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St. Louis Catholic Church



Sunday, January 7, 2018

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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7 Catholic New Year's Resolutions

January is here again, and it's time to make the annual New Year's Resolutions. Here are some ideas that would help you to be a better Catholic in 2018. Our vocation is to be a saint. Let's come up with a plan to live up to our high calling!

1. Attend One Mass other than Sunday

Once, St. Teresa was overwhelmed with God's Goodness and asked Our Lord "How can I thank you?" Our Lord replied, "ATTEND ONE MASS."

2. Spend one hour a week in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel

"The Eucharist is connected with the Passion. ...To make sure that we do not forget, Jesus gave us the Eucharist as a memorial of his love ... When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then, when you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta. "Could you not watch one hour with me" Mark 14:37

3. Go to Confession once a Month

Daughter, when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul and ennoble it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul.

When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I myself act in your soul. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity. The proud remain always in poverty and misery, because My grace turns away from them to humble souls. St. Faustina, Divine Mercy in My Soul

4. A Rosary a day. Are you in?

"If you say the Rosary faithfully until death, I do assure you that, in spite of the gravity of your sins you shall receive a never-fading crown of glory" - St. Louis De Montfort

5. Learn about the Divine Mercy and pray the Chaplet.

"Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy" (Diary of St. Faustina, 300). With the devotion of the divine mercy "You will prepare the world for My final coming" (Diary, 429).

6. Make generous stewardship a lifestyle

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10). It's not only just about money. We are the church. How can each member of the parish engage in one thing at this parish to make it better church? Please don't go to the church; rather be the church.

7. Find "Formed" Catholic smartphone app and use it.

Parish & School Staff

Rev. Jolly Sebastian, M.C.B.S., Pastor
Rev. William F. Burke, Associate Pastor
Rev. Ruben Rivera, Associate Pastor
Rev. Michael Okata, Associate Pastor
Deacon Jeff Drzycimski
Deacon Mike D'Addabbo

Deacon Ralph W. Donati, Deacon Emeritus
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Anna Shelton, Accounts Receivable & Tuition Administrator
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Ray Mullins, Choir Director
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Hannah Hill, Associate Director of Youth Ministry
Pat Ellis, Receptionist
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Jim Clark, Evening Receptionist
Teddi L. Niedzwiedz, School Principal
Vickie Shaw, School Assistant Principal
Kim Pesce, School Director of Admissions
Michael W. Bennett, Athletic Director

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 School Coffee & Donuts in Clunan Center Hall following morning Masses Knitting Ministry from 1-3 pm in Meeting Room Junior High Youth Group Meeting at 4:30 pm in JPII Senior High Youth Group Meeting in JPII following 6 pm Mass Scout Leader Committee Meeting at 7 pm in Clunan Center Charismatic Group in Meeting Room at 7:30 pm
Monday	First Communion Parents Meeting at 7 pm in Clunan Center
Tuesday	WOW--Women of the Word in Meeting Room St. Leo's Lunch at 11:30 in Clunan Center Scouts in Scout Room at 6 pm Baptism Class in Meeting Room at 6:30 pm RCIA in Clunan Center at 7 pm Screenagers in Clunan Center at 7 pm
Wednesday	American Heritage Girls Meeting at 3 pm in JPII First Communion Parents Meeting at 7 pm in Clunan Center Choir Rehearsal at 7 pm in Choir Room
Thursday	Fishers of Men in Clunan Center following 6:15 am Mass
Saturday	St. Angela Ministry 2:30-4:30 pm in the gym Room in the Inn Clothing Collection in Narthex Blood Pressure Screenings in Parish Social Ministry Office following 4:30 pm Mass

Mass Intentions

Sat	6:15	Miracle for Clare Marie Wilson & +Luke & +Mary Borger
	8:15	+Guy & +Monte Read
	4:30	+Ed Crenshaw & +Rev. Joseph Umphries
Sun	7:30	+Lou Ann Bosi
	9:00	+Pete Sciara
	10:30	+Teeny Podesta
	12:00	+Hank Cowles & +Rev. Edward Kelly
	6:00	Parish
Mon	6:15	+Gerald Gaia
	8:15	+June Rodgers
	12:00	+Sid Kraker
Tue	6:15	Special Intention for Hacks Mamie Nelson
	8:15	+Margaret Roberson
	12:00	Healing for Donald Crone
Wed	6:15	+Mary Cabrini
	8:15	+Juanita Lynch & Special Intention for Wilson and Winnie Nelson
	12:00	+Molly Goltman-Sashkin
Thur	6:15	Special Intention for Patricia Gorman
	8:15	+Charles Ford
	12:00	+Ella Perkins Dudley
Fri	6:15	Special Intention for Poppy Reese
	8:15	+Ann Gatti
	12:00	Special Intention for Jeannie Presley & +Pete Sciara

Prayers are requested for the sick: Teasie Wunderlich+Mary Houston Lorino+Don Crone+Dolores Migliara+Joachim Machado+Michael Gallagher

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Nicholas J. Campbell

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Reborn

Is Baptism anything more than a rite of passage?

Discover the deeply personal and sacred relevance of Baptism in *Reborn*. With a step-by-step explanation of the rite itself, including its profound place in Scripture and Tradition, *Reborn* shows how Baptism reveals the heart of God's love for His children.



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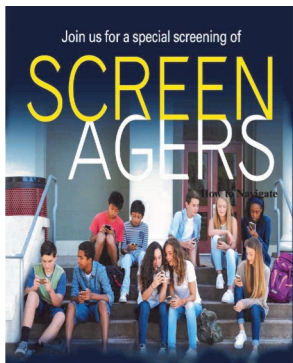
TRAVELING CRUCIFIX PROGRAM FOR VOCATIONS AT ST. LOUIS PARISH

If you would like to pray for vocations in our parish and diocese, consider taking home the traveling crucifix for a week. We are asking for an increase in those who are called, for those discerning, for those who have accepted the call, and for strengthening for those who have already entered priestly or religious life. If you have questions or would like to sign up, please contact Alex Gray at grayp1970@yahoo.com.



CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF MEMPHIS PRESENTS: "SCREENAGERS"

A Video Presentation & Discussion



How do boys and girls differ in their application uses?

- Are violent video games desensitizing?
- How does time on cell phones affect social development?
- What about brain research findings?
- What device guidelines

should schools consider?

- What device guidelines should you consider at home?

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



LEBONHEUR MINISTRY

Our first meal for LeBonheur Ministry in 2018 will be **Saturday, January 13th**. We plan to warm up body and soul with home cooked chili. If you can help, visit tinyurl.com/stlouissignup. We also collect non-perishable food items for the pantry on the 5th floor—single serve pasta or rice mixes, boxes of peanut butter crackers or oatmeal mixes, etc. The families are so very appreciative, so happy to see us when we arrive with carts of wonderful aromas! Contact Cathy Freres at 685-1934.

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 3-4 pm** and **Saturday 3-4 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.

TRIVIA NIGHT



Parish Social Ministry is sponsoring a Trivia Game again this year to help with funding our annual "Feed My Flock"

event. So, mark your calendars for **Saturday, February 24th**! Registration forms are available in the church office. Tables of 8 for \$120.00. We hope to have lots of prizes, so if you can help by donating an item or making some calls and store visits, please contact Cathy Freres at 685-1934 or Sonya Fleck at 833-1248. The more the merrier for prizes and players!

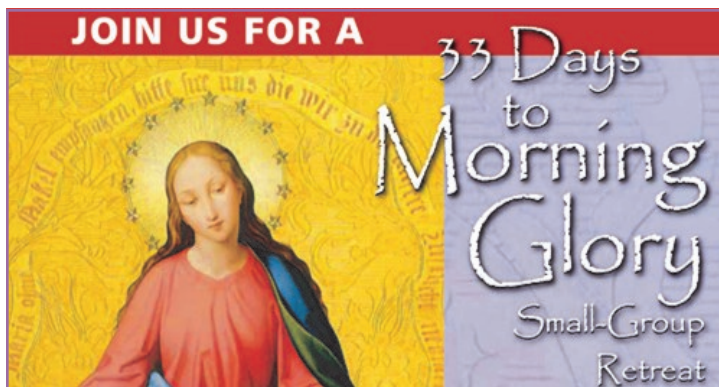
FLEUR DE LIS

Happy New Year everyone! Just like last year, our January meeting will be at lunch time. We are set for **Thursday, January 25th** at 12 pm in the Clunan Center. Please call Cathy or Fred at 685-1934 to make your reservation! We will enjoy lunch and Bingo. Sure hope the weather cooperates, that is, warms up just a little and doesn't precipitate.



ITALIAN WINTERFEST

The 8th Annual Italian Winterfest benefitting the Catholic Education Scholarship Fund and Ave Maria Home will be held on Sunday, **January 14th** from 5 -9 pm at The Racquet Club. The 2018 Honored Guest of Winterfest Award will be presented to Dr. James R. Downing, president and CEO of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, and the Outstanding Service Award will be given to local philanthropists and St. Louis Parishioners James and Linda Gattas. Advance tickets are \$50 per person or \$500 per table of ten. Tickets at the door will be \$60 per person. Tickets are available at avemariahome.org or by calling Lisa Bell at 405-3791.



CONSECRATION TO MARY

Have you ever wondered how to become a saint? Many believe the quickest and easiest way to sainthood is by Consecration to Jesus by Mary, better known as Consecration to Mary. Please join us for a six week study of Fr. Michael Gaitley's book *Thirty Three Days to Morning Glory*. Each weekly session will be held on **Wednesdays, April 25th to May 30th**. You may enroll in either the morning or evening session which will be held at 10 am and 7 pm. The culmination of the study will result in your own personal Consecration to Mary as well as the Consecration of the parish and school to Mary. To enroll or ask questions, contact Joan Thomas at thomas.joan6@gmail.com or 481-1274. Fr. Jolly will be our Spiritual Director for this journey.

MARDI GRAS DINNER & PARADE

The St. Louis Men's Club will sponsor the annual Mardi Gras Dinner and Parade on **Saturday, February 3rd**. It is now so easy to Ride in the 11th Annual St. Louis Mardi Gras Parade! We will have several ready-made trailer floats outfitted with railings for safety for your riders. All you have to do is decorate. And remember--the Men's Club supplies all the beads and throws! Please let me know if you are interested—Greg Crone at 359-2893 or croneg@bellsouth.net.

NEW SEATING ARRANGEMENT

After careful study and evaluation with our Hospitality Ministers and to help with seating, we are implementing a new seating arrangement in the Church for all Masses except for 7:30 am.

- Hospitality Ministers will rope off pews in the back on the Mary side.
- These pews will be opened for seating when the Penitential Rite begins.
- The last pew on the Mary side will be reserved for parents with babies.

We realize this may be challenging and uncomfortable for some, but we ask that you keep an open mind as we try to improve participation in the Mass for all who are attending. It is disruptive for all when people are seated at the front of the church after Mass begins.

MASS & EUCHARIST CLASS

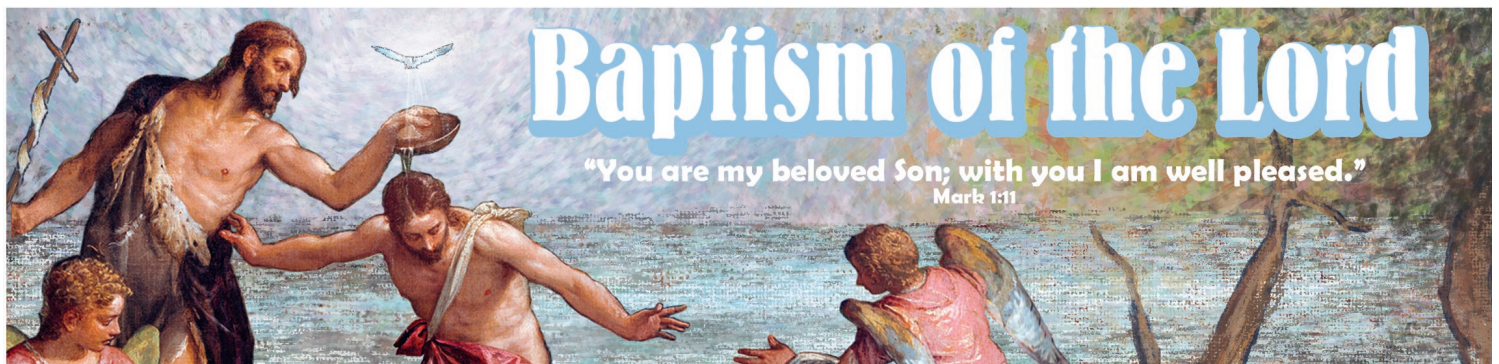


A video class on the Mass and the Eucharist will be offered in the Clunan Center beginning on **Wednesday, January 24th** at 6 pm. \$5 dinner will be served. Visit tinyurl.com/SLCWedClass to make a

reservation for dinner by 3 pm on **Tuesday, January 23rd**. Fr. Jolly will be our facilitator for this class.

RESPECT LIFE BREAKFAST

The 16th Annual Respect Life Breakfast will be held on **Saturday, January 13th** at 9 am (immediately following 8:15 am Mass) at Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Guest Speaker: Rev. Stephen Imbarrato, Priest Associate, Priests for Life, co-host of EWTN's "Defending Life." Contact 490-6435 or email jcourtney777@gmail.com.



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY LAST CHANCE!!!!

We will soon begin printing our Parish Pictorial Directory, but Fr. Jolly wants to give each family one last chance to have your picture included in the directory. You may submit a jpeg format picture to slccpictorial@gmail.com by **Friday, January 19th**. We will have volunteer photographers in the Clunan Center to take a picture of your family following 4:30 pm Mass on **Saturday, January 13th** and all Masses on **Sunday, January 14th**. The cost is \$10 which includes a copy of the directory for your family for the next 5 years.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Training for existing and new Eucharistic Ministers will be offered by Fr. Jolly in the Clunan Center. Hospitality Minister Training will be held on **Wednesday, January 17th** at 7 pm in the Clunan Center. Those who are 16 and older and confirmed are eligible to participate in these important ministries. ***This is a mandatory class for all who have not attended a refresher class since Fr. Jolly became our pastor.***



What is a prayer chain?

God hears and answers all prayers. A parish prayer chain is a group of parishioners who, on request, will pray for any of our brothers or sisters who are in need. The need could be illness, grieving due to the loss of loved ones, unemployment, addiction, etc.

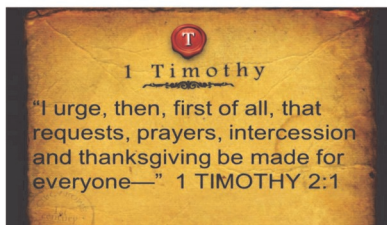
What is requested of prayer chain volunteers? To pray for the requests of St. Louis Church parishioners. Volunteers need to regularly monitor their personal email accounts for timely prayer requests. This information passed along must be kept private and absolutely confidential. Requests will be sent once a week in a group email unless the prayer request is for a timely or urgent matter.

How will prayer requests be submitted? Through the church website or church office.

What is the time commitment? Prayer chain members should be able to set aside time to pray daily for the prayer chain requests. Members pray individually for each prayer request. Other than the informational kickoff breakfast, there are no meetings to attend, which makes this a wonderful opportunity for those who otherwise would be unable to participate in a ministry.

How do I volunteer to be a part of this prayer team? Simply email prayerchain@stlouismemphis.org and provide your name and email address. You will then be contacted as to the date of the brief kick-off breakfast meeting in January.

It is a great blessing for those praying to have a daily time of communion with God. There is a transformative power for those who pray and for the people for whom we pray. It means so much to so many. Please consider joining this powerful ministry.



MEN'S CLUB RETREAT

The Men's Club Retreat will be held on **February 16th-18th** at St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman, AL. Retreat Leader will be Most Rev. Terry L. Steib, D.D. The retreat begins at 5:30 pm on Friday with Vespers in the Abbey Church and ends with the closing prayer Sunday morning at 9:30 am. Single room cost is \$150; Double room cost is \$125. Checks payable to St. Louis Men's Club—please drop off in church office Attn: Dan Wilson by Tuesday, February 13th. Payments made later will increase by \$25 for each room type. Contact Dan Wilson at dan.wilson@mainline.com.



ROOM IN THE INN

The next St. Louis Room in the Inn will be held on **Wednesday, January 17th**.

Room In the Inn will be collecting warm coats, t-shirts, socks and underwear for the homeless the weekend of **Saturday, January 13th** and **Sunday, January 14th**. A box will be set up in the Narthex for donations.

Signup: tinyurl.com/slcriti17-18new

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

LIVING YOUR LIFE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Empowering, inspirational talks on getting to know the Person of the Holy Spirit, who fills our minds with truth, makes us holy, and equips us to build up the church. Learn how to renew your life in the Holy Spirit, understand, and receive spiritual gifts, and grow in peace, love, and joy.

Sponsored by Holy Spirit Charismatic Prayer Group at OLPH on **Saturday, January 20th** from 8 am to 5 pm in Fr. Gresham Hall on OLPH Church Campus. **FREE WILL OFFERING**. To register or for more information contact Bill Kilgore at wkilgore35@att.net or Suzanne Johnson at marysuzanne@att.net

Youth Ministry Winter Retreat

St. Louis Senior High Youth Group traveled to North Carolina for their annual Winter Retreat over the Christmas break. Fr. Ruben Villalon-Rivera served as their Spiritual Advisor.

