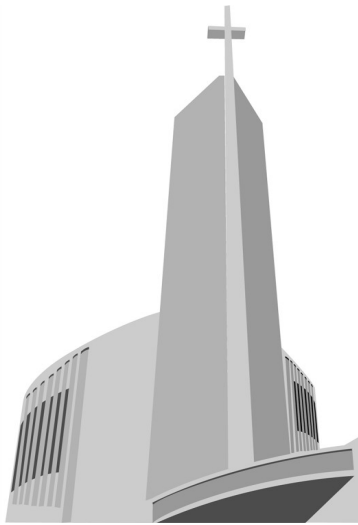


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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

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

Sunday

9:00am Mass

**FOR PASTORAL CARE, PLEASE
CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT
816-523-5115**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday

by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday

Currently Suspended

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

Marriage

Fr. James Caime, S.J., 816-381-9169

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Centering Prayer Group

3rd Monday Monthly

Choir and Choir Practice

Wednesday, 7:30-9:00pm

Laura and Rick Worms

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.**

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAITH FORMATION

◆ HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUPS WILL NOT MEET IN AUGUST.

Many thanks to our youth leaders for Zooming with our teens and tweens regularly since mid-March! Pandemic or no, we have been able to share our “highs,” our “lows,” and our “moments closest to God” and find God in all things.

◆ PARENTING SUPPORT FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph offers amazing support to pregnant women and new parents: Mom’s Empowerment Program (support and education for women and their families throughout pregnancy and until the baby’s first birthday), St. Germaine’s Little Lambs (support and education for parents/caregivers with children birth to 5 years of age), and the Parent Café (monthly sessions held virtually on Wednesday mornings to provide social, emotional and behavior support for parents and caregivers with children birth to 60 months old). To register or for more information contact Nancy at 816-659-8285 or cf@ccharities.com.

◆ A PODCAST TO LISTEN TO AND A DRIVING TOUR OF OUR DIVIDED CITY

During these challenging times of pandemic, economic crisis, civil unrest tied to systemic racism in policing, education, healthcare, housing and employment, and the upcoming elections, let us keep sharing anti-racism resources that are helping us to grow into the people God calls us to be. Check out the “1619” podcast from The New York Times about how slavery transformed America. <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/23/podcasts/1619-podcast.html> And download the “Dividing Lines” app on your phone (from the Johnson County Public Library) for a journey through the history of segregation in the Kansas City metro, primarily through its real estate. The tour is designed so that you can safely drive through the city at your own pace while hearing stories about each area you travel through. <https://www.jocolibrary.org/our-stories/history-segregation-kansas-city>

◆ PLANS FOR FALL?

Will your child be in Second Grade in Fall 2020? Do you have an older child in need of Baptism, First Reconciliation or First Communion? Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church? Please contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163) for more information about how we plan to offer sacramental prep programs during the pandemic.

◆ SOUL FOOD TUESDAY ZOOM

Tuesday, July 28, 2020 The Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) Movement

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 Lament and Reconciliation
11:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Join us for a time of contemplative prayer, reflection and discussion on the topic, and personal sharing. Contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org) to receive the Zoom meeting id and password.

◆ TRULY OUR MOTHER” by

parishioner Gail Fein

You may be wondering why the Marian Devotion Group was started three years ago this July at St. Francis Xavier Parish. Having been to the apparition site of Our Lady of Medjugorje in 2007, I had always wanted to somehow spread devotion to Mary and the praying of the rosary but had been way too timid to do something about it! I decided

to approach Mariann McCor-

mally about the idea and she was very supportive. I remembered when we joined SFX, Marie Dupree Johnson and other women in the Sodality led the rosary before the 8:00 Mass on Sundays.

The people who came to our first meeting shared with us how their devotion to Mary had been fostered from childhood and many had been fortunate to visit Marian apparition sites in a number of countries throughout the world. We have spent many meetings exploring these global shrines to Mary and have made a number of “close-by pilgrimages” to enhance our knowledge of Mary’s many visits and messages to us through the centuries!

The thread that runs through Mary’s encounters with her children is two-fold: to worship the Holy Trinity in the Blessed Sacrament and to pray the rosary daily! Some of the Marian apparition sites are not only well-known but also quite recent: Lourdes (France), Fatima (Portugal), Medugorge (Bosnia-Herzegovina), and Kibejo (Rwanda).

The visitation of Our Lady to Fatima in 1917 really resonates with our situation today! She visited three very young shepherds, Lucia (9), Francisco (8), and Jacinta (7) for the first time on May 13, 1917 at 5 p. m. The world was involved in the “Great War.” Mary was encouraging prayers and sacrifices for peace. At that time, very early in the Bolshevik Revolution, she wanted everyone to pray for the Conversion of Russia! She also introduced the “First Saturdays” Devotion. Mary promised wonderful graces to those who went to Mass, Confession, and prayed the rosary on five consecutive Saturdays.

Very often, Mary’s most well-known apparitions have been to children. Because many of the visions have occurred in turbulent times, the visionaries were interrogated and sometimes jailed briefly by the ruling governments. It was no different for the Fatima visionaries and must have been very frightening indeed for the families. Should they believe these little children and such fantastic tales? But shortly thereafter, people by the hundreds and thousands came to visit this place and experience miracles for themselves! Unfortunately, Francisco and Jacinta suffered and died in the Spanish flu pandemic in 1919. Lucia was granted a long life (2005, age 97) so she could continue to witness to the message of Our Lady. The last “secret” of Fatima was the prediction of the near-fatal injury of St. Pope John Paul II exactly 64 years to the exact time and day, May 13, 1981 at 5 p. m.!

I think Our Lady of Fatima is speaking to us today to increase our devotion to Jesus through her intercession in the rosary! Are we listening?



JULY 26, 2020

◆ **FINALLY WELCOME!**

Please pray for Sarah Ealey and Madeline Shriver as we welcome them fully into the Catholic Church on Saturday, August 1 at a special 7:00 pm Mass. Sarah, baptized Catholic as a baby, will make a Recommitment to the Catholic Church, be Confirmed, and receive her First Communion. Maddie, baptized in the Presbyterian Church, will make a Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church, be Confirmed, and receive her First Communion. Sarah is a student at Rockhurst U. Maddie graduated from RU in the spring and is beginning Law School at KU this fall. We will follow all our SFX COVID 19 safety protocols at this Mass, including limiting the number of people who can attend. If you are interested in attending (perhaps you joined the Church through the RCIA?), please contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org 816-381-9163).

◆ **ZOOM CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

We are now offering a Children's Liturgy of the Word via Zoom for children ages 5-10. Sundays, 10:30 am. Please contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org) for more details and Zoom login and password.

◆ **PRAY THE ROSARY OUR MARIAN DEVOTION GROUP
'TRULY OUR MOTHER'**

Continues to meet and will lead a rosary via Zoom each Saturday afternoon at 3:30 pm. Please contact Gail Fein (gafein10@gmail.com or 913- 961-3201) for Zoom Meeting ID # and password.

JUSTICE & LIFE

◆ **ANTI-RACISM/#BLM PUBLIC WITNESS JULY 31, 4:30-5:30PM**

Mark your calendars and join us along 52nd and Troost to show our support for our African-American brothers and sisters. Bring a sign (or use one we saved from our last public witness), invite your friends and co-workers, and continue to keep the issue of racial justice alive in our community. We hope to continue this witness throughout the year.

◆ **VOTER REGISTRATION AND RIDES TO THE POLLS**

We are compiling a list of parishioners who are willing to drive people to the polls to vote on August 4 and November 3 or who need a ride to the polls. Additionally, we are reaching out to other agencies along Troost to offer our services. If you or someone you know would benefit from a ride, please contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org.

◆ **AUGUST MASSES**

The link is open to sign up for August Masses. Go to <https://www.signnugenius.com/go/9040A4CA5AF2EA6FF2-august3> and sign up for the entire month with just a few clicks! We are also recruiting people to learn some of the jobs (greeter, usher, seater, etc.) If you would like to help, please contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org.

◆ **COMMUNITY GARDEN**

To date, our Community garden has produced 309 pounds of healthy, organic radishes, turnips, mustard greens, broccoli, collard greens, beets, lettuce, and cabbage and beautiful zinnias which attract the bees and butterflies. Thanks to all who water, weed, plant, and harvest weekly and make life better for others. Our world is a more beautiful place because of you!

◆ **MIGRANT FARMWORKERS NEEDS**

Thanks to all who are donating rice, dry beans, socks, and ball caps and supporting the work of the Migrant Farmworkers. There will be an influx of families coming for apple picking season (late July-October) and SFX will head to Lexington, MO in August and September to bag and distribute food. We are still accepting donations. For more information or to help, please contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org.

◆ **FREE NOTARY SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR JACKSON COUNTY RESIDENTS**

Need something notarized? Contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org to set up an appointment.

◆ **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

Habitat for Humanity is in great need of volunteers to work on their houses. If you are interested in volunteering, go to <https://www.habitat.org/volunteer> or call (816) 924-1096 for more information.

◆ **FORMER 4:00 PM AND 8:00 AM MASS ATTENDEES**

Would you like to connect with others who used to attend those Masses? Be the group who starts the first Circles of Support! We'll connect you with each other and give you tools for a weekly check-in. Anyone else who would like to form a group is encouraged to email Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **NEED PRAYER AND INSPIRATION IN YOUR LIFE?
TRY THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES.**

The Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life are based on the conversion experience of St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits).

The Spiritual Exercises, made in a nine-month prayer program, are a framework and a dynamic to experience spiritual growth, interior freedom, a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and to find God in all things. The program includes praying with Scripture, journaling, and meeting weekly with a trained Ignatian prayer guide.

If you are interested and want to find out more go to www.ignatiancenterkc.org/the-spiritual-exercises.

If you have direct questions, please contact: Stephanie Hudson at shudson@ignatiancenterkc.org or (816) 812-8284.

**"Remember: you can now give
to SFX online."**

◆ POSITIONS AVAILABLE AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Could your career stand a fresh beginning? If your career is not as rewarding as you had hoped, perhaps you should consider a refreshing change of course. At Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph, we're searching for employees seeking to rejoice and to blossom in God's work. This is the work we undertake every day. Benefits include a compressed work week, Monday through Thursday. Positions currently available are: In-Home Care Coordinator, Annual Appeals Manager and Administrative Assistant in the Welcome Center. To view job descriptions or apply, go to our website at www.catholiccharities-kcsj.org. For more information contact Lynn Lichte, Human Resources Manager at 816-659-8220 or llichte@ccharities.com.

◆ CATHOLIC CHARITIES BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE JULY 13 - AUGUST 10

We are collecting backpacks and essential supplies to offer to schools in the lowest income area of the KCSJ Diocese. Support is needed even more this year with man still facing the challenges of COVID. The Missouri Tax Free School Supply Shopping Weekend is August 7 - 9. For more information or to give a gift of a backpack filled with school supplies, please contact Nancy Butters, Development manager at nbutters@ccharities.com or 816-659-8266.

Suggested items include:

Backpacks, glue (liquid & sticks), spiral notebooks (wide ruled), Crayola markers, family size tissues, composition notebooks, large erasers (pink pearl), construction paper, masking tape, crayons (24 ct), notebook paper (wide), #2 pencils, highlighters, hand sanitizer, 2 pocket folders, Clorox wipes, Ziploc baggies (sandwich & gallon size), 1/2 " 3-ring binders, colored pencils, sharpies (black), ear bud/headphones, copy paper, paper towels, dry erase markers, band-aids and scotch tape.

Remember: All staff emails are under the domain of sfx-kc.org. If you receive an email that has our names, but a different domain, please do not open it. It is not from us.

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



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www.facebook.com/SFX.KC



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

CALENDAR

All scheduling is suspended until the public daily and all weekend Masses resume

MASS READINGS

◆ JULY 27 - AUGUST 2

MONDAY: Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35

TUESDAY: Jer 14:17-22/Mt 13:36-43

WEDNESDAY: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

THURSDAY: Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53

FRIDAY: Jer 20:7-9/1 Cor 10:31-11:0/Lk 14:25-33

SATURDAY: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12

SUNDAY: Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

MASS INTENTIONS

Priests will offer these intentions when they say private Mass

Sat 7/25 4:00pm Francis Zipple

Sun 7/26 9:00am SFX Parishioners

Tues 7/28 7:00am -Mike Rhoades †
12:00pm

Wed 7/29 7:00am
12:00pm

Thurs 7/30 7:00am
12:00pm

Fri 7/31 7:00am Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola—
Founder of the Jesuits
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Founder of the Jesuits

Sat 8/1 4:00pm -Pierre "Pete" Guignon †

Sun 8/2 9:00am -Shon Stovall †

◆ CHECK OUT OUR NEW YOUTUBE CHANNEL ST. FRANCIS XAVIER – KC

We will begin streaming Masses from SFX on our YouTube Channel. Subscribe and follow us!
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc6OcQ7--hKfXUMFbsObdlQ?view_as=subscriber

PUBLIC WITNESS FOR RACIAL EQUITY

at 52nd and Troost

2nd & 4th Fridays

4:30-5:30 PM

**Attention
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July 31
Feast of St. Ignatius

August 14
Springfield Race Riots

August 28
Emmitt Till lynched; *I Have a Dream* Speech;
Obama accepts Democratic nomination

September 11
A call to end all racism

September 25
8th black church burned in Georgia