The seed sown on
rich soil

is the one who hears the word of the kingdom and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.

~ Matthew 13:23
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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Religious Education Director - Shelle Sandbothe Email: reled@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1003)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.
or anytime by appointment.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Jason Hoffmeyer, President 395-4305; Mark Wankum, Vice President 573-808-5070; Sara Kerperin, Secretary 230-1112; Janet Klebba, Social Concerns 680-9925; Jody Bennett 353-4410; Bill Buschman 659-1583; Dale Heckman 645-1905; Jeff Pleus 395-4428; Tim Riley 291-3991; DeWayne Sprenger 690-3683; Sarah Twelshus 528-7208; Julie Wilbers 291-6893; Josh Sandbothe, Property Manager 395-0171

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: jtoobar@sfxtaos.com
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† 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 7:00 p.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 the unity of our country: that the God of truth may open our hearts to the truth of the Gospel, that peace may rule our hearts, and that justice may guide our nation of one people of many races.”

Monday, July 13th: No Mass
Tuesday, July 14th: 7:00 p.m. - No Mass
Wednesday, July 15th:
8:00 a.m. - No Mass
Thursday, July 16th:
8:00 a.m. - No Mass
Friday, July 17th:
8:00 a.m. - No Mass
Saturday July 18th:
5:00 p.m. - Diane Prenger
Sunday, July 19th:
7:00 a.m. - People of the Parish
8:30 a.m. - L&D of Henry & Anna Grellner Family
10:00 a.m. - L&D of Alfred Wittkop Family (1st Communion Mass, not open to public).

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 July are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, Capital Improvements/Repairs, Diocesan Mission, and Catholic Missourian ($14.00).

Perpetual Adoration Chapel open hours (Wardsville):
Although the chapel isn't open yet (except Adoration in church M-F, 8–6–and optional for the other times outside those hours) here are the hours that will be available when it does open.

- Saturday morning 4:00-5:00 a.m.
- Saturday morning 10:00-11:00 a.m.
- Sunday morning 1:00-2:00 a.m.
- Sunday morning 2:00-3:00 a.m.

(2nd Sunday only)

- Monday morning 1:00-2:00 a.m.
- Monday morning 3:00-4:00 a.m.

Please call Donna if you would like to sign up for any of these hours. 680-1470 or 635-2095. Thank you!

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**Calendar**

- July 15, 16 & 17 Parish Office will close at noon.
- July 18 & 19 Collection for the Diocesan Mission
- July 19 1st Communion Mass at 10 a.m. (not open to public)

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

- Goal for June $ 72,549.00 (4 Sundays)
- June 6 & 7 $ 12,394.00
- June 13 & 14 $ 14,957.00
- June 20 & 21 $ 12,806.00
- June 27 & 28 $ 6,631.00
- ACH $ 23,073.00
- Total to date for month $ 69,861.00

**Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD**

- Goal thru June $ 943,136.00
- Actual thru June $ 892,514.74
- End of the Year $ -50,621.26

**DONATE HERE!**

Button is now on the St. Francis Xavier Website

www.sfxtaosmo.org. This button will allow you to make a donation to our church by using a credit or debit card. This is for your convenience so you don’t have to leave your home. Any questions contact the office.

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**Limited Tickets Left! Purchase Yours Now!**

Will be held Sept. 15, 7-9:30 p.m. in the Cathedral. Tickets are limited due to social distancing. Purchase tickets at http://corproject.com/jeffersoncity/; contact Julie Gramlich at julie.g@cathedraljc.org or 573-635-7991 for more information.

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**Eucharistic Ministers**

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**Lector**

- Sue Sandbothe
- Dan Sanning
- Tina Davis
- Mrs. Denny & Wittkop

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- Sharon Forck MB
- Shirley Toebben MB
- Eddy Davis MB
- Sharon Denny MB

**Musicians**

- Hood Family
- Jackie
- Kathy
- 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 Toebben 573-619-0674. For emergencies, weekends or after-hours, Fr. Penn 395-4401
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The grace that comes from God is to be transformative in the one that receives it. The one who is transformed produces fruit for the Kingdom of God in the good works they perform. When one is not changed by the gift of grace God bestows upon them, the potential of the person is thwarted due to the prideful and selfish decision they have made. Grace from God is a gift freely given and this gift is expected to be used for God’s glory and the promotion of His Kingdom. May we produce an abundant harvest for God and His Kingdom by our words and actions.

I will be away from the parish following the 10:00 a.m. Mass today until Friday evening. Laurie will be out of the office from Wednesday of this week until Tuesday, July 21st. Cecilia will be in the office until noon on July 15, 16 & 17th.

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

Prayer for Communion of Desire
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, renew my heart now with the power of Your Spirit. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to you. Unite me more closely to Your Body, the Church. And never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

New 2021 Church Phone Directories: I have begun working on our next church members phone directory. If you have any household information that needs to be updated for the book, please call or email the parish office. This would include; names, phone numbers (home or cell), address, and persons living in the household. Also if you know someone in our old directory that is no longer in our parish, please let me know. Need all information by end of July. Thank you! Laurie

Updates on Youth Summer Activities: Camp Siena: Young women of high school age are invited to participate in a one -day retreat in the spirit of Camp Siena: Saturday, July 18 at the National Shrine of Mary located at St. Patrick Church in Laurie (MO). The day will include activities, talks, prayer, food, sacrament...and likely ice cream and dance parties! Who knows! Details and registration coming soon! Please contact Kris Hartman, diocesan events coordinator, for details.

Camp Maccabee: Week One of Maccabee has been consolidated into Week Two on July 26-31. Campers have been notified and space is still available. To learn more or to download camper registrations visit www.campmaccabee.com.

CHRISTpower: The CHRISTpower retreat has been cancelled and transformed into a week-long #CHRISTpower challenge! CHRISTpower alumni and people from across the diocese will be invited to perform spiritual and corporal works of mercy in their homes and local communities and share their work through the social media campaign. Stay tuned for all the details!

Totus Tuus: The 2020 Missionary Team has created a host of fun, entertaining, catechetical videos inspired by the 2020 TT curriculum, which will soon be made available. They’ve also developed teen talk videos and an Instagram page for teens to follow their spiritual adventures as summer unfolds! More info on this will be made available very soon.

If your parish would like to host a team this summer we have spaces available in July. Please contact John DeLaporte directly to learn how to bring our missionaries to your parish this summer!

COVID-19 Spiritual Adoption: If you or your prayer group would like to spiritually adopt an individual or family within our diocese that has been affected by the coronavirus, please contact Erin Boeckmann at eboeckmann@diojeffcity.org. Only first names of those affected by the virus will be shared.

COVID-19: A PRAYER OF SOLIDARITY: Especially, Lord, we lift up _________. May s/he feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses. Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation as they receive treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them.

Job Opportunities: Annunciation Parish in California is seeking a director of religious education and youth ministry. For more information, visit https://diojeffcity.org/california-dre-youth-job-opening.

PREVENTING SCAMS! Diocese of Jefferson City warns the public of what appears to be an ongoing phishing scam involving emails and texts purportedly from priests or parish/Chancery staff. This scam has hit many parishes across the USA. The email or text purports to be from a person the target knows, such as one’s pastor, a parish staff member, the bishop or someone else from the Church. If the target responds to the fake email or text, the sender will follow up with a request for some sort of monetary assistance, often for gift cards or iTune cards. It is truly unfortunate cyber criminals will attempt to exploit the generous nature of our community. Sending emails or texts asking for cash or gifts cards is not how priests, parishes or the Diocese of Jefferson City seeks financial assistance for our work. If you receive an email or text from a trusted church personnel asking for assistance, confirm by calling that person and do NOT respond to the email or text. The FBI website address to file an online Internet crime complaint is https://www.ic3.gov.
1 Faith 1 Family 1 SFX

SFX PreK and Kindergarten... registration is still open. If you or someone you know is interested in enrolling, please email Mr. Tobar or call the school office @ 395-4612.

Fish Fry In July!
A St. Martin’s Fun, Faith & Fellowship Event
Sunday, July 12th  Serving 12-5 p.m.
Fried Fish, Cornbread, Fried Potato Chips, & Cole Slaw
Drive-Thru Only  Live Music
$11 per meal & $10 Senior Discount (65 & over)

Announcing two pilgrimages to Rome, Florence, Assisi, and Orvieto (Italy) in the summer of 2021. To accommodate Latin students at Helias Catholic, two 12-day trips to Rome have been scheduled for the summer of 2021. Latin students who wish to travel have already registered, and seats are still available for this magnificent tour. So, if you want to see Rome with friends, how about 2021? Travel dates: May 25 through June 5, OR July 3 through July 15 Cost: $4,000 per person, which includes all transportation from the front door of Helias and back; three meals per day; and all lodging accommodations. Bring money for gelato and souvenirs. However, you will need to purchase your own Travel Insurance. Contact: Mark Rehagen at mrehagen@heliascatholic.com or 573-680-2520 (phone or text) for more information or to register.

Fundraiser for Our Local Catholic Radio Station 88.1 FM, KHJR: Due to the concerns resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the “7th Annual Catholic Radio Mass and Barbeque Fundraiser” will take on a slightly different look this year.

Instead of the full Saturday evening Mass, social, dinner, and presentation, we will have a drive through Barbecue Pork Steak dinner only, at Helias Catholic High School, on Saturday, July 18, from 4:30 p.m. through 6:00 p.m.

Donations for the meal will be accepted for the benefit of Covenant Network, the organization that has provided our local radio station since 2011.

In order to know the quantity of meals to prepare, please RSVP to Mark Rehagen, by phone or text at 573-680-2520, or by email at mrehagen@heliascatholic.com. Your RSVP needs to be received by Wednesday, July 15.

Dinner pick up will take place outside the Helias Commons, in the parking lot off of Myrtle St. Signage will direct you to the exact location.

You may contact Mark Rehagen if you have any questions about this event.

May God bless you for your support of Catholic Radio in the Jefferson City area.

Pete Donovan, St. Joseph Cathedral  Mark Rehagen, St. Peter Church  Jim Schmitz, Immaculate Conception Church
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Western Catholic Union Annual District BBQ:** will be held on Friday evening, July 17 at St. Thomas Parish Center, St. Thomas beginning with a catered meal at 6 p.m. and bingo immediately following for members and their families. Reservations MUST BE MADE by Wednesday, July 15 to Lillian Lackman at 573-477-3472 or 573-645-2243. Janice Boessen 573-455-2651 or Barbara Poetker at 573-291-1415.

**The Vitae Foundation’s Annual Columbia Pro-Life Event:** will be on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at the Holiday Inn Expo Center in Columbia. The featured speaker is Jason Chaffetz, former congressman from Utah who was an ardent supporter for life! He rose to Chairman of the powerful House Oversight & Government Reform Committee. Chaffetz is currently a Contributor on Fox News Networks and a Fellow at Harvard’s Kennedy School, Institute of Politics. Dinner and program begin at 7 p.m. Registration is $100. Social distancing guidelines to be followed for safety of all. Virtual option is $25. For more details and to reserve your seat, visit our website at [www.VitaeFoundation.org/events](http://www.VitaeFoundation.org/events) or call 573-634-4316.

**Central Missouri Hospice:** is offering a free children’s grief camp called **Camp Courage** which is to be held on Saturday August 15, 2020 at Binder Park Pavilion, 5840 Rainbow Drive, Jefferson City, MO. It starts at 9 am through 4 pm. If you know a child or children who would benefit from attending Camp, please contact Amy Schnoebelen at 573-681-3750 or email at amy.schnoebelen@llcgroup.com to get more info.

**Loose Creek 175th Commemorative Books:** (including the family histories) are in and will be sold for $55. Also, for sale are Vol. I, II, and III of the Growing of Loose Creek. Complete set is $200. Books make wonderful presents! Contact Janice Muenks at 573-619-8149.

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**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**Week 1: July 4**
Elaine Callaway 690-8966

Julie Wilbers, Jennifer Wilbers, Cassandra Wilbers, Vicki Wilbers, Tanya Wilbers

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**Week 2: July 11**
Debbie Borgmeyer 680-9748 & Elaine Ready 619-6803

Denise Wilbers, Shirley Wilbers, Adrienne Wilde, Jeanette Wilde, Lori Wilson

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**Week 3: July 18**
Jean Pinnell 694-2111

Becky Winkler, Shirley Woehr, Donna Wolfè, Delphine Wolkен, Leah Wright

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**Week: 4 July 25**
Sue Sandbothe 230-3154

Kim Wright, Megan Yeager, Karen Yeager, Megan Ahlers, Stephanie Allen

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**CHURCH CLEANING POLICY:** If you are unable to work on your assigned date, let your coordinator know and turn in your $15 to the parish office. **Coordinators listed below.** Students who are seeking service hours are welcome to help clean. Please contact the weekly coordinator to verify when you will be there (1-2 hours Saturday morning, or occasionally a Friday evening).

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In Isaiah 55:10–11 we learn that there is an order to things. Number the sentences in each row from 1 to 3 to show the correct sequence of events. Underline the sentence that tells where we have an important part to play.

1. A tiny baby girl is born.
2. Plants grow in the soil and provide us with food.
3. She becomes a woman.
4. They water the Earth so it is fertile and ready for seeds.
5. The rain and snow come down from heaven.
6. She grows to be bigger and bigger.
7. The word of God comes from God’s mouth.
8. We hear it and do what is right.
9. God’s will is done.
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