

GRATEFUL & GENEROUS



“Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
In all circumstances give thanks.”

(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

A grateful and generous heart is the result of ...

Prayer

Spending our time listening to God and asking God
how He is calling us to use our gifts.

Participation

Sharing our time by becoming active in our parish ministries
or other charitable works.

Generosity

Offering our financial support of the mission and
ministries of our parish and the greater Church.



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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
BUILD MY CHURCH

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<i>Intentions</i>			
Mon.	27	8:00 a.m.	Larry O'Neill
Tues.	28	8:00 a.m.	Ann Bernard
Wed.	29	8:00 a.m.	Alvin Bateman
Thur.	30	8:00 a.m.	Paula Pace
Fri.	01	8:00 a.m.	Int. for Janet Counts
Sat.	02	4:00 p.m.	Poor Souls
Sun.	03	10:00 a.m.	Mary Reed
(SA)		8:00 a.m.	Parish Family

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. JOSEPH	
SATURDAY MASS - 4:00 PM	<i>October 2, 2021</i>
Lector	Margie Candelaria
Eucharistic Ministers	John Groboski
Altar Servers	Volunteer
Ushers/Greeters	M/M Jim Novotny M/M Chris Yancey
ST. JOSEPH	
SUNDAY MASS – 10:00 AM	<i>October 3, 2021</i>
Lector	Beverly Isgrig
Eucharistic Ministers	Pamela Schwartz
Altar Servers	Chris Willette
Ushers/Greeters	P. Venable, T. Willette Gerald Stanley
ST. ANNE	
SUNDAY MASS – 8:00 AM	<i>October 3, 2021</i>
Lector	Maggie Carr
Eucharistic Ministers	Diane Schnable
Altar Servers	Audrey & MaryKathryn McDowell
Ushers/Greeters	G. Fisher, V. Bender

St. Joseph Catholic Church St. Anne Catholic Church

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 Deacon Rev. Mr. Don Kintz
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 Mass Schedule:
 Weekdays: 8:00 am (Monday—Friday)
 Saturdays: 4:00 pm Sundays: 10:00 am



We are honored to welcome Bishop Mark Rivituso to celebrate Mass with us at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at St. Joseph Church in honor of the Year of St. Joseph.



St. Joseph Fall Raffle Winners September 19, 2021

1 st prize	\$700.00 Cash	Alice Kelly
2 nd prize	\$300+ in Misc. gift cards	Dan Howard
3 rd prize	\$150 Lottery Scratcher Tickets	Daniel Lukachick
4 th prize	\$100 gas cash donated from Chuck & BJ's	Bill Crosswhite
5 th prize	\$100 gift card donated from Save-A-Lot	Tammy Keller



Our Fall Dinner, Raffle and Country Store were a tremendous success! We very much appreciate our many volunteers who worked so hard in the kitchen preparing and serving dinners. We are also grateful to Frances and the Committee Chairpersons who organized and worked behind the scenes to make everything run smoothly. Our thanks, as well, for the many advertisers, and the contributions of our parishioners to the dinner and the donations of the raffle prizes. A parish picnic is much more than the profits made, it's also the joining of members to work as one. Thank you for your support!

Bingo – September 16, 2021

Gross Receipts: \$747.00; Players: 68

Your Gift to God

September 18 & 19, 2021

	<i>St. Joseph</i>	<i>St. Anne</i>
Envelopes	\$2,668.00	\$632.00
St. Vincent de Paul	10.00	
Maint. & Utilities	80.00	
Church Restoration	155.00	

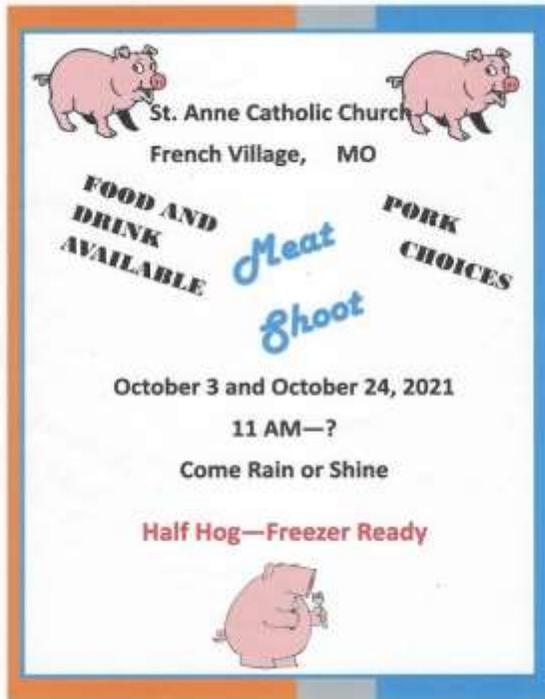
2020-21 Budgeted Amounts
 Envelopes/Loose
 St. Joseph \$3,712 St. Anne \$804
 for 52 weeks

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 26, 2021

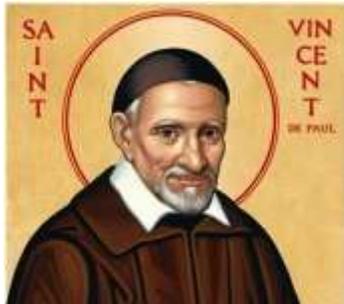
ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass: Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Church Cleaning Team #3 – Jane Schmidt



Any questions, please call Jean at 636.459.6403.



St. Vincent de Paul

After ordination, his charm and social skills gained him entry into the highest levels of society. A turning point came in midlife, when he was summoned to hear the confession of a dying peasant. He was struck as never before by the seriousness of his

vocation and determined afterward that his priesthood would be dedicated to service of the poor.

Eventually he established a mission congregation—later known as the Vincentians—and, with St. Louise de Marillac, founded the Daughters of Charity to serve the poor and sick. Of their unenclosed congregation, he wrote, “Their convent is the sickroom, their chapel the parish church, their cloister the streets of the city.” There were few charitable projects in which Vincent was not engaged.

He founded hospitals and orphanages as well as homes for the humane care of the mentally infirm. He ministered to prisoners and galley slaves and became, already in his lifetime, something of a legend. The rich and powerful vied to endow his projects, while the poor accepted him as one of their own. His spirituality was based on the encounter with Christ in the needs of one’s neighbors. As he instructed his priests and sisters, “The poor are your masters and you are their servants.”

Give Us This Day

Stewardship Sunday

On Sunday, September 26, 2021, the Archdiocese of St. Louis will celebrate its 21st “Stewardship Awareness Sunday.” Many parishes will use this time for their annual stewardship renewal by looking back in gratitude and thanking God for all the gifts that they have been given individually and collectively, as a parish community, over the past year. Also, they will use this time to look forward to the new liturgical year ahead to continue to grow in generosity with their time in prayer, talent in ministry participation and increasing financial support. So, why do we continue to teach stewardship? First and foremost, because we are disciples of Jesus. We were made in His image and likeness. As Catholics we are called to imitate His life. We are to be His eyes, ears and voice to build His kingdom on earth. As disciples, we are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to be generous with the “first fruits” of all of our gifts. To give our first and best of everything, not simply what we have “leftover.” Second, because we are all stewards of our gifts! Stewardship isn’t an exclusive club for a few members. We all have gifts to share. All are invited and all are needed.

No gift is too small or insignificant. Stewardship is a lifestyle. It is about putting God first in everything we do. Stewardship is the common thread that links all of our parish ministries together for the good of all. Third, because stewardship is what has built our Church. Gratitude and generosity is fundamental to our Catholic faith. It is the generosity of past generations that has built our Church. It is now our turn to continue the good stewardship of our gifts.

It is our responsibility to pass it on to future generations. Just like Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Ordinary Times are seasons of the Church, so too, stewardship is also an unofficial season of the Church - the season of gratitude and generosity. Stewardship isn’t complicated to understand, but it is hard to do. Stewardship is simply recognizing everything is a gift from God and being grateful and generous with our gifts. Everything we are and everything we have comes from God. We aren’t really “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of our God-given gifts. A critical aspect of stewardship is that we are called to be generous with everything, all of our gifts, not just the one or two things we pick and choose, and especially that one thing that means the most to you. This is different for everyone.

For some it is their time, for some it is their talents and for some it is their money. The words “time, talent and treasure” are used a lot when describing stewardship, but the gift that God wants the most from us is our heart. The whole point of stewardship is to keep us on the path of discipleship, to grow in holiness, to grow in love with the Holy Trinity and with each other, and to ultimately, help each other get to Heaven. During this season of stewardship, ask the Holy Spirit for guidance on how we can continue to be better stewards of our gifts; to live a more God-centered life and a less self-centered one.

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Perfect Contrition and Spiritual Communion

What to do if you cannot go to Confession or Holy Communion due to the COVID-19 coronavirus



If you have to self-isolate or are quarantined due to the COVID-19 coronavirus, it is unlikely that you will be able to receive the sacraments as normal.

In these circumstances, there are devotions through which you can receive absolution for your sins, (under certain conditions), and the consolation of Eucharistic grace.

These devotions are officially encouraged by the Church and have been practiced by saints.

How to make an Act of Perfect Contrition

Through an act of Perfect Contrition, you receive pardon for your sins outside of confession, even mortal sins, on condition that you determine to amend your life and make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as this becomes possible for you.

Perfect Contrition is a grace from God, so sincerely ask for this gift throughout the day prior to making your act of contrition: "My God, grant me perfect contrition for all my sins".

1. In reality or imagination kneel at the foot of a crucifix and say to yourself: "Jesus, my God and my Saviour, in the midst of your agony, you remembered me, you suffered for me, you wished to wipe away my sins".
2. Contrition is 'perfect' if you repent of your sins because you love God and are sorry for offending Him and causing the sufferings of Christ on the cross. Before the Crucified Christ remember your sins, repent of them because they have brought our Lord to His sufferings on the Cross. Promise him, that with His help, you will not sin again.
3. Recite, slowly and sincerely, an act of contrition focused on the goodness of God and your love of Jesus: "O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you and by the help of your grace I will not sin again. Amen".
4. Make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as practically possible.

How to make a Spiritual Communion

The key to Spiritual Communion is to grow in your heart a constant desire for the Blessed Sacrament.

1. If you are aware of serious or mortal sin, make an Act of Perfect Contrition.
2. Imagine the sacred words and actions of the Mass or watch online or on TV.
3. Make all those acts of faith, humility, sorrow, adoration, love and desire that you usually express before Holy Communion.
4. Desire, with earnest longing, to receive our Lord present — Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity — in the Blessed Sacrament.
5. Say this prayer of St. Alphonsus de' Ligouri: "My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You are already there, I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You; do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen.
6. After moments of silent adoration make all those acts of faith, humility, love, thanksgiving and offering that you usually express through prayers after Holy Communion.

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