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when the holy Spirit comes upon
you, and you will be my witnesses...
to the ends of the earth."

ACTS 1:8

Power Unmasked

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

When the Lone Ranger and Tonto rode across our TV screens in days of old, someone would often ask, "Who was that masked man?" Folks never learned his identity, and it didn't matter. For that man had saved them from evil, restoring their lives. In a sense, the Ranger, with Tonto, had passed on to them the power to live safely and productively.

As he was about to return to his Father, the risen Lord said to the apostles, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8). Yet being blessed with the power that raised the Lord Jesus does not always feel much like a blessing. At times it can feel more like a burden that falls upon our shoulders, one to heal and mend as we try to bring peace and a better world. We wonder why we always must be the one who says, "I'm sorry." Why must we always be the one who plans the evening out or writes the Christmas cards or calls Mom or spends time with the children or listens to someone's tale of woe? Yet such is the power of Jesus for bringing about healing to both spirits and bodies, for creating joy, for designing bridges into the hearts of others, all because the Messiah rode off on a cloud of silver to be welcomed to the right hand of God. Thus, he empowers us. ●

Reflect

Have you ever been surprised by the good God has brought about through you?

MAY 21, 2023

St. Louis Catholic Church
311 S. Elm, Nokomis, IL 62075
Phone 217-563-7146

Fr. Michael Meinhart, Pastor
mmeinhart@dio.org

St. Louis Mass Schedule:

Saturday Evening: 4:00 p.m.; **Sunday:** 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass: Tuesday & Thursday 8:20 a.m.

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.; Friday 7:00 a.m.

First Saturday of the month 7:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00-3:30 p.m., or call for an appointment.

Adoration: Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Parish Office: 509 E. Union, Nokomis, IL. 62075

Church Office hours: Tue.- Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Website: www.slsk8.org **Email:** parish@slsk8.org

Visit us on Facebook: facebook.com/slenokomis

Cindy Hancock, Parish Secretary Cheryl Gonet, Principal
Roz O'Malley, School Secretary Sonya Maretti, Bookkeeper

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, May 27 4:00 p.m. (Calvary)

Communion Minister: Linda Dooley
Lector (Reader): Danielle DeWerff
Servers: Maddison DeWerff
Ushers: (collection bags) Jerry Schmitz & Larry Tester
Greeters: Charlie & Gia O'Malley

Sunday, May 28 7:00 a.m. At Church

Communion Minister: Volunteer
Lector (Reader): Volunteer
Servers: Volunteers
Ushers: (collection bags) Volunteers
Greeters: Volunteers

Sunday, May 28 9:00 a.m. (St. Barbara)

Communion Minister: Cecilia Dudek, Mike Glenn
Lector (Reader): Diantha Harston
Servers: Ryder DeWerff, Brennan, Emily & Isabella Harston
Ushers: (collection bags) Dennis Hand, Kevin Schmitz, Lou Stauder & Ken Tossi
Greeters: Phil Blazich & Phil Huber

Schedule has been made and you can go on to the website:
<https://www.ministryschedulerpro.com/church-lookup>

*In the case of inclement weather arises on May 27th or 28th,
Masses will be at the church and not at the cemeteries.*

PRAYERLINE

Please pray for the hospitalized, sick, military serving our country, residents of nursing homes, and homebound including:

Stacy Tosetti, Brandy Chausse, Russell Mindrup, Cathy Miner, Dara Berner, Debi Sanders, Andrea Berner, Faith Lipe, Hope Ishmael, Ellie Kuhn, Shelley Kolb, Heather McCauley, John VandenBergh, Lou Ann Johnson.



Diocese Victim Assistance Coordinator and liaison between the Diocese & anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor- (217) 321-1155.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 20 4:00 p.m.

MARIE SARSANY (Barbara Welgepod)

Sunday, May 21 9:00 a.m.

THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST. LOUIS PARISH (for the people)

Monday, May 22

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 23 8:20 a.m. School Mass

LOUIS EPLEY (Marlin & Jill Quattlander)

Wednesday, May 24 6:30 p.m.

MILLIE CLARK (Memorials)

Thursday, May 25 8:20 a.m.

PAT EPLEY (Myron & Bernice Tuetken)

Friday, May 26 7:00 a.m.

LORETTA CASSIDY (James & Carolyn Charles)

Saturday, May 27 4:00 p.m.

CALVARY CEMETERY

WEATHER PERMITTING

THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF

ST. LOUIS PARISH (for the people)

Sunday, May 28 7:00 a.m. at Church

MARY LARSON (Bill & LouAnn Johnson)

Sunday, May 28 9:00 a.m.

ST BARBARA CEMETERY

WEATHER PERMITTING

JIM KELLER (Sharon Johnson)



*In the case of inclement weather arises on
May 27th, 4:00 pm or 28th, 9:00 am, Masses will be at the
church and not at the cemeteries.*

All Mass times & intentions are subject to change, if needed.



Memorial Day
Remember our heroes
Monday ~ May 29, 2023

NOW HIRING

2023-24 School Year Positions

Full-time Teacher:

St. Louis School is hiring a class room teacher for the 2023-2024 academic year. Preference is for a practicing Catholic with appropriate experience. Other qualified candidates may apply.

Part-time PE Teacher:

St. Louis School is hiring a part-time PE Teacher for the 2023-2024 academic year. Preference is for a practicing Catholic with appropriate experience. Other qualified candidates may apply.

Part-time Computer Teacher:

St. Louis School is hiring a part-time Computer Teacher for the 2023-2024 academic year. Preference is for a practicing Catholic with appropriate experience. Other qualified candidates may apply.

Applicants for all positions may apply by submitting their resume and cover letter to Fr. Michael at 311 S. Elm Street.

All positions and information available at www.slsk8.org/hiring

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD ~ SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

2023 High School Graduates



Elijah Aumann, Craig Bertolino,
Dahlia Bertolino, Kamron Coss,
Kendall Coss, Addison Dangbar,
Kalyn Davis, Gabrielle DeWerff,
Emma Keller, Alden Knodle,
Colton Neisler, Kaylee Tester,
Olivia Tosetti, Margaret VandenBergh
& Michelle Weitkamp.
Congratulations!

Bulletin Deadline:
Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m.
Items can be emailed to
parish@slsk8.org
You may also drop by the
office or place in
collection basket
at church.



**DONATIONS
ACCEPTED
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AT www.slsk8.org

STEWARDSHIP:

May 13 & 14

Church		School	
Weekly Envelopes:	\$2,871.00	Ann. School Fund:	\$1,085.00
Ascension:	\$55.00	SLS Insurance:	\$749.00
Rice Bowl:	\$13.28	SLS Tuition Fund:	\$325.00
Calvary Cemetery:	\$70.00	School & PC/Bldg. Main:	\$250.00
St. Barbara Cemetery:	\$20.00		
Sr. Parish: Haiti	\$35.00	On Line Giving:	\$455.00

***Thanks to everyone, who in any way, made
our Spring Plants, Craft Show and Spring
Rummage Sale so successful!***

Total profits from the Plants & Crafts were \$3,839.00.
Total profit from the Rummage Sale was \$3,500.00.

Thanks again, from the St. Louis CCW.



(217) 563-7777

217-324-7777

Nokomis

Litchfield

glennwestlaw.com

Trent S. West, Attorney
Michael G. Ginos, Attorney

Vacation Bible School

June 11th ~ June 15th, 2023

More exciting news
coming soon.

We are looking for volunteers
to help with this event
for the kids.

Please give the church office a call.



Nokomis Homecoming Association is asking for donations for the Homecoming Fireworks Funds

If you wish to help fund this event,
please send any donations to
First National Bank of Nokomis, c/o Ed Chausse,
at PO Box 190 - Nokomis, IL. 62075



Eucharistic Congress

100th Anniversary

See April 30th edition of the Catholic Times

Saturday ~ October 28, 2023

We hope you are looking forward
to this event.

Bank of Springfield (BOS) Center
in Springfield, IL.

More information regarding
tickets will be available soon.



**St. Louis School &
Camren's Causes**

Queen of Hearts Raffle

There was a winner this past week.
Congratulation to Lisa Billingsley

Notice: Queen of Hearts will be taking 2 weeks off!

REGISTRATION FOR ST. LOUIS SCHOOL IS OPEN!

Please pass the word along to let people
know about our wonderful school.

For a registration packet or
more information, please call 217-563-7445.



Dear Padre,

Why should I be confirmed?

In baptism, God calls you to be a priest, prophet and king. In confirmation, you receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit to live out those vocations. A priest offers prayer and sacrifice. In confirmation, you are moved to make your everyday life a sacrifice that you join to the sacrifice of Christ on the cross (Romans 12:1). *Prophet* is from *prophētēs*, a Greek word meaning “spokesperson.” In confirmation, you are compelled to preach the gospel (1 Corinthians 9:16), just as the apostles were when they received the Holy Spirit on the original day of Pentecost (Acts 2:2–4). When you were baptized, you were made a member of the royal family of God (1 Peter 2:9). Just as Jesus showed what it means to be a Servant King, so are we called to serve others in love. In confirmation, we are inspired by the love that God pours into us in his Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5).

In his first public preaching, Jesus quoted from Isaiah the prophet: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me” (Luke 4:18). That was the beginning of his public ministry. When the bishop anoints you with chrism, you can say the same. Your confirmation is the beginning of your own public ministry. ●



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

A disciple follows the Master daily and shares the joy of discipleship with others. Not by conquering, mandating, proselytizing, but by witnessing, humbling oneself alongside other disciples and offering with love the love that we ourselves received. This is our mission...to show by our lives...that God loves everyone and never tires of anyone.

HOMILY, ROME, OCTOBER 20, 2019

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Bishop Bruce Lewandowski, CSsR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY

May 22
Easter Weekday
Acts 19:1–8
Jn 16:29–33

TUESDAY

May 23
Easter Weekday
Acts 20:17–27
Jn 17:1–11a

WEDNESDAY

May 24
Easter Weekday
Acts 20:28–38
Jn 17:11b–19

THURSDAY

May 25
Easter Weekday
Acts 22:30; 23:6–11
Jn 17:20–26

FRIDAY

May 26
St. Philip Neri, Priest
Acts 25:13b–21
Jn 21:15–19

SATURDAY

May 27
Easter Weekday
Acts 28:16–20, 30–31
Jn 21:20–25

SUNDAY

May 28
Pentecost
Acts 2:1–11
1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13
Jn 20:19–23

ST. LOUIS SCHOOL

GOOD NEWS

Friday
May 19, 2023



REMINDERS

- Registration Packets for the 2023-2024 school year were due May 1st. If you have not sent your child/ren's in, **please do so immediately** with registration and supply fee payments so that the proper amount of supplies and books can be ordered for next year as well as transportation planning.
- If you are interested in JH Boys Basketball or JH Boys Baseball (current 7th & 8th grade students) for next school year please call the Nokomis Junior High Office at 217-563-4323 to sign up.
- May 22nd & 23rd - 2:30 Dismissal (**Busses will NOT be available on May 22nd for transporting students HOME or to the other schools for drop offs until 3:15 pm. Please make arrangements to transport your child home.**)
- May 23rd - Last day of school Birthday Mass followed by Awards day and Field Day. No hot lunch served. Dairy Queen lunch provided by Parents Club. Out of code day (please wear tennis shoes)



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
8TH GRADE GRADUATES!! WE
WILL MISS YOU ALL!!**

Crazy Cash Winner

Winner for Monday, May
15th is Minnie and Paul
Keller of Nokomis, IL.
Congratulations!!

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SLS GIVES THANKS:

- To Heather Hampton+Knodle and other Parents Club Members, along with the CCW for organizing the Tea Party. It was a fun way to learn about manners.
- To Ms. Aumann and parents for all of their help to make sure 8th grade graduation week was a memorable time for these students!
- To Mrs. Drake and Mr. Reiss for all of their efforts making sure the 8th grade graduation slideshow was ready to go.
- To Parents Club for hosting the Field Day and DQ lunch.



Winners of the Firemen's Lunch for reaching their AR Reading goals! Congratulations to these readers!



Farewell to our 8th grade and Mrs. Aumann. You will be truly missed. Good Luck as you enter the next chapter of your lives!

Upcoming Liturgical Roles

Saturday, May 27th 4 PM
Calvary Cemetery
 Maddison DeWerff

Sunday, May 28th 9 AM
St. Barbara Cemetery
 Ryder DeWerff
 Brennan Harston
 Emily Harston
 Isabella Harston

Monday May 22	2:30 Dismissal (no p.m. bussing available)
Tuesday May 23	School Birthday Mass 8:20 a.m. Awards Day Field Day 2:30 Dismissal
Wednesday May 24	Summer Break
Thursday May 25	Summer Break
Friday May 26	Summer Break

Miss Manners herself, Mary Poppins, made learning about dining etiquette fun at the Tea Party.



Kindergarten Star Student

The star student in the kindergarten class was Colton Ishmael. The star gets to be teacher for the day, create a poster, finger paint, share family photos and read their favorite story. The class also creates a book about what makes the star student so very special.



Congratulations Colton!!