SFX UPDATE – Friday, August 21, 2020

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Please help us plan! – Thanks to all who have been able to access and complete the survey. We have 79 responses so far. If you haven’t already please go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WD8MLFF. Your feedback will help us create meaningful programs for you during this challenging time. Please help us do that most effectively by completing the survey.

NEW MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday, 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Masses
- To sign up to attend the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Masses in August, click here.
- To sign up to attend 9:00 a.m. Sunday Masses, click here. We still need a LOT of help at this Mass!!
- Don’t forget to use the tabs to sign up for multiple weeks.
- If you would like to be trained to serve as a volunteer at either the 4:00 p.m. or 9:00 a.m. Masses, please show up about 20 minutes before Mass and we’ll get you trained.
- If you are still not ready to come back to Mass, please subscribe and watch the 9:00 a.m. Mass on our YouTube channel: St. Francis Xavier – KC. It is live-streamed each Sunday and available throughout the week.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word – Children’s Liturgy of the Word via Zoom for children ages 5-10 on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Please contact Mariann (mccormally@sfx-kc.org) for more details and for the Zoom login and password.

Music - Beginning in September, we will be posting a music worship aide on our website that you will be able to download and sing along with the music at home.

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) if you would like to receive Communion in the home OR if you would like to be part of this ministry.

CuraCommunities – Cura Personalis (Care for the Whole Person) is a hallmark of Ignatian spirituality and we are structuring ways for parishioners to connect with - and care for - one another. If you would like to be part of a CuraCommunity, please contact Sue at srobb@sfx-kc.org.

Mariann and Sue will both be out of the office this week (August 24-28). THANKS for your patience and prayers as we take some time off.

Public Witness for Racial Equity – Plan to join us NEXT FRIDAY, August 28 from 4:30 - 5:40 p.m. We will stand on Troost in support of racial equity and remember the murder of Emmett Till in 1955 and Martin Luther King Jr.’s “I Have a Dream Speech” in 1963 in our short prayer following the Witness. Bring your signs (or borrow one of ours) and continue the call for systemic change. This ongoing event is held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Mark your calendar for September 11 and 25.

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 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 39th and Troost (part of Bishop Sullivan Center).

Health Committee Offerings – Mark your calendar and plan to attend a series of Zoom meetings sponsored by the Health Committee. Each Monday meeting will take place from 7:00-8:15 p.m.

- **September 14** – Linda Ward, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer from the Center for Practical Bioethics will present on *Advance Directives*. Prior to the meeting, download the Caring Conversations booklet she will be referencing by going to [https://www.practicalbioethics.org/resources/caring-conversations.html](https://www.practicalbioethics.org/resources/caring-conversations.html)
- **September 28** – Parishioner and retired Hospice & Palliative physician, Nancy Seibolt will talk about *end of life care*. Parishioner and retired Hospice & Palliative physician, Nancy Seibolt will talk about end of life care.
- **October 12** – Attorney Chris Morgan will discuss *legal documents* and information your family will need when you become disabled or die. Free notary services will be available for any documents needing a witness. Depending on interest, we can also offer sessions on organ donation and resiliency. Watch the Constant Contact and bulletin for log-in information as the event approaches. Even if you have your documents in order, these presentations are great conversation starters for your family discussions.

IFTJ – Ignatian Family Teach-in for Justice - October 19-26, 2020 - This year’s theme is *Prophetic Resilience: Breaking Down, Building Up*. Since the Teach-in is virtual this year, it is both cheaper (only $35 if you register by September 16) and it is longer – a week vs. a weekend! Speakers include Fr. Bryan Massingale, Fr. James Boyle, S.J., Sr. Simone Campbell and many others! Contact Sue for the registration code and more information.

SFXPraying Prayer Journals - 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. If you’re not on the network yet, contact Maureen Hardy at SFXpraying@sfx-kc.org. Would you like a special SFXPraying Prayer Journal to record the prayer requests from our SFXPraying Email Network? Please contact Mariann McCormally (mccormally@sfx-kc.org) to arrange to have your journal delivered to your home or to pick it up at church. THANK YOU all for your faithful ministry of prayer!

May the choirs of angels come to meet you. Please remember in your prayers parishioner Frank Connaghan who died on August 13. May he and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

*Thanks for reading to the end*

*Don’t forget to take our survey! Go to [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WD8MLFF](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WD8MLFF)*

*God bless you!!*

*Ann, Becca, Fr. Jim, Fr. Steve, Mariann, Peggy, & Sue*