

Saint Ferdinand

CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 | EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

MASS SCHEDULE WEEKEND MASSES

St. Ferdinand Church Saturday 4:30 pm Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. Ferdinand Church

Monday - Friday 6:00 am, 8:00 am Saturday 8:00 am

HOLYDAY/HOLIDAY MASS

Check inside for details

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 3:00 to 4:00 pm or by appointment

ADORATION CHAPEL

Daily from 9 am - 6 pm Sundays 9 am - 5 pm Tuesdays 9 am - 10 pm Wednesday, Thursday 9 am - 9 pm

FISH FRY

Fridays 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm 314-839-5312

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HELP LINE

314-289-6101 EXT. 2216

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Associate Pastor
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Permanent Deacon
Permanent Deacon
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From Father Lijo...

My first Christmas celebration at Ferdinand was great. I was inspired by the participation of many people in every aspect of the celebration. Thanks to all who helped to decorate the church and helped with different ministries during the liturgical celebrations. Thanks to all who remembered to send me greeting cards, and for your wishes, prayers and gifts. Let us continue to enjoy the joy and peace of Christmas by continuing to Keep Christ in the midst of everything who we are and what we do during the New Year.

After Christmas the important feast we celebrate during the season is Epiphany. Epiphany is celebrated 12 days after Christmas on the 6th of January (This year we celebrate Epiphany on January 7th.) and is the time when Christians remember the Wise men (also sometimes called the Three Kings) who visited Jesus. The bible doesn't say how many Wise men there were or that they were kings. The number three comes from the three gifts the Wise Men/ Magi brought with them.

Epiphany The word means "manifestation" or "showing forth". This Sunday, the Church celebrates the manifestation of our Lord to the entire world. Jesus was first made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem. He is now revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition tells us that the Magi or the three Kings are symbolic of the gentiles who began to follow Jesus. These kings represent all the peoples of the earth, and they also represent our search for Jesus.

Epiphany is not given just to believers but also to those who continually seek the Lord's presence in their lives. Each of us must continually search for the many ways in which God reveals himself in our lives. We are all in the process of coming to know Jesus as Lord. Each of us is at a different place in our faith journey. The many experiences of our lives have shaped how we see God and others. In the midst of our journey, God comes to "show us Jesus". He reminds us that we are bigger than our circumstances. We are bigger than our experiences. Jesus comes into our lives to show us what it really means to be human. He comes to show us what it really means to be loved by God. All of us together must see this saving power of God.

Another important element of this feast is the three gifts that Magi presented to Baby Jesus. They are Gold, frankincense and myrrh. They may be thought of as prophesying Jesus' future. Gold was a gift for a King; frankincense was offered to God in Temple worship; and myrrh was used by the high priest as an anointing oil. And to prepare bodies for burial. These gifts were not only expensive but portable. Perhaps Joseph sold the gifts to finance the Holy family's trip to Egypt. The gifts might have been God's way of providing for the journey that lay ahead.

Like the Magi, let us offer Jesus our gifts on this feast of Epiphany (a) the first gift might be friendship with God. After all, the whole point of Christmas is that God's Son became one of us to redeem us and call us friends. God wants our friendship in the form of wholehearted love and devotion.

(b) a second gift might be friendship with others. This kind of friendship can be costly. The price it exacts is vulnerability and openness to others. The good news, however, is that in offering friendship to others, we will receive back many blessings. (c) a third gift might be the gift of reconciliation. This gift repairs damaged relationships. requires honesty. humility. understanding, forgiveness and patience. (d) the fourth gift of this season is the gift of peace. Seeking God's peace in our own lives through prayer, the sacramental life and daily meditation on the word of God.

It is out of our humble gratitude that we give Him from the heart our gifts of worship, prayer, singing, possessions and time. As we give our insignificant, little gifts to God, the good news is that God accepts them! Like the Magi offering their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, we offer what we have, from the heart, in response to what that child has given to us – Himself.

Fr. Lijo Kallarackal

TO THE PARENTS OF OUR CHILDREN, MAY WE SUGGEST

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.

All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the back of others' heads. Feel free to explain quietly the parts of the Mass and the actions of the priest, altar servers, choir, etc. Teach them to sing the hymns and to pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so. The Gathering Space is always available, but please come back.

As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me!"

ADORATION CHAPEL

See the bulletin cover for the hours the Chapel is open for adoration. Listed below are the hours where an assigned adorer is needed.

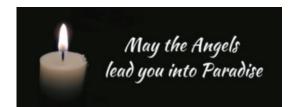
CHAPEL HOURS NEEDING VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, 5-6 PM Wednesday, 7-8 PM

EXTRA SUBS ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED

Please prayerfully consider spending an hour with Jesus.

If you would like to sign up to take an hour in the chapel, contact Debbie at 314-258-4112 for weekday hours or Stephanie at 314-330-3239 for weekend hours.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

STEPHEN KLUMP, a parishioner

RAYMOND SCHULER, JR., a parishioner

May God welcome them home and comfort their families and friends in their time of sorrow. May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a loved one—deceased or living—contact Dana at the Parish Office at 314-837-3165. The stipend is \$10 per Mass.

There are infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefits ones soul. The special ministerial fruits of the Mass are applied to the particular intention of the Mass.

We have MANY open dates and times!

The tradition of offering Masses for others, particularly the dead, originate in the very early Church. We have Mass Cards available in the office you can give to the family of a deceased person or Special Intention Cards for the living for a special occasion or for healing.

Readings for the Week of January 7, 2024

Sunday:

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday:

Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday:

1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday:

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7 -8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday:

1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday:

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday:

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday:

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



DECEMBER 24 & 31, 2023

Envelopes	\$17,769
Loose	
Online	
TOTAL:	
Campaign for Human Dev	\$20
Christmas	
Christmas Flowers	
Disaster Relief	
First Offering	
Holy Land	
Immaculate Conception	
Kenrick Glennon Seminary.	
Maintenance Fund	•
Military Archdiocese	
Parking Lot	\$15
School Unrestricted	\$1,300
Solemnity of Mary	\$416
St. Louis Review	\$80
St. Vincent de Paul	\$8,175
Thanksgiving Day	\$25
Tuition Assistance	
World Mission	

Our weekly collections remain essential to the continued operation of our parish. We appreciate everyone who continues to make their contributions to our parish both financially and with your time and talent.

Your envelopes can be put in the collection basket, dropped in the Parish Office door slot, mail it, use bill -pay through your bank or signing up for our Online Giving through our website.

If you are an online giver and no longer wish to receive the monthly envelope packets, contact Dana at the Parish Office at 314-837-3165.



Jesus and the Eucharist Study Video Series

We have had a great response to the video series, Jesus and the Eucharist. Many people have asked about offering it on a different day or in the evening.

Deacon Gerry is facilitating the viewing of the videos at both 9:30 a.m. (after Mass & Rosary) and again at 7:00 p.m. in the Duchesne Hall on Tuesdays

It will conclude on January 30.

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving is a convenient way to give to the church

It's easy to sign up at: www.osvhub.com/stferdinandstl

Simply click on "create an account". Then, enter the needed information and submit.

It's that simple to give anytime and from anywhere using a computer, Smartphone or table. It can be used for recurring gifts to the church, or send a one-time gift.

The merger is completed with the St. Sabina online giving. You can now access your St. Ferdinand account using the same login information as you did to sign in the St. Sabina online giving.

St. Martin de Porres family will have to sign up through St. Ferdinand as we have a different provider than you currently use.



We continue our Journey of Faith through the RCIA process.

Learn more about Baptism: Sacrament of Initiation on Thursday, January 11, at 7 p.m. in the Duchesne Hall

Call the Parish Office at 314-837-3165 for more information about R.C.I.A.

ONLINE GIVING

The transition has been made merging all the St. Sabina online giving accounts with St. Ferdinand online giving effective December 8. Your active recurring donations were automatically moved over with this merger. Please check to make sure your online giving is correct and/or needs to be updated. To access your online giving account, go to www.osvhub.com/stferdinandstl

Thank you to everyone from St. Martin de Porres who signed up for the St. Ferdinand online giving through OSV. If you have not yet signed up and you want to resume your recurring gifts, you will need to sign up through St. Ferdinand.

If you have any questions, or need help, please contact Dana at St. Ferdinand Parish office at 314-837-3165.

St. Ferdinand Online Giving:

Osvhub.com/stferdinandstl/giving/funds

IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

Did you know if you are age 70.5 or older, you can distribute up to \$100,000 tax-free each year from your IRA account to benefit St. Ferdinand? With an increased standard tax deduction, few people will itemize, preventing many from deducting their charitable contributions. The IRA Charitable Rollover allows donors—even those who take the standard deduction—to enjoy tax benefits by contributing to St. Ferdinand.

For details on contributing to St. Ferdinand with an IRA Charitable Rollover, please contact the planned giving experts at the Roman Catholic Foundation 314-918-2393 | giftplanning@rcfstl.org

Or talk to your financial Advisor.

NO LADIES SODALITY meeting until February.

St. Ferdinand Quilters

The St. Ferdinand Quilters will start quilting again Monday, January 8, 2024 in the Quilters Room at our new location St. Martin de Pores in the Knobbe House.

Day Quilting 9am-2pm

You are welcome to quilt all day or just for a couple of hours. Bring your lunch if staying the entire day (microwave available).

Evening Quilting 7pm-9pm

Take a break from everyday stress and come, relax, and quilt with friends.

A special thank you to Joe Hoffmann and his helpers who prepared the rooms and moved us to our new location. Also, thank you to all the ladies who helped pack up the quilters room for moving.

If Mondays do not work for you let us know we are thinking about quilting on another day too.

Whether you are an experienced quilter or have no experience quilting, all are welcome to help us quilt.

If you have a talent for piecing quilt tops with or without embroidered blocks, we can use your help too. We have many donated embroidered blocks to choose from to piece quilt tops together. Our shelves are full of donated material to piece patchwork quilt tops. If you like to sew and cannot quilt, try piecing quilt tops. We have a library of how to books.

Our pledge:

"It's Free, Relaxing, No Calories, No Agenda, Learn an Art, Meet other Quilters, and Each Stitch Funds the Church"

For more information contact **Sharon Derhake** cell call/text 314-482-8231 or

email sderhake@charter.net

CATHOLIC

Step Into the Light

How strange it is to think that if not for Herod's directions, the magi would not have known where to find Jesus. They were not Jews, they knew nothing of the old prophecies. It was Herod who convened the scholars. It was Herod who pointed the way — for ulterior motives, certainly, but nonetheless, this is the part he played. It was Herod who made the Epiphany possible.

"Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance," writes the prophet (Isaiah 60:3). A king may keep to the shadows, suspicious of the light — he may foolishly imagine he can snatch it from the sky to keep as his own possession, and, upon finding the light cannot be governed, grow to loathe it, and even seek to extinguish it once and for all.

But all his grand designs will come to nothing because there is no king so powerful that he can see in the dark. And even a man like Herod — a man so jealous that he sought to kill God — cannot prevent the breaking of day.

The Epiphany marks the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. It is a celebration of truth reaching places it was not expected to reach, of brightness illuminating corners of the world long ago consigned to shadow. It is a reminder that the battle has already been won, the night is over. All that remains is for us to decide: will we step into the light?

"See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory." — Isaiah 60:2

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPi





MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication,

and deepen and renew commitment. Below are listed the next three experiences. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

2/2/2024 - 2/4/2024, St. Peters, MO 3/15/2024 - 3/17/2024, Cape Girardeau, MO

Egg and Sausage Breakfast Social

All members of the parish are invited to a breakfast social to be held Sunday, January 28th, from 8 to 11, in the gymnasium sponsored by the Men's Club. Menu items include scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits & gravy, potatoes, and



oatmeal. The breakfast is being provided at *no charge* but goodwill donations will be accepted at the event. All donations collected will go to St. Vincent DePaul.

To attend you must register no later than Sunday, January 21st. *This is a social so it is dine-in only, no carry outs*. Please join us for a complimentary breakfast, meet members of our newly formed parish, and help out SVdP if you are in a position to do so.

You can register in one of two ways:

Use this QR code to register on-line:

or

Register by providing the information requested below in an envelope labeled **Breakfast**. Place the envelope in the church collection basket or in the rectory mail box drop box by Sunday, January 21st.

Sunday January 28th Breakfast Registration

Name:
Phone No:
of Adults:
of Kids (under 11):
Approx time you expect arrive: 8 - 8:30 8:30 - 9 9 - 9:30 9:30 - 10 10 - 10:30 10:30 - 11
Comments:



A warm welcome to all of you who have come to worship with us. If you are visiting, we are honored by your presence. If you would like more information on becoming a member, please call the Parish Office at 314-837-3165 or stop by Monday—Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. An online registration form is available at www.stferdinandstl.org/join-our-parish.

Our Parish serves the needs of the community in many ways. We offer prayerful liturgies, various devotions and studies, Eucharistic Adoration, preparation for Sacraments, education for children and adults, social activities and organizations, assistance to those in difficulty and comfort to the sick.

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

To help us grow in our love and appreciation for the "true bread come down from Heaven", you are invited to come to the Eucharistic Holy Hour on the second Wednesday of each month. Together we ask our Lord Jesus to touch our hearts and deepen our understanding of His Presence with us.

Our next Holy Hour will be Wednesday, January 10, 6: 30 - 7: 30 pm in the church.

WILL YOU BE ATTENDING THE 5 PM SUNDAY MASS AT ST. FERDINAND?

Please consider being a Greeter for this Mass! There was a wonderful response at the Festival of Ministries and we have many new greeters. However, there is still a need for greeters for the 5 pm Sunday Mass. Contact Lori Geerling at legerling@gmail.com

DESERT DAY:

I really need a day of prayer and quiet! Desert Days at the Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are just that. Come to the quiet and beauty of St. Joseph Chapel at 204 North Main St., O'Fallon, MO on January 16 or February 21 from 9:15 am – 3:15 pm. The day will begin and end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. The opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is also available. Lunch is provided. A free will offering is requested.

For more information or to register contact Sr. Mary Cecile Gunelson, CPPS at 636-293-8013 or by email at mcgunelson@cpps-ofallon.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

JANUARY 13 & 14, 2024

Greeters—Team 3

4:30 PM Tammy Guyre

7:00 AM Stan & Mary Jane Ebersohl 9:00 AM Julie Remacle, Joe Schwarzbauer

11:00 AM Doug & Bev Kline

5:00 PM Volunteer

Lectors—Team D

4:30 PM
7:00 AM
9:00 AM
11:00 AM
Cheryl Rackers, Nicole Church

5:00 PM Beth Strange

Eucharistic Minister

All Masses Team 3

Servers

4:30 PM Gabriel B., & Logan B. 9:00 AM Alex P., George R. 11:00 AM James B., Giorgio J.

Church Cleaners—Team 3

Monday, January 8

Don & Kathy Costello

Friday, January 12

Amy Naumann, Clara Krebs, Debbie Meine, Melissa

Rechtien, Jim Weis



During the Christmas Season the poinsettias will be used on the Altar.

We are taking reservations for Altar Flowers for the first two weeks in February and then again beginning the first weekend in May.

The cost is \$45 per plant. The plants will be on the Altar for 2 weeks.

Please call the Parish Office at 314-837-3165 to schedule a date.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

7, 9, 11 AM Youth Group passing out cookies after Mass 4:00 PM Music Ministry, Duchesne Hall

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

9:00 AM Quilting, Knobbe House Quilter's Room 9:00 AM Dominoes Club, Knobbe House 6:30 PM Daisies, Duchesne Basement 6:30 PM Transition Meeting, Knobbe House 7:00 PM Quilting, Knobbe House Quilter's Room

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

9:30 AM Jesus & the Eucharist Video, Duchesne Hall
10:00 AM Scrapbook, SMdP Knobbe House
11:00 AM Game Group, Duchesne #9
6:15 PM Picnic Meeting, Duchesne #9
6:30 PM Confirmation Class, Gym
7:00 AM Jesus & the Eucharist Video, Duchesne Hall

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

2:-00 PM Yarn Spinners, Duchesne #9
6:30 PM Holy Hour, Church
6:30 PM St. Vincent de Paul, Duchesne #9
7:00 PM Ladies Club, Duchesne Hall

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

6:00 PM RCIC, Duchesne #9
6:15 PM Rosary, Gathering Space
6:30 PM Parent Association, Duchesne Hall
7:00 PM RCIA, Gathering Space
7:30 PM Choir, Church

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

3:00 PM FISH FRY, Gym

7:00 PM Adult Scouts, Duchesne #9

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

11:00 AM Richard Thayer Funeral, Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

"What do you call a Catholic priest who became a lawyer?"







Did you know that there is a set of laws that govern Catholics called 'Canon Law"? The lawyers who work in Canon Law are actually known as "Canon lawyers."

MEALS ON WHEELS — TEAM 4 JANUARY 8-12

Tuesday Wednesday **Thursday** Monday **Friday** St. Patrick's Kathy Self Lisa Wehmeyer Rita Stoehr **OPEN** Theresa Klocker Santa Maria Steve Siebels Stan Horton Steve Siebels #3 Sue Waymack Stan Horton Osborne Shannon Steve Siebels **Emma Strickland** Nick Buchheit #4 **Robbie Wittington Debbie Henderson** Eileen Weitkemper Beth Mitchell #6/8 Pam Stone **OPEN** Mary Goldkamp Jean Fox Richard Van Well

ALL SAINTS ACADEMY -ST. FERDINAND **2023 SCHOOL NEWS**



- Wednesday, January 3—School Resumes
- Monday, January 8—Board of Directors, 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, January 9—Confirmation Class, 6-8 PM Gym
- Thursday, January 11—Parent Association 6:30 PM
- Friday, January 12—11 AM Dismissal Faculty Meeting
- Monday, January 15-No school MLK holiday
- Sunday, January 28—Catholic Schools Week Open House-Noon-2 PM

We are looking for substitute teachers for this school **year. All interested applicants need to be in full compliance with the Prevent & Protect/Safe Environment regulations. Please contact Mrs. Anna Davis below for more information and requirements needed.

> (314)921-2201 adavis@stferdinandstl.org ST. FERDINAND PARISH... TODAY, TOMORROW, FOREVER

RESERVE YOUR SCHOLARSHIP!



SCHOLARSHIPS UP TO \$2,500 PER STUDENT APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR THE 2024 - 2025 SCHOOL YEAR **JANUARY 22, 2024**

BECOME A SCHOLAR! APPLY HERE: WWW.TTEF-STL.ORG



OR SCAN THE QR CODE



"The Lord be with you" (Element 4/22) – Have you ever noticed how often those words pop up in Scripture? They occur right before God is about to use someone in a mighty way: Jacob, Moses, Joshua, King David—most importantly, the Blessed Virgin Mary—and a host of others, are sent the message, "The Lord is with you." And because the Lord is with them, they are empowered to fulfill this incredibly important work.

It is not an accident that these words occur at the beginning of Mass. Standing in the presence of God, our priest petitions the Lord aloud, "The Lord be with you," and we respond, "And with your spirit," because we can't really take part in this work of the liturgy unless God fills us with His grace, His divine life, and supernaturally enables us to do so. We can't truly hear God speaking to us in the Liturgy of the Word unless He opens our ears and hearts to do so.

"The Lord be with you" is repeated again at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist, because Jesus is drawing us into His own offering to the Father. We are about to be drawn into the greatest act in all human history—Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension—and that cannot happen unless God Himself is at work in our souls, enabling us to do so. And finally, this is also our prayer at the end of Mass as we are sent forth with the mission of uniting every part of our lives with Jesus' offering to the Father.

-Shane Kapler, ExplainingChristianity.com

WHITE ROSE FOR LIFE

To enhance our appreciate for the **Right** To Life Movement on a parish level, we have a special vase of white roses on Mary's altar to act as a vigil on your child's behalf during the nine months of one's pregnancy. When the child is

brought to church for baptism, the rose will be presented to the parents. Please fill out the form below. Place it in the collection basket, return it to the rectory, or contact Jack Freebersyser at 314-731-5160

Please submit for me a WHITE ROSE to be placed on Mary's altar.

Name:	
My due date is:	



T.E.A.M.
SPECIAL NEEDS::
CEREAL
Dry Pasta
Spaghetti Sauce
Macaroni & Cheese
Tomato Products
Cereal
Tuna

FROZEN / FRESH MEAT,

Canned or Dry Soup

Other suggestions:
Any bagged or boxed foods
*Peanut Butter
*Pancake Mix and Syrup
Bread, Snacks & Crackers
Canned Meat & Seafood
Canned Fruit & Vegetables

Pork and Beans Sugar Coffee Toilet Paper & Paper Towels Laundry Detergent Shampoo, Bar Soap

Sanitary Napkins

FROZEN / FRESH MEAT, fruit and vegetables are also needed but should be dropped off directly to TEAM.

All other items can be placed in the TEAM collection bin in the Gathering Space or they can be delivered directly to the TEAM office.

T.E.A.M. is located at 256 Saint Catherine at the corner of Saint Ferdinand Street (Graham Road).

Hours are Monday—Friday, 10 am—2 pm and Saturday 10 am to noon.

Drive around back to the 3rd door and someone will assist you unloading your items.

T.E.A.M. could also use donations of money.

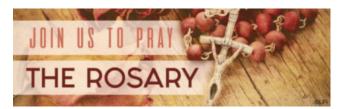
Make checks payable to T.E.A.M. and send to the rectory or mail to the address above.

Thank you for all you have donated to TEAM. Your generosity is appreciated very much!

MEALS 50 DONATIONS \$ 50

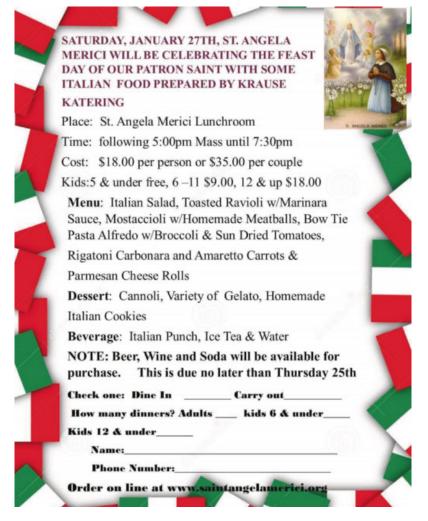
Volunteers are needed in the warehouse, pantry and offices. Minimal computer skills required.

For more details, please contact Nancy Wolff at 314-831-0879 or 314-412-3637



Join us **every morning** at St. Ferdinand before and after the 8:00 am Mass to pray the Rosary and on **Tuesdays** for Perpetual Help Devotions.

Every **Thursday Night** at 6:15 pm in the Gathering Space you are invited to pray the rosary.

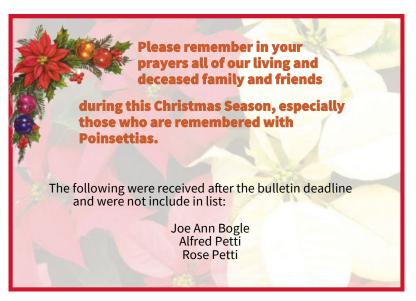


St. Ferdinand Ladies Club

Happy New Year Ladies!

Just a reminder that our monthly meeting is next week Wednesday, January 10 at 7:00 in the Duchesne Building.

Please bring a snack to share (or a \$2 donation). Hope that everyone had a wonderful time during the holidays, and see you soon!





YARN SPINNERS—WE'RE BACK!

To any/all who would like to knit or crochet, come join us on Wednesday, January 10, 2pm in the Duchesne center for an hour of friendship and project making! We will meet in Room 9. If you are already working on a project--bring it along. Bring your own hooks, needles and yarn if you have some. If not, we'll try to find some for you. Questions? Call Mary Hilmes 314-831-6625.



WHITE HOUSE RETREAT

JANUARY 18–21, 2024

Would you like to spend a few days apart with God? Would you like to learn how to find God in all things? If so, the quiet, natural solitude of the White House retreat center may be exactly what you need. The Men's White House retreat is coming up in January. Come spend time with the Lord and reconnect with Him. The retreat begins Thursday evening January 18 and runs through early afternoon Sunday January 21, 2024. To learn more, contact Darren Hale at darren.e.hale@gmail.com.



Please Wear Your Lanyard

Two weeks ago we asked everyone to fill out a name tag for a lanyard. The purpose of this is to help get to know each other. It has been quite successful. There are people who have seen each other for years and have never known their names and now there are even more unfamiliar faces.



We ask that you wear your name tag every time you attend Mass or other St. Ferdinand activity. We want to be a place where everybody knows our names!



STREAM TEAM

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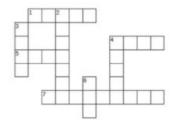
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We like to provide activities for all ages and interests. Since some like to find errors, we regularly include a few in our bulletin to meet this need.



Happy Hunting!

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1. The earth and all its inhabitants
- 4. The place where a person lives
- 5. A word or words that a person is
- 7. To know someone because you have seen them before

10. 8-19-3-2-22-10-26-17

DOWN

- 2. To get or be given something
- 3. Male decendants
- 4. A man, woman, or child; a
- The creator of and ruler of the earth and its people

SONS	RECOGNIZE	NAME	HUMAN
GOD	HOME	WORLD	RECEIVE



Word Search

X	I	A	Ι	E	R	R	S	D	W	E	L	L	G	L
G	N	Z	M	J	E	E	T	Q	J	E	S	U	S	Q
R	S	A	P	H	0	Н	C	E	C	H	V	S	S	X
A	N	E	T	A	G	D	N	E	S	N	H	T	V	T
C	В	A	E	I	W	E	Z	Y	I	T	M	0	J	R
E	F	N	R	N	R	0	Z	R	L	V	I	В	C	U
K	L	W	L	D	C	E	R	G	K	Т	E	F	В	T
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C	В	G	0	D	L	C	U	В	M	0	Y	F	N	L
W	Q	R	0	В	Y	I	W	F	L	E	S	H	В	G
0	0	D	F	M	0	A	E	G	J	X	M	A	N	C
X	Y	R	Q	T	N	R	Q	٧	X	S	G	U	R	C
I	В	W	D	V	Q	X	N	H	E	G	R	H	X	G

JESUS	GLORY	DWELL	FATHER	RECEIVE
KNOWN	BLESSING	BELIEVE	WORLD	TESTIFY
FLESH	SEEN	CHILDREN	WORD	GOD
BORN	TRUTH	NAME	GRACE	RIGHT

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 M L I V A Y B C X R K Z G T J O N Q H P F D W S U E 1. 13-10-5-8-26 2. 23-16-10-2-22 3. 21-2-26-24-19 4. 7-16-10-17 5. 17-5-1-26 6. 14-10-25-14-19 7. 7-26-2-3-26-4-26 8. 23-16-10-22 9. 13-2-16-10-6

FLESH	BELIEVE	GLORY	WORLD	BORN
GRACE	NAME	CHILDREN	WORD	TRUTH

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MONDAY, JANUARY 8

6:00 am | Frank & Jean Guenther 8:00 am | Rich Powers

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

6:00 am | Scott Henderson, Special Int. 8:00 am | Dorothy Tricoli **St. Patrick's** 9:00 am | Fr. Jack Dempsey

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

6:00 am | Jamie Reyes-Jones 8:00 am | Georgia Reinhart **St. Sophia**

10:30 am | Poor Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

6:00 am | Steve Bublitz 8:00 am | John Fahey

Bentwood

10:30 am | All Priests and Religious

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

6:00 am | Frank & Jean Guenther 8:00 am | Carol Rodell

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

8:00 am | Janet Marxkors 4:30 pm | Paul & Sue Richards

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

7:00 am | Donald Knobbe 9:00 am | Mary Ann Wood 11:00 am | Rod Sorensen 5:00 pm | For the People

Rosary for our Adult Children & other intentions

We have a rosary prayer group established at St Sabina about 3 1/2 years ago. We realized so many of us had adult children who no longer practice our Catholic faith. We decided to establish this rosary with the intention of praying for their return to the church.

We have joined with the St. Martin de Porres Rosary group and meet every week on Thursday at 6:15 in the St. Ferdinand Gathering Space. We would welcome anyone who wishes to join us. For information please call Patty Holbert at 314 910 7674.



Pray for the safety of those in the armed forces as they serve and protect our country and those who are home and still in need of our prayers:

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