



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

SFX UPDATE – Friday, October 16, 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.”

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ROCKHURST UNIVERSITY

- **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. [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up!

NUNS ON THE BUS COMES TO KANSAS CITY NEXT WEEK! – *Virtually, of course.* Join them **Monday, October 19 at 6:30 PM** for a “Town Hall for Spirit Filled Voters.” Register at <http://www.nunsonthebus.org/kc>. Then, on **Wednesday, October 21 at 10:00** join them as they visit and showcase the Migrant Farmworker Project with whom we partner. RSVP [here](#).

Annual Catholic Appeal – This year's theme, **“One Family... Walking Together in Faith** enables the diocese to fund the ministries, services, and programs that are vital for the mission and work of our 88 Parishes and 10 Missions. The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal helps fund more than 30 ministries along with administrative support for both parishes and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. Please prayerfully consider donating to this year's appeal.

Public Witness for Racial Equity – Join us next **Friday, October 23 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.

All Souls Candles

The Church sets aside the month of November as a time to honor and remember those who have gone before us. The weekend of October 31/November 1 our **All Souls Candles**, remembering those who have died this past year (November 1, 2019-October 31, 2020), will be placed on the altar railing (no procession this year due to COVID 19). We will remember (in order of death anniversary): *John “Jack” L. Coakley, Jr., Rusty Williams, Kelly Pinkham, Heidi Schloegel Hynes, Mary Joyce Schloegel, Hermes Lorica, Amalia Salazar-Martinez, Jim Wecker, Mary Rose Beal, Father Luke Byrne, SJ, Father Evan Harkins, Rebecca Ann Cortese, Floyd May, Alfonzo Salazar-Martinez, Mike Gunter, Fifi Wiedeman, Ed Kos, Barb House, Tom Whalen, Marvin Francois, Margaret Stigers, Shirley Steppe, Stephen Spare, Charlene Chatman Lancaster, Birda Jo Ousley, Joe Fein, John Burns, Jack Walsh, Frank Connaghan, John Walker, Thomas Seibolt, Jerry Harms, Janice Supple, Cheryle K. Osborne.* Please contact [Mariann](#) to add a name to this list.

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

- Soul Food Tuesday Morning AND Evening Edition via Zoom. October 20, 27 “Christians and Citizens: Holy Engagement with Politics” 11:00 am – 12:00 noon and 7:30-8:30 pm.
- Marian Group “Truly Our Mother” via Zoom meets **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](#).
- Centering Prayer Group meets via Zoom on the third Monday of the month, **October 19, 7:00-9:00 pm**. For Meeting ID and password contact [Rebecca Thompson](#). For more information about Centering Prayer go to [Contemplative Outreach](#).
- Voting is an Act of Love Guide is available here [Voting is an Act of Love](#)
- In “Fratelli Tutti” Pope Francis declares the death penalty is inadmissible and Catholics should work for its abolition. Read more about it from Father James Martin, SJ [Pope Francis Closes the Door on the Death Penalty](#).

Youth

- 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.
- We’re half-way through the fall semester. Please pray especially for our SFXers who are in their freshman year at college: Emory Apodaca, Carmen Caudillo, Jamal Forseh, Sophie Henkle, Xavier Kriege, Danny Malone, Eve Rouyer, Sean Sullivan, Hellen Willis. Here’s a [prayer for studying and exams](#).

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. Though not required, it would be helpful to know who is coming. Click [here](#) to sign up.

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 Wednesday morning at 9:00am 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.

Offerings from other KC Jesuit Apostolates and surrounding Parishes:

- Rockhurst University
 - [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

Public Witness at KCMO City Hall – Join *Occupation in KC* on Sunday, October 18 at 10:45 on the lawn of the KCMO City Hall on 12th Street between Oak and Locust to bring awareness and protest the use of overbearing police tactics and procedures. St. Elizabeth's Church will lead a prayer service at 11:15, during the most segregated hour in the US.

October Blessings!

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

See something that interests you? Contact us:

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