

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 15, 2016

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Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact Toni Grojean at
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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.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

It is with joyful and grateful hearts that we congratulate our high school graduates on their hard work and achievements and wish them well in their future endeavors. We are thankful for the role that has been filled by their parents as their first and primary teachers. May the Lord's face shine upon you and lead you to a more intimate relationship with him, so you may strive to be his servant in the world.



In a message sent to high school graduates, Pope Francis said,

“Tell them they are to place their lives in service to others and to become a blessing to others, like the Beatitudes Jesus preached, his Sermon on the Mount. Remind them that they should seek to be the best in all they do but they also should not turn the pursuit of success, pleasure and possessions into idols, nor allow these to control their lives because they risk becoming slaves to these. Tell them I am praying they become and remain friends with God, and that God wants to journey with them and be alive in their hearts and families. Tell them to trust God because He will lead them to authentic love, joy and peace. Tell them they are to be disciples of Jesus, missionaries of love and joy, they are to go out to the world, to embrace life with hope, embrace those who are poor as their brothers and sisters. Tell them to accept the challenges that will come and to see these as opportunities for growth, for love and for faith!” — Pope Francis

The graduates from our parish are:

**Alyssa Anderson
Lauren Eby
Nathan Hampton
Shelby Heckert
Devin Johnson
John Austin Palmer
John Paul Rowland**

**Jaden Barnes
Ryan Eftink
Miranda Harrison
Joseph Hunter
Anniegeorgia O'Brien
Jeremy Pigg
Alexa Turnbow**

Let us pray as a community of faith for these young men and women, that they may draw near to the Lord through the example of our Blessed Mother.

St. Thomas Aquinas, Patron of Students, pray for us.

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of May 15, 2016

Monday, May 16

8:15 AM Int. Mark Blanton

Tuesday, May 17

NO MASS

Wednesday, May 18

8:15 AM +Jamil & Victor Tellow

St. John I, Pope and Martyr

Thursday, May 19

NO MASS

Friday, May 20

8:15 AM Int. Shy Family & Deceased

St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Saturday, May 21

4:00 PM + John & Mary Pobst

St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions,

Martyrs; BVM

Confessions 3:00-3:45 PM

SUNDAY, May 22

8:00 AM + YYA

10:00 AM +Regina Anderson

The Most Holy Trinity

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Please take a few moments to prayerfully consider your offertory gift to God in thanksgiving for the many blessings you have received this week.

STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TREASURE

Sunday, May 8	Collection Report
Envelopes	\$ 5,350.00
Plate	321.14
Automatic Deductions (env.)	767.00
Mass Offerings	120.00
Capital Improvement	35.00
Spanish Mass	
Poor Box	134.55
Bulletin Advertising	64.00

MONTHLY OPERATING ACCOUNT

Projected expenses FY 2015-2016	\$32,675.00
Received May 8, 2016	6,791.69
Received for May, 2016	14,294.74

Thank you for your donations to the Diocesan
Development Fund!

INSTALLATION OF BISHOP

In cooperation with the Diocese, EWTN will live broadcast the installation of The Most Reverent Edward M. Rice on Wednesday, June 1, at 2 pm, CDT, from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Springfield. There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving the next night, June 2, in St. Mary of the Annunciation Cathedral, Cape Girardeau, at 7 pm.

ADORATION

Can you Spend One Hour with Jesus? Adoration will be Wednesday, June 15, in the St. Joseph Room. Call Sharon Chouinard to sign up (472-0517) or just come spend whatever time you can!

RELICS of the PASSION

In celebration of the Year of Mercy, please join us on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at 10:00 am at St. Mary Cathedral, Cape Girardeau, for a unique experience that highlights a rare collection of relics with an accompanying program commemorating the Passion of Our Lord.

MONSIGNOR STANTON FAREWELL

Msgr. William J. Stanton, a former pastor at St. Francis Xavier, will be moving to Regina Cleri, the priest retirement home in St. Louis on Monday, May 16. St. Mary's Cathedral, Cape Girardeau, will host a reception for Msgr. Stanton following the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, May 14 to show our gratitude to Father for his years of ministry to the people of the diocese, even during his retirement years.

LEAVING A GIFT FOR THE PARISH!

Anyone who wishes to make a planned gift for the parish should use the following language in legal documents (wills, trusts, etc.) **“Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, for the EXCLUSIVE use and benefit of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Sikeston, MO.** Whatever we have has been given to us by God. Our gifts of Time, Talents, and Treasures, when used for the greater glory of God, is blessed indeed. Remember our parish in your will!

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

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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

St. Francis Xavier School would like to thank all of the parishioners for the support they give our school. We always look forward to receiving the yellow envelopes each month. They help support our school and buy the things we need in order to keep our school current. If you would like to contribute to the school, the yellow envelopes are a great way to help us out! Thanks again! Debbie Pollock, Principal

- Last school mass, 8:15 am, Wednesday, May 18. Children's Field Day following mass. School will be dismissed at 12:10 pm.
- Last day of school, Thursday, May 19, Awards Assembly in the gym at 8:30 am.
- 8th Grade pancake breakfast, Thursday, May 19, in the parish gym, 7:30-8:15 am. Donations will be appreciated to fund the 8th grade trip. Parents, grandparents, and the parish are invited. Please come to support our graduates.

FROM CAMP RE-NEW-ALL

CAMP ST. VINCENT IN FREDERICKTOWN—WORKDAY—WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are having a work day at Camp St. Vincent on Saturday, June 4, at 9 am, to prepare the cabins, kitchen, and grounds for camp. There is enough indoor work that we plan to work even if it is raining. To confirm your attendance, please contact Kim Sellers by June 2 at (573) 979-9016, or kimsellers66@gmail.com. Lunch will be provided.

VACANCY AT ST. VINCENT de PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School in Cape Girardeau is taking applications for a Junior High social studies teacher for the 2016-2017 school year. Applicants should possess a valid Missouri teaching certificate and be knowledgeable in American history, geography, government, and more. The position will also include teaching one class of religion. To obtain an application, go to diosecg.org or call St. Vincent de Paul School office, 573-334-9594. You may email applications to kglastetter@svcape.edu12.net or by mail to Kay Glastetter, Principal, 1919 Ritter Drive, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

RUMMAGE SALE

St. Joseph School, Scott City, is sponsoring a rummage sale on Friday, May 20, 7 am—4 pm and Saturday, May 21, 7 am—11 am., in the school gym.

TEACHER VACANCIES AT ST. HENRY SCHOOL

St. Henry Catholic School, Charleston, Missouri, has teacher vacancies in the following areas:

- Elementary Teacher—Full Time—grade level yet to be determined
- Music Teachers —Part Time—1 day per week for grades PreK—8th
- Art Teacher—Part Time— 1 day per week for grades PreK—8th

Please send application, resume, and any other supporting documents to: St. Henry Catholic School, Mr. Michael Eftink, 306 Court Street, Charleston, MO 63834

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Our Mother Mary's Rosary Prayer Group will meet at 1:30 pm on Sunday, May 15, inside Old St. Vincent Church (downtown Cape Girardeau) and continue on the third Sunday of each month. The purpose of the Rosary is to keep in memory events or mysteries in the history of salvation, and to thank and praise God for them. There are twenty mysteries reflected upon in the Rosary, and these are divided into the five Luminous Mysteries, the five Sorrowful Mysteries, and the five Glorious Mysteries. The complete rosary will be prayed each month and be led by Patricia Harrison and others. All are invited to take part in this prayer, including local clergy and religious.

LIFT US UP IN PRAYER

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

Mary Schuchart, Laverna Rennier, Jerome Rennier, Malcolm Sandvos, Emme Lankheit, Andrew & Mickie Ormsby, Annabel Connors, Mark Blanton, Joan Moss, Donald Cento, Beulah Leible, Father Glenn Eftink and Alma Eftink. For all serving in the Armed Forces, for the protection of the unborn, for religious vocations, and our religious freedoms.