

# SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

THROUGH OUR VIBRANT FAITH COMMUNITY, SAINT PETER PARISH FORMS DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.









Faith and tradition come alive as students of St. Peter school gather to commemorate the beginning of Lent with the burning of ashes and burying of the Alleluia on Tuesday followed by receiving ashes on Wednesday.



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### **MASS TIMES**

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Satisfies Sunday obligation)

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am\*, 5:00 pm \*Livestream on stpeterlive.com

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:45 am, 8:15 am\* Saturday: 8:15 am\* \*Livestream on stpeterlive.com

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Check the bulletin or stpeterkirkwood.org.

#### **DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

Monday nights at 9:00pm in the church and takes less than 30 minutes. Bring your rosary and enter through the Northeast door by the parking lot.

### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION

Join us to pray this devotion every Tuesday at 7:15am (after 6:45am Mass) and at 7:30am (before 8:15am Mass), and 8:45am (after 8:15am Mass).

### PARISH INFORMATION

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

For information about registering as a new parish member call 314.966.8600 or visit stpeterkirkwood.org.

### **BULLETIN**

Submit bulletin articles to communications@stpeterkirkwood.org by Monday at 3:00 pm.

#### PARISH WEBSITE

Visit www.stpeterkirkwood.org for Mass times, ministries information, Calendar of events, online giving and more.

### **FLOCKNOTE**

Sign up to receive email notifications from the parish by visiting stpkirkwood.flocknote.com/everyone.

### **FACEBOOK**

St. Peter Church - @STPKirkwood St. Peter School - @stpschoolkirkwood

### **SACRAMENTS**

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at 11:30 am. Expectant parents are encouraged to make arrangements for the program a few months prior to the birth of their child.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

In accordance with Archdiocesan policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date to schedule your wedding date and for details regarding the preparation program.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Angela Merici Chapel is located in Ursuline Hall and is open 24 hours a day. Enter through the Garden Courtyard (0822).

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is held on Saturdays from 3:45 pm-4:45 pm

#### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Anointing of the Sick is held on the third Sunday of each month after 8:00 am Mass for those in a terminal condition, about to undergo surgery, receiving treatment for a life-threatening illness, and persons weakened by old age. Anointing of the Sick can be scheduled in an emergency or at an arranged time in a parishioner's home or care facility.

### HOLY ORDERS AND CONSECRATED (RELIGIOUS) LIFE

Contact the Archdiocesan Office of Vocations at 314.792.6460 for information.

For information about baptisms, weddings, anointing of the sick, reconciliation and Holy Orders, call 314.966.8600.

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### **UPON THIS ROCK**

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<u>Mixin' and Minglin'</u> – The huge turnout for our recent **Progressive Party** at St. Peter proved that a lot of people are back into the swing of getting together for fun. Around 226 parishioners moved from a first then second house for heavy appetizers and drinks. 39



hosts served up hospitality at 20 different homes, including the rectory! The finale of the evening was a dessert reception at Sunset 44, where there was wall-to-wall attendance. Thanks go to our organizers: **Meghan Holland, Katie Pfotenhauer, Colleen Sneed, Sara Miller, Sarah Lesinski** and **Diane** 



Fr. Matt O'Toole

**Wagner**. Thank you to all who pitched in to make this a great success.

<u>Companions of Peter</u> – This effort by the parish to revisit our stewardship practices is getting a good response. I am pleased many of you have filled out your **Commitment Card**. A lot of St. Peter parishioners recognize the good things happening with our mission and are responding by increasing their regular offertory giving. This not only helps us to keep up with rising costs due to inflation, it also allows us to expand our possibilities for new and greater ministerial services. If you commitment card is still sitting at home, please give it your prayerful reflection and return the card to the rectory or in the collection at Sunday Mass. Your regular giving is greatly appreciated.

<u>Young People Inspiring Us</u> – It's great to celebrate the accomplishments of young parishioners raised well by their parents and given a good catechetical foundation at St. Peter. Congratulations to **Isabel Hibey**, daughter of Michael and Katherine Hibey. Isabel is the recipient from Cor Jesu Academy of the **Archbishop May Service Award**. And congratulations to **Freddy Laux**, son of John and Maria Laux. Freddy, a student at SLUH, was given the **Martin Luther King**, **Jr. Model of Justice Award**. Each received their honors at ceremonies held at the Cathedral Basilica. Thank you for your examples of Christian service. We're proud of you!

Communion from the Cup - Health restrictions imposed by the pandemic brought a suspension to



Communion from the cup at Mass. Many parishioners have asked when St. Peter will return this option. Now that conditions have improved, the Office of Worship for the Archdiocese has left it to each parish to decide the appropriateness of **offering the Precious Blood**. I have consulted with our Liturgy Committee and have decided that once we get past the worse of the cold and flu season, **Holy Thursday** (April 6) would be fitting occasion to return Holy Communion from the cup. Going forward from then, this will be an option at all weekend liturgies at St. Peter. After that, we will explore returning it to the weekday and school Masses.

<u>An Offering of Assistance</u> – The practice of almsgiving is a pillar of Lenten discipline. Consider exercising this act of charity next weekend, March 4 and 5, when we will take up a second collection for **relief to the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria**. Your gift will be channeled to Catholic Relief Services which is already on the ground there providing recovery assistance.

EARTHQUAKE
RELIEF FOR
TURKEY
AND SYRIA
Help families today.

<u>Retreating Long Distance</u> – I find Lent to be a perfect time for me as a priest to make a retreat. This year I've decided to "go the distance." I'm headed to the Benedictine Abbey of Maria Laach in Germany. I will be away from the parish Monday, March 13 through Wednesday, March 22. (I guess I'll have to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with bratwursts and sauerkraut!) You will remain in my prayers during this time. Please keep me in yours.



### **LET US PRAY FOR**

#### THE SICK

Molly Cantonwine, Anna Chott, Sheran Cronin, Ceres Dbritto, Vic Frome, Louis G., Fr. Greg, Renee Hamilton, Lisa Heaps, June Hochberg, Kristi Hueseman, Heather Jacus, Trey Kirtian, Natalya Klump, Conner Knell, Mary Kay Kopp, Pam and Ken Kopp, Kevin Lavin, Annette Leatherman, Trish Martin, Margaret McDonald, Jerry Meier, Betty Appelbaum-Meier, Eileen Morrison, Dianne Pecha, Pat Pollman, Charlie Smith, Nick Sudekum, Jane Sulze, Marguerite Wuebker, Rosemary Zinkl

### THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

John Basler

Lou Sindelar, Father of Mike Sindelar

### **MARRIAGE BANNS**

Zachary Kratofil and Elizabeth Garner (II)

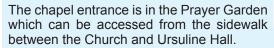
### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

At this time there is an urgent need for adorers on Monday nights from 11:00 pm to 12:00 midnight and on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 12:00 midnight to 1:00 am. Our goal is to have two persons committed for each hour.



Contact Jane Shea at 314.761.3425 or jsheaod@gmail.com with questions. Any help is much appreciated.

Go to stpeterkirkwood.weadorehim.com/signup/stpadore to sign up. (0822).





### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Total for February 18-19	\$ 33,736.00
Month-To Date Total	\$ 107,769.00
Year-To-Date Total	\$ 1,109,725.00

### Collections versus Budget

Weekly Total	<b>&lt;</b> \$	2,526.00>	
Month-To-Date Total	<\$	1,017.00>	(9%)
Year-To-Date Total	<\$	22,349.00>	(-2.0%)

vs. YTD 21-22 Collections Adjusted < 5.0% > vs. YTD 20-21 Collections Adjusted + .8% vs. YTD 19-20 Collections Adjusted < 3.2% >

### Donate online:

saintpeterkirkwood.weshareonline.org Mail or drop off envelopes: Saint Peter Church, 243 West Argonne Dr., Kirkwood, MO 63122



### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### Saturday, February 25

8:15 am Society of St. Vincent dePaul 5:00 pm William Louis Shaw +

### Sunday, February 26

8:00 am Joseph and Kathryn Darpel ++
10:00 am Bill Stoll (Special Intention)
5:00 pm People of St. Peter

### Monday, February 27

6:45 am Henrietta Kopp + 8:15 am Dave Nockels +

### Tuesday, February 28

6:45 am Teresa Jorgen (Special Intention)

8:15 am Evelyn Keller +

### Wednesday, March 1

6:45 am John M. O'Neil + 8:15 am Carol J. Mohan +

### Thursday, March 2

6:45 am Men's ACTS Retreatants

(Special Intention)

8:15 am Evelyn Keller +

### Friday, March 3

6:45 am Nancy Zak +

8:15 am Joseph & Kathryn Darpel ++

#### Saturday, March 4

8:15 am John Muller + 5:00 pm Gilberta Mueller +

### Sunday, March 5

8:00 am People of St. Peter 10:00 am John B. Fowler + 5:00 pm Carol J. Mohan +

### SCHOOOL LITURGIES

Wednesday, March 1 8:15 am

## HOW DO I OFFER A MASS FOR SOMEONE?

During each Mass, we hear, "This Mass is being offered for the intention of [someone]." You might be wondering what this means and how you can offer a Mass for a friend or family member. Any individual may request a Mass intention for a special occasion (such as on a birthday), in thanksgiving, or most commonly, for a deceased loved one.

Contact Julie Carlson, jcarlson@stpeterkirkwood.org or 314.966.8600 to assist you with the availability of specific dates and times. If you are able, a \$10 offering is requested.



### **2023 LENTEN JOURNEY AT ST. PETER**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26 1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT RCIA RITE OF SENDING 10:00am Mass	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET 9:00pm in Church	RECONCILIATION 7:15am - 8:00am	1 MARCH ADULT BIBLE STUDY 9:30am	MEN'S ACTS RETREAT Begins at Mercy Center	RECONCILIATION 7:15am - 8:00am FISH FRY 4:30pm-7:30pm STATIONS 7:00pm	4 RECONCILIATION 3:45pm-4:45pm in Church THEOLOGY THROUGH FILM 6:30pm in Dining Hall
5 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT MEN'S ACTS RETREAT 10:00am Return Mass	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET 9:00pm in Church	7 RECONCILIATION 7:15am - 8:00am	ADULT BIBLE STUDY 9:30am	9 WOMEN'S EVENING OF REFLECTION 7:00pm	RECONCILIATION 7:15am - 8:00am FISH FRY 4:30pm-7:30pm STATIONS 7:00pm	11 RECONCILIATION 3:45pm-4:45pm in Church THEOLOGY THROUGH FILM 6:30pm in Dining Hall





### **ADULT DINNER \$12**

DINNERS INCLUDE 2 SIDES + HUSHPUPPIES

HAND-BREADED FRIED COD (2 PIECES)

BAKED ALASKAN WHITE FISH

ENCRUSTED WITH PANKO BREADCRUMBS, PARMESAN & LEMON ZEST

FRIED BUTTERFLY SHRIMP (6 PIECES)

### **SENIOR DINNER \$8**

1/2 PORTION ENTRÉE; INCLUDES 2 SIDES + HUSHPUPPIES

### FISHERMAN'S SANDWICH DINNER \$10

COD SANDWICH FRIED FILET ON A HOAGIE BUN WITH AMERICAN CHEESE & LETTUCE

### KIDS MEAL \$5

INCLUDES 1 SIDE

FRIED CHICKEN STRIPS • CHEESE PIZZA • FRIED COD (1 PIECE)

### SIDES

BAKED MAC N' CHEESE
FRENCH FRIES GREEN BEANS
CAESAR SALAD COLESLAW
RED PASTA APPLESAUCE

### À LA CARTE

SIDE \$2.50 ENT
BUTTERFLY COE
SHRIMP \$1.50 EA CHE
DESSERT \$3 HUS
BROWNIE OR GOOEY BUTTER CAKE

ENTRÉE ONLY \$9 COD SANDWICH \$6 CHEESE PIZZA \$3 HUSHPUPPIES(4) \$1

BEER, WINE, & SODA AVAILABLE INSIDE - BENEFITTING PTO

GYM DINING AND DRIVE THRU ON THE ADAMS SCHOOL PARKING LOT (Enter on Adams) – 4:30 – 7:30 Pm.

PARISH SHUT-INS FOR HOMEBOUND DELIVERY,
PLEASE CALL GEOFF BY 12PM ON FRIDAY - 314.616.7700

# LENTEN EVENINGS OF REFLECTION

### MARCH 9

### **WOMEN'S EVENING OF REFLECTION**

7PM, St. Peter Dining Hall

Join us for an evening of reflection by Sister Karolyn Nunes, Vocations Director for Sisters of Saint Francis of the Martyr St. George. Enjoy wine, cheese and companionship with the women of St. Peter. Sign Up: signupgenius.com go/508054aafab2eaaff2stplenten#/

### MARCH 22

### **COUPLES' EVENING OF REFLECTION**

7PM, Mercy Center

Bring your spouse for a date night at the Mercy Center. Have a drink together and settle in for an evening of music, prayer, and reflection on Lent, love and marriage.

### MARCH 27

### MEN'S EVENING OF REFLECTION

6PM, Beer and Brats, St. Peter Dining Hall 7PM, Reflection by Brian Miller, with Brian Miller, Director of Evangelization and Discipleship for the Archdiocese of Saint Louis

### THEOLOGY THROUGH FILM

Come join us for a Lenten series Theology Through Film, where we will engage Lenten themes as depicted in various movies! Our first session, Saturday, March 4, we will discuss the film Dune (2021) and highlight our entrance into the desert of Lent, the acceptance of our call, and the courage to walk the Christian path. The film is available on streaming services such as HBO Max, Amazon, and is available at Redbox. Please watch the movie before the first meeting if you have not seen it, and clips will be shown throughout the discussion. See you there!



### PRO-LIFE MINISTRY AT ST. PETER

The focus of the Pro-Life Ministry at St. Peter is on the value of all life, supporting those in need, and easing people in their pain as they move forward. We would like to thank Lauren Turley and her family for sharing their story and being Christ-like examples in our community.

"How do you want to be treated on your worst day?" asked Lauren Turley, Co-Founder of Catherine Cares.

When families learn devastating news about their baby, it is hard to take care of everyday needs. Catherine Cares provides fuel cards and restaurant gift cards to ease mental, emotional, and financial stress during that time. What might seem like a seemingly small gesture actually has a great impact on families. It gives them HOPE. Nationwide, over 60 hospitals distribute them on behalf of Catherine Cares. St. Peter parishioners Lauren and Wayne Turley know

this impact all too well and began a non-profit after their 20 week ultrasound during the pregnancy of their second child. It was September 22nd, 2014. The doctor came in to share several concerns about the development of their baby girl. After coming home, Lauren remembers being called to enjoy the time she had with this pregnancy. They decided to name their daughter Catherine, which means "pure." Wanting to remove the sorrow, Lauren and Wayne thought of a way to honor Catherine. "How can we care for other families in this situation?"

They began by filling out paperwork for their IRS status and shared the idea with their family over Thanksgiving with a PowerPoint presentation. Catherine Cares officially launched on December 20th, 2014. Just 10 days later, Catherine was born at 33 weeks gestation. While Catherine only lived an hour, her legacy will live on and has touched countless lives.

Inspired by a Build-A-Bear, the Turleys found an additional way to honor Catherine. The heartbeat of their oldest daughter, Madeline, was recorded during her labor and placed in the paw of a bear. She was photographed with her bear each month as she grew and Lauren and Wayne planned to do the same for Catherine. After Catherine's diagnosis, they were able to record her heartbeat during one of her ultrasounds. Knowing how much comfort the Heartbeat Bear brings to them, they contacted Build-A-Bear and in February 2017, the Heartbeat Bears were launched and began distribution to families in need of comfort.

Amidst their suffering, the Turley Family continues to bring hope to others. They made a decision that not all families might make. Many times, Lauren wanted to convey the love behind their endeavors. The recipients of Catherine Cares are never alone. There is always hope. On someone's worst day, they might ask for compassion, hope in a situation that might seem hopeless, support and the grace to move forward. To learn more, visit: <a href="catherinecares.org">catherinecares.org</a>





### WHITE HOUSE RETREATS

St Peter Parish has an annual retreat at the White House for the men and two for the women our parish. The women's spring retreat will take place Monday, May 1 through Thursday, May 4 and the women's fall retreat will be Thursday, November 9 through Sunday, May 12. The men's retreat will be Thursday, July 6 through Sunday, July 9. To register call Linda Talley at 314.965.1709 or mokiel@charter.net for the women's retreat, or call Bill Biele at 314.821.5071 or xchiefbiele@aol.com for the men's retreat, or visit whretreat.org to find additional dates.



# St. Patrick's Day SPICE FUNDRAISER

in memory of Father Jack

# Sunday, March 5, 2023

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

### St Peter Catholic Church

243 W Argonne Drive, Kirkwood, MO 63122 Jefferson Parking Lot

### \$45/person or \$125/family

Brennans Booze Truck, Drinks, and Food Truck Tickets, Irish Music, Silent Auction, Raffles and More!



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### HONORING MSGR. JACK COSTELLO

### A GIFT TO HIS HONOR

Prayer Garden Dedication
Sunday, March 26, following 10:00 am Mass



We are proud to announce the dedication of our prayer garden to Msgr. Jack to honor his legacy and express our gratitude for his passion, dedication and loyalty to St. Peter Parish.

Anyone who knew Msgr. Jack, knew his love of St. Peter Parish, its people, its

history, and its campus. The prayer garden was one of his favorite places on campus, and we felt it would be a fitting tribute to dedicate it in his honor. It is a serene and peaceful place that offers respite and reflection to all who visit. This dedication was a gift originally given to Msgr. Jack upon his retirement in 2021, and now we will honor his years at St. Peter with this memorial on the first anniversary of his death.

All are welcome to join us for the dedication ceremony, which will take place on Sunday, March 26, immediately following 10:00am Mass.

### MSGR. JACK'S GIFT TO US

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God; whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."

While Msgr. Jack shared many gifts with our parish, he may be remembered best by his gift of preaching. He had a unique ability to connect with parishioners of all ages and left you feeling like he was speaking only to you. His passionate delivery along with his infectious enthusiasm and great sense of humor made his homilies truly unforgettable. His words continue to inspire, teach and comfort us. Our livestream Masses that began as a way to keep us connected in 2020 during the pandemic now serve as an archive of recorded homilies. In addition to his homilies, Msgr. Jack recorded several teaching videos that have been archived as well.

A "Msgr. Jack" playlist can be found on the St. Peter Youtube channel that includes these archived videos. Go to: youtube.com/@StPeterKirkwood/playlists or scan the QR code to view the videos.

We are grateful that Msgr. Jack's legacy will live on through his words and these recorded homilies!

Amen, St. Peter?
AMEN!

# ST. PETER PARISH YOUNG FAMILIES

Winter 2023 Speaker Series: Learn, Share, Grow

How do we answer the "big" questions our children ask about faith? Learn from peers in the parish and archdiocese, share your experiences, and grow deeper in your faith alongside your children. All are welcome!

Tuesday, March 14: Beyond "the big seasons"
7 pm - St. Peter School Cafeteria
Michelle and Paul Chronister
Living the Liturgical Year in the Home:
How do we fit it all in?

To RSVP or for more information: Sponsored by FAITH Alive in the Home and St. Peter Young Families.









### ST. PETER LACROSSE CLUB

Lacrosse Registration is now open. The cost per player is \$90 each.

St. Peter Lacrosse will be playing within the Arch Catholic Lacrosse League this year. Since CYC no longer sponsors lacrosse, several parishes including St. Peter have moved their teams to the Arch Catholic Lacrosse League. We look forward to a fun season playing against similar teams to last year in an environment that is committed to promoting, organizing, and advancing the sport of lacrosse through collaboration with our Catholic school community. The players will still be provided St. Peter uniforms and will be coached by parent volunteers.

Lacrosse is offered to boys and girls in 5th through 8th grade. Players will be required to have a USA Lacrosse membership which costs \$30 and provides the necessary insurance coverage to participate in the Arch Catholic Lacrosse League among other benefits. Many players may already have USA Lacrosse memberships since many camps also require them. The USA Lacrosse membership is in addition to the \$90 player cost. Please click the link and sign up/renew your youth player membership id: usalacrosse.com/membership.

To register for St. Peter Lacrosse: stp.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1633726

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER

Lent is a call to "give alms for the poor."

Is there a Kirkwood family you know who needs assistance? Please have them call the SVdP Conference number below so that together we can provide for them. Thank you for the continued donations that help make this happen!



### **Special requests:**

A Kirkwood family has been without a washer and gas dryer for a year. If you or someone you know would consider helping our conference take care of this need, please call the number below.

The number to call for information about our St Peter conference or to direct brothers and sisters in need of help with utility, rent, or food assistance is 314.289.6101 ext. 2220.

### HELP FILL THE BLESSING BOX



We would like to make sure that our St. Peter Blessing Box is filled, especially now during the winter months.

Our 3rd grade school students fill the Blessing Box each week, but we are asking parishioners to help us meet our growing needs.



Scan the QR code or go to signupgenius. com/go/9040d4da4aa2da31-stpeter#/ for more information and to sign up.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

# STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION 1st Sunday of Lent

"It is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." Matthew 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things, and develop and nurture heavenly things. Lent is time to repent and let go of the other "gods" we have put before God.

### **HOW CAN I HELP MY NEIGHBOR?**

### STS. TERESA AND BRIDGET FOOD PANTRY

Food donation drop off location: Candy and John Behl, 319 East Adams, Kirkwood (block and a half east of the YMCA). Please donate cans no larger than 30 ounces.

Contact: Kristen and Tim Figge, 314.402.6739.

#### **PERSON TO PERSON**

We Are Here To Help. Parishioner volunteers are ready to assist you with special needs you may have due to illness or other emergencies.

**Types of help offered:** Transportation, meals, yard work, light housekeeping, laundry, grocery shopping, rides to church, rides to the doctor. Please call and we will try to make the necessary arrangements to assist.

**Contact:** Deacon John Komotos, 314.984.0054. All requests remain confidential. Please leave a message and your call will be answered.

### ST. PATRICK CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

**Donations requested:** Breakfast bars, granola-type bars, chips, cookies, water, and individual drinks accepted daily. The Health Department requires that all food items come pre-packaged.

**Drop off location:** 450 Burns Åve, Kirkwood. (Green tub on side of house on driveway).

Contact: Jennifer Moritz, 314.909.6756

#### STS. PETER AND PAUL MEALS PROGRAM

How can you help? Volunteers help when they can. Families welcome. Meals are served on the 3rd of each month at the Sts. Peter and Paul dining hall in Soulard.

Contact: Mary Raizman, 314.458.6895 mraizman@lauramccarthy.com

### **ROOM AT THE INN**

How can you help? Donate online at roomstl.org/DONATE.html. or items from the Room at the Inn wish list can be dropped off at 240 W Argonne Drive (House is across street from the rectory). Collection box on porch. Paper towels, paper plates, paper cups, rolls of bath tissue, cleaning solvents. Clorox laundry bleach, liquid dish detergent, trash bags (13, 44 & 55 gallon), umbrellas, foil and plastic wrap, thumb drives, Vaseline, storage baggies (qt, g, 2g), men's white and colored t-shirts (M-3x), men's sweatpants and pajama bottoms (M, L, XL, XXL), women's colored t-shirts, sweatpants, pajama bottoms (M, L, XL, XXL), storage containers (regular and microwave)

### KIRKCARE DONATIONS

Donations for Kirk Care of nonperishable food are accepted in the Rectory Office vestibule. Donations go directly to families in the Kirkwood R-V11 School district attendance area. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer McCoy 314.960.9873.

10 News from Around the Archdiocese



### MISSOURI RIGHT TO LIFE

"Keep Missouri Pro-Life" Action Day

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 Missouri State Capitol 1st Floor Rotunda

- · We need you to ACT! Come to Jefferson City on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, for Pro-Life Action Day to encourage your legislators to pass pro-life legislation.
- Registration begins at 10:00 a.m.
- · Lobby your legislators and join the noon rally with our special guest, Vicky Hartzler. Bus transportation is available from several sites in the St Louis metro and surrounding areas. Bus registration deadline is March 1. Sign up online at easternregionmrl.org/actionday. Or contact Missouri Right to Life-Eastern Region at 314.434.490

### **MERCY CENTER Upcoming Programs**

Sunday afternoon poetry sessions with Noeli Lytton, March 5, 19, and April 2 from 1-3 PM at Mercy Center, Frontenac. \$20 per session.

Register at www.mercycenterstl.org. Noeli will lead us in comparing two poets per session who complement each

March 5: Mary Oliver and James Wright

March 19: William Stafford and Jalahudddin Rumi

April 2: Robert Frost and Ted Kooser. Poems provided; insight invited; illumination expected.



Attention all 7th graders - Shadow registration is officially open! Visit www.desmet.org/visit to learn more. Choose from one of five sessions, beginning March 2. Enjoy class, lunch, fun with Esports and more. Find a friend and sign up today. Go Spartans!



### VIANNEY UPCOMING EVENTS

### 7th Grade Shadow VIsits Now Open

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 8:00am - 1:30pm

- Two Vianney classes with a Griffin Guide
- Economics and Leadership activities
- Compilmentary lunch and Ted Drewes
- Questions: Monica Sabatino: msabatino@vianney.com

### Be a Griffin for a Day

Easter Monday, 8:00am - 12:30pm

- 5th and 6th graders spend the morning on campus experiencing life as a Griffin
- Teacher-led activities
- Current student guides
- FREE event
- Lunch and t-shirt included
- Questions: Jesse Hebrank: jhebrank@vianney.com



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Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next three IN-PERSON weekend experiences are listed below. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314.649.7317.

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5/5 - 5/7 - Drury Plaza Hotel, Cape Girardeau, MO

8/4 - 8/6 - Courtvard Marriott, St. Peters, MO