I love you, O Lord, my strength.

O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.

—Psalm 18:2–3
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: 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 Twehus 528-7208; 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@sftaos.com
Office: 573.395.4612  Fax: 573.395.4017
School website: www.sftaos.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 7:00 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

“All of us are called to work for the common good in our families, at our parishes, in our neighborhoods and workplaces, and in the voting booth.”

Monday, Oct 26th:
No Mass

Tuesday, Oct 27th:
7:00 p.m. - No Mass

Wednesday, Oct 28th: (School Mass Only)
8:00 a.m. - L&D of Andrew & Teresa Kloeppe, Linda Forck, and Scott Kempker Families

Thursday, Oct 29th:
8:00 a.m. - Liturgy of the Word with Deacon Mike

Friday, Oct 30th:
8:00 a.m. - No Mass

Saturday Oct 31st:
5:00 p.m. - L&D of George & Cornelia Bisges Family

Sunday, Nov 1st:
8:00 a.m. - L&D of Betty & Stanley Rackers Family
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 Oct are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, and Capital Improvements/Repairs.

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 in October sometime. Date to be announced. Please feel free to call Fr. Michael Penn at the Parish Office if you have any questions 395-4401.

Liturgical Ministries

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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

mark your Calendar

Oct 28  Honor Roll Recognition
Oct 31  Happy Halloween!
The Annual Health and Healing Event held in October at Church and the Knights of Columbus will be postponed and will be rescheduled at a later date.

Nov 1  We will have 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Masses that day.
Nov 1  St. Francis Xavier Drive-Thru/Carry Out Fall Supper
Serving from 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
More information coming soon!
Quilts can be viewed at www.sfxtaosmo.org

Nov 4  K of C meeting, 7:30 p.m., K of C Hall
Nov 7 & 8  Collection for Samaritan Center
Nov 9  Ladies Aux. meeting 6:30, K of C Hall
Nov 11  Veterans Day

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Goal for Oct $ 72,549.00 (4 Sundays)
Oct 3 & 4 $ 12,066.00
Oct 10 & 11 $ 10,003.00
Oct 17 & 18 $ 9,132.00
ACH $ 22,766.00
Total to date for month $ 53,967.00

Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2021
Goal thru Sept $ 235,784.00
Actual thru Sept $ 215,845.01
End of the Year $ -19,938.99

Rosary for our Nation

Our Marian Prayer Group will be offering a Rosary for our Nation on Monday, Nov. 2nd, at 7:00 p.m. in St. Joseph Cathedral. We think it is a good time to again ask Our Lady for her prayers and intercession as we decide who will lead our nation, state and other political offices for the next two/four years. We hope you are able to join us in person. If not, please join us from wherever you are at 7:00 that evening.

Quilters!!!

We have begun quilting, Josh Sandbothe has offered us his basement. Quilting Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. Call Georgene (619-4610) if you have any questions. Can quilt daytime or evening. Please come join us!
St. Francis Xavier Drive-Thru Fall Supper
Sunday, November 1, 2020. Drive-thru and Carry Out from 11:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Drive-thru - in school’s lower lot.

 Carry Out - part in Church parking lot and use cafeteria door on Rt. M

Serving: Roast Turkey, Sausage, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy,
Green Beans, Dressing, Sweet Potatoes,
Cranberry Sauce and Fried Apples.

Cost: $12.00 per plate

Chair persons will be contacting works or go to www.sftaosmo.org for work list.

AUGUSTUS TOLTON PRAYER: O God, we give you thanks for your servant and priest, Father Augustus Tolton, who labored among us in times of contradiction, times that were both beautiful and paradoxical. His ministry helped lay the foundation for a truly Catholic gathering in faith in our time. We stand in the shadow of his ministry. May his life continue to inspire us and imbue us with that confidence and hope that will forge a new evangelization for the Church we love.

Father in Heaven, Father Tolton’s suffering service sheds light upon our sorrows; we see them through the prism of your Son’s passion and death. If it be your Will, O God, glorify your servant, Father Tolton, by granting the favor I now request through his intercession (mention your request) so that all may know the goodness of this priest whose memory looms large in the Church he loved.

Complete what you have begun in us that we might work for the fulfillment of your kingdom. Not to us the glory, but glory to you O God, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are our God, living and reigning forever and ever.

Amen

Official Decree

Abiding by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendations, the use of face masks upon entering the church, during the celebration of Mass except when in place in the pew, during the Communion procession, and upon leaving the church is required. If social distancing cannot be maintained in the pew, then the wearing of face masks is obligatory even in the pew.

I have extended until Nov. 27, 2020 a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday or a holy day for all the faithful of the diocese and all who are present within the diocese’s territorial boundaries. However, they are given further guidance on participating in a Mass being livestreamed or reciting specific prayers.

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

Job Opportunities: Administrative Assistant: the Moderator of the Curia and Vicar General are seeking an accomplished Administrative Assistant to support their clerical needs within the Chancery Office. This individual must have excellent skills with Microsoft Office and the ability to prioritize and switch tasks as needed. This position is also responsible for training others and holds the key position for coordinating maintenance on office equipment and will serve as a back-up administrative assistant to the Bishop as necessary. Professionalism and confidentiality are essential. Qualified candidates should email resume to HRDir@diojeffcity.org.

The Diocese of Jefferson City is seeking a bi-lingual (Spanish/English) administrative assistant to support the Executive Director of Faith Formation and Hispanic Ministry as well as clerical support for our Vocations Department. This individual will be expected to take minutes of meetings, compose letters, and will organize events in coordination with our Events Coordinator.

Volunteers Needed: I have been working with Catholic Charities since June, and have watched it grow beyond our current volunteer capacity. I am reaching out to you to see if you might have any members that you think would be interested in volunteering with us. At this time our volunteer needs are only 2-3 times month, and focused on helping deliver our senior food boxes to seniors in Jefferson City and the surrounding area. We started in May delivering boxes to 20 seniors, and currently deliver boxes to 128 seniors a month, and have no intention of slowing that growth until all seniors in Jefferson City are reached. As already mentioned our current needs are focused on the senior food boxes program, however we hope to have our fully functioning food pantry completed by the end of 2021. So thinking forward, we would love to get volunteers on board now so as we grow they can be there with us learning too. If interested contact Laurie at the parish office. Thank you for your time and consideration.
Until further notice - COVID-19 Changes:
Drop-off of meals at SA 4:30pm on your confirmed date
Service trays and containers are already at SA
Service for approximately 60 people,
Large serving quantities are requested due to no 2nds or refills
Community Homeless will pick up their meal as a to-go item
With your meal please include a couple of flats of bottled water
and other bottled drinks (tea, gatorade, lemonade, etc.)

If you are interested in being a part of this
beautiful opportunity to serve others,
please contact Virginia Shoemaker
(735)619-0104 or email vibrantry@gmail.com

The need is real, the need is now!

All Are Welcome To Join Us
Families
Co-workers
Friends

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.
Matthew 25:35

Jesus said that the first commandment
was the greatest (see Matthew 22:37).
Color and cut out the puzzle pieces at the bottom.
Tape or paste them to match inside the heart shape.
Then read what we should always do!

Love the Lord, your God, with all your

mind.

soul.

heart.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
As you work your way through this maze,
write the first letter of each picture inside the circles.
Then write the letters in order onto the blanks.
They’ll spell what God is and what God wants us to be, too!
On October 26, St. Stanislaus will be celebrating 34 years of Perpetual Adoration. Although at this time they do not have 24 hours a day exposition in the chapel, they are blessed to at least have the Blessed Sacrament exposed every weekday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. St. Stanislaus parish and surrounding parishes have received many blessings due to the dedication of our Perpetual Adoration members and substitutes. We look forward to opening up our chapel in the future (date unknown) and resuming our 24 hours a day adoration when this Covid uncertainty is behind us. Thank you for your patience and please continue praying for a return to healthy times for all!

**Forty Days for Life continues in Columbia:** An estimated 43 babies have been saved from abortions in the fall campaign as 588 cities are praying across the nation for the end of abortion. At Columbia Planned Parenthood, 711 N Providence Rd, there have been two hopefuls who have been given help to make another choice besides abortion. The team invites you to spend an hour with Jesus these 40 days ending on **Sunday, Nov. 1.** The hours of prayer are 8 am to 6 pm daily and a team member will be there to greet you. You will not be alone. A closing rally dinner will be held on Nov. 14 at St Andrew in Holts Summit. You can schedule your time by visiting [www.40daysforlife.com/columbiamo](http://www.40daysforlife.com/columbiamo) or call Kathy Forck at 573-821-5130.

**Jefferson City Marriage Encounter:** will be hosting a COVID friendly Marriage Encounter weekend **November 7 & 8.** Fall in love with your spouse all over again and rejuvenate your marriage with a weekend away to grow closer together and with God. Register for the event at [www.jeffcityme.com](http://www.jeffcityme.com).

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**60th Annual Bazaar & Turkey Dinner (Cathedral of St. Joseph):** will be a drive-thru dinner on **Sunday, November 8,** from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. The meal will include turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, green beans and a dinner roll from Colton’s Steakhouse as well as homemade coleslaw and cranberry sauce for $12. Raffle tickets for a quilt, donated items, and cash prizes will be for sale.

**Wine & Shrine Speaking Event:** K of C Hall Westphalia on **Sunday, November 8.** Doors open at 1:15 p.m. Speaker is Bob Gannon who served 2 tours in Vietnam as a Recon Marine & Platoon Sergeant, Bob endured and witnessed unspeakable suffering during his tours. Bob struggled to believe in God and cursed His name. But God never left Bob and had a plan to heal his wounded son. Through the intercession of St. Therese, God granted Bob an amazing miracle of healing. **This is a free event** and more information is posted on all the church doors. You must register cause seating is limited please call 573-694-6319.

**Civilize It: A Call for Civility in the Era of Outrage:** Our political discourse has become increasingly rancorous and bitter. Spend any time on social media or watching the news, and it is apparent that we are living in an era of outrage. The U.S. bishops began a campaign last year to restore civility to our public and political discourse called Civilize It: Dignity Beyond the Debate. Join the Missouri Catholic Conference staff and newly-appointed Archbishop of St. Louis Mitchell Rozanski as they discuss civility and how it can lead to more respectful dialogue as we enter the remaining weeks of the 2020 election season in a podcast you can find at [https://mocatholic.org/news-and-events/mcc-podcast](https://mocatholic.org/news-and-events/mcc-podcast).

> “God draws us toward good, but he does not force us to do good; our freedom remains central.”

**Richard J. Hauser, SJ**

*Moving in the Spirit*

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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).

**Week 1: May 2**

Elaine Callaway
690-8966

**Week 2: Oct 10**

Debbie Borgmeyer
680-9748
& Elaine Ready 619-6803

**Week 3: Oct 17**

Jean Pinnell
694-2111

**Week 4: Oct 24**

Sue Sandbothe
395-4264

**Week 5: Oct 31**

Nora Sprenger
395-3130

Rachel Busche,
Tana Buscher,
Ruth Buschjost,
Lisa Buschjost,
Christy Buschjost

Diane Buschman,
Martha Butler,
Judy Cassmeyer,
Lisa Cassmeyer,
Susan Cassmeyer

Tammy Cavender,
Paula Chestnut,
Michelle Clark,
Stephanie Cortvriendt,
Mary Ann Craig

Mary Cunningham,
Wanda Cynova,
Mary Davis,
Tina Davis,
Jennifer Decker

Kathy Doerhoff,
Kylie Doerhoff,
Hannah Dorge,
Marlene Dorge,
Cathy Drewel

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**Area Churches - Every 1st and 3rd Monday,** at St. Stanislaus Church, prayer service for an end to, and truth regarding Covid-19. 7-7:30 p.m.

St. Joseph parish in Westphalia will hold a Patriotic prayer service at 6 p.m. one Sunday each month. Dates include **Nov. 15 and Dec. 13.**

Thank you for all your prayers for Father Michal W. Penn!
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