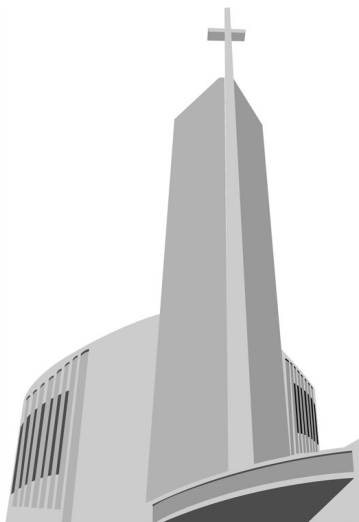


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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, 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 the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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. 816-500-5743

Marriage

Fr. Bob Hagan, S.J. 816-500-5743

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Centering Prayer Group	3rd Monday Monthly
Choir and Choir Practice Laura and Rick Worms	Wednesday, 7:30-9:00pm 816-942-5918 or r.worms@sbcglobal.net
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 Burns	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 12:00pm

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

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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.

PARISH NEWS

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 20 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 21 at 9:00am.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal. As of December 31st, St. Francis Xavier parishioners have submitted 69 pledges in the amount of \$17,100. This number represents 66% of our goal of \$26,000 in pledges. Across the Diocese 4,752 households have pledged \$1,517,710 representing 80% of their goal of \$1,900,00 for the 2020 ACA Campaign. Through December 31st there has been 8% overall Diocesan participation with 20 of the 98 Diocesan Parishes/Missions achieving their 2020 ACA goal as of December 31st.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER COLLECTIONS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 16—DECEMBER 22, 2019

Offertory (cash and checks)	\$18,513.14
Online offertory (SFX WeShare)	\$ 4,310.26
Combined-All Offertory	\$22,823.40
December 24th and 25th	\$ 8,236.66

WEEK OF DECEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 29, 2019

Offertory (cash and checks)	\$ 8,979.00
Online offertory (SFX WeShare)	\$ 6,013.50
Combined-All	\$14,992.50

WEEK OF DECEMBER 30 2019 - JANUARY 5, 2020

Offertory (cash and checks)	\$ 9,672.06
Online offertory (SFX WeShare)	\$ 2,192.40
Combined-All Offertory	\$11,864.46
January 1, 2020 Solemnity of Mary	\$ 420.00

Thank you for your generosity.

FAITH FORMATION

"NORMIE: THE ILLUSION OF NORMAL AND THE BEAUTY OF LOVE"

SPECIAL SCREENING PRESENTED BY ICARE MINISTRIES

January 20, 2020

1:00pm

Glenwood Arts (3707 W. 95th Street OPKS)

\$10

A full-length documentary about Annemarie Carrigan – a millennial living with Down's Syndrome. She's a woman of faith, songwriter, blogger, choir singer, self-advocate, and activist working for inclusive social, educational and career opportunities for people of all abilities. Contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163 OR go to www.tugg.com for more information.

LOOKING AHEAD: MSYG SKATING

Sunday, February 2

5:00-8:00pm

Youth in Grades 6-7-8 mark your calendar. We'll be headed to Crown Center for an evening of skating. Contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163) to save your spot.

Soul Food Tuesday

Tuesdays, 11:00-11:55am (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 **January 14, 21, 28**. We will be reading, discussing and praying about **The Universal Apostolic Preferences** of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) for the next ten years:

+ To show the way to God through the "Spiritual Exercises and discernment.

+ To walk with the poor, the outcasts of the world, those whose dignity has been violated, in a mission of reconciliation and justice.

+ To accompany young people in the creation of a hope-filled future.

+ To collaborate in the care of our Common Home.

For more information and/or to register to participate, please contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163).

LOOKING AHEAD: FIRST COMMUNION PREP CLASSES BEGIN

Wednesday, January 29, 6:30-7:45pm. Children AND PARENTS will meet in the Chapel. First Communion will be celebrated here on Sunday, May 3 at the 10:30 Mass.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FAMILY FAITH 2020

January 26 Acting for Justice in Big Ways and Small
March 1 Lent, Operation Rice Bowl and Keeping Safe in the Circle of Grace

March 22 Signs and Symbols of Holy Week and Easter

April 19 Care for Creation

May 17 How to Pray

Parish Library 9:00 -9:15 Donuts, Juice, Coffee

Chapel 9:15-10:15am

Our once-a-month intergenerational faith-formation program is for ALL families with school-aged children (and for young adults, elders, and everyone inbetween who wants to deepen their knowledge and faith). **Family Faith** is required for those families who have a child preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion and strongly encouraged for **families with children in Grades 3-4-5**. Contact Mariann McCormally (816-381-9163 or mccormally@sfx-kc.org) for more information.

JANUARY 12, 2020

◆ CONFIRMATION 2020

January 12 Class and The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Choice of Confirmation Name DUE)

January 26 Lunch and Road Trip to Visit the Downtown Cathedral

February 9 RETREAT DAY (Letter to Pastor DUE)

February 16 Rite of Covenant with Sponsors at 10:30 Mass, Lunch and Practice for Ceremony

February 23 CONFIRMATION

9:00am Talk with Bishop Johnston for Candidates and Sponsors

10:30am Mass

12:00noon Luncheon

Please pray for our candidates, their families and sponsors, and our team.

◆ ROCKHURST UNIVERSITY MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY OF SERVICE

Monday, January 20, 2020

12:30-5:00pm

Our Middle School and High School Youth will once again be participating in the RU MLK Day of Service. Contact Mariann McCormally for more information and/or to register (mccormally@sfx-kc.org or 816-523-5115 x 204).

◆ REMEMBERING CHURCH

Have you been away from the Catholic Church for a while? Do you have questions? Are you hurting? Or angry? Do you have a friend or family member who is inactive or alienated from the Church? ReMembering Church at St. Francis Xavier is a series of six Tuesday evening sessions beginning January 14 to welcome and reconnect returning Catholics. It's a safe, open place to ask questions, share your story and learn more about the Catholic Church in the 21st Century.

January 14, 21, 28 and February 11, 18, 25

7:00-8:00pm, Parish Library

Contact Mariann mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163 to register and/or for more information.

JUSTICE & LIFE

◆ SUSTAINABILITY IN 2020

Improving the way we, at St. Francis, live out the 4th Apostolic Preference – *Care for Creation* – is a priority of this parish and the J & L ministry. We strive to reduce our carbon footprint and are always looking for ways to co-exist in greater harmony with our earth and our Kansas City community. As you attend Mass and meetings here at the Parish, please look for ways we can improve and contact Sue or any staff member with your suggestions.

◆ REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR REPORT

Several parishioners participated in the Reverse Advent challenge. Throughout Advent, they collected items we use regularly in our food pantry and donated them at Christmastime. It helps us so much to have items our clients really need – like toilet paper! If you weren't able to participate in the Advent Challenge, watch for another opportunity during Lent. Poverty is a constant injustice in our society, and the Troost community's needs are so great. Thanks again to all who participated! You made a difference!

◆ WOMEN'S WHITE HOUSE RETREAT

As promised, a White House women's retreat is on the books. We will head to St. Louis May 28-31 for a directed retreat led by Carol Ackels. There are 10 spaces, so if you're interested in going, contact Sue as soon as possible for the registration information.

◆ HEALTH MINISTRY

The newly forming Health Ministry will have its first meeting this month. If you are an active or retired health professional, we'd love to have you join us! Please contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org.

◆ FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We still need help on Fridays with deliveries and our monthly pick up of toiletries and household items from Giving the Basics. If you are able to give a little time this year, please contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org or Tim Driscoll at sfxfoodpantry@gmail.com.

◆ SFX DOES IT AGAIN!

Last Fall, we sent out a request for knitters and crocheters who might make hats and scarves for KC Residential Facilities for the Developmentally Challenged. The response was beautiful! Enough items were crafted and collected to provide Christmas gifts for not 1...not 2...but 3 residential facilities! *Cover them with Love* provided gifts for 356 individuals and donated 150 hats to Project Warmth. There are a few SFX parishioners who have expressed interest in getting together monthly to knit, crochet, and socialize. Watch the bulletin for more information!

◆ COMPOSTING

We are so grateful to partner with Compost Collective KC! We are committed to being an environmentally aware parish and we appreciate them for generously picking up our waste and transforming it into valuable soil amendments. If you're interested in composting in 2020, contact <https://www.compostcollectivekc.com/>.

◆ SISTER PARISH UPDATE

Thanks to the time and effort of our fabulous volunteers for the KC Irish Fest event, St. Francis was able to raise \$4,950 last year. At the end of 2019, the Sister Parish Committee sent a check for \$6,000 to the Jesuits US Central and Southern Province for the building of additional classrooms at St. Martin de Porres School in Belize City. Fr. Brian wanted St. Francis to know that this contribution placed them "over the top" and it was enough to start phase one - three additional classrooms to be completed by September for the next school year. Thanks again to all who support of the Sister Parish KC Irish Fest fundraiser. The Sister Parish Committee is truly grateful for you!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ EXTENDING THE WELCOME

Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph had a deep impact on thousands of lives last year. We know, however, that for every person we assist there are an additional 20 who live in poverty within our 27-county region. Due to their distance from our physical offices, many are left unaided. Help "Extend the Welcome" in 2020 by supporting Catholic Charities' outreach efforts, which take our services to the neighborhoods and communities where families most in need are living. For more information or to help, please contact Nancy Butters, Development Manager at 816-659-8266 or nbutters@ccharities.com.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

JANUARY 18/19

LECTORS:

Sat	4:00pm	Peggy Beal	Bob Edsall
Sun	8:00am	Teresa May	Siabhan May Washington
Sun	10:30am	Karen Stigers	Cynthia Schmidt

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat	4:00pm	Kelly Dockins George Cornwell	Catherine Green
Sun	8:00am	Steve Van De Castle Cindy Schmursal	Anne Jones
Sun	10:30pm	Terry Noel Nick Antista Joshua Stigers MaryAnne Morgenegg	Ruth Noel Marie Pickard Heidi Stigers

SACRISTAN:

Sat	4:00pm	Peg Burns
Sun	8:00am	Mike DiDonna
Sun	10:30am	

SERVERS:

Sat	4:00pm	Larry Skogerson	
Sun	8:00am	Kate Zon	
Sun	10:30am	Grace Adams William Udo	Jude Huntley

GREETERS

Sat	4:00pm	VOLUNTEER	
Sun	8:00am	Julia Clardy	VOLUNTEER
Sun	10:30am	Seamus Prim	VOLUNTEER

MASS READINGS

◆ JANUARY 13 - JANUARY 19

MONDAY: 1 Sam 1:1-8/Mark 1:14-20

TUESDAY: 1 Sam 1:9-20/Mark 1:21-28

WEDNESDAY: 1 Sam 3:1-10, 19-20/Mark 1:29-39

THURSDAY: 1 Sam 4:1-11/Mark 1:40-45

FRIDAY: 1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mark 2:1-12

SATURDAY: 1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Mark 2:13-17

SUNDAY: Isa 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/John 1:29-34

◆ 2ND COLLECTION SUNDAY JANUARY 19 FOR CATHOLIC

HOME MISSIONS APPEAL & BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION APPEAL

The Catholic Home Missions funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups. The Black and Indian Mission Appeal is concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease.

CALENDAR

Monday, January 13

10:00am Sam Beckett Organ Practice

Tuesday, January 14

6:30pm Liturgy Committee Meeting (RR)

7:00pm ReMembering Church (Library)

Wednesday, January 15

10:30am Business Managers Meeting (XH)

7:30pm Choir Practice (HR)

Thursday, January 16

10:30am Fr. Bob Bible Study (RR)

12:30pm Adoration (chapel)

7:00pm RCIA (Library)

Friday, January 17

8:00am RU Campus Ministry (BVM)

Saturday, January 18

All Day Food Pantry Weekend (church)

All Day Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions

Appeal & Black and Indian Mission Appeal

3:00pm Spiritual Direction (RR)

Sunday, January 19

All Day Food Pantry Weekend (church)

All Day Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions

Appeal & Black and Indian Mission Appeal

9:00am Family Faith (XH)

9:00am J & L Committee Meeting (R)

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

6:00pm RU Student Mass (church)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 1/11 4:00pm To Recognize The Spirit Dwelling In Others

Sun 1/12 8:00am That We Live by Christ's Spirit
10:30am SFX Parishioners

Tues 1/14 7:00am Homebound & Hospitalized
12:00pm For All Of Australia

Wed 1/15 7:00am All Caregivers
12:00pm Sufferers of Mental Illness

Thurs 1/16 7:00am For Those Living on the Streets
12:00pm Pope Francis

Fri 1/17 7:00am For Those Dying in Faith
12:00pm The Safety of All First Responders

Sat 1/18 4:00pm For Christian Unity

Sun 1/19 8:00am SFX Parishioners
10:30am Protection of the United States

◆ WINTER WEATHER CANCELLATIONS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

Winter is here! You can get information on cancellations or other announcements in two ways.

*Check the home page of our website: www.sfx-kc.org, where they will be listed in red.

*Call our parish office number: 816-523-5115. As soon as the welcome message begins, enter pound (#) then extension 250. You do not need to wait through the welcome message or for any prompts