



Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church
Kansas City's Jesuit Parish
1001 East 52nd Street, Kansas City, MO 64110

SFX UPDATE – Friday, October 9, 2020

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SFX MASS SCHEDULE & SIGN-UP

- **Saturday, 4:00pm and Sunday, 9:00am** To sign up for either Mass, please click [here](#).
- Check our website for a worship aide that you can download and sing along at home!
- **Mass VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – We truly need more people to pitch in as greeters, ushers, and cleanup crew to successfully maintain our COVID protocols. Please contact [Fr. Jim](#) or any staff member to be trained or for more information. Thank you for those who have signed up. Reminder, if you sign up for a specific task you do not need to register as "General Parishioner."

RU WEEKDAY MASS – October 5-November 19 [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up!

- **Beginning October 5th**, SFX parishioners will be able to attend weekday Mass at Rockhurst University. **Masses will be on Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday at noon in the Mabee Chapel in the Massman building on Rockhurst's campus.** You will be allowed to park on Rockhurst's campus from 11:30am – 1:00pm on those days.

Public Witness for Racial Equity – Join us **TODAY, Friday, October 9 from 4:30 - 5:40pm** as we stand on Troost in support of racial equity. 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.

Health Care Planning at End of Life – Join members of our health committee and attorney Chris Morgan on **Monday, October 12 at 7:00pm** for the 3rd in a series of Zoom discussions about end of life. Learn how to organize your documents, simplify things for your loved one, protect your assets, and communicate your wishes at end of life. Click [HERE](#) for the Zoom link.

White Fragility Book Discussion – If you weren't able to participate the first time, join us in a 4-week Zoom discussion that will begin next week. Contact [Sue](#) for more information.

Adult Faith Formation Events - Contact [Mariann](#) for information and log-in information about:

- “SFXcellent Books” – It is not too late to submit the title of a favorite book for a chance to win a gift-card! Entries (with your name, age category – youth or adult, and a one sentence description of the book) are due by October 15.
- Voting is an Act of Love Guide is available here [Voting is an Act of Love](#)
- Our Marian Group “Truly Our Mother” meets via Zoom every Wednesday at 6:00pm and every Saturday at 3:30pm to pray the rosary together. All are welcome. For Meeting ID and password contact [Gail Fein](#) .
- Pope Francis’s third encyclical “Fratelli Tutti – On Fraternity and Social Friendship” was promulgated last Sunday. Click [here](#) for a short video on the top five takeaways from America Media.

Youth

- Please pray for all our young people and their families during this challenging time. Go to jesuitresource.org for resources to help.
- Middle School Youth Group Chiefs Watch Party and Pumpkin Painting Sunday, October 25, 3:00-5:00pm. SFX Parking Lot. Contact [Mariann](#) to sign up.

Parish Clean-up – Sunday, October 25, 10:00-12:00 - Bring your family and your yard implements and help spruce up our parish grounds before winter. We have a lot of bushes to trim, leaves to rake, and shrubs to cut back. You will be assigned a “zone” in which to work so social distancing is guaranteed. We will start after the 10:00am Mass and end about noon.

Community Garden Update – Our garden has produced over 646 pounds of healthy food for our neighbors this year! Thanks to all who faithfully water, weed, and harvest. We will be putting the gardens to bed for the winter during our parish clean-up day.

Come and Pray on Election Day – On November 3, the church will be open from 8am - 8pm. Stop by and pray for our country, our citizens, our leaders, and our world.

Bishop’s Letter on Voting – If you would like to contact the Bishop regarding the letter you received, you can reach him at: bishopsoffice@diocesekcsj.org or at *The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph* Attention: Bishop Johnston, 20 W 9th Street. Kansas City, Missouri 64105

CuraCommunities – We have 2 groups (one every other Thursday evening and one every other Wednesday morning) that would welcome new members. As we move through this most unusual year, take time to care for your mind, body and spirit and connect with other SFX parishioners. Next week’s group meets Thursday evening at 7:00pm Contact [Sue](#) for the Zoom information.

Zoom with Fr. Jim! Fr. Jim has been meeting with small groups of people via Zoom so he can get to know you and you can get to know him. If you are interested in joining Fr. Jim and other parishioners on a “Get to know the Pastor” Zoom meeting, click [here](#) to choose your preferred meeting times and dates. Fr. Jim will contact you and others who sign up to set up a time and date to meet.

Help SFX through your Amazon purchases – If you shop on Amazon, please consider making St. Francis Xavier your designated charity. It is easy to sign up. Go to smile.amazon.com and below the search bar, type in **St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church**. (Make sure you select our church in Kansas City.) Each time you shop, visit smile.amazon.com (not just amazon.com). That is the only way purchases are credited. Thank you.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT - We thank you for your continued financial and spiritual support of SFX during the COVID-19 pandemic. We appreciate your continued online giving as well as our collections at Mass. Thank you for your prayers and support for the staff and your fellow parishioners.

Offerings from other KC Jesuit Apostolates:

- Rockhurst University
 - [Midwest Poets Series: Featuring Kansas City Poet Patricia Cleary Miller](#)
 - Zoom: Thursday, October 15, 7:00 p.m. Click the link above to register
 - [Visiting Scholar Lecture: Michelle Franci](#)
 - "Amid the Burning Layers of Grace: A Contemplative Approach to Science"
 - Zoom: Wednesday, October 28, 7:30 p.m.

CLICK THE LINKS ABOVE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER

October Blessings!

Ann, Becca, Fr. Jim, Fr. Steve, Mariann, Peggy, and Sue

See something that interests you? Contact us:

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