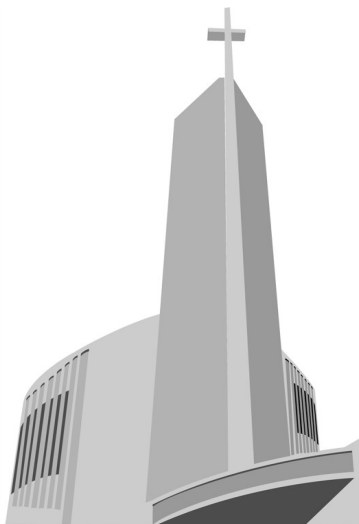


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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph and the Jesuits USA Central and Southern Province are committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain at 816-392-0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

In addition, if the abuse involves a Jesuit please contact Carol Zarinelli Brescia, MSW, LCSW at (314) 915-7168 or UCSO Outreach@Jesuits.org. Both phone and email are confidential.

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday through Friday	7:00am and 12:00pm
Saturday	4:00pm
Sunday	8:00am and 10:30am (6:00pm University Student Liturgy during Fall & Spring semesters)
Children's Liturgy of the Word Mariann McCormally	during 10:30am Sunday Liturgy 816-381-9163

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	3:00-3:45pm (or by appointment)
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday	12:30pm to 2:00pm
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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Infant Baptism, First Eucharist, First Reconciliation, Confirmation, Adult Catechumenate (RCIA)

Mariann McCormally 816-381-9163

Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Eucharist to Homebound or Hospitalized

Fr. Stephen Yavorsky, S.J. 816-381-9162

Fr. Bob Hagan, S.J. 816-501-3288

Marriage

Fr. Bob Hagan, S.J. 816-501-3288

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Centering Prayer Group	3rd Monday Monthly
Choir Practice Pat Woodrum	Wednesday, 7:30-9:00pm 816-381-9164
Community Garden Peg Hornsby	765-748-4135 or peghornsby@gmail.com
Cub Scouts Steve Livingston	Every other Saturday, 10-11:30am 816-444-6721
Food Pantry	By Appointment 816-381-9174
Gospel Non-Violence Peg Burn	pegburns00@gmail.com
Justice & Life Sue Robb	3rd Sunday Monthly 816-381-9167
Ignatian Spirituality Stephanie Hudson	816-381-9168
SFX-Adult Faith Formation Karen Stigers	1st Tuesday Monthly 913-262-8994
SFX-Sister Parish Jim Bell	Monthly 913-449-7505
SFX-Sustainability Cindy Schmidt	Monthly 816-914-9498
SFX Social Concerns	3rd Thursday Monthly

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00noon

NOTE: For holiday bulletins, submit at least 5 days earlier.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

OUR MISSION

St. Francis Xavier Parish is a Roman Catholic, Jesuit community of faith called together by God to experience Jesus Christ in His Word, in the sacraments of the Church, and in each other. We, as the body of Christ, joined in Baptism and inspired by the grace of the Holy Spirit, enrich our faith through prayer and worship, spiritual formation, intellectual rigor, diversity of membership, hospitality and fellowship, attention to family life, and concern for social justice. Guided by the spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola, we strive to use our many gifts for the greater glory of God.

FROM THE PASTOR

Fr. Carl Heumann, SJ will be the presider at the weekend Masses on April 6 and 7.

PARISH NEWS

◆ **ST. FRANCIS XAVIER COLLECTIONS**

WEEK OF MARCH 18 THROUGH MARCH 24, 2019

Offertory (cash and checks)	\$5,402.75
Online offertory (SFX WeShare)	\$4,601.02
Combined-All Offertory	\$10,003.77

Fiscal Year to Date: July 2018—February 2019

All Offertory income	\$430,537
Expenses (excludes expenses related to Xavier Hall)	\$509,073

Our goal is to cover all regular operating expenses with offertory donations. In this period we were able to cover 85% of expenses through offertory contributions and used other income sources for the rest.

Thank you for your generosity.

◆ **SFX MINISTRY AND VOLUNTEER FAIR, APRIL 6 & 7**

Xavier Hall is the place to be as over 60 ministries and committees showcase the work they do within SFX and around the city. Join us after Mass for food and a look at all that is going on in our vibrant faith community!

SFX ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **ADULT DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY**

Fr. Bob Hagan, SJ, associate pastor, is offering a Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke (the Gospel for most Sundays during this liturgical year). It will take place at 10:30 Thursday mornings here at SFX in the Romero Room starting April 4 (Thursday of this week). We will be using the Little Rock Scripture Study resources--excellent Catholic resources for Bible study. Participants will be asked to cover the costs of these resources (\$40 for this course, but Fr. Bob can help those who can't pay all or part of this). Sessions will last about an hour and a half. If you are interested, email Fr. Bob and let him know or come to the first session.

MUSIC & LITURGY

◆ **EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS**

You are invited to honor and remember loved ones and help decorate our church with flowers and plants during the Easter Season. **The deadline to contribute is April 14.**

Please clearly print the name of each person and place your donation in the Easter Offering envelope in your packet, or place the donation in a separate envelope and place in the collection basket, mail it to the parish office or come by the parish office.

Thanks for your generosity

FACILITY & MAINTENANCE

◆ **SETTING THE STAGE FOR EASTER!**

Looking for many hands to lighten the work preparing the grounds for our Easter Sunday. On Saturday, April 13 we will mulch the beds, plant flowers in the patio planters and prep the grounds for our Easter Egg hunt. If you are willing and able, we will assemble at 9:00am and finish at 12:00pm. Please contact Becca Jackson at rjackson@sfx-kc.org if you can make it !

JUSTICE & LIFE

◆ **HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Join the RU community as they commemorate the victims of the Holocaust on **Wednesday, April 10. From 8:30am to 2:00pm**, they will read aloud the names of persons murdered by the Nazi regime. From 2:30-3:00 there will be a prayer service in the Finucane Jesuit Center. RU is seeking volunteers for 15 minutes blocks of time to read the names. If you are interested in more information, contact Gianna Carleo in RU Campus Ministry at gianna.carleo@rockhurst.edu.

◆ **RETREAT COMMITTEE FORMING**

J & L would like to offer more retreats, and we are putting together a group to help plan them. If you're interested, please contact Sue @ srobb@sfx-kc.org.

◆ **SFX BLOOD DRIVE**

Thanks to all who came over to Xavier Hall to donate blood last Sunday. Your time and gift of life is greatly appreciated. Please pray for all who are in need of - and receive - blood this week.

◆ **GRANDPARENTS AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE AND SFX ARE TEAMING UP**

June 2 is National Gun Violence Awareness Day and we need your help getting the word out! If you're interested in reaching out to other churches or community leaders to let them know of this event happening in **Xavier Hall on June 2**, please contact Mary Fran Zeller at mzmfzeller@gmail.com or Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org. We have commitments from League of Women Voters, the Fire Department, and the Police Department. We want our community to have a safe and healthy summer! Plan to attend!

◆ **FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

The friend we helped out a couple months ago could use some more protein drinks, like Boost or Ensure. Any flavor is fine. He was deeply appreciative of the supplements he received.

Also, our food pantry is always in need of **side dishes (like Pasta-Roni and Rice-a-Roni) as well as diapers and pull-ups (size 3 and up)**. Thank you for your ongoing generosity. You bless our world and the people we serve.

MARCH 31, 2019

◆ CLANG!

Join this group of dedicated Catholics **THIS Sunday, March 31 at 9:00am in the Romero Room**. Through education, awareness, and advocacy, we seek to keep the church leaders accountable for their actions and to promote a healthy church in which all are safe to worship. All are welcome!

◆ TOTE BAGS FOR WALKERS

If you like to sew and want to do a service project this Lent, consider using some scrap material to make some tote bags for walkers. Just search 'tote bag for walker pattern' and a lot of options will appear. Drop them off in the SF CollectX station anytime and we will donate them to Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care who has an ongoing need for them. Thank you! For more information, contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org.

◆ FINE TUNING THE SFCOLLECTX STATION

Pill bottles – KC Spay & Neuter can only use pill bottles with **child-proof caps**. Also, to remove those pesky labels, peel off as much as you can, and then apply a little vegetable oil to the remaining label. Let it sit overnight, and it'll peel right off in the morning. Thanks to all who have been donating those clean bottles! They were thrilled to receive them!

PROJECT UPLIFT requests 2L bottles to take clean drinking water. They are also in need of **gloves and used or new pillar and taper candles** for their homeless friends. You can donate those at the SFCollectX station over the next few weeks. Watch the bulletin next week for a report of what we collected over the past month! Thanks for helping out SFX and other non-profit agencies who work to make our world a better place!

FAITH FORMATION

◆ STRONG BLESSINGS ON LEO THOMAS MENZENSKI

(son of Matthew Menzenski and Sarah Chao) who was baptized Saturday afternoon. May he – and all our children – always know the loving and forgiving embrace of God.

◆ HEART AND SOUL AT SFX

First Tuesdays, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

April 2 and May 7, Xavier Hall

Join SFX Parishioners Nancy Seibolt and Peg Hornsby as we use mixed media as a way to express what is on our minds and in our hearts. This is NOT a gathering of artists. No previous experience necessary. No registration required. No fee. Just "come and see." Nancy and Peg are recent graduates of the Ignatian Spirituality Center "Prayer Companions" certificate program. For more information, contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163).

Soul Food Tuesday

Tuesdays, 11:00-11:55 AM (dismissed in time for those who wish to attend 12:00 Noon Mass)

The Romero Room

Participation in this study/prayer group is OPEN. One does not need to commit to attending every week. The "content" of each block will be determined in consultation with the participants. Our next block is **April 9, 16, 23, 30**. We will be looking at, discussing and praying with **Religious Images**. For more information and/or to register to participate, please contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163).

◆ IGNATIANT LENTEN PRAYER MORNING

Saturday April 13, 2019

The Ignatian Spirituality Center is hosting an Ignatian Prayer Lenten Morning on Saturday April 13th. Join us for a morning of prayer and reflection with Fr. Brian Frain S.J. The focus will be on preparing for Holy Week using specific themes from St. Ignatius' third week of the Spiritual Exercises *of being with Jesus in His passion*. Registration and continental breakfast will start at 8:30am in **Xavier Hall at St. Francis Xavier (SFX) Catholic Church 1001 E. 52nd St. KCMO 64110**. The program will begin at 9:00am and end with Mass at noon (in the SFX Chapel) for those who wish to attend. The cost is **\$40.00** per person. Please register online at www.ignatiancenterkc.org – click on EVENTS and scroll down to **Ignatian Lenten Prayer Morning** then follow and complete registration directions. **Registration ends April 10, 2019**. Any further questions please call Stephanie Hudson, Ignatian Spirituality Center, Program Coordinator at 816-381-9168.

◆ RISING SIXTH GRADERS & PARENTS – APRIL 14 MSYG MEETING

Do you have a child (or grandchild) currently in 5th Grade? Please join us **Sunday, April 14 at 9:00am** in the Romero Room to learn more about our Middle School Youth Group Program. We are blessed to have Rockhurst University grads and students leading our youth! For more information contact Mariann McCormally mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163.

◆ EASTER VIGIL RECEPTION IN XAVIER HALL

Saturday night, April 20 after the 8:00pm Vigil. Plan to join us for food, drink and good conversation as we welcome our newest member Oganya Uwadiogwu and celebrate our Easter joy! **AND HELP US MAKE IT HAPPEN!** Sign up sheets for decorating the hall, bringing finger foods, serving and the ALL-IMPORTANT clean-up crew are in the narthex. For more information contact Mariann McCormally (816-381-9163 or mccormally@sfx-kc.org).

◆ EASTER EGG HUNT

After 10:30 Mass Easter Sunday morning. Please bring some wrapped treats and/or filled plastic eggs to Mass on **Palm Sunday**, April 14, and place them in the baskets at the church entrances OR drop them off at the church offices during regular business hours **before Palm Sunday**. Our junior-high and senior-high helpers will hide the eggs during Easter Sunday Mass. Interested in helping? Contact Mariann McCormally (816-381-9163 or mccormally@sfx-kc.org).

◆ SOUP & SPIRITUALITY IN XAVIER HALL

LENT: A TIME FOR HOPE

Wednesdays, April 3, 10

6:00- 6:30pm Soup Supper, 6:30-7:30pm Presentation and Discussion. Childcare will be offered for ages 2+ in the Romero Room (please contact mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163 to reserve your child's spot)

April 3 Hope in Brokenness

Kathleen Chastain, Victim Services Coordinator for the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph

April 10 Being Hope for Others

Stephanie Pino-Dressman, Director of High School Campus Ministry, Notre Dame de Sion

Go to our SFX-kc.org website (Faith Formation/Adult Faith/Soup and Spirituality) to sign up to bring soup.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

APRIL 6/7

LECTORS:

Sat 4:00pm Peggy Beal Tom Whittaker

Sun 8:00am Teresa May Siabhan May-Washington

Sun 10:30am Eva Rouyer Tara Harris

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 4:00pm Beth Ward George Conwell
Jane Cornwell

Sun 8:00am Bob Tonnies Jennifer Quick
Dixie Heinrich

Sun 10:30pm Nick Antista Ruth Noel
Terry Noel Jim Bell
MaryAnne Morgenegg Vicki Silverman
John Kenny Rodricks

SACRISTAN:

Sat 4:00pm Lissa Whittaker

Sun 8:00am Joe Gray

Sun 10:30am

SERVERS:

Sat 4:00pm Larry Skogerson

Sun 8:00am Jolene Ruth

Sun 10:30am Matthew Waters Daniella Johnson
Jude Huntley

GREETERS

Sat 4:00pm Stephanie Hudson VOLUNTEER

Sun 8:00am Julia Clardy Joe Gray
VOLUNTEER

Sun 10:30am Mary Adams Chris Livingston
VOLUNTEER

MASS READINGS

◆ APRIL 1 - APRIL 7

MONDAY: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

TUESDAY: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

WEDNESDAY: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

THURSDAY: : Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

FRIDAY: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

SATURDAY: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

SUNDAY: Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

POWERFUL STORIES--TO BE SO SHORT

Today, I was feeling down because the results of a biopsy came back malignant. When I got home, I opened an e-mail that said, "Thinking of you today. If you need me, I'm a phone call away. It was from a high school friend I hadn't seen in 10 years.

CALENDAR

Monday, April 1

5:15pm Stewardship Meeting (RR)

Tuesday, April 2

11:00am HeART & Soul (RR)

7:00pm Adult Faith Formation Committee (RR)

Wednesday, April 3

8:00am ISC~Breakfast Club (RR)

5:45pm Childcare for Soup & Spirituality (RR)

6:00pm Soup & Spirituality (XH)

6:30pm First Communion Prep Gathering (BVM)

Thursday, April 4

10:30am Fr Bob Bible Study (RR)

12:30pm Adoration (chapel)

7:00pm RCIA (RR)

Friday, April 5

5:30pm Stations of the Cross (church)

Saturday, April 6

All Day Family & Friends Weekend (church)

2:00pm Marian Group (RR)

5:00pm Ministry & Volunteer Fair (XH)

Sunday, April 7

All Day Family & Friends Weekend (church)

9:00am Ministry & Volunteer Fair (XH)

10:30am Children's Liturgy of the Word (chapel)

12:00am Ministry & Volunteer Fair (XH)

6:00pm RU Student Mass (church)

SECOND COLLECTION March 30 /31
Catholic Relief Service

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 3/30 4:00pm SFX Parishioners

Sun 3/31 8:00am Ability to Forgive From the Heart
10:30am -Joyce Smith †

Tues 4/2 7:00am For All Farmers
12:00pm President Trump

Wed 4/3 7:00am For Hope
12:00pm Those With Missing Loved Ones

Thurs 4/4 7:00am Conversion of Saudi Arabia
12:00pm Sufferers of Mental Illness

Fri 4/5 7:00am Conversion of North Korea
12:00pm For The Hopeless

Sat 4/6 4:00pm For Condemnation of Sin, Not of Sinners

Sun 4/7 8:00am SFX Parishioners
10:30am -Jean Scholz †

One Sentence Sermon

We don't change the message, the message changes us.