Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, “Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering into the kingdom of God before you.”

MATTHEW 21:31
St. Francis Xavier Parish

7319 Route M Jefferson City (Taos) MO 65101

REV. MICHAEL W. PENN - PASTOR
Email: mpenn@sfxtaos.com

DEACON MICHAEL BERENDZEN 573.694.4916
Email: mwberendzen@gmail.com

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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Parish Website: www.sfxtaosmo.org
Bookkeeper- Cecilia Lock Email: clock@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1002)
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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: jtoobar@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 7:00 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 children deprived of a safe and healthy home, that they experience the love of God through the care and concern shown by Catholics.”

Monday, Sept 28th: No Mass
Tuesday, Sept 29th:
7:00 p.m. - No Mass
Wednesday, Sept 30th: (School Mass Only)
8:00 a.m. - Reuben & Paul Luebbering
Thursday, Oct 1st:
8:00 a.m. - No Mass
Friday, Oct 2nd:
8:00 a.m. - No Mass
Saturday Oct 3rd:
5:00 p.m. - L&D of Ted & Mildred Struttman and Anton & Minnie Baumhoer Families
Sunday, Oct 4th:
8:00 a.m. - Anna Marie Knaebel
10:00 a.m. - Mardell Rackers
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 Sept are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, Capital Improvements/Repairs, and St. Ann’s Quilting Group $10.00.

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 September sometime. Date to be announced. Please feel free to call Fr. Michael Penn at the Parish Office if you have any questions 573-395-4401.

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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

mark your Calendar

Oct 3 & 4 Collection for the Samaritan Center
Oct 6 School Board 5:30 p.m.
Oct 7 Life Runners 7 a.m.
Oct 7 PSR 7-8 p.m. SFX School
Oct 7 K of C meeting, 7:30 p.m., K of C Hall
Oct 10 & 11 Collection for Capital Improvements
Oct 10 & 11 Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Sale
Oct 12 Ladies Aux. meeting 6:30, K of C Hall
Oct 21 Birthday Celebration

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Goal for Sept $ 72,549.00 (4 Sundays)
Sept 5 & 6 $ 10,274.00
Sept 12 &13 $ 11,578.00
Sept 19 & 20 $ 7,199.00
ACH $ 22,406.00
Total to date for month $ 51,457.00

Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2021

Goal thru Aug $ 163,235.00
Actual thru Aug $ 149,633.01
End of the Year $ -13,601.99

Garage Sale

Taos Area Fall Garage Sales will be on October 2nd and 3rd. (Friday and Saturday ONLY)

Baptized in Christ: Jordyn Ann Vieth was baptized in our church on Saturday, September 19, 2020.

Holy Baptism

Baptized in Christ: Isabelle Ann Baumhoer was baptized in our church on Sunday, September 20, 2020.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Sale
October 10th & 11 after all Weekend Masses.
Official Decree
Remember the effective date for a decree with updated instructions for parishes is Sept. 11.
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.

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
2010 Bishop Joseph N. Perry
Imprimatur
Francis Cardinal George, OMI
Archdiocese of Chicago
To report any spiritual or physical favors granted through prayer in Father Tolton’s name, please write:
Office of the Cardinal
Archdiocese of Chicago
835 North Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611

CONFIRMATION: Be on the lookout for an email regarding start up dates and times.

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

PSR: will begin on Wednesday, September 30th at St. Francis Xavier School.

Picnic (Fish Fry’s) Raffle Winners
$1000 Cash - Mark LeCuru
Quilt - Glenda Branson
$500 Cash - Tom Wieberg
$250 Legends Cash Certificate – Kenadi Timmerman
$200 Cash - Dennis & Edith Versluys
Car Detail - John Rackers
St. Louis Blues Mirror - Jim & Ruby Radmacher
$100 Cash Certificate - Mid America Bank,
Mike Bernskoetter
Popcorn Basket - Jordan Tobar
Popcorn Basket - Darrel Bruns
The world needs changing. And yet we seem gripped by exasperation and paralyzed by the false belief that we can’t do anything about it. The saints dispel that exasperation and inspire us to bold action. They remind us over and over again: We can change the world.”

MATTHEW KELLY
Taken from Rediscover the Saints

Job Opportunities: St. Joseph in Fayette is hiring a part time DRE (Director of Religious Education) and community/campus outreach person. This person will be responsible to run our PSR, confirmation, and adult education programs. You will also need to have the skills to develop our electronic footprint (web page and social media), with a special focus on Central Methodist University students. All applicants must be Catholic and in good standing with the church. This position is 20 hours a week with starting pay $13.50 to $15.00 an hour, depending on qualifications. Contact Fr. Bill Peckman 573-338-0061.

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.
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Visitation Catholic Church (Vienna, MO) Fall Festival:**
Sunday, September 27, 2020 from 11 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Whole-Hog Sausage & Fried Chicken Dinners served with mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, coleslaw, homemade pies. Meals are $12 each or 4 meals for $40.00. There will be 2 carryout lines in air-conditioned hall (no dine-in). Drive through-enter from Hwy 63 onto 9th Street and follow the signs. Cash or check only. Raffle with 55 prizes, kettle corn, country store, beer/ijn ricky garden, and street fair & craft vendors (for a booth contact LeAnn Kloeppe1 at 573-619-3381.

**Our Lady, Help of Christians Parish (Frankenlohn, MO):**
Sunday, Sept. 27 serving from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. German pot roast, mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw, sauerkraut & beans and homemade roll. Drive through, walk up, seating on the grounds is available. $12.00 per dinner. Live Music (Osage Travelers) from 1 - 3:30 p.m. Quilt & Dessert auction at 4 p.m. Quilts can be seen on FaceBook: Frankenlohn, Our Lady Help of Christians. Beer, Gin Rickey, Soda, Hamburgers & Pot Roast Sandwiches.

**St. Martin Parish Fall Dinner:** will be held on Sunday, October 4 from 12-5pm. This will be a drive-thru meal serving 4pc. fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, coleslaw and dessert. Cost is $12 per plate. There will also be raffle tickets available for sale. For more information contact the parish office at stmartinparishoffice@gmail.com.

**St. George Parish Fall Festival (Linn, MO):** Sunday, Oct. 4 serving from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Drive-thru and carry out only. Golden Fried Chicken and German Pot Roast, $12 per meal. Soda and beer available for drive-thru and carry out orders. Quilt Auction 4 p.m. Quilts viewed on Facebook page at www.facebook.com/stgeorgeparishlinn. Raffle, Beer Garden, and 50/50 Raffle.

**Loose Creek 175th Anniversary Celebration:** Immaculate Conception Parish in Loose Creek held on Oct 9, 2021. The parish is selling commemorative books (including 715 family histories of people that settled in the town) for $55. Also for sale is Vol. I, II, III of the Growing of Loose Creek. Complete set is $200. Will ship or arrange pickup. Contact Janice at 573-619-8149 or Joan at 573-680-1897.

**St. Stanislaus in Wardsville Fall Supper:** Drive through only, will be on Sunday October 11, 2020. Serving fried chicken, whole hog sausage, real mashed potatoes, green beans and sauerkraut from 11:00am to 6:00pm. Cost is $12.00.

**Guardian Angels Parish Fall Dinner (Brinktown, MO):** Curbside Pick Up & Carry-Out (no indoor seating), Sunday, October 11, in Brinktown. Serving Fresh Whole Hog Sausage, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Sauerkrut & Coleslaw from 11 AM to 5:30 PM. Cost is $12 per plate. No Live Quilt Auction, but an online Quilt Sale on Guardian Angels Facebook Page.

**St. Joseph Parish Fall Festival (Westphalia, MO):** October 18th. Serving from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Drive thru only - $12 per meal. German Pot Roast, Fresh Pork Sausage with Real Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkrat, and Green Beans. Live Quilt & Pie Auction 2 p.m. in school gym. To view quilts or obtain bid forms go to www.stjosephwestphalia.org. Country Store, Raffles, 50-25-25 Raffle, and Kettle Corn.

**Covenant Network Catholic Radio**

Seasons come and seasons go, but our pillar of Faith remains in season and out. Keep your radio set on 88.1 FM, Covenant Network Catholic radio. You are sure to find many educational and inspirational programs to nurture your faith and devotional programs throughout the day and night-time hours to support and enrich your faith life. In addition to the radio station, you can listen live, day or night, on our free Covenant Network app or at OurCatholicRadio.org

**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).

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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 Oct 11, Nov. 15 and Dec. 13.

Please continue to pray for healing and recovery of Father Michal W. Penn!

**Prayer for Healing**
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