St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis
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Phone: 314-977-7300 - collegechurch.slu.edu
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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday: 5:15 p.m. Anticipation of Sunday
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m.

Weekday
Monday—Friday
7:15 a.m., Noon, 5:15 p.m. in the Chapel of Our Lady located in the lower level.
(There are no 5:15 p.m. Liturgies on holidays)
Saturday: 7:15 a.m. in the Chapel of Our Lady located in the lower-level.

Saint Louis University Campus Ministry:
Sunday: 9:00 p.m. (when the University is in session)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Monday-Friday: 10:45 a.m. through Noon
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. through 5:00 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.
Parish Information
Fax: 314-977-7315
E-mail Address: church@slu.edu

Hours: Monday through Wednesday: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm; Thursday: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm, Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 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. Thus, the March 20th and 27th bulletins will require notices to be due by Monday at noon of the week prior.

For Infant Baptisms, contact Fr. Quang Tran, 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. Tran, 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.

Snow Schedule: The Parish Center will be closed if St. Louis City Schools are closed. Activities and events are also cancelled.

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Joe Lynne
George Burkel
Tuck Loui
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Frank Stanton
Frank Matula
Jay McGillick
Teresa Poetz
Shirley Rohde
BC Rubinelli
Mary Jo Munkel
Fr. Carl Dehne, SJ
John and Colin Martin
David Schneidt
Tom Reilly
Monica Gunn
Bruce Cochran
Joan Rice
Neil Kiely
Carol Williams
Mary Beth Erickson
Pat Darcy
Paul Rutterer
Linda Riek
Fr. Robert Weiss, SJ
Paul Hanson
Rick Barbieri, Jr,
Betty Will-Bower
Lucille Sims

Names will remain on the list for two weeks unless notified. Call Mary Beth at 314-977-7304 to add or remove names.
Making a Joyful Noise!

Your parish musicians are looking forward to the October 1, 2016 concert celebrating the 175th anniversary of the College Church. In anticipation of this event, we are requesting input and suggestions for the songs to be considered for the program. Please provide your feedback by completing this three question survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZB7CQVT
From the Pastor’s Desk

Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the three traditional practices of the Lenten season. The first two remain common but almsgiving has become less frequent. However, it may be more important than ever for the Christian community.

Almsgiving is the sharing of one’s material goods with those in need. It appears frequently in the Scriptures. Almsgiving is a compassionate response to the poor, and it reminds us that in them we encounter Christ (MT 25). There is also a strong justice element to almsgiving. Giving to the poor helps establish the right social order, and is a recognition of each person’s due. Just as God acts with justice by giving generously to all, so must His people. Both understandings help us to realize that this spiritual practice is essential to our following the Lord.

We live in society that glorifies the pursuit and acquisition of wealth. The rich are celebrated and esteemed for the material treasure they have. There is no expectation they should do anything other than seek even more. As usual, our faith tradition offers an alternative vision. What we have received is to be shared. God is generous, and anyone who seeks to know God should be, too.

This Week At College Church

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Welcome Sister Carolyn

Sr. Carolyn McWatters, RSM, has accepted the position of Liturgical Coordinator at College Church. She is a member of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas and a native of North Carolina. When she arrived in St Louis 20 years ago, she sang in the College Church Choir while studying at Aquinas Institute. Her past ministries include classroom teaching, Director of Religious Education and Director of Liturgy and Music. She currently lives as a professed member of the Mercy Novitiate. Please welcome her and introduce yourself as you see her at the various liturgies in the coming weeks.

Caring For God’s Creation

An Evening of Prayer & Faith Formation
7:00-8:30 pm on March 29, 2016

The Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Kirkwood invite you to a special presentation on a Catholic response to climate change. Dr. Ed Biersmith from the Diocese of Shreveport, Louisana will be our keynote speaker. Dr. Biersmith is trained as an ambassador on the climate change issue by the Catholic Coalition on Climate Change. This event is part of the Franciscans For Earth stand of caring for our planet. Within his presentation Dr. Biersmith will answer questions such as:

-Why are Catholics called to care about climate change?
-What does the Catholic Church teach about climate change and environmental issues?
-How does climate change impact the poor of the world?

Please RSVP to 314-965-3700 or receptionist@fsolph.org by March 21, 2016.
Holy Week and Triduum Liturgical Celebrations

The St. Francis Xavier (College) Church parish family invites you to celebrate with us these important liturgical celebrations, and the Sacred Triduum of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. All services are in the church.

March 19   Passion Sunday (Vigil)   5:15 pm
March 20   Passion Sunday   8:00 am, 10:30 am and 4:30 pm
March 24   Holy Thursday   7:30 pm
March 25   Good Friday   3:00 pm
March 26   Easter Vigil   8:00 pm *(No 5:15 pm Mass)*
March 27*   Easter Sunday   8:00 and 10:30 am
* (The College Church Choir will sing at both Easter Liturgies.)

*There will be no 4:30 pm nor 9:00 pm Eucharist on March 27.*

For more information, please call the Parish Center at 977-7300. Complimentary parking is available in the Laclede garage.

Donut Sunday!

Donuts, coffee and juice will be offered after the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses on Sunday, March 13th!

Children’s Easter Liturgical Movement

All children ages four and up are invited to participate in the “Ribbon Procession” at the 10:30 am Easter Sunday Liturgy. The children will process down the aisle waving their “ribbon bouquets” and will remain on the altar steps through the Gloria. If your child/children would like to participate, please meet in the back vestibule of the Church by 10:20 am to receive their ribbon bouquets and to practice.

There will be no reserved seating. Make sure your children know where you are sitting in Church, so they’ll know where to return at the end of the Gloria. For more information, contact Angie at adoerr3@slu.edu.

Nursery Closed during Holy Week and Easter

There will be no babysitting during the Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday Liturgies.

Help Wanted!

On Good Friday (March 25th) from 9:30 until 11:30 am, we need some help blowing up the balloons used for the 10:30 am Easter Sunday Liturgy. If can help, please contact Angie at Adoerr3@slu.edu.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

There will be no children’s Liturgy of the Word on Easter Sunday.
Save the Date for Xavier Days

Our fourth Annual Parish Celebration, Xavier Days, will be held at College Church on April 15th & 16th. Both days are unique and all parishioners are WELCOME!

Our opening celebration will be on Friday, April 15th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Xavier Ballroom. There will be hearty appetizers, wine, beer and soda. We will also present the 2016 Bronsgeest Award to Anne Chilson and Jack Wiegers for their dedicated service to the College Church. It will be a great opportunity to just relax and meet other members of our parish community.

Saturday, April 16th will be a Parish Reflection Morning in the Ballroom by our own Fr. Quan Tran, S.J. at 9:00 am. His talk is titled “Hello from the Other Side?: Praying through Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell”.

Fr. Quang D. Tran, SJ, was born and raised in a predominantly Vietnamese Catholic area of New Orleans. Tran entered the Society of Jesus in 2002. He has studied and served in Tijuana, New York, China, and Dallas. Recently, he completed a Master of Divinity degree and a Licentiate in Sacred Theology at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, CA. Prior to being ordained to the priesthood this past June, he served as a deacon in the diocese of Oakland. He’s loving his pastoral experience at College Church. Please join us!

Good will donations will be accepted at the door for both events!

Registration for Xavier Days
Deadline - Wednesday, April 6th

Register by email (jmill163@slu.edu); phone: 314-977-7300; mail to 3628 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63108; or drop completed registration form in the collection basket before April 6th. The reservation form is available on our website collegechurch.slu.edu.

Good will donations will be accepted at the door!

I (We) will attend the following events:

Friday, April 15th, Xavier Days Celebration, 6:00 – 8:00 pm in the Xavier Ballroom for the Adults.

How many?__________ Adults

Saturday, Parish Reflection Morning, April 16th at 9:00 a.m. in the Xavier Ballroom.

How many?__________ Adults

Name___________________________________________________________

Phone________________________      Email__________________________
Join us for the
College Church
Par 3 Challenge

April 29, 2016
Gateway National Golf Course

• We will play 6-person teams on 18 Par 3 holes (done in less than 4 hours!)
• Win $10,000 with a Hole in One on 9 holes
• Win Cardinal Season Tickets with a Hole in One on 9 holes
• 18 Golfers Qualify for $100,000 Shootout. Make the Shot and Win - $50,000 to the Winner and $50,000 to the College Church
• $1,000 to the Shootout Winner - Guaranteed
• Includes Lunch and Award Reception with Cocktails and Hors d’oeuvres

Call Jim Carter 314.954.6311
sleccmaster@aol.com
or visit CollegeChurchChallenge.com to register online.

Golf Tournament Volunteers Needed

We are in need at 36-40 volunteers for the day of the College Church Golf Tournament on Friday, April 29th at Gateway National Golf Club in Madison, Illinois.

We will be asking for a four to five hour commitment. Lunch will be provided as well as a cocktail party with food after the event.

This is our only fundraiser for the fiscal year ending in June. We need your help! You can sign up by contacting Terry Edelmann at edelmannm@slu.edu.

175th Anniversary Photo Request

We would love to have an exhibit of photographs of the College Church, events and parishioners over the years to make into an Anniversary power point presentation. We have some older photos from the 1800’s and lots over the last ten years, not much in between. If you would like to share a photo or two with the Anniversary committee, please email a scanned copy of that photo to church@slu.edu. If you only have a hard copy, stop by Mary Beth Erickson’s office and we can scan it for you. Thanks for your help!
Social Ministry

“Justice for All” series

“I, your God, have called you for the victory of justice” – Isaiah 42:1

The Bible calls us to work for justice. A central goal of SFX Social Ministry in 2016 and beyond is to energize our parish to live into this call to do Justice for All, with a special focus on the criminal justice system.

March 13th from 12-1pm: “Justice for All:” Join us as ArchCity Defenders expands on the “Justice for All” category of the Ferguson Commission report, presenting our criminal justice system locally and providing suggestions on opportunities for action.

April 10th at 12 noon: TBD

All events will be held in the Ballroom of the College Church after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

LEGAL CLINIC UPDATE:

Parish Attorneys—we need your help!
Our Legal Aid Clinic meets with pro bono clients once per month to give general legal guidance. We would like to expand this service, as well as to create an attorney referral network. If you are interested in serving as an intake attorney (with no obligation to take on cases), or to be added to our monthly referral email, please contact Emily Anderson at sfxjvolt@slu.edu.
No specific legal experience is needed, but a law license is required. Thank you!

Welcome to the Green Corner!

The Circle of Creation Committee invites you to view a film titled “The Wisdom to Survive”, addressing issues from Pope Francis’ encyclical “Laudato Si”. A short discussion will follow the film. The Wisdom to Survive features thoughtful leaders and activists in the realms of science, economics and spirituality discussing how we can evolve and take action in the face of climate disruption. They urge us to open ourselves to the beauty that surrounds us and get to work on ensuring it thrives.

This film will be showing on the following dates/times:
- Saturday, March 12, after the 5:15 pm Mass in the Ballroom
- Sunday, April 3, between Masses at approximately 9:00 am, Ballroom
- Monday, April 18, in the Parish Center, Adult Faith Room, 6:00 pm

The Circle of Creation Committee is looking for new members to work with us in our mission. For more information, contact us at carolyn.j.vaughan@gmail.com. We meet on the fourth Sunday of each month; the next meeting is scheduled for March 27th, after the 10:30 am Mass, in the Ballroom. Light refreshments are served. Come join and help us plan for future earth-friendly activities!

Thank You— we raised $2,490.51 for Social Ministry through eScrip in 2015! Register for an eScrip card and raise money for Social Ministry every time you shop at Schnucks. Contact Christine Dragonette at 977-7309 or dragonettecm@slu.edu to obtain a card.
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**National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows**

**We Were There**

Tuesday, March 22, 7:30 pm

Experience the Way of the Cross in a unique way through this inspiring scriptural presentation. Find yourself immersed in the Passion story through prayer, stirring music, and emotional portrayals of first-hand accounts from those who were intimately involved with the Crucifixion.

Cost: Free, Donations Accepted.

For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6276. Snows.org/holyweek

**Silence: God’s First Language and Merciful Gift**

Presenter: Fr. John Mark Ettensohn, OMI

Saturday, April 23, 9 – 11:30 am

The Silence of God is like no other. To our surprise, it may actually signal a time when grace is happening. Join us as Fr. John Mark shares a way of looking at silence that we may not have considered before.

Cost: $20. For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6270.

Register online at snows.org/programs

**St. James Winery**

Knights of Peter Claver, Fr. Zimmerman Council 150 are planning an inaugural trip to St. James Winery on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. There will be two chartered buses taking participants to St. James Winery, which includes a buffet lunch, a guided tour of the winery and sampling of wine. You will be able to purchase bottles of wine to take home with you. Cost per ticket is $50.00. If interested, please contact Mr. Isom Williams, Knights of Peter Claver, at (314) 313-5949.