When the two disciples returned from Emmaus, they recounted what had taken place on the way.

Luke 24:35
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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Secretary - Laurie Herzing Email: lherzing@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1001)
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: Mark Wankum, President 573-808-5070; DeWayne Sprenger, Vice President 690-3683; Sara Kerperin, Secretary 230-1112; Janet Klebba, Social Concerns 680-9925; Bill Buschman 659-1583; Jana Forck 690-5668; Kevin Prenger 645-0095; Tim Riley 291-3991; Sarah Twehus 528-7208; Bill Vanderfeltz 690-4699; Rick Wallis 395-3344; Julie Wilbers 291-6893; Josh Sandbothe, Property Manager 690-2861

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.
Liturgical Ministries

**April 24 & 25**

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**8:00 a.m.**

- John Decker
- Derek Brown
- Charlene Veltrop
- Rhonda Rackers
- Wayne Verslues
- Dennis Sandbothe
- Dan Sanning
- Mike Lange
- Karl Lootens
- Jackie

**10:00 a.m.**

- John Decker
- Derek Brown
- Patty Verslues
- Linda Distler
- Rick Wallis
- Josh Sandbothe
- Roger Shikles
- DeWayne Sprenger
- Jim Thess
- Jackie

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

**Song Leaders:** Anyone interested in being a Music Minister for the weekend Masses, leading the singing, possibly playing an instrument, please contact Barbara Hood at 573-301-5202. Thank you to Missy and Elly Hood for all the years they have shared their talent, leading us in song.

**Prayer service:** St. Stanislaus church for the healing of our nation will be held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m.

**Quilters:** Quilting on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. at Josh Sandbothes house. Call Georgene 573-619-4610 if you have any questions.

The Catholic Home Mission Appeal primarily supports home mission dioceses, that is, those dioceses in the United States unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. About 40 percent of U.S. dioceses are missionary territory, including the Diocese of Jefferson City. Last year, our diocese received $70,000 in a grant from the appeal to help support our Hispanic ministry office. The remaining funds were sent on to the national office to help support other rural dioceses. Bishops letter will be located on the SFX church web-site for this appeal.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

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Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2021

- Goal thru Mar: $ 707,352.00
- Actual thru Mar: $ 655,053.42
- End of the Year: $ -52,298.58

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

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

- 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.**

**Baptized in Christ:** Kayleigh Mae Allen was baptized in our church on Sunday, Apr. 11, 2021.
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

2021 Confirmation for St. Francis Xavier will be on April 20th at St. Joseph Cathedral at 6:30 p.m.

Pregnancy Help Center Bubbles & Bounces 5K Walk/Run

Saturday, May 1 at Memorial Park 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration deadline is April 14 for FREE t-shirt: $30 (16 & above), Children 9 & under: FREE, Children 10 - 15: $15, and On-site registration: $35. Family Discount: 2 Adults and all children in the family $70. Ask about special pricing for corporate teams. Register at www.friendsofphc.org or 573-644-6635.

"Come Join Our Community. Liberty Senior Citizens Home is located in beautiful Taos, Missouri. Our apartments are available for elderly and disabled individuals. The apartments are all one level. Electric, water and trash are all included in the monthly rent. For information and an application please call 573-395-4254. "

Ghosts have no flesh and bone. Ghosts do not eat food. Terrified by the sight of the Risen Lord, whom they thought was a ghost, Jesus invited them to touch Him, and after asking if they had something to eat, ate in front of them. The Risen Lord had risen in His body. He was not a ghost, haunting the disciples and their quarters. No, He was the Risen Lord, the fulfillment of the scriptures, bring peace, comfort and solace to His followers in distress. The Easter message of Jesus is to bring us peace, comfort and solace in this troubling and chaotic world. Jesus invites us to embrace Him and eat with Him as a sign of His desire to be with us always. May the peace of Easter be ours this day and always!

I wish to take this opportunity to express my gratitude and appreciation to Mrs. Shelle Sandbothe as she steps away from the Director of Religious Education for our parish this May 1st. Mrs. Sandbothe has fulfilled her duties and responsibilities in both a professional manner and as a spiritual leader. Our parish is grateful for her service and leadership. May God fill her with many graces and blessings.

Anyone interested in applying for the position of Director of Religious Education for this parish is asked to contact the Parish Office to pick up an available job description.

Shelle Sandbothe, Director of Religious Education
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April 21, 2021

$25.00
Purchase tickets at cathedral.diojeffcity.org

CHASTITY PROJECT
SFX Home & School 2021 GLOW Walk/Run
Saturday April 24, 2021
Taos Country Side Park
Registration forms available in the back of church
Questions - Contact
Cindy Werdehausen @ 573-821-1996

Thank you to all the People of the Parish who have helped support a fifth meal for the Salvation Army’s Feed the Hungry Program. If you are interested and/or willing to help out or if you just have questions, please contact Mary Eiken at 573-338-0510.

ADVENTURE, FAITH, SERVICE, AND FRIENDSHIP!

Summer registration for men’s, women’s and co-ed teen programs are now open!

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The Gospel today tells about one of the times Jesus appeared to the disciples after the Resurrection. Sharpen your pencil and draw the pictures into the sentences so you can tell the story, too!

When the disciples saw Jesus they thought He was a .
Jesus showed them his and feet.
Jesus wanted them to touch him so they could see he was made of flesh and .
Then the disciples were very happy and gave Jesus a to eat!

SFX 2019 Year End Contributions
St. Francis Xavier thanks you for your financial generosity this past year. All 2020 contributions must be at the parish office by Dec. 31st. Any contributions received after that date will be counted as 2021 contributions. If you would like a record of your financial support, please call the parish office after Jan. 19, 2021. We will notify you when the report is available to be picked up.

Third Sunday of Easter
We search for lots of answers in our lives, especially to questions like “Who loves me even when I do wrong?” “Who forgives me?” “Who brings my concerns to God?”

Use the letters in the question mark to fill in the blanks so they will spell out something you should always remember.

1 Faith 1 Family 1 SFX

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(See 1 John 2:1-2)
Guardian Angels Parish Spring Dinner: Spring Chicken Dinner in Brinktown, MO. April 11th from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Drive-Thru & Carry Out Only. $11 per plate. Serving fresh fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, corn, cole slaw, applesauce and dessert.


Our Lady of Snow Dance: Music by Shiloh. Saturday, April 24 from 7 - 11 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. $15 per person and $30 per family up to 18. Open to all ages. 50/50 Raffle. Temp checks and mask required to enter building. Mask when social distancing can’t be maintained. Per OLOS policy.

The Vitae Foundation’s 29th Annual Jefferson City Pro-Life Event will be on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel and Conference Center. The featured speaker is Jason Chaffetz, former Congressman and current Fox News Contributor. Luncheon & Program Noon–1:30p.m. Registration is $50 ($20 tax deductible). Dinner & Program 6:30 PM. Registration is $100 ($70 tax deductible). For reservations, visit our website at [www.VitaeFoundation.org/events](http://www.VitaeFoundation.org/events) or call 573-634-4316.

**WALK WITH EASE**

6 Week Virtual Program April 12 - May 21

Register online by April 8, 2021 at [https://lincolnquakertown.com/myform/sV_SGniAgg/2THl6g](https://lincolnquakertown.com/myform/sV_SGniAgg/2THl6g)

Or call Sarah Eber at 573-681-5392

Plan to attend orientation on April 10 from 10 -11:00 a.m. Zoom and telephone links will be emailed on Friday, April 9, 2021

**Participants receive:**

- walking guidebook (no cost, $11.95 value)
- certified instructors
- walking activity log
- online resources
- education
- exercise

**Participants will:**

- Walk at their own pace, 3 times per week for 6 weeks
- Meet virtually once a week and in person periodically to share successes and challenges, encourage one another, and get questions answered
  - Mondays 11am - 12 noon
  - Tuesdays 12 - 1 pm
  - Thursdays 6:30 - 6:30 pm

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**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).

**Week 1: Apr 3**

Elaine Callaway 690-8966

**Week 2: Apr 10**

Debbie Borgmeyer 680-9748 & Elaine Ready 619-6803

April Holtmeyer, Heather Holtschneider Patti Holzem, Marsha Holzer

**Week 3: Apr 17**

Jean Pinnell 694-2111

Barbara Hood, Melissa Hood, Samantha Hooper, Lisa Hueste, Kim Irvin

Darla Irvin, Kara Jaegers, Sandy Joannes, Darlene Jobe, Janene Jones

**Week: 4 Apr 24**

Sue Sandbothe 230-3154

Amy Juergensmeyer, Linda Kaiser, Heather Kaiser, Dana Kaiser, Hannah Kaiser
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