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.

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**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  
816-381-9163

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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

**Eucharistic Adoration**

- **Thursday**: 12:30pm to 2:00pm

**Sacramental Preparation**

- **Infant Baptism, First Eucharist, First Reconciliation, Confirmation, Adult Catechumenate (RCIA)**
  Marianne McCormally  
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- **Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Eucharist to Homebound or Hospitalized**
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  816-500-5743

- **Marriage**
  Fr. Bob Hagan, S.J.  
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**Other Activities**

- **Centering Prayer Group**: 3rd Monday Monthly
- **Choir and Choir Practice**: Laura and Rick Worms  
  816-942-5918 or r.worms@sbgglobal.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**: Kayla Verdier  
  1st Tuesday Monthly
- **SFX-Sister Parish**: Karen Stigers  
  913-262-8994
- **SFX-Hospitalization**: 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 PRESENTATION 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

❖ St. Francis Xavier Collections

Week of January 20 - January 26 2020

- Offertory (cash and checks) $4,663.00
- Online offertory (SFX WeShare) $2,154.50
- Combined-offertory $6,817.50

Funds Available for Building & Grounds

Maintenance Projects $20,510.00

The 2002 Pledge Packets have been mailed! Please return your pledge card by mail or in the offertory collection. Thank you.

❖ SFX 2020 Pledge

By now all parishioners should have received a 2020 pledge packet in the mail. We’ve received 11 completed pledge cards as of January 27th. Your offertory pledge helps us plan and budget for the year. Please take the time to prayerfully discern your stewardship response. You are welcome to return your pledge card as part of the weekend offertory collection, by mail, or by dropping your pledge card off at the parish office. If you have not received a pledge packet, please contact Ann Sheridan in the business office at 816-381-9165 or asheridan@sfx-kc.org. Thank you for your offertory pledge to support our wonderful parish community.

❖ Help Wanted

We are looking for a volunteer to meet every other Monday morning for about an hour to help count the weekend offertory collection. Attention to detail and discretion is required. Basic understanding of Excel worksheets is helpful, but not required. If you are interested, please contact Ann Sheridan at 816-381-9165 or asheridan@sfx-kc.org for more information. Thank you.

❖ Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal. As of January 23rd, St. Francis Xavier parishioners have submitted 71 pledges in the amount of $19,150. This number represents 74% of our goal of $26,000 in pledges. Across the Diocese 5,050 households have pledged $1,621,2035 representing 85% of their goal of $1,900,00 for the 2020 ACA Campaign. Through January 23rd there has been 9% overall Diocesan participation with 26 of the 98 Diocesan Parishes/Missions achieving their 2020 ACA goal, with 12 parishes within 10% of meeting goal.

❖ St. Francis Xavier

First Annual Valentine’s Party
Saturday, February 8
5:00pm - 7:00pm
Xavier Hall

Justice & Life

❖ Gospel Non-Violence Offerings

Mark your calendars and plan to attend two powerful movies offered by the Gospel Non-Violence committee. On Feb 9, in the Romero Room after the 10:30 Mass, they will show King in the Wilderness, an archival portrait highlighting the range of human emotions and difficulties experienced by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in his effort to live in a non-violent way. Then, on March 8, they will sponsor Of Gods and Men, a true witness to French monks living among Muslims during the outbreak of war in Algeria. Pizza and drinks will be served at both events.

❖ Upcoming White House Retreats

The 80-acre, Jesuit-run White House Retreat Center, located on Mississippi River in St. Louis, has hosted retreats for 98 years. Separate men’s and women’s White House retreats for SFX parishioners are on the books for May. The men will attend May 14-17; the women, May 28-31. Ten spots are available for the men’s retreat and five remain for the women’s. If you are interested, please contact Sue for the women’s retreat (srob@sfx-kc.org) and Tom Bradshaw (tombradshaw818@yahoo.com) for the men’s retreat.

❖ SFCollectX

There are new sheets out for the BYO planting in Tighe Hall. Please complete and return the sheet. We will be planting beans and peas. We also need volunteers to help plant and water. If you would like to help, please sign up on the sheet.

❖ composting

We collect items people may normally throw away or recycle, such as soda/beer can tabs for Ronald McDonald House, clean pill bottles for KC Spay & Neuter, large, clean 2L bottles for Project Uplift which serves KC’s homeless population, and other items throughout the year. You can also place your food and paper bag donations there, as well. Pick up a list and start saving!

❖ Hunger Banquet

Mark your calendars for February 19 and plan to attend the Hunger Banquet sponsored by SFX and Visitation Parish. Fr. Rafael Garcia will be the featured speaker! The Hunger Banquet will take place from 6:00-8:00 in Tighe Hall at Visitation Parish. No reservations are necessary. Come hungry to learn about the needs and the work at the El Paso/Juarez border.

❖ 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/.

Like our new Facebook page!
You can find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SFX.KC
Health Corner
Wear Red for Women is sponsored by the American Heart Association (AHA) every year in an effort to raise awareness for heart disease in women. This year Wear Red for Women is Friday, February 7th. According to the AHA, heart disease and stroke are responsible for 1 in 3 deaths among women each year. Even though heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women in the United States, women often chalk up the symptoms to less life-threatening conditions like acid reflux, the flu or normal aging. As with men, women’s most common heart attack symptom is chest pain or discomfort. But women are somewhat more likely than men to experience some of the other common symptoms, particularly shortness of breath, nausea/vomiting and back or jaw pain.

Here is what you can do:
- Ask your doctor to check your blood pressure and cholesterol.
- Stop smoking, lose weight, and exercise.
- Make healthy food choices for you and your family.
- Teach your kids the importance of staying active. Tell every woman you know that heart disease is our No. 1 killer.
- If you have any of these symptoms, contact your physician or 911 immediately.

And don’t forget to wear red on Friday, February 7th! Go Chiefs and go healthy hearts!

Faith Formation

Save the Date: Confirmation Mass and Luncheon with Bishop Johnston
Sunday, February 23, 2020
10:30 Mass with luncheon in Xavier Hall
(There will be a break after Mass, before the luncheon, for photos with the Bishop.)

Please join us as we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation of Vincent Antista, Emory Apodaca, Maureen Browne, Naomi Kriege, Liberty MacLean, Fridolin Rouyer, Amanda Udo, William Udo and Mary-Kathryn Wert. All are welcome for the Mass and the catered luncheon. Please sign up by February 16 if you plan to attend the luncheon (sign-up sheets in the back of church or contact Mariann McCormally mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163). We are hoping that our fabulous SFX bakers can provide dessert. Let Mariann know if you can bring something for the dessert table. And please pray for these young people, their families and sponsors, and small group leaders Jason and Kelly Gordon.

Middle School Youth Group Skating Party
Sunday, February 16, 2020
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Meet at SFX parking lot to carpool to Crown Center. Bring money to eat at the Food Court and $4 for skate rental and SFX will cover the cost of admission. For more information or to register contact Mariann McCormally mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163.

Confirmation Prep Info
February 9 RETREAT DAY (Letter to Pastor DUE)
February 16 Rite of Covenant with Sponsors at 10:30 Mass, Lunch and Practice for Ceremony

Sunday School for Ages 2-3-4 During 10:30 Mass Resumes This Sunday
Many thanks to the wonderful women and men who staff our Sunday School.

- Sunday School will be offered the first and third Sunday of the month: February 2, 16, March 1, 15, April 5, 19, May 3, 17.
- Parents and grandparents are always welcome to bring your little ones to the Romero Room before 10:30 Mass, meet our teachers and learn more about our program where the children learn about God’s love, pray together, play and have fun in a safe and creative environment.
- We are looking for more folks (teens and adults) to join the team led by Sara Noreña. All volunteers undergo a screening interview, a criminal background check, read and sign the “Ethics and Integrity in Ministry” Code of Conduct, and must be certified in “Protecting God’s Children,” the diocesan safe environment training program. For more information contact Mariann McCormally (816-523-5115 x 204 OR mccormally@sfx-kc.org).

Our Lady of Lourdes
Tuesday, February 11, 2020
Meeting 6:00 pm in Romero Room
Rosary 7:00 pm in the SFX Chapel
Join members of the Marian Devotion Group “Truly Our Mother” for either the meeting, the rosary, or both.

General Announcements

The Ignatian Spirituality Center of Kansas City
Presents Lenten Individual and Group Prayer Retreats
“Even now, says the LORD, return to me with your whole heart.” Joel 2:12
God desires your heart. Pray this Lent with prayer exercises that will help dispose you to turn to the Lord with your whole heart.
Give yourself the gift of daily encountering the Lord through prayer. Choose between an individually directed prayer retreat meeting weekly with your Ignatian prayer guide or a group retreat with an Ignatian prayer guide who will facilitate group shared prayer experiences. In each of these retreats you will learn Ignatian prayer methods and grow in your attentiveness to God’s action in your life and prayer. To find out more and to register, please visit www.ignatiancenterkc.org and click on Events & Prayer Programs to see retreat options available. SFX parishioners may receive a 30% discount off of the Lenten individual retreat and the Lenten group retreats hosted at SFX. If you are interested, please email shudson@ignatiancenterkc.org or call us at 816-381-9186.

Please remember St. Francis Xavier Parish when estate planning and in your will.

Estate Planning
"Remember: you can now give to SFX online."
**Liturgical Ministers**

**FEBRUARY 8/9**

**LECTORS:**
- Sat 4:00pm  Larry Skogerson  Catherine Green
- Sun 8:00am  Steve van de Castle  Peggy Everist
- Sun 10:30am  MaryAnne Morgenegg  Jim Hafner

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**
- Sat 4:00pm  Kelly Dockins  Paul McGannon
- Sun 8:00am  Anne Jones  Dixie Heinrich
- Sun 10:30pm  Nick Antista  Vickie Silverman
- Marie Pickard  Maria Chavez
- Jim Bell  John Veal
- Eve Rouyer

**SACRISTAN:**
- Sat 4:00pm  Peg Burns
- Sun 8:00am  Joe Gray
- Sun 10:30am

**SERVERS:**
- Sat 4:00pm  Peg Burns
- Sun 8:00am  Kate Zon
- Sun 10:30am

**GREETERS**
- Sat 4:00pm  Stephanie Hudson  VOLUNTEER
- Sun 8:00am  Julia Clardy  VOLUNTEER
- Sun 10:30am  Mary Adams  VOLUNTEER

**Mass Readings**

**February 3 - February 9**

**Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13

**Friday:** Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34

**Sunday:** Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

**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.

**Mass Intentions**

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— C.S. Lewis, The Problem of Pain