



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

But the man who received one went
off and dug a hole in the ground
and buried his master's money.

Matthew 25:18

St. Louis Catholic Church



Sunday, November 19, 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

Good News

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

The Gospel today encourages good investments! Jesus heaps praise on the good servants who were faithful in small matters and rewarded with the joy of the master. The servant who gets called wicked and lazy is punished, not because he miscalculated a risk but because he feared his master and took no risk at all. He was frozen by the thought that he could lose everything, so he buries the talent and anxiously awaits the master's return. He is wicked not for investing poorly but for not investing at all.

God has given us all so many talents, and he does so for us to enjoy a grand return on investment (ROI). He wants us to use our talents, work them, develop them, and—at the end of our lives—enjoy showing him the way they have multiplied. Like a loving parent, he knows that much of our

happiness is in developing and growing those talents with his grace. Those talents are a sign of his call and an invitation to step out in faith.

Parents, your job is to help your children develop their talents and dreams. A confident, enthusiastic, and risk-taking child is a sign of parents who know the balance of loving discipline, positive motivation, and a healthy distance. Children who feel secure in the love of their parents are willing to venture out and invest their talents, for they know someone will always be there to accompany them and catch them if they fall.

Our loving God is the first to know this and so invites us with this parable to trust, invest, and enjoy the returns.

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Parish & School Staff

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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 and 10:30 am Masses on Sundays.

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.

Events This Week

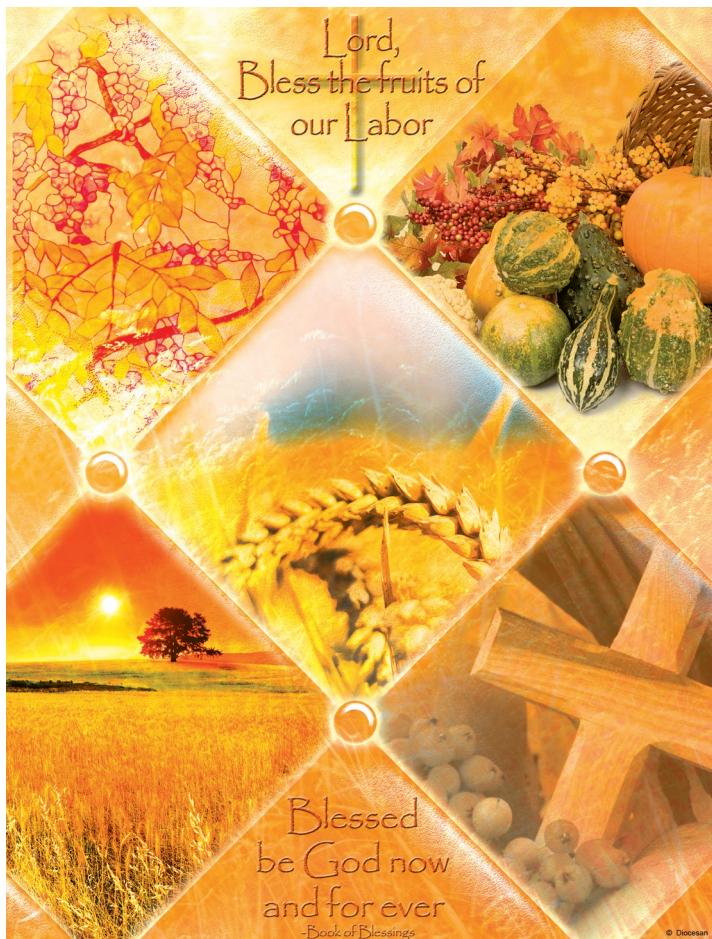
Sunday **Parish Religious Education Class** at 9 am in the school
Coffee & Donuts in Clunan Center Hall following morning Masses
Knitting Ministry from 1-3pm in Meeting Room
Senior High Youth Group at 7 pm in JPIL
Charismatic Group in Meeting Room at 7:30 pm

Monday **Adoration Class** in Clunan Center at 7 pm

Tuesday **WOW--Women of the Word** in Meeting Room —Canceled
Scouts in Scout Room at 6 pm

Thursday **Thanksgiving**—Masses at 6:15 am & 9 am

Friday **Lifetouch Photography** Resumes in Clunan Center
Praise & Worship Group in Choir Room at 11 am



OFFERTORY REPORT
 Week of November 12, 2017
 Collection—\$36,197

Mass Intentions

Sat	6:15	Special intention for Joe Jude & Winnie Marie
	8:15	+Perry Norman
	4:30	+Henry Barnes Cowles
Sun	7:30	+Perry Norman
	9:00	+Bernadette Pian
	10:30	+Kent Kimball, Sr,
	12:00	+Perry Norman
	6:00	PARISH
Mon	6:15	+Special intention
	8:15	Special intention for Mary Catherine McNally & +Teeny Podesta
	12:00	+Paul Saxon & +Mary Rotolo
Tue	6:15	+George Murrmann
	8:15	+Perry Norman
	12:00	+Joseph & +Marion Gatti
Wed	6:15	Special intention for Mary McClosky
	8:15	Special intention for Tommy Mack & +Ellen Pertra Kelly
	12:00	+Dorothy Allen
Thur	6:15	Special Intention for Mary Carroll
	9:00	+Ed Crenshaw & A Special intention
Fri	6:15	+Perry Norman
	8:15	+Violet & +Secunda Mangialardi
	12:00	+June Green

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jackie Stark+Kathy O'Connell+Deborah Saunders+Rose Trouy+Stella Grace Cook+Linda Liddell+Louise Fahrenkopf+Jim Causby+Tom Cooper+Maureen Martini+John B. Trouy+Tom O'Ryan+Ruby Peeler+Bill Chandler.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Pete Siciara+Juanita Lynch.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

True Reformers

Presented by Dr. Christopher Blum

Meet the Six Great Saints of the Catholic Reformation

Join Dr. Christopher Blum on a pilgrimage with the saints who led the Church's rebirth from the ashes of confusion caused by the Protestant Reformation. Beautiful, engaging and informative, this most recent program by Augustine Institute Studios unveils the power of the human heart's free response to God's grace.



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Watch on formed.org

What wonders God has done! Let us
thank the God who heals us and
calls us to communion with Christ.

The Order of Prayer

THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE

Mass will be celebrated at St. Louis Catholic Church at 6:15am and 9am on **Thursday, November 23rd**. 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.

HELP WANTED

The Church Nursery is in search of two qualified caregivers to work on Sundays with our babies during morning Masses. Caregivers must be able to lift 40 pounds, be Virtus trained, and skilled in all duties associated with caring for young children. All applicants will be subject to a background check. Hours for the Nursery are 8:45am-11:45 am. Resumes can be taken to the church office and placed in the Nursery box or emailed to Jana Soefker, Nursery Director, at jana.soefker@stlouis.cdom.org.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection this weekend **Saturday, November 18th** and **Sunday, November 19th** will be for the Campaign for Human Development.

ROOM IN THE INN

The next St. Louis Room in the Inn will be held on **Wednesday, December 6th**.

Revised signup link:

tinyurl.com/slcriti17-18new

For information, call Pam Scarbrough at 896-8278 or Ann Drennan at 674-2117.

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.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Calling all Catholics to love and adore our Lord: Adorers are needed for the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. The following days and times have special need for you: Sunday 2-3am; Sunday 4pm-5pm; Saturday 3am-4am; Saturday 9pm-10pm (second Saturday of month). If you would like to become an Adorer we would also be glad to have you at other days and times. Please contact Joan Thomas at Thomas.joan6@gmail.com or 481-1274 if you would like to become an Adorer.

ADORATION CLASSES

Have you ever wondered what was considered best practices for the adoration of Jesus in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel? You need wonder no more because Fr. Jolly will teach a one hour class on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Monday, November 20th** at 7pm. The class will be held in the Clunan Center. This class is for current Adorers and those considering the call to become an Adorer. Please come and be prepared to be fascinated by all you learn.



SAA-SDS Gingerbread House

St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School invites you to THE GINGERBREAD HOUSE - A Sweet Shopping Extravaganza **Friday, December 1st** and **Saturday, December 2nd**. The

Gingerbread House features 60 vendors, pictures with Santa, and much more! Ladies Night Preview Party is on **Friday, December 1st** from 6:30-9:30pm. Cost for Ladies Night is \$35 for advance purchase and \$40 at the door. Shopping is open **Saturday, December 2nd** 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 Contact bhamilton@saa-sds.org or call 435-5816.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Banns of Marriage are announced for the third time for **Chelsea Hansen** and **Daniel Varden** and for the first time for **Julie Perkins** and **Derrick McLure**.



Prayer Chain Ministry

"...Ask, and it will be given unto you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened unto you." Luke 11:9

St. Louis Church Prayer Chain Ministry will begin in the New Year. Jesus asks us to love one another as he loves us. Praying for the requests of our parishioners gives us the opportunity to show love for one another and to glorify God's word. The St. Louis Church Prayer Chain will consist of a group of parishioners who, on request, will pray for any of our brothers and sisters who are in need. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please email prayerchain@stlouismemphis.org for more information. The goal is for the prayer requests to be received starting in the New Year!

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. Cash or check donations are best as items may be purchased in bulk and must be all the same brand and size. Donations may be left in the church office.



ADOPT A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS

Calling all parishioners!!! Anyone who would like to adopt a family or share with other parishioners in adopting a family for Christmas this year, please call Haden Kane at 598-6900 or Sue Ellen Haaga at 755-8213. St. Vincent De Paul helps in identifying families in need for Christmas and Melyne Strickland along with Haden Kane coordinate the giving process with the parishioners. Last year St. Louis Catholic School and Church provided a wonderful Christmas to 18 families!



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 10th**. All gifts will be distributed by Catholic Charities.

PRAYER CARD MINISTRY LEADER NEEDED

Susan Smith began this ministry in 2009 and has decided to step down—we are grateful to Susan for her leadership! A new leader is needed. The duties are:

- Purchase cards monthly
- Update list of those needing cards
- Coordinate volunteers

If you are interested, contact Deacon Mike at michael.daddabbo@yahoo.com.



SAVE THE DATE ADVENT SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

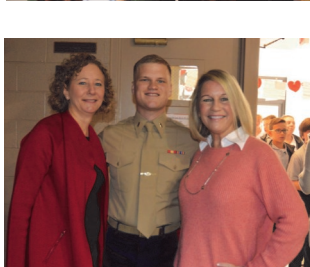
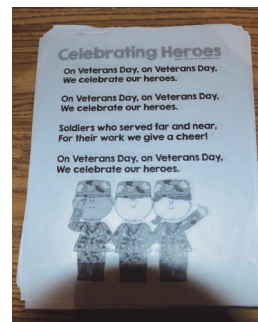
St. Louis has nearly 200 homebound and/or active older parishioners. Each Christmas we deliver a flower to them from the church. Fr. Jolly is asking for families to volunteer to deliver just one—yes, just one flower to these families. Deliveries will begin **Thursday, December 7th**.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Let us appreciate our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend is June 1-3 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center. For more information or to apply, visit our website at wwme-section10.org/memphis or contact us at 409-4570.

St. Louis Catholic School Veterans Day Celebration

St. Louis Catholic School Student Council sponsored a Veterans Day Celebration on Friday, November 10th. The Student Council, led by Mrs. Ragghianti and Mrs. Mitchell, planned and executed an amazing event for our students and our honored guests! AHG Troup 2012, Boy Scout Troup 341, Cub Scout Pack 341, and the St. Benedict Concert Band also contributed to the success of today's celebration.



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY NEW FORMAT



Photography will resume for our Parish Pictorial Directory on **Friday, November 24th**. We Using the *Community Connect* format, each family who is

photographed will receive:

- Free 8" x 10" portrait
- Copy of the directory *every year* for 5 years
- Families who have already had their portrait taken are automatically enrolled in this program.

Prefer to submit a photograph?

- Submit photograph in jpeg format to slccpictorial@gmail.com.
- Cost for this option is \$10 per family.
- Receive a copy of the directory for 5 years

Visit our website at stlouischurchmphis.org and click on the button on the home page to sign up. You may also call LifeTouch at 866-756-0281. *20% off portraits purchase coupons are available in the Narthex. Photos will be delivered before Christmas.*

#iGIVECATHOLIC

November 28, 2017



To celebrate our unique Catholic heritage, the **#iGiveCatholic** Giving Day was created to rally the Catholic community on **#GivingTuesday**, a global day celebrating generosity.

#iGiveCatholic is a call to share of our blessings with our Catholic parishes, schools, and ministries.

W H E N ?

#GivingTuesday, November 28, 2017

Advanced giving runs November 10 through 26.

"You give a poor man a fish and you feed him for a day. You teach him to fish and you give him an occupation that will feed him for a lifetime." (Chinese proverb.)

Visit iGiveCatholic.org, select our diocese under "Browse Arch/Dioceses," and search for:

St. Louis Church (Memphis, TN)

H O W ?

W H Y ?

The St. Louis Chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is helping a family which is in financial crisis and assisting and training the family with the skills to become financially stable.

#iGIVECATHOLIC on #GIVINGTUESDAY