



# 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.

# Most Holy Trinity

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The Most Holy Trinity  
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## FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL

Thank you to everyone who is helping get Flea Market set up. This week is our big push to get everything ready, so if you have a few hours free any evening of this week, we'd be grateful for the help.

**Mass time vote!** There has been some question about when to have Mass times on the following days: *4<sup>th</sup> 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? *This weekend is the last chance to vote.*

**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 4pm Mass on Saturday, June 29.*

**We will be adding a regular Sunday Mass** - Beginning July 21, we will offer a regular Sunday Mass at 6:30 pm in addition to our 8 am and 10:30 am Masses. A number of parishioners have requested that we add this Mass time and I'm happy to do so. Over the past year, our attendance has been very steady and maybe trending slightly upwards, and although we aren't at a point where it makes sense to add another Sunday morning Mass, an evening Mass will be a nice option. It will be an interesting experiment to see if we have any "last chance" attendees from outside the parish.

**Mass Explanations** - The Mass Offering has changed to \$10

This week, the Bishops of Missouri officially changed the amount of the donation for the Mass Offering to \$10. There is one big reason for the change; many parishes in Saint Louis we have too many requests for Masses for the priest to say them all, so we send some of the Intentions to missionary priests in Africa or elsewhere in poorer parts of the world. For them, the change in the offering amount helps them survive.

As always, remember that if you would like me to say a Mass for a deceased loved one, I will be happy to do so even if you can only give \$5 or even nothing. The reason for the monetary gift is explained in the Code of Canon Law, "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works."

Fr. Michael

**Life Teen Attention All 8th Graders and Highschoolers!** Please join us this Wednesday, June 19th from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg High School (please use Clifton Ave. entrance) for our "What I Wish I Knew" summer series as we hear from Fr. Charlie Samson. Please see [saintlousilifeteen.org](http://saintlousilifeteen.org) for more information!



### CARDINAL RITTER SENIOR SERVICES

Creative Care for the Senior Adult

Mary, Queen & Mother Center, located at 7601 Watson Road, St. Louis, MO 63119, provides skilled nursing and rehabilitation care to senior adults. The Pastoral Care Director is looking for caring and compassionate volunteers who would be willing to transport residents (typically wheelchair-bound) to and from Mass. Mass at MQMC is celebrated Sunday through Friday, from 10:15 am to about 11 am. We transport residents to Mass starting at around 9:15 am. After Mass, if you have Eucharistic minister training (I plan to provide training in the near future to those who would be interested), you could have the opportunity to bring communion to residents who are unable to attend Mass. Otherwise, we simply need assistance transporting residents back to their halls before lunch begins, followed by tidying up the chapel. If you are interested in helping in any of these capacities, please contact Myco Wulkopf, Director of Pastoral Care, at 314-918-2264 or at [mwlkopf@crssstl.org](mailto:mwlkopf@crssstl.org). Thank you so much!

### Food Service Job Openings at Regina Cleri

**Regina Cleri Home**, in Shrewsbury on the Cardinal Rigali Campus, has two job openings on the Food Service Team: **Server/Dishwasher (f/t)** and **Server/Dishwasher (p/t)**. Regina Cleri is rewarding work environment where you will find yourself serving our retired Archdiocesan Priests. Both positions operate on a split shift from 7 AM to 7 PM. If this sounds interesting to you, submit your resume and cover letter to [humanresources@archstl.org](mailto:humanresources@archstl.org). Reference Regina Cleri in the subject line. No phone calls please.

### St. Louis Chesterton Education Conference Education in a Miseducated World

The St. Louis Chesterton Society Presents "Education in a Miseducated World" a conference designed to explore the purpose of Catholic education. Join world renowned speaker Dale Ahlquist, local favorite Kevin O'Brien and more as we focus on Truth, Beauty, and Goodness and the unique role parents have in the education of their children. There will be talks to appeal to all, including parents, homeschoolers, Chesterton fans and teens. The conference will be held on Saturday, June 22 from 8:45 am to 4 pm at St. Anselm Parish, Creve Coeur. For more details and to register, visit [www.stlcec.com](http://www.stlcec.com). For questions, call Susan Suchar at 847-721-1324.

### Caring For Loved Ones At Life's End

An old Irish proverb says, "It is in the shelter of each other that the people live." Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to "shelter" them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them.

**1. Invite God In:** Pope Francis has said that "praying in difficult situations is like opening the door to the Lord, in order that he might enter."<sup>1</sup> The dying process is a sacred time—a final season to seek closure in this life and prepare for the next in the hope of sharing in Christ's Resurrection. As you enter into this season with your friend or family member, ask God to accompany both of you.

**2. Listen:** Try to discover your loved one's values and how best to honor his or her wishes. This requires true empathy. It can be hard not to assume he or she wants the same thing you *think* you would want if you were in the same situation. Listen with a non-judgmental ear so your loved one feels free to speak openly.

**3. Inform Yourself:** Be aware that a person's wishes for refusing ordinary or proportionate treatment<sup>2</sup>—or for pursuing assisted suicide—are usually rooted in fears of dependency, helplessness, or pain. Make yourself available to discuss these or any concerns. Know that hospice care focuses on alleviating pain and other symptoms, meeting basic needs, and providing comfort. Seek to understand the Catholic Church's teaching on end-of-life care, which can help you provide authentically loving support that respects life.\*

**4. Be Steadfast in Compassion:** As Pope Francis reminds us, "Compassion means 'suffer with'."<sup>3</sup> Your friend or family member will likely face ups and downs. Recognize these as part of a natural process. Surround him or her with love, support, and companionship that are "anchored in unconditional respect for their human dignity, beginning with respect for the inherent value of their lives."<sup>4</sup> The patient's suffering can be alleviated by your empathy, as well as by quality hospice care by medical personnel.

**5. Help Them Achieve Closure:** Help your family member or friend define the unfinished personal projects, financial concerns, unresolved relationships, or other matters that occupy his or her mind. Due to changing circumstances, some goals may need to be reframed. Creating and accomplishing this list of unfinished business can help the person discover a sense of purpose and feel more at peace.

**6. Provide Opportunities for Resolution:** Ira Byock, a hospice medical director, illustrates in his book *The 4 Most Important Things*<sup>\*\*</sup> how saying "I love you," "I'm sorry," "I forgive you," and "Thank you" can promote much-needed healing during the dying process. You can help ensure a peaceful transition for your loved one by facilitating opportunities for reconciliation with others and for mutual expressions of love and gratitude. Consider offering to invite a priest to hear his or her confession and to administer the Eucharist as viaticum<sup>3</sup> and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, all of which heal the soul and prepare us to meet the Lord.

**7. Reminisce:** Our appetites may diminish as our bodies experience a decreased need for food and fluids when we near life's end. Provide smaller amounts of your family member or friend's favorite foods. Even if unable to eat them, he or she may still enjoy the aromas and reminisce with you about special memories they evoke. Think of other small comforts you can provide that would spark meaningful memories, like special photos or mementos.

**8. Provide a Peaceful Presence:** There comes a time of natural withdrawal from surroundings when dying persons may lose interest in many activities that used to be enjoyable. Your own quiet, patient presence can provide important support as your loved one prepares emotionally and spiritually for his or her passing. Hearing can become very acute, so placing the phone in another room, playing favorite music, reading a favorite passage, praying together, or simply sitting quietly with him or her can all be very soothing.

**9. Show Tenderness:** Those who are dying remain in need of the tenderness of personal human contact. Ask if you might gently brush your loved one's hair, apply lotion to her hands or feet, or simply hold his hand. Tell stories, laugh, and share memories to reassure the person he or she is a cherished gift, not a burden in any way.

**10. Bear Their Transition Patiently:** Transition, the time immediately preceding death, may bring rapid physical changes, such as in breathing patterns, as well as changes in mental or emotional states. Try to be patient, and allow the "how" and "when" of death to be between God and your loved one. Ask God for the wisdom to know what final words to say—if any—and when. As you are able, give your loved one permission to make the transition. For example, you might say, "I love you. It's okay to go home now." Accompanying a loved one in his or her last days is enormously important, but we do not need to fear our own limitations. Pope Francis tells us, "[God] comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others."<sup>6</sup>

\*As our bishops teach, "Respect for life does not demand that we attempt to prolong life by using medical treatments that are ineffective or unduly burdensome."<sup>7</sup> At the same time, intentionally hastening death—whether through drugs or deliberate neglect of basic care—offends our God-given dignity and is never morally permissible. More information: [www.usccb.org/ToLiveEachDay](http://www.usccb.org/ToLiveEachDay).

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support, and companionship  
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of their lives."

—To Live Each Day with  
Dignity, USCCB

## LITURGIES & SCHEDULES

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, June 16**  
**The Most Holy Trinity**  
 8:00 am Parishioners  
 10:30 am Kay Peters



**Monday, June 17**  
 8:00 am Thelma Boggiano

**Tuesday, June 18**  
 8:00 am Enrollees & Benefactors of Epiphany Memorial Fund  
 6:30 pm Margaret Flynn

**Wednesday, June 19**  
 8:00 am The Roeder Family (*Blessings*)

**Thursday, June 20**  
 8:00 am Marge Essmann

**Friday, June 21**  
 8:00 am Bernie Driscoll

**Saturday, June 22**  
 8:00 am John Jankowski  
 4:00 pm Deceased Members of Epiphany Class of '70

**Sunday, June 23**  
 8:00 am Parishioners  
 10:30 am Tom Kutis Family (*Blessings*)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 16

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/  
 Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15  
 Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/  
 Mt 5:38-42  
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a  
 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48  
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/  
 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
 Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/  
 Mt 6:7-15  
 Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
 [cf. 18b]/Mt 6:19-23  
 Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/  
 Mt 6:24-34  
 Next Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/  
 1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

### OUR OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 8-9, 2019

#### Sunday Collection

General Fund ..... \$4,293.00  
 General Fund Loose .... \$117.61  
 General Fund Online .. \$2,339.00  
**Total.....\$6,749.61**



Ascension ..... \$20.00  
 Father's Day ..... \$60.00  
 Glennon Sunday ..... \$90.00  
 Maintenance & Repair \$265.00  
 M&R Online ..... \$60.00  
 Peter's Pence ..... \$30.00  
 SVDP ..... \$340.00  
 SVDP Online ..... \$155.00  
 Votive ..... \$48.00  
 Tuition Assistance ..... \$65.00  
 TA Online ..... \$50.00 ..... \$1,597.00(YTD)  
 Endowment Fund..... \$ .. \$119,319.64(YTD)

### OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

**Monday - Saturday June 17-22**

- 7:30 am - Rosary, Church

**Sunday, June 16 Happy Father's Day!**

- Suspended until further notice - Bible Study, CMR
- 10:30 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB
- All Day - Flea Market Preparations, Gym

**Monday, June 17**

- All Day - Flea Market Preparations, Gym & AR
- 7:30 am - 3:30 pm - GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 10:00 am - Ladies Guild Card Social, AR
- 5-9 pm - EFF T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts, Upper Hall

**Tuesday, June 18**

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

**Wednesday, June 19**

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

**Thursday, June 20**

- All Day - Flea Market Preparations, Gym & AR
- 7:30 am - 3:30 pm - GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field

**Friday, June 21**

- All Day - Flea Market Preparations, Gym & AR
- 7:30 am - 3:30 pm - GSA Summer School, Upper Hall & Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 3:30-6:30 pm - Dance, UH

**Saturday, June 22**

- 9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Flea Market Sale, Gym & AR
- 11:00 am - 5:00 pm - EFF BBQ, Parish Parking Lot

**Sunday, June 23**

- Suspended until further notice - Bible Study, CMR
- 10:30 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB
- 11:30 am - 2:30 pm - Flea Market Sale, Gym & AR
- 11:00 am - 5:00 pm - EFF BBQ, Parish Parking Lot

### 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
Yvonne Lopez	Ethan Sonderman	Daniel Barr
Jim Boyer	Ellie Wisniewski	Pam Devine
Jimmy "Nips" Boyer	Dorothy Ackermann	

## PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS, NOTES & EVENTS



Lindenwood Area Senior Ministry

### 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 20<sup>th</sup>! 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!

### 2019 ANDREW TOUSSAINT LACROSSE CAMP AT SLUH

**GRADES 2-8, General Camp Information:** The SLUH Lacrosse Camp will instruct rising 2nd through 8th graders—at all skill levels—on the mechanics of stick skills, and on strategies of the game, and will provide competitions, tournaments, and camp awards.

Second-Year Head Coach Andrew Toussaint brings two dozen years of coaching and playing experience to St. Louis University High School. Coach Toussaint played at Georgetown Preparatory School for Kevin Giblin, and was a three-sport captain. He graduated from St. Mary's College of Maryland as a college All-American, a three-time first-team all-league player, and holder of several school records, including Most Points. In 2015 he was selected to the 25-player Capital Athletic Conference Silver Anniversary Lacrosse team.

After college, he was a varsity assistant at St. John's College High School, at his alma mater, Georgetown Prep, and a head coach for the Club Blue youth lacrosse club. Upon moving to St. Louis, he was a varsity assistant at SLUH for 2 years, winning the state championship in 2012.

June 24 - 28, 2019, from 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM at SLUH Stadium Field. Cost is: \$175.00 Per Player  
Registration link: <https://register.ryzer.com/camp.cfm?sport=27&id=138442>

### BISHOP DUBOURG CAVALIERS

**Art Camp** - 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](http://www.campcavalier.org)

### Flea Market

Our Annual Flea Market is this coming Saturday, June 22nd from 9 am until 3 pm and Sunday, June 23rd from 11:30 am until 2:30 pm. Donation drop off dates are Now through Thursday, June 20th; hours Monday through Friday are from 9 am - 7 pm. 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 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.



#### Sample Toiletries Needed

This is a request for the Epiphany congregation to donate sample-size toiletries...these will be distributed to different homeless facilities by the Dominican Sisters and Associates of our Lady of the Rosary in St Louis. Please place items in labeled SAMPLES box in back of church....Thank you in advance for your support. Katie Patterson

**OLD FASHIONED COUNTRY PICNIC** at St. Gerald Catholic Church in Gerald on Hwy. 50 in Franklin County on Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 3 - 10 pm, Mass at 5 pm. Family Style Dinner of Fried Chicken and Kettle Beef dinners are served from 3 - 7 pm. Adults \$10.00, Children \$5.00. Come on over for a great afternoon of fun and fellowship, games, rides, music and much more.

### Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Youth Sing Praise presents "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice, on Saturday, June 22, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows outdoor amphitheater. Free Performance. Rain or Shine. [youthsingpraise.com](http://youthsingpraise.com)



**Our Lady's Inn Maternity Homes** will hold our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Tee Off for Life Golf Tournament on Monday June 24<sup>th</sup> at Greenbriar 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](http://www.ourladysinn.org) or call Katrina at 314-736-1544.