

September 8, 2019 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Anyone of you who does not renounce
all your possessions cannot be my disciple.

~ Luke 14:33

St. Francis Xavier Parish

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WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 7, 8:30, & 10 a.m.

Welcome to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church! We are glad that you came to join us for Mass. We hope that you feel welcome in our parish community. We are a Roman Catholic community dedicated to worshiping God, proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the faith, and serving our brothers and sisters. Whether you are just visiting or looking for a faith community to call home, we hope that you feel welcome with us. May God bless you!

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:15 p.m.; Tuesday after 7 p.m. Mass;
or call for an appointment.

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MISSION STATEMENT: St. Francis Xavier Parish is an example of Christ's Love by educating, serving and celebrating our faith with others in our community.

Adopted by Parish Council Fall 1997

St. Francis Xavier School 7307 Rt. M, Jefferson City, MO 65101

Jordan Tobar - Principal Email: jtobar@sfxtaos.com

Office: 573.395.4612 Fax: 573.395.4017

School website: www.sfxtaos.com

- ✠ Pray the Rosary at 7:10 p.m. every first Wednesday of each month at the K of C Hall, Taos
- ✠ Pray the Rosary at Church before each Mass.
- ✠ Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet prior to Tuesday evening Mass at 6:40 p.m. in Church until 7:00p.m.
- ✠ **Baptism:** Contact Father regarding preparation sessions and scheduling.
- ✠ **Marriage:** Contact Father at least six months in advance for preparation and scheduling.



Mass Intentions

"For first responders; that God's holy angels may watch over and protect those who place themselves in harm's way to serve their neighbors."

Monday, Sept 9th: No Mass

Tuesday, Sept 10th: No Mass

Wednesday, Sept 11th: No Mass

Thursday, Sept 12th: No Mass

Friday, Sept 13th: No Mass

Saturday, Sept 14th:

5:00 p.m. - Laurine Heet

Sunday, Sept 15th:

7:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

8:30 a.m. - Herb & Chris Verslues

10:00 a.m. - Walter Schaefer

If you know of someone who no longer needs envelopes, please contact the parish office. This is a parish expense.

For those of you who have your offertory collection done electronically and do not receive monthly envelopes, the special envelopes for Sept are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, Capital Improvements/Repairs and St. Ann's Quilting Group.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Chris Cortvriant is celebrating her **80th Birthday!** The family invites you to join them in a Birthday Open House at the farm on Sunday, **September 15th** from 2-4 p.m. Your presence is her gift.

mark your Calendar

Sept 8 SWAG youth BBQ-5 p.m.-SFX Cafeteria

Sept 9 Ladies Aux. meeting 6:30, K of C Hall

Sept 10 Quilting 8 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Sept 11 Over 50 Luncheon (K of C Hall)

Sept 11 Home & School Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. (Xavier Hall)

Sept 12 Quilting after 8 a.m. Mass

Sept 15 Catechetical Sunday at 10 a.m. Mass

Sept 15 Confirmation Kickoff

Sept 16 SFX Book Club, 5:30 p.m. Reker Hall

Sept 17 Quilting 8 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Sept 18 Birthday Celebration at School

Sept 18 PSR Opening Mass 7 p.m.

Sept 19 Quilting after 8am Mass, **School Board Mtg 5:30**

Sept 19 Mary & Elizabeth Mom's Group (Bunko) 6:30 p.m.

Sept 20 SFX Grandparents Day Mass at 1 p.m.

Sept. 28-29 Special Collection for El Puente Hispanic Ministry. **El Puente** - has been serving the Spanish speaking in mid-MO since 1999. Please help this ministry of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word & the Diocese assist Hispanics in need in our community. For more info. call 635-2540.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Goal for Sept \$ 90,686.00 (5 Sundays)

Aug 31 & Sept 1 \$ 13,875.00

ACH \$ N/A

Total to date for month \$ 13,875.00

Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD

Goal thru Aug \$ 145,098.00

Actual thru Aug \$ 72,518.00

\$ - 6,303.50



Baptized in Christ: Brogan Henry Forck was baptized in our church on **Sunday, September 1st.**

Liturgical Ministries

Sept 14 & 15	5:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers	Paul Holterman Karen Holterman Sharon Forck Dorothy Wittkop Georgene Bernskoetter Sue Sandbothe	Mary Jane Forck Charles Callaway Elaine Callaway Glenda Vanderfeltz	Leona Duren Brian Werdehausen Cindy Werdehausen MB	Harold Maasen Julie Grimshaw Evelyn Borgmeyer Jean Pinnell Rick Wallis Martha Wallis
Lector	Dorothy Wittkop	Dan Sanning	Tina Davis	Michael Winkler
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Servers	Molly Verslues Natalie Verslues	Morgan Schaefer Brandon Schaefer	Abby Heckman Sophie Thessen	Ben Miller Kendal Herzing
Musicians	Kathy	Jackie	Hood Family/Xpressions	Katnik

Parish now offers **Low-Gluten Hosts**. Come to the sacristy to make your request 15 minutes before Mass.

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive communion or a visit, call the office at 395-4401.

Parish Prayer Line—Alma Sandbothe 573-395-4666 or Shirley Toeppen 573-619-0674.

For emergencies, weekends or after-hours, Fr. Penn 395-4401

From the Pastor's Desk

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Of all the possessions you have, which is the most important? Did the Cross of Christ come to mind? If it did not, then you cannot be a disciple of Jesus, for the Lord calls us, and in this Call, we are to renounce all we have, take up His cross and follow in the footsteps of Jesus. This is the only Way to discipleship. We cannot be bogged down by the possessions of the world and be a disciple of Jesus for worldly ways and matters will distract us from the Lord and the way He points out. Rather Jesus calls us to take up our cross and follow Him. That is all we need to enter into glory. May we share Christ's Cross in order to share His glory.

Welcome to Father Jason T. Doke, S.T.L., Moderator of the Diocesan Curia, who is celebrating this weekend's Masses while I am away. I am grateful to Father Doke for his willingness to celebrate the Masses for all of you. I know you will extend a warm welcome to him.

Next **Sunday, September 15th**, is **Catechetical Sunday**. Catechesis is from the Greek language meaning to echo or resound. This is exactly what a catechist does: teaching in the name of the Church in order that those they teach and they themselves might come to know, love and serve the Lord. Parents are the primary teachers—catechists—of their children. The catechist is one called forth to serve and minister in this role of catechesis and so, in the name of the parish, will be called forth at the 10:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday to receive their commissioning and a blessing for this mission, this ministry. May the Lord reward the catechists of this parish who untiringly teach by both word and example.



Shelle Sandbothe
Director of Religious Education
573-395-4401 ext.1003



Confirmation kickoff meeting and pizza for candidates and parents will be **Sunday, Sept. 15th** in the school cafeteria at 6 p.m.

PSR registration forms are due today.

Kick off Mass is Sept. 18 at 7 p.m.

SFX Book Club: September 16 at 5:30 in Reker Hall
"Everybody Needs To Forgive Somebody"

11 stories of real people who discovered the Underrated power of grace. **There is no charge for this book!**
Call the parish office if you are interested in joining us.

Mary & Elizabeth MOM's Group

A group for **ALL SFX mothers**, young and old, to support and recognize motherhood in the parish, and to develop relationships drawing strength from our Mother Mary.

Kick-off event is a night of **BUNCO** on

Thursday, Sept. 19th 6:30-8:30

No experience is needed on how to play Bunco.

Detailed information coming soon.

Ladies— Save the date—October 20th, 2019

Women's One day retreat hosted by **LeAnn Korsmeyer**
More information to follow in the coming weeks.

Sign up now for the upcoming

Men's CRHP weekend on
October 4-5, 2019

We only take 16 and it's first come first served.

For questions, contact Rick Wallis at 395-3344. Join others in our parish who have been a part of CRHP.

St. Francis Xavier



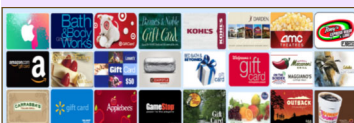
Nov. 9 - Nov. 14



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH or would you like to learn more about the possibility? Inquiry Sessions begin the process for those who want to join the Catholic Church. An Inquiry Session will be held on **Wednesday, October 16th at 7 p.m. in the Parish Office.**

Come to the front door, 7319 Route M, across the street from the church and rectory.

Please feel free to call Fr. Michael Penn at the Parish Office if you have any questions 573-395-4401.



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your cross.



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Sunday Oct. 13th 2:30pm
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- Multilingual Mass
- Potluck Dinner
- Multicultural Entertainment



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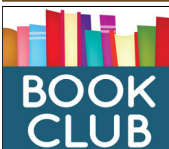
St. Anthony Parish Picnic (Folk, MO): Serving roast beef & whole hog sausage dinners. **Sunday, Sept. 8** from 11 to 6:30 p.m. Adults (\$12), Children 6-10 (\$5) and 5 & under (Free). Quilt auction at 5 p.m. and there will be a pie and dessert auction too. Raffle at 7 p.m. Shooting Match, shotgun at 12:00 p.m. sausage-bacon. Country Store, Arts & Crafts, Games, Kettle Corn, and Bounce House. Classic Car Cruise-in: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

St. Andrew K of C Fried Chicken Dinner & Pie Auction Fundraiser: Saturday, Sept. 14 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Andrew, Holts Summit. Please pre-order your tickets (\$12) by Sept. 6th. Call Kris at 573-691-0600 or Laurie 573-353-8466. Proceeds to benefit Acts 29 NCYC trip.

Our Lady, Help of Christians Parish Fall Festival Franken-stein (MO): Serving whole baked turkey and country sausage dinner. **Sunday, Sept. 22** from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Adults (\$12), Children 5-12 (\$5) and 5 & under (Free). Dessert Auction at 3 p.m. Music on the grounds, bingo, sandwich stand, soda stand, beer stand, sausage sales, country store, craft store, raffle and games.

Fall Festival Bonnots Mill (MO): German pot roast & bone-in ham. Served buffet style - Carry out dinners available (\$12). **Sunday, Sept, 15** from 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Adults (\$12), Children 6-12 (\$8), and 5 & under (free). Country store, live music, kids area, and raffle & pie auction at 4 p.m.

Visitation Parish Fall Festival (Vienna, MO): Whole-hog sausage & fried chicken. **Sunday, September 29** from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Adults (\$12), Children 6-12 (\$5), and 5 & under (free). Kiddie tractor pull at 3 p.m., bingo, games, country store, beer garden, kettle corn, raffle & silent auction. Needing craft vendors, if interested call Leann to reserve a spot 573-619-3381.



The Diocese of Jefferson City **Women's Ministry Office:**

invites you to gather your gal pals and join our newly formed **diocesan-wide book club**. Our first book is entitled, "girl, arise" and is written by Claire Swinarski. This book promises to be "smart, witty, and fearless" with an invitation to "live boldly, love your faith and change the world." Discussion questions will be available Oct. 1 at <https://diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry/> or on our Facebook page, **Jefferson City Diocesan Women's Ministry**. The book may be purchased through many outlets including Amazon, Barnes & Noble or Ava Maria Press. For more information, contact LeAnn Korsmeyer, Coordinator of Women's Ministry, at 573-635-9127 or lkorsmeyer@diojeffcity.org.



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You Are Invited!

This year marks the 20th anniversary of El Puente – Hispanic Ministry and the 150th anniversary of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word who sponsor the ministry. You are invited to a bilingual celebration of the Eucharist with Bishop Shawn McKnight on **Sunday, September 29**, at 1:00 p.m., St. Peter Church in Jefferson City. A reception will follow in Selinger Centre. All friends of El Puente and of the Sisters are invited to attend. Please RSVP at 573-635-2540. We hope you will join us!



2019 ANNUAL ASSEMBLY | SATURDAY, OCT. 5 | MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL



The Catholic Bishops of MO invite you to attend the **Annual Assembly of the MO Catholic Conference** on **Saturday, Oct. 5th**, in Jefferson City. Come learn about the public policy from the experts who are involved in advocacy on a daily basis. The theme of this year's gathering is "**Raising the Next Generation of Catholic Advocates.**" The event is free and includes lunch and childcare for children above four years of age. A youth track is available for students in middle school and up and includes a mock legislature where students can debate bills on the floor of the Missouri Senate. To register for the event, go to MOCatholic.org or call 1-800-456-1679.

Fall Cursillo Weekends Set For Men And Women:

Are you longing for more in your Catholic faith life? Are you looking for sound inspirations to carry you through on your Christian journey? CURSILLO may be for you. It's a 3 Day Weekend of Catholic learning & faith-sharing. There are most likely people in your own parish who have made a Cursillo & can help you understand how Cursillo will help you find connections within yourself, with Jesus and putting your faith into action with others. Contact Marcia Doll at 573-999-5066 to help you find a local Cursillista to help you decide if a Cursillo will be a blessing for you! **Men's Cursillo** weekend is **Oct. 24-27**; **women's Cursillo** is **Nov. 7-10**; both will be held at St. Pius X in Moberly. For more information see the Cursillo link at the Diocese website at <https://diojeffcity.org/cursillo/>

upcomingEVENTS

Rummage Sale: 6917 Rt. M (Taos). **Fri. Sept. 13** (7am-6pm) & **Sat. Sept. 14** (7am-12pm). Retired Daycare, toys, puzzles, play pens, bounce chairs, baby supplies, books and dress up clothes. Kids clothes 0-10 years, adult clothes, glassware, and much, much, more.

35TH OSAGE DUCKS UNLIMITED BANQUET: The 35th Osage Ducks Unlimited Banquet, will be held on **Sat. Sept. 14** at the Loose Creek Community Center. Prime Rib dinner, Doors open at 5 p.m. - dinner at 6:30 p.m. \$60/couple, \$45/single tickets available from Jeff Mertens 573-680-2205 or Dale Williams 573-690-9676 or at www.ducks.org/events.



Blair Oaks Softball Reunion (1974-present): Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019, Falcon Athletic Complex **Noon:** BHS vs. Troy (varsity only) Alumni introductions & alumni slow pitch game following varsity game Free admission & free meal for alumni and family RSVP to Sharon Buschjost (573) 690-4545.

Inspire: one day **Women's Conference** designed to nourish, beautify, & feed our souls. Fill your cup at INSPIRE, a day of motivational speakers, entertainment, & local marketplace. All proceeds benefit HALO Jefferson City. **Saturday, Sept. 14 at Miller Performing Arts Center** from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Tickets available at www.halojeffcity.org. General admission (\$50) & VIP (\$100).

K of C Auxiliary Blood Drive: Sunday, Sept. 15. The SFX K of C Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. in Xavier Hall (school cafeteria). Every donation matters: Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood. It could be your next door neighbor, your best friend or a family member. Almost everyone will know someone who needs blood. Imagine if their blood type was

missing from hospital shelves. Red Cross will have a machine available to make a double Red cell donation. Information will be available at the registration table for this type of donation. Parental consent forms will also be available for anyone 16 years of age. Please support this worthy cause and please bring an ID. Any questions call Cecilia, 230-9481.

Tim Francis Eucharistic Miracles MOVIE SHOWING & follow up sessions: All are invited to be a part of a 7 week follow up group at **St. Joseph, Westphalia**. The movie is everything he talked about at his presentations. Discussion & review sessions will continue for 7 Mondays after the movie screening. **Movie & Potluck Dinner:** a Free Movie, showing Part 1 & Part 2 of **"Movie Signs from God"** with a Pot Luck Dinner on **Sun., Sept. 15 at 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.** in the School cafeteria. Bring a dish to share and pen/paper. During the 90 minute sessions we will discuss the book **"Reason to Believe"** & listening to one of five hand chosen Lighthouse Catholic Media CD's. **The purpose of the follow up is to:** A. Learn more about the **"Message" behind the "Miracles"** and grow closer to Our Lord, Our Lady and Our Church. B. Giving the group tools/resources to reach other Catholics and Non-Catholics. C. Getting the kids back in church. Especially the fallen away kids and grand-kids of your parish. **Group Follow UP:** sessions will begin on the following 7 consecutive Mondays from 6:30-8:00p.m. starting **Sept. 23-Nov. 4**. Location to be announced. ***Please sign up at St. Joseph or St. Anthony's Church** by filling out a sign up sheet or fill out the online **RSVP** at Stjosephwestphalia.org/special_events or by calling 573-694-6319.

Voices from the Past: Cemetery tour will be on **Sept. 29** in the **cemetery next to Immaculate Conception School, Loose Creek**. Tour begins at 11 a.m. in the school cafeteria with refreshments. **Admission:** \$10 (in advance), \$12 (at door). For tickets call Joan Backes 573-897-4286 or 573-680-1897.

Honor Our Heroes Game: Mid America Bank, the **Blair Oaks Falcons**, and the **Helias Crusaders** invite you to join them in honoring all veterans & active military members on **Tuesday, Sept. 17** during the **Honor Our Heroes Softball Game**. All Veterans & Active Military members will receive FREE admission & meal voucher during the game as the Blair Oaks Falcons take on the Helias Crusaders at 5 PM at Blair Oaks Sports Complex. For more information, call 573-635-0019.

Helias is partnering with **Jefferson City High School, Capital City High School** and area surrounding high schools for a **Capital Area Regional College Fair** on **Tuesday, September 24th** from 7-8:30 pm at The LINC in Jefferson City at 1299 Lafayette Street. Students and parents are invited to attend both the **College Fair** and breakout sessions. The breakout sessions include a College Planning Workshop presented by the University of Missouri from 5:30-6:30 pm and a Financial Aid Workshop presented by Westminster from 6:30-7:30 pm.



St. Joseph Gym (Westphalia) Sept. 25 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for an International Catholic speaker, radio host, best-selling author, **Jon Leonetti!** Jon be will gracing our community with a one night mission talk that conveys a message of lasting fulfillment in Jesus Christ. **This free event is appropriate for 6th grade to adults.** "Your God is too boring & God's Dream for your life." A free-will offering will be made available for continued support of future spiritual events. Questions, call Sarah Huhn 573-291-3556 or Brenda Rehagen 573-694-6319.

"Love is not meant to perish."



Quilters Needed! If anyone is interested in quilting or learning how to quilt we need you! If the schedules times don't work we can make adjustments. If you would like to help out we would love to have you! What better way to meet others in the parish and help raise money at our picnic. Please contact Georgene Bernskoetter at 573-619-4610 or Donna Wolfe at 573-418-4515.

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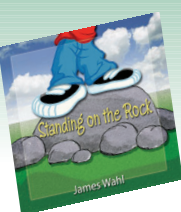
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