

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

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TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

August 6, 2017

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Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact Toni Grojean at

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:00-3:45PM and

Wednesday at 4:45PM

when Mass is celebrated

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact the Priest at least

six months prior to

setting a wedding date.

SONG AND MUSIC

AS HIGHER EXPRESSIONS OF HUMAN FEELING, SONG AND MUSIC UNITE OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

Personal prayer is made in silent concentration, from a simple attachment of love. The liturgy which unites a community is a symphony which presupposes that its various instruments are tuned together. As the Old Testament puts it: "Praise him with fanfare of trumpet, praise him with harp and lyre, praise him with tambourines and dancing, praise him with strings and pipes, praise him with the clamour of cymbals, praise him with triumphant cymbals. Let everything that breathes praise Yahweh, Alleluia!" (Psalm 150:3-6). As in many religions, which make song into a higher register of human expression, the voice is the most beautiful instrument of divine praise, and the organ, which is a sort of orchestra all on its own, is its best accompaniment for sacred music. "Whoever loves singing," said St. Augustine, "and who sings well, prays twice over." Derived from the Greek word *psalms*, "the plucking of a string," a psalm is a poem sung to God, accompanied by a cithara or a lute. For both Jews and Christians, the Book of Psalms is the perfect expression of personal and communal prayer. There are 150 psalms, attributed to King David, which express to God the full range of human feelings when "touched" by misfortune or happiness, persecution, fear or tenderness. In turn, we fill them with our experiences and expectations when we sing them in a choir. They are a sort of love-song from the Bride, who tells the Bridegroom of her joy, and her sufferings.

Different centuries and cultures have left us with many forms of religious song and music, among which Gregorian Plainsong remains "specially suited to the Roman liturgy." Attributed to Pope Gregory I, who more than anything established the texts, this repertoire adapts and extends the psalms with the strength and the beauty of a profound interior knowledge. Its origins are extremely ancient, and it flourished between the Loire and the Rhine in the eighth and ninth centuries. After that, it spread across the whole of the Christian West, where it is still sung by numerous monastic communities.

In order to unite the faithful in a single prayer, there are also many other songs, whose force depends on their biblical inspiration, and which are sung in our various mother tongues - for example the chorales in German and English. Even today, music and song, when linked with different cultures, are a part of any religious celebration. They are a beautiful homage to God, which also honours those who sing them.

Source: *SYMBOLS OF CATHOLICISM*

Dom Robert LeGall, Abbot of Kergonan

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of August 6, 2017

Monday, August 7

St. Sixtus II & Companions, St. Cajetan

8:15 AM Mass Int. of Mark Blanton

Tuesday, August 8 - NO MASS

Wednesday, August 9

St. Theresa Benedicta of the Cross

5:15 PM Mass + Madleen Abbo

Confessions 4:30-5:00 PM

Thursday, August 10 - NO MASS

Friday, August 11

St. Clare

8:15 AM Mass +Emoline Miles

Saturday, August 12

St. Jane Frances de Chantal/Mass of Our Lady

4:00 PM Mass Int. of 50th Wedding Anniversary

Buford & Sharon Austin

Confessions 3:00-3:45 PM

Sunday, August 13

8:00 AM Spanish Mass +Albert Seiler

10:00 AM + Clarence & Anna Brucker

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In the Gospel today, Peter yearns to *do* something to make concrete the Transfiguration he had witnessed. But to be a good steward of this spiritual gift, he was instructed to be still, to listen to Jesus, and to wait for his direction. Good advice for us, too!

STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TREASURE

Sunday, July 30	Collection Report
Envelopes	\$4,760.00
Plate	182.58
Automatic Deductions (env.)	352.00
Poor Box	17.00
Mass Offerings	20.00
Capital Improvement	5.00
Spanish Mass	105.25

MONTHLY OPERATING ACCOUNT

Projected expenses FY 2017-2018	\$32,675.00
Received July 30, 2017	5,441.83
Received for July 2017	28,451.08

THANK YOU FROM BISHOP RICE

Bishop Edward M. Rice has issued a THANK YOU to everyone who participated in leveraging support for Senate Bill 5 (SB-5)! It passed in the Senate July 25 in a 22 to 9 vote, engendering some “common sense” emergency safety provisions for women and children in abortion “clinics” in Missouri! Governor Greitens has since signed the legislation. Thank you! The Missouri Bishops thank Gov. Greitens for calling the special session, and also expressed gratitude toward the Missouri senators and representatives who have worked tirelessly to pass this historic bill and uphold the sanctity of life.

WELCOME POTLUCK AND 125TH ANNIVERSARY

A parish potluck to welcome our new priest, Father David Dohogne, will be held on Sunday, August 27, after the 10:00 am Mass in the Parish Center gym. We will also be celebrating our 125th Anniversary of the founding of our parish. Everyone is welcome and is asked to bring a covered dish as follows: Last names beginning with A-K, please bring a salad; last names beginning with L-Z, please bring a vegetable dish. If you have any memorabilia you would like to share by having it on display (pictures, articles, etc.), please put your name on the back so it can be returned to you. A table will be set up for display. Please plan to attend and welcome our new priest to St. Francis Xavier Parish.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 65TH ANNUAL CHICKEN FRY

St. Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus will have their annual Chicken Fry on Saturday, September 16, 829 Tanner Street, 4-7 pm. Adults—\$9; Children 6-12—\$4.50; Children 5 years and younger—FREE. Carry-outs are available.

PARISH ROSARY

The Rosary is said 30 minutes before weekend Masses: 3:30 pm on Saturday and 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. Please join us in praying for the needs of our parish. Consider bringing your family at least one time a month. If you would be interested in leading the Rosary at either Mass time, please contact the parish office.

"Be courageous...go to confession." (Pope Francis)

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL NEWS

- We are still taking enrollment for grades Pre-K through 8th grade.
- Monday, August 14 - Open House.
- Thursday, August 17 - First day of school.
- School packets are now ready and are available in the school office.
- We will be selling trash bags again this year - they are \$10.00 a roll. Please make plans to buy from us and help support our school.
- Saturday, September 9 - The School will be having a fundraiser at Klueppel's farm. Please plan on attending and bringing friends. The doors open at 6:30 pm and the band (Shades of Soul) performs from 7:30-11:30 pm. Bring your own beverage, chair, and appetizer, and a check payable to STFX School. No one under 21 years of age allowed. You are guaranteed a great time and all donations will go to the school.

SUPPORT FOR ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

Sikeston MediCenter Pharmacy would like to support St. Francis Xavier School by donating \$0.50 for every qualifying prescription filled and picked up at the Sikeston MediCenter Pharmacy. You may pick up your donation key tags at the school, parish center, or from any St. Francis Xavier School student. Just present your key tag when picking up your prescription. The pharmacy has a drive-thru and free delivery. This is a good way to support your parish school.

ST. JOSEPH ALUMNI, SCOTT CITY

The Alumni of St. Joseph School are having their first reunion on November 11 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Scott City. The cost is \$20 per person and should be mailed to Jay Simmons, secretary/treasurer, PO Box 2017, Cape Girardeau, MO 63702-2017. The fee includes the meal and the dance. A cash bar will be provided. The itinerary for the reunion will be Meet and Mingle at 3 pm, Meal at 5 pm, and Dance will be 7-10:30 pm.

LIFT US UP IN PRAYER

Please remember all those in our parish who are ill, homebound and in nursing homes:

Gary Clark, Jerome Rennie, Malcolm Sandvos, Emme Lankheit, Stuart Cawthorn, Mark Blanton, Joan Moss, Jon Burden, Andrew & Mickie Ormsby, Annabel Conners, Donald Cento, Beulah Leible, Karen Matthews, Rodney Abney, Marge Ferrenburg, Father Glenn Eftink, Jack Jackovic, Jim Hux, Pat Fetsch, Gary Ryan, and Bob Donze. For all serving in the Armed Forces, for the protection of the unborn, for religious vocations, and our religious freedoms.

RCIA 2017-2018 - A Life changing opportunity

All members of the Church are God's messengers. Therefore, share your gift of faith. Seriously consider offering an invitation to friends, neighbors, and relatives to learn more about our Catholic Faith. If you know someone who might be interested in our Catholic Faith, kindly complete the form below and give to Toni Grojean or call Toni at 258-1172.

Name(s) to contact: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

- _____ I will tell them to expect your call.
- _____ You may tell them I said to contact them.
- _____ I prefer to remain anonymous.
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