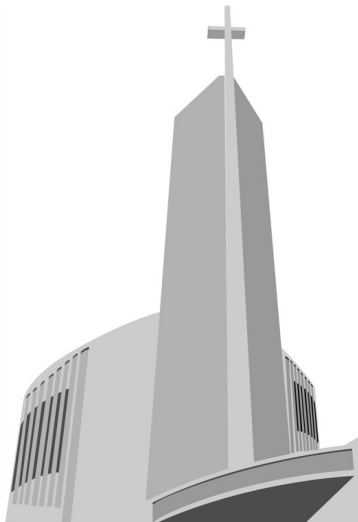


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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

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](mailto: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](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

# AUGUST 30, 2020

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 pm Mass

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 Worms

816-942-5918 or

[r.worms@sbcglobal.net](mailto:r.worms@sbcglobal.net)

**Community Garden**

Peg Hornsby

765-748-4135 or

[peghornsby@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:pegburns00@gmail.com)

**Justice & Life**

Sue Robb

3rd Sunday Monthly

816-381-9167

**Ignatian Spirituality**

Stephanie Hudson

816-381-9168

**SFX-Adult Faith Formation**

Cathy Daly

1st Tuesday Monthly

[cdaly18@gmail.com](mailto:cdaly18@gmail.com)

**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.**

## 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SFX ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ◆ YOUR RESPONSES TO THE COMMUNICATION AND PROGRAMMING SURVEY

We have received 79 responses to the Communication and Programming survey. Our thanks to everyone who responded.

The goal of the survey was to get your input on how best to serve you and how best to reach you.

We put special emphasis in learning your interest regarding Adult Faith programs, formation programs for families with children, Middle School and High School Youth Groups and the SFX Justice & Life Ministry.

Highlights from the responses we received:

- The top two preferred methods for communication to the parish are email and the weekly Constant Contact newsletter emailed every Friday. Next in line are the bulletin and the SFX website.
- 61% of those responding said they would likely attend up to 2 SFX sponsored events (not including Mass) over the course of a month.
- 31% of respondents reported they were likely to attend 3-5 SFX sponsored events (not including Mass) over the course of a month.
- 90% of respondents reported a willingness to attend parish-sponsored events over Zoom.
- Of the eight social justice issues presented, all eight were very tightly “bunched” and no one or two issues stood out. The top three areas of interest are: Racial Equality, Voter Registration, and Care for the Creation and Environment.
- Spiritual and emotion support are needs identified by respondents.
- Topics for Adult Faith Formation were also tightly bunched in terms of interest, with Systemic Racism and Anti-Racism Efforts, Ignatian Spirituality, and Sunday Readings with Fr. Jim capturing the most “definitely or somewhat interested” points.
- Families with children are interested in receiving weekly faith formation packets for children and teens via email.
- One-third of the respondents said they would be interested in an online spiritual retreat.

Your feedback informs our action and helps shape our Parish life. In the weeks and months ahead, the staff and volunteer leaders will take your comments and preferences to heart. You have been heard! Thank you for your guidance.

### FAITH FORMATION

#### ◆ STRONG BLESSINGS ON HENRY BURTON TONNIES

(Son of Sarah and Burt Tonnies and grandson of SFX parishioner Barb Tonnies) who will receive his First Holy Communion at the 9:00 am Mass today. May he – and all of us – receive Jesus into our hearts more and more each day.

#### ◆ CREATING A HOME FOR ALL: RACIAL INJUSTICE PANEL DISCUSSION

**Wednesday, September 9, 2020**

**12:00 noon – 1:30 pm on Zoom**

Rockhurst University is inviting SFXers to join this Zoom event moderated by **Father Tom Curran, SJ**, President of Rockhurst. The panelists include: **Dr. Leslie Doyle**, Chief Inclusion Officer at Rockhurst University, **Chief Randy Hopkins, '20 EMBA**, Chief Security Officer at Rockhurst University, **Carolina Cruz, '16**, Bilingual News Reporter/Fill-in Anchor at WFSB TV (Hartford, CT), **Sly James, '80**, Former Mayor of Kansas City, MO and Rockhurst University Board of Trustees Member. To register go to <https://engage.rockhurst.edu/register/homeforallpanel>.

#### ◆ SFXPRAYING PRAYER JOURNALS

Would you like a special SFXPraying Prayer Journal to record the prayer requests from our SFXPraying Email Network? SFX-Praying coordinator Maureen Hardy and parishioner (and artist!) Peg Hornsby have designed and produced such a journal. Please contact Mariann McCormally ([mccormally@sfx-kc.org](mailto:mccormally@sfx-kc.org)) to arrange to have your journal delivered to your home or to pick it up at church.

SFXPraying is an email network to request prayers for our family, friends and the world we care about AND to share prayers of gratitude and thanksgiving. It was established at SFX in 2007. If you're not on the network yet, contact Maureen at [SFXpraying@sfx-kc.org](mailto:SFXpraying@sfx-kc.org). If you have no e-mail but would like community prayers for yourself or a loved one, call Maureen (816-361-5433) and she will send out your request. THANK YOU all for your faithful ministry of prayer!

#### ◆ COMMUNION IN YOUR HOME

For those who are not attending Mass during this Covid pandemic, Eucharistic ministers are available to bring Communion to you in your home. The Communion Minister will wear a mask the entire time in the home (no exceptions), sanitize his/her hands upon entry prior to set up that maintains six feet of distance from all persons present (except at the brief moment of distribution of Holy Communion) and sanitize one's hands after distribution of Holy Communion and again outside the residence's door and prior to entry into one's vehicle. Contact Mariann McCormally ([mccormally@sfx-kc.org](mailto:mccormally@sfx-kc.org)) if you would like to receive Communion in the home OR if you would like to be part of this ministry.

AUGUST 30, 2020

◆ SOUP & SPIRITUALITY – COVID STYLE

“WE FIND GOD WHEN WE FIND THE POOR” with Doug Langner from One City Cafe

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

7:00-8:00 pm

Contact Mariann McCormally ([mccormally@sfx-kc.org](mailto:mccormally@sfx-kc.org) or 816-381-9163 for Zoom Meeting ID and Password).

We are re-imagining and rescheduling our Lenten Soup & Spirituality speaker series. Join us for this interactive workshop on Zoom with Doug Langner, site director for One City Café at 39<sup>th</sup> and Troost (part of Bishop Sullivan Center).

◆ “TRULY OUR MOTHER” MARIAN DEVOTION GROUP SHARE STORIES THAT INSPIRE THEM

Mary, the Undoer of Knots by parishioner Judi Albors

The concept of Mary untying knots is derived from a work by St. Irenaeus of Lyons, *Adversus haereses* (Against Heresies). In Book III, Chapter 22, he presents a parallel between Eve and Mary, describing how "the knot of Eve's disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what the virgin Eve had bound fast through unbelief, this did the virgin Mary set free through faith."

This devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots, is quite old but has become more popular recently because of Pope Francis' devotion to her.

The story begins with the German Nobleman Wolfgang Langenmantel and his wife, Sophia, who were having marriage problems and were close to a divorce. Wolfgang went to a Jesuit priest, Father Jakob Rem, for help. They often prayed together to the Blessed Virgin Mary during their counseling sessions. On September 28, 1615, Wolfgang gave Father Rem his wedding ribbon. This is a ribbon used during the wedding ceremony in Germany to tie the couple together as a symbol of unity. Father lifted the ribbon to an image of Our Lady of Snows and asked her to "untie the knots" of the marriage. The ribbon untied and turned immaculate white, and the couple reconciled.

Years later, the couple's grandson, Father Hieronymus Langenmantel asked for a painting to be made of the miracle. This picture hangs in Augsburg, Bavaria, in Germany. Pope Francis saw it in the 1980s when he was studying there, and he took a copy of the painting to Argentina where the devotion was renewed. This devotion is especially helpful with struggles that seem impossible to fix.

Pope Francis said, "Nothing is impossible for God's mercy! Even the most tangled knots are loosened by His Grace." The painting itself highlights Mary, standing on a crescent moon with the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove above her head. The crescent moon is the usual way of depicting Mary as the Immaculate Conception. The angel on the right is passing a knotted ribbon into the hands of Mary and the angel on the left receives the untied ribbon from her hands. The only church in North America named for Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, is in Pikesville, MD. The devotion to Our Lady under this title is especially popular in Argentina and Brazil.

JUSTICE & LIFE

◆ 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 <http://build.habitatkc.org/ge/hoa> or call (816) 924-1096 for more information.



◆ GOSPEL NONVIOLENCE GROUP

The Gospel Nonviolence group is starting up a new session. We are looking for a few more interested folks. We watch movies, listen to retreats and have serious discussion as a means to understand what Jesus taught about faith and violence. Please contact Peg Burns at [pegburns00@gmail.com](mailto:pegburns00@gmail.com) or 816-786-5619

◆ CURACOMMUNITIES (FORMERLY CIRCLES OF SUPPORT)

**CuraCommunities** (formerly Circles of Support) – *CuraCommunities* are still forming! One of the Jesuit charisms is *Cura Personalis* or Care for the whole person. As the pandemic lingers, we strive to live out that charism by forming virtual communities who will connect via phone or on Zoom. If you would like to organize one or be a part of one, contact Sue at [srobb@sfx-kc.org](mailto:srobb@sfx-kc.org).

◆ UPCOMING BOOK DISCUSSION

*How to Be An Anti-Racist* by Ibram Kendi will be the next book discussion we will have. Purchase your copy soon or download it. Based on the results of the survey, we will have one evening and one daytime session. Watch the bulletin and Constant Contact for dates and times.

◆ HEALTH COMMITTEE OFFERINGS –

The Health Committee will be hosting a series of Zoom meetings on Advance Directives, End of Life conversations and decisions, and other pertinent topics. We will begin **Monday, September 14 at 7:00 PM** talking about Advance Directives for health care. Resources will be provided from the Center for Practical Bioethics, Midwest Transplant Network, and Turning Point. Join us to ask questions, learn how to plan ahead and have these conversations with your loved ones. Even if you have your documents in order, this series will help you and your family be well prepared for the greatest transition of our lives. For more information, please contact Sue at [srobb@sfx.kc.org](mailto:srobb@sfx.kc.org).

◆ **WORTHY ORGANIZATIONS IN NEED OF OUR HELP:**

**CHERITH BROOK CATHOLIC WORKER HOUSE** - Socks (esp. men's), tennis shoes (men's and women's), boxers and panties, summer clothes (t-shirts and shorts), foot and baby powder, OTC pain meds/cough drops, razors, deodorant, toilet paper, sleeping bags/blankets.

**NILES HOME FOR CHILDREN** – SFX is partnering with St. James United Methodist Church to provide teen girls with magazines featuring African American role models, hair care products, hygiene products and school supplies. Learn more about Niles Home by going to <https://hospitals.kvc.org/locations/niles/>.

**MIGRANT FARMWORKERS** – We continue to support the work of the Migrant Farmworkers. Please consider buying and dropping off dry pinto beans, dry white rice (not instant), new white men's crew socks, and gently used ball caps.

If you aren't coming to church, but want to participate, please contact Sue at [srobb@sfx-kc.org](mailto:srobb@sfx-kc.org) for a no-contact pick-up, or drop off your donations at SFX back porch. Thank you!

### GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **SIP! SIP! SOIREE**

Soiree 2020 is going virtual! This annual event is sponsored by the Catholic Charities Junior Board. Join us Friday, September 18 for a *virtual* Cocktail Party in conjunction with local distillery, J. Rieger & Co. With your ticket purchase you will receive a Rieger cocktail kit and a Zoom link for a live cocktail making course taught by one of Rieger's expert bartenders. Plan to join us for a fun evening in and a chance to refine those mixology skills while supporting a great cause.

Go to [www.virtualsoiree.splashthat.com](http://www.virtualsoiree.splashthat.com) to purchase tickets. For more information contact Aundraya Garcia, Special Events Coordinator, at [agarcia@ccharities.com](mailto:agarcia@ccharities.com) or 816-659-8213.

◆ **Click here to join Mass at SFX, offered every Sunday at 9:00am, live-streamed on YouTube.**

**Sunday Mass at 9:00am will be live streamed on our SFX YouTube channel "St. Francis Xavier – KC".**

To join the Mass "live" at 9:00am, click the link above. If you want to view the video of the Mass at a later time it can take a few hours for the recorded version to upload. We are using our new live-streaming equipment for Sunday Mass, please let us know your thoughts. We welcome your feedback. If you haven't already, please take a moment to click the Sunday Mass link above and "Subscribe" to our SFX YouTube channel. Thank you!

### CALENDAR

**Monday, August 31**

No Activities

**Tuesday, September 1**

7:00pm Adult Faith Formation Committee (Zoom)

**Wednesday, September 2**

2:30pm Staff Meeting (Zoom)

**Thursday, September 3**

No Activities

**Friday, September 4**

No Activities

**Saturday, September 5**

3:00pm Marian Group Rosary (Zoom)

**Sunday, September 6**

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

### MASS READINGS

◆ **AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 6**

**MONDAY:** 1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30

**TUESDAY:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37

**WEDNESDAY:** 1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44

**THURSDAY:** 1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11

**FRIDAY:** 1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39

**SATURDAY:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5

**SUNDAY:** Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

### MASS INTENTIONS

◆ **MASS INTENTIONS DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC**

Mass intentions for each month will be said at the KC Jesuit Community. With fewer daily Masses, our ability to say a Mass for a particular person on a specific date is not possible. However, a Mass will be said the requested intention during the specified month.

**SEPTEMBER MASS INTENTIONS**

Pierre "Pete" Guignon †

Shon Stovall †

Zoila Nicholls †

SFX Parishioners

Paul, Toni, and John Mannion †