



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

For where two or three are gathered together
in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

Matthew 18:20

St. Louis Catholic Church



Sunday, September 10, 2017

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Monday-Friday: 6:15 am, 8:15 am & 12:00 pm

Saturday: 6:15 am, 8:15 am

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

Sunday: 30 minutes prior to Mass

1st Friday: after 6:15 am & 12:00 pm Masses

1st Saturday: after 6:15 am & 8:15 am Masses

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Parish

Mission Statement

We the people of St. Louis Parish, in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church, nurtured by the Eucharist, strive to be the body of Christ to all God's people. We are committed to a culture of life through worship, prayer, life-long evangelization and development of youth, and we desire to live out the Gospel mandate to love God and our neighbors as ourselves.

Parish Information

Sacrament of Baptism—Baptisms are celebrated on Saturdays and Sundays. 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 deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com or 260-2888 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 12:00 pm Masses on Sunday.

Good News

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Today's readings are about fraternal correction. We are responsible for our brother's good, and God expects us to help him. This means being a good example and holding him or her to a gospel standard. If that means a hard dose of the truth, so be it, as long as that truth is given in love.

Ezekiel was a prophet who knew how to preach fire and brimstone, but he could also be tender and compassionate. He prophesied both about the destruction of Israel and how Yahweh would turn their hearts of stone into flesh. In Michelangelo's fresco on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, the strength of this rugged prophet is evident. That Ezekiel is turned to listen to a cherub says a lot about his humility as well.

God told Ezekiel that if he didn't preach to the wicked, God would hold him responsible for their deaths. However, if he did preach and the wicked still didn't heed him, Ezekiel would be safe. The moral is, when God asks us to preach, take it seriously!

Jesus tells us if our brother sins against us, we should confront him in the presence of two witnesses. He even encourages us to bring the Church in as judge if a dispute between believers isn't resolved. However, this should always be done with love.

As humble Christians, we should accept corrections when they are done correctly. No one likes to be told he or she is wrong, but if we are we should rejoice in the truth, even if it hurts. And we should thank those who love us enough to correct us.

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Mass Intentions

Sun	7:30	Parish
	9:00	+James & Myrtle Kelly
	10:30	+Charles Larkin & +Wendell Seelig
	12:00	+Felix Pesce
	6:00	+Bernadette Pian
Mon	6:15	+Rosemary Bischoff
	8:15	+Betty Drummond
	12:00	+John Schaffler
Tue	6:15	Special Intention for Prayer Card Ministry
	8:15	+Frances Manfer
	12:00	Special Intention for John & Kathleen Gorman
Wed	6:15	Special Intention for Genevieve Riley
	8:15	Special Intention for Jackie Stark & +Louis Vescovo
	12:00	Special Intention for Iris Carmel da Lomba
Thur	6:15	+Jean McIvor
	8:15	Special Intention for John Rose & +Dr. Francis Fountian
	12:00	+Ed Crenshaw
Fri	6:15	+Mike Denegri
	8:15	+Guy Erb
	12:00	+Tom Kavanaugh
Sat	6:15	+Bobby Pidgeon
	8:15	+Carol Smith & Special Intention for Jimmy Ann Riley
	4:30	+Bill O'Keefe

Prayers are requested for the sick: Bill Chandler+Marie Bertasi+Jackie Stark+Ted Hall+Kathy O'Connell+Rosann Donoghue+Will Stukenborg+Alison Courtenay.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Howard "Mack" McClelland+Lise Barzizza McCormack.

EMERGENCY COLLECTION FOR HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF

The USCCB has announced an emergency collection for Hurricane Harvey relief on **Saturday, September 9th** and **Sunday, September 10th**. This collection will be used both to support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SECOND COLLECTION POSTPONED & WALK SIGNUPS

The Second Collection for the St. Louis Chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society has been postponed to **Saturday, September 16th** and **Sunday, September 17th**.

The St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk/Run will be held on **Saturday, September 23rd** at Christian Brothers High School. Registration begins at 9am and the Walk/Run begins at 10am. Music, food, and free tshirt with \$25 minimum donation per walker, \$50 maximum per family. Register in the Narthex this weekend or online at www.fopwalk.org.

ST. LOUIS MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club Appreciation and New Member Dinner will be held on **Saturday, September 16th** at 6:30pm in the Youth Ministry Center. Free dinner and drinks will be served. We will have televisions available to watch college football games. This event is open to all men of the parish and spouses are encouraged to attend as well. This is a great opportunity to meet other members of the Parish. RSVP to Curt Soefker via email csoefker@yahoo.com or call 485-4806.

PERPETUAL ADORATION HELP NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to commit for one hour per week in the Bread of Life Adoration Chapel. Currently, there is no one scheduled for these hours: Sundays at 4pm and 7pm, Mondays at 12am and 1 pm, Wednesdays at 12pm, Thursdays at 4am and Saturdays at 9pm. Visit stlouischurchmphis.org and click on "links" to sign up.

We as Catholics, have a BIG BATTLE to win! "Our times are marked with turmoil, moral corruption, the sins of abortion, homosexuality, sexual immorality/perversity, pornography, drug abuse, rise of satanism and Islamic terrorism." Do you want a CROSS displayed on public property or a statue of SATAN---it is happening in America, in our schools and cities. ARE YOU WILLING TO FIGHT?? We have a SPIRITUAL WEAPON for you! Come pick up your weapon on Thursday, October 5th and Saturday, October 7th.

FAITH WEST TENNESSEE

Faith West Tennessee is moving into its fourth year of publication. Subscriptions will continue to cost \$18 for 10 issues per year. Envelopes are provided in your parish envelopes.

LECTOR TRAINING

Fr. Jolly Sebastian will conduct Lector Training at St. Louis Church on **Wednesday, September 20th** from 6-8:30pm and on **Saturday, September 23rd** from 9-11:30 am. Call the church office at 255-1950 to register.

KNITTING MINISTRY

The St. Louis Knitting Ministry meets every Sunday at 1pm (except holiday weekends) in the Clunan Center making baptismal shawls for newborns and prayer shawls for the sick and homebound. For information, please call Charlotte B. Parry at 682-2066, Catherine Davis at 761-7773 or Ann Barnes at 767-1617.

WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD

Please join us every Tuesday beginning **Tuesday, September 12th** in the Clunan Center Meeting Room. We are using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible Book of Revelation which can be purchased at St. Paul's Book Store. Meetings are held from 11:30am-12:30pm.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of September 3, 2017
Collection—\$32,260

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

The Health and Wellness Ministry will be doing free Blood Pressure screenings following 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, September 9th and from 8:30am -12pm on Sunday, September 10th in the Parish Social Ministry Office.



YOUTH MINISTRY KICK-OFF

The 2017-2018 Kick-Off meetings for St. Louis Youth Ministry will be held on **Sunday, September 10th** in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center. Junior High meets from 4:30-5:45pm and Senior High meets from 7-9pm.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Many people drop off religious articles in the church office which they no longer have need of. We do not have space for these items. Please find an alternate place which has a use for them.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the altar are in memory of **Dr. Gordon Wills, Sr., Betty Anne Locke and Thomas Wilson** donated from the wedding of **Sarah Shaw and Kenny Locke**.

BULLETIN BOARDS

Posters and flyers may **not** be posted on the Bulletin Boards in the Clunan Center without pastor approval. Posters and flyers may be dropped off at the front desk and staff will ask the pastor to approve.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

Our 1st Altar Guild Meeting will be **Thursday, September 21st** at 6:30pm in the home of Becky Kraker, 214 Fleur de Lis Cv. Please join us for Mass, a potluck dinner, and meet our new officers for this year. We are so excited to see everyone since our last meeting and we encourage everyone to bring a friend or two. If you need a ride to the meeting, please call the church office at 255-1950.

QUEEN OF PEACE

Rosary, Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration begin at 6pm on **Monday, September 11th** at St. Louis Church. Mass begins at 7pm.

RESPECT LIFE SAVE THE DATES

40 Days for Life

Wednesday, September 27-Sunday, November 5

Life Chain Sunday

Sunday, October 1st

Planned Parenthood

Sunday, October 15th

Contact Libby Parks at 355-8546 for details.

PRE CLASSES

It is not too late to register for Parish Religious Education classes for children in grades K-8 who do not attend Catholic schools. The 1st day of PRE class is **Sunday, September 10th**. For registration information, contact Sr. Ancilia at 255-1959.

FLEUR DE LIS

Thank you to everyone for making our first meeting so wonderful! With such a great start, mark your calendars now for the next meeting on **Thursday, September 28th**. We will meet in the Dining Hall at 6pm for hors d'oeuvres followed by dinner at 6:30pm. Carla will be fixing the oven fried chicken that we all love so much! Our guest speaker is Kevin Kane, a fellow parishioner and head of the convention and visitor bureau for the City of Memphis. New members are always welcome. Make your reservation by Monday, September 25th by calling Fred or Cathy at 685-1934.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

There will be a sign up meeting for the Thursday morning Women's Bible Study on Thursday, **September 14th** at 9:30am in the Clunan Center. All are invited to come and hear about our study entitled "Ephesians—Discover Your Inheritance" by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith. Bible Study materials should be available for pick up. This is an 8 week course. There will be refreshments and time to meet new friends. The study will begin Thursday, **September 21st** from 9:30-11am.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Banns of Marriage are announced for the first time for **Anna Fragale and Nick Gilpatrick**.



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