When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last, he said,

"Truly this man was the Son of God!"

Mark 15:39
St. Francis Xavier Parish
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REV. MICHAEL W. PENN - PASTOR
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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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Office: 573.395.4401  Fax: 573.395.4302
Parish Website: www.sfxtaosmo.org
Bookkeeper- Cecilia Lock  Email: clock@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1002)
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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: jtober@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

“Through the example and intercession of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary, may a gentle disposition rule our hearts & allow for charity, reconciliation, and mercy in our lives.”

Monday, Mar 29th:
No Mass
Tuesday, Mar 30th:
7:00 p.m. - Bui Van Bang, Bui Thi Thoï, Le Thi Het, Bui Van Phuong, Bui Van Trang, Bui Van Su, Bill Lipskoch, Selma Lipskoch, Beulah Lipskoch, Charles Andrew Scheppers, Fr. Richard Cronin, John Anthony Bollinger, & Rosemary C. Scheppers.
Wednesday, Mar 31st: (SFX Students Only)
8:00 a.m. - IB & Mildred Schnieders
Thursday, Apr 1st: Holy Thursday Mass
7:00 p.m. - Jim Henke
Friday, Apr 2nd: Good Friday Mass
7:00 p.m. - No Intention
Saturday, Apr 3rd: Easter Vigil
8:30 p.m. - Don Bernskoetter
Sunday, Apr 4th:
8:00 a.m. - People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. - Corrie Talken
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 Mar are: Samaritan Center, Catholic Relief/Development, Parish School, and Capital Improvements/Repairs.

Mar 31  PSR 7-8 p.m. SFX School
Apr 1  NO ADORATION
Apr 1  Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 p.m.
Apr 2  Good Friday Mass 7:00 p.m.
Apr 3  11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Confessions
Apr 3/4 Collection for Samaritan Center & Infirm Priest Fund
Apr 3  Easter Vigil Mass 8:30 p.m.
Apr 4  Easter Masses 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Apr 7  Confirmation Class (Wednesday) 6:30 p.m.
Apr 7  K of C meeting, 7:30 p.m., K of C Hall

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 Early to Print
ACH $ 23,933.00
      $ 45,054.30

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

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.

Important
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.

Community-Wide Garage Sale
Taos Community
April 15 & 16

Liturgical Ministries

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Check Website For Updates!

Musicians | Adult Choir | Adult Choir | Contemporary Choir | Hood Family |

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

Divine Mercy Devotion at SFX Sunday, April 11th at 3:00 p.m.
The days of Holy Week have begun. These are truly holy days for us as we are called to enter more deeply into the Paschal Mystery of Jesus. Today we celebrate the procession of the King to His Throne and next Sunday we celebrate His victorious campaign over death. The days in between invite us to process with Jesus through His suffering and death to the glory of His resurrection. These are not days to reenact a historical event, but days to act in deepening our relationship with Jesus and our resolve to live as faithful sons and daughters of our heavenly Father. May we become holy through the celebration of this week’s mysteries.

Holy Week & Easter Masses
Tuesday, March 30th - Mass 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 1st - Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7 p.m.
Friday, April 2nd - Celebration of the Passion of the Lord - 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 3rd - 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon - Confessions Available
Holy Saturday, April 3rd - The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 8:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, April 4th - 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

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.

As you journey through Lent, hopefully your hearts and minds have settled into the pattern of prayerfulness and penance and planning to care for the poor. Covenant Network can help you stay the course during this season of self-denial with inspirational and devotional programming including the daily Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers. You can also hear faith-nourishing programs on Scripture, the saints and Church history. Tune into 88.1 FM KHJR this Lent to help prepare your heart for Easter.
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

Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion
Have you heard about Jesus’ famous ride into Jerusalem? You can read about it in your Bible at Mark 11:1-10. Match the parts of this story to their correct pictures. Then label the pictures 1 to 4 in the circles to show the order in which these events happened.

When people learned that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem they were excited. They waved palm branches and shouted “Hosanna!” Color the big palm branches dark green. Color the little palm branches light green. Count how many branches in all. Write that number inside the girl’s speech bubble.

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**upcoming events**

**Taos Parks and Recreation**: will be hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, **March 27th** at the Taos Country Side Park for kids ages 0-10. The egg hunt will begin at 11:00 am with food and drinks provided after. Rainout date will be Saturday, April 3rd.

**St. George Virtual Spring Fling**: **Saturday, April 10th**. St. George $10,000 Spring Fling. Live Streamed Via St. George Facebook Page. [www.facebook.com/stgeorgeparishlinn](http://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeparishlinn). Donation of $100 gets you chances to win money prizes up to the $10,000 Grand Prize! Limited number of tickets available. Tickets can be purchased at the parish office, council members, scrip table, and online at [https://stgeorgelin.diojeffcity.org/give/](https://stgeorgelin.diojeffcity.org/give/). Additional prizes added this year in lieu of dinner. Multiple chances of winning! 1- $10,000; 1-1,000; 1- $750; 2- $500; 4- $200; 7- $150; 4- $100.

Sign up for the 4th Annual Little Box of Sunshine 5K Walk, Run, and Roll race! The race will be held at the West Edgewood Greenway trail on **Saturday, April 10, 2021** beginning at 9a.m. [www.givelittleboxofsunshine.com/event-registration-tickets/4thannual-5kwalk-run-and-roll](http://www.givelittleboxofsunshine.com/event-registration-tickets/4thannual-5kwalk-run-and-roll)

**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. All are welcome! Please join us!

**COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**: Applications for the 2021–2022 **Simon Scholarship** are being accepted through **March 31, 2021**. Applications can be acquired through the pastor or parish life collaborator or may be downloaded at [diojeffcity.org/scholarship](http://diojeffcity.org/scholarship) or available at the Parish Office.

**Palm Sunday**: Entering Holy Week

**CSA**: Saint Francis Xavier Parish, Taos
- **Goal**: $36,000.00
- **% Goal**: 100+
- **$ Received**: $37,335.03
- **Over(-Under)**: +$1,335.03

**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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**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.

**Midwest March For Life**: **Wednesday, April 14th. Missouri State Capitol South Lawn**.

**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.

**Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri**

**WE'RE HIRING!**

**Are you interested in applying?**

Learn more about what it means to be an Americorps Member and find applications for these positions on the Americorps website. Find the link on the CCCNMO Career Opportunities webpage.

**Food Programs Coordinator** applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Dan Lester, Executive Director at dlester@cccnmo.org.

**Housing Counselor** applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Alissa Marlow, Director of Community Services at amarlow@cccnmo.org.

Learn more: [cccnmo.diojeffcity.org/about-us/careers](http://cccnmo.diojeffcity.org/about-us/careers)
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