



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

SFX UPDATE – March 12, 2021

**Remember to set your clocks 1 hour ahead this Saturday night.
Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 14 at 2:00am**

Do you have friends who might enjoy our wonderful parish?

If so, please consider sharing these weekly updates with your friends and family. Also, invite them to:

- Watch our Mass live on our [YouTube](#) channel. Please subscribe to our channel.
- follow our [St. Francis Xavier Facebook page](#) and [Justice & Life Facebook page](#).

Sign up to attend Mass:

[CLICK THIS LINK TO REGISTER FOR MASS](#)

PASTOR'S CORNER

Song of the Week: [Open My Eyes, by Jesse Manibusan](#)

True sight comes from and through Jesus. This week we hear the story of The Man Born Blind. Do we see, hear and love the world as Jesus does? Do we say we see, but are still blind? These are all stories of *coming* to believe in Jesus, stories of conversion.

Fr. Eddie Gros, S.J. will be joining us for Mass this Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Fr. Eddie is one of the **Vocation Assistants for this UCS Province**. If you know someone who might be interested in speaking with Fr. Eddie, please contact me at pastor@sfx-kc.org.

Sue's News – Sue's recovery is going very well, and she is continues to notice great improvement in her mobility. If you would like to send a card to Sue there is a basket in the narthex of the church, or you are welcome to mail or drop the card by the parish office.

If you need assistance with the following until Sue returns:

1. To sign up to attend Mass, contact Fr. Jim at pastor@sfx-kc.org.
2. For SFX Food Pantry, please contact the Food Pantry at 816-381-9174 or sfxfoodpantry@gmail.com
3. For billing, donations, or information about SFX Justice & Life programs, please contact Ann Sheridan at 816-381-9165 or asheridan@sfx-kc.org.
4. For SFX Update submissions and all other inquiries, please contact Peggy Beaven-Calia at 816-391-9161 or pbeavencalia@sfx-kc.org.

Adult Faith Formation and Life & Justice

"Soup & Spirituality Retreat" March 24 7:00-8:30 pm Please plan to join us for the second night of the retreat – even if you were not able to attend the first. Stephanie Pino-Dressman, "Lent - A Time of Uncovering and Discovering." Add this [RETREAT LINK](#) to your calendar and jot down this information: Meeting ID 857-5981-4325 Passcode: 794552. If you're not familiar with Zoom, please call parishioner John Gioia 913-269-4149.

Soul Food Tuesday

“One Ohana Lent” Tuesdays, March 16, 12, 30 11:00 am – 12:00 noon

Join us in praying with our Lenten readings from Scriptures in the context of "one ohana"-- that is, one family. We'll be sharing songs and photographs and maybe even a video or two that will help us connect more deeply to God, to ourselves, to one another and to all living creatures. As always, we'll have time for sharing our joys and concerns. Click [HERE](#) for the Zoom link or contact [Mariann](#).

Steve Bruns, parishioner and president of our parish Pastoral Council, was featured in the most recent edition of “Threshold” from Mount St. Scholastica. In the article, Steve talks about his faith, his journey to become a Benedictine oblate (inspired by Dorothy Day) and his ministry at Morning Glory Café, serving homeless women and men in downtown Kansas City. Read the story [HERE](#).

Women’s History Month. Let us pray in thanksgiving for the women and girls in our lives and also for an end to all discrimination against and exploitation of women. Check out Xavier University’s [Women's History Month Prayers](#).

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.

Youth

- **Children’s Liturgy of the Word Zoom** for children ages 5-10 continues to be offered Sundays at 10:30.
- **St. Patrick and St. Joseph, pray for us!** This coming week we celebrate two great saints – St. Patrick on March 17 and St. Joseph on March 19. The Communion of Saints can be role models and intercessors for us. Have your children and teens take this quiz to [Discover Which American Saint You Are](#) from Loyola Press.

Opportunities from our Apostolates and Others

2021 Unity Seder Tuesday, March 16, 5:30-7:30 pm. Join the Jewish Community and their interfaith partners to share in the Jewish Passover Seder ritual. Readings, prayers, music and sharing stories with one another. Advanced registration is required [HERE](#).

Jesus and Muhammad’s Exemplary Life on Peace and Forgiveness Dr. Craig Considine. Wednesday, March 24, 6:00-7:00 pm CT. Sponsored by the Dialogue Institute, the Raindrop Foundation, The Interfaith Center and the Precious Blood Renewal Center. Go to [TICKETS](#) to reserve your spot for this free, virtual event.

Creighton University Retreat Center in Griswold, Iowa Eight-Day Directed Silent Retreats in May and June. Each retreatant will be matched with a spiritual director with whom they will meet daily during the retreat. Meals are taken together with other retreatants in the silent atmosphere of the retreat as well as daily liturgy. The cost is \$800 (\$200 deposit to hold a spot). Go to [Creighton University Retreat Center](#) for more information or contact SFX parishioner [Nancy Seibolt](#) for more information.

Together on the journey!

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

See something that interests you? Contact us:

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