

Good News

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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The readings for the solemnity of Christ the king in each of the three Sunday cycles help us to see how different Jesus' kingship is from that of earthly rulers. The reign of Jesus is not tied to judgment or authority, for he subjects himself to the judgment and authority of others. His reign is not tied to an ability to make and defend laws, for he submits to the existing law which condemns him to death on a cross. His reign is not tied to the power to conquer nations or to lead great armies against oppressors. Christ the king comes to save, to conquer "death and the devil" (Catechism 636, 1019).

Rather, the kingdom of God is about comfort, peace, redemption, truth, real justice, and mercy. Even from the cross, Jesus forgave his enemies and held on to no anger or hate. He welcomed repentant sinners into the kingdom. He resisted the temptation to impress others with the power that came from who he was and who he knew. In the great contradiction of our faith, the power of Christ the King is manifest in his willingness to become powerless for love of us.

What does that mean for us, his disciples? We, too, must let go of power, reject destruction, and turn toward God. As we make our way, we are called to practice forgiveness, hospitality, and humility in loving all of God's children. As we close this Year of Mercy and enter another Advent, this may be the best gift we can give to Christ our king.

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	Parish
	9:00	+Sissy & +Bill Trigg & Paul Saxon
	10:30	+Mary Evans & +Cliff Davis
	12:00	+Inga Boosalis
	6:00	+June Green
Mon.	6:15	+Dylan O'Hara
	8:15	+Joseph & +Marion Gatti
	12:00	Special Intention for Devanie Cooper
Tues.	6:15	+Peggy Weir
	8:15	+Tom Kavanagh
	12:00	+Emmett O'Ryan
Wed.	6:15	Sanctity of Family Life for all Travelers
	8:15	+John Lewis Pinkston, Jr. & +Katherine Joyce
	12:00	+Clayton Poole & Special Intention for Mary Ann Riley
Thurs.	6:15	+Tom Kavanagh
	9:00	+Violet & +Secunda Mangialardi
Fri	6:15	+Kay Kraus
	8:15	+Norma Rutledge
	12:00	+Tara Faith Snider
Sat.	6:15	Family of Becky & Wally Fields
	8:15	+Raymundo Lopez
	4:30	+Ed Workoven & +Mary Evans

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Garbarini+Archbishop Peter Sartain+Peggy Steffan+Dr. Tucker Larkin+Deacon Ralph Donati+Mary Harlow+Bob Mader+Sarah Ward+Ann Berry+Mary Jane Miller+ Joyce West+Bernadette Pian+Susan Sanders+Clara Williams+Joan Webb+Larry Cervetti+Austin Martin+Rose Gaia.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Brenda Priddy and Margaret McCurdy.

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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PICTORIAL DIRECTORY



Photography has started on our Parish Family Album. We are publishing a new pictorial directory through Lifetouch. Reserve your appointment time by clicking the link on stlouischurchmphis.org or call 866-756-0281. Each family will receive a complimentary directory and 8x10 custom color portrait. You will be able to view and select your portraits electronically from a variety of poses. Additional Lifetouch portraits will be available for purchase. Your entire appointment will normally take less than one hour. This is an excellent opportunity for family portraits which will be ready before Christmas.

BONUS: Bring in a non-perishable food item for our St. Vincent de Paul Society and receive a \$5 coupon off of your Lifetouch portrait order.

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS



The Senior High Youth Group will meet as small groups and enjoy dinner together at a local restaurant on **Sunday, November 20th**. Junior High will meet on **Sunday,**

November 27th from 4:30-5:45pm in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center. Visit the Facebook page at St. Louis Catholic Church Youth Ministry and follow the Youth Group on Twitter at [St_Louis_Youth](https://twitter.com/St_Louis_Youth) and on Instagram at [st.louis_youth_ministry](https://www.instagram.com/st.louis_youth_ministry). To be added to the email distribution list, email Hannah Hill at Hannah.zaleski@stlouis.cdom.org and include the grade of your child.

SAVE THE DATE

ADVENT SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

St. Louis has over 300 homebound and/or active older parishioners. Each Christmas we deliver a flower to them from the church. Msgr. McArthur is asking for families to volunteer to deliver just one—yes, just one flower to these families. Deliveries will begin **Thursday, December 8th**.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

ADVENT MORNING OF REFLECTION

An Advent Morning of Reflection for all Ministers to the Sick with Fr. Rick Mickey titled “Our J-O-Y” will be held on Saturday, December 3rd from 8:45-11am at St. Ann Catholic Church, Bartlett. RSVP by **Monday, November 28th** by calling 373-1237 or email Pam.ray@cc.cdom.org.

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend **Saturday, November 19th** and **Sunday, November 20th** will be for the Campaign for Human Development.

THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE

Mass will be celebrated at St. Louis Church at 6:15am and 9am on **Thursday, November 24th**. The 9am Mass will be a special Family Mass of Thanksgiving. There will be no 8:15am or 12noon Masses on Thanksgiving Day. A collection of non-perishable food items will be collected for our St. Vincent de Paul Society.



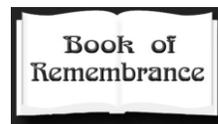
20s & 30s GROUP

The new 20's & 30's Group is growing fast, but we still want you to join! Be a part of something new and exciting while gaining fellowship and a stronger appreciation for our Faith. Join St. Louis' 20's & 30's Group by emailing Megan Buscher at megan.buscher@gmail.com or sending a text to 497-2237 with your name and email address. We are beginning to plan our winter social, don't miss out!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Louis SVDP helped 13 families in October. You helped 10 families with their MLGW in amount of \$3730, rent of 1 family \$300, eye care & meds for 1 person for \$106.40, and we twinned with Holy Rosary with 1 family for \$200. Additionally we bought \$645.20 from M. Palazola Produce to hand out at Holy Names soup kitchen. We buy short dated produce and fruit at bargain prices. We also bought \$625 in Cash Saver cards from parishioner Rick James. Rick is very supportive of SVDP and contributes free cards to help the poor. St. Louis SVDP has a year round food collection with baskets in the Narthex and at exits. Our food pantry can use protein items; canned fish, meat, and poultry. Thank you for your continued support in helping us help the less fortunate in our great city. We wish a Happy Thanksgiving to all. God Bless.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



During the month of November, every year we remember our loved ones who have died. We invite you to write the names of your beloved in the Book of Remembrance which will be located in the Narthex throughout November. This book will be a sign of our prayers for all those deceased and of our communion with them through the death and resurrection of Christ.



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

St. Louis Church and School will again sponsor a Giving Tree for Christmas. Tags stating items needed will be in baskets in the Narthex and in the hallways outside the church office. Please take a tag and return the unwrapped gift to the church office, with the tag attached, by **Sunday, December 18th**. All gifts will be distributed by Catholic Charities.

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, and 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.



St. Louis Parish is participating in Room in the Inn Memphis. In partnership with Colonial Cumberland Presbyterian Church (1500 S. Perkins Rd.) we will feed, shelter and provide fellowship to 12-14 homeless men and women on our scheduled nights. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/SLCRITI> to volunteer. We also welcome financial donations, as well as new underwear for men and women. Call Pam Scarbrough at 763-0295 or Ann Drennan at 674-2117.

PARISH CENSUS INFORMATION

In order to keep our parish rolls accurate, we need your help. Please notify Anna Shelton at anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org of any change of name, address, telephone number, or added family members. Also, if you are not receiving your church envelopes or Faith magazine, please let Anna know. Thank you!

PRISON MINISTRY

Each Christmas, we supply 450 inmates of C.C.A. Prison in Mason, Tennessee, a Christmas package containing a white towel, large bar of soap, large toothpaste, pen, four Christmas cards along with a card from St. Louis Catholic Church.

We would appreciate cash or check donations so the items may be purchased in bulk and must be all the same brand and size. Any donations may be left in the church office for St. Louis Prison Ministry.



Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are dedicated to the memory of **William T. Cochran, Russell W. Cochran, Jeana L. Bartlett, Michael D. French** and **Richard and Mary Lois Barnett** donated from the wedding of **Brittany Cochran** and **Justin Bartlett**.

Banns of Marriage

Banns of Marriage are announced for the third time for **Lorelei Scatamacchia** and **Steve Esterman**.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray that those who need the blessings of health and liberty find God's abundant healing in their lives.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

First Sunday of Advent

First Reading	Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm	Psalm 122
Second Reading	Romans 13:11-14
Gospel	Matthew 24:37-44

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 November 13, 2016

Total collection	\$38,935
Envelopes	\$32,099
Electronic	\$5,231
Loose	\$1,605
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	1,730
Donated by envelopes	408 families
Donated electronically	89 families
Non-participants	1,233 families
29% of families participated . . . 71% did not	

LEBONHEUR MINISTRY

The next luncheon we will host for the families on the 5th floor will be held on **Saturday, November 26th**. Check the sign up at www.tinyurl.com/stlouissignup to volunteer.

SAVE THE DATE: WMOS

Women's Morning of Spirituality will be held on **Saturday February 25th** at the Church of the Incarnation from 8:15am-1:30pm with a Continental Breakfast beginning at 7:15am. Keynote Speaker is Renee Hendrix. Witness Speaker is Kelli Williams. Music with Bethany and Kevin Paige. Register at www.womensmorning.com.

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 3pm slot on Mondays, 1am slot on Tuesdays, the 2am (shared time) and 5pm slots on Fridays, the 9pm slot on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of each month and the 4pm slot on Sundays.**



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

SAA-SDS GINGERBREAD HOUSE

St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School invites you to The Gingerbread House—A Sweet Shopping Extravaganza **Friday, December 2nd** and **Saturday, December 3rd**. The Gingerbread House features over 60 vendors, pictures with Santa, and much more! The event kicks off with a Ladies Night Preview Party on **Friday, December 2nd** from 6:30-9:30pm. Cost for Ladies Night is \$35 for advance purchase and \$40 at the door. The Gingerbread House is open for shopping **Saturday, December 3rd** from 8am-4pm and admission is \$5. Shoppers can select from a wide array of merchandise, including clothing, jewelry, artwork, food, sporting goods and holiday decorations. For more information contact bhamilton@saa-sds.org or call 435-5816.

DEMONSTRATE YOUR THANKFULNESS THIS SEASON

Each holiday season, St. Louis Church anticipates and relies on a seasonal increase in contributions. It is through the donations of every individual and family in the congregation that we are able to carry on our work now and throughout the year.

If you need a convenient way to make recurring contributions or plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to check out our electronic giving options. As the pace of life speeds up around the holidays, you may find electronic giving a most welcome way to make contributions.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit our website at www.stlouischurchmphis.org and click on the Online Giving button. Thank you for your generosity and support!

JOIN THE CHOIR!

Contact Ray Mullins at rmullins@stlouismemphis.org



ROSARY MAKERS GUILD

Members of the Rosary Makers Guild are reminded of the monthly meeting on **Tuesday, November 22nd** at 2pm in the Clunan Center Room A. All parishioners are invited.

The St. Louis Rosary Guild is happy to take special requests for custom rosaries. Call the office at 682-6606 and the Rosary Guild will contact you.

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. Donations help to cover working costs of the Memphis Diocese's website (www.cdom.org), weekly online news in the West Tennessee Catholic, the diocesan calendar and Facebook – always with free access for you.

WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Please join us every Tuesday in the Clunan Center Meeting Room to discuss the Gospel of Matthew. 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.

ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Apply for enrollment by calling the school office at 255-1900 or apply online at www.stlouismemphis.org. Because of limited space in our Preschool, it is imperative that parents apply for admission 18 months prior to the start of your child's school career. We offer priority enrollment to siblings of current students and to contributing members of our parish. Check our website for a detailed explanation of our admissions process. Those interested in K-8th grade for the 2017-18 school year should call or apply online as soon as possible. Enrollment will take place in early 2017. Tours and shadow days can be scheduled with our Admissions Director, Kim Pesce.

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.