Good News

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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I have a clear memory of leaning over to the classmate in the next row and complaining about an assignment we had just been given. I wasn't the only one. Throughout the classroom, pairs of heads came together in a wave of rolling eyes and muttered remarks. I suppose we thought it went unnoticed. "Is there anything you would like to share with the rest of the class?" the teacher asked. "No, thank you," was the general response. We were a little embarrassed at having been found out.

That long-ago recollection surfaced as I read that the crowd "murmured" when Jesus said that he was the bread that came down from heaven. The word is also used of the Israelites who "murmured" about their hunger in the desert. Jesus calls them out by answering the question they thought he didn't hear. When he explains that he is greater than the manna that kept them alive in the desert, they can't believe their ears. They couldn't see that Jesus was far more than they understood him to be and they did not have faith in him because of that.

Has there ever been a time when you have murmured to yourself or someone else about God? Maybe God called you to ministry and you didn't believe him. Maybe he asked you to give up something and you complained like I did in that class of years past. Maybe you think God has been unfair to you. Save you breath; God hears you. Instead, go to him. Pour out your questions and fears and, with an open and willing heart, listen to the promise of life he alone can give you.

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Masses

| Sun. | 7:30 9:00 10:30 | Parish +Luis Aguilar & +Rita Bertasi +Thomas B. Goldsby | |
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| | 12:00 6:00 | +Martha Burke +Ann Bland | |
| Mon. | 6:00 6:15 | +Ann Bland +Art Schoembs & +Charles Rodgers | |
| 1-10111 | 8:15 | +Menay Socco & Special Intention for | |
| | | Freddie Calimbas | |
| | 12:00 | +Adele Crenshaw | |
| Tues. | 6:15 | +Kay Kraus | |
| | 8:15 | Special Intention for Liberty & Brooklyn Gorman | |
| | 12:00 | +Brenda White | |
| Wed. | 6:15 | Special Intention for John Trimble | |
| | 8:15 | Special Intention for Teresa Bounds & | |
| | | Pat Costello | |
| | 12:00 | +Joyce Mader | |
| Thurs. | 6:15 | +Luke Borger | |
| | 8:15 | Special Intention for William & Annette | |
| | | Mariencheck | |
| | 12:00 | +Libby & +Clem Klank | |
| Fri. | 6:15 | Special Intention for Gene Cardosi | |
| | 8:15 | +Edward & +Mae Boywid & +Jim | |
| | | Johnson | |
| | 12:00 | +Betty Meihofer | |
| Sat. | 6:15 | +Deceased Members of the Jim Riley | |
| | | Family | |
| | 8:15 | +Bill Costello & Special Intention for Tito | |
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| | 10:00 | +Margaret Adelyn McHale | |
| | 4:30 | +Ed Crenshaw & Special Intention for | |
| | | Brooklyn Michael | |
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Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Donati+Mimi Uhlmann+Ralph Donati+ Emil Cergnul+Mark Meadows+Agnes Pierotti+Kathleen Bryant+Beth Hutton+Christopher Dunn+Ann Fountain+Anthony Bisio+John Fox+Doug Grokulsky+Terry Burns Hopper+Ann Lunt+James Wade.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Margaret Adelyn McHale+Victor Saig+Eugene Forrester.

Information

Sacrament of Baptism—Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays following noon Mass. Parents are asked to attend an instructional class prior to the baptism. Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

Adults interested in the Catholic Faith—to learn more about the Catholic Faith, please contact Deacon Jeff Drzycimski at 682-6606, ext. 1953 for information about our R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program.

Sacrament of Marriage—Please contact one of the priests for an appointment at least 6 months in advance of the proposed wedding date. Diocesan policy requires that certain guidelines be met.

Funerals—please call the parish office to make funeral arrangements; our staff will be happy to assist you.

Ministry to the Sick—When a family member is ill, home-bound, or hospitalized, please call the parish office to request prayers and to arrange a pastoral visit. The priests and our lay Ministers to the Sick make regular visits to the sick and home-bound.

Counseling Services—St. Louis Parish participates in the Parish Family Counseling Program of the Diocese of Memphis. Professional available; fees are based on one's ability to pay. Contact Anne McInnis at 722-4711.

Nursery—a nursery is provided in the Clunan Center each weekend at 4:30 pm, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, and noon Masses on Sunday.

August 9th, 2015 — Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

COME CELEBRATE THE FEAST



Tuesday, August 25th is the Feast Day of St. Louis. We will celebrate on **Sunday, August 23**rd from 1-4pm. Let's fill the Church for all Masses. Those who have been away—you are

invited, welcome and wanted.

Mass will be celebrated by Msgr. McArthur and our associate pastors at 12:00 Noon in the church. We will have a picnic, games, music, and fellowship on the grounds. BBQ and drinks will be provided. Bring a dish of potato salad, beans or dessert.

Don't miss this whole day to celebrate the St. Louis family! Visit www.tinyurl.com/SLCPicnic to volunteer.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. Louis Parish has online scheduling for Perpetual Adoration. Visit www.tinyurl.com/SLCCAdoration to sign up to volunteer for one hour per week **or as a substitute**. It is not necessary to commit to the slot for each week—substitutes are also needed!

IPhone & Android app is now available! Download Volunteer Scheduler Pro from the app store on your mobile device and enter our Organization ID *StLouisPerpetualAdoration*.

Volunteers are needed for the following times:

Tuesdays at 1am, 6am Wednesdays at 3pm Thursdays at 6pm

Fridays at 6pm, 7pm Saturdays at 10am

Sundays at 2am, 3am, 5am, 5pm

Contact Jan O'Donnell with questions by email at <u>jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org</u> or call 255-1954.

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS CUPCAKE SOCIAL

Do you like to learn new things? Do you desire to serve God by serving in the community? Do you like to build friendships and make new friends? Then American Heritage Girls is for you! There will be a Cupcake Social on **Saturday**, **August 22**nd at 2pm in the Dining Hall. Hear about the exciting year we have planned! Visit www.ahgtn2012.com or email Christine McBee at cmcbee1@comcast.net.

LEBONHEUR

Our summer angels continue to be just that! Thank you. If you want to volunteer or donate lunch/pantry items, please check the sign up genius at www.tinyurl.com/stlouissignup. If you have any questions, call Cathy Freres at 685-1934.



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

St. Louis Church will have Masses at 6:15am, 8:15am, and 10am on **Saturday**, **August 15**th in celebration of the

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. **This is not a Holyday of Obligation this year**.

FLEUR DE LIS

Summer is half gone. We've missed everyone! Our first meeting for 2015-2016 will be on **Thursday**, **August 27**th. We'll begin with Mass at 6pm. Hors d'oeuvres and dinner to follow. Annual dues letter will be sent this week. Call Fred or Cathy at 685-1934 with questions and/or reservations.

WOMEN'S RETREAT—INVITATION TO JOY

St. Louis Parish will have a Women's Retreat **Friday**, **August 28**th **through Sunday**, **August 30**th at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center. The theme is *Invitation to Joy*. Suggested offering is \$185 single room or \$155 double room. Come for the day on Saturday for a cost \$90. Contact Pam John at 292-8875 or <u>picosmetics@bellsouth.net</u>. Contact Debbie Voyles at <u>Debbie.Voyles@olqp.cdom.org</u> to make your reservation.



ST. LOUIS SCHOOL NEWS

An *Ice Cream Social* for new students in grades 1-8 and their families will be held on **Sunday**, **August 9**th at 1pm in the Dining Hall.

<u>PreSchool/Kindergarten Orientation</u> will be held at 2pm on **Sunday, August 9**th in the gym.

 $\underline{2015\text{-}2016\ School\ Registration}}$ for K-8th grade will be **Tuesday, August 11**th from 8-11:30am in the old gym. Pre-ordered school supplies will be sold in the new gym.

A <u>Used Uniform Sale</u> will be held during registration. Please bring donations of gently used uniforms to the school and church offices.

First day of school is **Thursday, August 13**th; dismissal will be at 11:30am.

<u>Thank YOU</u> to ALL Home and School Volunteers who worked so hard during the 2014-2015 school year.



ST. LOUIS YOUTH MINISTRY SUMMER 2016 MISSION TRIPS

<u>Save the Dates</u>: It's time to announce our eleventh annual Catholic HEART

Workcamp mission trip dates and *tentative* locations:

Senior HighJunior HighJune 4-12, 2016July 10-16, 2016Philadelphia, PASt. Louis, Missouri

Deposit are now being accepted—the deadline is **Monday, August 10**th. If you are not on the Youth Ministry distribution list, send your email address to jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org. More information may be found at www.heartworkcamp.com. Visit the Catholic HEART Workcamp Facebook page and look at the albums for Toledo 2015 and Kansas City 2015 to see pictures of this year's camps attended by St. Louis Youth Ministry.

There will be an information meeting *for parents* who have <u>not</u> had a child attend Catholic HEART Workcamp in the past on **Sunday, August 9**th at 2:30pm in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELLA & LOURDES WITH FR. DEXTER NOBLEFRANCA

Fatima Santiago de Compostella, and Lourdes Pilgrimage, **April 5th-15th, 2016** with Fr Dexter Noblefranca. The price from Memphis with 2 meals included every day is \$3790 plus \$148 taxes. There are many extra visits included plus a stop at a Eucharistic Miracle in Santarem, Portugal. If you saw the movie, The Way, you will want to explore Santiago. Fatima and Lourdes are very powerful shrines with messages for today. Itinerary may be seen on www.traveltyme.com or brochures are available in the Church office. A \$400 deposit will hold your place. Contact Jeannie Presley at 335-4563 for information. We would encourage you to join us. All are welcome.

OUEEN OF PEACE

Rosary, Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration begin at 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, August 10**th at St. Louis Church. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m.



MICRO SPORTS

St. Louis will again be offering Micro Sports for athletes that are JK and Kindergarten age.

Registration is open to all, not restricted to students of St. Louis School. Athletes must be 4 by September 1, 2015 to participate. Soccer, Basketball, and T-Ball will be offered. Registrations forms are available in the church office as well as the school website. Registration forms for soccer will be due by **Friday**, **August 14**th. Further questions can be directed to Jen McBride at 481-5902 or jen.s.mcbride@gmail.com.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the altar are in memory of **Elizabeth Dugan** and **Brian Ballard** donated from the wedding of **Elyse Ballard** and **Kevin Benton.**

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for **April Dalehite** and **Nick Smith**.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray that all students, faculty and staff returning to elementary, middle, high schools and colleges have a safe and successful academic year.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 16th

First Reading Proverbs 9:1-6

Psalm Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)

Second Reading Ephesians 5:15-20 Gospel John 6:51-58

PRAYERS FOR THE ARMED FORCES

Please keep the men and women serving in Iraq, and other conflict areas around the world, in your prayers as well as their families. Pray especially for William Newsham, Jonathan Paul Morales, Robert Bender, Desiree Bender, Brad Israel, Major Michael Geiger and Capt. Charlie Kennedy.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of August 2nd, 2015

| Total collection | \$47,135 |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Envelopes | 38,777 |
| Electronic | 6,647 |
| Loose | 1,711 |
| Budget requirements | \$40,385 |
| Total registered families | 1,647 |
| Donated by envelopes | 452 families |
| Donated electronically | 74 families |
| Non-participants | 1,121 families |
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32% of families participated ... 68% did not

NOTE: Postage, Printing & Office Supplies: \$5,048

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Tuesday, August 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the Clunan Center Meeting Room, a Baptismal Preparation Class will be held. Parents planning to have a child baptized are expected to attend one of these sessions. Please contact the church office at 682-6606 to register.

WEDNESDAY EVENING FUN RUNS

We start our runs every Wednesday at **7pm** rain or shine. Walkers welcome! Meet us on the north side of the Clunan Center before we start to get the route. For information, contact Ray Johnson at ray@johnson.org or text/call 704-281-4575.