

Good News

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

One of the greatest accomplishments of Roman construction was the arch. It enabled them to span larger distances and make bigger buildings without sacrificing strength. Just think of the Roman aqueducts, basilicas, and coliseums standing today.

The key to the Roman arch is that each stone is well cut. Additionally, the cornerstone takes all the stress and stabilizes the whole. Saint Peter uses these construction images as a metaphor for the Church. We are all living stones, built into a spiritual house founded on the cornerstone, Jesus Christ. Like the deacons in the early Church, we each have a role to play.

What is asked of a stone in a building structure? Every stone needs to be strong. It needs to be formed and shaped. Accepting and seeking formation in faith is key to finding our place in life and in God's house. A stone needs to be connected to the stones alongside it. Finally, the stone needs to accept where the master builder places it. If a stone could move itself from one place to another, there would be chaos.

Our active participation in God's plan and the Church is important. We must build on the one sure foundation and follow the plan of the master builder and those who represent him. Jesus has prepared a place for each of us in the Church and in heaven. Jesus is the way. Follow him and he will lead you to your place.

For Reflection

Have I sought out a place to serve and build up the Church in my local area? What spiritual means do I use to discern Jesus' plan for me?

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	Parish
	9:00	+Tom Kavanagh
	10:30	+Estelle & +Clarence Johnson
	12:00	+Shelby Simmons & +Sid Kraker
	6:00	Special Intention for Marilyn Allen
Mon.	6:15	+Walter Joyce
	8:15	+Shelby Simmons
	12:00	+Charlotte O'Shaunessy
Tues.	6:15	Special Intention for Cathy Gorman & +Alani Stocks
	8:15	+Casey Tidwell
	12:00	+Bob McGannon & +Tom Kavanagh
Wed.	6:15	+Luke & +Mary Borger
	8:15	+Sissy & +Bill Trigg & +Johnny Costello
	12:00	+Shelby Simmons
Thurs.	6:15	+Catherine & +Anthony Cremerius
	8:15	+Sid Kraker & +Chad Grube
	12:00	Special Intention for Mary "May-May" Costello
Fri	6:15	Special Intention for Mary Marie Carroll
	8:15	Special Intention for Pat Schoembs & Johnny Gorman family
	12:00	+Lindsey Carter & +Peggy Gilmore
Sat.	6:15	+Bridget Costello
	8:15	+Dr. Richard Towne
	4:30	+Jim Bedwell

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Garbarini+Archbishop Peter Sartain+Peggy Steffan+Dr. Tucker Larkin+Bob Mader+Sarah Ward+Lisa Barzizza MacCormack+Wendy Ray+Tan Wallace+Katherine McArthur Sigafos+Patricia Schoembs+John Heimbach+Rosann Donoghue+John Schaffler, Jr.+Kevin Kissell+Carolyn Denegri+Michael Houston+Carol Smith.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Patrick Holley+Steve Zeber+Gene Mullins.

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 255-1950, 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.

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

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BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. St. Louis is 82% towards our goal of \$458,000. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the Narthex. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

FLEUR DE LIS

It is May, the month of Our Lady. Our annual May Procession will begin our May meeting at 6pm on **Thursday, May 25th**. Mass will follow and then dinner in the Clunan Center. Remember to bring a flower or two to carry up to the Mary's altar when we process into church that evening. Leonard's will be catering. Dinner is \$10 per person. Please make your reservation by **Monday, May 22nd** by calling Fred or Cathy at 685-1934. Looking forward to a wonderful evening together before our summer break!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Food donations are needed to allow us to take food boxes to our families. Please bring toilet paper, cleaning supplies, pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned fruit, soup and cereal. Monetary donations are also always needed to continue our ministry! Thanks for your generosity!

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 4am slot on Mondays, 1am slot on Tuesdays, 12pm slot on Wednesdays, the 2am (shared time) 3pm and 5pm slots on Fridays, the 3am slot on Saturdays, the 9pm slot on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of each month and the 3am, 4am, 10am, 4pm and 10pm slots on Sundays. Contact Jan O'Donnell by email at jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org or call 255-1954.



WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Please join us every Tuesday in the Clunan Center Meeting Room. 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.



Happy Mother's Day

SECOND COLLECTION

The Second Collection this weekend is for the Basilica National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Reminder: Federal regulations prevent hospitals from divulging patient information. If you would like a visit from a priest, contact the church office at 255-1950 or jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Save the date! All Aboard the Queen of Heaven Express!! *Tracking Mary Mysteries and Messages* will be offered **Monday, June 26th-Friday, June 30th** from 9am-12:30pm. Registration is now open! Visit <http://tinyurl.com/SLCVBS17> to register. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/SLCVBS17Vol> to volunteer. Contact Stephanie Novarese at Stephanie@novarese.net to volunteer or for more information.



FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

The Health and Wellness Ministry will be doing free Blood Pressure screenings following 4:30pm Mass on **Saturday, May 13th** and from 8:30am-12pm on **Sunday, May 14th** in the Parish Social Ministry Office.

SAVE THE DATE! HOLE-IN-ONE CHARITY FESTIVAL

The Hole in One Charity Festival will be held **June 18th-24th** from 6-10pm each night.

ST. ANGELA MINISTRY

St. Angela Ministry will meet on **Saturday, May 20th** from 1-3pm at Billy Hardwick Bowling Lanes. They will eat pizza, bowl and have a great time. Please RSVP to Cheryl Tompkins at sewjustimagine@att.net

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Enliven and find more joy in your marriage by participating in a "Worldwide Marriage Encounter" weekend on **October 27th-29th** at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center. Visit www.wwme-section10.org/memphis or contact us at 409-4570.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Stay connected with your faith in college! Visit newmanconnection.com to let your college Catholic Campus Ministry know you're coming! It takes just a moment, but that moment can lead to a lifetime of spiritual growth and authentic friendship. Get connected today! For more information, contact Sam Mauck at samuel.mauck@ccm.cdom.org.



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 (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.

PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. FRANCIS

"Medjugorje Pilgrimage" Sept 13-22, with Fr Francis Chiawa. \$2,589 from Memphis includes everything but lunches and tips. "In the Footsteps of St. Paul Pilgrimage" Oct 25-Nov4 with Fr Bill Parham. \$4,445 includes 7 day cruise with a day in Athens before and after the cruise. For information, contact Jeannie Presley are 683-7807, presleyjeannie@gmail.com.



ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Apply for enrollment by calling the school office at 255-1900 or apply 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. Tours can be scheduled with our Admissions Director, Kim Pesce.

CBHS BASKETBALL CAMP

 Christian Brothers High School Basketball Camp this July for Boys grades 1-9. There are a limited number of spots - we hope to see your son there! Register: <http://www.cbhs.org/portals/0/UploadedContent/documents/SummerCamps/2017-BBALL-FUNDAMENTALS.pdf>. Or email coach Bubba Luckett at bluckett@cbhs.org for more details.

Banns of Marriage

Banns of Marriage are announced for the third time for **Claire Pinkston** and **Austin Hudson**.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray for mothers, grandmothers and all who fill a motherly role, that they be surrounded and embraced by love.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
Psalm	Psalm 66
Second Reading	1 Peter 3:15-18
Gospel	John 14:15-21

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, Capt. Jay Schaffler, Jeff Sexton, Cpl. Graham Meihofer and Spc. Cooper Lawrence.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Offertory Report for week 5-7-17

Total Collection	\$43,587
Envelopes	\$32,537
Electronic	\$9,527
Loose	\$1,523
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	1,805
Donated by envelopes	384
Donated Electronically	105
Non-participants	1,316

27% of families participated...73% did not

CAMP SUBIACO

Camp Subiaco for boys 9-13, is an active all boys camp with fishing, archery, riflery, go-carts, boating & tubing, climbing wall and much more. Camp Subiaco is operated by the Subiaco Alumni Association and the Benedictine Monks of Subiaco. Camp is **June 18-24** and **June 25-July 1**. Sign up at www.campsubiaco.org or call 479-934-1001 for info.

PARISH CENSUS INFORMATION

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