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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekdays.....7:45 am
First Saturday.....7:45 am
Saturdays.....5:00 pm (vigil)
Sundays.....8:00 am and 10:00 am
Holydays.....As announced



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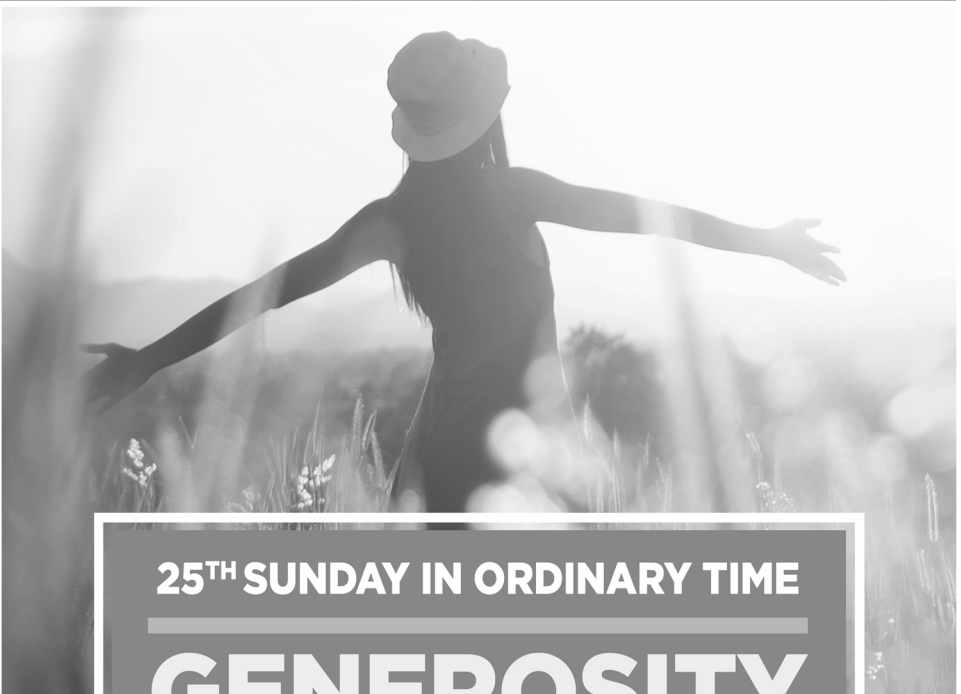
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25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GENEROSITY

“When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.’” - Mt 20:8

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER RICH

As we enter the final two-month stretch to Election Day, I wish to remind you that the Catholic Church does not enter into supporting nor condemning either party or candidate; rather, we help inform our parishioners about Church teaching around some of the hot-button issues to allow individuals to make their own determination through thoughtful reflections around those teachings and what they believe is correct. The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops has released an updated version of **Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility** that can be viewed in this link. I ask that you pray that the Holy Spirit my guide us in selecting the best leaders, for the country, state and local officials.

*God Bless,
Father Rich*

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week ending September 13
Sunday Offering \$4452 | Online \$1168
Loose \$178 | Latin America \$100
Envelope Count 83

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

Thank you Fr. Rich and Deacon Neil for your prayers and visitors to the nursing home and the hospital. Also thanks to Deacon Rich for assisting at the funeral Mass and the lunch ladies for a wonderful lunch. And finally to our parish family for your kind words, thoughts, prayers and beautiful cards during this time. It means so much and is greatly appreciated.

The family of Jim Pieper

PRO LIFE NEWS



The 8th Circuit Court of Appeals will hear oral arguments on the challenge to HB126-The Missouri Stands for the Unborn Act during the week of Sept. 21-25. Please pray for the judges that will hear the argument and our Missouri Attorney General that will argue the case, so that this strong pro life law is upheld. HB126 is the strongest pro life law Missouri has ever passed.

PLEASE REGISTER AND VOTE

If you are a new voter or have changed addresses or name, the last date to register for the general election is October 7. Please encourage your college student or elderly parents to consider requesting an absentee ballot or a mail in ballot soon to avoid delays. Curbside voting is also available on Election Day, November 3. For more information, call the Lincoln County Clerk's office: 636-462-8090 or lincolncountymoclerk.gov.



Eucharistic Adoration participants are needed for the 8:30am-9:30am hour on Tuesday mornings. Please consider offering this time to Our Lord for our nation and for our families. Call Barb 636-665-5482 or Bonnie 314-825-5134.



**Knights of Columbus Meeting,
Thursday, September 24th at 7:30
Rosary at 7:15**





Lincoln County Life Chain Sunday

October 4, 2020
2:00 to 3:00 p.m.



Unite with Pro-Life Christians in a Prayerful,
Peaceful & Powerful Witness to Proclaim the
SANCTITY OF LIFE!



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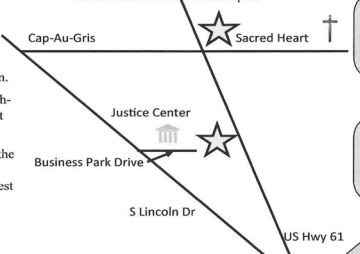
You can be a link in the 33rd National LIFE CHAIN which forms throughout the U.S. & Canada. This is a silent Prayer Vigil for our nation; and, for an end to abortion. Our Christian community is a visual statement of solidarity which supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Bring your whole family! Rain or shine! Water, lawn chairs, umbrellas & strollers are welcome. **Do NOT bring signs!** Signs will be provided. Please stand 25-30 feet apart.

★ The stars indicate the locations for each section of the Life Chain.

Sacred Heart—Troy parishioners gather at the Hwy 61 frontage on the east side of Hwy 61, near the church.

All other county residents gather on the frontage behind the businesses at the end of Business Park Drive on the west side of Hwy 61.

Need more information? Call Betty Westhoff at (636) 566-8444.



National Life Chain Sunday, October 4, 2020

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Life Chain Sunday is always the first Sunday of October. Your parish is invited to unite with Christians of all faiths in a prayerful, peaceful and powerful presence to proclaim the Sanctity of all Life! Sacred Heart – Troy parishioners will gather at the Hwy 61 frontage on the east side of Hwy 61, near the church. All other county residents are asked to gather on the frontage behind the businesses at the end of Business Park Drive on the west side of Hwy 61. Do not bring signs. The signs will be provided for you. This not a political event. It is a time of silent prayer in a large setting as a public witness to the love of God for life from conception to natural death. On the back of the signs are a number of prayers and hymns for your private use. Bring and pray your Rosary during the silent prayer vigil.

LIVESTREAM IS BACK!

Every week we will live stream the 8am Mass on the school's Facebook page. If you are not able to tune in live, each Mass will stay up on the Facebook page afterwards

Life Teen – High School Ministry **RETURNS AUGUST 26th**

Our High school youth ministry is open to all teens in grades 9-12. Our ministry exists to spark involvement in local teens to celebrate our faith by: connecting teens in a Catholic setting, leading them to experience Christ and inspiring a life of Catholic ministry.

Our next Zoom meeting is on September 9th and then back in person??? For more information and details follow us on Instagram: @icom_yg

Contact: tmesler@icomparish.org

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DEACON NEAL'S REFLECTION CORNER

How often do we hear, "That's not fair."?

When we hear this Gospel today, there are probably some of us that think that the people who worked the whole day got a raw deal, because the ones who worked for just a little while got paid the same as them.

That is the way that a lot of human beings think about what is happening in our country today. Some of these rioters have been taught to believe that our country isn't fair and they are going to do something about it. Attacking police and burning buildings aren't going to make things fair. We need to pray for these people so that the love of Christ comes into their hearts.

As for fairness, we can't make everything fair. Some of us have been blessed with different abilities, income and opportunities. The only thing that can be done is to do what Jesus told us; "To those who have been given much, much is expected." Those of us who have been blessed need to make sure that we meet the needs of those who have been less fortunate. It's not a suggestion. It's a command.

*Your Friend in Christ,
Deacon Neal*

Our Serra Club Annual Appreciation Dinner has fallen to the pandemic, but we can still come together, pray for vocations and get a good "meal-to-go" with a ticket – **Sunday, October 18, 3:30-5:30pm at St. Joseph - Cottleville.**



Rosary for Vocations at 3:30pm
Mass at 4pm (qualifies for Sunday Obligation)
Concelebrated by our newly ordained priests – Father Christopher Smith, and Father Dane Westhoff
Serra Club presentation following Mass w/Vocation talk by Sister Virginia Herbers, ASCJ
\$50 ticket includes Reservation for Carry Out Meal by Walnut Grill (Garden Salad, Wild Mushroom Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, and Dessert - special dietary meals available on request.)
50% of ticket sales support Serra Club Vocation Initiatives, including assistance to our Seminarians. .
For tickets **call Mimi McDonough (636) 926-9311, or Geoff Waldron (636) 578-7011.**



Pray with us for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Religious Life! Plenty of room to Social Distance in the Church, Masks are required when not seated during Mass



Seasons come and seasons go, but our pillar of Faith remains in season and out. Keep your radio set on AM 1460 or FM 102.9, Covenant Network Catholic radio. You are sure to find many educational and inspirational programs to nurture your faith and devotional programs throughout the day and night-time hours to support and enrich your faith life. In addition to the radio stations, you can listen live, day or night, on our free Covenant Network app or at OurCatholicRadio.org

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**VIRTUAL CELEBRATION FOR
FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS:**

"Praying for
our Pets!"

St. Francis,
pray for us!

Bring your pet (or stuffed animal) to the Sisters virtual celebration: introduce your pet to us, learn about St. Francis, and more...!!

**Saturday, Oct. 3
10 am**



To register email:
stlouis@paulinemediamedia.com
or call 314-965-3512



OUT AND ABOUT

LAST MONTHLY OUTDOOR MASS Wednesday, October 7th, 5:30pm (please note change of time) at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine in O'Fallon, MO. Fr. Raymond Hager will be our celebrant. Rosary and chaplet after Mass. Please bring a lawn chair for distancing. Please call Ruth at 636-233-1082 with any questions.

The 2020 Annual Silver and Gold Wedding Jubilee Mass that was scheduled for October 11, 2020, has been postponed to Sunday, May 2, 2021 (2:30 pm) at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis. For more information, please contact Madeleine Appelbaum at 314.792.7598 or madeleineappelbaum@archstl.org.

Our Lady's Inn On Monday, Oct. 19th will hold our 17th Annual Tee Off for Life Golf Tournament at Greenbriar Hills Country Club, featuring 18 holes of golf, two boxed meals, gift, and contests. Proceeds support the moms, babies, and kids who call OLI home. OLI provides shelter and supportive care to 150 families per year. Registration and further info at: <https://ourladysinn.org/17th-annual-golf/>.

Our Lady's Inn Oct. 24-Dec. 5 First Annual Miles for Moms in Need Virtual 5K Run/Walk. Participants can run or walk any place, any pace; receive a t-shirt, medal, and bib; and can enter their results for our leaderboard. Proceeds support the moms, babies, and kids who call OLI home. OLI provides shelter and supportive care to 150 families per year. Registration and further info at: <https://ourladysinn.org/virtual-5k-run-2020/>.

Knights of Columbus Carry Out Chicken Dinners, Fridays, October 16, and November 6 from 4:00-7:00 PM at St. Patrick Parish. Visit www.stpatrickwentzville.org/chicken for more info.

Fall Music Fest at St. Joseph Parish, 1390 Josephville Rd., Wentzville, MO on Sat., Oct. 3 from 3-11pm. This outdoor event will have three live bands, concessions, beer and wine garden, and games for the whole family. Entry fee is \$10/person ages 14 and up. No coolers or food can be brought in but lawn chairs and blankets are welcome! For more info call 636-332-6676

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 21

7:45am Pat Burkemper

Tuesday, September 22

7:45am Daniel Schulte

Wednesday, September 23

7:45am Bert Brown

Thursday, September 24

7:45am Pat Westhoff

Friday, September 25

7:45am Leonard Edward Reller

Saturday, September 26

5:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, September 27

8:00am For our Church, our Pope, our Country,
and the SVDP Society

10:00am Alex and Josephine Vehige

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

September 26/27

Lectors

5:00 pm Joan Brown
8:00 am Deb Bauer
10:00 am Delaney Wehde

Extraordinary Ministers

8:00 am Bill Prinster, Carol Prinster, Rita Kaimann

Servers

Week of September 21st - 25th 7:45 am
Jake Bals/Addie Burkemper

5:00 pm Cooper/Hadley Brown
8:00 am Colin Westhoff/Clinton Schneider
10:00 am Henry Molitor/Daniel Warren

Organists

5:00 pm Todd Mesler
8:00 am Paula Vail
10:00 am Todd Mesler

Ushers

8:00 am John Bauer, Sam Eggering
Bill Westhoff, Ron Westhoff
10:00 am Gary Bals, Kenny Gnade
Tim Hogan, Don Reller

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ST. PADRE PIO



Congratulations to those who received their First Holy Communion on September 12th.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love, and the joy of his life within you.

***Sianna Bals
Louis Bauer
Stella Dake
Hudson Day
Maggie Edmiston
Landry Fagan
Kenzlie Ferguson
Liam Galmiche
Henry Gnade
Emilly Keeteman
Lane Lancaster
Samuel Lewis***

***Ell Lickteig
Benjamin Mensinger
Kathleen Obrecht
Peyton Obrecht
Callie Ostmann
Wyatt Schneider
Mason Snider
Garet Trempler
Parker Westhoff
Zoey Westhoff
Dominic Wilmes***

Readings for the week of September 20, 2020

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a
Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 [1]/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Observances for the week of September 20, 2020

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Catechetical Sunday
Monday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Wednesday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
Saturday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

BULLETIN DEADLINE - TUESDAYS 8:00 AM

for the following Sunday | Special holiday dates apply when necessary| Please submit requests to: parish@icomparish.org

Vocation Prayer Chalice Program

Sign up to participate in wonderful week long opportunity to pray as a family for vocations. This Chalice and a guided prayer binder will be given for your use during the week. For more information or to register for a week of prayer visit our website:

<http://icomparish.org/vocation-chalice-program>

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