



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

SFX UPDATE – March 5, 2021

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:

- like our [YouTube](#) channel and watch Mass.
- follow our [St. Francis Xavier Facebook page](#) and [Justice & Life Facebook page](#).

Sign up to attend Mass:

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Pastor's Corner

- **Song of the Week:** [The Call by Janèt Sullivan Whitaker](#)



The next three Sundays we will be using the Cycle A readings which highlight aspects of who Jesus is: The Water of Life, Light of the World, The Resurrection and the Life. This week we hear about the Samaritan Woman at the Well. Like her, what are you looking for? What are you thirsting for? Here is an image of a sculpture of The Woman at the Well in Chester, England. You may want to use this to assist you in your own prayer.

Sue's News – More good news from Sue! Her recovery is going very well, and she is already noticing 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.

For assistance 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 10 & 24 7:00-8:30 pm We won't have our traditional four-speaker Soup & Spirituality series this Lent. Instead, the Adult Faith Formation Committee is offering a two-evening retreat with 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 9, 16, 23, 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](#).

March is Women's History Month and National Catholic Reporter has all sorts of resources for us to learn more about women (and girls) of faith [HERE](#).

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

Wednesday Morning 7:00 am Prayer/Check-in It's been almost a year since we've been able to have daily Mass. If you'd like to join the ol' 7:00 Mass crowd for a short (15 minutes) prayer/check-in on Zoom on Wednesday mornings please contact [Kaler Bole](#) or [Jackie Palmer](#).

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 - Contact Mariann for information and log-in information about:

- **Children's Liturgy of the Word Zoom** for children ages 5-10 continues to be offered Sundays at 10:30.
- **Women's History Month** Check out resources to celebrate women and girls [HERE](#).
- **Catholic Relief Service OPERATION RICE BOWL** It's not too late to participate in this year's Operation Rice Bowl. Find more information and resources, including [Stations of the Cross Videos | CRS Rice Bowl](#) here.
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Opportunities from our Apostolates and Others

Isabel Wilkerson, author of “Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents,” will give the UMKC Carolyn Benton Cockefair Chair lecture on Thursday, March 18, 6:30 pm online. [Make your RESERVATION here.](#)

Brian Terrell Clark, singer-songwriter, philanthropist, actor, who played George Washington in Broadway's “Hamilton” will give the UMKC Pride Lecture on Tuesday, March 23, 6:00 pm online. [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

“The Color of Compromise” Book Study sponsored by St. Therese Little Flower, St. Elizabeth, and CCO (Communities Creating Opportunity). Wednesdays, April 7-May 12. 7:00-8:30 pm on Zoom. How did the Christian church support racist policies and practices throughout American history? How can we change our culture and institutions to bring about inclusion, equity and justice? Learn more and sign up at [Registration — communities creating opportunity \(cco.org\)](#).

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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