



# St. Louis Catholic Church

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“The Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines; juicy, rich food, and pure, choice wines.” (Isaiah 25:6)

“This cup is the new covenant in my Blood...” (Luke 22:20)

## October 11, 2020 ~ Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rev. Mark Mullaney  
Rev. Andrew Haissig

### Sunday Mass

7:30am 8:45am  
10:30am *Traditional Ad Orientem*  
12:30pm

### Saturday Mass

8:45am  
5:30pm Vigil Mass

### Monday-Friday Mass

6:30am 8:45am

### Confessions

Mon-Sat: 9:15am  
Wednesday: 6:30pm  
Saturday: 4:30pm-5:30pm  
Sunday: 8:30am-9:15am

### Misa en Español

Domingo 3:00pm

**Confesiones:** Dom. 2:15pm-3:00pm

### Grupo de Oración

Sábado 6:30pm

### Poor Clare Monastery

703-768-4918  
2505 Stone Hedge Drive

### Mass Every Day

7:00am (Gregorian chant)

### Sunday Devotions

Eucharistic Exposition  
8:00am - 4:00pm  
Rosary 4:00pm  
Benediction 4:30pm



*Pro Deo et Pro Patria*

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Suffering is real in the life of each one of us. Look no further than your own neighbors, friends, relatives, co-workers, and fellow parishioners to know how true this is. Suffering comes in all forms: physical, emotional, spiritual, financial, relationships, and more. When life offers you the prose of suffering, respond with the poetry of faith. Poetry is greater than prose for it illuminates the meaning of life and the secret of our hope.

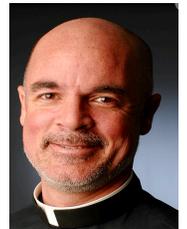
As you carry your own crosses, take to prayer this brief poem by the Jesuit poet, Fr. Alfred Barrett, S.J. (1906-55).

*The fog of why men suffer only clears  
When Revelation lances down its ray  
If Heaven be the banishing of tears,  
There must be tears for God to wipe away.*

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This weekend we pray in thanksgiving for Sister Maria Jose, PC, who celebrates her Silver Jubilee - ad multos annos, Sister!

Your Pastor,  
Father O'Hare



**Outdoor Wine, Cheese  
and Jazz**

**Featuring the Father  
O'Hare Trio!**



Mark your calendars! Saturday,  
October 17, from 6:30pm to 9:00pm

Enjoy live jazz and socially-  
distanced Phase 3 Fellowship!

On the patio space next to Walsh Hall. \$20 per person - adults only.  
To RSVP call the parish office or email Ignacio at [admin@saintlouisparish.org](mailto:admin@saintlouisparish.org)



## *A Different Kind of Political Engagement*

*September 2020*

Election Day is November 3. In *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* ([www.faithfulcitizenship.org](http://www.faithfulcitizenship.org)), we and our brother U.S. bishops noted, “Unfortunately, politics in our country often can be a contest of powerful interests, partisan attacks, sound bites, and media hype. The Church calls for a different kind of political engagement: one shaped by the moral convictions of well-formed consciences and focused on the dignity of every human being, the pursuit of the common good, and the protection of the weak and the vulnerable. ... We are called to bring together our principles and our political choices, our values and our votes, to help build a civilization of truth and love” (no. 14).

To grow in holiness, a question each one of us must answer is: How will I respond to this call for a different kind of engagement? This question is key as we approach Election Day, as well as every day before and after it, as faithful citizens.

In a pre-election letter on voting decisions we issued last year, we offered three main points:

- **Many issues are important.**
- **Not all issues have equal moral weight.**
- **Protecting life is paramount.**

As bishops responsible for the pastoral care of the faithful in our two dioceses, we re-offer these points here for your continued prayerful consideration, as an essential framework not only for the critical voting decisions that must be made each year but also for the vital prayer and advocacy that must be done on a constant basis.

Whenever human dignity is at stake for any of our brothers and sisters in the human family, we must be attentive and engaged. “[R]espect for the dignity of every person ... is the core of Catholic moral and social teaching” (*Faithful Citizenship*, no. 10).

Our moral obligation to oppose intrinsically evil acts – which are “always incompatible with love of God and neighbor” (*Faithful Citizenship*, no. 22) – “has a special claim on our consciences and our actions” (no. 37). Of these, abortion is the “preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed” (*Faithful Citizenship*, Introductory Letter). Since the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision, there have been more than 61 million abortions in our country. Other issues of grave moral importance “undercut the dignity of the human person” (nos. 22, 23). Our priority must be to protect life to the fullest extent possible.

For more on the principles involved in voting with a well-formed conscience, we encourage you to read paragraphs 34-37 of *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* ([www.faithfulcitizenship.org](http://www.faithfulcitizenship.org)). For a side-by-side comparison of what the two major-party Presidential candidates have said or done on a wide range of issues of importance to Catholics, visit [www.vacatholic.org](http://www.vacatholic.org). The side-by-side comparison was compiled jointly by a number of state Catholic conferences, including the Virginia Catholic Conference.

On November 3, please vote. Every day, please seek and live out the “different kind of political engagement” that will provide a clear example to others of the civility and consistent concern for the common good we are all called to embrace.

Faithfully Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Arlington

Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout  
Bishop of Richmond

# PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE COMPARISON // NOV 3, 2020

In keeping with its mission, the Virginia Catholic Conference aims to educate and inform Catholics about a wide range of issues. The information compiled here has been gathered from policies, public statements, official and campaign websites, and other resources, as of September 1, 2020, to help voters form their consciences before voting in November. The issues that appear here do not represent a complete list of issues that may be of importance to Catholics. The VCC neither supports nor opposes any candidate for public office.

“The right to life implies and is linked to other human rights - to the basic goods that every human person needs to live and thrive. All the life issues are connected, for erosion of respect for the life of any individual or group in society necessarily diminishes respect for all life. The moral imperative to respond to the needs of our neighbors - basic needs such as food, shelter, health care, education, and meaningful work - is universally binding on our consciences and may be legitimately fulfilled by a variety of means. Catholics must seek the best ways to respond to these needs.... Above all, the common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights - for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture - is false and illusory if the right to life, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination.” (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, Nos. 25, 26, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2019)

President  
**DONALD TRUMP**



Former Vice-President  
**JOE BIDEN**



## ABORTION

In 2016, Trump said that the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* “will happen automatically...because I am putting pro-life justices on the [U.S. Supreme] Court.”

In 2017, Trump signed into law a resolution to allow states to restrict Title X funding for Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers.

According to his website, “As president, Biden will work to codify *Roe v. Wade*, and his Justice Department will do everything in its power to stop the rash of state laws that so blatantly violate the constitutional right to an abortion...”

“As president, Biden will...reverse the Trump Administration’s rule preventing Planned Parenthood and certain other family planning programs from obtaining Title X funds.”

## DEATH PENALTY

In 2020, the Trump Administration presided over five executions (three in July and two in August), the first to be carried out by the federal government in 17 years. Two additional executions are scheduled in September 2020.

According to his website, “Biden will work to pass legislation to eliminate the death penalty at the federal level, and incentivize states to follow the federal government’s example. These individuals should instead serve life sentences without probation or parole.”

## EDUCATIONAL CHOICE

In February 2020, Trump said, “Yet, for too long, countless American children have been trapped in failing government schools. To rescue these students, 18 states have created school choice in the form of Opportunity Scholarships... no parent should be forced to send their child to a failing government school.”

In January 2020, Biden tweeted, “When we divert public funds to private schools, we undermine the entire public education system. We’ve got to prioritize investing in our public schools, so every kid in America gets a fair shot. That’s why I oppose vouchers.”

## ENVIRONMENT

Trump has begun the process of withdrawing the U.S. from the Paris Agreement on climate change, an international agreement to reduce global green-house gas emissions.

According to his website, a Biden administration will re-enter the Paris Agreement on day one.

## ETHICS IN RESEARCH

In 2019, the Trump Administration announced its decision to discontinue research conducted within the National Institutes of Health “involving the use of human fetal tissue from elective abortion”.

While serving in the U.S. Senate: In 2007, Biden voted in favor of the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act of 2007 (S.5), which provides for human em-bryonic stem cell research. In 1998, Biden voted against the Human Cloning Prohibition Act (S.1601).

## GENDER ISSUES

In 2019, the White House confirmed Trump’s opposition to the Equality Act, which would add the new terms “sexual orientation” and “gender identity” to the definition of “sex” in federal civil rights laws, and would exempt itself from the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993: “The Trump Administration absolutely opposes discrimination of any kind and supports the equal treatment of all. However, this bill in its current form is filled with poison pills that threaten to undermine parental and conscience rights.”

According to his website, Biden believes the Equality Act is the “best vehicle for ensuring equal rights under the law for LGBTQ+ Americans, and will guarantee that LGBTQ+ individuals are protected under existing civil rights laws.” Biden lists enacting the Equality Act as a top legislative priority.



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**DONALD TRUMP**

**JOE BIDEN**

## HEALTH CARE ACCESS

According to his website, Trump “repealed the Obamacare individual mandate, expanded plan choices and increased competition to bring down costs for consumers.” In June 2020, the Trump administration argued in a legal brief that the entire Affordable Care Act (ACA) should be invalidated. Signed into law in 2010, ACA expanded access to health care coverage for the uninsured.

According to a White House fact sheet, Trump “is using all available means to ensure safe vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics are developed, manufactured, and distributed in unprecedented time and scale in response to COVID-19.”

According to his website, Biden will protect the Affordable Care Act and build on it by “giving Americans a new choice, a public health insurance option like Medicare; increasing the value of tax credits to lower premiums and extend coverage to more working Americans; [and] expanding coverage to low-income Americans.”

According to his website, Biden’s COVID-19 plan “ensures the wide availability of free testing; the elimination of all cost barriers to preventive care and treatment for COVID-19; the development of a vaccine; and the full deployment and operation of necessary supplies, personnel, and facilities.”

## IMMIGRATION/REFUGEES

According to his website, “Upon entering office, President Trump called on Congress to fully fund a wall along the Southern border, to close legal loopholes that enable illegal immigration, to end chain migration, and to eliminate the visa lottery program.”

In July 2020, the Trump Administration announced it would reject applications for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program stating, “...the fact remains that Congress should act on this matter.”

The Trump Administration proposes resettling 18,000 refugees under a new refugee ceiling. The number admitted in 2016 was nearly 85,000.

According to Biden’s website, “As president, Joe will prioritize a comprehensive immigration reform to finally give 11 million undocumented immigrants a roadmap to citizenship.”

In June 2020, Biden stated, “As President, I will immediately work to make [DACA] permanent by sending a bill to Congress on day one of my Administration.”

Biden will set the annual global refugee admissions cap to 125,000.

## POVERTY

In 2019, the Trump Administration opposed a House-passed bill that would raise the federal minimum wage to \$15, stating, “efforts to reduce taxes, eliminate regulations, and implement fairer trade deals are driving economic growth and increasing workers’ take-home pay far more effectively and efficiently than legislation like H.R. 582.” The current federal minimum wage is \$7.25 per hour; a number of states and localities have adopted higher rates.

According to Biden’s website, “He firmly believes all Americans are owed a raise, and it’s well past time we increase the federal minimum wage to \$15 across the country. This increase would include workers who aren’t currently earning the minimum wage, like the farmworkers who grow our food and domestic workers who care for our aging and sick and for those with disabilities.”

## RACIAL EQUITY

In June 2020, Trump announced four steps to address racial inequity and police reform: 1) aggressively pursuing economic development in minority communities; 2) confronting healthcare disparities, including addressing chronic conditions and investing in minority-serving medical institutions; 3) an executive order that will encourage police departments nationwide to meet the most current professional standards for the use of force, including tactics for de-escalation; and 4) renewing a call on Congress to enact school choice.

In a June 2020 op-ed, Biden said, “We should also be directing our resources to actively undo the negative effect systemic racism has had on opportunities for black Americans,” citing inequities for African-American entrepreneurs, the gap in home ownership and discriminatory lending practices. Biden also said, “...I’m proposing an additional \$300 million to reinvigorate community policing in our country. Every single police department should have the money it needs to institute real reforms...”

## RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

In 2017, Trump signed an executive order, which states, “Federal law protects the freedom of Americans and their organizations to exercise religion and participate fully in civic life without undue interference by the Federal Government. The executive branch will honor and enforce those protections.”

In response to a July 2020 U.S. Supreme Court ruling preserving the religious liberty of the Little Sisters of the Poor, a White House statement said, “As the Supreme Court has previously stated, protecting the ability of people to worship and live according to the dictates of their conscience is part of ‘the best of our traditions.’”

According to Biden’s website, “The Trump-Pence Administration has deliberately and systematically attempted to gut protections for the LGBTQ+ community by carving out broad religious exemptions to existing nondiscrimination laws and policies across federal agencies. Biden will reverse Trump’s policies misusing these broad exemptions...”

Regarding the July 2020 ruling, Biden said the decision, “will make it easier for the Trump-Pence Administration to continue to strip health care from women—attempting to carve out broad exemptions to the Affordable Care Act’s commitment to giving all women free access to recommended contraception.”



# Growing in FAITH™

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October 2020

Saint Louis Catholic Church  
Rev. Keith O'Hare, Pastor

## One Minute Meditations

### True happiness

Popular theologian C.S. Lewis wrote, "Aim at Heaven and you will get Earth thrown in. Aim at Earth and you get neither." We were made for God and can't be truly happy unless we are united with him. If we focus on worldly concerns, we will never know the meaning of true happiness. If we focus on God, we will know happiness even on Earth.

### The Commandment imbalance

Of the Ten Commandments, only the first three address how we are to respect the Creator of the universe. The other seven detail how we are to treat each other. It is one way God lets us know how much he wants us to love one another.

### Silence of the heart

"In the silence of the heart God speaks. If you face God in prayer and silence, God will speak to you. Souls of prayer are souls of great silence." Mother Teresa of Calcutta

## "Live in harmony with one another"

In times of uncertainty or stress, tempers can shorten, perspectives narrow, and peace suffers. It is important to remember that Jesus came to bring love and unity. His followers are asked to do the same.

*"The rich and the poor meet together; the Lord is the maker of them all"* (Proverbs 22:2) – embrace diversity, don't just tolerate it. Different as we are, we are all made in God's image and likeness. There is great diversity in the communion of saints.

*"Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another"* (1 John 4:11) – as children of God, all humans were created with inherent dignity that we are required to acknowledge.

Trying to understand others' perspectives is the best way to realize the impact of our actions on them.

*"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God"*

(Matthew 5:9) – a steady diet of violent entertainment and media helps us become comfortable with violence and to see people as characters rather than humans.

Instead, live with peace and pray for victims of violence.

*"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts"* (Colossians 3:15). This means we have to make the choice to trust God's promises (letting His peace rule) or to rely on ourselves and reject the peace He offers.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

God gives us a free gift to share in His life, a gift that we can't earn and don't deserve. Called, "grace," this gift helps us to become His adopted children. When God shares His divine life with us as sanctifying grace, we

## What is grace?

are strengthened to act in His love. Through actual grace, God strengthens us to live in harmony with His will. Sacramental and special graces – gifts of the Holy Spirit – help us to live out our Christian vocation.

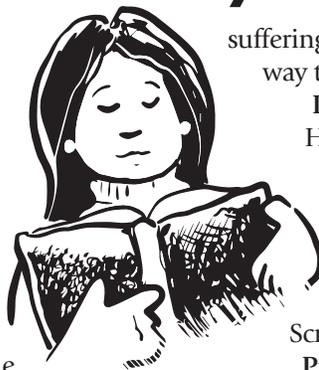


# Make holiness your goal

All people are called to be holy, "Be you therefore perfect, as also your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48). Achieving holiness requires a constant effort like climbing a mountain. To stop trying, even for a little while, is to lose ground. Daily effort will pay off with results.

**Look for Jesus' presence.** Search for Him each day. Not only will awareness of His presence help you grow in love and kindness toward everyone, you will find it easier to control your faults.

**Don't avoid suffering.** Jesus experienced extreme



suffering in His time on Earth and used it to pave our way to Heaven.

**Pay attention to His voice.** Speak to Him, ask Him for help, express sorrow for your mistakes, tell Him you love Him.

**Nurture your faith.** Just as food nourishes our bodies, faith feeds our souls. Scripture is a staple of our spiritual diet. Ask for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to meditate on Scripture every day.

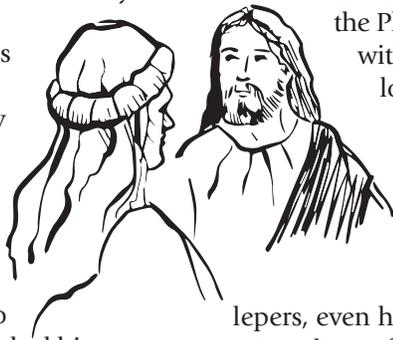
**Practice patience.** It's the first step toward holiness.

## from Scripture

### Matthew 22:34-40, Jesus has the right answers.

In their first meeting with Jesus, the Pharisees attempted to trap him into publicly contradicting Jewish law by sending a slick lawyer to "engage" him. Then Jesus could be arrested and silenced. The lawyer they sent knew that generations of Jews had debated fruitlessly about which law was the most important. Pretending to seek Jesus' opinion, he asked him to choose which of the 613 commandments of the Jewish law was the most important.

Jesus silenced them by saying that everything starts and ends with love –



love of God and love of others. To love God is to love one another. Love is at the heart of all the other laws. Even the Pharisees couldn't argue with that. While it is easy to love God, loving others is more difficult. It means including those our natural inclination says to exclude or avoid. Jesus loved prostitutes, thieves, lepers, even his political enemies.

True love of neighbor is measured by how we treat the poor, the vulnerable, and our enemies. This is how God loves and he calls us to the same.

## Q & A

### How can I develop more faith?

Faith is not a single event or a mastered skill. It's a journey that develops and grows over time. A father asking Jesus for a miraculous cure for

his son cried out, "I do believe, help my unbelief" (Mark 9:24). We have to ask God to help our faith develop and grow.

The best way to develop a strong faith is to pray.



Prayer is a conversation with God. Most of us use prayer to talk at God, but it's important to listen, too.

One good way to listen to God is to read his Word in the Bible. Start by reading a passage from Scripture, particularly the Gospels. Then ask yourself what the passage is saying to you, personally.

For example, ask yourself, "What is God saying to me through this reading?" Or "How can I put his message into practice in my life?" We need to meditate on the message and put it into action in our lives. Only then can the word be "living and effective" (Hebrews 4:12).

## Feasts & Celebrations

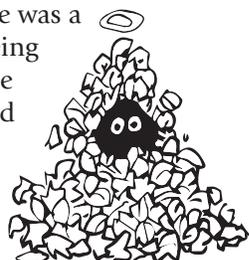
In October we celebrate the Rosary with the feast of **Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th**. The Rosary helps us meditate on the mysteries of our salvation – Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection.

**Oct. 15 - St. Teresa of Avila (1583).** St. Teresa founded a strict religious order whose nuns wore rough brown habits and sandals instead of shoes. St. Teresa established more than 17 convents of Discalced Carmelites and helped reform the Carmelite friars.

**Oct. 17 – St. Ignatius of Antioch**

(1st century). Succeeded St. Peter as the second bishop of Antioch, St. Ignatius encouraged obedience to the world's bishops and reminded people that Jesus is present in the Church and in each other.

**Oct. 28 – St. Simon and St. Jude (1st century).** St. Simon was a Zealot – Jews who believed that the Messiah would free them from political oppression. St. Jude was a fisherman. After being called by Jesus to be apostles, they ended up in Persia where they evangelized until they were martyred.



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**Message from Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge,  
Bishop of the Diocese of Arlington, on Respect Life Month 2020**

October is traditionally observed in the Church across the United States as Respect Life Month. During this month, we pause and give thanks for the gift of human life.

This year's theme, "Live the Gospel of Life," reminds us that authentic discipleship means choosing to see and serve Christ in all people, especially the unborn, the aged, the infirm, the poor and the most vulnerable. May we continue to spread the Gospel of Life through the witness of our lives and always seek to do our part as God's holy family to proclaim consistently and courageously his truth in love.

This year, we also have the opportunity to take direct action in supporting the unborn and vulnerable by bringing our convictions with us into the voting booth. By participating in the political process as faithful citizens, we can give voice to the voiceless and remind our society that life is the foundation upon which all other rights are based.

We know that many suffer the pain caused by abortion. Especially at this time, I invite anyone who might be suffering the agony and aftermath of abortion to join our confidential Project Rachel ministry so that they may move forward with hope and healing.

Strengthened by our prayer, together in the light of Christ, I ask Mary our Mother to keep us all under her mantle as we seek to live the Gospel of Life with hope and joy.

**~A~W~A~K~E~N~  
(FOR GRADES 9-12)**

**Dinner, Fun and Faith!**

**Every Wednesday ~ 6pm to 8pm**

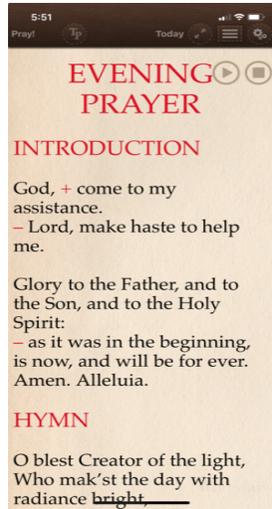
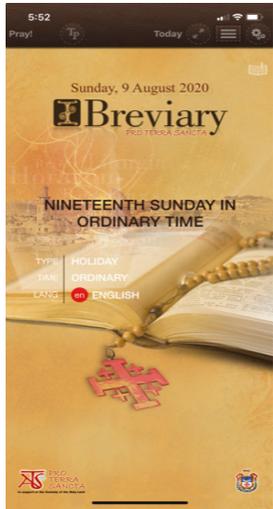
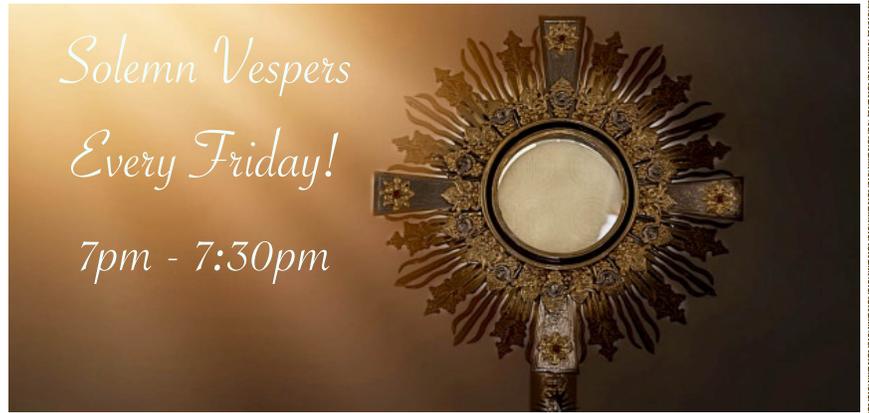
**In the Gym**



**For info contact: Andrew Lane at [ym@saintlouisparish.org](mailto:ym@saintlouisparish.org)**

**Solemn Vespers for Women!  
Third FRIDAY of the month!  
7pm-8pm**

Eucharistic Adoration for 30 minutes  
(includes Evening Prayer, a brief homily,  
silent meditation, and Benediction)  
Followed by a dynamic interactive  
discussion for women.



To participate in Solemn Vespers (if you do not own a copy of the Liturgy of the Hours), please download the free app: iBreviary. This app contains all the prayers that will be used for Solemn Vespers and Solemn Benediction.

**Weekly Catholic Bioethics Class with Father Mullaney**

Father Mullaney's class on Bioethics will take place every Tuesday at 7pm in the church, and every Wednesday at 10:30am in the church. As Catholics, our reverence for human life and adherence to the Ten Commandments provides us with the tools necessary to rightly accept or reject advancing medical procedures and societal policies. Fr. Mullaney will explore many issues that are current and quickly changing. The teachings of the Catholic Church allow a well-formed conscience to discern what is morally acceptable and what is not. Ethical challenges are encountered in our daily life, and often in very personal and emotional situations: in our medical care, when facing death, in difficulties in conception and pregnancy, facing genetic testing and screening, understanding sexuality and gender, disabilities, mental health issues, consent, medical research and more. Please



**Prayer for the Homebound**

Lord, you have a special love for those who are weak, infirm, and dependent. Bless the homebound parishioners of our parish as they carry their daily crosses. May our prayers bring them strength and consolation, and the Sacraments sanctify and inspire them. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. This week we pray especially for the following homebound parishioners: Don Weber, Nellie Hiebert, Phoebe Ianelli, Katy Jakubowski, Donna Jenkins, and Amir Kalil.

## United Community (UC) Food Drive

Next Saturday and Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, St. Louis will be conducting its monthly Food Drive to help restock the shelves at *UC's Food Pantry*. Last month our parish donated **1,746 lbs** of food to UC. We invite each St. Louis family to contribute at least one grocery bag filled with non-perishable food items. Monetary donations and grocery store gift cards also are welcome. On Saturday, we will be collecting the donations at the rear of the church building from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Just drive up, drop off and drive away! We also will be collecting donations at all the weekend Masses. For further information contact Marvin Spychaj @ 703-780-3498 or marvinspychaj@msn.com.

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*"The teachers really care about the students and their success. They want each student to grow as a human being rather than treating us as a number or grade. The people at JP make up the whole school atmosphere. They are all supportive and encouraging, and always try to help each other out." —K.R.*

# Friendship

St. Louis Catholic School students are working on building and sustaining friendships this month. Our virtue of friendship focuses on sharing a mutual respect that seeks the good of another; virtuous friendship is rare and valuable because it seeks to what is right for another. As a school community we will be directing our virtuous efforts towards helping friends in need even if we don't know them personally. Students are collecting non-perishable food items for the St. Lucy Project and later this month will be walking and praying for the homeless—beautiful witness to cultivating friendships.



## HAWKS 5K & FUN RUN

The Hawks 5K & Fun Run is going virtual!  
 Register to walk or run in support of St. Louis School  
 October 30 - November 8. Course suggestions on website.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Alexandria/StLouisHawks5K>

Principal Anne Dyke ~ [www.stlouisschool.org](http://www.stlouisschool.org) ~ 703-768-7732

### LET US PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

**Monday, October 12**

6:30am, NO MASS  
 7:00am-Poor Clare, +Anne Marie Frigon  
 8:45am, Intentions of Alice and Rachel Andan

**Tuesday, October 13**

6:30am, Intentions of James Fitzpatrick  
 7:00am-Poor Clare, Intentions of Maureen and Patrick Glemser  
 8:45am, +Emerita D. Homo

**Wednesday, October 14**

6:30am, In Thanksgiving for St. Santiago, St. Bombory and St. Jeronimo  
 7:00am-Poor Clare, Intentions of Michael Coyle  
 8:45am, +Virgilio H. Maniquiz

**Thursday, October 15**

6:30am, Intentions of Pat and Wife Glemser  
 7:00am-Poor Clare, Intentions of Elizabeth Coyle  
 8:45am, +Carlos Alberto

**Friday, October 16**

6:30am, Intentions of Cheryl Gores  
 7:00am-Poor Clare, Intentions of John Coyle  
 8:45am, Intentions of Brian Nienaber

**Saturday, October 17**

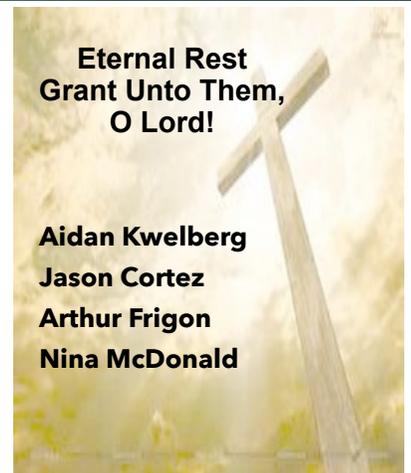
7:00am-Poor Clare, +Souls in Purgatory  
 8:45am, +Rosa Barreras  
 5:30pm, +Augusto B. Karpf

**Sunday, October 18**

7:00am-Poor Clare, Intentions of Claire Hilado  
 7:30am, +Sylvester and Vera Bolday  
 8:45am, Intentions of Marian Spencer  
 10:30am, Intentions of People of St. Louis  
 12:30pm, +Arthur Frigon  
 3:00pm, +Aidan Kwelberg

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<b>Monday</b>	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7; Lk 11:29-32	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saint Hedwig, Religious; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin</b> Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48; Lk 11:37-41	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr</b> Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 12:8-12
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr</b> Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 11:42-46	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</b> Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 11:47-54		



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