Good News

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary Katharine Deeley

In her later years, my mother lived on a lake in Wisconsin, not far from our home. There, our daughters learned to swim and fish. One day, when our younger daughter was about eight, we went to the end of the pier to fish quietly. She had learned to cast her rod after a fashion and was happily doing that when I looked out to where I expected to see the bobber on her line and realized it wasn't there. Just as I started to ask about it, she gave a little yell as her line suddenly took off and she grabbed her rod to hang on. She saw the foot-long bass jump out of the water a little distance away and her eyes widened. With some help, she got the fish to the pier, where my husband netted it. The amazement of a child who had never caught more than small fish was evident, and she proudly helped clean it for the evening meal.

I can only imagine what the apostles, who were seasoned fishermen, felt that day on the Sea of Galilee, the subject of today's Gospel. Likely it was amazement at this stranger who apparently knew more about fishing than they did, but there was also a glimpse of an abundance they didn't know was possible and a sense that Jesus meant life for them. Peter drops to his knees, suddenly aware of his doubts and sins. Jesus simply tells him not to be afraid, shows him what he can do with God's help, and waits for him to follow. Let's approach the life God calls us to with the same amazement and humility.

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	+Walter Joyce	
oun.	9:00	+Mary Borger	
	10:30		
	12:00	•	
	6:00	Special Intention for Pat Abbott Family	
Mon.	6:15	+Mary Borger	
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	12:00	+Butsy Lanigan & +Dick Lanigan	
Tues.	6:15	+Clarence & +Estelle Johnson	
rues.	8:15	+Lenora Drenning	
	12:00		
	12.00	Ginski	
Wed.	6:15	+Mary Sullivan	
	8:15	Special Intention for Richard Piretti	
	10:00		
	12:00		
	5:00	+Jim Owen	
	7:00	Special Intention for Jake Quilliams	
		Family	
Thurs.	6:15	+Charles L. Duff	
	8:15	Special Intention for Camille Ginski &	
		Tom Ginski	
	12:00	+ Betty & +John Meihofer	
Fri.	6:15	+Kay Kraus	
	8:15	+Bruce Lamey & +Dick Lanigan	
	12:00	+Eugene & +Angelina Lucchesi	
Sat.	6:15	Special Intention for Dominic Ginski	
		Family	
	8:15	Special Intention for Mary Walker	
		Gorman	
	4:30	+Violet & +Secunda Mangialardi	

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Donati+Lewis Proctor+Gloria Andereck+Kathleen Bryant+Cliff Davis+Lloyd Jordan+Mary Morgan Wade+Joan Webb+Michaela Dockery.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Harvey Maxwell & Marie Smith & Jim Owen.

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.

February 7th, 2016—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Pope Francis has called for a special Jubilee Year of Mercy. St. Louis Parish will offer the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Church at 2:30pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and following the 8:15am Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Susan Smith at

Sbsmith408@aol.com or Libby Parks at libbykparks@gmail.com.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

Attention guild members! It's time again, to gather in gratitude! The next guild meeting will take place on **Monday, February 8**th at 12pm in the home of Karen and John McLaughlin, 212 Avon Rd. Durant and Sharon Fleming will talk about his book and their journey into the Catholic Church. We encourage all ladies to attend for prayer, food, and fellowship. We are all to bring an unwrapped baby gift (newborn to 6 months) for Birthright. Hope to see you there!

MEN'S CLUB RETREAT

The Men's Club Retreat will be held on **February 19**th-**21**st in Cullman, AL. Speaker is Fr. Mike Johnston, who is a friend of Msgr. McArthur's from Nashville Visit http://tinyurl.com/SLCM



Nashville. Visit http://tinyurl.com/SLCMen to sign up.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Visit <u>www.tinyurl.com/SLCCAdoration</u> to sign up to volunteer for one hour per week or as a substitute.

Many slots have only one adorer and there is a great need to have at least two adorers per shift. Contact Jan O'Donnell with questions by email at jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org or call 255-1954.

RED CROSS BABYSITTER'S TRAINING COURSE

The Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course will be offered on **Saturday**, **March 5**th from 9am-4pm for ages 11-15 only. There will be 15 available spaces. Sign-up sheets will be in the church office on **Tuesday**, **February 9**th. You must sign up by **Friday**, **February 25**th. The cost is \$69. Bring a snack, sack lunch and drink.

QUEEN OF PEACE

Rosary, Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration begin at 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, February 8**th at St. Louis Church. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday is **February 10th.** Mass will be celebrated at 6:15am, 8:15am, 12noon, 5pm, and 7pm. Ashes will be distributed during Mass.

ASH WEDNESDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION

A special collection will be taken up on **Ash Wednesday, February 10**th to support the Catholic Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

2015 LENTEN SCHEDULE

Confessions will be heard on each Tuesday and Thursday from 5-6pm in addition to our regular confession schedule of Saturdays 3:30-4:30 and 20 minutes before each Sunday Mass.

Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays at 5:30pm.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

The Lenten regulations regarding fast and abstinence are as follows: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence only. Church law binds as follows:

A. The Law of Abstinence (not eating meat) obliges those who have completed their 14th year.

B. The Law of Fast (only one full meal each day, nothing between meals) obliges those who have completed their 18th year until the beginning of their 60th year.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

A special collection will be taken up on **Sunday**, **February 14**th for Black and Indian Missions.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Spring campaign for 40 Days for Life will begin **Wednesday, February 10**th and continue thru **Sunday, March 20**th. This is an international prayer, fasting and peaceful prayer vigil in front of Planned Parenthood. Won't you be a part of this vibrant mission? We need you! To sign up call 730-6279 or www.40daysforlife.com or call Libby Parks at 355-8546. We will be praying from 6am til 6pm daily.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

"Rice Bowls" for participation in Operation Rice Bowl, a program of Catholic Relief Services, will be available in the narthex during Lent.



The donations are to be returned on Easter Sunday.

ROOM IN THE INN



St. Louis Parish is participating in the Room in the Inn with Colonial Cumberland Presbyterian Church. We need

drivers and shepherds to spend the night. Sign up at http://tinyurl.com/SLCRITI. For information call Pam Scarbrough at 763-0295 or Ann Drennan at 674-2117.

SAVE THE DATE!

11th Annual Cardinal 5k Sponsored by Paragon Bank Benefiting St. Louis Catholic School and Madonna Learning Center Saturday, April 2nd 5K at 9am Kids 1-Miler at 10am www.facebook.com/StLouisSchoolCardinal5k

WEDNESDAY EVENING GLOW RUNS

We start our runs every Wednesday at 6pm sharp, no matter the weather. Walkers welcome! Meet us on the north side of the Clunan Center before we start to get the route. Wear reflective gear and bring something that glows or a runner's lite, the more colors the better! For more information or to get on the weekly email list contact Ray Johnson at ray@johnson.org or text/call 704-281-4575.

FLEUR DE LIS

Our first lunch meeting went well. We will have lunch on Thursday, February 25th at 12:30pm in the Clunan Center. BBQ and fixings are on the menu. A representative from Brooks Museum will give a short presentation on their current and future exhibitions.

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

Junior and Senior High Youth Groups will meet on **Sunday**. February 21st. Senior High meets from 7-9pm. Junior High will meets



from 4:30-5:45 pm. Both groups meet in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center. For the calendar and other information, visit www.stlouisyouth.org. You may also visit the Facebook page at St. Louis Catholic Church Youth Ministry and follow the Youth Group on Twitter at St_Louis_Youth and on Instagram at st.louis_youth_ministry.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Morning Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 9:30am in the Meeting Room. The study on the teaching of St. Therese of Lisieux is titled "I Believe in Love" by Fr. Jean C.J. D'Elbee. Contact Kathy Hackett at kahackett@yahoo.com.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray for all members of the Church during this season of Lent, that they be examples of faithful service.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-10 First Reading

Psalm Psalm 91

Second Reading Romans 10:8-13 Gospel Luke 4:1-13

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 Jonathan Paul Morales, Robert Bender, Desiree Bender, Brad Israel, Capt. Charlie Kennedy, Philip Principi and Bryan Haneghan.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of January 31, 2016

Total collection	\$32,051		
Envelopes	24,650		
Electronic	6,116		
Loose	1,285		
Budget requirements	40,385		
Total registered families	1,711		
Donated by envelopes	405 families		
Donated electronically	78 families		
Non-participants	1,228 families		
29% of families participated 71% did not			

MADONNA CIRCLE SWEEPSTAKES

Madonna Circle 80th Anniversary Mardi Gras Gala Sweepstakes will be held on February 27, 2016. Contact any Madonna Circle member or Amy Ryan at amveryan@me.com for information.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet on Wednesday, February 17th from 10:30-11:30am in the Clunan Center.

WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Please join us every Tuesday in the Clunan Center Meeting Room to discuss the Gospel of Mark. We are using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible which can be purchased at St. Paul's Book Store. Meeting time is Tuesdays from 11:30am-12:30pm.

EXPERIENCE SBA!

Shadow Day will be held Tuesday, February 23rd. Take a Look Tuesdays will be held on Tuesdays, February 9th and 23rd. 7th Grade Preview Day and Fill the Stands with Fans will be held Friday, February 19th.

Pope Francis' Prayer for Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

A TASTE OF CBHS



A Taste of CBHS will be held on **Sunday, March 6**th from 5-7:30pm at Christian Brothers High School. More than 40

restaurants, vendors and sponsors, all with a connection to Christian Brothers High School, will participate in this 5th annual event. Tickets are \$75 per person and are available for purchase at the CBHS Development Office or online at www.cbhs.org. For information, call 261-4930.

KNITTING & CROCHETING MINISTRY

The St. Louis Knitting Ministry meets on Sundays from 1-3pm. People who crochet (in preferred yarn) are also needed. Beginners are welcome. Members supply their own materials (yarn donations welcomed!). Needs and demands are growing tremendously to wrap newborns and sick in God's love. Call Charlotte B. Parry at 820-0531 for information.

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT AT ST. LOUIS

On **Thursday, February 11**th at 7pm in the church, John Michael Talbot will provide in song and the spoken word a reflection on the Jesus Prayer in the context of the season of Lent and the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Talbot is considered a music legend, being one of the pioneer artists of contemporary Christian music. Since a capacity crowd is expected, please register at www.lumencivitatis.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



St. Louis SVDP helped Memphians in January, as follows; 5 families helped on rent in amount of \$1,670, MLGW 5 for \$2,716, we helped a family on funeral of

their 12 year old daughter for \$500 (our Memphis Council twinned in amount of \$2300 for this family), we made 1 car payment for \$293.70, 1 furnace repair for \$580.75, 1 dental care for \$80, miscellaneous for \$100 included school uniforms & heater. We bought M. Palazola Produce for \$441.80 to give away at Holy Names soup kitchen on Wednesdays. Thanks to Curt Mayhew our Treasurer for this report. Our Memphis City Council meeting will be February 8, at Our Lady of Sorrows. We car pool from St. Louis parking lot leaving at 6:15. Dinner is at 6:45. All are welcome to attend. If you would like to join SVDP help the poor, please call 755-8213. Thank you St. Louis parishioners for your continued generosity in helping the less fortunate in Memphis. We are truly blessed to have such a giving parish. God bless.

YEAR OF MERCY EVENT WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 9th ANNUAL DIVINE MERCY HEALING MASS

Anointing of the Sick, blessings for all, veneration of our 1st Class Relic of St. Faustina and Icon of the Divine Mercy will be held on **Saturday, February 20th** at St. Ann Catholic Church in Bartlett TN. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered from 9-10:15am followed by Liturgy at 10:30am celebrated by Bishop J. Terry Steib. Reception will follow. Contact Jay Hastings at 438-7772.

YOUNG MOMS BIBLE STUDY

Are you a young mother . . . or perhaps just the mother of young children, looking for a bible study? Join us! We meet on Thursdays from

10-11:30am in the Clunan Center. Childcare will be provided for children up to 5 years old in the nursery. The book is "Beloved and Blessed" by Kimberly Hahn. Contact Katie Abart at klyons218@gmail.com or 229-1540 or Jen McBride at jen.s.mcbride@gmail.com or 481-5902.

HOMESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE & BOOK SALE

The Blessed Sacrament Homeschool Group invites all to an Open House, **Saturday**, **February 13**th from 10am-1pm at St. Louis Catholic Church. If you are new to the area, considering homeschooling or gathering information, drop in and chat with our home-school members who will answer questions, offer support, share resources and help you get started! Guests are welcome to shop our Used Book and Curriculum Sale. Visit our website: www.bshgmemphis.org or email Brenda Lamey (withgr8love@gmail.com) for more information.

MSGR. PAUL W. CLUNAN ENDOWMENT FUND

The Clunan Fund is named after our long-time pastor, Msgr. Paul W. Clunan. The purpose of the Clunan Fund is to provide assistance to families who are unable to pay the full tuition fees and to aid in keeping pace with new developments in technology, curriculum and facilities. Online donation is available at www.stlouischurchmphs.org and by clicking on this QR code with your smart phone.

INSTITUTE FOR LITURGY & SPIRITUALITY

St. Louis Parish sponsors any parishioner of St. Louis access at **no cost** to the courses offered by the Institute for Liturgy and Spirituality at the Diocese of Memphis. Please visit www.cdom.org for information about these courses.

Reminder: Federal regulations prevent hospitals from divulging patient information. If you would like a visit from a priest; contact the church office at 682-6606 or jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org.

OFFERTORY CHECKS

Many parishioners make their weekly offertory contribution by check and do not use their envelope. This requires the office staff to look up the account number. If you do not know your account number, please contact Anna Shelton at 255-1952 or anna.shelton@stlouis.com.org.

BOWLING FUN NIGHT

St. Louis Fun Night at Billy Hardwick's All-Star Lanes each **Tuesday** from 6:30-8:30pm. Cost is \$5 and includes shoe rental. No registration required.

R.C.I.A.

RCIA, or the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is the process through which non-Catholics come into the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Deacon Jeff Drzycimski, Director of Religious Education, at 682-6606, ext. 1953, or deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com.



YOUTH MINISTRY RETREATS

The annual QUEST retreat will be held **Friday**, **February 12th-Sunday**, **February 14th** for students in 9th and 10th grades. Cost is \$50.

The third SEARCH retreat of the year will be held **Friday, February 26th-Sunday, February, 28th** for students in 11th and 12th grades. Cost is \$60.

Retreats will be held at Memphis Catholic High School. Registration is required and forms are available at www.stlouisyouth.org. Contact Dianne Dolan at 373-1292 or dianne.dolan@cc.cdom.org.

NURSERY & CRY ROOM

Children are always welcome at St. Louis Catholic Church. We strive to provide a church home for all. However, it is distracting to others if children play loudly and talk during Mass. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of our nursery or cry room in order to allow all present to fully experience the celebration of Mass. Infants and children through 3 years old are welcome in our Nursery, which is well-staffed by professional childcare providers who are part of our Mother's Day Out team. Staff members are assisted by teenagers who have completed the Red Cross Babysitting Certification Course. There is no charge for the nursery.

FAITH MAGAZINE

In the Diocese's print publication, Faith West Tennessee, you will read about local Catholics who put their faith in action. For \$18 a year (\$1.50 per month) the magazine will help you to explore your faith and to evangelize. Please make checks payable to St. Louis and drop in collection basket or leave in church office.

The Catholic Diocese of Memphis in Tennessee encourages all victims, or parents of minors who are victims, of sexual abuse by a priest, deacon or diocesan employee or agent, to report such abuse by phoning any of the following numbers: Tennessee Child Abuse Hotline (1-877-237-0004) or Shari Lee, Victim Assistance Coordinator (652-4066); or Jim Latta, Office of Professional Responsibility, Child and Youth Protection (359-2027). All reports will be treated in a confidential manner. The Diocese of Memphis offers a program of psychological and spiritual assistance to abused victims in need.

EMAIL UPDATES

St. Louis Church has an email database which is used to send out news about parish events and activities. Contact jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org if you would like your email address to be included or updated.