

"BEHOLD, I AM THE HANDMAID OF THE LORD. MAY IT BE

DONE TO ME ACCORDING TO

YOUR WORD." LUKE 1:38

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Sunday, December 24, 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 Fourth Sunday of Advent Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

King David wants to build God a home! He had first built his own palace and afterward realized that he hadn't built a space for God—a place of worship and family communion.

It is admirable that David wants to give back, but do we have to take care of God or, rather, is it God who cares for us? Obviously, God doesn't need David to build him a house. The whole world is his. Didn't God build up David all along, bringing him to a place where he might consider offering God something in return? It is like children who want to give their parents a gift. First they ask a parent for money or a gift idea. On their own, they cannot give.

God turns the tables on David, saying that God will build David a house—an everlasting lineage to

rule over the people. God will build something much bigger than anything David had ever dreamt of. He will build David a kingdom that will become a nation and give birth to a worldwide universal Church.

In the painting, Mary stands in front of an ornate house. She stands like us, at the entrance, welcoming God's coming. It was her yes that allowed the master builder to enter into our world to begin building this house, which became a Church.

Like Mary, we await Jesus. With her, let us say yes to him, celebrating the one who has established that house where we celebrate today!

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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
	canceled
	Nursery closed
	Coffee & Donuts in Clunan Center
	Hall following morning Masses
Wednesday	Senior High Youth Ministry Winter
	Retreat (through
	December 31st)

Christmas Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24th

Sunday Mass: 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am, 12 pm No nursery Sunday morning Christmas Eve Masses: 4:30 pm (Church & gym), 6:30 pm & Midnight Mass Nursery at 4:30 pm Vigil Mass only Monday, December 25th

Christmas Day Masses: 9 am, 10:30 am & 12 pm (No 6pm Mass Christmas night)

Advent Confession Schedule

Saturday, December 23rd—3-4:30 pm (2 priests) Sunday, December 24th—7-7:30 am, 8:30-9 am, 10-10:30 am, 11:30-12 pm No Confessions before Christmas Masses

Church Office Hours for Christmas & New Year's Holidays

Friday, December 22	8 am—12 pm	
Saturday, December 23	9 am—6 pm	
Sunday, December 24	9 am—1 pm	
Monday, December 25-Friday, December 29—Closed		
Saturday, December 30	9 am—6 pm	
Sunday, December 31	9 am—1 pm	
Monday, January 1—Closed		

OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of December 17, 2017 Collection—\$40,519

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Banns of Marriage are announced for the third time for Maggie Pohlman and Colin Green.

Mass Intentions

- Sat 6:15 +Luke & +Mary Borger
 - 8:15 +Andrew Welsh
 - 4:30 +Tom Crenshaw & +Violet & +Secunda Mangialardi
- Sun 7:30 +Kathleen Bryant
 - 9:00 +Eugene Albonetti
 - 10:30 Parish
 - 12:00 John & Betty Meihofer
 - 4:30 Priest Intentions
- Mon Priest Intentions
- Tue6:15+Mary Jane Gentry
 - 8:15 +Margaret Roberson
 - 12:00 +Emmett O'Ryan
- Wed 6:15 +Special Intention for Don Nobert
 - 8:15 Special Intention for Mickey Metz & +Bernadette Pian
 - 12:00 +Ben Jennett & +Wendell Seelig
- Thur 6:15 +Margaret Roberson
 - 8:15 +Anna McArthur
 - 12:00 +Dr. Walter Rentrop
- Fri 6:15 Special Intention for Carl Powers & +Charles Powers
 - 8:15 +Violet Mangialardi
 - 12:00 +Perry Norman

Prayers are requested for the sick: Teasie Wunderlich+Luke Drewry+Debbie Orians+Mary Houston Lorino+Joy Wills+Don Crone+Dolores Migliara+Joachim Machado+Michael Gallagher

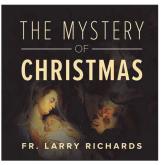
FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

The Mystery of Christmas By Fr. Larry Richards

Unwrap the Greatest Gift Ever Given with Fr. Larry Richards

With humor, compassion, and clarity, Fr. Larry illuminates the true joy of Christmas and inspires us to better recognize, receive and respond to God's immense love for us.

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Merry Christmas! Fr. Jolly Sebastian

Fr. Jolly Sebastian Fr. Bill Burke Fr. Ruben Rivera Fr. Michael Okata

GUIDE TO CHRISTMAS MASSES 2017

The 4th Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve and Christmas falls on a Monday. So, how do I fulfill my obligation to attend Mass?



GO TO MASS TWICE To fulfill both the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Mass obligations, you must go to two different Masses.



PICK ONE MASS FOR THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Attend Mass on Saturday evening or on Sunday at any time.

PICK ONE MASS FOR CHRISTMAS Attend Mass on Sunday evening or on Monday at any time.

CHRISTMAS SECOND COLLECTION

The Second Collection on Christmas is for Villa Vianney, the senior priests' residence. The funds we gather help to cover the costs of running Villa Vianney. Please give generously.

MARDI GRAS DINNER & PARADE

Saturday, February 3rd. Email Greg Crone for information at <u>croneg@bellsouth.net</u>.

"SCREENAGERS"

Tuesday, January 9th at 7 pm in the Clunan Center. RSVP 609-4262 (text or call). Limited Seating for Adults, Young Adults, Teenagers.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY

The Solemnity of Mary on **Monday, January 1st** is a not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. There will not be a Vigil Mass. Mass will be celebrated at 6:15 am, 8:15 am and 12 pm on **Monday, January 1st**.



CONGRATULATIONS FR. JOLLY

Fr. Jolly Sebastian is celebrating the Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on **Monday**, **January 1st**. A reception hosted by the Altar Guild will be held in

his honor on Monday, January 1st in the Clunan Center following 12 pm Mass.

TRAVELING CRUCIFIX PROGRAM FOR VOCATIONS AT ST. LOUIS PARISH

If you would like to pray for vocations in our parish and diocese, consider taking home the traveling crucifix for a week. If you have questions or would like to sign up, please contact Alex Gray at grayp1970@yahoo.com.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

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

TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS

According to IRS regulations, for the Church to post donations that qualify for your 2017 tax substantiation, your donation must be in the Church office or offertory basket by **Sunday**, **December 31, 2017**. Donations received after December 31st will be posted to 2018. Thank you.

ROOM IN THE INN

The next St. Louis Room in the Inn will be held on **Wednesday, January 3rd**. **Signup: tinyurl.com/ slcriti17-18new.** Contact Pam Scarbrough at 896-8278 or Ann Drennan at 674-2117.

Thank you to all who made donations for the beautiful flowers on the altars for Christmas Masses

Adrien & Rick Alsobrook Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Baltz, Jr. Ann Barnes Libba Byrd Phyllis Camacho Bobbie Jo Chamoun **Dorothy Craven** Pearson & Kelly Crutcher Kim & David Deneka Cindy & Tom Dorian Don Fenrick **Trish & Andrew Forsdick** Mr. & Mrs. Joshua Fox Thomas Gatti Dr. & Mrs. John Griffin Dale & Johnny Guererri Paul Hanson

Gifts

Mr. & Mrs. Earl Lake Kate & Jim Marconi **Jane McIntosh** Mr. & Mrs. Alejandro Natera Dr. & Mrs. Genaro Palmieri Mr. & Mrs. Steven Person Mr. & Mrs. Mark Pinkston **Betty Powell** Mary Jane & Jim Richens Mr. & Mrs. William Schadrack Debra & Michael Short Mr. & Mrs. Steven Slattery David & Susan Todd Ioan Webb Dr. Thomas Yohannan & Dr. Elizabeth John Kathleen Zalesak

Memorials

Lawrence H. Adams, Sr. requested by Lawrence H. Adams **Peggy Adams** requested by Lawrence H. Adams Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Albonetti requested by Louis Malvezzi Joan Albright requested by Mary C. Buckman Eugene Amagliani requested by Dorothy Amagliani Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Amagliani, Sr. requested by Dorothy Amagliani Reba Anderson requested by Gena & Ric Wolbrecht Horace Rhodes Ballard, Jr. requested by Heather & Brian Houston **Joyce A. Bardmess** requested by Philena & Mike Boyer Bauer Family requested by Mr. & Mrs. Forrest Jenkins **Jim Bedwell** requested by Kay Bedwell & Family John Belote requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Teddy Mario Bernardini requested by Judy Maranise William Boldini requested by Mr. & Mrs. Tony Maranise Alexandra Bonet requested by Alexandria Anderson Frank Bonet requested by Alexandria Anderson **Deceased Members of Borger Family** requested by Mary Ann & Tony Cremerius John Botto requested by Joseph Botto Marvin J. Boyer requested by Philena & Mike Boyer Kathleen Bryant requested by Jan & Brian O'Donnell R.G. & Margaret Buchignani requested by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Buchignani Bruce Buchman requested by Lawrence H. Adams **Bill Burke** requested by Mary Burke Patsy Burke requested by Mary Burke Jack Byrnes requested by Donna & Doug Byrnes Joseph Calabretta requested by Karen & Elizabeth Calabretta Wilburn Callaway requested by Julia Callaway Ruth & Charlie Cates requested by Kathy & Greg Cates James J. Cole requested by Mr. & Mrs. J. Eustis Corrigan, Jr. Angela & Tom Connelly requested by Mr. & Mrs. David Slatinsky Jimmy Cooper requested by Mary C. Buckman

Catherine G. Adams requested by Lawrence H. Adams

Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Cooper requested by Mary C. Buckman James Eustis Corrigan, Sr. requested by Mr. & Mrs. J. Eustis Corrigan. Ir. **Deceased Members of Cremerius Family** requested by Mary Ann & Tony Cremerius Ed Crenshaw requested by Mary Jean Crenshaw Tom Crenshaw Family requested by Mary Jean Crenshaw Joe Daniel requested by J. Richard Daniel Margaret Dietrich requested by Patty & Mark Dietrich **Janet Cole Dillard** requested by Mr. & Mrs. J. Eustis Corrigan, Jr. **Guy Erb** requested by Nancy Erb, Laine & Dudley Park Peter T. Fagan requested by Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Fagan Dick Fetters requested by Gary Fetters **Lorene Fetters** requested by Gary Fetters Jeannie Myers Fisher requested by Charlene & Carter Myers Mr. & Mrs. John A. Fisher, Jr. requested by Mr. & Mrs. William Fisher **Ted French** requested by Mr. & Mrs. William French Mary Gibson Gagliano requested by Angelo Gagliano **Theresa Lynn Gagliano** requested by Angelo Gagliano Jack & Jane Gilluly requested by Mr. & Mrs. Bill McSwain Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth S. Goode requested by Mr. & Mrs. Peter

Sciara John O. Greer requested by Lawrence H. Adams Forey Guerrieri requested by Phyllis & John Schwarzmann Virginia Ann & Jack Guinee requested by Jenny Lynn Ross Kathleen & Vallie Handwerker requested by Patricia H. Schoembs

Sam L. Handwerker requested by Patricia H. Schoembs Brad Hansom requested by Marie Hansom

Robert Hansom, Sr. requested by Marie Hansom **Mr. & Mrs. Harry Harder** requested by Mr. & Mrs. Gary Harder **Alton Beckwith Houston** requested by Heather & Brian Houston

Lousie Hughes requested by Mr. & Mrs. Rich Hughes Elizabeth & George Hunter requested by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Buchignani

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Jenkins Family requested by Mr. & Mrs. Forrest Jenkins Catherine Jennett requested by Don Nobert Shirley Lenti Johnson requested by Jeannie & John Presley Catherine B. Jones requested by Mary Ellen & Phillip McDow Joseph E. Jones requested by Mary Ellen & Phillip McDow Mary Jorgensen requested by Ronny Jorgensen Ernest & Peggy Kenny requested by Sara & Tom Wilkinson Lamar Kimzey requested by Bess Kimzey Mary Margaret Welsh Kirkland requested by Thomas Welsh, Jr.

Dr. Charles Larkin requested by Peggy Larkin Peter & Helen Lenti requested by Jeannie & John Presley Joseph & JoAnn Maccarini requested by JoAnn Scola Brian Thomas Mach requested by Mr. & Mrs. David Slatinsky Catherine & Stanley Mach requested by Mr. & Mrs. David Slatinsky

Jim Mahon requested by J. Richard Daniel **Rita Majon** requested by J. Richard Daniel Ellen Malvezzi requested by Louis Malvezzi **Jasmine Malvezzi** requested by Louis Malvezzi Mr. & Mrs. Mike Malvezzi requested by Louis Malvezzi Secunda Mangialardi requested by Ruth Ann Darby Violet Mangialardi requested by Ruth Ann Darby Albert J. Maranise requested by Mr. & Mrs. Tony Maranise Kevin Martini requested by Maureen Martini Mark Martini requested by Maureen Martini Marshall Family requested by Michael Marshall Carolyn R. McDonald requested by Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Fagan Mabel D. McDow requested by Mary Ellen & Phillip McDow Robert S. McDow requested by Mary Ellen & Phillip McDow Mac & Jane McSwain requested by Mr. & Mrs. Bill McSwain Dr. John & Beatrice Metz requested by Mickey & John Metz Alex J. Migliara requested by Dolores Migliara Dr. Fox Miller requested by Mr. & Mrs. J. Gerald Miller Mary Jane Miller requested by Mr. & Mrs. J. Gerald Miller Dan Mills requested by Roberta Mills Madeline & Louis Minopoli requested by Nancy Robinson Doris Mischly requested by Dorothy Amagliani Edna & Louis Montedonico requested by Bit & Peter Ritten **Chris Mosby** requested by Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Williams Dr. Roland Myers requested by Charlene & Carter Myers **Newton C. Myers** requested by Charlene & Carter Myers Margaret Zanone Nelson requested by Laura Nelson Edward James Nelson, Jr. requested by Laura Nelson Grace Nobert requested by Don Nobert Jean B. Nobert requested by Don Nobert Louis Nobert requested by Don Nobert Emmett Jude O'Ryan requested by Mary & Howard Davis Thomas Michael O'Ryan requested by Mary & Howard Davis Inez Parker requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Teddy Joe Parker requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Teddy Jean Peabody requested by Mickey & John Metz Mr. & Mrs. Vincent J. Pellegra requested by Sue & Terry Wynne Z. Thomas Perkins requested by Lawrence H. Adams John & Cecilia Presley requested by Jeannie & John Presley Brenda Priddy requested by Mr. & Mrs. Forrest Priddy

Cliff & Margaret Priddy requested by Mr. & Mrs. Forrest Priddy Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Quintero requested by Mr. & Mrs. Rich Hughes Pete Quintero requested by Mr. & Mrs. Rich Hughes Dr. James E. Ragsdale requested by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Gayden III John Ragsdale requested by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Gayden III Louella Everett Ray requested by Mr. & Mrs. J. Eustis Corrigan, Jr.

Clint Revett requested by Julia Callaway Earl J. Revett requested by Julia Callaway Louis & Rose Ricossa requested by Frances & Lou Ricossa Dr. & Mrs. William Ries requested by Mr. & Mrs. Gary Harder Helen & George Ritten requested by Bit &Peter Ritten Lyn Ross requested by Jenny Lynn Ross Martha & Sebe Robinson requested by Nancy Robinson Andrew Louise Sansone requested by Dolores Migliara

Bill Schadrack requested by Marianne Schadrack **Catherine Schaffler** requested by Patty & Mark Dietrich **Art Schoembs, Jr.** requested by Patricia H. Schoembs **Mr. & Mrs. Charles D. Sciara** requested by Mr. & Mrs. Peter Sciara

Lennie Greer Simmons requested by Lawrence H. Adams **Ernest & Jennie Slatinsky** requested by Mr. & Mrs. David Slatinsky

Patty Sloyan requested by Teresa Sloyan Mack Solomito requested by Donna & Doug Byrnes Mr. & Mrs. Harris M. Sorrelle requested by Mr. & Mrs. William Fisher Bill & Izzy Stemmler requested by Mr. & Mrs. William Stemmler **Mike Stovall** requested by Sue & Terry Wynne **Richard Tague** requested by Julia Callaway Mary Teddy requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Teddy Bill & Eva Thomason requested by Mr. & Mrs. Forrest Priddy **Bill & Betty Thron** requested by Charlene & Carter Myers Barbara Thurber requested by Jenny Lynn Ross Mr. & Mrs. Sisto Trevino requested by Mr. & Mrs. Rich Hughes John J. Trouy, Jr. requested by Lawrence H. Adams Eleanor Vaughan requested by Jenny Lynn Ross **Louis Vescovo** requested by Melanie & Jack Bell Louis Vescovo requested by Anna & Chris Vescovo Louis Vescovo requested by Susan & Steve Vescovo **Charles Vilven** requested by Roberta Mills Edward Vilven requested by Roberta Mills **Regina Vilven** requested by Roberta Mills Crystal L. Voorhees requested by Philena & Mike Boyer Maybell Warren requested by Carolyn Warren Elaine Mayor Welsh requested by Thomas Welsh, Jr. Mary McNaughton Welsh requested by Thomas Welsh, Ir. **Thomas Joseph Welsh, Sr.** requested by Thomas Welsh, Jr. Jake & Clara Wilmore requested by Lisa & Stephen Waggoner Bill Wolbrecht requested by Gena & Ric Wolbrecht Dr. Robert O. Wonderly requested by Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Gibson Evalyn E. Wonderly requested by Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Gibson Mr. & Mrs. Louis Wynne requested by Sue & Terry Wynne Mae Zanone requested by Lawrence H. Adams Katherine & Dave Zanone requested by Patricia H. Schoembs

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Honorariums

Basil Crone requested by Peggy Griggs

Eva Marie D'Addabbo requested by Sarah & Deacon Mike D'Addabbo

Michael Ronald D'Addabbo requested by Sarah & Deacon Mike D'Addabbo

Whitten Dominic D'Addabbo requested by Sarah & Deacon Mike D'Addabbo

Tom & Bert Depperschmidt requested by Susan & Steve Vescovo

Elizabeth Bashe Fagan requested by Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Fagan **Esther French** requested by Mr. & Mrs. William French

Kaylon, Will & Katherine French requested by Mr. & Mrs. William French

Harry & Sylvia Gayden requested by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Gayden III

Cooper Gossett requested by Mr. & Mrs. Pete Sampietro **Grace Gossett** requested by Mr. & Mrs. Pete Sampietro **Bob & Marge Mader** requested by Kathy & Greg Cates **Richard J. McDonald** requested by Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Fagan **Barbara & Bill Muir** requested by Mr. & Mrs. William French Priests of St. Louis Parish requested by Patricia Kissell Priests of St. Louis Parish requested by Marianne Schadrack Priests of St. Louis Parish requested by Dru & John Schifani Lois Ragsdale requested by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Gayden III Jim & Betty Saxon requested by Peggy Griggs Schifani Children, Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren requested by Dru & John Schifani Clara Vescovo requested by Anna & Chris Vescovo Clara Vescovo requested by Susan & Steve Vescovo

