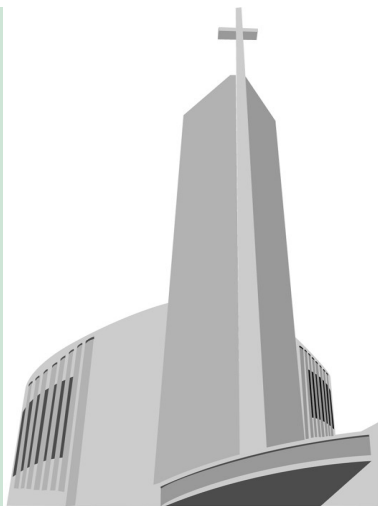


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### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00pm

**NOTE: For holiday bulletins,  
submit at least 7 days earlier.**

# FEBRUARY 20/21, 2021

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday** 4:00pm Mass  
**Sunday** 9:00am Mass

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

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**Infant Baptism, First Eucharist, First Reconciliation,  
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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturday** By appointment

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Thursday** Currently Suspended

**Centering Prayer Group** 3rd Monday Monthly  
Rebecca Thompson [crt98@everestkc.net](mailto:crt98@everestkc.net)

**Choir & 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** Suspended At SFX  
Steve Livingston 816-444-6721

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## Food Pantry

By Appointment 816-381-9174

**SFX-Adult Faith Formation** 1st Tuesday Monthly  
Cathy Daly [cdaly18@gmail.com](mailto:cdaly18@gmail.com)

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@ombudsmankcsi.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsi.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@diocesekcsi.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsi.org) for more information.

# 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

## OUR MISSION

St. Francis Xavier Parish is a Roman Catholic, Jesuit community of faith called together by God to experience Jesus Christ in His Word, in the sacraments of the Church, and in each other. We, as the body of Christ, joined in Baptism and inspired by the grace of the Holy Spirit, enrich our faith through prayer and worship, spiritual formation, intellectual rigor, diversity of membership, hospitality and fellowship, attention to family life, and concern for social justice. Guided by the spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola, we strive to use our many gifts for the greater glory of God.

### ◆ **CATHOLIC CHARITIES EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND - SECOND COLLECTION FEBRUARY 20/21**

Please help Catholic Charities of KCSJ as we strive to serve and lift our clients. Next week's second collection is for the Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Fund. This past year has been especially hard on our neighbors in need. These challenges will continue to be overwhelming even as we come out of COVID, as more and more families fall behind on their bills. With your support we can help at-risk families meet their urgent needs and ultimately allow them the security and safety of shelter. There is a special collection envelope in your packet for Feb. 20/21. Please prayerfully consider a generous gift. Contact Patrick Savageau, Donor Stewardship Specialist, for more information or to donate at [psavageau@ccharities.com](mailto:psavageau@ccharities.com) or 816-659-8259. Donations may be mailed to the office, or made online at <https://sfx-kc.weshareonline.org/>.

### ◆ **ROSARY OPPORTUNITIES**

Join our Marian Devotion Group for a Zoom Rosary. Every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm and every Saturday afternoon at 3:30pm. During the Fridays of Lent we will pray the Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary at 6:00pm. All are welcome. For Meeting ID and password contact Gail Fein ([gafein10@gmail.com](mailto:gafein10@gmail.com)).

### ◆ **HEALTH COMMITTEE**

Members of our Health Committee continue to reach out to parishioners to check in and say hi. As Covid lingers, we want you to know that we are here for you. Please feel free to engage and share how you're doing. We care.

### ◆ **VISITORS, YOU ARE HOME!**

Welcome to a great parish community. If you would like to become a part of St. Francis Xavier Parish, please fill out a registration form found on our website, [www.sfx-kc.org](http://www.sfx-kc.org).

### ◆ **A BIG THANK YOU**

to **Bill, Emily and Olivia** for shoveling the sidewalks for Ash Wednesday

### ◆ **SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR "SOUP AND SPIRITUALITY RETREAT"**

Lent: A Time of Uncovering and Discovering. **March 10 & 24, 7:00-8:30 pm.** Zoom. We will not have our usual 4-speaker series during Lent, but instead a two-evening retreat, led by Stephanie Pino Dressman. Details to follow.

### ◆ **FOOD PANTRY**

Thanks to all who have reached out during these difficult times to ask what the food pantry needs. We have seen an increase in need, and are adding new names to the people we usually serve. **Currently, the food pantry would appreciate donations of deodorant, Kleenex, Jello, soup and small bottles of laundry detergent (for 20-25 loads).** Despite our limited hours and restricted contact, you can drop off donations on the porch and we will get them. As always, financial donations can be made to SFX Social Ministries, by mail or online. Many thanks for supporting those who have lost so much during this time.

### ◆ **GALA**

Catholic Charities KCSJ invites you to Ignite the Night with us at the Celebration of Hope Gala on March 20, 2021. This year's Gala will be an entirely virtual experience that you can join from the comfort of your own home. You can participate as a sponsor, a home party host, a donor to be with us in spirit, or by viewing the Celebration of Hope from any device for free! During this year's event, we will share with you the work of Catholic Charities during the pandemic and exciting new endeavors that will position us to help more people in the future. You can find more information at [www.CatholicCharitiesGala.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesGala.org) or by contacting Brooke Hilst, Major Gifts Manager, at [bHhilst@ccharities.com](mailto:bHhilst@ccharities.com) or 816-659-8274.

**FEBRUARY 20/21, 2021**

**MY MASK**

Holy God, you see me and you hear me.

Through my mask, you see if I smile or if I scowl.

Through my mask, you hear me if I whisper a brief prayer or mutter a muffled curse.

My friends don't see or hear or know; nor do my family; nor my colleagues.

But you do.

This mask takes away power – the power of clear communication but also the possibility to infect. But it also grants a freedom to be with.

My smiles, my thoughts, my mumbles, though – these I know, but they are a greater mystery to others now.

But not to you, Lord. You see past my mask, you hear through it, you know.

But your mask, Lord, what about your mask? Who can see through your mask? Hear through it?

I cannot.

I cannot see if you smile or if you scowl.

I cannot hear if you whisper an answer to my prayer or brush off my curse.

I cannot sense if you are pleased with me or if you are waiting for me to do much better.

Can we all take off our masks, Lord? Put them away?

When the disease that moves us to mask our faces for safety fades away, will our eyes and our ears be stronger, better able to see and to hear the smiles and the frowns, the cries and the whispers of those who fill our lives? Who make our lives worth living?

Will we see, Lord, that what we think of as your mask is really also our own, our inability to find you in the rush of our lives, our failure to see you in all the wonders you show us, our incapacity to hear your gentle voice in the tumult that surrounds us.

Can we know, Lord, that we put on many masks so we can cope, avoid, pretend, be acceptable? (What scar did the Phantom's mask hide? "Who was that masked man?")

Help us, Lord, to move beyond our masks. You are here for us to see and to hear. Help us. Let us take off our masks.

*- By Fr. Edward Schmidt S.J.*

## A PRAYER FOR MERCY

Spirit of the Living God,  
We have gathered in this place this morning,  
allow your spirit to fill our very being.  
Most gracious and loving God,  
we remember the struggles of our people, black  
people,  
people of African descent,  
your people and thank you for your grace,  
your love, and your mercy.  
We thank you for leaders that you continue to  
place in high places and ordinary places.  
Inspire each of us to work more faithfully for jus-  
tice and dignity of life everywhere.  
Lord God, we remember the hurts of exclusion  
and prejudice,  
but we know that you can raise our vision above  
all barriers and give us wisdom and courage to  
make this a better world.

As you give us yourself in the Bread of Hope and  
the Cup of Mercy - show us how to give ourselves  
to those who are without hope and to those who  
cry for mercy.

Lord God, rule over our spirit in this hour that we  
will go from this worship with the freedom of  
those who trust in you.

In the name of Jesus Christ,

Amen.

- Author Unknown

## MASS INTENTIONS

### ◆ MASS INTENTIONS DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC

Mass intentions for each month will be said at  
the KC Jesuit Community. With fewer daily Mass-  
es, our ability to say a Mass for a particular per-  
son on a specific date is not possible. However, a  
Mass will be said for the requested intention dur-  
ing the specified month.

#### FEBRUARY MASS INTENTIONS

Ashlee Glazeski †      Carol Harms †  
Mary Lou Meiners †    Alan Farmer †  
SFX Parishioners

## CALENDAR

### Monday, February 22

No Activities

### Tuesday, February 23

No Activities

### Wednesday, February 24

9:00am CuraCommunity (Zoom)

6:00pm Marian Group Rosary (Zoom)

6:30pm First Communion Prep Gathering  
(Zoom)

7:30pm First Communion Prep Gathering &  
Family Prayer Time (Zoom)

### Thursday, February 25

No Activities

### Friday, February 26

No Activities

### Saturday, February 27

10:00am Baptism (church)

11:00am Baptism (church)

3:30pm Marian Group Rosary (Zoom)

### Sunday, February 28

6:00pm RU Student Mass (church)

## MASS READINGS

### ◆ FEBRUARY 23 - FEBRUARY 28

MONDAY: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

TUESDAY: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

WEDNESDAY: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

THURSDAY: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

FRIDAY: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

SATURDAY: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

SUNDAY: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-  
34/Mk 9:2-10

### ◆ [CLICK HERE TO JOIN](#)

SUNDAY, 9:00AM MASS AT SFX,  
LIVE-STREAMED ON YOU TUBE.

Sunday Mass at 9:00am is live streamed on our  
SFX You Tube channel  
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