

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH (TAOS)

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"'Well done, my good and faithful servant.'" - Mt 25:21

St. Francis Xavier Parish

7319 Route M Jefferson City (Taos) MO 65101

REV. KELECHI UZUEGBU - PASTOR Email: kuzuegbu@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1004)

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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) Secretary - Laurie Herzing Email: lherzing@sfxtaos.com (ext. 1001) 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 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.
- The **Interested in Joining the Catholic Faith?** Contact Cathy Singer at the parish office 573-395-4401.

Mass Intentions

"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 20th: No Mass

Tuesday, Nov 21st:

7:00 p.m. - Bill & Joann Thessen

Wednesday, Nov 22nd:

7:45 a.m. - Winnie Lewis

Thursday, Nov 23rd: Thanksgiving Mass 9:00 a.m. - L&D of Tim Pinnell Family

Friday, Nov 24th:

7:45 a.m. - NO MASS

Saturday, Nov 25th:

5:00 p.m. - Roman Brandt

Sunday, Nov 26th:

8:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

be the last Lunch Bunch until March 2024.

10:00 a.m. - L&D of Clarence & Gesina Stegeman Family

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



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

happy thanksgiving





- Monday Morning with Mary (Taos Park) 7:30 a.m. Nov 20
- Nov 20 Contemporary Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
- Nov 21 Quilting 8 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 22 No PSR or RCIA classes
- Nov 23 Happy Thanksgiving to all of you and your families
- Nov 26 Children Liturgy of the Word 10 a.m. Mass
- Nov 27 Monday Morning with Mary (Taos Park) 7:30 a.m.
- **Nov 27** Contemporary Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
- Nov 28 Quilting 8 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., Nov. 30 after a.m Mass
- Nov 29 PSR Class 6:45-8 p.m. SFX School
- Nov 29 RCIA 6:45 p.m. Reker Hall
- Nov 30 1st Reconciliation for SFX & PSR students 6:30p.m.
- **Adoration with Benediction** Dec 1
- Dec 1 Advent Wreath Making 6:00 p.m. Cafeteria

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Goal for Nov.	\$ 82,000.00 (4 Sundays)		
Nov 4 & 5	\$ 11,967.75		
Nov 11 & 12	Early to Print		
ACH	<u>\$ 26,346.00</u>		
	\$ 38,313.75		

Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2023

Goal thru Oct.	\$ 369,000.00
Actual thru Oct.	<u>\$ 323,544.78</u>
End of the Year	\$ -45,455.22

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November19th from 1-4 p.m. for

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

Liturgical Ministries					T
Thanksgiving 23rd	Nov 25 & 26	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	
Cecilia Lock	Eucharistic Minister	Sue Sandbothe	Shirley Toebben	Linda Tobar	INAINA IUU!
Rhonda Rackers		Shirley Woehr	Debra Backes	Michael Winkler	and the second second second second second second
Jean Pinnell		Debbie Backes	Brenda Brenneke	Linda Distler	Therefore to all
MB		Sarah Boss	MB	MB	Thank you to all those who helped
Jeff Kempker	Lector	Brad Bruemmer	Glenda Verslues	Michael Winkler	with the Fall Supper
James Singer	Ushers	Brad Bruemmer	Andi Riley	Andrea Forck	and made it a huge
Andrea Forck		Carol Forck	Taylor Riley	Chris Reinke	success! We truly
Volunteer Needed		Tony Forck	Dan Sandbothe	Robin Reinkemeyer	appreciate all the
Volunteer Needed		Art Greenback	Josh Sandbothe	Ross Reinkemeyer	hard work and time
Aubrey Forck	Servers	Bode Wilde	Volunteer Needed	Julia Reinke	everyone put in!
Volunteer Needed		Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Tyler Sandbothe	Everyone did a
Contemporary	Musicians	Hood & Forbis Fam	Hoffmeyer & Branum	Katnik	great job!!

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

ord God, on this day of Thanksgiving, we ask your blessings on our family our friends, our home, our health-and on the food we are about to eat.

We thank you for this time together and the many gifts that you have given us. Help us to remember in this time of bounty those less fortunate. And may your love consume us all that we might share in your glory.

Amen.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN **MIRACLES?** - SEEING IS BELIEVING DECEMBER 4TH 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM (WITH INTERMISSION)

DECEMBER 3RD 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM 1 WITH INTERMISSION

Can miracles stand up to the test of science?

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n Host b h and blood. Is it heart tissue?

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!

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

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



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

THANKSGIVING MASS Blessing of Food

We are bringing the Blessing of Food for Thanksgiving to SFX. Father will bless any food brought to the **Thanksgiving** Day Mass and placed in front of the altar on the table. After Mass, simply take your food home with you and enjoy being able to eat blessed food!



Never Give Up an Opportunity to Testify of Christ President Bonnie H. Cordon

Anyone interested in helping with the "Miracles" event please contact Cathy Singer at 573-690-1491. Those interested in helping to cover the cost, may put a donation in an envelope marked "Miracles" and place it in the collection basket or take it to the parish office.

• 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 216 BROADWAY STREET, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

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

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM \$5 COLLECTED AT DOOR/CASH OR VENMO ALL WOMEN OF FAITH ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND



A couple of weeks ago I had the opportunity to attend a Leadership Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks. The week was filled with lots of learning and some neat ideas that I plan to bring back to school with me. Thank you to my faculty and staff for covering my duties throughout the week. It was very reassuring knowing that the students and school were well taken care of while I was out of the building for a few days.

The school Christmas Concert is quickly approaching. Just a reminder that the date for the concert has been moved to **Tuesday, December 19th**. We will be communicating the times for the afternoon and evening showings soon! Hope to see you there.

Please keep the 2nd graders of our parish in your prayers as they will be celebrating their First Reconciliation on **November 30th.** We will be praying for you Emma A., Emma B., Shannon B., Lawrence B., Nevaeh D., Millie Jo J., Madi L., Cooper M., Wyatt P., Allison R., Harrison S., Caiden T., Brady F., Lilly V., Delilah H., Reece B., Skylla M., Jace S., and Kamryn D.

Upcoming School Events Wednesday, 11/22-11/24 - Thanksgiving Break Thursday, 11/30 - Last Day for Shorts (Tentative) Tuesday, 12/5 - School Confessions Thursday, 12/7 - Expressions Choir to the Capitol

> Blessings, Mr. Jordan Tobar, Principal itobar@sfxtaos.com



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**.



to all those hard working guys who keep the Church, Office, Rectory, and School grounds looking good all through grass cutting season. We appreciate all you do! Especially during the heat of summer! **We all owe you a big Thank you!!!** Thank you, Roger Lamb, Keith

Henke, Ken Sandbothe, Jim Ortbals, Bill Buschman, Tom Wekenborg, Steven Bax, Adam Holterman, Roger Shikles, Dan Sandbothe, Travis Schaefer, and Kyle Bernskoetter.



Advent Paper Chain Countdown Calendar for the

kids? Then join us **Friday**, **December 1st** in the SFX school cafeteria at 6pm. **Please RSVP** to Sheri Prenger at 573.291.3325. Supplies limited to 20 participants.





Reverend Joseph H. Schmidt, the pastor at St Francis Xavier Church from 1885-1917, erected a monument in 1903 and was laid to rest at the foot of that monument upon his death in 1907. There are no known pictures of that monument. The existing

monument, the large red brick structure in the center of the Taos cemetery, was constructed in 1982 by Julius Forck and Jim Fork with the help of other parishioners. This brick structure has deteriorated and is not repairable. The new monument to replace it will be a lifetime, maintenance free granite tombstone monument. The granite cross and bronze informational plaque from the existing brick monument will be used on the new monument. We expect to have it within the next 4 to 6 months. **The Cemetery Committee**



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.

 Upcoming_EVENTS

 ARGYLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

 Image: Structure

 FALL CHICKEN DINNER

 Sunday, November 19th 2023

 513 2ND STREET ARGYLE

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

 Starry Out Meals / Drive Thru

 Inside Seating Available
 6 for \$5

St. Andrew Thanksgiving Festival (Tipton, MO):

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*.

2023 FALL SUPPER RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

STEPHEN FORCK - \$500 – Diamond Dog Food SHEILA SINGER - \$500 - Verslues Const LESLIE LONG - \$500 – David Vieth Plumbing **Mossy Oak Properties Trimble Funeral Home** Lock's Mill Propane **Bernskoetter Plumbing** DIANA WEKENBORG - \$500 - CMR Masonry **Eskens Drywall Knights of Columbus** Sandbothe Plumbing **Legends Bank** BEN WIBBERG - \$250 – Physicians Optical **KENNY BORGMEYER - \$250 – Kemna Collision Climate Control** BILL BAX - \$200 - KC Ladies Auxiliary Lutz's Garage & amp; Collision **STEPHEN FORCK - \$140 – Freestyle Fitness** Hilke Car Wash

Freeman's

MALLORY STROPE - QUILT – Frank & amp; Laverne Twehous KEITH HENKE - BABY QUILT- Art's Pest Control LESLI SPENCER - 1-WAY REMOTE START -The Entertainer DEWAYNE SPRENGER - KC CHIEFS HELMET – Rusty Drewing LUCAS WIBBERG - KC CHIEFS MINI HELMET-Rusty Drewing MARILYN HERIGON - GIFT PACKAGE - Callabyte DAVID PLEUS - GIFT PACKAGE - Callabyte JOANN ROSENBERG - MICHELOB SIGN – N H Scheppers Dist BRIAN TALKEN - COOLER – Fechtel Beverage CINDY LEPAGE - 2 OIL CHANGES – Jim Butler STACEY MILLISON - \$50 GIFT CERT - Ready Popped RUBY RADMACHER - GIFT CERT Steve's Rest RITA KERPERIN - COFFEE & FLOWER BOX – Acola Coffee Co

Men of Signum Crucis: We gather the **3rd Wednesday** of each month, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Helias Catholic High School. Chaplain is Father Paul Clark. Next gathering: November 15th. Call Ken Sandbothe at 573-644-4088 for directions or more information.

NEED YOUR 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	Week 2: Nov 11	Week 3: Nov 18	Week: 4 Nov 25
Elaine Callaway	Debbie Borgmeyer 680-9748	Jean Pinnell	Sue Sandbothe
690-8966	& Elaine Ready 619-6803	694-2111	230-3154
Rose Rackers, Paige Rackers,	Rhonda Rackers,	Ruby Radmacher,	Lisa Reinke,
Monica Rackers,	Karen Rackers, Beth Rackers,	Lori Radmacher,	Sandy & Angela Reinkemeryer
Rebecca Rackers,	Kathy Rackers	Gwynn Ready, Kara Ready,	Robin Reinkemeyer,
Mary Rackers	Kum Radmacher	Irene Rehagen	Mary Lea Reinkemeyer



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