

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 12, 2017

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**Sacrament of Baptism**

Please contact Toni Grojean at  
toni@stfxsikeston.org  
or call the Parish Office.

**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.

Dear Friends in Christ,

Peace and blessings to you!

I pray this note finds you and your loved ones doing well.

During this season of Ordinary Time, the readings for Mass speaks of healing and allowing the Son of God to bring wholeness to our brokenness - those areas of our lives that are desperately in need of God's merciful gaze.

It is my hope that you are able to open up to God so that he can restore you – please know that the joy we seek can only be found in the loving embrace of our God.

Mark your calendar for the following upcoming events – we are truly honored to have **Fr. Juan Pablo Rodriguez** from the **Missionaries of Charity** for our second **Parish Mission**. ALL ARE WELCOME and please invite your families and friends.

**FR. JUAN PABLO**

**Presents**

***I THIRST* Mission/Retreat**

**Tuesday February 14, 2017 @ 7pm** – St. Henry Catholic Church – Charleston

**Thursday February 16, 2017 @ 8:15am** – Mass @ St. Henry

**Friday February 17, 2017 @ 8:15am** – Mass @ St. Francis Xavier

**Saturday February 18, 2017 @ 9am – 2:20pm** – Retreat Day at St. Francis Xavier

@ 4pm – Mass at St. Francis Xavier

**Sunday February 19, 2017 @ 8am** – Mass at St. Henry – Charleston

@ 10am – Mass at St. Francis Xavier

In the very words of Pope Francis, “**Do not be afraid of the newness of the Gospel! Do not be afraid of the news that the Holy Spirit is in us! Do not be afraid of the renewal of the structures that imprison us.**”

God love and bless you for the good you do!

Be at peace and remain blessed!

Fr. Patrick Ike  
Pastor

## MASS INTENTIONS

Week of February 12, 2017

### Monday, February 13

**8:15 AM** +Brenda Matthews

### Tuesday, February 14—NO MASS

### Wednesday, February 15

**5:15 PM** +Vincent Henggeler  
Confessions 4:30—5:00 PM

### Thursday, February 16—NO MASS

### Friday, February 17

**8:15 AM** +Jamil & Victoria Tellow  
*Seven Founders of the Order of Servites*

### Saturday, February 18

#### **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00 PM** +Ed & Bettie Pansky  
Confessions 3:00-3:45 PM  
*Mass of Our Lady*

### Sunday, February 19

**8:00 AM Spanish Mass** +Jack Garcia  
**10:00 AM** +Harry Lager

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Stewardship involves more than just the gift we bring to the altar. Today's readings say clearly that it is God's law that makes our offering acceptable.

### STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TREASURE

| <b>Sunday, February 5</b>          | <b>Collection Report</b> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Envelopes                          | \$6,356.00               |
| Plate                              | 92.10                    |
| Automatic Deductions (env.)        | 777.00                   |
| Poor Box                           | 24.00                    |
| Mass Offerings                     | 230.00                   |
| Spanish Mass                       | 86.00                    |
| Bulletin Advertising               | 125.00                   |
| Debt Reduction/Capital Improvement | 353.00                   |
| Mirror Subscription                | 98.00                    |
| Pray Together Missals              | 10.00                    |
| Altar Sodality                     | 316.00                   |

### MONTHLY OPERATING ACCOUNT

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Projected expenses FY 2017-2018 | \$32,675.00 |
| Received February 5, 2017       | 8,369.10    |
| Received for February, 2017     | 8,369.10    |

## HOSPITAL VISITS

We are committed to visiting members of our parish families that are sick or are admitted to the hospitals. We would appreciate a family member letting us know about this since we have no other way of knowing—and with the new regulations in place, hospitals will not release any information to us. Please contact Fr. Patrick at **(573)388-1833** or Fr. Alexander at **(417)718-8897** for a hospital visit or the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. We will do everything possible to make sure we visit and pray for you and with you.

## CAMP RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

Camp Renewal flyers/applications are on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church.

## SEMINARY VISIT

Plans are underway for a trip to Conception Seminary beginning April 1-3, 2017 (Encounter with God's Call), a weekend for all young men discerning a call to the priesthood to come and visit the seminary. Contact Fr. Patrick at [pnwokoye@dioscg.org](mailto:pnwokoye@dioscg.org) or call 573-388-1833 or Fr. J. at [jfriedel@dioscg.org](mailto:jfriedel@dioscg.org) or 417-866-0841.

## DINNER/DANCE/AUCTION

St. Francis Xavier School Annual Dinner/Dance/Auction will be held on Saturday, March 11. Doors open at 5 pm, dinner at 5:30 pm, and tickets are \$30 per person. Reverse Raffle tickets are \$50-win up to \$1,500, Party Barrel tickets-\$5 or 5 for \$20, Raffle tickets for Yeti Basket-\$20. Silent auction is at 5 pm, live auction at 7 pm. Contact school office for more information: 573-471-0841. PLEASE HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!!!!!!

## LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Fr. Alexander will be leading a book study of *The Lamb's Supper* beginning Thursday, March 2, 3:30 pm, in the St. Joseph Room. Participants may pick up a copy of the book in the vestibule. Please email [kay@stfxsikeston.org](mailto:kay@stfxsikeston.org) or call the Parish Office at 471-2447 if you plan to attend!

## CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

Feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead.

## SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

Counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offences, bear patiently those who do us ill, and pray for the living and the dead.

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**CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY**

CCM is hosting a Wine Tasting on Saturday, March 4, at the Deerfield Lodge, Cape Girardeau. Doors open at 6:30 pm and tasting begins at 7:00 pm. Live music is being featured, as well as small hor d'oeuvres, a silent auction, door prizes, and a 50/50 rifle. The fine wines will be from local wineries and companies. Tickets are only \$25 and will benefit a Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Patrick in May, 2018. Contact CCM for more info or tickets: 573-335-3899.

**SCOUT APPLICATIONS**

Girl & Boy Scout, Little Flowers Girl Club, and American Heritage Girl Club applications: Deadline for scout applications is March 13, 2017. For all scouting applications and inquiry, please contact Mary Ann Hennecke at 573-335-3899 or email [maryann@ccmin.org](mailto:maryann@ccmin.org). Please note that the Scouting Religious Awards Ceremony will be on Tuesday, May 2 at 7:00 pm at Old St. Vincent Church, Cape Girardeau.

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OPENING**

St. Augustine School is accepting applications for School Principal for the 2017-2018 school year. Qualified applicants should be a practicing Catholic, possess a teaching certificate on the level of principalship; elementary or secondary. Send resume to Fr. Joe Weidenbenner, St. Augustin Church, PO Box 26, Kelso, MO 63758. Call 264-4724 for any questions.

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL NEEDED**

St. Mary Cathedral School, Cape Girardeau, is seeking an elementary principal for the 2017-18 School Year. For more information, see the parish website: [www.stmarycathedral.net/principal](http://www.stmarycathedral.net/principal).

**GUARDIAN ANGEL, ORAN**

St. Ann's PCCW is hosting a carry-out dinner for Sunday, March 12, 9:30 am-noon. Menu: Chicken'n Dumplings, green beans, slaw, homemade bread, and dessert-\$8 a dinner. PRE-PAID ORDERS ONLY. Make checks payable to St. Ann's PCCW, P.O. Box 188, Oran, MO 63771. Pre-order/sales will also be taken on loaves of homemade bread at a cost of 2/\$5.

**ST. DENIS PARISH, BENTON**

- St. Denis Home & School is hosting annual dinner auction on March 4, the theme is "Go Greek". Parish Center doors will open at 4 pm, dinner at 6 pm. Tickets—\$30 per person. Catering by 2 Chef's Catering. For more info, contact Jill Klipfel at 450-2865 or 545-4491.
- **St. Denis Euchre Tournament:** Saturday, February 18, doors open 5:30 pm. Tournament begins 7 pm. \$10 donation per player, free chili/chicken noodle soup. More info: Barry Ziegler-573-318-5975.

**LIFT US UP IN PRAYER**

**Please remember all those in our parish who are ill, homebound and in nursing homes.**  
Laverna Rennie, Jerome Rennie, Malcolm Sandvos, Emme Lankheit, Stuart Cawthorn, Andrew & Mickie Ormsby, Annabel Conners, Mark Blanton, Joan Moss, Donald Cento, Beulah Leible, Karen Matthews, Marge Ferrenburg, Ralph Henneman, Rodney Abney, Father Glenn Eftink, Alma Eftink, Jack Jackovic, and Jon Burden. For all serving in the Armed Forces, for the protection of the unborn, for religious vocations, and our religious.