

Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church

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MASS & SACRAMENTS

Sunday Masses: 8:00 & 10:30 am

Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday: 8:00 am

Tuesday Evening Mass: 6:30 pm

Saturday Masses 8:00 am and 4:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday, 7:30-7:50 am Sundays, 10-10:20 am

Tuesdays, 6-6:20 pm OR by appointment

Baptisms: Meeting first Thursday of the month. Preregistration required.

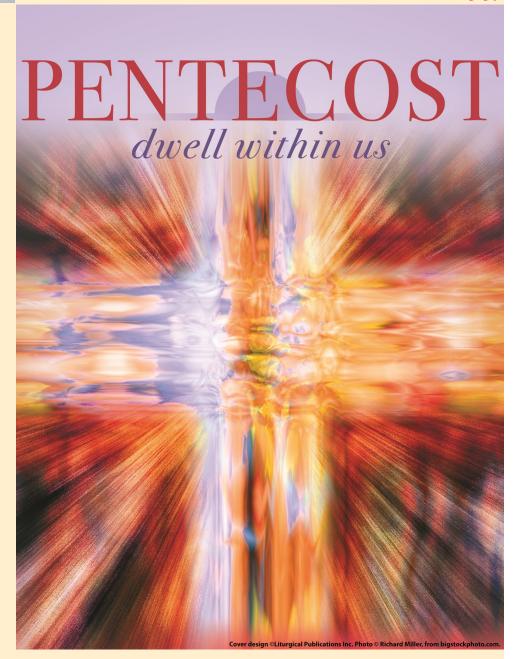
Marriages: Contact the priest at least 9 months prior to the wedding date.

Funerals: To be arranged by contacting

the Parish Office.

Change of Address or Telephone Number: Please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: 4:00 pm Monday.



Pentecost Sunday
June 9, 2019

Phone: 314-781-1199 www.epiphanystl.org

LIVING OUR FAITH

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL

Thank you to our volunteers who set up coffee hour in the courtyard each week after the 10:30 Mass. If you haven't stopped by yet, it's a great way to meet new people and have a delicious (FREE) cup of coffee.

Do you need tuition assistance for Catholic school 2019-2020? Epiphany offers tuition assistance for all our families. If you've filled out a form requesting assistance in previous years, you don't need to do it again, just email me and let me know you would like to make use of the tuition fund again this coming school year. If you've never applied before, forms are in the back of Church and you can return it to me whenever you'd like. We are happy to assist our families as much as we can, and priority goes to the families who are active in the parish and regularly attend Mass here.

Mass time vote! There has been some question about when to have Mass times on the following days: 4th of July, Memorial Day, Thanksgiving, Labor Day, New Year's Day

Do you attend any of these Masses? If so, let me know what time you think is best for the parish to have them (8am or 9am). When voting, please take into account the time you think works best for the parish and not only your personal preferences. Which is the best Mass time for all of us? I will leave the sheet to vote on the blue table in the back of Church for a few weeks.

Gloria In Excelsis chant camp and VBS registration are open until June 15. If you haven't registered yet, don't forget!

No Daily Mass or Confessions - Please note that I will be gone and there will be no daily Masses or confessions the week of June 24-29. I'll be back for the 4 pm Mass on Saturday, June 29.

We will be adding a regular Sunday Mass - Beginning July 21, we will begin offering a regular Sunday Mass at 6:30 pm in addition to our 8 am and 10:30 am Masses. More details to follow but I wanted to start getting the word out.

Mass Explanations - Celebrating Pentecost

Today is Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. At the first Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples like a flame and they began to preach the Gospel in many different languages. The hat that a bishop wears, called a Miter, is actually meant to represent the flame of the Holy Spirit. Today is a good day to celebrate. Because the Holy Spirit brings spiritual "fruits," such as Love, Joy, Peace, and Patience, today is a good day to make a fruit salad. It's also a good day to eat a birthday cake, light the candles as a sign of the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Michael

Stewardship "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (John 14:26)

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions.

cancercompanions begin a new eight month bringing hope

Cancer Companions Support Group will

program in June; "Bigger than Cancer: A Cancer Companions Bible Study." This support group will

meet the 3rd Saturday of each month from 9am to 1030am beginning June 15th. This group is open to anyone in need of support: those in cancer treatment or post treatment, caregivers, and loved ones. Meetings will be held in the St Gabriel the Archangel Rectory. Please call or email to register. Judy Hunter 353-6303 hunterj@stgabrielstl.org

Annual LOVE & LIFE Mass and

Celebrating God's Loving Design for Marriage, Families and Life. Join us for an evening of faith, fellowship and fun on Saturday, July 13, 2019 in celebration of the 51st anniversary of the release of *Humanae Vitae*. Connect with friends from around the St. Louis area for this anticipated annual event sponsored by the Office of Natural Family Planning. Mass will be celebrated at 5 pm at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis by Most Reverend Mark S. Rivituso, followed by a dinner catered by Pasta House and children's entertainment in Boland Hall. Adult: \$12 • Children (Ages 3-11): \$6 {or a maximum of \$60 per household}. Purchase tickets: bit.ly/HVDinner2019 by July 7. For Info: 314.997.7576 or stlnfp@archstl.org

Congratulations to the following Parishioners/Bishop DuBourg students who were recently named to the second semester Honor Roll at Bishop DuBourg High School.

First Honors: 3.5+ GPA Harrison, Michael 12

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LIVING OUR FAITH

Life Issues Forum: Loving Parents After Miscarriage

By Mary McClusky

A friend who recently lost a child through miscarriage called to express disappointment that she didn't know where to turn for the resources and support she and her husband so desperately needed. This heartbreaking conversation reminded me of another friend who miscarried a child at six months of pregnancy, but who masked her pain with a smile instead of reaching out for comfort. Though each experienced the deep pain of losing a child, neither received the loving support she deserved.

Sadly, their experiences are common. Though most miscarriages occur very early in pregnancy, often before the woman knows she is pregnant, as many as 15% of known pregnancies end in miscarriage. Our culture and even some church communities don't always recognize this loss, leaving women or couples to deal with their pain alone.

Our witness to life must address the pain and grieving experienced by those who have lost a child. Just as we recognize the humanity of the unborn child lost to abortion, we must acknowledge equally the unborn child lost to miscarriage. "I see clearly that the thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity," Pope Francis said recently. As Catholics and people of life, we are called to draw close to these parents and provide care and comfort to their aching hearts.

So what can we do to help parents grieve their loss and witness to the gift of their child's life? We can acknowledge their loss, support them as they grieve, and direct them to helpful resources. How do we do this?

First, don't dismiss their loss with comments like "You're young; you'll conceive again soon," or "You still have your other children." Instead, make time to listen as they share their pain. Affirm their right to grieve. Offer your condolences and prayers, and ask if there is anything they need. Direct the parents to their parish priest, who can help them organize a memorial service, funeral or burial. The Order of Christian Funerals has prayers for a stillborn child, and the Book of Blessings includes a blessing for parents that can be administered by a priest or deacon after a miscarriage. Some blessings can even be adapted for use by a layperson.

Keep in mind that the father and mother may have different emotional needs. She might feel the loss more directly, or wonder if somehow she caused the miscarriage. She might prefer to talk things out with a friend. The father may need space to eventually feel comfortable sharing how the loss affects him, and may even need time to take his mind off things. He might need guidance on how to support the mother. Losing a child can drive parents apart, so the couple might need the reassuring love of a faithful community to keep close and stay together. Child loss or bereavement support groups at their parish or local hospital can provide support, as well as spiritual advice or counseling.

As members of the body of Christ, the Church, we are called to bear witness to the loss of every life, no matter how brief or small. Let us pray that our growing sensitivity to the loss of a child through miscarriage will better assist grieving parents and help them to entrust their child to God's unfailing care and mercy. For resources on miscarriage, visit www.foryourmarriage.org.

Mary McClusky is Assistant Director for Education & Outreach at the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. To learn more about the bishops' pro-life activities, go to www.usccb.org/prolife.

Attention: Separated, Divorced, Widowed Or Remarried of All Ages

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at the meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., at the Saint Catherine Laboure parish cafeteria (next to the playground) 9740 Sappington Road, Sunset Hills, Missouri. SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social

SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social activities and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your personal story with caring people. Lamar Pilsing will play music and sing to entertain us at this get together and then we will have refreshments and a short meeting afterward.

For more information please call Michelle Wack at (314) 540-7400 or Bill DeCoursey at

Employment Opportunity The Sisters of the Most Precious Blood in O'Fallon, MO, have two new job openings. They are seeking a self-directed and organized person with and three to five years' experience as an IT manager / Office Manager and a RN or an LPN to assist the Community's Health and Wellness Coordinator. More info can be found at: www.cpps-ofallon.org.

Life Teen Attention All 8th Graders and Highschoolers! Please join us this Wednesday, June 12th from 7-9 pm at Bishop DuBourg High School (please use Clifton Ave. entrance) for our "What I Wish I Knew" summer series. Please see saintlousilifeteen.org for more information!

Our Offering For the Week Of June 1-2

| General Fund Loose\$4,377.00 General Fund Loose\$473.00 General Fund Online\$473.00 | |
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| Total \$4,957.66 Ascension \$35.00 Catholic Relief Services \$17.00 Cardinal Glennon \$564.00 Central & Eastern Europe \$7.00 Easter Flower \$10.00 Father's Day \$42.00 Maintenance & Repair \$357.00 M&R Online \$30.00 Missionary (Pews) \$700.00 Peter's Pence \$27.00 Retire Priest \$20.00 SVDP \$165.00 | |
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LITURGIES & SCHEDULES

Mass Intentions For The Week

Pentecost Sunday, June 9

8:00 am **Parishioners**

Sr. Loretta Keller (*Good Intentions*) 10:30 am

Monday, June 10 8:00 am De

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Tuesday, June 11

8:00 am Paul Gera

6:30 pm Kathleen Kennebeck

Wednesday, June 12

Arnold Feingold 8:00 am

Thursday, June 13

8:00 am Georgana Linneman

Friday, June 14

8:00 am Thelma Boggiano

Saturday, June 15 8:00 am Dec

Deceased Members of the Thein Family

4:00 pm Ron Oldani

Sunday, June 16

The Most Holy Trinity 8:00 am Parishioners

10:30 am **Kay Peters**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND & SICK OF OUR PARISH

Toni Berberich Sheryl McPherson Tracy Limpert Jack McPherson Dorothy Kaup Nannette McPherson Maryann Morrow Karen Glanz Joan Huelsmann Ethan Sonderman Daniel Barr Yvonne Lopez Jim Boyer Ellie Wisniewski Pam Devine Jimmy "Nips" Dorothy

Boyer Ackermann

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 9

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35 Sunday:

27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39. Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Gen 3:9-15 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 Monday:

and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, Tuesday:

5-6 [cf. 2b]/Mt 5:13-16

2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/ Mt 5:17-19 Wednesday:

Saturday:

2 Cor 3:15--4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, Thursday: 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 Friday:

[17a]/Mt 5:27-32

2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

[8a]/Mt 5:33-37 Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/

Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday - Saturday June 10-15

7:30 am - Rosary, Church

Sunday, June 9

- Immediately following all Masses, Blest Art Display at Main entrance of church
- Suspended until further notice Bible Study, CMR
- 10:30 am Liturgy with Children, RBB

Monday, June 10

- 7:30 am 3:30 pm GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 5-9 pm EFF T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Upper Hall

Tuesday, June 11

- 7:30 am 3:30 pm GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 5-9 pm EFF T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:15 pm Womens' Bible Study, CMR
- 9 am 7 pm Flea Market Drop Off, Gym

Wednesday, June 12

- 7:30 am 3:30 pm GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 5-9 pm EFF T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 9 am 7 pm Flea Market Drop Off, Gym

Thursday, June 13

- 7:30 am 3:30 pm GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 5-9 pm EFF T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:15 pm Womens' Bible Study, CMR
- 9 am 7 pm Flea Market Drop Off, Gym

Friday, June 14

- 7:30 am 3:30 pm GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 9 am 7 pm Flea Market Drop Off, Gym
- 3:30-6:30 pm Dance, UH

Saturday, June 15

9 am - 12 noon - Flea Market Drop Off, Gym

Sunday, June 16 Happy Father's Day

- Suspended until further notice Bible Study, CMR
- 10:30 am Liturgy with Children, RBB

Catholic Communication Campaign Today, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, in the United States and around the world, through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the St. Louis Archdiocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

Parish Community News, Notes & Events



Lunch & Learn: Sharing Your Life Story



"To be a person is to have a story to tell." – Isak Dinesen

Experience the power of reviewing and reflecting on your life story. Receive ideas and inspiration for sharing your story with others. Take advantage of a special opportunity to do just this at our June Lunch & Learn. Hosted by Lindenwood Area Senior Ministry. Our guest presenter will be writer and teacher, Julia Chappelle-Thomas. Join us on Thursday, June 20th at 11:30 am in Memorial Hall of Southwest Baptist Church (6401 Scanlan). No fee to attend. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to the LASM office at 647-4591.

Raising Funds with Raising Cane's

Dine out for a cause on Thursday, June 20th! Our church's senior ministry, Lindenwood Area Senior Ministry will be the recipient of 15% of all sales at Raising Cane's at 4320 Hampton between the hours of 4 and 11pm. Simply mention the fundraiser at the register for your meal to count. Hope to see you there!

Dance Dance Dance Begins June 7th-Classes held in Epiphany Upper Gym on Fridays 5 pm to 6 pm. Offering: Tap, Ballet, Jazz, Pom, Musical Theater, & Hip Hop to ages 3 through 14. Dance Director Tina Stemmler is Dance Master Certified with a BA in Dance from Webster University. Six week tuition cost is \$60. Please Contact Ms Tina for more Information at (314) 680-2613.



BISHOP DUBOURG CAVALIERS





Join us June 24-28 for drawing, painting, pastels, origami and tie-dye. Channel your inner Van Gogh and come create with Ms. Barger! Sessions for grades 1-4 and 5-8. Register now! www.campcavalier.org

Out of the Mouths of Babes...

Three boys are in the schoolyard bragging about their fathers. The first boy says, "My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a poem, they give him \$50." The second boy says, "That's nothing. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a song, they give him \$100." The third boy says, "I got you both beat. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a sermon, and it takes eight people to collect all the money!"

Flea Market

Our Annual Flea Market will be held on Saturday, June 22nd from 9 am until 3 pm and Sun-

day, June 23rd from 11:30 am until 2:30 pm. Donation drop off dates are Tuesday, June 11 through Thursday, June 20th; hours Monday through Friday are from 9 am -7 pm, and Saturday from 9 am until noon. We cannot accept the following items: clothing, exercise equipment, mattresses or televisions. Looking for service hours? Give us a call we would love to have your help, 314-781-1199.



We are seeking help with getting some larger donations to Epiphany. If you have some way to pick up items, please call Helen at 647-8146. If you do not have a truck or whatever but can help with securing the donations, we definitely need your help also. Thank you in advance for any assistance you are providing your parish.

EPIPHANY SCOUTS AND EPIPHANY FRIENDS FOREVER Barbeque

The Epiphany Scouts and EFF, are hosting a BBQ on Saturday and Sunday, June 22nd & 23rd from 11:00 am till 5:00 pm. Carry Outs will be available, in addition to dinning in. Pre orders will be taken. More information to follow.



Mount Tabor United Church of Christ BLOOD THE GIFT OF LIFE SITE OF

schedule an appointment. Download the Blood Donor App.



Our Lady's Inn

Maternity Homes will hold our

16th Annual Tee Off for Life Golf
Tournament on Monday June 24th at
Greenbrian Hills Country Club. The tournament will feature lunch, 18 holes of golf, reception, silent auction, and more. Registration begins 11:00 am. For more information or to register, visit

www.ourladysinn.org or call Katrina at 314-736-1544. Guided by our Mission, Our Lady's Inn provides pregnant women and their children shelter and hope for a new life through humble acts of love.

Where do we COME FROM? A little girl asked her mother, "Where did people come from?" Her mother answered, "God made Adam and Eve and they had children, and that's how all mankind was made." A couple of days later she asked her father the same question. The father answered, "Many years ago there were monkeys, which the human race evolved from." The confused little girl returned to her mother and said, "Mommy, how is it possible that you told me that we were created by God, and Daddy said we came from monkeys?" The mother answered, "Well, dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his.

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