St. Francis Xavier (College) Church
The Jesuit Parish in the Heart of St. Louis
3628 Lindell Blvd. - St. Louis, MO 63108
Phone: 314-977-7300 - collegechurch.slu.edu

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.
Pray for the Sick

Monica Gunn  
Sr. Donna Gunn  
Margaret Barker  
Bruce Cochran  
Dave Heimos  
Vivian O’Brien Harmon  
Lucille Sims  
Shirley Loui  
Bud Vorderer  
Richard D. Heeney  
Joyce Pachak  
Connie Barbieri  
Carl Hauck  
Barney J. Heeney  
Sue Geile  
Carlita Logan  
John Woodworth  
Amanda Rice  
Grace Kaiser  
Joan Rice  
Neil Kietyl  
Carol Williams  
Mary Beth Erickson  
James P. O’Brien  
Meaghan Graves  
Pat Darcy  
Virginia Pezoldo  
Jeff & Renee Rogers  
John Grossman  
Gene Tichacek  
Joyce Messmer  
Matthew Berndsen  
Paul Rutterer  
Fr. Robert Weiss, SJ  
Jo Schnellmann  
Linda Riek  
Paul Hanson  
Sue DuBerry  
Mary Ann Burdette  
Laurie Kraft  
Rick Barbieri, Jr.  
Mary Lutz  
Bety Will-Bower  
Joseph Westhus  
Jennifer Saunders

Names will remain on the list for two weeks unless notified. Call Lynda at 314-977-1797 to add or remove names.

Parish Information

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Hours: Monday through Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday we are closed & Sunday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Bulletin notices must be submitted before 4:00 p.m. by email to sfxbulletin@slu.edu on Thursday, ten days before the bulletin date. Holidays require additional time.

Baptisms and Funerals Contact Joe Milner at 314-977-7305 for scheduling and preparation information. Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month, at 12:00 noon. Call Joe for scheduling and preparation at least 45 days in advance.

Marriages contact Sandy Hauck at 314-977-7303 for scheduling and preparation information.

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 wheelchair ramp is located near the Grand side entrance with an elevator to bring you to the Church level. Our church is also equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for a receiver.

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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The Joy of the Gospel

Please join a discussion group led by Fr. Dan as we read and reflect upon Pope Francis’ encyclical Evangelii Gaudium, the Joy of the Gospel. We will meet Wednesdays at 6pm in the Parish Center starting May 6th. Copies of the document can be purchased at Catholic Supply or on-line.

All are welcome!
From the Pastor’s Desk

One of the great joys of being pastor is I am reminded over and over of the abundance of talent our parish community enjoys. Frankly, it is ridiculous the numerous gifts of those who call College Church home. I cannot imagine a comparable collection anywhere else.

That much blatant flattery usually means I want to ask you for something, right? Well, you are correct. This feast of Pentecost I would like everyone at College Church to take some time to consider the many gifts you have received and to thank the Holy Spirit for Her generosity. That’s it. Really.

All too often we tend to play down all that we have been given as an expression of humility. Authentic humility, however, comes from acknowledging our giftedness is rooted in God’s generosity. Christian humility is not to hide under the bushel basket what we have received, but to glorify our God.

There is no better way to celebrate today’s feast than to recall St. Paul’s message to the church in Corinth: There are different kinds of gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. Happy Pentecost!

Fr. Dan White, SJ

Gala Update

Thanks for all your wonderful support of the parish Gala last month. Final totals are in and the results are astonishing. The total profit after expenses is $117,093. Incredible!

A break-down of the most significant items are as follows:

- Fund a Need $40,493
- Sponsors and Donors $37,874
- Ticket sales $24,105
- Live Auction $18,223

Thank you so much for making our 2015 Gala such a success.
STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE FROM THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Last year, our parish community engaged in an extensive strategic planning process. Hundreds of you contributed to this effort by completing surveys, participating in our three weekend planning retreats facilitated by the Reid Group, voting on a new parish Mission statement, and providing feedback about drafts of the plan in a variety of ways. This process resulted in a final 5-year Strategic Plan, which was endorsed by the Pastoral Council in December 2014.

Below is the rest of the update from last week!

Goal VI: To Deepen our Commitment to Responsible Financial Stewardship
Objective A: Establish a Development Commission: A Financial Development Commission has been created by the Parish Council, and Kevin Lee has agreed to serve as the first Chair. Guidelines for the Commission’s work were approved by the Council, and this month we have begun approaching individual parishioners to ask for their participation. This group will begin to plan for the long-term financial needs of the parish.
Objective D: Provide accurate, timely, and transparent financial reports for internal and external audiences. The Finance Committee has implemented a new format for the financial reports provided to parishioners in the bulletin. The new format contains monthly and year-to-date figures, with comparison of actual to budget, which provides parishioners with much more helpful and complete information. In addition, the Finance Committee has recently worked with the Archdiocese to improve our accounting practices and standardize them according to Archdiocesan policies.

Goal VII: To Develop a Positive Culture of Servant Leadership
Objective A: Align the roles and responsibilities of the councils, commission, committees and staff in light of the new parish plan: A number of staffing changes and additions have been made to support the parish Goals. We welcomed our first-ever Parish Administrator, Katie Jensen Larson, in April. Katie will administer Human Resource policy and oversee facilities, among other responsibilities. We have also created a new position of Wedding Ministry Coordinator, and welcomed Sandy Hauck into this position, where she will not only coordinate facilities needs for weddings, but also market our beautiful Ballroom for events of all types. Mary Beth Erickson has agreed to serve as the staff support for the newly formed Parish Life Commission. We have also agreed to participate in the Archdiocese’s shared accounting services, which will allow us to access cost-effective professional accounting support. The Pastoral Council has appointed liaisons to each Commission, to help the Commission members focus their work on the Goals and Objectives of the Strategic Plan.

We hope you will agree that we are off to a very strong start in the implementation of our 5-Year Strategic Plan. If you would like to get involved with any of the groups or activities mentioned above, you will find contact information for the Commission Chairs and Pastoral Council members on the parish website at www.collegechurch.slu.edu under the “Who We Are” section. You may also contact Fr. Dan White at 314-977-7300, dwhite6@slu.edu or Wade Baughman, Council Chair, at 314-307-0535 or mwaudebaughman@juno.com
First Communion Celebration 2015

“Lord, I am not worthy to receive you…”

On Sunday, April 26th, twenty-six of our Religious Education students were welcomed to the table of our Lord for the first time. Twenty-one of the students were part of the Second Grade RE class and Level II atrium, and the other four were older children who were part of our Catholic initiation program this year. With open hearts and prayerful anticipation, they approached the altar with reverence and joy knowing that Jesus loves us and wants to be with us so much in this special way.

“Lukey, it is your First Communion!” Our two-year-old daughter whispered this to her older brother in a thrilled voice during Mass. Her sweet words reflected the joy, enthusiasm, and blessings that our entire family felt when our son, Luke, celebrated his First Holy Communion at the College Church this year. We watched with love and gratitude as Luke’s faith and relationship with God deepened and blossomed as he prepared to celebrate this sacrament. I asked Luke to tell me what it means to him to now receive the Eucharist during Mass. He said, “I feel different because I feel more like I am with God and that I am now a part of the Church!” We are blessed to walk with Luke in his faith journey and to experience the love of God through the kindness and grace of the College Church community. Aimee Wittman Jarboe is mother of Luke, age 8, Elizabeth, age 2 and Katherine age 6 months. She is serves on the Youth Faith Commission.
Summer Tutoring

Do you know a student who needs a helping hand in school? Do they need help preparing for college entrance exams over the summer? Ian O'Hagan is here to help. Ian is a graduate student at St. Louis University, and has over four years of experience tutoring students in grades 6-12. He is available to assist with the following subjects: Standardized test preparation, essay writing, history, theology, Latin, Greek, and civics/political science/economics. Ian is also Virtus certified. For more information, contact Ian at ohagani@slu.edu References and resume are available upon request.

Are you a graduating senior?

Will you be staying in St. Louis past graduation?

St. Francis Xavier invites you to participate in our parish’s Young Adult Ministry.

SFX Young Adult Ministry offers formation, service, and social opportunities for young adults post-undergraduate into their 30’s.

Please email sfxccyoungadults@gmail.com for more information or to sign up for our monthly e-newsletter.

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Young Adults—Join us for our May “Tap into Faith” event
with Mary Flick, CSJ

When: Tuesday, May 26\(^\text{th}\) at 7pm
Where: Urban Chestnut in Midtown (3229 Washington Ave., 63103)
Topic: Ignatius Loyola and Making Life’s Decisions

Ever wonder where your life is going or what God’s plan is for you? Join us as we talk about the life of Ignatius Loyola and look at how he faced his life’s major decisions.

Mary Flick is a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet and a long-time supporter of the Jesuit mission at Saint Louis University. She is a spiritual director and active in the Bridges program, accompanying retreatants through the Spiritual Exercises in everyday life.

Pastoral Care Ministry

On the first weekend of the month after Mass, there will be fellow parishioners available to pray with you for your personal intentions. For further information, call Sheila Byrnes at 314-422-3019.
Welcome to the Green Corner!

The Environmental Committee has been created in response to Pope Francis’ call to care for creation. We hope in the coming months to share information with you that will inform and inspire you to take steps in your lives on behalf of our beautiful home, Earth.

Protecting the natural environment in order to build a world of peace is thus a duty incumbent upon each and all. It is an urgent challenge, one to be faced with renewed and concerted commitment; it is also a providential opportunity to hand down to coming generations the prospect of a better future for all.

~ Pope Benedict XVI

DID YOU KNOW?
If you had a 15-year-old tree and made it into paper grocery bags, you’d get about 700 of them. A busy supermarket could use all of them in under an hour! In one year, one supermarket can go through over 6 million paper bags (8,571 trees)! Imagine how many supermarkets there are just in the United States!!!

The average American uses seven trees a year in paper, wood, and other products made from trees. This amounts to about 2,000,000,000 trees per year! The average household throws away 13,000 separate pieces of paper each year. Most is packaging and junk mail.

WHAT CAN I DO?
Recycle your newspaper and all paper products! (Exceptions: no wet paper, no used tissues or paper towels.) Request that your name be taken off mailing lists such as catalogs, etc.

Use cloth bags for your grocery shopping, instead of choosing paper or plastic.

Cut an old sheet into small pieces and use instead of paper towels. Wash and reuse them.

Take a long refreshing walk in the woods and experience the beauty and energy of nature and trees.

The environmental committee meets once a month; the next meeting is scheduled for May 31st, after the 10:30 Mass in the Parish Center’s Lower Adult Faith room. Come join and help us plan for future advocacy and earth-friendly activities! If you would like more information, email Carolyn Vaughan at carolyn.j.vaughan@gmail.com.

Pray for the Deceased

Please remember Brother Al Vogt of the Society of Jesus who died recently. May he and all the departed share in the peace and joy of God forever.
"Guided by the teachings of the Church on social justice, we serve others by promoting justice for the disenfranchised through advocacy, direct service, and formation, thereby creating partnerships with those who promote human dignity."

THE POPE AND MEMORIAL DAY As we pause to remember those who have died in war, let us consider working for peace based on justice through nonviolence. Pope Francis said [recently] that "many powerful people don't want peace because they live off war". The Argentine pontiff made the hard-hitting comment in response to a question from one of the 7,000 children taking part in an audience held with the Peace Factory organisation. "This is serious," Francis told the children. "Some powerful people make their living with the production of arms... It's the industry of death". If you're interested in gathering with other parishioners to learn more about following the nonviolent Jesus, please contact Richard DeBona - debonarj@slu.edu.

THE POPE AND PALESTINE The Vatican announced Wednesday that it would soon sign a treaty that includes recognition of the "state of Palestine," lending significant symbolic weight to an intensifying Palestinian push for international support for sovereignty that bypasses the paralyzed negotiations with Israel. Palestinian leaders celebrated the Holy See’s endorsement as particularly important, given the international stature of Pope Francis. If you're interested in gathering with other parishioners to learn more about our Palestinian Christian sisters and brothers, the "Living Stones" of our faith, please contact Richard DeBona - debonarj@slu.edu.

POPE FRANCIS AND CLIMATE CHANGE: making huge bets If you're interested in our Pope’s upcoming encyclical on the environment, please read this article from the Ignatian Solidarity Network: http://tinyurl.com/mmomdjm

Woman's Place presents
Addressing Our Anger
A free workshop for women
Saturday, June 20, 9:30-11:30am at 8300 Morganford Rd. St. Louis, behind St. Mark Church.
An uplifting and empowering workshop identifying the sources of one's anger and the means to communicate the feelings in healthy ways. Pre-registration is required, space is limited. Call 314-645-4848.

Woman’s Place works to end violence against women by providing compassionate crisis intervention, facilitating women’s transition to safety and healing, and educating the community.
Now with 2 locations:
8300 Morganford Rd. in Affton and
4116 McClay Rd. in St. Charles
Made possible by donations, grants and our on-going cell-phone collection.

Where women find safety, hope & healing
www.womansplacetl.org
Presiders

May 23rd & 24th, 2015
Saturday
5:15 p.m. Fr. Collins, SJ
Sunday
8:00 a.m. Fr. Daly, SJ
10:30 a.m. Fr. White, SJ
4:30 p.m. Fr. White, SJ

May 30th & 31st, 2015
Saturday
5:15 p.m. Fr. May, SJ
Sunday
8:00 a.m. Fr. White, SJ
10:30 a.m. Bishop Rice
4:30 p.m. Fr. White, SJ

Readings For The Week

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Psn 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25;
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15
Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23;
Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;
Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mk 10:46-52
Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33
Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40;
Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-220, 22;
Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

JustFaith

“Life changing” is often how JustFaith program participants describe their experience of learning, praying, studying, listening and challenging themselves to more deeply understand how God is calling us to serve the least among us. Based on Catholic Social Teaching, 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. Meeting weekly, 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:

Phase 1: Making Space for Compassion – Making an Option for the Poor
Phase 2: Uncovering the Systems of Poverty at Home and Globally
Phase 3: Looking in the Mirror: Racism and Privilege
Phase 4: Making way for the New: Simplicity, Non-Violence and Forgiveness

Learn more at Information Sessions in the Parish Center:

  2 Info sessions - Sunday, June 14 after the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses – Lower Adult Faith Room
  2 Info sessions - Sunday July 12 after the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses – Adult Faith room
  2 Info sessions - August 16 after the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses – Adult Faith Room
  2 Info sessions - August 30 after the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses – Adult Faith Room

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