



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.

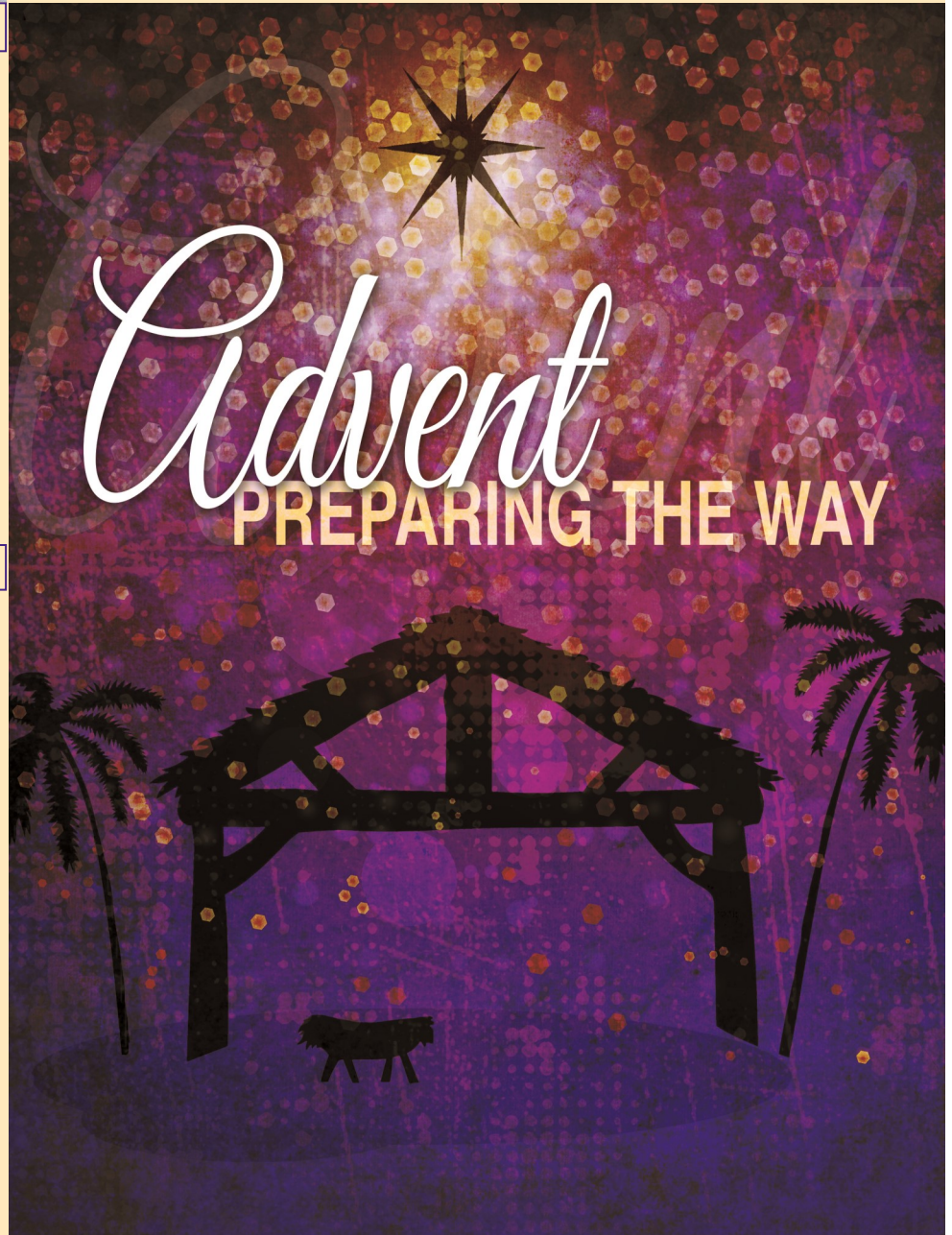
Marriages: Contact the priest at least 9 months prior to the wedding date.

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.



First Sunday of Advent
November 27, 2022

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

Confession times for Advent a lot of people make a special effort to come to confession during Advent. A reminder that, every week, I hear confessions on Sunday 10-10:20 am and 5:45-6:20 pm. I also hear them Tuesday 6-6:20 pm, Saturday 7:30-7:50 am, and often hear them 7-8 pm during the Holy Hour.

The All Things New Survey requesting feedback on the Listening Session information is now available. You can fill out the survey here: <https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/Planning-Process/Planning-Areas/Planning-Area-4>

Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9 am. We have a long tradition here of giving special gifts to our St. Vincent de Paul food pantry on this day. If you would like to participate they often have lists of needed items in the bulletin, so keep your eye out for that.

The Rorate Caeli Mass this year will be at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, December 20. It's a beautiful Advent tradition, an entirely candlelight votive Mass in honor of Our Lady

Looking ahead to Christmas, this year it's on a Sunday. Our Mass times will be
Christmas Eve 5 pm and 10 pm
Christmas Morning 8 am and 10:30 am (no Sunday evening Mass)

All during November, we will have our altar of repose will be 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!

Here's the current Marian hymn after Mass

*Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia caeli
porta manes et stella maris,
succurre cadenti, surgere qui curat, populo:
tu quae genuisti, natura mirante,
tuum sanctum genitorem, Virgo prius, ac posterius,
Gabrielis ab ore sumens illud ave,
peccatorum miserere.*

Fr. Michael

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

We can embrace and relish each moment of our lives as a sacred sacrament or nonchalantly and robotically attend to what life presents. We have our feet in two worlds. One is holy and sacred, and the other is profane and secular. Which one has the greater claim on us? To what do we devote most of our energy? We can easily be consumed with the particular demands and essentials of daily life: family, work, obligations, and the like, that we don't really notice anything more than what is right before us. We become masters at "doing" and neglect our need to "savor." Jesus reminds his friends that "as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away."

While certain things require our daily attention, we cannot become so consumed with them that we fail to see the larger picture of what is coming. For the Christian, Advent is the time to pause, reflect, and savor. It is a time to see life as a sacrament of the moment and not just an investment in secular interests, pleasures, and personal obligations. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can quickly wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. Whatever we can do this Advent season to be more attentive, focused, alert, and watchful will serve us well. It will make us eager and well-prepared to meet our Lord when he comes. It is for certain that he will come.

Who made me? What is my purpose? What will happen to me when I die? These are pivotal questions that, in life's busyness, we hardly find time to ask and answer. They define who we are, and the answers we provide serve as guideposts and anchors in the seas of our lives. Advent is the perfect time to make friends with our souls. It is a time to perk ourselves up, open our eyes, ears, and hearts and seek God's presence in the simple moments of our lives. God is with us. Ask God to grant you a deeper appreciation for His presence and the gift of attentiveness.

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Gabriel's Retreat Ministries

Gabriel's Retreats are specifically designed for any woman facing the challenges of any type of unexpected pregnancy.

Our Catholic-based retreats are no-cost and open to all women 18 years and older regardless of faith, marital status, or pregnancy situation.

Openings are available for all the following retreats:
December 27th-29th, 2022 @ Marianist Retreat Center
March 24th-26th, 2023 @ La Salle Retreat Center
June 23rd-25th, 2023 @ Marianist Retreat Center

To register or find out more about this peace and joy-filled weekend visit
www.gabrielsretreat.org

or

Email Shawna DuBois at gabrielsretreat@gmail.com



SHARING THE GOSPEL

READ THE
GOSPEL AND
COMPLETE A
PUZZLE!

Remember that when God told Noah to build an ark, his neighbors laughed at him. Then one day God sent the flood. Only Noah's family was saved because they listened to God, and they were ready. Jesus has already told you that one day he will come back. He wants you to be saved. He wants you to be ready. When you read Bible stories, listen carefully. Love God like Noah did, and learn to do what God asks.

PRAYER

Dear God, help me to love you and to be ready for Jesus.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Make sure the movies, games, and music you choose help you grow closer to Jesus

"Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." - Mt 24:40-42

KIDS CORNER

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

NOAH
EATING
DRINKING

MARRIED
FLOOD
TOGETHER

TAKEN
LEFT
READY

S	T	B	F	L	O	O	D	E	O
N	O	A	H	N	Y	U	R	M	G
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LITURGIES & SCHEDULES

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 27

First Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Ronald Shrieves
10:30 am Stuart Hilton
6:30 pm Parishioners



Monday, November 28

8:00 am Katie Bach

Tuesday, November 29

8:00 am Ann & Vince Villhard
6:30 pm Jacob Gillick (*Special Intentions*)

Wednesday, November 30

8:00 am Judy Hof (*Good Health*)

Thursday, December 1

8:00 am Bill Hof (*Good Health*)

Friday, December 2

8:00 am Aaron Salter

Saturday, December 3

8:00 am Carol Carapella
4:00 pm Mary Lawler (*Special Intentions*)

Sunday, December 4

Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Parishioners
10:30 am Henry & Clarice Huelsmann
6:30 pm Agnes Kahn

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND & SICK OF OUR PARISH

Michelle Hartzall	Judy Hof	Johanna Kleweis
Bill Hof, Sr.	Steve Runde	John Huber
Kris Pollman	Diane Hof-Little	George Burroughs

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 27, 2022

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Surviving Divorce: Hope & Healing at St. Clare of Assisi - Whether you're separated, going through the divorce process right now or have been divorced for many years, you CAN find hope and healing. Behold Ministry is hosting Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family which is a 12-week DVD program featuring Catholics experts and lay men and women on the journey to healing. St. Clare of Assisi parish is hosting the program beginning Saturday, January 7th, 2023 from 10 am-12 pm. Contact Michelle Fuller at mfuller1211@yahoo.com or 314-623-9294 for more information.

Ste. Genevieve Christmas Festival



Ste. Genevieve, MO

Free Concerts at Sainte Genevieve Catholic Church Saturday, December 3 -Southeast Chamber Choir Concert performed by SEMO State University & directed by Dr. Barbara LaMont, featuring Renaissance period pieces up to contemporary holiday selec-

tions will perform at 1 pm & 2 pm -Pipe Organ Concert, performed by Matt Palisch, Professor of Organ for SEMO State University including 19th & 20th century classical music & Christmas tunes at 3 pm Sunday, December 4 - Harp Solo performance by Celtic artist Chadie Fruehwald featuring Classical, Celtic & Christmas Music will perform at 3 pm. -Ste. Genevieve Municipal Symphonic Wind Ensemble will perform at 4 pm. The following free program will be at the DuBourg Centre on Sunday, December 4 -SEMO State University Steel Drum Band directed by Dr. Shane Mizicko, repertoire includes a compilation of Caribbean, Jazz, Funk, Popular & Classical Christmas Tunes will perform at 1:30 pm & 2:30 pm. Valle Catholic Schools Craft Fair will be on Saturday, December 3 from 9 am to 4 pm in the School Gym.

ADVENT BY TAILGATE

A REGIONAL EVENT FOR MEN

FOOD PROVIDED
BYOB, DRINKS, & CHAIR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11
OUR LADY OF SORROWS
5020 RHODES AVE
6PM

Cost: donation appreciated

OUR OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF NOV 12-13, 2022

Sunday Collection

General Fund	\$2,002.00
General Fund Loose	\$201.25
General Fund Online	\$522.02
Total	\$2,725.27

All Saints	\$5.00
All Souls	\$5.00
Christmas Flowers	\$5.00
Diaconate	\$5.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$40.00
Military	\$215.00
Mission Sunday	\$25.00
Retired Religious	\$35.00
SVDP	\$120.00
SVDP Online	\$170.00
Votive	\$21.00
Tuition Assistance	\$450.00(YTD)
Endowment Fund	\$1,050.00(YTD)



PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS, NOTES & EVENTS

Thank you for the great response so far on the adoptions. We have about 15 more residents that need to be adopted. If you have not had a chance to adopt a resident from Kasey Paige yet, please call Kris Ranciglio at 314-210-0916. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Kris. Gift drop off is Tuesday, Dec. 20th from 7-8pm. If you would like to drop off before that, please call and we can make other arrangements. Thank you for your generosity!



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA Join the St. Catherine Laboure parish Knights of Columbus from 7:30am to 11am on Sunday, December 11th for our annual pancake breakfast with Santa! Event to be held at St. Catherine Laboure parish school cafeteria at 9740 Sappington Rd., 63126. Click the QR code for additional information, which includes the option to pay in advance via credit card. Visit our new website: kofc12323.org



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You get the full value

The brand gives back
No extra money comes out of your pocket

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Presents with a purpose

A percentage of each gift card purchased goes directly to Epiphany. The gift card is worth face value, just like your thoughtfulness.

We have the following gift cards in stock:

Chris Pancakes	\$10			
CVS	\$25	\$100		
Dierbergs	\$25	\$100		
Kohls	\$10	\$25	\$50	\$100
Panera	\$10	\$25		
Pietro's	\$10	\$25		
Target	\$25	\$50		
Walmart	\$25	\$100		

We have a very limited number of the following cards in stock:

Bath & Body Works	\$25
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$10
Chili's	\$25
Chipotle	\$10
Groupon	\$25
Marcus Theatres	\$25
Panda Express	\$25
Sonic	\$10

To make a purchase or for questions, please contact Trish at the parish office, 314-781-1199 or complete the order form located at the entrance of church and return to the parish office along with your check.

Checks should be made payable to: Epiphany.

Orders completed and turned in by Monday at noon, will be ready for pick up on Friday of the same week.

Deck the Halls of Glennon Homes

Saturday, December 3, 2022
10 am - 3 pm

St. Louis Homes & Lifestyles and SSM Health Cardinal Glennon are pleased to present a self-guided tour of four beautifully decorated homes for the holidays by some of the top STL design teams and talented homeowners while raising money for the children cared for by SSM Health Cardinal Glennon.

Only online pre-pay accepted. Visit: <https://www.glennon.org/deck-the-halls-of-glennon-homes/>
The list of participating homes will be emailed the day before the event. \$40 per person.

All ticket proceeds to benefit SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital.

Shop Twice Blessed Resale Shop for women's clothing, accessories, shoes, purses, and small decor. We would like your current season, excellent donations, acceptable during all store hours: Tues.-Sat., 10-5. 3312 Meramec, 63118 314-481-3332. All proceeds benefit Our Lady's Inn Maternity Homes.



Saturday, December 3 from 10 am - 2 pm



REGISTER

Photos at the manger (bring your own nativity costume), storytime, and Christmas treats! Storytimes at 11, 11:30, 12, 12:30 and 1 pm.

Pauline Books & Media 9804 Watson Road, St. Louis, MO 63126
Registration appreciated! Scan to register or call, 314-965-3512