Good News

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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When I was young, one of my favorite pictures of Jesus was one of his blessing little children. How calm and peaceful Jesus seemed, and his eyes were full of love. In later years, I have been drawn to other images and art of Jesus holding, healing, and granting mercy to his beloved children. That image of Jesus is so comforting that I tend to forget that Jesus also disturbed the peace, questioned authority, and demanded complete obedience and loyalty. For first-century Christians, following Jesus often meant leaving family and friends, civil disobedience (not considering Caesar as a god), and reimagining religious traditions.

The Christ who sows division is uncomfortable. but Christians in every century have had to speak out against evil and sin, especially when their culture's or country's practices lead people away from rather than toward God. Even here in the United States, Catholics have found themselves defending the dignity of all human life and economic and social justice for the poor, even when it meant challenging the prevailing culture and political climate. It's rarely easy to speak truth to power or popularity, and we have to guard against those who think they are always right or somehow above God. Iesus himself recognized that he would not always be popular, so he lifted up the two great commandments to love God and neighbor as the measure of how we should act even when those actions divide us.

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	+Herman Scherson
our.	9:00	
	10:30	,
	12:00	
	6:00	+Betty & +John Meihofer
Mon.		+Father Rafael Magno
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	6:00	+Catherine Joyce
Tues.	6:15	, ,
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		+Tom Robinson
	12:00	
Wed.	6:15	, , ,
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	12:00	•
		for Wilson Nelson
Thurs.	6:15	+Tony Tavoleti & Special Intention for
		Pat Riley
	8:15	+Lindsey Carter
	12:00	
Fri.	6:15	+Catherine Joyce
	8:15	+Eugenia Gattas & Special Intention
		for Bob O'Reilly
	12:00	+Cliff Davis
Sat.	6:15	+John Glennon
	8:15	
	4:30	+Jean Donati & Special Intention for
		Ann Riley

Prayers are requested for the sick: Gloria Andereck+ Jean Garbarini+Sophie Wetick+Jim Clark+Archbishop Peter Sartain+Peggy Steffan+Reba David+Steve Helveston+Dr. Tucker Larkin+Frances Ricossa+Peter Schuster+Basil Crone+Hank Klosky+Elizabeth Mays+Barbara Burke.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Mary W. Robinson & Alice Freyaldenhoven.

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 homebound.

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.

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ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The St. Louis Altar Guild will meet at 12pm on **Thursday, August 18**th in the home of Becky Kraker, 214 Fleur de Lis Cove. The meeting will begin with Mass and will be followed by a luncheon and information meeting. All ladies of the parish are encouraged to come and find out more about this vital organization. The Altar Guild takes care of our beautiful altar as well as provides receptions for church functions and offers fellowship opportunities for women of all ages in our parish.

ST. LOUIS WOMEN'S RETREAT HEARTS ON FIRE



How well do you really know Jesus? During this weekend retreat you are invited to revisit

your relationship with Jesus. See him with new eyes. Let him set your heart on fire. Our parish retreat runs from Friday, August 19th-Sunday, August 21st at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center with a one-day option on Saturday for \$75. The cost for the weekend is \$185 for single occupancy and \$155 for double. Contact Pam John at 292-8875 or pjcosmetics@bellsouth.net for information. Contact Debbie Voyles at Debbie.Voyles@olqp.cdom.org to make your reservation.

COME CELEBRATE THE FEAST

Thursday, August 25th is the Feast Day of St. Louis. We will celebrate on Sunday, August 28th from 1-3pm. Let's fill the Church at 12pm Mass. Those who have been away—you are invited, welcome and wanted.



Main Mass will be 12:00 Noon. All priests will concelebrate. We will have a picnic, games, music, and fellowship on the grounds. BBQ chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Bring a dish of potato salad, beans or dessert. Please visit www.tinyurl.com/slcpicnic to volunteer.

Don't miss this whole day to celebrate the St. Louis family!



CHOIR SNACK & SIP

Choir Snack and Sip will be held on Sunday, August 21st at 3pm in the Choir Room. Do you want to get involved in Music Ministry? Come join us! Wednesday rehearsal will begin

Wednesday, August 24th from 7-8:30pm.



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

St. Louis Church will have Masses at 6:15am, 8:15am, and 12pm and 6pm on **Monday, August 15**th in celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. **This is not a Holyday of Obligation this year**.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CONFESSIONS

Fr. Bill Burke will be available for Jubilee Year of Mercy Confessions on **Thursday, August 18**th from 11:00am-12:00pm. Stop by on your way to lunch.

PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. DEXTER

Anniversary Pilgrimage to Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, Saragoza, and Lourdes, **April 18-28, 2017** with Fr. Dexter Noblefranca. \$3836 plus \$160 taxes include air, lodging, 2 meals a day with wine served at dinner, and all admission fees. Early reservations are needed as seats are limited. Brochures are in the office or contact Jeannie Presley for more information at 335-4563.

FLEUR DE LIS

Our first meeting is **Thursday, August 25**th. Mass begins at 6pm. Dinner follows in the Clunan Center—roast beef au jus from Leonard's. Letters were mailed this week with the Fall schedule. New members are welcome to join us, please call Fred or Cathy Freres for reservation information at 685-1934.

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.



PERPETUAL ADORATION

Visit www.tinyurl.com/SLCCAdoration 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. Adorers are needed for the 9am slot on Mondays, the 2am (shared time) and 5pm slots on Fridays, and the 9pm slot on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of each month.

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

ST. LOUIS YOUTH MINISTRY SUMMER 2017 MISSION TRIPS

<u>Save the Dates</u>: It's time to announce our eleventh annual Catholic HEART Workcamp mission trip dates and <u>tentative</u> locations:

Senior HighJunior HighJune 11-18, 2017July 16-22, 2017Cincinnati, OhioPensacola, Florida

Deposit are now being accepted—the deadline is **Monday, September 12**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 Philadelphia 2016 and St. Louis 2016 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 **Thursday, August 18**th at 5:30pm in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center.

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 forever and ever. Amen.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the altar are in memory of Harris Sorrelle, John and Katherine Fisher, John Jefferson and Andy Graham donated from the wedding of Ellen and Joshua Graham.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray that the church be an example of holiness, humility and honesty.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

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First Reading Isaiah 66:18-21 Psalm Psalm 117

Second Reading Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel Luke 13:22-30

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, and Capt. Charlie Kennedy.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of August 7, 2016

Total collection	\$42,456		
Envelopes	\$33,365		
Electronic	\$7,854		
Loose	\$1,237		
Budget requirements	\$40,385		
Total registered families	1,730		
Donated by envelopes	421 families		
Donated electronically	88 families		
Non-participants	1,221 families		
29% of families participated 71% did not			

ST. LOUIS YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



St. Louis Youth Ministry is in need of volunteers for our Junior High (grades 7-8) and Senior High (grades 9-12) Youth Groups. We are looking for young excited Catholics. If you are

over 21 and are interested in helping with either youth group, please email Hannah Zaleski at Hannah.zaleski@stlouis.cdom.org. It is an amazing opportunity to share and practice your faith.

LEBONHEUR MINISTRY

Please check the sign up genius at www.tinyurl.com/stlouissignup for future lunches. Vacation time is nearing an end—remember to collect the toiletries that you don't use from your hotels. The hospital uses them and so does our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Parish Religious Education News

PRE REGISTRATION

Registration for Parish Religious Education classes will be held following all Masses on **Saturday, August 13th and Sunday, August 14th** in the Narthex. The 1st day of PRE class is **Sunday, September 11th**. Also, there is a short mandatory parents meeting on the 11th at 9:00am. For information, contact Anna Shelton at 255-1952 or anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org.

R.C.I.A.

R.C.I.A. is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. This program is designed to help non-Catholics learn about the Catholic faith. Meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings. First class is **Tuesday, September 6**th at 7pm. There will be an inquiry session on **Tuesday, August 30**th. If you are interested in learning about the Catholic faith or if you are interested in helping someone who is pursuing the faith, contact Deacon Jeff Drzycimski at 682-6606 or deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com or Anna Shelton at anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org.

CUB SCOUTS ICE CREAM KICK-OFF

The St. Louis Cub Scouts will have their start of the year kick-off and sign-up day on **Saturday**, **August 20**th from 10am-12pm in the Dining Hall. All boys in grades 1 through 5 are invited (with your parents) to eat ice cream and learn about what the St. Louis Cub Scouts are doing this year—including camping, Pinewood Derby, Space Camp, and Cumberland Caverns. Call or email Mike Price at 301-2675 or mikepricejr316@gmail.com if you cannot attend, but still want to participate in Cub Scouting this year.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

SAVE THE DATE **SATURDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 10**th, Friends of the Poor WALK/RUN. 9th Annual St. Vincent de Paul of Memphis at CBHS Tom Nix Stadium. Register at Friends of the Poor Walk. Every dollar raised provides two lunches.

The St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen served 4,971 people in our great city in the month of July.

FISHERS OF MEN

The Fishers of Men of St Louis invite all men of the parish to 6:15 a.m. mass on Thursdays and the Fishers of Men Gathering directly after. If you are a man of the parish and want to deepen your Catholic faith with other men, please join us! For more information, call Jonathan Lyons at 481-2199.

MID-SOUTH AREA ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC NURSES



Mid-South Area Association of Catholic Nurses presents "Where Nursing Ministry & Catholic Mission Meet." All nurses, guests and nursing students are invited to a Mass of

thanksgiving and potluck reception on **Thursday**, **August 18**th at St. Louis Church. Rev. Msgr. John McArthur, Pastor of St. Louis Church, will be the Celebrant. Liturgy will start at 6pm followed by a potluck reception in the Clunan Center. Contact the Office of Pastoral Life Ministries at 373-1224 or email alma.abuelouf@cc.cdom.org.

VIRTUS TRAINING

Virtus (Protecting God's Children) Training will be held in the Clunan Center on **Wednesday**, **September 7th** at 9am and 6pm. Attendance at only one session is required. All who work with children (teachers, coaches, etc.) are required to complete this course. Register online at www.virtus.org or call 682-2150. Pre-registration is required.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Kathy Hackett will lead a Ladies Bible Study on Thursday mornings beginning **Thursday**, **September 8**th at 9:30am in the Meeting Room. The study will be on the book of Isaiah written by Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ and presented by Catholic Scripture Study International. Signup day will be **Thursday**, **August 25**th. Contact Kathy Hackett at kahackett@yahoo.com for more information.

MICRO SPORTS AT ST LOUIS

St. Louis Church and School offers
Micro Sports for athletes that are JK
and Kindergarten age. Athletes must be
4 by September 1, 2016 to participate.
Soccer, Basketball, and T-Ball are
offered. Registration for soccer is ongoing with a
deadline of **Friday, August 19**th. Soccer will begin in
September. Registration forms are available in the
church office and on the school website. Questions can
be directed to Jen McBride at 481-5902 or
jen.s.mcbride@gmail.com.

BISHOP'S OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT



The 30th Annual Bishop's Open Golf Tournament will be held on **Friday**, **September 9**th at Quail Ridge Golf Course. Proceeds from the event fund

scholarships to Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Memphis. Register at www.bishopsopen.org. For more information, call 373-1219.