



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

Fr. Dave Corrigan, SJ
 Kandice Draper
 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
 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

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 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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Welcome to the College Church!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: Christ Has Risen

Gather 530

Sprinkling Rite: Wade in the Water

Gather 898

Glory to God: Mass of Creation

Gather 193

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118: This is the Day

Stephen Pishner

This is the day! This is the day that the
 Lord has made! Al-le-lu-ia! Let us re-joyce and be
 glad! Re-joyce and be glad!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia!

Stephen Pishner

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 Al-le-lu-ia! Let us re-joyce and be
 glad! Re-joyce and be glad!

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

Intercessions Response (10:30 am) Gracious Lord

Gather 351

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts (10:30 am): That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright

Gather 542

Eucharistic Prayer Acclamations—Mass of Creation

Gather 198,199, 202, 204

COMMUNION RITE

Communion Song: We Have Been Told

Gather 784

Mediation Hymn (10:30 am) : Dona Nobis Pacem

Gather 822

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional : Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Gather 540

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Easter Season Sprinkling Rite

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* (GIRM) encourages the use of a sprinkling rite during the Sundays of the Easter season. As a Church we are celebrating with those who have just been baptized at the Easter Vigil their new life in Christ. We have renewed our own baptismal promises as well, recalling that it was through the waters of baptism that we became members of Christ's Body and were incorporated into his risen life.

So when we are sprinkled each Sunday and sing the refrain "Wade in the Water", let us exult in the new life we have been given through the abundance of God's grace, and recommit ourselves to sharing it with generosity and joy!

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!

From the Pastor's Desk



St. Thomas the Apostle gets a bad rap. He was one of the twelve chosen by Christ to accompany him. Tradition has it he traveled east to proclaim the Good News. The Church in India traces its origins back to the work of this great missionary. However, we see him largely from today's Gospel as one lacking faith. Thus the nickname, Doubting Thomas.

First of all, he is hardly the first of the disciples to express skepticism in Christ's resurrection. They are not convinced by the testimony of Mary Magdalene regarding the Risen Lord. The disciples on the road to Emmaus have heard the news and are still leaving Jerusalem to get on with their lives. If Thomas is a "doubter", he certainly has lots of company among Jesus' followers.

Besides, why does his reaction surprise us? People are not resurrected. Such things do not happen. The death of Jesus appeared to share the finality of every single human death. The real story is not Thomas' unbelief but Jesus' great desire for him to believe. He is more than willing to do whatever will enable Thomas to come to faith. If it takes touching his wounds, so be it.

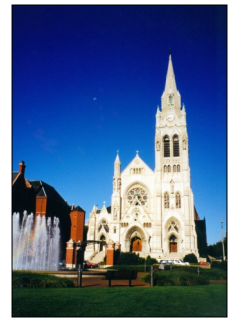
Thomas' eventual faith is a catalyst for all who will follow. Jesus states, "Blessed are those who have not seen, and yet believe." That's us. Thomas acts as a foil for Jesus' blessing upon all who have followed after him. Rather than fixating on a moment of doubt, we celebrate our faith in the Risen Lord.



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

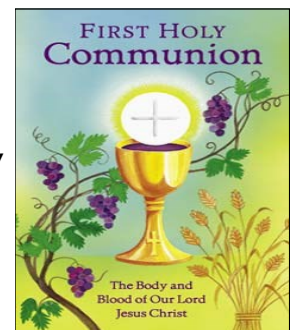


Supper & Spirituality will begin with a shared meal followed by a presentation including questions and discussion. Join parishioners, Jeff Leonard, Tim O'Connell and our pastor, Fr. Dan White, S.J. for this presentation and discussion.

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 or call 314-977-7300.

First Communion at the College Church

Next Sunday, April 30th we will be celebrating the sacrament of First Holy Communion during the 10:30 am Mass. We will have lots of visitors including family members of our First Communicants. The middle section front pews will be reserved for the families.



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.

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, 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.

Pray for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers, Dan Toohey, brother of Kate Gunn (Tom), of our parish who died recently along with all who have died in violence in recent weeks.

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



Parish Picnic Sunday, June 4th



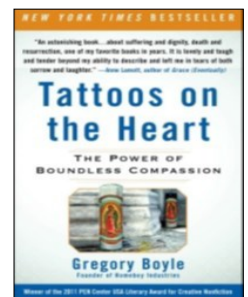
We will celebrate the close of our parish 175th Anniversary year with a parish picnic on Pentecost Sunday, June 4, after the 10:30 am mass. The picnic will be held on SLU campus, across Grand Avenue from the church in Tegeler Field. Food will be catered from Pappy's, drinks will be provided, and there will be entertainment for children.

Parishioners as asked to bring a dessert to share. Tickets for this event are \$7 per person or \$20 per family of 3 or more, and will be on sale after all masses starting Sunday, April 29. Tickets may also be purchased online at the following link: <http://sfxpicnic.bpt.me/> or at the parish business office. Please join us for this event! For questions, please contact Wade Baughman, mwba16@gmail.com

Lenten Reading Celebration

All who read our Lenten book selection, *Tattoos on the Heart* are invited to gather in the ballroom today after either the 8:00 or the 10:30 am masses for refreshments, sharing and looking to the future.

Whether you were in a small group, online group or just read it on your own, you are welcome to join the conversation. Your insights will be invited along with your suggestions for the future.



Xavier Books Spring Sale

Before returning books to our suppliers, we are offering them to you at a 40% discount today. There are collections of homilies by Pope Francis, books about Pope Francis, books on the Examen and Ignatian Spirituality, prayer, and social justice.



Come find a book to help you grow during the summer months or as a gift for someone in the ballroom after either of the Sunday morning masses, today only.

Contemplative Leaders in Action Formation and Community for Young Adults

**Contemplative Leaders
in Action**

A Program of The Jesuit Collaborative

CLA is a two-year program that cultivates Ignatian spirituality and leadership in young professionals in their 20's and 30's. Participants join a vibrant, faith-filled community of peers committed to becoming leaders in their fields as they search to find God in all things. A CLA cohort meets monthly throughout the process to

discuss and engage in topics relevant to leadership and spiritual growth. Participants are offered retreat opportunities along with access to spiritual direction and mentoring. Multiple College Church young adults currently participate in the program and would be happy to share their experiences with you. Applications to this program are currently open in St. Louis For more information about the program, or if you know anyone interested in applying, contact Tom Auffmanberg at tauffmanberg@contemplativeleaders.org or see our website: <http://www.contemplativeleaders.org>.



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 ...

I love College Church because when I come to church I feel Jesus in me when I enter the door. I meet wonderful people at the College Church. It helps to keep my faith strong.

Mona Caldwell

College Church Trivia

There are six steps to get to the altar from the nave. How many steps were there previously?

- A. 8 B. 9 C. 10

Answer at the bottom of the page

Did You Know

...that there are several statues of saints on the exterior of College Church? On the square tower and façade, there are niches that hold some of the greatest saints. Look at the small southeast tower (*to your left when facing the front of the Church*) and you will find Sts. Aloysius, Stanislaus Kostka and John Berchmans. On that same tower, only lower, you will find St. Francis Xavier, our patron.

The Letters of St. Francis

To the Society of Jesus in Europe

This voyage to Japan is very dangerous because of the great storms, the many shallows, and the numerous pirates, but most of all because of the storms, for if two out of three ships sailing from a harbor in those regions arrive safely, it is a great achievement.

Malacca (Indonesia) 1549

Trivia Answer: A (8) Two upper steps around the altar were removed

**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:

sltcityrecycles.com or google "St Louis Earth Day, Recycling Extravaganza."

Remember, you can always find recycling help on our Parish website (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.

Jummah Prayer Visit

Friday, May 5th at 3:00 pm at the Bosnian Islamic Center

318 Lemay Ferry Rd, St. Louis, MO 63125

We are invited to attend a Jummah Prayer Service with our Muslim brothers and sisters, which is their equivalent of our Sunday Mass. It is a great opportunity to learn more about Islam and the beliefs of Muslims. Since the space will be limited, we need those who would like to join us to sign up at this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/OrqgB4Kmlb5lzmW43> or by contacting Christine at 977-7309 or dragonettecm@slu.edu.

A week or so before May 5th an information sheet about the prayer service will be sent out to all who sign up giving us an overview of the prayer service as well as any other guidance for our convenience.

The Common Heart: An Interfaith Dialogue

Sunday, May 21st after the 10:30 am Mass

College Church Ballroom

Everyone is invited to join the Social Ministry Commission in welcoming a group of Muslim neighbors to our 10:30 a.m. Mass on May 21st and then to a potluck and Interfaith Dialogue after the Mass at Noon.

This is being planned as an opportunity for us to get to know our Muslim neighbors and to learn about their faith and look at our common beliefs. We are looking for volunteers to bring something to add to the potluck. Our Muslim friends will also bring potluck dishes from their culture. Contact Christine with any questions at 977-7309 or dragonettecm@slu.edu.

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Give STL Day: Thursday, May 11th

The College Church Outreach Program is participating in Give STL Day on May 11th, a 24 hour opportunity to donate to local nonprofits.

Spread the word to your friends and family to support the Outreach Program by visiting <https://www.givestlday.org/collegechurch> on Thursday, May 11th!



Pastoral Care Visits

If you would like to have someone bring communion to you or have a pastoral visit, please contact the parish by calling 314-977-7300. We would be happy to arrange this for you!

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 or call 977-1797.

St. Francis Xavier (College) Church Seeks to Meet Accessibility Needs in the Following Ways



- The curb cut in front of the church on Grand Avenue is for **drop off only**.
- There is a wheel chair ramp on the south side of the main entrance to the church on Grand Avenue which leads to the lower church ballroom. There is an elevator just inside the door for access to the church.
- Accessible bathrooms are just inside the lower church door.
- A wheel chair is available for use inside the church and ballroom. See a Hospitality Minister to use it.
- Listening devices are available for use during weekend Liturgies. See a Hospitality Minister to borrow one.
- Gluten free hosts are available. To arrange, please contact Sr. Carolyn McWatters, Director of Music and Liturgy at 314-977-1797 or sfxlitin@slu.edu in advance and notify an acolyte prior to mass once arranged.
- Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring communion to the back of church. To arrange, please notify a Hospitality Minister.
- Accessible parking is available on Sunday mornings alongside the church on Lindell Boulevard near Grand Ave in designated handicapped spaces. **Please adhere to the angle parking arrangement.**
- Parishioners are available to visit and bring communion to homebound parishioners. To arrange, please contact Jane Conrad at 314-276-2313.

Spirituality for the Second Half of Life Day of Reconciliation sponsored by the Victorious Missionaries

Saturday, May 6th begins with Liturgy at 9:15 am and ends after dinner at 5:00 pm
Optional Reconciliation Service at 6:30 pm –Presenter Sr. Carla Mae Streeter, OP

This gathering will reflect on how we can live fully as the years add up. Please join us as we explore the riches found in our spiritual journey. Price \$70 includes lunch and dinner.

For more information, visit vmusa.org or contact Bette Meyer at 618-394-6281 or email bette.meyer@snows.org.

Presiders	Weekly Readings
<p><u>April 22nd & 23rd</u> Saturday 8:00 pm Fr. J. Hunthausen, S.J. Sunday 8:00 am Fr. D. White, S.J. 10:30 am Fr. J.C. Rivera, S.J.</p> <p><u>April 29th & 30th</u> Saturday 5:15 pm Fr. M. May, S.J. Sunday 8:00 am Fr. J.C. Rivera, S.J. 10:30 am Fr. D. White, S.J.</p>	<p>Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday: I Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21 Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; I Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35</p>

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. We 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.



Discretion in Almsgiving

All are welcome to join us for prayer and worship. However, in order to respect our place of worship, we ask that no one solicit or give out money on our parish property, including the church, chapel, ballroom, parish center, steps of all buildings, and the moat area on the south side of the building. Additionally, we ask that no one leave items for individuals to pick up in the parish center.

Our Social Ministry Outreach Program provides for some concrete needs on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, including assistance with birth certificates, State ID cards, bag lunches, and toiletry kits. Our volunteers work with program guests to direct them toward other community resources for additional needs. If you have questions about available resources, contact Christine Dragonette at dragonettecm@slu.edu or 314-977-7309.

You Are the Voice of the People

Sometimes the Washington DC office numbers of our members of Congress are busy. Here are their local office phone numbers:

- Sen. Roy Blunt: 314-725-4484,
- Sen. Claire McCaskill: 314-367-1970
- Rep. Lacy Clay (1st district Missouri): 314-367-1970



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