



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH – KANSAS CITY FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL UPDATE APRIL 2020

We pray this note finds you and those you love in good health or in good care. We are truly pilgrims seeking new meaning in our lives amid the Coronavirus pandemic that surrounds us. We hope you continue to look to St. Francis Xavier Parish as a positive, steady source in your life.

This crisis has challenged all of us and SFX is no exception. And yet, we carry on. The Food Pantry is open and busy. Parish Youth Groups are connected remotely. The garden boxes on the parish lawn have been rebuilt. First Communion and RCIA candidates are receiving Sacramental preparation. The SFX Health Committee hosts weekly conference calls. And, our “SFXPraying” email chain has been a lifeline for those seeking comfort and prayers.

Your involvement and connection give us hope that the SFX Parish Community will continue to thrive during uncertain times. Your financial support makes it possible. Please consider:

- Signing up for recurring, online donations via SFX WeShare <https://sfx-kc.weshareonline.org/> or calling Ann in the Parish Office to get an account set up.
- Mailing or dropping off your offertory donation (did you know there is a mail slot in the kitchen door at the parish office?)
- Setting up a recurring check payment to SFX with your bank.

The good news...

- The Diocese of Kansas City – St. Joseph has agreed to waive the Diocesan tax for the months of April and May. This offer saves our parish \$14,432.00.
- The Diocese has also reduced the property and casualty insurance policy for the months of April and May by 25%, saving the parish \$1,316.00.
- If needed, the Diocese is prepared to offer loans at 0% interest through the end of the year.

Trends we are watching...

- Average monthly income was for the previous 8 months was \$66,271. In March, total income was \$44,149. Our average monthly expenses come to \$59,608.
- We usually average 50 offertory donations by check every week. Lately, we’ve been averaging 25 offertory checks a week.

We thank everyone in our wonderful parish community for your prayers, your fellowship, and – not least - your financial support. Let’s envision the day when we can gather again in our beautiful church as one. Until then, blessings to you all!

Fr. Stephen Yavorsky, S.J., Pastor

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