The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all he has and buys that field.

Matthew 13:44
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 - 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 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

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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 7:00p.m.
† Baptism: Contact Father regarding preparation sessions and scheduling.
† Marriage: Contact Father at least six months in advance for preparation and scheduling.
“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 27th: No Mass
Tuesday, July 28th: 7:00 p.m. - Diane Prenger
Wednesday, July 29th:
8:00 a.m. - Roman & Josephine Kampeter
Thursday, July 30th:
8:00 a.m. - Bernard and Laurine Heet
Friday, July 31st:
8:00 a.m. - Dave Rackers
Saturday Aug 1st:
5:00 p.m. - Bui Van Bang, Le Thi Het, Bui Van Phuong, Bui Van Trang, Bui Van Su, Bill Lipskoch, Thoi Thi Bui, Selma Lipskoch, Beulah Lipskoch, Charles Andrew Scheppers, and Fr. Richard Cronin
Sunday, Aug 2nd:
7:00 a.m. - People of the Parish
8:30 a.m. - David & Esther Boeckman
10:00 a.m. - Gilbert Talken

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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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 July $ Pending (4 Sundays)
July 4 & 5 $ 18,608.00
July 11 & 12 $ 13,411.00
July 18 & 19 $ 9,358.00
ACH $ 22,551.00
Total to date for month $ 63,928.00

**Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD**

Goal thru June $ 943,136.00
Actual thru June $ 892,514.74
End of the Year $ -50,621.26
There is to be an effort put forth by an individual as they participate in the Kingdom of God. There is a responsibility of the individual to put aside the “values” of the world for the true value that is God and His Kingdom. Putting aside the treasures of the world counters what today’s culture expects and preaches. But God both preaches and expects that we live as Jesus did and the faithful disciples of His Son throughout the centuries: to forego worldly way and seek the Kingdom of God. How much effort do you place on obtaining the Kingdom by God’s grace and invitation? May you value God and His eternal Kingdom more than the passing ways of this world.

Congratulations and welcome to Mariah Radmacher who will be receiving the Sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) at the 10:00 o’clock Mass this morning. May God bless, guard and guide her throughout her life, having become one of God’s children through the reception of these sacraments.

New missalettes will be available in the church next weekend. You may pick up a copy to take with you for personal use both at home and to bring to Mass with you. During this time of pandemic, no hymnals or missalettes are to be in the pews for communal use. After next weekend, missalettes will be available only in the Parish Office during regular business hours.

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

Have you been on vacation this summer? Many have not, especially this year. But no matter. Faith never takes a vacation. Whether in town or out, Covenant Network can increase your awareness of faith in your life as we offer inspiring and informative programming throughout the day and night. In addition to the Mass and the Rosary, we pray The Angelus, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers daily. We feature call-in shows that answer questions about Scripture, Church history, lives of the Saints and current events. Stay in touch with your faith by listening to Catholic radio on KHJR 88.1 FM, our Covenant Network app on your mobile device or at ourcatholicroad.org.

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!

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.
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“The saints teach us, encourage us, challenge us, and inspire us. I wish I had more friends like them.”
Matthew Kelly
Taken from Rediscover the Saints.

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.

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.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Columbia is accepting applications for the position of Director of Adult Faith Formation. Commitment to the Catholic faith and faithful Mass attendance required. Some experience in religious education leadership preferred. Strong interpersonal skills, organizational skills, and willingness to work as a member of a team important. The core of the position is directing the RCIA process, with the coordination of Scripture studies, faith sharing and other smalls groups, and other aspects of adult faith formation included. Contact Father Chris Cordes at frchris@ourladyoflourdes.org or 573-445-7915 if interested.

Osage Senior Center located in Wardville, has an urgent need for a part time general maintenance person. If you are retired or a full time worker wanting a to work a few hours each week and would like to earn a little extra cash, call 573-469-8426 or email OSC@gmail.com.

Relief Parents: St. Nicholas Academy is a supportive living experience for boys from families that are under-resourced who want to give their sons every opportunity to succeed in school and life. St. Nick’s partners with families and St. Peter Inter-parish School to provide this opportunity. St. Nick’s is seeking Christian, married couples or single individuals who are willing to be part of a pool of relief parents. The role of relief parents is to care for the boys and home when the full-time house parents are off duty or away.

Typically, the full-time house parents are off duty every fourth weekend from 9:00 AM Friday through 7:00 PM Sunday. Relief parents, on a rotational schedule, fill in during this time. They may also be asked to be on a call list to help fill in when the house parents are on vacation and/or sick.

Relief parents receive an hourly wage, all legally mandated benefits and a compensation package that includes a private suite and all meals for the days on duty.

Contact Sister Susan Renner, SSND at 573-635-7719 or director@stnick.org
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**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 [www.campmaccabee.com](http://www.campmaccabee.com).

**Westphalia Knights of Columbus Soccer Club:** WKSC Fall soccer sign ups will be held at the Westphalia KC hall on Monday evening, **July 27th** from 4:00-6:00 PM. All kids ages 3-14 (on 8/1/20) welcome. Email wkcsoccerclub@gmail.com with any questions.

**Mentored in Christ,** a full-day workshop for anyone serving a catechetical role in parish or Catholic school ministry, will be offered **Aug. 14,** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral Undercroft in Jefferson City. Light breakfast and full lunch are provided and there is no cost to participate. This workshop will examine the power of mentored formation in catechetical ministry. Participants will explore the vital role that relationship and mentoring play in catechetical formation, and explore how the new Franciscan at Home online learning platform can help foster mentored formation.

Using online learning and local mentoring. This seminar is open to anyone serving in a catechetical role: DREs, catechists, Catholic school teachers or administrators, youth ministers, RCIA leaders, clergy, and parents!

**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@lhcgroup.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.

**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).

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Jesus said the kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field. Use the grid to finish drawing the treasure chest. When you are done write your name on it. Let it remind you how precious and valuable you are to God.

King Solomon asked God to help him understand and know how to lead the people in his kingdom. God was pleased with his request and made him wiser than anyone! Color this picture using the number code. Remember to pray for the gift of wisdom, too.
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