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Welcome to St. Louis Parish!

We are blessed by your presence with us today. Whether you are a long-time parishioner, relatively new to the parish, home from school, or visiting for the weekend, we are grateful that you have chosen to worship here at St. Louis Catholic Church. As Roman Catholics, the Holy Eucharist is the center of our lives, and the source of our mission. Nourished by the Word of God, we strive to instill family values, promote social justice, and foster life-long formation in the Catholic faith. As we work together to build a community dedicated to living the Gospel, we commit ourselves to generous stewardship and the responsible use of our spiritual and material resources.

If you are new to the parish, we invite you to register as a member by calling the Parish Office.

Prayer & Devotion

Rosary & Holy Hour: First Sunday of the month at 7:00pm

Prayer Service: Saturday at 8:05am

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 6:30, 9:30 & 11:00am

Weekday:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday &
Friday 8:10am
Tuesday 6:00pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation (Confession):

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
after the 8:10am Mass;
Tuesday at 5:00pm; Saturday at 4:30pm

Baptism: Second & fourth Sunday by
appointment. Call the parish office.

Marriage: Couples desiring to be married at
St. Louis should be registered, active
members of the parish. Please contact the
parish office to schedule an appointment
with the priest at least six months before
the anticipated date.

Anointing of the Sick: This sacrament is for
anyone with a serious illness, undergoing
surgery, etc., or near death. If you would
like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick
please call the parish office.

Advent Materials

With the beginning of Advent, please take a copy of the Advent materials located in the back of church. Take just a few minutes a day and use these materials to help make Christmas much more meaningful for you and your family.

Families Helping Families

Gift tags are still available for Families Helping Families (FHF). Many of the tags are for gift cards for teenage children, who can be difficult to buy for. Monetary donations are also welcome by writing a check payable to St. Louis Church and specifying "FHF" on it. **Please return all gifts to church or the parish office by Monday, November 29th.** Thank you for your generosity.

Christmas Flower Memorial

Anyone wishing to memorialize a loved one at Christmas, may do so by donating to the flower fund. An envelope is included in your packet of church envelopes.

Names must be received in the parish office by Wednesday, December 8th to be included in the December 19th bulletin.

Looking for a "New" Christmas Tradition for Your Family?

Please join us for Midnight Mass this year! Beginning at 11:30PM, the STL Chorus and St. Anthony Peoples' Choir will combine to present a musical re-telling of the Christmas story, with subdued lighting in church for your family's prayerful reflection. At midnight, we celebrate Holy Mass, "the source and summit of the Christian life" (CCC 1324), complete with the blessing of the Christmas Crib. Build some new Christmas memories with your entire family!

Advent Penance Services - Batesville Deanery

- **November 30** - St. Mary, Greensburg - 7:00pm
- **December 3** - All Saints, St. Martin, Yorkville - 9:00am—9:00pm
- **December 4** - St. Nicholas, Sunman - 9:00am
- **December 5** - Immaculate Conception, Millhousen - 9:30am
- **December 10** - Camp River Ridge, Oldenburg - 9:00am—9:00pm
- **December 12** - St. Mary, Aurora - 9:00am—9:00pm
- **December 12** - 14 - St. John, Osgood - 7:00am—7:50am & 6:00pm—6:50pm
- **December 14** - St. Catherine of Siena, Decatur Co. - 7:00pm
- **December 15** - St. Vincent de Paul, Shelby Co. - 6:00pm
- **December 15 & 16** - Holy Family, Oldenburg - 6:30pm
- **December 17** - St. Joseph, Shelbyville - 9:00am—9:00pm
- **December 17** - St. Louis, Batesville - 9:00am—1:00pm & 2:30pm—6:30pm
- **December 21** - St. Michael, Brookville - 6:00pm—7:00pm
- **December 22** - St. Louis, Batesville - 7:00pm
- **December 22** - St. Peter, Franklin Co. - 6:30pm—7:30pm

TriForce Mission Team Fundraiser

Orders will be ready for pick-up in the St. Louis Old Gym on **Saturday, December 4th after 5:30pm Mass** and **Sunday, December 5th from 7:00am—1:00pm.** For more information please call Carrie Wessler at 812-212-9477 or email cwessler@st.louissschool.org

Intense Youth Conference 2022

Register now for the 2022 Intense Youth Conference! The conference is **June 10-12, 2022.** Join us for a weekend of prayer, adoration, and engaging speakers. Early registrations are \$90 until January 1st, so register now. Go to intenseconference.net/batesville to register with the St. Louis, St. Anthony, St. Nicholas and Holy Family group.

Holiday Bulletin Deadlines

December 12th Bulletin: Articles are due in the parish office by 9:00am, Thursday, December **2nd.**

December 19th Bulletin: Articles are due in the parish office by 9:00am, Wednesday, December **8th**

December 26th Bulletin: Articles are due in the parish office by 9:00am, Monday, December **13th**

Coffee & Donuts

Parish Life will host coffee and donuts in the school cafeteria after all Masses on **Sunday, December 5th.**



The Chosen Series

All are welcome to come view and discuss *The Chosen* Series here at St. Louis. We meet every Thursday in the parish office at **7:00pm.**

Adoration Chapel

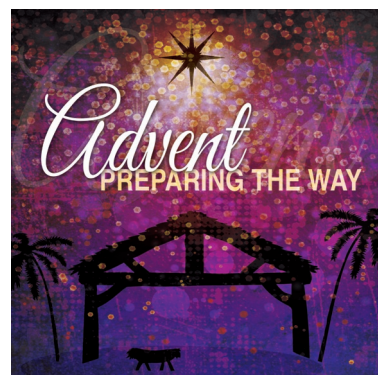
The following hours are in need of a scheduled adoror: **Sunday - 11:00am;** **Monday - 12:00am;** **Tuesday - 3:00pm;** **Saturday - 12:00am, 7:00pm.** For more info call Christy at 812-239-9164.

Natural Family Planning

A Natural Family Planning Class will be held on **Sunday, December 5th from 9:00am to 12:00pm** at St. Louis. There is a \$40.00 fee for books and materials. For reservations call or text Aly at 812-212-4951 or Michael at 812-212-2719.

Baptism Preparation Class

The Baptism preparation class is for parents who are having their first child Baptized. The next class will be offered on **Tuesday, January 18th at 7:00pm** in the Parish Office. Please call the parish office to register 812-934-3204.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 27

5:30 pm Living & Deceased Members of the Al & Lil Fenske Family

Sunday, November 28

6:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the Louis & Lois Wanstrath Family

9:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the Henry Bohman Family

11:00 am For the Parish Community

Monday, November 29

8:10 am Martha Hammerle

Tuesday, November 30, St. Andrew

6:00 pm Ron Gerstbauer

Wednesday, December 1

8:10 am Donald Dickey, Sr.

6:00 pm To End Abortion

Thursday, December 2

8:10 am Billie Laugle

Friday, December 3, St. Francis Xavier

8:10 am Helen Koch

Saturday, December 4, St. John

Damascene

5:30 pm Alice Hertel

Sunday, December 5, Second Sunday of Advent

6:30 am For the Parish Community

9:30 am Zach Zins

11:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Greg Origer Family



Readings for the Week

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Altar Servers

Monday, November 29

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Tuesday, November 30

6:00 pm Belle & Hunter Young

Wednesday, December 1

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Thursday, December 2

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Friday, December 3

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Saturday, December 4

5:30 pm Tripp Hertel & Houston Cook

Sunday, December 5

6:30 am Luke & Anthony Meer

9:30 am Stella Maple & Abigail Raab

11:00 am Santiago & Alejandra Schutte

Rosary & Holy Hour

Sunday, December 5

7:00 pm Carson & Grant Hartwell

Lectors

Saturday, December 4

5:30 pm Deb Weigel

Sunday, December 5

6:30 am Alan Waechter

9:30 am Megan Raab

11:00 am Mary Harrah

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, December 4

5:30 pm Deb Weigel, Betty Frey, Dave Meyer, Darlene Hirt, Carolyn Dieckmann, Mary Sitterding

Sunday, December 5

6:30 am Amy Tonges, Jerry Dickman, Mary Beth Freyer, Ellie Amberger, Mike Gerstbauer, Alvin Harmeyer

9:30 am Angie Moster, Lynn Hertel, Kevin Chaffee, Bertie Schmidt, Denise Hillenbrand, Brooke Maple

11:00 am Mayra Adams, Jim Fangman, Mark Masavage, Cindy Wuestefeld, Scott Lamping

Ushers

Saturday, December 4

5:30 pm Gary Kuntz, Scot Harmeyer, Jerry Eckstein, Bob Prickel

Sunday, December 5

6:30 am Todd Tekulve, 3 Volunteers

9:30 am Matt Weberding, Susie Dickman, Neal & Deb Wessling

11:00 am Bob Mattucci, Ted Telles, Tom Brunsman, 1 Volunteer

Celebrant

Saturday, December 4

5:30 pm Fr. Jey

Sunday, December 5

6:30 am Fr. Stan

9:30 am Fr. Stan

11:00 am Fr. Jey

November Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

People Who Suffer from Depression -

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Rosary & Holy Hour
Sunday, December 5th
7:00pm

Holy Day of Obligation:
Immaculate Conception
Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 8th:

8:10am

12:10pm

6:45pm

RCIA—All Welcome

All are welcome to join us for any or all RCIA sessions! We meet in the parish office meeting room on Sundays.

Sunday, November 28th at 9:00am—
Mary, Mother of God.

Sunday, December 5th at 9:00pm—
Grace, Sacraments and Sacramentals.

Mary's Mantle Consecration

St. Louis Catholic Church will be offering Mary's Mantle Consecration, a 46 day spiritual retreat for busy individuals and families, starting on the First Monday of Advent, **November 29th**. All retreat activities can be done from the comfort of your own home and with your family.

- Daily Prayer - focus on a different virtue each day - you can purchase a book for \$8 or go to the daily link on our website: www.stlouis-batesville.org
- Weekly Videos - attend Monday sessions at the parish office at 7pm or watch the video from the link on our website
- Fasting - optional
- Pray the Rosary every day



The Consecration will be Sunday, January 16th after the 11:00am Mass.

If you would like a book or for more information, please call the parish office 812-934-3204.

Join Us in Adoration to Defeat Abortion

Join Catholics across the country in Eucharistic Adoration on December 1, when the Supreme Court hears the landmark pro-life case, Dobbs vs Jackson Women's Health. **Adoration will take place in St. Louis Church beginning after the 6:00pm Mass, on Tuesday, November 30th until 6:00pm on Wednesday, December 1st. There will also be Mass on Wednesday, Dec. 1st at 6:00pm.**



35th Annual Live Nativity – St. Anthony, Morris

All are welcome to join us **Friday, December 10th from 5:00pm–9:00pm** and **Saturday, December 11th from 5:00pm–9:00pm**, for a live manger scene, live animals, and Christmas Carols! Local Musicians will be performing outdoors/indoors throughout the evening. There will be crafts and activities for kids, sweet treats & hot beverages provided. New for 2021 – Angel Memorial Tree, honor friends and family that have passed.

Musical Acts Needed – Live Nativity – St. Anthony

Looking for musical acts such as choirs, solo vocalist, bands, etc. Sign up for a 30 minute slot to share your Christmas Spirit and talents! Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/m3c4hset> or contact Diane Batta 513-200-6673

Manger Scene Participants -Live Nativity – St. Anthony

Sign up your children or grandchildren to participate for 30 min, costumes provided by St. Anthony. Get ready in Lower Schad Hall and head to the Nativity Scene outside. Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/mr7f2ydf>

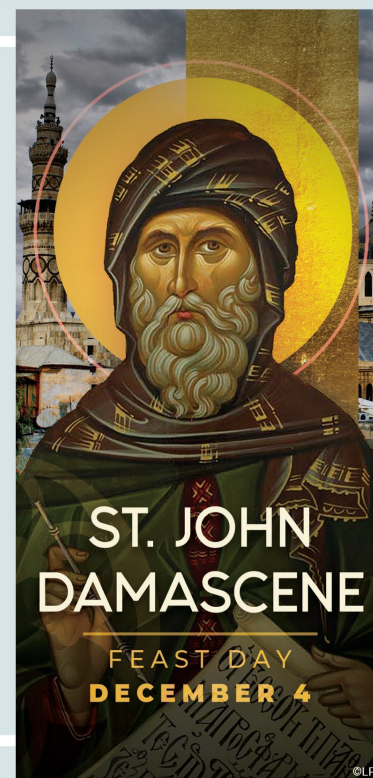
Holy Family Parish Mission

Join us for a mission with Gary Montgomery on **December 14-16 from 7:00pm–8:30pm** at Holy Family Church in Oldenburg. Night 1 - "Find the Light" Night 2 - "Become the Light" Night 3 - "Share the Light" All are welcome! Confession will be available Wednesday and Thursday from 6:30pm–7:00pm.

Marriage Help

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of misery in their marriage. This program can help you, too. For confidential information or to register for the **January 7-9, 2022** weekend call 513-922-6045 or email: mikemac1949@gmail.com or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Saint of the Week



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St. John Damascene (676 -749) was the son of the chief of the revenue department in the city of Damascus. Through his father, he received a classical and theological education and attempted to follow in his footsteps by serving in a government position. However, the Lord was calling him to a different life, and a few years later he resigned from his position and went to the Monastery of St. Sabas, where he wrote books and composed hymns along with his adopted brother, Cosmas.

St. John Damascene is best known for his writings against the iconoclasts, who opposed the veneration of images; his treatise, Exposition of the Orthodox Faith, a summary of the Greek Fathers; and his work as a poet, one of the two greatest of the Eastern Church. His devotion to the Blessed Mother and his sermons on her feasts are well known.

Saturday Morning Prayer Service

December 4th at 8:05am
Meet in the Church



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Advent 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 28 Buy or make an Advent wreath. Bless it and light the first candle tonight and every night this week. Read Luke 21:25-28, 34-36.	29 Advent is about waiting for the Savior to come. Offer a simple prayer of praise anytime you have to wait during Advent.	30 The presence of Jesus reminds us to hope in God's mercy. Make a list of reasons for your hope today.	1 Pick one habit that is keeping you from holiness. Identify your "go-to sin" and resolve to conquer it during Advent.	2 Add 20 minutes of daily prayer during Advent. Set an alarm to remind you to pray for 10 minutes each morning and night this month.	3 In gratitude that God provides for your needs, set aside gently used clothing and give it to the poor. Add a piece you love as a special sacrifice.	4 Perform a thorough examination of conscience today. Then attend Confession to ready your soul to greet the Savior.
5 At sundown tonight, light two violet candles in the Advent wreath and read Luke 3:1-6.	6 St. Nicholas was a generous man and a courageous bishop. Today, make at least one generous act of love in his honor.	7 In your Christmas cards write a note about the blessings you received this year as a witness to God's love.	8 The feast of the Immaculate Conception celebrates Mary's freedom from Original Sin. Attend Mass and pray a Rosary.	9 Today, let nothing discourage you in honor of St. Juan Diego. He never gave up, placing his trust in Jesus and His Mother.	10 Buy Christmas gifts from stores or online merchants that carry "fair trade" items to support workers in developing countries.	11 To honor the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe tomorrow, place a rose in a vase in your home and pray a "Hail Mary" whenever you pass it.
Gaudete 12 Sunday-Joy! Celebrate the halfway point of Advent. Light two violet candles and the rose one for joy. Read Luke 3:10-18.	13 Spend time in silence today. Say "no" to unnecessary distractions. In silence and peace, you will be open to God's will.	14 Think of Biblical accounts of God's mercy to sinners. Ask forgiveness from someone you have hurt and forgive those who wronged you.	15 In honor of the Holy Family's trek to Bethlehem, pray for all those who have been forced from home.	16 Send a card to someone who lost a loved one in the last year. Offer your thoughts and prayers for healing and comfort.	17 Pray for the men and women in the armed services who won't be able to spend Christmas with their families.	18 Pray the Angelus at 6:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 6:00pm every day until Christmas.
19 Light all four candles in the wreath tonight and all week. Read Luke 1:39-45.	20 This can be a sad time for those who are alone. Include anyone in your own gatherings who might be otherwise forgotten.	21 As a gift to the coming Savior, repair a relationship with a friend or family member that needs healing.	22 Make an effort to share God's love today. Say a kind word or listen with compassion to someone who is suffering.	23 Gather friends and neighbors and Christmas carol (safely) at a nursing home or homeless shelter.	24 Even if you live alone, put up and decorate a Christmas tree. Light it as a symbol of Christ, the Light of the World.	Rejoice! 25 Read the story of Jesus' birth in Luke 2:1-20 and focus on each detail. Think of how joyful it will be to meet Jesus when he comes again.