October 15, 2017
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday  5:15 pm Anticipation of Sunday
Sunday    8:00 am and 10:30 am

Monday - Friday
7:15 am, Noon, 5:15 pm
In the Chapel of Our Lady located in the lower level.

Saint Louis University Campus Ministry:
Sunday:  9:00 pm (when the University is in session)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Monday-Friday:  10:45 am through Noon
Saturday:  4:00 pm through 5:00 pm

Mission Statement

We, the members of St. Francis Xavier College Church, form a welcoming Jesuit parish community. As followers of Jesus Christ, we praise God, love our neighbors as ourselves, celebrate liturgy and the sacraments, engage in lifelong formation and proclaim God’s reign of justice, mercy and peace.
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Parish Center is closed if St. Louis City Schools are closed due to bad weather. Activities and events are also cancelled.

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Saturday we are closed & Sunday: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm.

Bulletin Notices: must be submitted to marykay.horan@slu.edu by noon on Thursday, ten days before the bulletin date. Holidays require additional time.

Infant Baptisms: contact Fr. Jason Brauninger, SJ at 314-977-7301 for scheduling and preparation information at least 45 days in advance. Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month, at 12:00 pm.

Christian Initiation of Adults: contact Joe Milner at 314-977-7305 or joseph.milner@slu.edu

Marriages: contact Sandy Hauck at 314-977-7303 for scheduling and preparation information.

Funerals: contact Fr. Dan White, SJ or Sister Carolyn McWaters, RSM. To notify the parish of a funeral for a family member not at the College Church, please contact Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or church@slu.edu.

Disability Access: Our church has an elevator and hearing assistance system. Please see an usher for assistance.

Parish Registration: Available online at collegechurch.slu.edu or at the Parish Center front desk. For questions, contact Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304.

Religious Education: Available for kindergarten through eighth grade. Classes meet September - May on Sunday mornings. Ages 3-6 use the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Contact Angie Doerr at 314-977-7302 or angeline.doerr@slu.edu

Liturgy of the Word for Children: Celebrated weekly for children in kindergarten - seventh grade at 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Childcare is available for children ages six months through pre-kindergarten during the 10:30 am Mass in the Parish Center Nursery. Contact Angie Doerr at 314-977-7302 or angeline.doerr@slu.edu.

Tours of the Church: Contact Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or email church@slu.edu

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From the Pastor’s Desk

It may not feel like it but we are well into autumn. This is the traditional harvest time in the northern hemisphere. Most of us are far removed from our agrarian roots. When the local Schnucks is loaded with aisle after aisle of food, it is quite easy to take such super-abundance for granted. This is not normal, though. Throughout most of human history a good harvest was the difference between life and death. There remain still many, many people without adequate food, even in our own country.

I suggest as the days grow shorter and cooler we reflect on God’s gift of food. Most of us have never known true hunger in our lives. We do not give much thought to the farmers, harvesters, and laborers whose hard work and sweat enable us to enjoy our meals. Keep in mind, as well, many who help put food on our tables are undocumented migrants who have become the target of merciless outrage in this country.

I believe the true end of fall is not the winter solstice, but the celebration of Thanksgiving. It is the one time all year when we as a nation call to mind our blessings. We do so, of course, with a wonderful meal. Perhaps during these beautiful, autumn days we should be more magnanimous with our thanks, and not limit it to the last Thursday in November.

College Church Seminars
Sundays 9:15-10:15
Adult Faith Room
Each Sunday
Topics will include:
Organization of biblical Psalms; Characteristics of biblical poetry; Various types of psalms; Public and private use of psalms in biblical history; Christian understanding and use of Psalms; Close analysis of many psalms.

Questions on prayer: Is the god atheists don’t believe in really the true God? If we pray and get no response, then what? Does God need praise?
What about our angry, exasperation, despairing prayers?
Contact: Frank at nicholfw@slu.edu for more information. A Bible is desirable but not essential.
WELCOME TO COLLEGE CHURCH!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: Gather Your People, O Lord
Glory to God: Duchesne Mass (on insert)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children’s Dismissal for Liturgy of the Word (10:30)
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23, I Shall Live in the House of the Lord
Gospel Acclamation: Duchesne Mass (on insert)

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Presentation Song (10:30) A Banquet is Prepare
Eucharistic Prayer Acclamations: Duchesne Mass (on insert)

COMMUNION RITE

Breaking of Bread: Lamb of God - Duchesne Mass (on insert)
Communion Song: Table of Plenty

Refrain
Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta-
-ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we
need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.
CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Song: Let All Things Now Living

Meditation (10:30): My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

ALL SOULS DAY
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 2

Mass will be celebrated in the church at 5:15 pm. Please join us to pray for all of our beloved deceased family and friends.

We will be particularly remembering those who have died in the past year. If you have not yet notified the parish of someone who has died this year, please contact Mary Beth Erickson at church@slu.edu

NEWMAN SYMPOSIUM

The 8th Annual Newman Symposium is Oct. 17 at Fontbonne University. Archbishop Carlson will celebrate Vespers and Dr. Grant Kaplan of SLU will present “Reflecting on the Reformation in Catholic Culture and Theology.” The Symposium is 4-7 pm in the Doerr Chapel. It is free and open to the public.

ATTENTION:

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sister Carolyn will be out for surgery starting Sept. 25 for at least a month. During that time, if changes in scheduling are needed, please contact Joe Milner at joseph.milner@slu.edu.
**Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed prior to the 8 am Mass and after the 10:30 am Mass to put out and take down the no parking sandwich board sign on sidewalk in front of the church. It is somewhat heavy, so would need folks who could comfortably carry it from the closet near the lower level elevator to the curb. This helps handicapped parishioners have a reliable drop off place. Please contact Jane Conrad at 314-276-2313 or conradpjff@aol.com

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**Blessed Are Those Who Mourn**

**Grief Support Group**

The Pastoral Care Ministry is beginning a six week long support group for those grieving the death of a loved one. The group will begin in early November and meet in the afternoon on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.

Sessions would be held in a central location with ample parking, possibly in the home of a participating group member.

After the first meeting, subsequent sessions will be closed to new members to assure a cohesive and confidential group. Space is limited.

Please contact the facilitator, Sr. Mary Ann Wachtel, to express interest and day of week preference at journey100@att.net.

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**The Sunday Scriptures and My Life**

Do you ever wonder what the Sunday readings have to do with transforming your daily life? Come explore a deeper look into the meaning of God’s Word. A small group meets each Sunday from 9:30 to 10:20 in room 15, main floor of the Pastoral Center. Come when you can. Facilitators are Lea Koesterer, Steve Gilbert, and S. Carla Mae Streeter, OP, Coordinator. Contact streeter@slu.edu or 314-256-8882 for more information.

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**Blessing of the Animals**

Saturday, October 21, 2017 ~ 10:00 am

Dog Park (NE corner of Grand & Lindell)

All are invited to bring an animal to the prayer service. If you are not able to bring an animal, such as a pony or a pet alligator, you may wish to bring a picture of the animal you love or a photo of an endangered species. If you are grieving for an animal companion, you may wish to bring a photograph of your deceased, beloved animal companions to the service.

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**Do you give online?**

Do you miss having something to put into the offertory collection?

**Then this card is for YOU!**

To sustain the future of the College Church, I submit my offertory online.
Auction Items Needed!

- Restaurant or retail gift cards ($50 or more is ideal)
- Hotel stays or weekend getaways
- Sporting event tickets and/or autographed sports paraphernalia
- Group outings or experiences such as wine tastings
- Bottles of wine valued at $20 or more
- Themed gift baskets

Contact: Wade Baughman at 314-307-0535, mwba16@gmail.com

Tickets On Sale NOW!

Ways to purchase:

- Go to http://sfxgala.bpt.me
- Put this form with your payment into the offertory collection.
- Mail this form with your payment to:
  St. Francis Xavier, 3628 Lindell Blvd., 63108
  Attn: Mary Kay Horan

REGISTRATION FORM

SPONSORS

☐ Apostle - $10,000  $9,200 is tax deductible
☐ Saint - $5,000  $4,200 is tax deductible
☐ Angel - $2,500  $1,700 is tax deductible

TICKETS

☐ Host Table—$1,250  $700 is tax deductible
☐ Individual Tickets - $125  $70 is tax deductible

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TOTAL GIFT $__________________ Name__________________________

Address_________________________________________________City, State, Zip___________________________________

Phone________________________Email__________________________________________________________________

Please list the names of your guests or with whom you would like to be seated.

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Please list any special dietary requests.

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Social Ministry

Last Chance! Join us for “Growing up Catholic” on October 14th or 15th

You are invited to a performance of "Growing Up Catholic," a reader’s theater performance exploring the experiences of growing up Catholic through black and white perspectives. This work was developed through the collaboration of the Peace and Justice Committee of St. Alphonsus Liguori “Rock” Church and the Race and Reconciliation Committee of St. Francis Xavier "College" Church.

When: Two identical performances on Saturday, Oct. 14 from 7-9 pm (6:15 pm reception) OR Sunday, Oct. 15 from 7-9 pm (6:15 pm reception)

Where: Tegeler Hall’s Carlo Auditorium on Saint Louis University’s campus (SE corner of Grand & Lindell)

RSVP: Please click the following link to RSVP for a showing of the "Growing Up Catholic" reader’s theater production: https://tinyurl.com/ybdmhaqc OR contact Christine at 977-7309 or dragonettecm@slu.edu.

A $5 donation at the door to our group’s collaborative anti-racism efforts is appreciated.

What is Permaculture and Why Should I Care?
Michelle Salois, RSM, Certified Permaculture Designer
TODAY ~ October 15, 2017 ~ SFX Ballroom ~ 12 noon

Michelle is passionate about healing human beings and healing the earth. She began her professional career as an RN and now works full time as a family therapist and Clinical Social Worker at Mercy Professional Services. Her personal reading and passion have focused on the increasing problems of human global impact on the health of air, water, soil and species extinction. These declines were troubling her deeply. When Michelle discovered the field of Permaculture and all the solutions it provides, she knew she had to learn it and share it! She graduated in May 2015 from the annual online Permaculture Design Course from Geoff Lawton. She offers her weekends to work on educating the public and creating designs in urban and suburban settings for individual households or businesses and through offering designs for ‘sale’ at non-profits fundraisers.

Sunday, October 29

Afternoon Visit to the Civil Rights Exhibit at the History Museum With our Friends from the Rock Church

Please meet either at 1pm at the Rock Church (1118 N. Grand) and bring a snack to share OR meet at 2pm at the History Museum (5700 Lindell) to see the exhibit. We expect the visit to last about 1.5-2 hours. Please RSVP to Christine if you would like to join at (314) 977-7309 or dragonettecm@slu.edu.
National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows

Way of Lights Volunteer Request
Friday, November 17 – Sunday, December 31
Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display or helping in the children’s craft area at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows from Nov. 17 through Dec. 31. This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours. If interested, please email programs@snows.org or call 618-397-6700 ext. 6281 snows.org/wol

Living with Cancer: A Day of Renewal to Inspire, Inform and Support Those Undergoing Cancer Treatment, Survivors and the Caregivers Who Journey With Them Presenter: Karen Tripp, President, Cancer Companions
Saturday, October 28, 9 am – 12:30 pm
Learn ways to copy with the changes in your body, your future, and your relationships so that you can do more than survive: you can thrive!
Cost: Free, registration required
For more information, call 618-397-6700, ext. 6270, or visit snows.org/programs

SLU Parking Updates
SLU has started a new system in its parking garages. Folks attending mass at College Church on Saturday afternoon and Sunday will still have free access to the Laclede parking garage. Here are the new parking instructions:
• Saturday evening 5:15 Mass - SLU will issue "no value" tickets at Laclede Garage from 4:30 - 5:45 pm. Anyone who pulls into Laclede Garage during this timeframe will pull a ticket upon entrance; however, it will be of no value. When they exit, they will put the ticket back in, and the gate will go up - No Charge.
• Sunday - Entrance gate will remain down, exit gate will be up from 8:30am - 11:00pm.
• Spring and Lindell (northeast corner) parking lot will be available on Sundays.
• Weekday Volunteers - Parking and Card Services will issue complimentary parking pass stickers to the College Church parish center. The volunteer will bring their entry ticket to the parish center with them to put a sticker on it. The sticker needs to be placed in the space provided.

Sunday Parking Reminders
• Angled parking only from the corner of Grand and Lindell west to the Pius X Library Circle on both the north and south sides of the street.
• Only those with handicapped plates or hang tags can park in the handicapped spaces on Lindell. Angled parking also applies to these spaces.
• No Parking in the Curb Cut in front of church. That is for drop off and pick up only.

Christian Life Community
Interested in extending your experience of the Spiritual Exercises or wanting to deepen your faith and Ignatian Spirituality? Then consider answering the Call of Christian Life Community (CLC). Come experience for yourself that call, that is, a sense of belonging to something more than a prayer group or bible study. Gatherings include prayer, silence, scripture, and reflection, and so much more, followed by socializing. There is still time to join a group this year. Contact Ann Padberg at annpadberg@charter.net or 314-696-9610.
Thank You!

Many thanks to the Parish Life Commission for a wonderful Zip Code Donut Sunday! We are tabulating the surveys and will update the parish as soon as possible. Looks like there is interest in having a pot-luck or progressive dinner in the spring. If you were unable to attend and would like to participate in the survey, contact Mary Beth Erickson at 314-977-7304 or email church@slu.edu.

The Whisperings of God: Embracing Lectio Divina, Visio Divina, and Life Lectio

Mercy Center
2039 N Geyer Road, Frontenac

Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 4 & 5
Registration 8:30 am
Program 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

In the Christian Tradition the whisperings of God have been heard through the practice of sacred reading called Lectio Divina. Recognizing the Spirit speaks to our hearts in the living word of Scripture, presentations explore the roots of the prayer practices of Lectio Divina (11/4) as well as Visio Divina and Life Lectio (11/5), provide an experience of the prayer, and invite participants to share their experience.

Presenter: Mary Katherine Doyle, RSM, Novice Minister at the Sisters of Mercy Novitiate. Trained in history and spirituality, she has ministered in education, communications, faith formation, spiritual direction and retreat ministries.

Cost for both days: $120
Cost for single day: $60
Lunch included both days; no overnights.
Total payment due Oct. 20

Nowhere To Lay His Head:

Homelessness and the Gospel
(And, What This Means For the Churches, Today)
A Presentation In Words and Images
by
Matthew Works -- Artist, Advocate, Activist, Homeless

Homeless Jesus by Timothy Schmalz
(Canadian sculptor & devout Catholic)

Thursday, October 19, 7:00pm
Center for Global Citizenship

Sponsored by SLU
Campus Ministry, Division of Student Development
Discretion in Almsgiving

All are welcome to join us for prayer and worship. However, in order to respect our place of worship, we ask no one solicit or give out money on our parish property, including the church, chapel, ballroom, parish center, steps of all buildings, and the moat area on the south side of the building. Additionally, we ask no one leave items for individuals to pick up in the parish center. Our Social Ministry Outreach Program provides for some concrete needs on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, including assistance with birth certificates, State ID cards, bag lunches, and toiletry kits. Our volunteers work with program guests to direct them toward other community resources for additional needs. If you have questions about available resources, contact Christine Dragonette at christine.dragonette@slu.edu or 314-977-7309.

On Sept. 23, Fr. Stanley Rother, a priest and farmer from Okarche, Oklahoma, was beatified. His name appeared on one of the death lists and he returned to Oklahoma in January of 1981 but found it unbearable to be away from the people. He said that a “shepherd cannot run.” He returned to Guatemala. On July 28, 1981, gunmen tried to kidnap him. When he resisted, he was shot. The words of Pope Francis can truly be applied to him. He was a shepherd who smelled like his sheep.

Parishioner Sandy Spencer knew Fr. Rother as she worked in a neighboring parish in Guatemala at the same time. On Oct. 29 after the 8:00 Mass in the ballroom, she will share about Fr. Rother and the historical context which led to his murder. She will repeat the presentation after the 10:30 mass on Nov. 12. Blessed Stanley, Pray for us!
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