

Where FAITH & JUSTICE meet at 52nd & Troost

April 2021

Dear SFX Parishioners and Friends of the Parish,

At St. Francis Xavier Parish, we continue to embrace the Universal Apostolic Preferences set forth by the JESUIT leadership in 2019:

- 1. To show the way to God through the Spiritual Exercises and discernment
- 2. To walk with the poor, the outcasts of the world, those whose dignity has been violated, in a mission of reconciliation and justice
- 3. To accompany young people in the creation of a hope-filled future
- 4. To collaborate in the care of our Common Home

As you consider your 2021 pledge, we ask that you prayerfully discern what St. Francis Xavier parish means to you. How is Jesus calling you to respond to the needs of our parish and those we serve?

Your pledge enables us to embody the Society of Jesus' Universal Apostolic Preferences and the life of a vibrant and active parish. It covers the costs for: faith formation programs, liturgies, social justice ministries, youth programs, Ignatian Spirituality programs and a spirituality that infuses all we do, as well the administrative and bricks-and-mortar essentials.

We are fortunate at St. Francis Xavier Parish to have a growing community. But... we need <u>You!</u> It takes the unique contribution from each one of us to truly help our parish grow and thrive. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and response to the 2021 Pledge Drive.

Gratefully,

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"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them." Acts 4:32-33