



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

Bob Wagner
 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 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, 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: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Gather 545

Sprinkling Rite: Song Over The Waters

Gather 661

Glory to God: Mass of Creation

Gather 193

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 47 God Mounts His Throne

Steve Warner

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a
blare of trum - pets for the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Song of the Spirit

Gather 339

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Intercessions Response (10:30 am) Gracious Lord

Gather 351

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Song during Confirmation:(10:30 am) Holy Spirit

Chris de Silva

Refrain

Ho - ly Spir - it, come, re - fresh us
with your fire of love. Ho - ly Spir - it,
come, re - new us, heal us with your love.

Verse Response

Ve - ni, San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

Preparation of Gifts (10:30 am): Christ Has No Body Now

Gather 760

Eucharistic Prayer Acclamations—Mass of Creation

Gather 198, 200, 202, 204

COMMUNION RITE

Communion Song: We Are One

Gather 913

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Song: City of God

Gather 766

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Guess who's Turning 50?

Donuts, coffee and juice will be offered between the masses (about 9:00 am) on Sunday, June 11th in the ballroom. We will celebrate Fr. Dan's 50th birthday at that time! Come wish him a Happy Birthday.

We are in need of additional volunteers to help with Donut Sundays. Please consider this!



In Loving Celebration

The lilies that filled our sanctuary on Easter Sunday were generously donated by the following people:

- * Sandy Hauck in memory of Scott Stanec
- * Tom Gunn in memory of Gerry & Marion Touhey
- * Deb and Joe Burke in memory of Sophie Burke
- * Mary Jo Munkel in memory of Wayne Munkel
- * Greg and Maggie Vogelweid in memory of John & Jackie McGillick
- * Michael Sims in memory of Keith Shaw
- * Dennis and Tina Saunders
- * Sisters of Mary Queen in memory of deceased sisters & parents
- * Therese Anne Keifer in memory of the Kiefer and Karcher Families
- * Lillian Anthony in honor of Lula Chatman
- * Sandy Spencer in honor of Veterans and in memory of PTSD Suicides



From the Pastor's Desk



We come with joy this Ascension Sunday. This is a particularly happy day as we welcome Archbishop Carlson to celebrate confirmation. This year we have sixteen confirmandi to receive the sacrament. This is the conclusion of a two-year preparation by our young people. It has been a long faith journey aided by teachers, sponsors, and this faith community. Thank you to all who have helped along the way.

I invite you to please keep our confirmandi in your prayers as they receive the gifts of the Spirit in a special way. Also, take a moment to read and reflect on the faith statements they wrote. Their words are incredible and inspiring. We are blessed to have such faith-filled disciples among us. What a treasure they are for College Church! I pray that they continue to be open to the Holy Spirit so that all may be for the greater glory of God.

New Parish Guidebook

The 2017-18 Parish Guidebook has been mailed to everyone registered as a parishioner at the College Church. Please let May Beth know if you did not receive one by calling 314-977-7304 or email church@slu.edu.

Annual Catholic Appeal

The annual **Archdiocesan Catholic Appeal** gives us an opportunity to join with other people of faith to help the needy of our area. For years the appeal has helped the hungry, the sick, the abused, and the elderly. It is the reality of our time that the need for assistance continues to grow. Our own College Church Social Ministry Outreach does an excellent job in ministering to the needs of those who come to us. This annual Archdiocesan Catholic Appeal makes our parish a part of an even larger effort. Please prayerfully consider your pledge and return the pledge card in whatever way is most convenient – in the Sunday collection, or by mail.

If you are unable or do not wish to pledge this year, please do not discard the pledge card – return it to us with any comments you want to include and we will make sure it gets back to the Archdiocese. Perhaps your place of employment offers a matching gift option; if so, refer to the back of the card for instructions. Thank you for your consideration.

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.

Statements of Faith

As part of the preparation for Confirmation, our Confirmandi were asked to write a “Statement of Faith” expressing why they wanted to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation along with some aspect of her/his faith journey. These reflections were read by the students in a special celebration attended by parents, teachers, sponsors and members of our faith community on May 21, 2017. We are making these *Statements of Faith* available to our entire parish community and hope that you will read them and be inspired by the heartfelt, honest and thoughtful reflections of our young people. Please join our parish family as we celebrate their full initiation into the Church today, May 28, 2017.

Hezekaya Buse

I grew up not learning anything about God. I didn't even know there was such thing as God or the bible until I was seven. I went to church for the first time after being put into foster care... It was weird for me! I had to sit for such a long period of time. I Hated it. Then a year later I got a new foster family which then became my adopted family which I was brought to by God: The Buses. But back to the story. It was so weird then. There were some really complex words like God and Christian. There was a lot I didn't understand. Like why I had to go every Sunday. ..When I first came to this church, I would fall asleep. I did this for a year. Now I can last the whole church without falling asleep. I am actually attentive and I sing. I like participating in church things because it is a lot of fun. Psalm 23 my favorite Psalm . “The Lord is my shepherd I shall not be in want... He guides me down the path of righteousness.” God led me through this whole journey ..to my family and to God.

Confirmation Name: Damian

Confirmation Sponsor: Johnny Buse

Marina Casaregola

Recently I have struggled with understanding my faith and beliefs. Sometimes, I feel like giving up is the easiest path. ..When I listen to the gospel and the homily, sometimes it is hard to relate them to my everyday life. I try to reflect on the word of God and the explanation by the priest. It has been a struggle to understand fully what my beliefs and religious calling are, but I think being confirmed will help me to focus and strengthen my commitment, building on my religious foundations..... In November my eighth grade confirmation class went on a retreat. Being with other teens my age, and seeing that I wasn't the only one who struggled with understanding my faith, was eye opening.... There was a moment on the retreat when we were reflecting that I felt at peace, and I felt I knew where my faith was taking me,... It was a wonderful experience that helped me understand myself and Catholicism a lot more. I am excited to be confirmed because I know it is the next step into coming closer to God and the next step in the commitment of my faith..... Confirmation is not a conclusion--it is only a moment when I really begin to understand this journey that will last throughout my life.

Confirmation Name: Monica

Confirmation Sponsor: Maya Casaregola

Ruth Christopher

Back in February, our religious education group went to volunteer at the Gateway 180 shelter. There was this adorable little girl there, about 7 years old, who kept coming back for more brownies. Every time, she'd tell me, “I'm back!” This little girl reminded me of myself. Not only because she loved brownies, but because she kept coming back. Over the course of my life, I've struggled with really connecting with my faith. But the one thing that kept me coming back was knowing that God loves me *unconditionally* and no matter how many times I drift away, I can *always* come back to Him. Whenever this happens, after I return to God, I always feel a huge sense of joy and relief. ..Each time I come back, I feel like I've returned home, and like I'm with someone who knows every single one of my faults and loves me anyway. ..The peace, love, joy, and strength that I feel make me very happy and excited to be Catholic. Just like the little girl at the shelter, I come back and back again to God. And every time He hears me say “I'm back!” He welcomes me with open arms, as if I've never even been gone.

Confirmation Name: Therese of Lisieux

Confirmation Sponsor Ellen Mannino

Alex de Foy

To be honest, Jesus is my best friend. Really, I'm not joking. Why? Because for one he created me, and that was really nice of him. But also because even when I'm not getting along with all my other friends he's there. He's always there, even if I weren't getting along with him. ..God was my best friend at summer camp in Belgium this year. It was kinda hard for me, going away for the longest period of time from my family, two

weeks...One night I had a horrible stomach ache, so I laid down and said the Hail Mary a couple billion times and my stomach ache went away. I also went to confession of my own will there. God really showed me the connection we have there. And today that connection is still clear to me, although I'm sure I'm going to uncover much more of it as my life goes on.

Confirmation Name: Martin

Confirmation Sponsor: Mike Foster

Izzy DeStefano

To me faith means trusting that God always has a plan. As I have grown, I have come to learn that God will find a way to make things right. I may not always understand his plan, but my faith guides me. God has helped me with my school, sports, friends, and family. This has been challenged in the past year with my sports injuries and the loss of a friend. In sports it been hard to work through injuries such as a broken arm, ankle, and bruised knee. Each of these has tested my perseveranceand each time I grow stronger knowing God is helping me through this..Losing a classmate has really tested my faith and made me wonder why God would allow something like this to happen. But seeing how much stronger my friendships are and how our class came together to support each other and our friend's family, I know God is with me. My faith continues to grow with each new experience, good or bad. ..I'm looking forward to keeping God a part of my life forever

Confirmation Name: Catherine of Siena

Confirmation Sponsor: Catie Schmid

Claire Harkins

Sheep. A small somewhat random thing that has followed me as I've grown up. From being taught about the Good Shepherd to the RE scroll, sheep have continuously reoccurred. As a little kid, I was being taught that God is our shepherd and we are his sheep, and He will always go look for the lost sheep. To me, being Catholic means I'm in a strong and supportive community...Now, while working on understanding the Catholic faith, our class has been reading through the Bible and illustrating specific moments. I decided to add a little sheep to one of the drawings. Now, it brings a smile to many. I find that truly amazing, that one small thing can change someone's whole day, or even week. Everyday, there are about a dozen people I say hi to, reaching out to put a smile on their face. My personal faith is spreading the love God has given me to everyone I meet. In all, from small random things making people happy to the amazing community here, I'm truly glad and proud to be one of God's sheep

Confirmation Name: Marguerite Bourgeoys

Confirmation Sponsor: Michelle Alimagno

Molly Jansen

I do not know where to start with this, so I will just start with third grade, when I first "found" God. ..You might be wondering, what could have happened to a third grader to make them believe in God. Well, this is when my mom died. It all just started to click, that I got baptized for a reason, I received first communion for a reason, that I was catholic for a reason. I started depending on church, for various reasons. One of the reasons being my mom, I would always pray for her. The other reason being, my life was and always had been a bit chaotic. But this is something I could depend on, every Sunday....Quite a few of my friends are different religions, but we are all still friends, ...God had to help me understand this, because I used to care what religion everyone was, and if they weren't catholic, I could not be friends with them, because they were not good people. But anyway I am ready to start the next chapter of my life, at my new school in a new house with the same amazing, supportive family.

Confirmation Name: Joan of Arc

Confirmation Sponsor: Pete Jansen

Brendan Kilcoyne

To me faith is more than just going to church and participating in mass. ..My faith has a part in everything that I do in my life. There are many things I do in my life to practice my faith, two main ways are playing hockey, and helping others.During the past two summers I attended a religious hockey camp called HMI. HMI is a camp that is structured around improving our hockey skills and strengthening our relationship with God. ...These moments help me to stop and thank God for everything He does for me. ..Over the past few years I have been going to soup kitchens.When I serve people in the soup kitchen it makes me sad to see people who have lost almost everything in their lives. But it encourages to help people as often as I can. After a few years of practicing my faith and realizing that God is always with me and can help me to do more, I have made the decision to be confirmed.

Confirmation Name: Sebastian

Confirmation Sponsor: Martin Kilcoyne

Alison Langenstein

When I am at dance or dancing God is always with me. I dance because it makes me feel happy and is the gift God gave me. On days when I feel sad I think to myself that I am not alone and God will be there. When I was new to the church and religion I was a bit scared, but I knew God was going to help me through it. God is also helping me understand the religion. Also, I see God in my dog Coco who has been with me for years. Coco helps me through stuff that is hard to get through and is always there for me. Those are the ways I see God in my life and why I am Catholic.

Confirmation Name: Mary

Confirmation Sponsor: Kathleen Langdon

Kyle Langenstein

Coming from a different religion tradition, I wasn't fond of explaining a new way of seeing Faith. But today, my faith now shows me how God isn't found just in writing but it is an act of doing right. The service project made me understand God more, rather than listening about him or reading about him. I then, was able to visualize God in the people at the homeless shelter. This experience has brought to life; the quote, "Faith without works is dead".

Confirmation Name: Patrick

Confirmation Sponsor: Kathleen Langdon

Chancellor LaPoint

I feel faith when I am fishing, because like God you cannot see the fish under the water. I choose to believe that they are there even though I can't visualize them. Two summers ago, I went to Canada with my Dad and some close family friends. On the fourth day of our trip a few of us decided to catch an elusive Muskie. This fish is known as the fish of ten thousand casts. We hiked up to "Muskie lake" with high hopes. Unfortunately, many disappointing hours went by without anyone getting as much as a bite. We decided to pack it in. As we were leaving feeling helpless and totally discouraged, my Dad and I looked down just under our boat to discover two Muskie following us to the portage site. That day in Canada relates to how I view my faith. As soon as you lose hope, God will reveal himself in mysterious ways. I have learned that faith is a choice and believing in what you cannot always see is ultimate test...

Confirmation Name: Andrew

Confirmation Sponsor: Tatum LaPoint

Trevor Mihill

Confirmation will now change my life forever. Eighth grade has made me such a better person. In school, faith and myself, I have changed. Last year, for PSR, I attended St. Michael's. In PSR, we never connected with God. We studied Bible stories. I switched PSR because I never connected with God. The very first class, we did something better and different than my old PSR. After that, I knew that Confirmation would be great. Why am I Catholic? Well, most people in this room and my parents are, so that obviously made me Catholic. But it's not like I had to stay Catholic. I just think that Catholicism is the most realistic and the religion that applies to me the most.

Confirmation Name: Bernard of Methon

Confirmation Sponsor: Cathy Jeep

Alex Rackers

I have been blessed to grow up in the Catholic faith. The Catholic Church and its values have been implanted in me since I was born... In my daily life, I've found faith in fishing. From Canada to spots locally, there are lots of chances in fishing in which you could catch hundreds of fish or go home disappointed. The more you fish, the more comfortable you feel with fishing... The more you go to church, the more you feel welcome in the community, and the more you receive the sacraments, the more you feel connected to God. ..One of Jesus' miracles was when he calms the raging seas and the fish jump into the disciple's boat. For me, this means when times are tough, God will smooth them out and make the fish bite. Faith has taught me to believe, to trust in what other people have said for thousands of years..., to trust in God and find my purpose. God has opened up the doors for me, I just have to walk through.

Confirmation Name: Peter

Confirmation Sponsor: Tim Berry

Ellie Schwartz

Recently on our community service trip to Gateway 180, we helped serve lunch to the families there. I worked the banana station. Handing out bananas and seeing people's smiles was one of my favorite parts of the experience. In many ways, bananas are kind of like faith... On the outside bananas seem bizarre. The hard exterior looks unappetizing. This reminds me of my view on my faith before starting Confirmation class. Faith looks really intimidating and strict. It appears to just be a compilation of rigid rules telling us what not to do. It looks unappealing. ..But on the inside of that banana is a nourishing fruit. Like faith, it's not telling us what to do or what not to do. It's telling us how

strict. It appears to just be a compilation of rigid rules telling us what not to do. It looks unappealing, ..But on the inside of that banana is a nourishing fruit. Like faith, it's not telling us what to do or what not to do. It's telling us how to love. Further, bananas can be used to make various dishes. Anything from bananas splits to banana muffins. You can do so much with faith, and you can go about living the gospel in so many different ways. So the next time you're eating a banana, think about your faith and how sweet it is.

Confirmation Name: Catherine of Siena

Confirmation Sponsor: Elizabeth Schwartz

Maya Smallwood

Living away from home has made me realize that I have had to take the initiative in nurturing my faith. ..I believe that God will always be a constant in our lives, gently guiding us as we weave through the good and the bad. I've recognized this in my own life: in my ballet training, with my family, friends, and in church. I have not just become close to God, but also Mary. I began praying the rosary and praying to Mary this year, and she has shown me to be more mindful and considerate. This year has been a big year for me and my faith, however I am nowhere near done with finding myself in God and what my faith truly means to me. Confirming everything I have previously said is the next step for me and everyone going through confirmation.

Confirmation Name: Frances

Confirmation Sponsor: Rose Tominac

Charlotte Sobol

I feel like a big part of Confirmation is about me becoming clear about my faith. I've been raised Catholic from birth and before this year my faith had been dictated by my parents, but this year my faith has been more about me figuring out what I believe and how I want to practice my faith. Faith to me is about believing in and trusting in GOD, and I think prior to this year I got hung up on how historical things don't always match up with the bible. .."Proof" or "evidence" isn't the issue--faith is what I chose to believe... . As I complete my confirmation ...I start a life-long relationship with GOD--a conversation or prayer that will continue for my whole life. In our house, we have a framed Bible Verse: "This is what Yaweh asks of you, to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:8) This is my goal.

Confirmation Name: Philip Neri

Confirmation Sponsor: Lisa Zabawa

Children's Religious Education Registration

Religious Education in the Jesuit Tradition

Our Religious Education Program is now accepting registrations for the 2017-18 school year. Classes meet three times a month from September through May on Sunday mornings from 9:15 until 10:20 am. Children in grades Preschool through Eighth are welcome. Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion are part of our Second Grade program as is Confirmation preparation in Eighth Grade.

Social Justice is a strong component of our Religious Education Program. Classes have a "Sandwich Sunday" where from Second Grade on they have a Sunday when they make sandwiches for the poor as they reflect on the lesson of the Good Samaritan. Students in classes Fourth Grade and above participate in Service Saturdays where they visit homeless shelters and prepare and serve meals to shelter guests. Our religious instruction is interactive and engaging with the emphasis placed on bringing children closer to God.



The registration forms for the 2017-18 Program Year will soon be in the mail to current Religious Education families. If you are a new family and would like to register your child(ren), or if you have a child in a Catholic school who would like to make their First Communion or Confirmation at the College Church, con-





Parish Picnic Next Sunday, June 4th

We will celebrate Pentecost and our parish 175th Anniversary year with a special Mass at 10:30 am followed by a parish picnic on Sunday, June 4. (There will be no 8:00 am Mass that day.) We will be celebrating the Jesuit commitment to our parish. Fr. Ron Mercier, S.J. will be concelebrating the Mass with our pastor, Fr. Dan White, S.J.

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 are asked to bring a dessert to share. The cost is \$7 per person or \$20 per family of 3 or more. We will be taking reservations for this event in the main vestibule of the church (*with cash or check payment*) after masses through today. You may also make reservations online, by credit card, at the following link: <http://sfxpicnic.bpt.me/> or you may make reservations at the parish business office during office hours. If paying by credit card go to <http://sfxpicnic.bpt.me/>

At the event on June 4 you will have a nametag that will serve as your ticket for food. Please join us for this event! For questions, please contact Wade Baughman, mwba16@gmail.com.



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 Aufferberg at taufferberg@contemplativeleaders.org or see our website: <http://www.contemplativeleaders.org>.

Check out our website—sfxstl.org.

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

Social Ministry

Recycling Info from the Circle of Creation Committee

We truly appreciate how eager our parishioners are to cooperate in the recycling efforts at our parish events, especially in the Ballroom. Below are a few reminders and/or updates:

- 1) Napkins and paper towels need to be placed into the Trash/Landfill bin since they are NOT recyclable.
- 2) NO LIQUIDS IN TRASH/LANDFILL OR SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING BINS. Please place any open containers still containing liquid into the white dishpan on the bar.
- 3) Single-Stream Recycling at SFX (via SLU) can now accept Plastics #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.
- 4) If you are unsure of where to dispose of an item, be sure to read the available signs, and/or ask a person in charge of the event.



Thank you for helping make our parish greener!

Travel Size Toiletry Donations Needed for Social Ministry

In addition to assistance with obtaining birth certificates and State ID cards, our twice-weekly Outreach Program offers each of our guests a toiletry care kit. Last year, we provided over 2,000 of these care kits to our guests who are often experiencing poverty and homelessness.



In order to continue to offer care kits as part of our program services, we are accepting donations of the following TRAVEL SIZE items:

Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner, Deodorant, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Lotion

If you are able to donate any of the above items, please drop them off to the mail room of the parish center at 3628 Lindell Blvd, labeled "Outreach Program." Thank you for your support of our program and the guests we serve!

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 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, look out for info in the vestibule after Masses today, and consider attending one of our monthly informational sessions after both the 8am and 10:30am masses:

Sunday, June 11th (Chapel)
Sunday, July 23rd (Ballroom)
Sunday, August 20th (Ballroom)



Young Adults: Looking to Volunteer?



The St. Vincent DePaul (SVDP) Young Adult group at College Church conducts home visits in our local area to provide rental and utility assistance to our neighbors in need. New volunteers are needed! Young adults ages 22-40 are invited to join us in our mission to provide person-to-person assistance with some of the greatest needs in our local community.

Meetings are twice monthly on Fridays at local restaurants or bars. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 9th at 5:00 pm. Contact Michelle Schaeffler at mschaeffler@gmail.com for meeting locations or for more information.

Pilgrimage of Trust Weekend

From September 2016 to May 2017, brothers of the Taize Community, working with churches of various denominations, facilitated a "pilgrimage of trust" in the St. Louis area. It has intended to help heal many of the obvious divisions that exist in the St. Louis Community. This year-long pilgrimage of trust will culminate in a gathering to be held this Memorial Day weekend, May 26-29, 2017, in the Busch Student Center.

Each day will be focused on Common Prayer in the style of Taize community (morning, afternoon and evening) and will offer workshops in between the prayers. People of all ages are invited. For more information, see pilgrimageoftrust.com

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. These 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, 977-7305 or milnerjv@slu.edu



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!

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.



Upcoming Events

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

July 29, 2-17 Cardinal Game VS Arizona Diamondbacks at 6:15 pm



I ♥ College Church because ...

of its diverse community, sharing its faith through celebration of the liturgy.

Stephen Willman

College Church Trivia

True or False...Fr. Henry Bronsgeest, S.J., a Belgian, was the longest pastor of the College Church for 26 years?

Answer at the bottom of the page

Did You Know

...the pews had dividers in the middle? This was reminiscent of the days when parishioners would buy the pews/spots for their families. The dividers were removed in the renovation of 1990 to benefit movement in the Church.

The Letters of St. Francis

To His Companions in Goa

I fear that the enemy is disturbing some of you by suggesting that you would be performing great and arduous tasks in the service of God if you were in some other place than where you are now. This is a clear, common and manifest temptation for many who are eager to serve God. I earnestly entreat you to resist this, since it is so harmful to one's spirit and perfection, for it prevents one from going ahead.

Kagoshima (Japan) 1549

Trivia Answer: True. Fr. Bronsgeest served as pastor from 1888 to 1914.

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.

Statement of Revenue and Expenses as of March 31, 2017

	Jul - Mar 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget	
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
1	Offertory/Gifts/Contributions ¹	\$576,325	\$620,810	(\$44,485)
2	Social Ministry Gifts & Grants ²	\$139,690	\$105,450	\$34,240
3	Religious Education & Adult Faith	\$30,655	\$29,000	\$1,655
4	Weddings & Events	\$123,775	\$127,330	(\$3,555)
5	Maintenance & Repair	\$12,390	\$18,430	(\$6,040)
6	Beyond Sunday ³	\$10,850		\$10,850
7	Fundraising ⁴	\$139,615	\$146,325	(\$6,710)
	Total Income	\$1,033,300	\$1,047,345	(\$14,045)
Expense				
8	Personnel Costs	(\$584,925)	(\$605,525)	\$20,600
9	Prof Services: Music, RE	(\$50,355)	(\$62,440)	\$12,085
10	Supplies	(\$54,475)	(\$61,070)	\$6,595
11	Soc Ministry Outreach Program	(\$79,565)	(\$75,350)	(\$4,215)
12	Buildings and Equipment	(\$59,855)	(\$81,520)	\$21,665
13	Archdiocese Assessments	(\$86,585)	(\$85,340)	(\$1,245)
14	Other	\$1,600		\$1,600
	Total Expense	(\$914,160)	(\$971,245)	\$57,085
	Net Income	\$119,140	\$76,100	\$43,000

1. This year we have a goal of increasing our offertory collection by at least 8%. As part of that we are asking parishioners to consider increasing their offertory contributions by 8-10%. So far, we have increased offertory by approximately 4% from last year. Thank you to all of you who have pledged to increase your offertory giving! We are so grateful!
2. Social Ministry received two grants that were not in the budget. Thank you to the Social Ministry leaders who have submitted grant proposals to support our Outreach Program!
3. We receive 40% of Beyond Sunday contributions made by our parishioners. Thank you for your donations to this campaign! We will include more information on this in our annual report.
4. This year we decided not to have a Golf Tournament. We decided instead to focus our efforts on inviting people to consider increasing their offertory contributions. Thank you for your support!

Live-In Paid Position Are you interested in creating a world where everybody belongs? L'Arche St. Louis is a dynamic faith-centered community sharing life with persons who have a developmental disability. We are expanding and want to hire live-in assistants. This is a full-time paid position with benefits. More than a job, L'Arche offers an exceptional and life changing adventure in friendship, self-discovery, and faith. We are looking for people who have an open heart, a willingness to learn, a commitment to personal growth, and a belief in the unique sacredness of every person. We will provide training. Send inquiry or resume to :Recruitment@larchestlouis.org



Presiders	Weekly Readings
<u>May 27th & 28th</u>	
Saturday	
5:15 pm	Fr. J. Huntahusen, S.J.
Sunday	
8:00 am	Fr. D. White, S.J.
10:30 am	ArchbishoCarlson/ D. White, S.J.
4:30 pm	Fr. M. May, S.J.
<u>May 27th & 28th</u>	
Saturday	
5:15 pm	Fr. D. White, S.J.
Sunday	
8:00 am	No Mass
10:30 am	Fr. R. Mercier, S.J.
4:30 pm	Fr. J.C. Rivera, S.J.
Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday:	<u>Vigil:</u> Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c,27- 28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 <u>Day:</u> Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;

The Next Chapter-Discerning Your Future in the Ignatian Tradition

The Next Chapter program sponsored by SLU's office of Mission and Identity is a six month guided journey whose purpose is to assist people to discern who God is calling them to be and what God is calling them to do in their next chapter of life. The program begins in September of 2017 and will conclude in March of 2018. For more information, please email Tom Auffenberg at tauffenb@slu.edu.

Reel Stories

Film-maker Michael McDonald shares his journey of helping people with Intellectual disabilities around the world tell their own stories.

Wednesday May 31, 7:00 pm
St. Louis University High: Theater
4970 Oakland Ave, St.Louis MO 63110

Free will offering—Sponsored by L'Arche Stl Louis
314-405-8025

www.larchestlouis.org

Looking at the Gospels of Thomas, Mary Magdalen and Judas

Saturdays, June 17, July 8 from 10:00 am – Noon

Guild Center at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows

Presenter: Mark Etling, Ph.D., Affiliate Theology Teacher, St. Louis University

Price: \$10 per class. For more information or to register, visit snows.org/programs or contact Judy Williamson at 618-394-6270 or 314-241-3400 x6270

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