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SACRAMENTS

Baptism | Contact Father David
Reconciliation | Offered Saturday from 3-3:45pm and Wednesday at 4:30-5:00 pm when Mass is celebrated.

Matrimony | Please contact the priest at least six months prior to setting a wedding date.



"Go into the world and proclaim the Good News"

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

On behalf of our parish, we extend our prayers and blessings to all mothers in our parish and to all women of faith! Thanks for the many ways you reveal God's love for us, especially in your vocation of motherhood. As we honor you on this Mother's Day, may God continue to bless and guide you each day, especially through the example and prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary!

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar for this Mother's Day weekend have been graciously donated by the Women of St. Francis Xavier in honor and remembrance of all women (both living and deceased).

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Week of May 13, 2018

MONDAY, May 14

8:15 am + Maureen Klein Graham

TUESDAY, May 15—NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, May 16

5:15 pm + Mary Hahn

Confessions 4:30-5:00 pm

THURSDAY, May 17— NO MASS

FRIDAY, May 18

8:15 am + Jamil & Victoria Tellow

SATURDAY, May 19

Pentecost Sunday

4:00 pm Mass + Clara Miederhoff

Confessions 3:00-3:45 pm

SUNDAY, May 20

8:00 am Spanish Mass + Albert Seiler

10:00 am Mass For St. Francis Xavier & St. Henry Parish Families

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Jesus is the perfect steward—watching carefully over all who had been entrusted to Him by the Father and then sending them all out into the world in service. May I similarly protect and wisely use the gifts entrusted to me!

STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TREASURE

**Sunday, May 6
Collection Report**

Envelopes	\$5,405.00
Plate	174.00
Automatic Deductions (env.)	747.00
Poor Box	25.25
Spanish Mass (Cash Only)	70.00
Capital Improvement	140.00
Bulletin Advertising	32.00
Mass Offerings	10.00

MONTHLY OPERATING ACCOUNT

Projected expenses FY 2018-19	\$32,675.00
Received May 6, 2018	6,603.25
Received for May, 2018	6,603.25

IN APRECIATION FOR THE WEEK

On behalf of our parish, we extend our thanks and gratitude to all those who give of their time to help as **Lectors**. We are very grateful for your time and commitment in proclaiming God's Word given to us in Sacred Scripture at the celebration of Mass. May we grow in our love for the Scriptures and the truth which God shares with us in His Holy Word. May God abundantly reward you for your kindness and service!

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION

The eighth grade class of St. Francis Xavier School will be celebrating their graduation THIS Thursday, May 17. Let us keep our young people in prayer who are preparing for this important moment in their lives:

Ruhl Ault
Ty Gooch
Connor Hux
Avery Johnson
Vincent Klueppel
Aaliyah Ruiz

Congratulations!

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

We extend our prayers and best wishes to the graduating Seniors of our parish family:

Bryce Bays
Michaela Glaus
Elvis Jacobo
Thomas Lankheit
William Leonard
Allison Miles
William Pratt
Kathryn Price

We would like to honor and acknowledge our graduating seniors at the 10:00am Mass NEXT Sunday (May 20). Please bring your cap and gown if you would like to participate. We are very proud of you! With God's help and guidance each day, may you fulfill and reach your hopes and dreams!

CONFIRMATION LETTERS

Letters have been sent to the parents of our youth who are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next Spring. Please return these letters to the Parish Office, to Toni Grojean, or to Father David by TUESDAY, MAY 22. If the letter is not returned, it is assumed that your child will not be receiving this Sacrament.

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (DDF)

Our DDF parish goal this year is \$49,500. At this point, \$18,820 has been pledged. Please consider making a pledge to help support this important work of the Church in Southern Missouri. Additional pledge cards are available on the table in the vestibule of the church. Thanks for your generosity!

HONORING OUR BLESSED MOTHER

In our Catholic Tradition, the month of May has been a special time to honor, remember, and celebrate the life and faith of our Blessed Mother. The Legion of Mary is hosting a special gathering NEXT Saturday, May 19, at 10:00 am, in the church. The gathering will include Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction, prayers, and other devotions in honor of the Virgin Mary. Everyone is invited to attend!

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL NEWS

- St. Francis Xavier School has a position available for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year. If interested, please call 573-471-0841.
- Monday, May 14— 8th Grade Retreat in the Parish Center.
- Thursday, May 17— 8th Grade Graduation with Mass at 5:30 pm.
- Wednesday, May 23— Field Day.
- Wednesday, May 23—Fazoli's Night from 5:00-7:00 pm. Cost is \$10. Tickets are available in the school and Parish Office.
- Thursday, May 24—Last Day of School.
- May 29-August 3—Summer School for grades Pre-K and Kindergarten. If interested, call 471-0841 to enroll or for more information.

DYNAMIC CATHOLIC

Find Your Greatness: Four Habits That will Transform Your Life is a half-day event featuring Dr. Allen Hunt. This event will be held on Saturday, September 15, from 9:00 am-1:00 pm at St. Vincent DePaul Parish in Cape. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at DynamicCatholic.com or call 859-980-7900. For more information, check the flyer posted on the bulletin board in church. There is a limited number of tickets available, so please call early!

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

“The Eucharist is the bread that gives strength...It is at once the most eloquent proof of His love and the most powerful means of fostering His love in us. He gives Himself every day so that our hearts as burning coals may set afire the hearts of the faithful.” — St. Damien of Molokai

LIFT US UP IN PRAYER

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

Mary Shepherd, Christine Spurlock, Joseph Ross, Alma York, Julie O'Brien, Carol Gleason, Buck Brase, Jerome & Suzanne Rennier, Emme Lankheit, Stuart Cawthorn, Mark Blanton, Joan Moss, Jon Burden, Andrew & Mickie Ormsby, Donald Cento, Karen Matthews, Jack Jackovic, Jim Hux, Pat Fetsch, Anton Miederhoff, Bill Sharp, and Bob Donze. We also pray for those serving in the Armed Forces, for the protection of the unborn, for religious vocations, and for our religious freedoms.