St. Francis Xavier (College) Church

The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis
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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)

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

**Parish Information**

- **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.
- **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.

_The curb cut in front of the church on Grand is strictly for dropping people off to use the ramp and elevator into the church. There is no parking allowed there._

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A Note of Farewell from Fr. Quang Tran, S.J.

Before heading off to my next mission in Red Sox land--Please forgive me!--I would like to take this opportunity to give thanks for a grace-filled and joyful pastoral year at St. Francis Xavier College Church. From the moment I had my first meeting with Fr. Dan and celebrated Masses at the beautiful College Church for the first time as a newly ordained priest, I felt the warmth of your welcome and love. I knew with certainty that God wanted me here and that I was in good hands.

The enthusiasm for community, simplicity of worship, and eagerness in service at College Church have energized me in the vocation to which Christ has graciously called me. Fr. Dan’s leadership, the staff’s support, the religious communities’ example, and the parish’s dynamism made me wake up each morning wanting to be better and to be more generous.

Thank you for taking part in forming me this past year: for showing me God’s mercy and providence, God’s passion and compassion, God’s playfulness and humor. The many books we read and the many classes we attend as Jesuits in formation cannot compare to the lessons we learn from our collaborators and the people we serve.

When I received my assignment from the Provincial to come to College Church, I began praying that I wouldn’t do too much damage. I hope it worked! Thank you for your patience, and for my mistakes and shortcomings of the previous year, I ask for your forgiveness. Please keep me in your prayers and be assured of mine. We will see one another soon enough.

Bridges Retreat

Enrich your Spiritual Life through “Bridges”, an Ignatian Retreat at College Church

“Bridges” is a program grounded in the Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius of Loyola, and adapted to our busy schedules, to enrich our spiritual lives. All are invited to attend (2) two information sessions in the Lower Adult Faith Room of the Parish Center to learn more about this year’s “Bridges” Retreat at College Church.

Please join us on Sunday, July 24th after the 8:00 am mass or on Sunday, August 14th after the 10:30 am mass to hear if the Holy Spirit is calling you to participate in this quality faith formation program. Please see the “Bridges” website at www.bridgesfoundation.org or contact Deacon Jim Griffard at griffardjm@slu.edu or 314-619-5700 for more information.
**This Week At College Church**

Sunday, July 17   9:15  College Church Seminar—Genesis Creation Stories  Adult Faith Room
Wednesday, July 20        6:00  Gospel of Luke  Adult Faith Room

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**COLLEGE CHURCH SEMINAR**

*Genesis 1—11 Creation Stories*

College Church Seminar continues today at 9:15 am in the Adult Faith Room. The biblical creation stories, Genesis 1-11, will be our focus.

Everyone is welcome; come when you can. Dr. Frank Nichols asks you send him your e-mail address so you can keep up with progress in the seminar and so he can send you materials. His address is nicholfw@slu.edu.

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Our weekly study and reflection session on Luke’s Gospel continues on Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the Adult Faith room.

All are welcome to any session. For more information, contact Joe Milner at milnerjv@slu.edu.

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**Calling All Parishioners**

Please help us understand the scope of a parish-wide concern.

Together at the Table of the Lord is a two-part survey we are undertaking in order to assess the needs of parishioners who find it challenging to get to Mass at College Church and to participate as fully as they would like due to physical limitations.

We need **all parishioners who have accessibility needs** to respond to the Accessibility Survey. We are seeking to determine the needs of parishioners: those who could benefit from rides to church, those who need assistance getting from parking to the church building and back, those who need support to fully participate in the Mass, and those who are homebound.

To meet the needs of our valued parishioners with accessibility needs, we are hoping to begin a vibrant new volunteer ministry. To make this a reality, we need **everyone else** to complete the Accessibility Volunteer Survey.

Both surveys will be available on line on our parish website, www.slu.edu/college-church, on the St. Francis Xavier College Church Facebook page, on our Twitter feed and via email blast.

Paper copies of the survey are available at the doors of the church. The Accessibility Needs Survey is on blue paper and the Volunteer Survey is on green paper. Please return the paper surveys to the collection baskets or to the Parish Center.

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**Confession**

As the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy closes in November, it is never too late to participate in the abundance of God’s mercy through the sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is offered here at College Church Monday-Friday from 10:45 am-Noon and Saturday from 4:00 pm-5:00 pm.
175th Anniversary Grand Night Gala
Friday, October 21st at The Coronado

Please consider being part of this special Anniversary Gala!

Donate Auction Items: Airline gift cards, frequent flier miles to convert to airline credit, hotel points/gift cards, out-of-town vacation opportunities, classes (dance, music, language, computer, how-to, wine tasting, etc), gift certificates (restaurants, boutiques, spas, kids activities), memberships (gym, cultural orgs, etc), services (interior design, travel agent, personal trainer, legal), event tickets, wine ($25+ value). We will begin accepting auction items on August 1st.

Be a Sponsor: Sponsorships range from $2,500 to $10,000. Sponsors receive a table for 10 at the gala; they are listed in the invitation and program; they are included in the slide show at the event.

For more information or if you have auction items, contact Katie Jansen Larson at sfxadmin@slu.edu or (314) 977-1954.

College Church Tours

We will offer tours of the College Church by our new docents some Sunday’s following the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses. The first Sunday tours will be given in connection with the opening of our 175th Anniversary Celebration on July 31st.

If you would like to participate in one of the tours that Sunday, please contact Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or email church@slu.edu. This will help us to have enough docents on hand for the tours.

Sunday Religious Education Program
at St. Francis Xavier College Church

For Children ages Preschool thru Eighth Grade

Outstanding Religious Education in the Jesuit Tradition
of love of God and service to others

Are you looking for a Religious Education program for your child that is engaging and interactive, that helps your child fall in love with God? Join us for College Church’s Sunday school program. Our program is strong in building faith and in social justice outreach to others. Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation and Communion are part of our Second Grade program as is Confirmation preparation in Eighth Grade. For more information, contact Angie at adoerr3@slu.edu.
JustFaith 2016-2017

“Just Faith was very influential on me and my faith life. I was surrounded by a wonderful community of people passionate about their faith and how to put their faith into action. It was one of my programs that I’ve been a part of that did not look at issues of justice as an optional “add-on” to the Catholic Faith; rather my take away was that Just Faith was about answering the question, ‘Rooted in my Catholic Faith, what role do I play in working to end injustice?’”
--Nick Ehlman, JustFaith class of 2010

JustFaith is a program that focuses on the Gospel’s call to compassion, engagement in the life of Jesus, and to bring about God’s vision of justice in the world. Groups of 8-15 people are engaged in mind, heart and spirit exploring the challenges of following Jesus today. JustFaith consists of 4 phases of six 2-hour weekly sessions.

Learn more at Information Sessions in the Lower Adult Faith Room of the Parish Center:

Sunday July 17 after the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses
August 7 after the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses
August 28 after the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses

For questions or additional information please contact Christine Dragonette at dragonettecm@slu.edu or 977-7309.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for your generous response to our request for toiletries and sandwiches this summer. We are blessed to have such a responsive and supportive parish community!

Our Outreach Program will be closed for our annual summer break on July 5th, July 6th, July 12th, and July 13th. We will reopen with normal Tuesday-Wednesday hours on the 19th and 20th!

Volunteers and Donations Needed for Cool Stuff: Sat, July 23rd

Volunteers needed for:
+ Setup on Friday, 7/22
+ Setup from 8-10am on 7/23
+ Event help from 10-12 on 7/23
+ Cleanup help from 11:30-1:30 on 7/23

Contact Christine at dragonettecm@slu.edu or 977-7309 to sign up to volunteer, or with questions.

Donations accepted in the parish center after July 1st for:
Gently used summer clothing for men, women, and children; large men’s boxers; men’s white socks; backpacks and school supplies; lunch items (cold cuts, bread/rolls, condiments, chips, salads, desserts

Circle of Creation “Green Corner” Updates

Join us on Sunday, July 24th after the 10:30 mass in the Ballroom for a final showing of the film “Wisdom to Survive.”

This film addresses issues from the encyclical and features thought leaders and activists in the realms of science, economics, and spirituality. Additionally, if you would like to borrow the film from the parish this summer to show it at a small gathering, please contact Christine Dragonette at dragonettecm@slu.edu or 977-7309.

The Circle of Creation committee is looking for new members to work with us in our mission. We usually meet on the 4th Sunday of each month; however, our next meeting is scheduled for July 10th after the 10:30 Mass in the ballroom. Come join us and help plan for future earth-friendly activities!

Contact Christine at dragonettecm@slu.edu or 977-7309 with questions.
Young Adults: Join us for our July “Tap into Faith”

When: Wednesday, July 20th at 7pm
Where: Urban Chestnut Midtown (3229 Washington Ave)
Who: Parishioner Sarah Legett will be speaking with us on the topic of “Centering Prayer: An Invitation to Intimacy and Healing”

In this introductory session we will review the history and methodology of this transformative prayer, the roots of which lie deep in the Christian tradition. Some of the many and varied resources to grow and sustain this practice will be presented. Most importantly we will pray together this ancient prayer of intentioned receptivity to God. Prior to our gathering, please give some thought to your own prayer life and practice: what is meaningful to you, or challenging, effective or ineffective?

Pope Francis has encouraged each person to be a witness of charity. He wrote, “Let us be renewed by God’s mercy and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation and make justice and peace flourish.”

The Peter’s Pence Collection allows us to unite with Pope Francis in responded to those suffering from war, natural disasters and other situations of need. Be a witness to charity and make a contribution to the Peter’s Pence Collection. Note on your memo line of your check, “Peter’s Pence” or there are envelopes available at the doorways.

Please place your gift in the regular collection this week or next. Thanks for your generosity.

Discretion in Almsgiving

At College Church, we strive to be a loving and embracing community to those who enter our doors. 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. Thank you for your cooperation!

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.
## 175 Years in the Heart of St. Louis

### Opening Celebration
of the 175th Anniversary
of St. Francis Xavier (College) Church
as a parish in the Heart of St. Louis

**Saturday, July 30, 2016**

**Mass at 5:15 pm followed by the Opening Reception**

Immediately following in the Pere Marquette Gallery in DuBourg Hall

Tickets for the reception are $25.00 each and must be purchased and paid for ahead of time as space is limited. Contact Terry Edelmann by phone at 314-712-4216 or email edelmannm@slu.edu.

Purchase tickets soon there are not many left! We are limited to 200 reservations!

### Upcoming Events for our 175th Anniversary Year

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<td>Valentine Mass at 5:15 pm with Renewal of Vows for anyone married at the College Church, followed by a reception in our Xavier Ballroom</td>
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*More information will be available in upcoming bulletins. If you have any questions, call Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304.*

### Anniversary Merchandise

Special 175th Anniversary T-Shirts are now on sale for $10.00. Youth sizes are $6.00. We have both children and adult sizes available. Contact Mary Beth Erickson at church@slu.edu or call 314-977-7304 if you would like to purchase one.

*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.*
So Long, Farewell, Tam biet, Goodbye!

Join us on Sunday, July 17th after the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses in the Xavier Ballroom to wish Fr. Quang well in his next assignment!
### Presiders

**July 16 & 17**
- Saturday 5:15 pm Fr. White, SJ
- Sunday 8:00 am Fr. Tran, SJ
- 10:30 am Fr. Tran, SJ
- 4:30 pm Fr. White, SJ

**July 23 & 24**
- Saturday 5:15 pm Fr. May, SJ
- Sunday 8:00 am Fr. Daly, SJ
- 10:30 am Fr. Martin
- 4:30 pm Fr. White, SJ

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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### 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.

### Our Lady’s Inn Maternity Home

We are seeking volunteer live-in staff in exchange for room and board. Excellent opportunity for nursing, allied health, and social work students. Some paid shift hours also available. Requirements: Flexible, patient, good with children, valid driver’s license, minimum age of 21 and one year commitment preferred. Send resume or inquiries to: glee@ourladyssinn.org or call 314-351-4590 for more info.

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion needed for Veterans

Many of our parishioners have been serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at the St. Louis VA hospital for many years. The VA is, once again, in need of volunteers to distribute the blessed sacrament to their patients, both at Jefferson Barracks VA hospital and at the John Cochran hospital here on Grand Boulevard. If you would like to serve in this vital ministry, please contact Fr. Stu King at 314-894-6566.