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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

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"'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

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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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: Ken Sandbothe, President 644-4088;

Steve LePage, Vice President 338-3909; Tammy Sachse, Secretary 619-2562;

Jean Decker, Social Concerns 619-0282; Debbie Backes 680-7804; Randy Kempker 619-8230;

Maureen LeRoy 694-4487; Cindy Luebbering 291-2625; Tom Sanning 694-1241;

Linda Tobar 619-7306; Kristen Wegman 619-1202; Diana Wekenborg 694-6707;

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

- 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.



"For our family, friends and benefactors of our community who have passed from this world to the next; may they attain a share in eternal happiness through our Lord Jesus Christ risen from the dead."

Monday, Nov 13th: No Mass

Tuesday, Nov 14th: 7:00 p.m. - Ted, Antonia & Leonard

Sanning and Otto & Lucy Rehagen

Wednesday, Nov 15th:

7:45 a.m. - Fred, Mary Jane & Jim Henke and Tom

LeComte Families Thursday, Nov 16th:

7:45 a.m. - L&D of Alvin & Esther Talken Families

Friday, Nov 17th:

7:45 a.m. - Bill Chesnut

Saturday, Nov 18th:

5:00 p.m. - L&D of William & Grace Wekenborg Family

Sunday, Nov 19th:

8:00 a.m. - L&D of Joe Schoolmeyer, Haslag, and Frieda

Siebeneck Families

10:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

For those of you who have your offertory collection done electronically and do not receive monthly envelopes, the Special envelopes for Nov. are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, and Capital Improvements/Repairs.

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Nov 13 Perryville Trip with Fr. Kele

Contemporary Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. Nov 13

Nov 14 Quilting 8 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., Nov 16 after a.m. Mass

Nov 15 Birthday Celebration at Mass

Nov 15 Home & School Meeting 6:30 p.m. Cafeteria

Nov 15 PSR Class 6:45-8 p.m. SFX School

Nov 15 RCIA 6:45 p.m. In Church

Nov 16 School Advisory Council 5:30 p.m. Commons Rm

Nov 19 Children Liturgy of the Word 10 a.m. Mass

Nov 19 Rite of Acceptance at 10 a.m. Mass

Nov 20 Monday Morning with Mary (Taos Park) 7:30 a.m.

Nov 20 Contemporary Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

\$ 82,000.00 (4 Sundays) Goal for Nov.

Nov 4 & 5 \$ 11,967.75 ACH \$ 26,346.00 \$ 38,313.75

Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2023

Goal thru Oct. \$ 369,000.00 Actual thru Oct. \$ 323,544.78 **End of the Year** \$ -45,455.22



Married in Christ: Megan Mitchem **Tyler Wilbers** were married in our church on Friday, November 3rd, 2023

Parish Directory Update: We know many are wondering about the status of the Parish Directory. After several months of back and forth corrections, the proof was finally approved a couple of weeks ago. Confirmation was received this week that the directories should be mailed to the parish office no later than 12/18. If you have any questions, please contact us. We appreciate your patience and understanding with this process to create a beautiful parish directory. **Debbie Backes & Tammy Sachse**

Liturgical Ministries			
Nov 18 & 19	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers	Jean Pinnell	Rhonda Rackers Cara Sandbothe Ken Sandbothe MB	Tammy Sachse Brian Werdehausen Cindy Werdehausen MB
Lector			Rick Wallis
Ushers	Rita Lipskoch Jo Lootens Jim Radmacher Ruby Radmacher	Tom Wieberg Karl Lootens Joe Otto Nyla Cartmell	Jim Thessen Alan Cortvrient Cindy LePage Steve LePage
Servers	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Chace Ortmeyer Volunteer Needed	Aubrey Forck Tyler Sandbothe
Musicians	Jackie & Adult Choir	Kathy & Cheryl	Katnik

The Lunch Bunch will meet Wednesday, Nov. 29th at 11:30

a.m. at the Knight of Columbus. Please RSVP to Evelyn Borgmeyer 690-1332, Jean Pinnell 694-2111, Jane Knaebel 680-6158, or Janet Klebba 680-9925 by Wednesday, Nov. 22nd. This will be the last Lunch Bunch until March 2024.

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November19th

from 1-4 p.m. 🔔 for



who will be celebrating turning 90! At the Knights of Columbus Lower Level Please no gifts.

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



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

Thankful for the bravery, honor, service, and sacrifice of Veterans.

Praying for a world where their sacrifice is no longer needed.

Then they will beat their

And their spears into pruning tools.

Nation will not take up sword against nation;

They will no longer learn how to make war

(Isaiah 2:4 CEB)



MIRACLES?

SUNDAY DECEMBER 3RD 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM MONDAY DECEMBER 4TH 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM (WITH INTERMISSION)



Can miracles stand up to the test of science?

- Exclusive <u>film</u> footage of a stigmatist who bleeds from her hands, feet, and head. Are these the wounds of Christ? What does science have to say?
- A consecrated Communion Host become living flesh and blood. Is it heart tissue? What does science have to sav?
- A scientist (former atheist), an attorney and a famous TV Journalist witness status of Jesus weeping real tears and shedding real blood. Are these claims true? What does science have to say?

St. Francis Xavier is hosting an **EVENT** for everyone in the area. If you have an "I will believe it when I see it" attitude, don't miss this event!

"Put it this way-this is either the biggest hoax of the 20th Century, in which case it would have to be a fairly huge conspiracy, or the most important moment of the century, <u>if not the whole millennium."</u>

New Zealand journalist

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For detailed information go to www.ScienceTestsFaith.com/Francis

ENERGIZE



OUR PARISH

We need your help! Here is a link and QR Code to a survey about our parish. This is an anonymous survey. You may also visit our website at **www.sfxtaos.com**

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B7QG29G

No computer or iPhone? No problem just contact the parish office for a paper copy of the survey.573-395-4401



We still have a few Openings!

Join us and Father Kelechi on a Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Miraculous Medal Perryville, MO on Monday, November 13, 2023

We will be carpooling and we have 7 drives available.

Leaving St. Francis at 5 a.m.

Rosary at the Grotto 9 a.m.

Tour of Shrine at 11:30 a.m.

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Lunch provided at the Shrine \$15

Bring a Lawn Chair

Call Cathy Singer to sign up 573-690-1491

Please join us as we welcome our RCIA Catechumens and Candidates next **Sunday, November 19th** at the 10 a.m. Mass for **The Rite of Acceptance.**

Michael Bardwell
Evan Kay
Stormy Moayer
Beth Sandbothe
Jammie Sandbothe

Rosary Count 574

Holiday Memorials: are a great way to remember those who have died. If you would like to make a donation in the memory of a loved one, his or her name will appear in the holiday bulletin. A suggested offering would be \$15. This offering will go toward the upkeep and decorating of our beautiful church. Must be received by Tuesday, December 12th to get in the Christmas bulletin as it goes to print early due to the holidays.

ARISE WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRESENTS

Seasons of Christmas

HOPE, PEACE, JOY AND LOVE

PLEASE JOIN US

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023 6PM ST. PETER CHURCH, SELINGER CENTER

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From every generation and through all seasons of life we embrace our sacred moments to discover who we are in Christ. Our evening will include light refreshments, music, games, laughter and Christ(mas) reflections on living and enjoying the Season of Now.

Speakers: Millie Aulbur, Stephanie Rankin, Mary Winter, Jeanne Livers, LeAnn Korsmeyer

REGISTRATION DEADLINE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20
Email: RegisterAriseEvent@gmail.com

Call or Text: Diana (573) 645-2040

LeAnn (573) 690-2882

\$5 COLLECTED AT DOOR/CASH OR VENMO
ALL WOMEN OF FAITH ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM



1 Faith 1 Family 1 SFX

A huge thank you to everyone who helped out with the Fall Supper this past weekend. The weather was perfect and the food was delicious. Thank you to all of the workers who volunteered their time to make the event possible. Thank you as well to the Fall Supper Committee for all of their hard work. A very special thank you to Brian and Emily Talken for the countless hours they spent to chair this event and make it such a huge success.

On All Souls Day our students and staff processed to the cemetery with Fr. Kelechi and Deacon Mike for a special blessing of the graves. It was a chilly, but beautiful morning to celebrate all those that have gone before us. Thank you Fr. Kelechi and Deacon Mike for taking time out of your schedules to celebrate this special day with us.

A few weeks ago we had our annual pumpkin carving contest. There were over 30 fun, creative, and spooky pumpkins for our judges to choose from. Our overall winners were Grace/Cody B., Lily G., Elise K., Libby S., Harper T., and Eleanor G. Great job to these winners and great job to all of our pumpkin decorators this year.

Upcoming School Events

Tuesday, 11/14 - Flu Shot Clinic Wednesday, 11/15 - November B-Day Celebration, Home & School Meeting

Thursday, 11/16 - Faculty Meeting, School Advisory Council Meeting

Friday, 11/17 - Progress Reports Wednesday, 11/22-11/24 - Thanksgiving Break Thursday, 11/30 - Last Day for Shorts (Tentative)

> Blessings, Mr. Jordan Tobar, Principal

itobar@sfxtaos.com



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 eligi-

ble 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.



Interested in making an Advent Wreath or an Advent Paper Chain Countdown Calendar for the kids? Then join us **Friday December 1**st in the SFX

school cafeteria at 6pm. Please RSVP to Sheri Prenger at 573.291.3325. Supplies limited to 20 participants.

Blair Oaks High School will host the annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 16, 2023. The meal will be held in the High School Cafeteria from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Please RSVP by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 13th. You may contact the High School Office at 573-636-8514 to let them know you will be attending. The cost is \$5.00 per meal.



Giving Tree: Our parish has adopted 10 families from the Samaritan Center for Christmas. Ornaments will be available on the Christmas Tree in church **Saturday**, **Nov. 17**. Ornaments will contain the size information and gift suggestions. Children 14 years of age and under have 2 ornaments on the tree. One ornament for clothes and one ornament for a gift. Anyone

15 years and older has one ornament on the tree. All information on the ornaments are gift suggestions and not all items need to be purchased. The Samaritan Center informs the families that gifts are priced around \$15. Anything above that is at the discretion of the adopter. If you wish to spend above the minimum that is wonderful, but do not feel you must. All gifts purchased need to be wrapped with their ornament attached and returned to Reker Hall by 8 p.m. Saturday, December 16th. Thank you for your support of the adoption program. In some cases this may be the only Christmas they may have. The families are very appreciative of the gifts they receive. If you have questions regarding the Giving Tree, please call Jane Haslag @ 690-6101 or Parish Office @ 395-4401. Thank you for all you do to improve the lives of these families.



BIRTHRIGHT SHOWER: Our parish will be having a shower for Birthright during the Advent Season. Birthright is in need of new and used baby

items. We especially can use diapers and baby clothing. We will have a crib on display by the altar for you to place your gifts. This is just a good way for our parish to reach out and help the less fortunate. Let's continue praying for Birthright volunteers and mothers. If you have any questions, you can call Kathy Hayes at 694-4289.

The excellent programming of Covenant Network Catholic radio will keep you focused on the things that matter for eternity, your spiritual life. Pray the Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Angelus and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, each of which is broadcast daily. Many inspirational and educational programs will lift your heart throughout the day. Tune in to KHJR 88.1 FM or listen anytime on the Covenant Network app or at OurCatholicRadio.org.

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ARGYLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Pan Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Applesauce & Dessert

\$14 PER PERSON

11am-5pm

Raffle Chances

Carry Out Meals / Drive Thru

Inside Seating Available

6 for \$5



November, 23, 2023 with dinner served at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 11-2 p.m. Adults (\$15), 5-12 (\$6), Under 5 (Free), Carryout's (\$15). Turkey & Burger's Baked Ham with all the trimmings. Live auction 2 & 6 p.m. Silent Auction & Bingo 12 p.m. and kids games 2 p.m. community. Come out and see this powerful presentation.



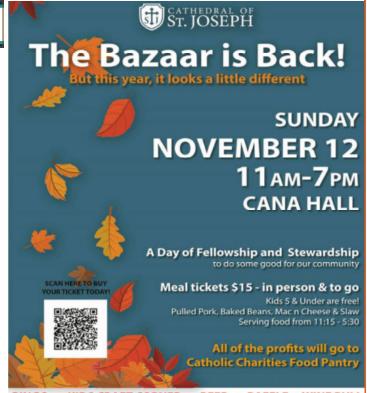
The Saint Francis Xpressions youth choir: will be singing Christmas songs at the Missouri State Capitol Rotunda on Thursday, December 7th at 1:00pm. We

would love to have a big crowd of our parishioners there to sing to at this special event!



Taos Wreaths for Heroes: Please join the Taos Wreaths for Heroes committee in the honoring our deceased veterans on Saturday, December 9th at 9 am in St Francis Xavier Church with wreath laying on veteran's graves to take place at the parish cemetery immediately following the

indoor program. The theme for this year's program will be "Serve and Succeed." Please help us honor veterans and their families this Christmas season and throughout the year. Family members and friends are especially encouraged to attend. Feel free to contact Dan or Charlotte Schnieders if you have any questions or comments at 573-635-2662 or dan.schnieders@yahoo.com.



BINGO - KIDS CRAFT CORNER - BEER - RAFFLE - WINE PULL ADOPT A FAMILY KICKOFF - TAKE A CARD OR "BUY IT NOW"



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).

Week 1: Nov 4 Elaine Callaway 690-8966	Week 2: Nov 11 Debbie Borgmeyer 680-9748 & Elaine Ready 619-6803	Week 3: Nov 18 Jean Pinnell 694-2111	Week: 4 Nov 25 Sue Sandbothe 230-3154
Rose Rackers, Paige Rackers,	Rhonda Rackers,	Ruby Radmacher,	Lisa Reinke,
Monica Rackers,	Karen Rackers, Beth Rackers,	Lori Radmacher,	Sandy & Angela Reinkemeryer
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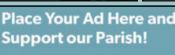


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