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## News & Notes

#### **Pet Blessing**

There will be blessing of pets on **Sunday, October 2 at 1:00pm** in front of church.

#### Rosary - Month of October

We will be praying the Rosary every evening in October at 6:30pm in church.

#### 40 Hour Devotion

St. Louis Parish will hold a 40 Hour Devotion on October 2-4. It will begin with Mass on Sunday, October 2 at 6:00pm and end with Mass on Tuesday, October 4 at 6:00pm. Adoration will be in the church during this time.

#### **Blood Drive**

St. Louis is sponsoring a community blood draw on **Tuesday, October 11th at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Batesville**. Come any time, 12:00pm - 2:15pm or 3:30pm - 5:30pm. To schedule an appointment visit www.hoxworth.org/groups/indiana or call Hoxworth at 800-830-1091.

#### **Batesville Food Pantry**

We are in need of extra food to distribute for the holidays. Please help us achieve this goal. We are asking your church to provide, by mid October: Canned fruit, primarily: mixed fruit, peaches, pineapple, mandarin oranges. In addition, we are in need of toiletry items such as shampoo, deodorant, etc. Thank you so much for helping us to make the Holidays special for our neighbors in need!

#### Indiana Right to Life Statement On Blockage Of New Law

INDIANAPOLIS (September 22, 2022) – Indiana Right to Life CEO Mike Fichter issued this statement in response to the injunction against Indiana's new abortion law: "Today's blockage of Indiana's new law means over 161 unborn children will continue to lose their lives to abortion every week this injunction stays in effect. We are encouraged by the judge's acknowledgement of the state's legitimate interest in protecting unborn babies and are hopeful the blockage will be brief."

#### Haiti Ministry Silent Auction & Family Fun Night

Please join us **Saturday**, **October 15th**, **5:00pm- 9:00pm** for a silent auction, soup and salad dinner, and family fun night for Haiti at Saint Anthony, Morris. If you have something you would be willing to donate, or any questions please contact Susan Roell at 812-933-0704. We hope to see you there!

#### Harvest Bounty Draw Down

St. Anthony, Morris, **Saturday, November 5th**. Doors open at 5:00pm, Dinner served 5:30pm-7:00pm. Ticket, \$25, includes: dinner (carryout available), soft drinks, beer & snacks, entry into the DrawDown Raffle. Must be 21 to Attend. To purchase tickets call St. Anthony's Parish Office 812-934-6218. No tickets sold at the door. Not responsible for lost tickets. No outside alcohol permitted. License #: 002382

#### Marriage Encounter

Do you want to make your marriage stronger? Do you want to spend an uninterrupted weekend with your spouse? Why not make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn more about your wonderful vocation? Future Weekends will be at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis, November 4-6, and at Mount Saint Francis Centre for Spirituality, February 10-12. Visit www.wwme.org for more information.

#### Festival Follow-Up Meeting

Thank you to everyone for all of their hard work on the festival this year! All booth chairpersons are encouraged to attend the Festival follow-up meeting on **Tuesday, October 11th at 7:00pm** in the school cafeteria.

#### Maintenance Position

St. Louis has an opening for a custodian, Monday- Friday, 3:00pm - 6:00pm. Rate is \$12.00 per hour. This would be a great job and hours for a retired person wanting extra income, or responsible high school student.

#### Natural Family Planning

A Natural Family Planning Class will be held on **Sunday, November 6th 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, October 18th at 7:00pm** in the Parish Office. Please call the parish office to register 812-934-3204.

#### Sacrament 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 or a visit from a priest, please call the parish office at 812-934-3204.

#### GIFT Night - St. Anthony

Join us for Adult Formation this Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 6:45pm in the St. Anthony parish hall basement for Catholic Q&A with Father Stan Pondo.

#### High School Youth Group:

• October 2 - 6:30-8:30pm - Youth Group - Sardines in the Park.

#### Junior High Youth Group:

• October 7 - 3:00-5:00pm - Youth Group, Old Gym

For more info call Carrie Wesseler 812-212-9477.

## Parish Calendar

#### Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 1

5:30 pm Dolores Roell, Elizabeth Walke, Betty Rouse

Sunday, October 2

6:30 am For the Parish Community

9:30 am Janet Kirschner 11:00 am Living and Deceased

Members of the James Mack

Family

6:00 pm Special Intention

Monday, October 3

8:10 am Esther Kunkel

Tuesday, October 4, St. Francis of Assisi

6:00 pm Katy Hortemiller

Wednesday, October 5, St. Faustina

Kowalska; Blessed Francis

**Xavier Seelos** 

8:10 am Clarence A. Walke

Thursday, October 6, St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

8:10 am Georgia Land

Friday, October 7, Our Lady of the Rosary

8:10 am Melvin Cutter

Saturday, October 8

5:30 pm For the Parish Community

Sunday, October 9, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 am Jerry Caudill

9:30 am Living and Deceased

Members of the Eugene &

Rosalyn Walke Family

11:00 am Joe, Helen and Andy Decker



#### Readings for the Week

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2,

6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-

14/Lk 17:5-10

Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7

-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-

14ab, 14c-15/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps

117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-

72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3

-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4

-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-

3, 3-4/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk

17:11-19

#### **Altar Servers**

Monday, October 3

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Tuesday, October 4

6:00 pm Adelyne & Elsie Koehne

Wednesday, October 5

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Thursday, October 6

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Friday, October 7

8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Saturday, October 8

5:30 pm Corrine & Edward Volk

Sunday, October 9

6:30 am Sadie Wachsmann &

Amelia Spielmann

9:30 am Abby & Ellie Raab 11:00 am Christian & Kathryn Mack

#### Rosary & Holy Hour

Sunday, October 2

7:00 pm Adam & Ethan Meer

#### Lectors

Saturday, October 8

5:30 pm Mark Wilder

Sunday, October 9

6:30 am Tom Fritsch

9:30 am Hank Pictor

11:00 am Nelson French

# Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

#### Saturday, October 8

5:30 pm Dave Meyer, Susan

Vergamini, Rheadawn

Young

Sunday, October 9

6:30 am Bill Meer, Pat Meer, Ken

Rudolf

9:30 am Tom Sullivan, Cathy

Sullivan, Ed Gerdowsky

11:00 am Mark Masavage, Ken

Bohman

#### Celebrant

Saturday, October 8

5:30 pm Fr. Stan

Sunday, October 9

6:30 am Fr. Suresh 9:30 am Fr. Stan

11:00 am Fr. Stan

#### Ushers

#### Saturday, October 8

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

Sunday, October 9

6:30 am Steve Eckstein, Todd, Molly,

**Brad Tekulve** 

9:30 am Eugene Laker, John

Vogelsang, Mike Weigel,

**1** Volunteer

11:00 am Bob Mattucci, Tom

Brunsman, Ted Telles,

Landon Gutzwiller, Mary

Brunsman

## October Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

A Church Open to Everyone - We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

#### Adoration Chapel

The following hours are in need of a scheduled adorer: Sunday - 9:00am, 10:00am, (consider sharing a

time and take the 2nd, 3rd, or 4th

Sunday of the month); Monday - 12:00am; Saturday

- **12:00am, 7:00pm.** If you would like to become an adorer please call Anne at 812-212-8155.

Saturday Morning Prayer Service

October 8th at 8:05am

Rosary & Holy Hour Sunday, November 6th 7:00pm

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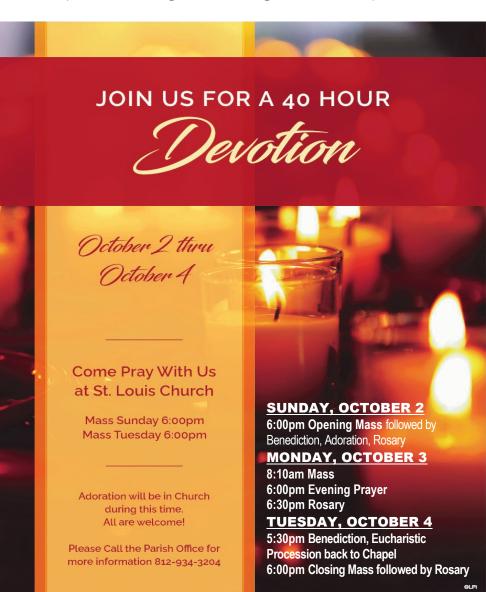
#### In Need of Prayers?

In the vestibule of church is a Prayer Request Notebook where anyone, at any time, can write prayer concerns. Prayer requests can also be submitted online:

- 1. Go to www.stlouis-batesville.org
- 2. Under "Quick Links" Click on "Prayer Line"
- 3. Enter your prayer request
- 4. Click on "Submit"

#### Ministry of Prayer and Praise Intentions for October

- That as we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, many more people will be moved to revere the gift of human life from natural conception until natural death.
- That especially in this month of the Holy Rosary, families may grow in devotion to the Rosary, and through meditation on its mysteries become more and more like Christ and His mother.
- That we may grow in faith and love toward the mystery of the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- That God in His tenderness and compassion, will remain close to, strengthen, and uplift those suffering from debilitating illness or chronic pain.



# What's Happening

#### **October 1-31**

 Rosary—St. Louis Church, every evening at 6:30pm.

#### October 2-4

 40 Hour Devotion—St. Louis Church, Begins with Mass 6:00pm Sunday and Ends with Mass 6:00pm Tuesday. Evening Prayer 6:00pm Monday. Adoration will be in church during this time.

#### October 2

- **RCIA**—St. Louis Parish Office, **9:00am.** All welcome!
- Breakfast—Batesville Knights of St. John. 7:30am—11:00am.

#### October 3

 Daughters of Isabella Meeting— Batesville K of C Hall, 7:00pm. wear a costume or Halloween colors. Donate baby clothes and greeting cards if you can.

#### October 6-8

 Rummage Sale—St. John's UCC, Batesville, Thurs. 8am—5pm; Fri. 8am—3pm; Sat. 8am—12pm.

#### October 7

• That Man is You—Batesville K of C, 6:30am-7:30am.

#### October 15

 Harvest Dinner—St. Charles Church, Milan, 4:00pm—7:00pm; 5:00pm
 Mass. Pulled Pork dinner, country store, raffle, kids games.

#### Life Chain

On **October 2nd,** we will meet at the Franklin County Courthouse at 2:00pm to pick up signs, and line up along **Main Street in Brookville from 2:00pm**— **3:00pm**. Life Chain is a prayerful and peaceful way to witness to the community that we Stand in opposition to the evil of abortion.

#### Help Available

Batesville has a pregnancy hotline whose mission is to help mothers in difficult situations. If you need help or know a mother needing help, please call 812-934-5116, go to www.batesvillecph.org, or search for Batesville Pregnancy Hotline on Facebook. The hotline can also be reached through Facebook Messenger.

# MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Join us every evening in October as we come together to pray for the needs of our families, friends, our community, country, and the world.

### **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

EVERY EVENING
IN OCTOBER
6:30PM

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FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CALL 812-934-3204



# Called to Serve Moms in Need



Our Blessed Mother models a profound witness to love and life in the Gospel account of the Visitation. Luke's Gospel tells us that, when Mary learns that her cousin Elizabeth is pregnant, she travels to the hill country "in haste" (Lk 1:39). Despite being unexpectedly pregnant herself, Mary responds to this news with urgency.

She embarks on a long and perhaps difficult journey to be with her cousin during her time of need, bearing Christ to her as He lay quietly hidden in Mary's womb. And, although Jesus is veiled from view, when Mary first arrives John the Baptist leaps for joy in Elizabeth's womb, recognizing the presence of Christ (Lk 1:44). Mary, with Jesus, spends the next three months at Elizabeth's side.

The witness of our Blessed Mother invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. A woman with an unexpected pregnancy may have any number of fears and challenges: facing judgment from her friends and family, losing her job or housing, or being abandoned by the father of her child.

Following Mary's example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children. How can we, like the Blessed Mother, lovingly support mothers in welcoming and caring for God's gift of life?

Throughout the whole of Scripture, Mary's words are few. Yet, in her sacred encounter with Elizabeth, a powerful declaration pours from her lips. Mary proclaims to all generations that the Lord *lifts up the lowly, fills the hungry with good things*, and remembers his promise of mercy from age to age (Lk 1:46-56). In both word and deed, Mary speaks a

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior.

Luke 1:46-47

message of *hope*—not only to Elizabeth, but also to every mother in need and to each of us.

Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to *make haste* to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone. By doing so, we too can bear Christ within us and help others experience His presence.

Inspired by the Blessed Mother's example and guided by the Holy Spirit, may we offer Christ's presence and love to mothers in their time of need through our faithful service and support.

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