



SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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



Come, Holy Spirit!

On Thursday, May 11, 89 of our young parishioners celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation,
MAY 21, 2023 | SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION

WELCOME

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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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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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243 West Argonne Drive
Saint Louis, MO 63122
314.966.8600
stpeterkirkwood.org

Saint Peter Catholic School
215 North Clay Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63122
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Saint Peter Parish School of Religion
215 North Clay Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63122
314.821.0460, ext 4212
stpeterkirkwood.org/psr

UPON THIS ROCK

A Word from Our Pastor | 3

On Pentecost Sunday, May 28, Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski will announce the final plans of All Things New. While many parishes across the Archdiocese of St. Louis are being reconfigured in response to declining church attendance and school population, St. Peter Church has been blessed with continued vibrancy. We are experiencing a steady rise in parish registrations and baptisms, a strong enrollment in our fulltime school, and increasing activities among our many ministries and organizations. Our challenge is not about needing to merge with another parish but to accommodate our prosperity and to address the limitations of our facilities.



Fr. Matt O'Toole

Late last fall I initiated a serious discussion of how the physical plant of St. Peter Church and School might be improved to better suit our present and future needs. With Kevin Stillman, our Director of Finance and Operations, and some members of our Property and Buildings Committee, we began to meet regularly with Lorry Bannes, a parishioner and esteemed engineer with a long history of construction in St. Louis. They are each very familiar with our existing complex and the alterations that have been made to it over the years.

At the same time, I gathered input from parish and school staff as well as ministry leaders about how their daily work is sometimes challenged by the shortcomings of our facilities and what changes or additions could be made to meet the needs of our developing parish. The consensus brought us to four goals: the construction of a new parish hall capable of facilitating large crowds for major events along with a commercial kitchen; expansion of the school to accommodate the student population as well as capital improvements to the existing school buildings; the reorganizing and consolidation of parish offices into one location and creation of more meeting and storage spaces; and the construction of a new rectory to serve as a residence only for the priests.

This is not the first time in recent memory that St. Peter addressed the needs of our physical plant and contemplated new construction. In 2008 Msgr. Jack Costello engaged the services of an architectural firm to do conceptual renderings of a parish center situated on the east side of Ursuline Hall. The drawings also worked off a plan in which Jefferson Avenue would be closed to traffic, and the church and school campuses would be contiguous, allowing for an expansion on the school building's south side. But St. Peter's participation in an Archdiocesan-wide capital campaign and a challenging economy obliged Fr. Jack to shelve these plans.

It has now come time to take the necessary steps to learn what is possible for developing an expansion plan for St. Peter that will carry us into the future. Since all parish property belongs to the Archdiocese of St. Louis, I had first to secure the permission of Archbishop Rozanski to move forward. This has been granted, and we have entered an agreement of understanding with BSI Constructors to assist us with navigating the initial planning process. The Office of Building and Real Estate has put out a call for architectural firms approved by the Archdiocese. In mid-June those architects who express interest in our goals will be interviewed to find a good match to work with St. Peter leadership and BSI. Over the summer we hope to develop some conceptual drawings and get a better handle on the prospective costs of the various projects. We do not foresee acquiring additional real estate but plan to work within the existing footprint of our church and school campus. After this, we will share with the whole parish the possibilities that have been developed and utilize a feasibility study to assess the interest level of St. Peter parishioners as well as the capacity of parishioners to support the projects.

This is a steady and conservative start to a process that could become a major enterprise in the life of St. Peter Church. For myself, I find the work of master planning to be exciting, and I know it has the potential to motivate people in a faith community like ours to rally toward a common goal. Nevertheless, it must have the support of most parishioners and, more importantly, be driven by the favor of the Holy Spirit. I am certain this announcement generates more questions than it can answer here. I will continue to keep you informed of the developments and the opportunities ahead to become more engaged with this process of discernment for the future of St. Peter's campus.

Lord, may everything we do begin with your inspiration, continue with your saving help, and reach perfection under your guidance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen!

PRAY

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LET US PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Molly Cantonwine, Anna Chott, Sheran Cronin, Ceres Dbritto, Vic Frome, Louis G., Maria Gianino, Lisa Heaps, June Hochberg, Kristi Hueseman, Gail Jacus, 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, Chris Smith, Nick Sudekum, Jane Sulze, Marguerite Wuebker

DEATHS

Lil Klump
Ed Hingle, *father of Craig Hingle*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Are you being called to spend an hour in the presence of Jesus? We are in need of adorers in the upcoming weeks. You can easily find the adoration schedule by going to the parish website, stpkirkwood.org, and find the Adoration Chapel under the PRAY tab. There are needs for the rest of this month on Wednesday, May 24, from midnight-1 am, 6-7 am, and 11 pm to midnight. Also on Friday, May 26, from 6-7 am, Tuesday May 30 from midnight to 1 am, 3 am to 4 am, and Wednesday May 31 from midnight to 1 am. The 7-8 pm hour every Thursday evening is inviting adorers starting June 1.



The Adoration Chapel is open to all, no commitment needed. Come and find rest for your soul! The chapel entrance is in the Prayer Garden located on the east side of the church next to Ursuline Hall. It is accessed from the sidewalk between the church and Ursuline Hall (0822). Contact Susan Martin at (314) 221-3104 or Jane Shea (314) 761-3425 for information,

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Total for May 13-14	\$	30,606.00
Month-To Date Total	\$	75,173.00
Year-To-Date Total	\$	1,548,257.00

Collections versus Budget

Weekly Total	<\$	5,656.00>
Month-To-Date Total	+\$	2,649.00 (+3.60%)
Year-To-Date Total	<\$	182.00> (-.01%)

vs. YTD 21-22 Collections	Adjusted -	.8%
vs. YTD 20-21 Collections	Adjusted +	3.9%
vs. YTD 19-20 Collections	Adjusted +	2.4%

Donate online: saintpeterkirkwood.weshareonline.org

Mail or drop off envelopes:

Saint Peter Church
243 West Argonne Dr.
Kirkwood, MO 63122

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday May 20

8:15 am Russell Belcher +
5:00 pm Msgr. Jack Costello + *

* 51st anniversary of ordination to the priesthood

Sunday May 21

8:00 am John Miller +
10:00 am Jack Brennan +
5:00 pm People of St. Peter

Monday May 22

6:45 am Pat Knickmeyer +
8:15 am Joseph Darpel +

Tuesday May 23

6:45 am Bonnie Taylor +
8:15 am Mike O'Reilly +

Wednesday May 24

6:45 am Kaye Huch +
8:15 am Christian Brady Smith +

Thursday May 25

6:45 am Msgr. Jack Costello +
8:15 am Barbara Coffey +

Friday May 26

6:45 am Charles Nigh +
8:15 am Dick Navarro +

Saturday May 27

8:15 am Society of St. Vincent DePaul
5:00 pm Dennis Killiany +

Sunday May 28

8:00 am People of St. Peter
10:00 am Joanne Metzger +
5:00 pm Kevin Stillman (Special Intention)

SCHOOL MASSES

Friday, May 26 8:15 am All School



SCAN
HERE

SIGN UP TODAY!

ST. PETER ACTS RETREAT

WOMEN'S SEPT 7-10
MEN'S SEPT 28-OCT 1

*You will seek me and
find me, when you seek
me with all your heart.*

- JEREMIAH 29:13

LEARN MORE AT STPETERKIRKWOOD.ORG/ACTS-RETREATS



GO!

Week Of May 21, 2023

Today, we hear the call to evangelize: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” This is it — the Great Commission and the verse cited over and over again as the primary call we receive from Jesus to step out beyond the church walls and proclaim the Good News throughout the entire world. It all starts with the words Jesus speaks to us today: “Go and make disciples.”

We’ve spent weeks discussing what this looks like, what it means to “evangelize” or spread the Kingdom of Heaven here on earth. We’ve used words like: devoted, walk, name, works, and Spirit. And perhaps you’ve found these discussions and challenges fruitful! But this week, we shift things into a higher gear. This week, our word is GO.

If you have been taking part in these evangelization challenges (and if you continue them throughout your life!) a time may come when you perceive that a window has opened. You may feel the gentle but firm prompting of the Holy Spirit to act in that moment. And when that time comes, it’s your turn to “go” and share the Good News. But what does that mean? What does that look like for you? What exactly do we do in that moment? Watch this week’s video to learn more — and together let’s go out, St. Peter!



Scan the QR Code or go to youtu.be/F-sHwK7EmH0 to watch this week’s video.



Jesus approached and said to them, “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations...”

Matthew 28:18–19

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How does it feel to hear Jesus give the Great Commission and the call to go and make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:16–20)?
2. Why do you think it was important for Jesus to send his followers out to continue to proclaim the gospel?
3. How can you, with your unique gifts and talents and in your unique sphere of influence, proclaim the gospel with your life, words, and works?
4. What do you think about the idea that Jesus simply commands us to “go” and invite all to encounter him, not worrying about whether they respond yes or no? Does it change your perspective on evangelization at all?
5. If you were to share your story of how you know that God loves you, what would you say?

WEEK SIX DAILY CHALLENGES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Watch the weekly video.	Invite someone to St. Peterfest with you.	Tell someone that God loves them today.	Ask someone if you can pray for them, and pray for them in that moment.	Invite someone to Mass with you.	Ask someone if they’re interested in becoming Catholic.	Read the scriptures for Pentecost Sunday
21	22	23	24	25	26	27



ALL THINGS NEW
STEADFAST IN FAITH • FORWARD IN HOPE

As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, we recognize the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon us. In this moment, as Archbishop Rozanski prepares to share the future structure of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, we are struck by the constant need for Pentecost to happen in our Church each and every day. It is the Spirit that allowed the early Church to move from fear to courage - from silence to a bold proclamation of the Gospel. As we have arrived at this moment in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, this indeed is a new Pentecost for us.

After nearly two years of gathering data and feedback, Archbishop Rozanski will announce his decision regarding All Things New on Saturday, May 27, the day before Pentecost.

Pastors will be sharing information regarding the announcement as it pertains to their parish at all Masses Pentecost weekend, as well as through their usual communication outlets. On Saturday evening, information regarding all parishes and priest assignments will be posted on allthingsnew.archstl.org. As we prepare our hearts to be open to follow where the Holy Spirit will lead us, consider joining parishioners all over the archdiocese in praying a Novena to the Holy Spirit in the days leading up to Pentecost. The Novena prayers and audio can be found at allthingsnew.archstl.org/Resources/Novena-to-the-Holy-Spirit.

Let's continue to pray for each other as we discern the best path toward a renewed Catholic presence in every part of our archdiocese.



Scan the STP QR code or go to stpeterkirkwood.org/links for quick access to bulletin links.

AN INTRODUCTION TO CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



This summer, we are honored to offer an introduction to Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Join us for a journey into the heart of our faith as we explore the wonder of the Sacrament of Baptism, the Altar, the Seasons of the Church and the Liturgical year.

Experience joy and discovery as we deepen our understanding and appreciation of our faith. Parents will be invited to gather near the end of each session for an optional demonstration of the works presented to your child that day. This introduction is suitable to children 3-6 years of age. (Children must be fully potty-trained.)

- June 26-29 from 9:30-11:00am. (Mon.-Thur.)
- Registration is \$120.
- Space is limited to 15 students.
- Allergy-friendly snack provided.

For questions or concerns, please contact Susan Lueker at slueker@stpeterkirkwood.org or (314) 479-6052. stp.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1758265



PSR ENROLLMENT 2023-24

Enrollment for the Parish School of Religion (PSR) 2023-24 academic year is **now open**. Our program is available for students in grades K-8 attending public or non-Catholic private schools. Please note that space is limited for Kindergarten. To accommodate busy schedules, we offer two sessions on Tuesday evenings. However, please be aware that session choice may be limited based on enrollment.

Session One from 4:30-5:45pm

Session Two from 6:30-7:45pm

Enroll now and receive a \$50 tuition discount until May 31. Don't miss out on this incredible offer! To register, visit stpeterkirkwood.psrenroll.com. If you are a non-parish family, contact Mrs. Susan Lueker prior to enrollment.

For more information about our program, please contact Susan Lueker at 314.821.0460 ext. 4212 or via email at slueker@stpeterkirkwood.org.

We look forward to hearing from you and helping your child grow in faith and knowledge.

RACIAL UNITY SPOTLIGHT

Immersion Experience St. Louis Black History Bus Tour

Fr. Gerry Kleba will lead a bus tour of St. Louis black history sites on Saturday, June 3. Parishioners will carpool from downtown Kirkwood around 9:15 and return around 1:30 p.m. The bus tour will start from St. Cronan Parish. The tour is 9:45 to 1 p.m., with an optional brown bag lunch and discussion afterward. Cost is \$7 per person. There are only 25 seats on the bus and we will soon open up to other parishes. Sign up here to attend: bit.ly/3Mz8f4C. Contact Maureen Wessels, sweetin_brown@yahoo.com, if you have questions.

Just Faith Coming This Fall

St. Peter will be offering the first series of "Just Faith" classes again this fall. Day time and evening sessions will be offered. Presented through the lens of Christian tradition, study race and privilege in our world today and discern practical steps for working for racial justice. More details and sign-ups will be available in August.

Parent Discussion Group

On June 20 at 7 p.m. the parent discussion group will be reading and discussing "The Last Children of Mill Creek." The author, Vivian Gibson, grew up in Mill Creek Valley, a segregated working-class neighborhood that was razed in 1959 to build a highway and is now the location of the CityPark Soccer Stadium. All are welcome to attend. Contact Renee Wickersham, rmwickersham@gmail.com, if interested.



St. Peter's Grief Ministry is evaluating a new Catholic grief program to offer to the parish. More to come on this as well as an upcoming lecture on Grieving With Gratitude.

In the meantime, we will continue to host GriefShare, a support group program which includes 13 faith-based sessions. Whether your grief is recent or ongoing this program can help. It addresses all forms of loss including spouse, parent, child, friend or other family member. The sessions include professionally produced videos, discussion, faith sharing and a workbook.

Our next session is Thursday, May 25, at 6:30 pm in the Westhoff Room in Ursuline Hall. If interested, please contact Mary Doebling at 314.712.1342, medoebling@gmail.com. For more information, please check out Grief Share at griefshare.org.

Youth Ministry

AT ST. PETER

JUNE 2023 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

House Night at the Fagans June 1, 7-9pm

HOUSE NIGHT

Come join your fellow high school students and have some fun socializing, playing games, and exploring faith and life. This event is at the home of Tim and Jen Fagan located at 411 Clark Ave, Kirkwood, MO 63122.

Adoration Night June 8, 7-8pm in church

ADORATION

Join the parish for an evening of adoration, praise & worship. Reconciliation is also available. After Adoration, we will grab some ice cream and socialize.

Service Saturday June 10, 9am - Noon

SERVICE SATURDAY

Help your fellow parishioners in Kirkwood with some house projects on Saturday morning. Work teams will be assigned when you arrive, make sure to wear clothes that can get dirty. This service can be included in your high school service program.

Parish Night June 18, 6-8:15pm in youth room

PARISH NIGHT

This night begins with 5pm mass, followed by dinner. We will have fun activities and opportunity to grow your faith with fellow high school students. You can also bring a friend to join in the experience.

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED

INCLUDING RISING FRESHMEN

LEARN MORE AT STPETERKIRKWOOD.ORG/YOUTH-MINISTRY

Please join us for our next
Wellness Gathering

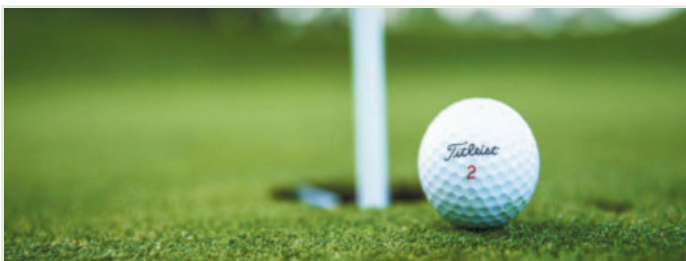


EATING FOR BRAIN HEALTH

Stay Sharp
Avoid Brain Fog
Best Foods for Memory
The Mind Diet

Tuesday June 6
7-8p
Ursuline Hall

Please RSVP to julie @ 314.566.4655



St. Peter Athletic Association Annual Golf Tournament

Date: Friday, August 18, 2023

Tee Time: 10AM

Registration: 9AM

Cost: \$125/person (lunch/golf and cart included)

Format: 4 Man Scramble

Location: Forest Park Golf Course

*Appetizers, drinks and awards to follow at course

Register: Scan STP QR code below or go to
stp.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1767032
Sponsorship opportunities available.

Questions:

Bob Pruett at robertpruett10@yahoo.com

Paul Ardekani at paul.ardekani@gmail.com

Ian Banks banksian2@gmail.com



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ST. PETERFEST IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

Friday, June 2, 2023

5:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Rides, Food and Drink Booths
Carnival Games (Adams Lot)

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm KidZone Games (Jefferson Lot)

Saturday, June 3, 2023

2:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Rides, Food and Drink Booths
Carnival Games (Adams Lot)

2:00 pm - 6:00 pm KidZone Games (Jefferson Lot)

Volunteer at St. Peterfest!

Have Fun While Giving Back!

Volunteers needed for St. Peterfest! Help make the event a success by signing up for a variety of opportunities, from setting up and running games to serving food and drinks.

Go to stpeterkirkwood.org/st-peterfest-volunteers
to sign up or scan the STP QR Code for link.

Ride Tickets/Wristband Presale

Available online at

stp.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1755060

Monday, May 15 - Tuesday, May 23

Wristbands: \$50 (Valid Saturday, June 3, 2-10 pm)

Ride tickets (24 tickets): \$18 (Rides take 3-6 tickets)

KidZone tickets (10 tickets): \$10 (Each game takes one ticket and climbing wall three tickets).

Wristbands are only available through presale and will not be sold after May 23, as per the carnival contract.

Questions?

Maria Jokerst, mcjokerst@gmail.com, 314.717.3818

Rita Schuman, rita.schuman@gmail.com, 314.750-6494

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.



Donate your vehicle and Help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul!

Running or not. Free towing. Tax deductible. A vehicle donation from you gives hope to those in need. We have an easy process and free pick-up. To learn more, call or visit us online: 800-322-8284 or www.svdpusacars.com

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.

BLOOD DRIVE

BLOODCENTER.ORG

St. Peter Catholic Church

Sunday, May 28
8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Bishop O'Donnell Parish Center
215 N Clay, Kirkwood

Masks optional. Appointments required.
To schedule an appointment, scan QR code,
online at [bloodcenter.org/group, grp # 9246](http://bloodcenter.org/group grp # 9246)
or contact Charles Lucier at 314.304.1226.

Hats off to our donors!
Give and get a baseball hat or a gift card.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Sunday, May 21, 2023

"I am praying for them..." John 17:9

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

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 Ave, 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 Souland.

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)

KIRK CARE 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.

ATTENTION: SEPARATED, DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR REMARRIED OF ALL AGES AND FAITHS

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at the next meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, May 25, 2023, 7:00 p.m., at the Saint Catherine Laboure Parish cafeteria (near to the playground) 9740 Sappington Rd, Sunset Hills, MO. Immediately following the meeting we will play some live entertainment. Refreshments will also be served.

Come to enjoy a spring evening and join in some fun with friendly folks. SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social activities, and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your personal story with caring people. Ask about our same day \$5 discount for new memberships! For more information please call Tom Shephard, 785-221-7839.

SUMMER SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT AT MERCY CENTER

Our Summer Silent Directed Retreat allows you to withdraw from the busyness of life and reflect on and deepen your relationship with God. It is a time of compassion, silence and prayer. This retreat includes the services of a spiritual director daily who will accompany you during these graced days of silence and contemplation.

Two options: 6 full days, August 12-17, \$700 or 4 full days, August 12-15, \$425. More information and registration at mercycenterstl.org. Choose from directors listed on the flyer. This retreat allows you to withdraw from the busyness of life and to reflect on and deepen your relationship with God. A daily session with a spiritual director is included.



Did You Know?

Saint Louis Counseling (SLC) is a ministry of Catholic Charities that provides professional counseling and psychiatric services for individuals and families at seven offices in our region.

SLC has therapists serving children in over 120 parochial, private, and public schools through its School Partnership Program. Saint Louis Counseling offers compassionate care to people with mental-health conditions and mental illness can so they can live full and happy lives.

For clients who do not have health insurance, SLC offers sliding-scale rates. To get involved or for more information, please contact your Parish Ambassadors, Natalie Orlando at orlando1318@sbcglobal.net or Jen Moritz at jenmoritz@gmail.com.

WORDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next three 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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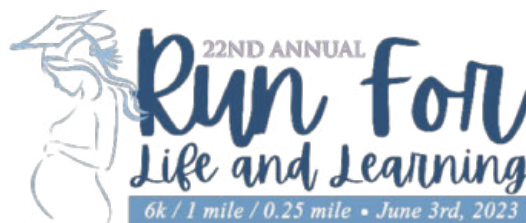
BENEDICTINE SISTERS MONASTIC EXPERIENCE

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, will host an in-person Monastic Experience June 23-29, 2023.

"It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of our life where you can join us in singing the divine office, attend daily Mass, spend time in personal prayer and open your heart to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer," Vocation Director Sister Maria Victoria Cutaia, OSB said. "It's always a joy and an honor for me to journey with women who are discerning their path in life."

This opportunity is for single women, age 18-40, who are considering religious life. There is no cost to attend.

For more information or to learn about upcoming Monastic Experiences, including virtual opportunities, please contact Sister Maria Victoria at vocation@benedictinesisters.org, call (660) 944-2221 ext. 127, or visit www.BenedictineSisters.org and click on Vocations/Walk With Us.



Join us at Creve Coeur Lake on June 3 for a chip-timed 6K Run/Walk, 1 Mile Fun Walk/Run, and 1/4 Mile Kids Run with FRED BIRD. Register or donate at runsignup.com/run4lifeandlearning. Proceeds go to Birthright Counseling, St. Louis, enable women who are financially stressed by an unplanned pregnancy to continue their education and secure better lives for themselves and their families.

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