



St. Louis Catholic Church

The First Disciples

"The next day John was there again with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." John 1:35-36

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Sunday, January 14, 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

Welcome Fr. Michael Okata



St. Louis Parish welcomes **Fr. Michael Okata** as our newest Associate Pastor. Fr. Michael was born on January 13, 1972 at Edupfuinyinia Ishieke Ebonyi. He is one of eleven children with five brothers and five

sisters. His parents are deceased.

Fr. Michael was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Enugu on July 7, 2007. Fr. Michael loves reading, listening to music and playing badminton.

Fr. Michael comes to us from the Catholic

Diocese of Enugu which is located in the city of Enugu in the Ecclesiastical province of Onitsha in Nigeria. The Diocese of Enugu was founded on November 12, 1962. The Cathedral is Holy Ghost Cathedral.

Fr. Michael is from Nduegu Ishieke, Ebonyi, the local government area of Ebonyi State in Nigeria. Ebonyi is primarily an agricultural region and it is a leading producer of rice, yams, potatoes, maize, and beans in Nigeria. Ebonyi has several solid mineral resources, including lead, crude oil, and natural gas. Ebonyi is called "the salt of the nation" for its huge salt deposit at the Okposi and Uburu Salt Lakes.

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 Sr. Ancilia Indrati, C.B., Director of Religious Education Ronald Pierotti, Business Manager Jan O'Donnell, Administrative Assistant to Fr. Jolly Sebastian Anna Shelton, Accounts Receivable & Tuition Administrator Albert A. Burk, Jr., Choir Director Ray Mullins, Choir Director Libba Nance, Wedding Coordinator Jana Soefker, Nursery Director Paul Walker, Director of Youth Ministry Hannah Hill, Associate Director of Youth Ministry Pat Ellis, Receptionist Andrew Clark, Receptionist 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
	Blood Pressure Screenings in Parish Social Ministry Office from 8:30 am-12:00 pm
	Knitting Ministry from 1-3 pm in Meeting Room
	Charismatic Group in Meeting Room at 7:30 pm
Monday	St. Louis Catholic School holiday
	Church Office closed
Tuesday	WOWWomen of the Word in Meeting Room
	St. Leo's Lunch at 11:30 in Clunan Center
	Scouts in Scout Room at 6 pm
	Confirmation Parents Meeting in Clunan Center at 7 pm
	RCIA in Clunan Center at 7 pm
Wednesday	Eucharistic Minister Training at 7 pm in Clunan Center
	Choir Rehearsal at 7 pm in Choir Room
	Room in the Inn
Thursday	Fishers of Men in Clunan Center following 6:15 am Mass
	Wisdom—God's Vision for Life Bible Study from 9:30-11:30 am in Meeting Room
	Confirmation Parents Meeting in Clunan Center at 7 pm

OFFERTORY REPORT

December 24th Offertory—\$80,394 Villa Vianney—\$10,452 December 31st Offertory—\$159,277 January 7th Offertory—\$35,267

Mass Intentions

Sat	6:15	Special Intention for Little Reet
	8:15	+Pete Sciara, Jr.
	4:30	Special Intention for Ginger & Grady
		Hurley
Sun	7:30	+Pete Sciara, Jr.
	9:00	+Samuel Pante
	10:30	Parish
	12:00	+June Green & +John & +Winnie Mack
	6:00	+Shea Buchignani
Mon	6:15	Special Intention for Rita Linder
	8:15	+Sarah Harris & +George Pratt
	12:00	+Margaret Roberson & +Joy Werner
Tue	6:15	Special Intention for Archie Stewart
	8:15	+James Henry Rooney
	12:00	Special Intention for Dr Vincent Smith
Wed	6:15	Special Intention for Finnley Reese
	8:15	Special Intention for Wilson & Winnie
		Ann Nelson
	12:00	+Mary Lou Walpole & Cindy Linehan
Thur	6:15	Special Intention for Poor Souls in
		Honor of St Anthony
	8:15	+Thomas Michael O'Ryan
	12:00	Healing for Mike O'Neil
Fri	6:15	+Marty Coleman
	8:15	Special Intention for Carmelita Ortiz
	12:00	Special Intention for Arsenio Rivera, Jr.

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

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of George Pratt

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

40 The Most Important Human Rights Issue of Our Time

With compassion, love, and hope, 40 explores inspiring stories and deeply personal interviews some of the most prominent figures in the pro-life

movement including Abby Johnson, Lila Rose, and Fr. Frank Pavone. Their stories will change hearts and make the pro-life movement more determined in the fight to end abortion.



ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Apply for enrollment by calling the school office at 255-1900 or online at stlouismemphis.org. Because of limited space in our Preschool, it is imperative that parents apply for admission 18 months prior to their child's start. We offer priority enrollment to siblings of current students and to contributing members of our parish. Our website has a detailed explanation. Those interested in K-8th grade for the 2018-19 school year should call or apply online asap. Enrollment will take place soon. Tours and shadow days can be scheduled with our Admissions Director, Kim Pesce.

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.

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!



Dominic Baltz, Future Priest in Training, pictured with Fr. Jolly and Deacon Mike

FLEUR DE LIS

Our January meeting will be at lunch time. Lunch is being catered by "More Occasions by Marcie". We'll have Grilled Chicken, Wild Rice, Green Beans with Almonds, Corn Casserole, Normandy Mix of



Vegetables with Cheese Sauce, Rolls, Green Salad, Ambrosia Fruit Salad, various cakes and Banana Pudding. Cost is \$10 per person. 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.

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. Tickets at the door will be \$60 per person.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

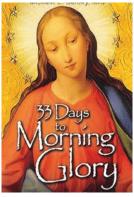
If you or a loved one is hospitalized or homebound and would like a visit from a priest or Minister of the Sick, contact the church office at 255-1950. Lay ministers are available to visit and bring Communion and prayer to individual homes, hospitals or nursing home facilities.



OPIOID EPIDEMIC PRESENTATION

A presentation the Opioid Epidemic, the warning signs and the consequences will be held in the Clunan Center on **Wednesday, February 7th at 7 pm**. The presentation is open to any parishioner 13 and older (ages 13 through 16 must be accompanied by their parent). The presentation will be led by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) assisted by representatives from the Shelby County District Attorney's office, the Multi-Agency Task Force, Shelby County Sheriff's Office and the Memphis Police Department. They will answer any questions that you have and they encourage questions. A box will be available for questions.

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.

MARTIN LUTHER KING MASS

A Celebration in Memory of Dr. Martin Luther King" will be held on Monday, January 15th at 11 am at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Most Rev. Bishop Martin D. Holley Bishop will be the celebrant. Reception will follow.

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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study led by Kathy Hackett will begin on **Thursday, January 18th** at 9:30am in the Clunan Center. Our study is entitled "Wisdom—God's Vision for Life". Bible Study materials are available for pick up in the church office.

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.

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.

EUCHARISTIC 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.*

CBHS 17th ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT EVENT

Please join CBHS and Br. Ignatius Brown, **Saturday, February 3rd** at 6 pm, for an evening of fun, laughter, and mental challenge! Proceeds benefit the tuition assistance program. Download the registration form at <u>www.cbhs.org</u> under the "SUPPORTCBHS" tab. You'll find all the details on the registration form.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK TRAINING

The Diocese of Memphis will offer Ministry to the Sick Training on **Saturday, January 27th** from 8:30 am-1 pm at The Catholic Center. Please prayerfully give this ministry your consideration as we reach out to all parishioners'—homebound or in the hospital—to bring them the body of Christ during the times they are sick and unable to come to Mass. Registration forms are available online at cdom.org. For more information, email Deacon Mike at mike.daddabbo@stlouis.cdom.org.

LISA LASS 5K

Saturday, January 27th-9 am St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School Register online at racesonline.com

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.



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

American Heritage Girls Snowflake Ball















