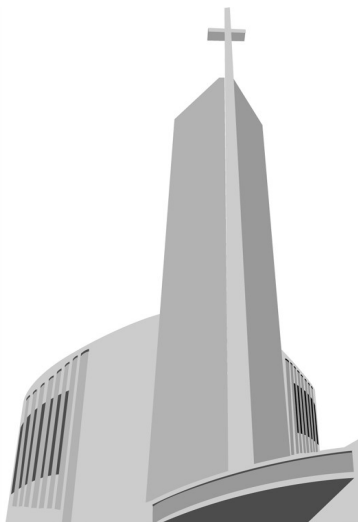


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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

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	8:00 - 9:00am & 10:30 - 11:45am (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

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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.

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 FEBRUARY 3 — FEBRUARY 9, 2020

Offertory (cash and checks)	\$17,422.12
Online offertory (SFX WeShare)	\$ 3,580.27
Combined-All Offertory	\$21,002.39

Funds Available for Building &

Grounds Maintenance Projects	\$23,569.17
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Thank you.

◆ DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal. As of February 7th, 73 St. Francis Xavier parish households have submitted pledges in the amount of \$19,450. This number represents 75% of our goal of \$26,000 in pledges. Across the Diocese 5,138 households have pledged \$1,648,805 representing 87% of their goal of \$1,900,00 for the 2020 ACA Campaign. Through February 7th there has been 9% overall Diocesan participation with 28 of the 98 Diocesan Parishes/Missions achieving their 2020 ACA goal, and 10 parishes within 10% of meeting goal.

◆ SFX 2020 PLEDGE

By now all parishioners should have received a 2020 pledge packet in the mail. We've received **83** completed pledge cards as of **February 10th**. 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. We ask that you return your pledge card by February 20th. If you have not received a pledge packet, please contact Ann Sheridan in the business office at 816-381-9163 or asheridan@sfx-kc.org. Thank you for your offertory pledge to support our wonderful parish community.

◆ FR. LUKE BYRNE, S.J.

Memorial Mass at 11:00am at St. Francis Xavier Church with a reception to follow in the Greenlease Library.

◆ NEW COMMITTEE FORMING FOR FUNERAL RECEPTIONS

We would like to offer a reception after funerals. (We typically have 6-10 funerals per year.) We currently have no budget and are just beginning the planning phase for this new committee. How can you help? We need set up and tear down helpers, calling tree volunteers, volunteers to run the video equipment in Xavier Hall, volunteers to bring side dishes and desserts, people willing to donate catering services or cash to purchase the main entree, and people to serve as the reception lead to communicate with the staff. Contact Jennifer Howe at Jennifer.howe.531@gmail.com or 816-582-1143 for more details.

FAITH FORMATION

◆ LENT IS COMING.

Catholic Relief Services OPERATION RICE BOWL

Rice Bowls are available at the church doors. Please be sure to take one home and use the easy and fun resources to deepen your Lenten experience. Go to www.crsricebowl.org/ to learn more or and download the CRS mobile app to get daily reflections for Lent, track your Lenten sacrifices, prepare meatless meals and more.

Your prayers, fasting and almsgiving this Lenten season will help Catholic Relief Services continue to provide life-saving assistance in nearly 100 countries. CRS works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our world and to end global poverty.

◆ LITTLE BLACK BOOK FOR LENT

Join your fellow SFX parishioners in prayerfully preparing for Easter by using the Little Black Book: Lent. Copies of the booklet are available at the Adult Faith Formation table in the back of church after all the Masses this weekend. One per household; a free will offering will be gratefully accepted. Contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org or 816-381-9163) for more information.

◆ MARK YOUR CALENDAR: SOUP & SPIRITUALITY IN XAVIER HALL

Wednesdays, March 11, 18, 25 and April 1
6:00-7:30 pm

◆ ARE THESE BOOKS REALLY IN THE BIBLE? LITTLE KNOWN BIBLICAL NARRATIVES

Biagio Mazza

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1 7:00-9:00 pm

Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

St. Sabina Parish (700 Trevis Avenue, Belton, MO)

Judith, Esther, Ruth, Daniel, Tobit – these narratives communicate key values about family and community bonds, fidelity to one's religious beliefs and practices, and maintaining religious identity under foreign domination or while living in foreign lands. They are examples of humor, irony, the unexpected reversal of fortunes, and the presence of God acting through persons and human events. Bring a Bible and a friend!

For more information and/or to register contact Biagio (816-979-3153 biagio@stsabinaparish.org).

◆ THE QUR'AN AND THE BIBLE

Biagio Mazza

Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 6:30-8:00 pm

Village Presbyterian Church (6641 Mission Rd, Prairie Village, KS)

The sessions will address the relationship between the Bible and The Qur'an with regards to the same stories and characters that appear in both sacred text, people like Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Mary, and Jesus.

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FEBRUARY 16, 2020

◆ 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.

◆ NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD ON FEBRUARY 23. NO PALM BURNING this year.

Because of our celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, February 23, we will NOT be collecting blessed palms nor burning them during Children's Liturgy of the Word this year.

◆ FAMILY FAITH

Mark your calendar and save the date! Sundays, 9:00-10:15 am.

March 1	Lent and Operation Rice Bowl
March 22	Signs and Symbols of Holy Week and Easter
April 19	Care for Creation
May 17	How to Pray

JUSTICE & LIFE

◆ GOSPEL NON-VIOLENCE OFFERINGS

We had a small and engaged group for last Sunday's movie *King in the Wilderness* sponsored by the Gospel Non-Violence committee. Thanks to all who attended! Join us again on March 8 to view and discuss *Of Gods and Men*, a true witness to French monks living among Muslims during the outbreak of war in Algeria. Food will be served.

◆ UPCOMING WHITE HOUSE RETREATS

Our men's and women's White House retreats in May are filling up! Thirteen men and 15 women have signed up. The men will attend May 14-17; the women, May 28-31. The men's retreat is taking names in the hope of adding more spaces. If you are interested in either, please contact Sue for the women's retreat (srobb@sfx-kc.org) or Tom Bradshaw (tombradshaw818@yahoo.com) for the men's retreat.

◆ HUNGER BANQUET

The Hunger Banquet is THIS Wednesday, February 19 from 6:00-8:00pm in Tighe Hall at Visitation Parish. Fr. Rafael Garcia will be the featured speaker and there will be an opportunity to sign up for the October trip to the border. Twelve spots remain. No reservations are necessary for the Hunger Banquet. Come hungry to learn about the needs and the realities happening at the El Paso/Juarez border.

◆ RIM MEETING

The RIM (Refugee, Immigrant, and Migrant) committee will meet at 9:00am on March 1 in the Romero Room. We will be discussing the upcoming Fair Trade weekend and evaluate our progress on our other objectives. New members are always welcome.

◆ MADP LOBBY DAY IS COMING TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020

Join Missourians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty in Jeff City to lobby elected officials to repeal the death penalty and address other legislation that would protect those with death sentence cases. Training will take place in Jeff City at 10:00 at St. Peter's Church. Have lunch with other lobbyists, meet with legislators from 12:00-2:30, and return to St. Peter's to view the film *In the Executioner's Shadow*. For more information, email info@madpmo.org.

◆ SISTERS OF SELMA: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2020

St. Teresa's Academy, 5600 Main St. Kansas City, MO 64113
The March to dismantle racism continues with Rosemary Flanagan, CSJ and Barbara Moore, CSJ who marched on Selma in March 1965. Join the Sisters and others to mark the 55th anniversary of the marches from Selma, Alabama to the state capital of Montgomery that were part of the civil rights movement in 1965. Sisters Rosemary and Barbara will share how their experiences at Selma shaped their futures, as well as their fellow sisters', to be at the forefront of social justice issues. How far has our society come addressing racism, and where do we still need to go?

Doors open at 8:30am. Program 9-11 a.m. \$15 per session, breakfast included. Register online at [Linger Over Breakfast](#). Please register by Wednesday, February 26.

◆ HEALTH UPDATE

Catch the signs early

Don't wait to get help if you experience any of these heart attack warning signs. Some heart attacks are sudden and intense, but most start slowly, with mild pain or discomfort. Pay attention to your body and call 911 if you experience:

- **Chest discomfort** - Most heart attacks involve discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes – or it may go away and then return. It can feel like uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain.

- **Discomfort in other areas of the upper body** - Symptoms can include pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.

- **Shortness of breath** - This can occur with or without chest discomfort.

Other signs - Other possible signs include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

Calling 911 is almost always the fastest way to get lifesaving treatment.

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



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

FEBRUARY 22/23

LECTORS:

Sat	4:00pm	Peggy Beal	Maggie Patterson
Sun	8:00am	Peggy Everist	Teresa May
Sun	10:30am	Maurice O'Sullivan	Brian Weiford

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat	4:00pm	Jane Cornwell	George Cornwell
		Stephanie Hudson	
Sun	8:00am	Maureen Dahnke	Jennifer Quick
		Addie Quick	
Sun	10:30pm	Mary Gwilt	John Veal
		Jim Bell	Maria Chavez
		Marie Pickard	Vicki Silverman
		James Prim	

SACRISTAN:

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

SERVERS:

Sat	4:00pm	Peg Burns	
Sun	8:00am	Jolene Ruth	
Sun	10:30am	Michael Udo	Maya Manese
		Daniella Johnson	Grace Adams

GREETERS

Sat	4:00pm	Stephanie Hudson	VOLUNTEER
Sun	8:00am	Julia Clardy	VOLUNTEER
Sun	10:30am	Seamus Prim	Jennifer Rouyer
			VOLUNTEER

MASS READINGS

◆ FEBRUARY 17 - FEBRUARY 23

MONDAY: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

TUESDAY: Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

WEDNESDAY: Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26

THURSDAY: Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33

FRIDAY: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34—9:1

SATURDAY: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

SUNDAY: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

“The human spirit will not even begin to try to surrender self-will as long as all seems to be well with it. Now error and sin both have this property, that the deeper they are the less their victim suspects their existence; they are masked evil. Pain is unmasked, unmistakable evil; every man knows that something is wrong when he is being hurt.”

— **C.S. Lewis**, The Problem of Pain

CALENDAR

Monday, February 17

10:00am	Sam Beckett Organ Practice
7:00pm	SFX Centering Prayer (chapel)

Tuesday, February 18

6:30pm	Pastoral Council Meeting (RR)
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Wednesday, February 19

8:00am	ISC~Breakfast Club (RR)
2:30pm	Staff Meeting (RR)
6:30pm	First Communion Prep Gathering (chapel)
7:30pm	Choir Practice (HR)

Thursday, February 20

9:30am	Support Staff Meeting (RR)
10:00am	Catholic Charities Van on site
10:30am	Fr. Bob Bible Study (RR)
12:30pm	Adoration (chapel)
7:00pm	RCIA (Library)

Friday, February 21

No Activities

Saturday, February 22

10:00am	Cub Scouts (BVM)
10:30am	Fr. Luke Byrne, S.J. Memorial Mass (church)

Sunday, February 23

10:30am	Confirmation w/ Bishop Johnston (church)
10:30am	Children's Liturgy of the Word (chapel)
12:00pm	Confirmation Luncheon (XH)
5:30pm	Cub Scout Blue & Gold Dinner (XH)
6:00pm	RU Student Mass (church)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	2/15	4:00pm	SFX Parishioners
Sun	2/16	8:00am	For Wisdom in Our Leaders
		10:30am	That We, And Our nation, Put Others Before Ourselves
Tues	2/18	7:00am	For Our Pastoral Council
		12:00pm	SFX Staff
Wed	2/19	7:00am	Those Suffering Mental illness
		12:00pm	-Ed Hogan †
Thurs	2/20	7:00am	Those Questioning Their Faith
		12:00pm	Sufferers of Chronic Pain
Fri	2/21	7:00am	Those With Missing Loved Ones
		12:00pm	The Working Poor
Sat	2/22	4:00pm	SFX Parishioners
Sun	2/23	8:00am	For Bishop James Johnston
		10:30am	For Our Confirmands

◆ 2ND COLLECTION FEBRUARY 15/16

Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Appeal : Catholics are called to perform Corporal Works of Mercy, including feeding the hungry and sheltering the homeless. The Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Fund collection is an opportunity to help provide urgently needed food, rental and utility assistance to people living in poverty.