 am

Fr. D. White S.J.

**April 22nd & 23rd**

Saturday

5:15 pm

Fr. J. Hunthausen, S.J.

Sunday

8:00 am

Fr. D. White, S.J.

10:30 am

Fr. J.C. Rivera, S.J.

**Weekly Readings****Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;  
Mt 28:8-15**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;  
Jn 20:11-18**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27;  
Jn 21:1-14**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15**Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;  
1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31**Happy Easter**

Enjoy this beautiful Easter Season...The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, April 17th!  
There will be only one Mass on Monday, April 17th at 7:15 am.



**Pray for the Deceased** Please remember in your prayers, Rose Zoia, mother of Lisa Zoia (Eugene Johnson), of our parish who died recently along with all who have died in violence in recent weeks. May she and all the departed share in the peace and joy of God's presence forever.

**Xavier Books Spring Sale**

We have a number of books left over from our offerings on prayer, spirituality, the writings of Pope Francis and social justice. Before these are returned to our supplier, we will offer them to you at a 40% discount. Come find a book to help you grow during the summer months or as a gift for someone. They will be available following the Sunday morning masses next Sunday, April 23 in the ballroom. If you have questions, please contact Joe Milner, milnerjv@slu.edu

**Opportunity for Service-Linen Keepers**

College Church has a small but dedicated group of generous women who serve the liturgy by caring for the corporals and purificators that are used regularly for our masses. Two of our five ladies will be retiring from this ministry in April, so we are in need of a few additional people who would be willing to take this on. It requires a monthly commitment of picking up the hamper from the sacristy, washing and ironing the linens at home and returning them the following weekend. Training will be provided. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Sister Carolyn McWatters at [sfxlitin@slu.edu](mailto:sfxlitin@slu.edu) or call 977-1797.

**We have a new website. The address is [sfxstl.org](http://sfxstl.org).**

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

**Page 12—Easter Sunday  
INFORMATION SHEET**

**Number of Bulletins Printed: 900 + Extra Easter Allowance**  
**PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE INSERTS IN THE MIDDLE OF OUR BULLETIN.**  
**THEY SHOULD BE SENT SEPARATELY.**

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