

Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church

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MASS & SACRAMENTS

Sunday Masses: 8:00 am, 10:30 am &

6:30 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday: 8:00 am

Tuesday Evening Mass: 6:30 pm

Saturday Masses 8:00 am and 4:00 pm

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays 7-8 pm (with reception for young adults after, hosted by Spirit and Truth St. Louis)

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday, 7:30-7:50 am Sundays, 10-10:20 am & 6-6:20 pm Tuesdays, 6-6:20 pm OR by appointment

Baptisms: Contact the parish office to

Register.

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.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called out 'Lord,' the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive." - Lk 20:37-38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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November 6, 2022 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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LIVING OUR FAITH

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL

All during November, we will have our altar of repose set up behind the ambo. Please stop by and pray for the dead. If you'd like to add any names that aren't yet in the book, feel free to do so.

As it gets colder, our coffee hour is only getting more popular. I'm happy to open up the first floor of the rectory so we can continue hosting it. If the coffee isn't on the porch on your way out, come on in!

A reminder that our parish listening sessions are coming up on Monday and Wednesday, November 7 and 9. If you haven't signed up, please do.

We have so many new mothers in the parish that we've decided to begin offering meals to our mothers with newborns to make those first few weeks after delivery a little bit easier. If you would like to participate by making a meal occasionally, please let me know and I'll add you to our email list for when we want to make meals. And if you're a new mother, don't hesitate to let us know. We would love to offer you our assistance.

On that note, we have a mother's group that meets once per month on Saturday morning for fellowship. If you're interested, you can email amandaantony17@gmail.com to get on their email list for meeting reminders and info.

Learning the Mass - Why pray for the dead?

All this month of November, we set up our altar of remembrance and remember our loved ones who have died. This practice may seem superstitious. It may also seem unnecessary -- time goes on and so does the business of life. We may think that those who stop to dwell in the past for too long are left behind. But, really, do our loved ones ever really leave our hearts? They are still members of our family and it makes sense to continue extending our love to them. In the same way that I might pray for a sick relative in the hospital down the street, those who have died benefit tremendously from our prayers as they purify their souls and heal old spiritual wounds before they enter Heaven and meet God.

Perhaps most important is to be aware that, someday, we will die too. Even if you're young and strong and the pop singer on the radio assures you that you will live forever, in the blink of an eye this precious existence can be over. There is something lovely and wonderful about continuing to love and embrace each other in prayer. Today, we pray for our dead. Someday, we'll be the ones in Purgatory and our children will be praying for us.

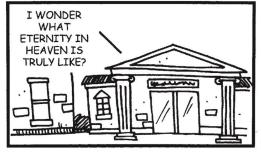
Because the practice leads to acknowledging our memories, cultivating gratitude, and remembering our own mortality, praying for our loved ones is actually tremendously life affirming. The more vital our love is, the more alive we really are.

Here's the current Marian hymn after Mass

Salve, Regina, Mater misericordiæ, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevæ, Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte; Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Fr. Michael

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LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

The God of the Living

"Sic transit gloria mundi," is what they used to say at papal coronations. "So passes earthly glory." Everything is fleeting. Nothing is here to stay. But in reality, some things are forever. Our actions on earth do have the potential to reverberate in eternity.

Everyday Stewardship is a lifestyle that embraces what will last. It is being aware of how our choices and our actions can be received by God, and through His grace, amplified to showcase His glory.

Your great-grandparents were married for 60 years. Maybe they shared the greatest love anyone in your family has ever seen, and maybe they raised up a whole family of kids. But they've been gone for a generation now, and no one living remembers the softness in their eyes when they looked at each other. And to read today's Gospel, you might even get the impression that their marriage was nothing more than an earthly whim. Gone. Fleeting. Temporal.

This week's readings invite us to contemplate the question: what exactly is immortal? What lasts beyond our earthly sojourn?

The seven brothers and their mothers whose martyrdom is told this weekend in Maccabees didn't die for the letter of the law, they died for the One who gave the law. In the same way, a marriage contract does not extend into eternity, but the fruits of a sacrificial love will live forever.

Good works, devotion, gratitude, selflessness, graciousness, accountability — these are all of God. He is not God of the dead; He is God of the living — and these are the things that last an eternity.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!





WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

November 9 is the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. What is the significance of this feast?

Answer:

Every diocese has a mother church, the bishop's cathedral where the diocesan church gathers and celebrates. The cathedral is the seat of the bishop's authority over the diocese. That authority is intended to be one of service to God's people, shepherding and guiding them in a truly pastoral mode.

The pope is first and foremost the Bishop of Rome, as well as the head of the Roman Catholic Church. St. John Lateran is his cathedral, and its prominence derives from that reality. St. John Lateran cathedral traces its origins to Emperor Constantine who converted a portion of the Laterani family palace into a church, and gave it to Pope Sylvester (314-335) as the papal church and residence; St. John refers to the two saints in whose honor the church is dedicated, John the Baptist and John the Evangelist. It became known as the cathedral of the pope, and its facade's inscription refers to it as "the Mother and Head of all Churches, in the City and of the World." The universal celebration of this feast stresses the unity among Roman Catholics, as they unite themselves with the chair of Peter.

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LITURGIES & SCHEDULES

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 6 8:00 am Ronal

Ronald Shrieves 10:30 am **Parishioners** 6:30 pm Margaret Noeker

Monday, November 7 8:00 am Joseph

Joseph F & Kathryn H Darpel

Tuesday, November 8 8:00 am Juliet S

Juliet Siemer

6:30 pm Arthur Eugene Brown, Jr.

Wednesday, November 9

Bare Family (**Special Intentions**) 8:00 am

Thursday, November 10

Cansen Family (Special Intentions) 8:00 am

Friday, November 11

8:00 am Virginia Bettlach (Birthday Memorial)

Saturday, November 12 8:00 am Pete Heddell 4:00 pm John Poe

Sunday, November 13 8:00 am Finnega

Finnegan Sicola (**Special Intentions**)
Deceased Members of the O'Reilly Family 10:30 am

6:30 pm **Parishioners**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND & SICK OF OUR PARISH

Michelle Hartzall Judy Hof Johanna Kleweis

John Huber Bill Hof, Sr. Steve Runde

Diane Hof-Little

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 6, 2022

Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2 Thes 2:16—

3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/

Jn 2:13-22

Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37

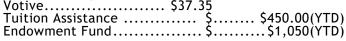
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8

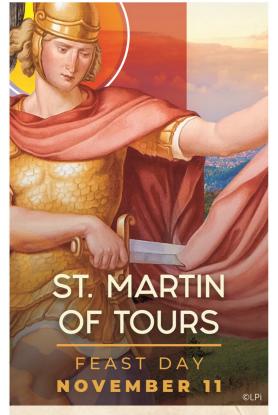
Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

OUR OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 29-30, 2022

<u>Sunday Collection</u> General Fund\$1,738.00 General Fund Loose.....\$216.00 General Fund Online....\$629.50 Total.....\$2,583.50

Mission Sunday \$40.00





SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Martin of Tours was born a pagan in what is now Hungary around 316, but he was raised in Italy where his father, a tribune, was posted. At 15 he was compelled to serve in the Roman military, though he was already a catechumen. There is a popular legend that while on campaign the saint cut his cloak in half to share with a cold beggar. That night he dreamed of Jesus and his cloak was restored. He was baptized at 18. Only two years after his baptism, he was released from the military, he had refused his battle pay and to fight saying he was a soldier for Christ. He is the first recognized conscientious objector.

After his release from the military, he became a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers. He worked diligently against the Arian heresy, which denies the divinity of Jesus Christ, and established a community of hermits near Poitiers in 361, the first French monastery.

In 371 he reluctantly became bishop of Tours. Nearby, he founded a second monastery, Marmoutier, because he preferred the life of a monk he retreated often. In 384 there was a popular heresy infecting the Church in Spain, led by the bishop Priscillian and his followers. The emperor Magnus Maximus became involved, ordering the execution of the heretics. Saint Martin opposed the executions and protested the emperor's involvement in Church matters. Unfortunately, the Priscillians were executed anyway.

Saint Martin died in Candes-Saint-Martin, Gaul in 397. He is notably one of the first saints who was not martyred. He is the patron saint of France.

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS, NOTES & EVENTS



FREE Thanksgiving Dinners

with all the trimmings to individuals and families who would otherwise be unable to enjoy a traditional feast. Please ask your neighbors and friends in the neighborhood whom might not

have the opportunity to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner if they would like one delivered. We ask Eucharistic Ministers to ask your Communion calls if they would like a dinner. Please let us know by November 20th. Due to Covid 19 we could use monetary donations to help offset food cost. Volunteers are needed to deliver meals at 11:30 am Thanksgiving day. Please email Matt Ellison at Esasportsinfo@yahoo.com or call Mark, 314-645-6962 to request a dinner (s), or to volunteer to deliver meals.

Thank you all and God bless!



St. Matthias Fall Craft Fair Saturday November 26, 2022 9:00am until 4:00pm 800 Buckley Road—St. Louis, MO 63125

Many booths with handmade crafts only Concessions will be available all day. For more information, please contact Pat Meyer at 314-440-8622 after 4:00pm

Crafters are still needed. Booths are \$30, tables and electricity available for an extra charge. Please contact the Parish Office at 314-892-7500 if interested in reserving a spot.



Electronic/
Metal Recycling at
St. Matthias
Boy Scout Troop 824
Fundraising Event
Saturday November 26, 2022
8:00am until 12:00pm

Acceptable materials (no charge) - "Anything that is metal or has a cord"

Hard drives Lithium-ion batteries Circuit boards Key boards Lead acid batteries Paper shredders Laptops NiCd batteries Refrigerators Cell phones Ballast Printers Microwaves DVD players Radios Old wiring Washers Dryers Garbage disposals Lawn mowers

TVs and Monitors:

12 - 15 inch \$15.00 15 - 24 inch \$23.00 25 - 29 inch \$33.00 30 - 42 inch \$43.00

Larger than 42 inches and consoles \$50.00 Projection TVs \$60.00

Tube TVs accepted

Call Gil at 314-910-3994 for more information



BOY SCOUT CHRISTMAS

WREATHS it's time to order your Christmas Wreath! Call Mark Palardy at 314-645-6962. Orders must be received by November 11, 2022. Pick up will be the weekend after Thanksgiving, Saturday & Sunday, November 26-27, 2022

Kasey Paige Assisted Living Christmas

Every year, Epiphany parishioners purchase a Christmas gift for each resident at Kasey Paige, our neighbor on Jamieson who provides assisted living to lower income adults. You can adopt a resident and purchase a gift on their wish list for them to open at Christmas. We try to keep requests to around \$25 per person. If you would like to adopt a resident, please contact Kris Ranciglio at 314-210-0916. We will try to be available after Masses on the weekend too. You can also purchase a gift card or donate money so we can do the shopping. Thank you for your generosity and spreading holiday cheer!!

11TH ANNUAL LASM TRIVIA NIGHT

Lindenwood Area Senior Ministry's 11th Annual Trivia Night is almost here! Saturday, November 19th at Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church (6596 Smiley at Ivanhoe). Enjoy a night-out with family and friends while also supporting our church's senior ministry, LASM! Doors open at 6:30pm



and trivia begins at 7pm. Register on-line at lasministry.org/events or contact the LASM office at 314-647-4591 or katie@lasministry.org. Cost: \$25/person, competitive tables of 6 at \$150. Table reservations of more than 6 players are welcome, but will not be eligible for first or last place prizes. If you don't have a full table we can match you with other individual players. Soda and snacks provided. You are welcome to carry in additional beverages and snacks. Not able to attend, but would still like to support this event? You can donate a raffle item or be a \$100 Round Sponsor! All proceeds will benefit the care and coordination of our core services: Saturday Servants, medical transportation, Stephen Ministry, case management, social engagement and educational programming.

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD MEMORIAL SOCIETY

The death of loved ones creates a need for us to remember them in a special way. Epiphany offers a way of remembering someone that is not only appropriate but is convenient. The next time you wish to honor a deceased loved one, send a memorial gift in any amount to the parish endowment fund and we will then enter that person into our Memorial Society. You will also be entered into the Memorial Society if you leave a bequest to the parish in your will.

Members of the Society are prayed for once per month with a Mass intention. Every single month. Your gift will help provide long-term financial security for the parish and, more importantly, assure that our loved ones are always being prayed for, loved, and never forgotten. For more information, call the parish office or email Trish

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