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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

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"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25

St. Francis Xavier Parish

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WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 8:00 & 10 a.m.

<u>Welcome to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church!</u> 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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Bookkeeper- Cecilia Lock Email: clock@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1002)
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Religious Education Director - Cathy Singer Email: reled@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1003)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Bill Vanderfeltz, President 690-4699; Ken Sandbothe, Vice President 644-4088; Tammy Sachse, Secretary 619-2562; Jean Decker, Social Concerns 619-0282; Debbie Backes 680-7804; Steve LePage 338-3909; Cindy Luebbering 291-2625; Kevin Prenger 645-0095; Tom Sanning 694-1241; Dan Sanning 619-8212; Linda Tobar 619-7306; Rick Wallis 395-3344; 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.
- **Baptism:** Contact Father regarding preparation sessions and scheduling.
- **†** Marriage: Contact Father at least six months in advance for preparation and scheduling.
- **□** Interested in Joining the Catholic Faith? Contact Cathy Singer at the parish office 573-395-4401.

者 Mass Intentions

"For student, parents and teachers as another school year begins; may our Catholic community provide the proper environment and resources for our young people to thrive and excel in their formation as disciples of Christ, and sons and daughter of our Catholic Church. We pray to the Lord."

Monday, Sept 4th: No Mass Happy Labor Day!!!

Tuesday, Sept 5th:

7:00 p.m. - L&D of Albert & Regina Verslues

Wednesday, Sept 6th: 7:45 a.m. - Wilma Grothoff

Thursday, Sept 7th: 7:45 a.m. - Winnie Lewis

Friday, Sept 8th:

7:45 a.m. - Martha, Edna & Bill Prenger

Saturday, Sept 9th:

5:00 p.m. - L&D of August Forck Family

Sunday, Sept 10th:

8:00 a.m. - Ted & Antonia Sanning and Otto & Lucy

Rehagen

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 Sept are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, and Capital Improvements/Repairs.

mark

your Calendar

Sept 4 Monday Morning with Mary (Taos Park) 7:30 a.m.

Sept 5 Quilting 8 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., Sept. 7 after a.m. Mass

Sept 6 Wed. Walk with the Lord after morning Mass

Sept 6 Opening Mass for PSR 7 p.m. with Meet & Greet

after mass in Reker Hall

Sept 6 K of C meeting, 7:30 p.m., K of C Hall

Sept 11 Monday Morning with Mary (Taos Park) 7:30 a.m.

Sept 11 Women's Coffee Group 9 a.m. K of C upper level

Sept 11 Ladies Aux. meeting 6:30, K of C Hall

Sept 12 Plant the Seed 6:30 p.m. Cafeteria

Sept 13 Home & School 6:30 p.m

Sept 13 PSR Class 6:50-8 p.m. SFX School

***Day of Health & Healing Scheduled for Oct. 22 (more info on Facebook and next bulletin).

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Goal for Aug	\$ 82,000.00 (4 Sundays)
Aug 5 & 6	\$ 11,772.75
Aug 12 & 13	\$ 9,556.35
Aug 19 & 20	\$ 12,938.00
Aug 26 & 27	\$ 14,155.55
ACH	\$ 23,954.00
	\$ 72,376.65

Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2023

 Goal thru July
 \$ 102,500.00

 Actual thru July
 \$ 78,438.18

 End of the Year
 \$ -24,061.82

New Parish Website:

www.sfxtaos.com

We are now the same as School.

Booking for Mass Intentions will open on **September 21, 2023** at 9:00 a.m.

MORE QUILTING

We will now be offering quilting on Tuesday evenings right after the evening Mass in Reker Hall starting on Sept. 5th. (approx. 7:30 p.m.)

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John & Jean Decker

Liturgical Ministries Sept 9 & 10 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. **Eucharistic Ministers** Sue Sandbothe Shirley Toebben Linda Distler Debbie Backes MB MB Rick Wallis Cecilia Lock Glenda Vanderfeltz Lector Ushers Tom Henke Bill Vanderfeltz Steve Distler Rita Lipskoch Wayne Verslues Cindy LePage Tom Wieberg **Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed** Servers Liam Meyer **Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed** Hoffmeyer & Branum Kathy & Cheryl Katnik Musicians



Scrip will be sold in church every 1st and 3rd weekend except for Holiday weekends, then it will be the weekend after.

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. Kelechi 395-4401



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH or would you like to learn more about the possibility or know someone you would like to invite to share our faith? Inquiry sessions begin the process for those who want to join the Catholic Church. An Inquiry Session will be held on Wed., Sept. 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Office. Come to the front door, 7319 Route M, across the street from the church and rectory. Please feel free to call Cathy or Laurie at the Parish Office if you have any questions 573-395-4401.



Cathy Singer, Director of **Religious Education** 573-395-4401 ext. 1003



PSR Registration forms and schedules are now in the back of church and on our website for those students who will be PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION entering K-8th grades. Please

turn in forms with payment to the parish office by September 1st. Due to increased class costs, fees have gone up to \$35 per family. Please note that classes will be from 6:45pm to 8pm this year and will start with an opening Mass followed by a meet and greet on Wednesday, September 6.



Have you ever wanted to grow your faith alongside your daughter in a fun social setting? If your daughter is in grades K-8, the SFX Little

Flowers Girls Club is just what you're looking for! We will be

starting our second year of deep-diving into our Catholic virtues alongside the saints on **Sept. 17th** from 1-3pm. Come check us out, we have a lot of fun while learning about our faith and would love to have you join us! Call Lisa Reinke at 261-0242 to let us know you're coming or ask any questions.



We are happy to provide Children's Liturgy of the Word this year. Open house will be on Sunday, September 17th after the 10am

Mass. Class will then start with the 10am Mass on Sunday, September 24th.

Holy Communion: We are excited to once again start offering communion under both species at the weekend masses. This will begin the weekend of Sept. 30/Oct. 1st.



Prayers for Parishioners: Please pray for Aniya Chapman, Bryce Hickman & Rita Horstman. Anyone wishing to have their name on the list, please call Jean Decker at 573-619-0282.



AND WATCHING IT GROW

Join us for a brief presentation and listening session. Learn how joining with other women in our diocese can help support growth in your faith life and your parish women's ministry. Share with us how we can better help you on this journey

Choose the location and time that works best for you.

AUGUST 30TH 6:30 TO 7:30 ST MICHAEL RUSSELVILLE PARISH OFFICE

SEPTEMBER 12TH

6:30 TO 7:30

TAOS

CAFETERIA

SEPTEMBER 5TH 6:30 TO 7:30 ST THOMAS PARISH CENTER

SEPTEMBER 11TH 6:30 TO 7:30 ST ANDREWS HOLTS SUMMIT GATHERING SPACE

SEPTEMBER 20TH 6:30 TO 7:00 FRANCES XAVIER ST JOSEPH CATHEDRAL MARY'S ROOM

Nomen of Jefferson City are invited to

A Blessed Is She Study on the Eucharist

Mary Room, St. Joseph's Cathedral On the following Mondays at 7pm:

September 11 - Welcome / Introduction

September 18 - Lessons 1-2

October 2 - Lessons 3-4

October 16 - Lessons 5-6

October 30 - Lessons 7-8

November 13 - Lessons 9-10

November 27 - Lessons 11-12

December 11 - Lessons 13-14

December 18 - Lesson 15

Cost: \$15

For information and to register, contact Jer Roodhouse, jennifer.naaden@gmail.com





1 Faith 1 Family 1 SFX

Grandparents Day is coming up on **Friday, Sept. 15th!** We are really looking forward to celebrating our grandparents and showing them all the wonderful things taking place at our school. More info on the day's events coming soon!

A big SHOUT OUT to all of our students! They have done an outstanding job of kicking this school year off with energy, enthusiasm, and a willingness to come ready to learn each day. Keep up the great work and we can't wait to see the wonderful things you accomplish this year.

A few weeks ago our school was able to attend a ceremony for the blessing of Corrie Talken's guardian angel statue. It was great to see Fr. Kelechi bless this statue in honor of such a wonderful young woman, daughter, sister, and friend to so many. Corrie was always looking out and caring for those around her. It is neat to see her statue looking out upon everyone who enters our school and our church doors. We love and miss you Corrie, and we know you are up there watching over us all!

If you are interested in keeping up with the latest school news be sure to grab a copy of our weekly Tiger Tales newsletter in the back of church each week. You can also subscribe to receive the weekly newsletter via email by contacting Mr. Tobar.

Upcoming School Events

Monday, 9/4 - No School
Wednesday - 9/6 - LIFE Runners
Friday, 9/8 - Spirit Day
Wednesday 9/13 - Home & School Meeting @ 6:30pm
Thursday 9/14 - Picture Day
Friday 9/15 - Grandparent's Day
Blessings,
Mr. Jordan Tobar, Principal

JOIN OUR TEAM: The Blair Oaks R-II School District has an immediate opening for a Full-Time Cook. The position will remain open until filled. Inquiries should be submitted to the Blair Oaks District Office. 573-636-2020 Located at 6124 Falcon Lane Wardsville, MO 65101

itobar@sfxtaos.com

Dear Congregation,

On behalf of the 2023 picnic committee, we would like to take this time out to say a heartfelt thank you to all of you, for coming together and helping support the summer picnic. We were filled with joy at seeing you all turn out with your donations of time and talent making the day possible. We are pleased to include the financial summary.

We have managed to see the hand of God at work. We are forever grateful for your support, kindness, and dedication to St Francis Xavier. Indeed with your support and kindness you revealed the true foundation of this church.

May the grace of the Lord be with you all. Thank you,

Picnic Committee

Debra Backes, Sarah Boss, Lisa Buschjost, Tony and Carol Forck, Julie Graessle, Karen Holterman, Sara Kerperin, Cecilia Lock, Cara Sandbothe, Dan Sanning, Brian and Emily Talken, John Thessen, Patty Verslues



Jaycee Anne Schmitz



Jaycee was born January 4, 2023 with a rare and severe heart defect which will require multiple open heart surgeries and extended hospital stays in St Louis.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

TAOS COUNTRYSIDE PARK

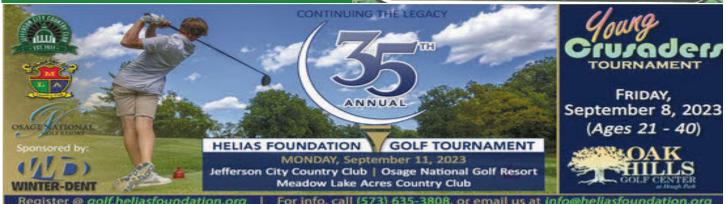
Team check-in at 5PM — Bags fly at 6PM Registration Fee: \$60 per 2 person team

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For Registration or Questions Go to Scoreholio.com Brian Kendle Cell: 573-644-4216 Email: Brian.Kendle@hotmail.com



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Holy Family Parish Picnic (Freeburg, MO): Sunday, Sept. 3rd from 11:30-7 p.m. Serving Chicken, Roast Beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, green beans, applesauce, cole slaw, bread, cookies, Apple, Cherry & Peach Pie). Carryout's only. \$15 per dinner. Outdoor and indoor dining available (no table service). Quilt Auction 5 p.m. View guilts at www.holyfammilyfreeburg.com. Live music Broken Arrow Band 2-5 p.m. Shiloh from 8-12 midnight. Kid games at 1p.m.

The Cathedral will host "A Walk Through The Mass" with Fr. Paul Clark on Wednesday, September 6, at 5:30 p.m. in the Cathedral with dinner in Cana Hall. Please consider attending this presentation to get a clearer view of what happens at the highest form of prayer with our Lord: The Eucharist. All are welcome.

Ducks Unlimited 40th Annual Banquet (Osage Chapter): Saturday, Sept. 9th at Loose Creek Community Center. Smoked Prime Rib Dinner

(includes drink). \$260/Sponsor (2 tickets, DU Pin, Recognition) \$80/Couple - \$55 per person \$25/Greenwing (under 18). Table package \$350. Contact Jeff Mertens at 573-680-2205 for details.

St. Anthony Parish (Folk, MO): Fall Festival Sunday, Sept. 10. Roast Beef & Whole Hog Sausage Dinners. Meals are \$15

each. Drive Thru & Carry Outs from 11-6p.m. Indoor airconditioned seating will be available. Raffle Drawing 6:30 p.m. \$1,000 First Place. Classic Car Cruise-In 11-6:30 p.m. Parade by Parish at 2 p.m. Shooting Match starting at 12 p.m. Quilt Auction and Pie/Dessert Auction 5 p.m.

Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows (Starkenburg, MO): Annual Fall Pilgrimage **Sunday**, **Sept. 10th** starting at 10 a.m. Followed by a Traditional Dinner. Serving from 11-1 p.m. 12:30 Confessions, 1 p.m. Benediction, & 2 p.m. Outdoor Mass. Located 197 Hwy, P Rhineland, MO 65069. \$15 per meal. Fried Chicken and Roast Beef dinners.

St. Louis of France Parish Fall Festival (Bonnots Mill, MO): **Sunday, Sept. 17th** from 12-6 p.m. Serving Fried Chicken & Bone-In Ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, corn, slaw, and homemade desserts. To-Go Plates with indoor seating available. \$15 per plate. Live Auction at 4 p.m. 50/50, raffle, Country Store, Sandwich Stand, Beer & Gin Rickey.

Wardsville Walk For Life: Sunday, September 10th following 10:30 a.m. Mass. 1.7 mile Walk starting in front of St. Stan Church. Bus transportation available to and from event. Refreshment served at Lions Hall after walk. All proceeds go to Missouri Right for Life, Life Runners, Pregnancy Help Center & PROLIFE Across America. Apporx. 12-2 p.m.

Fall Supper: The Fall Supper Committee has met and plan to host our 2023 Fall Supper on **Sunday, November 5, 2023.** We would like to again offer **SWEET POTATOES & TURNIPS** with our meal. Will anyone have an abundance of turnips or sweet potatoes and be willing to donate for the fall supper? Please contact Cecilia at 573-395-4401 if you do. Thank You!!



The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic organization here in the parish and we are looking for new members. If you or someone you know is over 18

years old and a practicing Catholic, you are eligible to join the Knights. Whether you are a man or woman, new to the parish, or have lived here your whole life, we would love to talk to you about the Knights of Columbus or the Knights of Columbus Ladies Aux. For more information, please contact: Grand Knight, Alan Cortvrient 573-619-3633 or Ladies Auxiliary President, or Debbie Borgmeyer 573-680-0716.

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Week 1: Sept 2 Elaine Callaway 690-8966	Week 2: Sept 9 Debbie Borgmeyer 680-9748 & Elaine Ready 619-6803	Week 3: Sept 16 Jean Pinnell 694-2111	Week 4: Sept 23 Sue Sandbothe 230-3154	Week 5: Sept 30 Nora Sprenger 395-3130
Lisa Norment, Jean Ortbals, Jennifer Ortmeyer, Tanna Ortmeyer, Donna Ortmeyer	Nyla Cartmell,	Jodi Pleus,	Phyllis Prenger,	Glenda Prenger,
	Molly Prenger,	Betty Pohl,	Angeline Prenger,	Donna Prenger,
	Vicki Phillips,	Emily Pointer,	Britney Prenger,	Janet Prenger,
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