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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

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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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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 the depressed and those suffering from mental illness; may the active compassion of the Church bring healing and consolation to those who are tempted to despair."

Monday, Feb 5th: No Mass

Tuesday, Feb 6th:

7:00 p.m. - L&D of Betty Stegeman Family

Wednesday, Feb 7th: No Mass

Thursday, Feb 8th:

7:45 a.m. - L&D of Edwin & Beulah Dudenhoeffer

Friday, Feb 9th:

7:45 a.m. - L&D of Mildred & Ted Struttmen & Minnie &

Anton Baumhoer Saturday, Feb 10th:

5:00 p.m. - L&D of Clayton & Jennifer Smith Family

Sunday, Feb 11th:

8:00 a.m. - Leonard, 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 Feb. are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, and Capital Improvements/Repairs.

SFX 2023 Year End Contributions St. Francis Xavier thanks you for

your financial generosity this past year. If you would like a record of your financial support, please call the parish office after January 15, 2023. We will notify you when the report is available to be picked up. 573-395-4401

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Feb 5	Women's	Coffee Group	9 a.m. K o	f C upper l	level

Quilting 8 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., Feb. 8 after a.m. Mass Feb 6

Feb 7 First Season of the Chosen 11 a.m. Cathy's House

Feb 7 PSR Class 6:45-8 p.m. SFX School

Feb 7 RCIA 6:45 p.m. Reker Hall

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

Feb 8 School Advisory Council 5:30 p.m. Commons Rm

Pastoral Council Meeting 7 p.m. in Commons Rm Feb 8

Birthday Celebration at Mass Feb 9

Feb 10 Pizza Kwik at SFX from 11-7 p.m.

Feb 11 Children Liturgy of the Word 10 a.m. Mass

Feb 11 Coffee after the 10 a.m. Mass - School Cafeteria

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Goal for Jan	\$ 82,000.00 (4 Sundays)
Jan 6 &7	\$ 10,920.75
Jan 13 & 14	\$ 13,484.25
Jan 20 & 21	\$ 7,474.75
Jan 27 & 28	\$ 10,425.00
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Offertory Collection Fiscal YTD 2023

Goal thru Dec \$ 553,500.00 Actual thru Nov \$ 507,258.88 **End of the Year** \$ -46,241.12



The Picnic Committee is looking for someone to Chair the Kitchen Cleaning Up for the Picnic and Fall Supper. Please contact the parish office 395-4401 or Brian Talken 680-8065 if interested.

Liturgical Ministries					
Feb 10 & 11	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.		
Eucharistic Ministers	Sharon Forck	Gerald Forck	Linda Tobar		
	Keith Henke	Josh Sandbothe	Patty Verslues		
	Jean Pinnell	Ken Sandbothe	Michael Winkler		
	MB	MB	MB		
Lector	Cecilia Lock	Glenda Vanderfeltz	Jeff Kempker		
Ushers	Carol Forck	Dan Sandbothe	Cindy LePage		
	Tom Henke	Dan Sanning	Steve LePage		
	Rita Lipskoch	Carson Sanning	Steve Distler		
	Jo Lootens	Bill Vanderfeltz	Chris Reinke		
Servers	Ezra Yeager	Volunteer Needed	Tyler Sandbothe		
	Bode Wilde	Volunteer Needed	Kiptyn Thessen		
Musicians	Katnik	Kathy & Cheryl	Children's Choir		



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

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Maybe I'm weird, but I like spending time in doctor's offices, confession lines in churches, auto repair shops, prison cells, and support groups of various kinds. It's refreshing to be with people who humbly admit something is wrong and forthrightly set out on a path toward a solution. When we ignore what is off kilter, we become alone and fragile. In places where people are honest and hopeful about brokenness, sturdy if subtle fellowship usually ensues.

Consider the image we see of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. "...they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by a demon. The whole town was gathered at the door." The entire human community is afflicted in various ways, and so it gradually forms a strange new community around Jesus. The healer from Nazareth is like a sun of health around which orbits a throng of humanity absorbing his healing rays. These blessed souls can't fix themselves and become healthy, and they know it. But they have found in him the living source of all imaginable healing.

It's the Church, isn't it? A sin-sick community gathered and healed is what happens at the beginning of every Mass. We shuffle in through the door from everywhere and announce that we are not okay, and we can't fix it. In doing so, we are drawn into the orbit of the healing power of Christ — and into a renewed community with the whole human family. It's nothing to fear or rush. Maybe we can even learn to enjoy more how good it is to be in such a happy place.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



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

Save the Dates

Welcome Father Home Feb. 11th Last Weekend to bring palms Feb. 10/11 Lenten Calendar in Bulletin Feb. 10/11 Burning of the palms Feb. 13th Mary of Nazareth Mar. 17th



Meeting - **Monday, February 5th** at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Room. If school is closed due to inclement weather, we will reschedule. Questions contact Cathy 690-1491.



Missed Season One ???

Join us to binge Season 1 before we start Season 2 during Lent **Wed. Feb. 7th** at 11 a.m. at Cathy Singer's House 6110 Helias Dr. Bring a snack to share.

RSVP 690-1491. Season 2 will be held the first 4 Sundays of Lent at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Room.



Join us in Welcoming Home Fr. Kelechi Sunday, Feb. 11 after Masses in the cafeteria.



GATHER YOUR PALMS

We will be burning this past year's palms for ashes to be used for Ash Wednesday 2024. Baskets are placed at the entrances of the church. The burning of palms will take place before Mass Tuesday evening on **Feb. 13th.**

Women's Ministry

Please join us on the **3rd Thursday** of the month as we aspire to grow in faith, friendship, and service. Next meeting is **Feb. 15th** at 6:30 p.m. in the parish office.



June 23-29, 2024 Watch bulletin for more details!





1 Faith 1 Family 1 SFX

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our school last Saturday night at our annual Chili Supper! We had a great turnout and it was wonderful to see so many of you there. Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped work the event. A special thank you to the Fundraising Committee ladies who put so much of their time and effort into making the event a success.

Thank you to everyone who came out to put their thumbprint on our mural on Saturday night. We had a great turnout and it really helped brighten up our mural. For anyone
who was unable to put their thumbprint on the wall, we will
have another opportunity on Sunday, February 11th
from 9am-11am. Please stop by the school cafeteria that
morning if you would like to leave your mark on the mural!

Upcoming School Events

Monday, 2/5 - ACRE Testing for grade 5 and 8
Wednesday, 2/7 - LIFE Runners
Friday, 2/9 - January B-Day Celebration
Monday, 2/12 - No School
Blessings,

Mr. Jordan Tobar, Principal jtobar@sfxtaos.com

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Applications due March 28, 2024



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Mass Intentions!

If you scheduled the below dates for your Mass Intentions please contact Laurie at the parish office. 395-4401.

April 5th, April 16th, Sept. 11th & Dec. 8th



573-418-9265

PIZZA KWIK FOOD TRUCK

Saturday, February 10th 11:00-7:00PM

> St. Francis Xavier School

Call ahead to order! 573-645-1894 Proceeds to benefit SFX 7th grade class. THANK YOU!

PIC.COLLAGE

Pizza Kwik Food Truck @ S.F.X. School Saturday 2/10 from 11 am - 7 pm.... Enjoy delicious pizza and support the 7th grade class on Saturday, February 10 between 11 am - 7 pm. Food truck will be parked at St Francis Xavier school. In addition to ordering fresh baked pizzas, consider stocking your freezer with half baked pizzas, to support these kiddos! Just order your favorites from the menu, and ask them to make them half baked. Call 573-645-1894 to place your order.

Thanks for your support!!

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K of C Council 2027 Fish Fry (Loose Creek School): Friday, February 9th & Friday, March 8th from 4:30 - 7 p.m. Drive thru only! \$12 per meal. Fish, Hush Puppies, Parsley Potatoes, Cole Slaw and Baked Beans.

Westphalia Knights of Columbus Soccer Club: Spring soccer sign ups will be held at the Westphalia KC hall on Tuesday evening, February 13th from 4-6 PM. All kids ages 3-14 (on 8/1/23) welcome. Email wkcsoccerclub@ gmail.com with any questions.

St. Anthony Knights of Columbus Breakfast: All you can eat Ham, Whole Hog Sausage, Biscuits and Gravy, Scrambled Eggs and Applesauce. Sunday, February 18th in the St. Anthony Parish Hall from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Adults (\$12), Children 6-12 (\$6) and 5 & Under (Free). Dine-in and Carry Outs Available.



Taos KCCC: will be having registration for summer league teeball, softball, & baseball on the following dates & times: Sunday, February 18th & 25th from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and Monday, February 26th

from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Taos Knights of Columbus Hall. Boys & girls ages 6-15 are eligible. Registration for Fun League teeball will also be held for boys & girls ages 4-6 on the dates listed.

Wardsville/Osage Bend K of C Fish Fry: Friday, March 1 at St. Stanislaus from 4:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. All you can eat \$14. Serving Fish, Hush Puppies, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, French Fries or Baked Potato, and Homemade Rolls.

St. Martin Fish Fry: Friday, Mar. 1st & 15th. Serving Fried Fish, Homestyle Potato Chips, Cornbread, Coleslaw, Green Beans, Applesauce, and desserts from 4:30-7p.m. Adults (\$13), Children 6-12 (\$6) and 5 & under (Free). To-go orders (\$13) and available in the church basement.

ENERGIZE! Our Parish:

INVITE A FRIEND SUNDAY AT 10AM NEXT SUNDAY (Feb. 11)

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Next Sunday our 10AM Mass will be "Invite a Friend" Sunday so please, bring someone with you. We'll also have coffee and donuts after, so we look forward to seeing you!

Taos K of C Council #6430

4:30-7:30 pm Dine-in or Carry-out



Fried fish or boiled shrimp, baked potato or fries. slaw, hushpuppies, baked beans, ice cream, tea & coffee

Kids burger & fries-\$6

Cash or check ONLY

Knights of Columbus Hall

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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: Feb 4 Elaine Callaway 690-8966

Shawna Schnieders, Joyce Schnur, Dolores Schollmeyer, Sara Schroeder, Kallie Schroeder

Week 2: Feb 11 Debbie Borgmeyer 680-9748 & Elaine Ready 619-6803

Diane Schuenemeyer, Sheila Schulte, Leanna Schulte, Edna Schulz, Michelle Schulz

Week 3: Feb 18 Jean Pinnell 694-2111

Denise Schwartze, Elizabeth Schaeffer, Alex Shilkes, Kathy Shilkes, Cindy Shiverdecker

Week: 4 Feb 25 Sue Sandbothe 230-3154

Amanda Shockley, Donna Siebenek, Laura Simpson, Kathleen Simpson, Rita Singer



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