Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

John 20:19
St. Francis Xavier Parish

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WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 8:00 & 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 - 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 Twesus 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.
Mass Intentions
“Let us pray for a renewed understanding of our baptismal dignity as sons and daughters of God the Father, and a commitment to living in peace with our sisters and brothers in Christ.”

Monday, Apr 12th:
No Mass

Tuesday, Apr 13th:
7:00 p.m. - Leonard Kolb, Eno & Clara Wolters

Wednesday, Apr 14th: (SFX Students Only)
8:00 a.m. - Bob & Mary Grat

Thursday, Apr 15th: (SFX Students Only)
8:00 a.m. - Ruth Jane Schaefer

Friday, Apr 16th:
8:00 a.m. - L&D of Albert & Regina Verslues

Saturday, Apr 17th:
5:00 p.m. - Donald Prenger

Sunday, Apr 18th:
8:00 a.m. - Shirley Prenger
10:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

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 Apr are: Easter Offering, Infirm Priests Fund & Priest Retirement, Samaritan Center, Parish School, and Capital Improvements/Repairs, Catholic Home Missions.

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.

Anointing of the Sick: Due to hospitals’ strict protocols, it is important to seek the sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation prior to going to the hospital. Most hospitals only allow a priest to provide the sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick if the patient has been placed on comfort care (hospice) or is nearing death.

Liturgical Ministries

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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 & Thursdays at 9 a.m. at Josh Sanbothes house. Call Georgene 573-619-4610 if you have any questions.

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.


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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Goal for Mar $72,549.00 (4 Sundays)
Mar 6 & 7 $11,661.00
Mar 13 & 14 $9,460.30
Mar 20 & 21 $12,190.00
Mar 27 & 28 $12,721.00
ACH $23,933.00
$69,965.30

Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2021
Goal thru Feb $634,803.00
Actual thru Feb $585,088.12
End of the Year $-49,714.88

Community-Wide Garage Sale
Taos Community
April 15 & 16
Divine Mercy Devotion at SFX Sunday, April 11th at 3:00 p.m.

Mark your Calendar

Apr 11 Divine Mercy 3:00 p.m.
Apr 12 Sunday Confirmation Class Confessions 6-8 p.m.
Apr 15 School Board 5:30 p.m.
Apr 17 & 18 Capital Improvement Collection
Apr 20 NO 7 p.m. MASS
Apr 20 Confirmation at St. Joseph Cathedral
Apr 24 Glow Walk at Taos County Park
Apr 24 & 25 Catholic Home Mission Appeal Collection
May 1 & 2 Samaritan Center Collection
May 2 First Communion Mass at 10 a.m.
May 5 K of C meeting, 7:30 p.m., K of C Hall
May 6 Adoration
May 14 8th Grade Graduation 7 p.m.
May 15 & 16 Capital Improvement Collection
Fear and freedom: two dramatic themes of the evening of the first Easter. The disciples had locked themselves in a room, seeking security and safety from the Jews. They were filled with fear that Jesus’ end would become their end. But Jesus came and stood in the middle of that locked room. No walls, doors, of even the fear of the disciples could prevent the Risen One from revealing Himself. Jesus was bringing them peace; Jesus was bringing them freedom. Jesus was bringing them the gift that indeed their end would be as Jesus’ end: resurrection, freed from the ravages of sin and death.

On this Second Sunday of Easter, known also as Divine Mercy Sunday let us accept and be thankful for the Risen One’s gift of freedom to us and respond with great joy, “my Lord and my God.”

**Religious Education**
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

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

**THANK YOU!**
A Big THANK YOU to all of our Chili Supper Sponsors!
Thank you Sanning Custom Cabinets and Remodeling, Verslues Construction, Sandbothe Plumbing LLC, and Vaughn Commercial Cleaning. Your generosity and support of S.F.X. is greatly appreciated!
1 Faith 1 Family 1 SFX

GLOW
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

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. Please use the resources available from the USCCB and my letter to promote this appeal. Bishops letter will be located on the church web-site.

SFX 2019 Year End Contributions
St. Francis Xavier thanks you for your financial generosity this 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.

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.

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ADVENTURE, FAITH, SERVICE, AND FRIENDSHIP!
Summer registration for men’s, women’s and co-ed teen programs are now open!

CAMP MACCABEE
diojeffcity.org/camp-maccabee

Camp Siena
diojeffcity.org/camp-siena

CHRISTpwer
diojeffcity.org/christpower

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

“Life is messy, but nobody can take your hope from you. And if there is one thing that resistance hates, it is hope. So hold onto your hope no matter how messy life gets, and share it with everyone who crosses your path.”

MATTHEW KELLY, Resisting Happiness

Come celebrate this wonderful FEAST DAY!
A Free Concert at
St. George Catholic Church
Sun. Apr. 11, 2021 @ 5:00 pm
info: 573-897-2293
613 E Main St., Linn, MO 65051

Divine Mercy Sunday

Concerning the Feast of Mercy Jesus said: “Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.” (Daisy 331) “I want the image solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it.” (Daisy 341) There will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession available, sung Chapel, expounding on the feast by Donna, as well as great music. Please join us and bring a friend!

Donna Cori in concert

Her music is a conductor that God uses to touch my soul.” - C. Niesen. Get free music downloads, more info, hear samples and view videos at:
www.DonnaCori.com

Write your E-MAIL address on the back of this postcard and bring to the concert for the raffle.
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.

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 or call 573-634-4316.

6 Week Virtual Program April 12 - May 21

Register online by April 8, 2021 at https://lincoln.qualtrics.com/form/SV_9Gni4gg2THi5n6c

Or call Sarah Eber at 573-681-5392

Plan to attend orientation on April 10 from 10 -11:00 am. 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

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

April Holtmeyer, Heather Holtschneider Patti Holzem, Marsha Holzer

Week 2: Apr 10
Debbie Borgmeyer 680-9748 & Elaine Ready 619-6803

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

Week 3: Apr 17
Jean Pinnell 694-2111

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

WALK WITH EASE
JOIN THIS FREE 6-WEEK SESSION
5-6 PM ON TUESDAYS AT THE LINC
APRIL 13TH - MAY 18TH

Would you like help changing your food & health attitudes and behaviors?

Come to the Linc to learn how to incorporate healthy cooking skills and new food knowledge into your lifestyle. Classes are led by a Registered Dietitian using the Healthy for Life Program created by the American Heart Association & Aramark.

Due to COVID we are asking all participants to wear masks during the class. You can sign up at the Linc by visiting at 1290 Lafayette Street in Jefferson City, MO or by calling at 573-634-6482, or registering online at https://www.jcparksregistration.com/wbasc/webtrac.wsc/search.html. Registration remains open all 6 weeks, so feel free to join at any time!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

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