

# Sts. Joachim & Ann Catholic Church

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## Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday: 8am to 5pm

Lunch hour: 12:00-12:45pm

All who come to the Parish Office who are not fully vaccinated will be required to wear a mask.

## Bulletin Submissions

Email [bulletin@stsja.org](mailto:bulletin@stsja.org) Tuesday before noon

## Eucharistic Schedule

Eve of Sunday 5:00pm

Sundays 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

Daily (Mon.-Fri.) 6:30am, 8:00am

## Eucharistic Adoration

9:00am Tuesday until 6:30pm Wednesday

6:00pm Saturday until 7:00am Sunday

**Sacrament of Penance** Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45pm or by appointment. The Sacrament is to be celebrated anonymously, behind the screen only. A mask must be worn at all times while inside the Church for those not fully vaccinated.

**Sacrament of Baptism** Parents must be registered parishioners and practicing Catholics who have participated in the Baptismal Preparation Program. Contact the Parish Office for details.

**Sacrament of Matrimony** At least one party of the couple must be a registered parishioner and a fully initiated practicing Catholic. Contact the parish priest of your choice at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date to arrange for marriage preparation.

## Holy Orders & Consecrated Life

Those discerning a vocation to priesthood or consecrated life are encouraged to contact one of the parish priests for information and referral to the Archdiocesan Vocation Office.

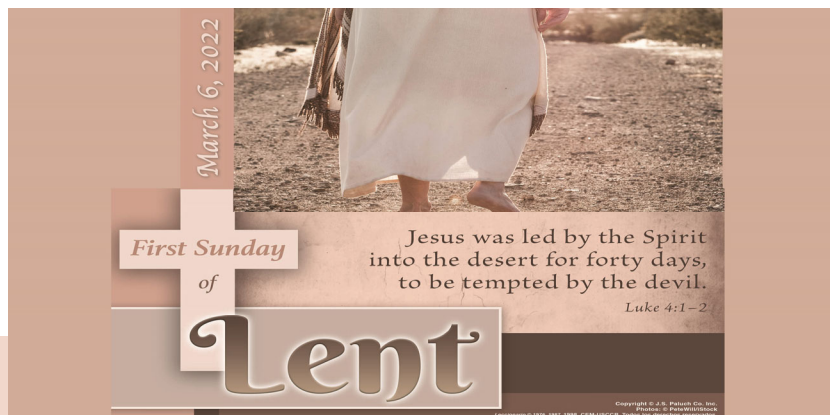
**Eucharist for the Homebound** Contact the parish office to arrange for the Eucharist to be brought to your home during a period of infirmity.

## Crisis Pregnancy Assistance

Birthright - St. Charles 636-724-1200  
Pregnancy Resource Center 636-278-1212  
Project Rachel 314-792-7565  
Priests for Life 1-888-PFL-3448  
Mary Queen of Angels 636-579-7083

## Sts. Joachim and Ann Care Service

Serving those in crisis and preventing homelessness and hunger in St. Charles, Lincoln and Warren Counties since 1981 **636.441.1302**



## Ministries and Services

Pastor	Very Rev. John A. Brockland, JCL, JV	441.7503
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Deacon	Deacon Jack Lipin	441.7503
Deacon	Deacon Timothy Schultz	441.7503
Deacon	Deacon Bill Scarry	441.7503
Deacon	Deacon Vince Baker	441.7503
School Principal	Mrs. Sue Schutz	441.4835
DRE Children's Programs	Mrs. Rose Wieschhaus	926.0021
Parish School of Religion	Mrs. Rose Wieschhaus	926.0021
Altar Society	Mrs. Julie Huber	636.219.2109
Athletic Association	Mr. Bruce Jones	314.239.0985
Bereavement Ministry	Mr. & Mrs. Jim Potts	939.3428
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Care Service	Mrs. Pam Struckhoff	441.1302, x-230
COGS	Mrs. Helen Vernier	636.922.7573
Cub Scouts	Mr. Matt Lawrence	636.346.6367
Donut Sunday	Mr. Mark Alvey	314.795.4670
Eucharistic Adoration	Mrs. Kathy Rodamaker	636.352.9341
Eucharist for the Homebound	Mrs. Jayne Gilfoil	314.283.5391
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PTO	Mrs. Katherine Oberhill	636.248.2081
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## A PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE...

## MESSAGE OF THE HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS



## Lent 2022

*Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up. So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all (Gal 6:9-10).*

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Lent is a favorable time for personal and community renewal, as it leads us to the paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**Sowing and Reaping.** In these words, so dear to Jesus, St. Paul speaks to us of a *kairós*, an opportune time for sowing goodness in view of a future harvest. Lent is certainly such an opportune time, but so is our entire existence. All too often in our lives greed, pride and the desire to possess, accumulate and consume have the upper hand as we see from the story of the foolish man in the Gospel parable who thought his life was safe and secure because of the abundant grain and goods he had stored in his barns. Lent invites us to conversion, to a change in mindset, so that life's truth and beauty may be found not so much in possessing as in giving, not so much in accumulating as in sowing and sharing goodness.

The first to sow is God himself who with great generosity continues to sow abundant seeds of goodness in our human family. During Lent we are called to respond to God's gift by accepting his word which is living and active. Regular listening to the word of God makes us open and docile to his working and bears fruit in our lives. This brings us great joy, yet even more it summons us to become God's co-workers. By making good use of the present time we too can sow seeds of goodness. This call to sow goodness should not be seen as a burden but a grace whereby the Creator wishes us to be actively united with his own bountiful goodness.

What about the harvest? Do we not sow seeds in order to reap a harvest? Of course! St. Paul points to the close relationship between sowing and reaping when he says *anyone who sows sparsely will reap sparsely as well, and anyone who sows generously will reap generously as well*. But what kind of harvest are we talking about? A first fruit of the goodness we sow appears in ourselves and our daily lives, even in our little acts of kindness. In God no act of love, no matter how small, and no generous effort will ever be lost. Just as we recognize a tree by its fruits, so a life full of good deeds radiates light and carries the fragrance of Christ to the world. Serving God in freedom from sin brings forth fruits of sanctification for the salvation of all.

In truth we see only a small portion of the fruits of what we sow since, according to the Gospel proverb, *one sows, while another reaps*. When we sow for the benefit of others we share in God's own benevolent love: it is truly noble to place our hope in the hidden power of the seeds of goodness we sow and thus to initiate processes whose fruits will be reaped by others.

Sowing goodness for the benefit of others frees us from narrow self-interest, infuses our actions with gratuitousness, and makes us part of the magnificent horizon of God's benevolent plan.

The word of God broadens and elevates our vision: it tells us that the real harvest is eschatological, the harvest of the last undying day. The mature fruit of our lives and actions is fruit for eternal life, our treasure in heaven. Jesus himself uses the image of the seed that dies in the ground in order to bear fruit as a symbol of the mystery of his death and resurrection while St. Paul uses the same image to speak of the resurrection of our bodies. *What is sown is perishable, but what is raised is imperishable; what is sown is contemptible but what is raised is glorious; what is sown is weak, but what is raised is powerful; what is sown is a natural body, and what is raised is a spiritual body.* The hope of resurrection is the great light that the risen Christ brings to the world, for *if our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are of all people the most pitiable. In fact, however, Christ has been raised from the dead, as the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep*. Those who are intimately united to him in love by dying a death like his will also be united to his resurrection for eternal life. *Then the upright will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.*

**Let us not grow tired of Doing Good.** Christ's resurrection enlivens earthly hopes with the great hope of eternal life, planting the seed of salvation in our present time. Bitter disappointment at shattered dreams, deep concern for the challenges ahead and discouragement at the poverty of our resources, can make us tempted to seek refuge in self-centeredness and indifference to the suffering of others. Indeed, even our best resources have their limitations: *Youths grow tired and weary, the young stumble and fall*. Yet God gives

*strength to the weary, strengthens the powerless. Those who hope in the Lord will regain their strength, they will soar on wings like eagles; though they run they will not grow weary, though they walk they will never tire*. The Lenten season calls us to place our faith and hope in the Lord, since only if we fix our gaze on the risen Christ will we be able to respond to the Apostle's appeal *let us never grow tired of doing good*.

**Let us not grow tired of praying!** Jesus taught us to pray always without becoming weary. We need to pray because we need God. Thinking that we need nothing other than ourselves is a dangerous illusion. If the pandemic has heightened the awareness of our own personal and social fragility, may this Lent allow us to experience the consolation provided by faith in God without whom we cannot stand firm. No one attains salvation alone since we are all in the same boat amid the storms of history; and certainly no one reaches salvation without God, for only the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ triumphs over the dark waters of death. Faith does not spare us life's burdens and tribulations, but it does allow us to face them in union with God in Christ with the great hope that does not disappoint, whose pledge is the love that God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**Let us not grow tired of uprooting evil from our lives!** May the corporal fasting to which Lent calls us fortify our spirit for the battle against sin. *Let us not grow tired of asking for forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation*, knowing that God never tires of forgiving. *Let us not grow tired of fighting against concupiscence*, that weakness which induces to selfishness and all evil and finds in the course of history a variety of ways to lure men and women into sin. One of these is addiction to the digital media which impoverishes human relationships. Lent is a propitious time to resist these temptations and to cultivate instead a more integral form of human communication made up of authentic encounters, face-to-face and in person.

**Let us not grow tired of doing good in active charity towards our neighbors.** During this Lent, may we practice almsgiving by giving joyfully. God who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food enables each of us not only to have food to eat, but also to be generous in doing good to others. While it is true that we have our entire life to sow goodness, let us take special advantage of this Lenten season to care for those close to us and to reach out to our brothers and sisters who lie wounded along the path of life. Lent is a favorable time to seek out – and not to avoid – those in need; to reach out – and not to ignore – those who need a sympathetic ear and a good word; to visit – and not to abandon – those who are lonely. Let us put into practice our call to do good to all and take time to love the poor and needy, those abandoned and rejected, those discriminated against and marginalized.

**If we do not give up, we shall reap our harvest in due time.** Each year during Lent we are reminded that goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day. Let us ask God to give us the perseverance of the farmer and to persevere in doing good one step at a time. If we fall, let us stretch out our hand to the Father who always lifts us up. If we are lost, if we are misled by the enticements of the evil one, let us not hesitate to return to God who is generous in forgiving. In this season of conversion, sustained by God's grace and by the communion of the Church, let us not grow tired of doing good. The soil is prepared by fasting, watered by prayer, and enriched by charity. Let us believe firmly that if we do not give up we shall reap our harvest in due time and that, with the gift of perseverance, we shall obtain what was promised for our salvation and the salvation of others. By cultivating fraternal love towards everyone, we are united to Christ who gave his life for our sake and we are granted a foretaste of the joy of the kingdom of heaven when God will be all in all.

May the Virgin Mary, who bore the Savior in her womb and pondered all these things in her heart, obtain for us the gift of patience. May she accompany us with her maternal presence so that this season of conversion may bring forth fruits of eternal salvation.



## Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey

Here is the link to the survey: <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y38d73>

...Blessings to you and your family! Lead someone back to the Lord for Lent!

## † Mass Schedule

### Monday, March 7, Lenten Weekday

6:30am Charles Koch  
8:00am Kevin Parrish

### Tuesday, March 8, Lenten Weekday

6:30am Thomas 'Tuck' McArthur  
8:00am Helen Ohlms

### Wednesday, March 9, Lenten Weekday

6:30am Rev. Robert L. Banken  
8:00am Ernest Bold **All School**

### Thursday, March 10, Lenten Weekday

6:30am Benedetto Perugini  
8:00am Ken Tiemeyer

### Friday, March 11, Lenten Weekday

6:30am Bernard R. Novak  
8:00am Charles Scott

### Sat./Sun., March 12/13, Second Sunday of Lent

5:00pm John Anzalone  
7:30am Elsie Klutho  
9:30am People of the Parish  
11:30am Special Intention-ALU  
6:00pm Vespers

## Readings for The Week

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;  
Mt 25:31-46  
**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15  
**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;  
Lk 11:29-32  
**Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;  
Mt 7:7-12  
**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26  
**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;  
Mt 5:43-48  
**Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;  
Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

## The Week Ahead

Mon., Mar. 7 PSR 6:15pm  
COGS 9:30am Ministry Bld. Lower Level  
JASSS Board Meeting 1pm Ministry Bld.  
Quilters 7-9pm Ministry Bld. Lower level  
Tues., Mar. 8 Quilters 9am-2pm St. John Bosco Room  
Family Empower Hour 6:30pm Church  
Men's CRHP 6:30pm Upper Ministry Bld.  
Fri., Mar. 11 Stations of the Cross 2pm & 7pm  
Fish Fry 4pm-7pm Carry-Out only Cafeteria  
Sat., Mar. 12 Faith Alive 9:30am Cafeteria  
Sun., Mar. 13 Family Catechesis 10:45am Classrooms  
Blood Drive 8:30am-1:30 pm Cafeteria  
Vespers 6pm Church

## March 12/13, 2022

### Lectors

5:00pm Joe Wooldridge, Kathy Rodamaker  
7:30am John Ryan, Bob Shive  
9:30am Girl Scouts  
11:30am David Diehl, Carolyn Wolf  
6:00pm Vespers Jane Muich

### Servers

5:00pm Laura Hazen, Medrina Hiemstra  
7:30am Phil Uro  
9:30am Shane Bourquin, Trevor Bourquin  
11:30am Lily West, Eva Bayne

## Stewardship of Our Treasure

5 to 10 Year Plan Weekly Sunday Offering Goal \$ 25,000.00

### Sunday, 27 February 2022

Envelopes	\$ 6,948.00
Online giving	\$ 12,209.28
Loose	\$ 728.00
Youth	\$ 2.00

\$ 19,887.28

Budget vs Actual for this Sunday \$ (5,112.72)

Fiscal Year-to-date Sunday Offering Goal \$ 875,000.00

Fiscal Year-to-date Actual Offertory \$ 821,372.57

Budget vs. Actual Fiscal Year-to-date \$ (53,627.43)

Care Service	1,095.00
St. Louis Review	228.00
Black & Indian Missions	25.00
Church in Central & Eastern Europe	55.00

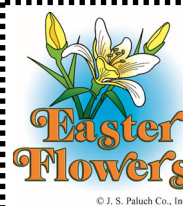
### Christmas Club for Major Needs

5 to 10 Year Plan Goal for Christmas Club 2022 \$ 180,000.00

Year-to-date \$ 115,132.35

Budget vs Actual for Fiscal Year-to-date \$ (64,867.65)

**Thank you to all who so very generously support  
Sts. Joachim and Ann Parish!**



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## Easter Floral

Anyone wanting to help defray the cost of our church floral decorations for the Easter season may do so by filling out the form below and returning it to the parish office by April 10. If you wish to do this online, please list the name of the person you wish to be remembered in the Notes section.

Donor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

To be remembered: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of donation (\$12 ea.): \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Sts. Joachim and Ann.

## Sts. Joachim & Ann School

Our theme for this school year is **Do Small Things with Great Love**. We thank you for your continuous support of our school and ask that you pray for our students and faculty throughout the school year.



### Important Dates:

**Wednesday, March 9, All School Mass (8<sup>th</sup> Grade Plan), 3<sup>rd</sup>**

### Quarter Ends

**School Tours are available, please call the school office at 636-441-4835.**

New Registration packets for the 2022-2023 school year are now available.

Students must be 4-years old by Aug. 1, 2022 in order to enter our Junior Kindergarten and 5-years old by Aug. 1, 2022 in order to enter Kindergarten. Registration Forms are available in our school office, and on our parish website under School, Prospective Students. Scholarships are available and applications opened on January 18, 2022. Scholarship information is available under Tuition Assistance.

Please call Kathy Mueller at 636-441-7503 with scholarship questions. <https://stsja.org/prospective-students>

**Please call the school office at 636-441-4835 to schedule a tour to see all of the wonderful things happening here!**

Parents, please be sure to check Fast Direct to view important school information. We thank you for choosing Sts. Joachim and Ann Catholic School and Catholic education for your children!

## Parish School of Religion

*"Do Small Things with Great Love"*

During the month of March PSR will be collecting Personal care items.

**Parents are invited to say the rosary at 6:15pm in the Adoration chapel after dropping off their child for PSR. Come in through the school doors and sign in before going into church.**



**Parish School of Religion**

### Upcoming Events:

- March 7 - PSR Class -3rd grade in church & Adoration Rm
- March 14 - PSR Class, Reconciliation for 2nd & 3rd grade
- March 21 - No PSR Spring Break
- March 28 - PSR Class, Reconciliation for 4th, 7th & PSR2  
PSR Registration begins

## Diaper Drive

During the weekends of March 12-13 and March 19-20, the Permanent Deacons in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, in conjunction with the Respect Life office, will be collecting diapers for infants, toddlers and adults as part of our fourth annual diocesan-wide Pro-Life service project to assist families in need. Last year we collected over 252,000 diapers for those in need and we'd like to exceed that total this year. We would ask that you please consider placing the purchasing of infant, toddler or adult diapers on your shopping list and bring them to the church gathering space. All diapers collected will be donated to the Sts. Joachim & Ann Care service to assist families in our community. For more information, speak to one of our permanent deacons or give the office a call. We would like to stress the need for the larger size diapers, 3's, 4's and 5's. We ask you to pray for the success of this project and to please be as generous as possible. Thank you!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK

**Especially those in our parish:**

Baby Avery Ann	Richard Hendel	Dorothy Reed
Phil Arciszewski	Jan Hooker	Bill Rogers
Charles Barnes	Christian Hunt	Mary Rone
James Beck	Saxon Hunt	Mark Rudy
Marcy Benoist	Mary Johnston	Edward Ruethling
Mara Berry	Jenni Jonas	Valerie Ruethling
Regis Blutas (son)	Betsy Judge	Bob Ruzensky
Gus Bopp	Luke Kahrhoff	Deacon Bill Scarry
Barb Bradford	Tony Kavadas	Dan Schaefering
Jeff Bucher	John Kientzel	John Schelich
Jacob Burnett	Kevin Kilcullin	Loretta Schleeper
Linda Callen	Pat Knickmeyer	Frank Schmersahl
Christine Chapman	Edith Layton	Michael Schmierbach
Dennis Christensen	Jim Layton	Thomas Schoenberger
Jeff Coleman	Robert Layton	Jacqueline
Angie Costello	Barton Lehr	Foust-Schuk
Shawn Criscione	Ed Leith	Mike Schulte
David	Betty Lickenbrock	Debbie Shaw
Penny Denney	Jillian Litton	Tracy Sherman
Jack Dickens	Deacon Jack Lipin	Jill & Sutton Short
John Dobbins	Becky Malloway	Jim Siebenmorgen
Virginia Dobbins	Mitchell Martin	Kelly A. Smith
James Donovan	Patricia Martin	Ronnie Stockmann
Diane Dorn	Lori Mayo	Rose Stotko
Helen Doyle	Rick McCulloch	Mariah Tarin
Tariq Eddington	Sandy McPeak	Francesca Taullo
Lorie Ewing	Angie Merton	Carolyn Taylor
Chakita Fields	Arnold Meyer	Nancy Tebrugge
Mike Fischer	Debbie Meyer	Angie Terry
Kit Flor	Michael Mokriakow	Jessica Thomas
Becky Fretz	Eleanor Monolo	Rick Tilton
Jan Gasper	Dorothy Nanna	Kathleen Trolinger
Michael Gasper	Daniel Nolan	Carolyn Trosky
N. Gelven	Jude O'Daniel	Evie Venteicher
Tim Goedeke	Daniel Palms	Scotti VonDouglas
Mary Gray	Charlotte Payette	Mike Waller
Jane & Dave Griffin	Fran Peavler	Celeste Weakley
Christopher Gwin	Pete Petrosky	Steven Weingartner
Bob & Lucy Hall	Shirley Petrosky	Tony Winkler
Michael Hassall	Lisa Phillips	Chris Wooldridge
Shirley Hastings	Mary Lou Pope	Susan Zerjav
Chelsi Hauser	Rose Powell	
Kurt Heist	Limmie Pulliam	

**Please also pray for all those in nursing homes and for all those in the military.**

## 7th Grade Confirmation Parent Meeting Cancelled

The 7th grade Confirmation Parent Meeting scheduled for March 15th has been cancelled. Information will be sent home with the 7th graders in day school and PSR students and mailed to home schoolers and students attending private schools. If you have a 7th grader in our parish who is not currently enrolled in the day school, PSR or home school program, please contact Rose Wieschhaus at [wieschhausr@stsja.org](mailto:wieschhausr@stsja.org) or 636 926-0021 so that she can mail information to you.

**J & A Quilters** The Quilting group meets on Monday evenings from 7-9pm and Tuesday mornings from 9am-2pm in the Ministry Bldg. For more info, call Marilyn at 573-826-8543.



## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### We are asked to pray for those who have died:

- Rita Lynch, mother & mother-in-law of Julie & Mark Eckstein, grandmother of Colin, Marcus & Jillian, great-grandmother of Skylar, Hazel, Harper, & Walker
- Steven Darner, brother & brother-in-law of Cindy & Tom Wilson
- Donald Russell
- Frank Westerheide, husband of Laurie Westerheide



#### Mass Intentions

If you would like to remember a loved one with a Mass intention, please stop by the Parish Office or call 636-441-7503.

### Monday Night Rosary

Any parishioner is welcome to join us in praying the rosary every Monday evening during the PSR school year at 6:15pm (except 3/21) in the Adoration chapel. If we have a large group we will meet in the church. If you are not a PSR parent, come to the Adoration door and someone will let you in. Rosaries and pamphlets on how to say the rosary will be available. If you have any questions please contact Brian Kelly at [kelly@washucsc.org](mailto:kelly@washucsc.org)

### Clever Old Gals Widows' Support Group (COGS)

The Clever Old Gals widows group will meet in the **Ministry building for breakfast on March 7 at 9:30am**. We welcome women who have lost their husbands and would like to meet new friends. We meet twice a month to share our stories, witness to our faith, enjoy a few laughs and delight in not having to cook (lunch out!). For more info call Helen at 636-922-7573.

### Upcoming Concert

The Concert Choir from Lutheran High School Norwest from Rochester Hills, Michigan and Honors Choir from Lutheran High School Westland from Westland, MI, will combine in their first ever joint tour, performing a concert at Sts. Joachim & Ann on Friday, March 18, at 7:00pm. The choirs will lift their voices to "Sing Unto the Lord!" showcasing works from a variety of eras in many different styles including pieces from W.A. Mozart, Michael Barrett, Mark Hayes and Melissa Dunphy. A free will offering will be taken to defray tour costs. Please join us!



**The Ancient Order Of Hibernians**, the Catholic Irish Men's Fraternal Organization, will be handing out green silk carnations and collecting donations after all Masses on Saturday March 12th and Sunday March 13th in honor of the upcoming feast of St. Patrick. All donations collected will be given to the Care Service. Please be generous! Thank you!

**Blood Drive** The Harvester K of C & Impact.Org are sponsoring a blood drive in the cafeteria on Sunday March 13th from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. All blood types are urgently needed due to COVID. Please save a life & give if you are able. Snacks & drinks provided.

**MARCH 6, 2022**



On Sunday, February 27, 2022,  
Ryan Jeannette Heubel  
received the Sacrament of Baptism.

We congratulate her family and welcome her into our Family of Faith.



### Family Empower Hour

Tuesday, March 8, 6:30-7:30pm

Come and spend some interactive prayer time before the Blessed Sacrament!

Praise and worship, a decade of the rosary, petitions, and more! Kid and baby friendly!

All are welcome! Come and go as you are able.

### Faith Alive Program for Toddlers

We are excited to begin a new monthly program for parents and **children ages 15 months – 3 years**. These free sessions would consist of music, a bible story and craft and give parents support and guidance for fostering the spiritual growth of their children. **The next group session will be on Saturday, March 12 at 9:30am. If you are interested, please use this link to register:** <https://stsja.org/faith-alive>.

If you have questions about the program please contact Rose Wieschhaus at [wieschhausr@stsja.org](mailto:wieschhausr@stsja.org) or call 636-926-0021.

**Sts. Joachim and Ann Athletic Association Present**

## THROUGH THE DECADES TRIVIA NIGHT

Join us for "Through the Decades" Trivia Night  
**Saturday April 9, 2022**

Early bird tickets on sale

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Contact Michelle Salzman at 757-685-5769 or  
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**Must be 21 and older to play.**

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 6, 2022



### Sts. Joachim & Ann Care Service

Our Mission: *Serve Those in Crisis and to Prevent Homelessness and Hunger.*

**The current Food Pantry hours are**  
**Tuesdays 10am - 12pm and**  
**Thursdays 4:30pm - 6:30pm.**

Please call 636-441-1302 if you are in need of food and are not a currently registered Food Pantry client.

**Volunteers Needed!** For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in," - Matthew 25:35 The Food Pantry program at **Sts Joachim and Ann Care Service is seeking volunteers.** We have volunteer positions open for drivers, mobile food pantry crew members, and office support. In addition to weekly volunteers, we are also seeking volunteers to fill in when needed. Please call 636-441-1302 ext. 225 to volunteer or for more information. The Care Service is a non-profit dedicated to serving those in crisis and preventing homelessness and hunger in St. Charles, Lincoln, and Warren Counties. The Care Service operates food pantries in both St. Charles and Elsberry and is launching a mobile food pantry to reach areas of the tri-county area with limited access to food.



As the challenges of Covid-19 continue to affect our everyday lives, again this year we will be hosting **CARRY-OUT ONLY Lenten Fish Fries.** The menu is a streamlined

menu, similar to last year's. We count, as always, on your faithful support of our Fish Fry efforts, the proceeds of which now are being used each year to help offset the operating deficit of our school.

### Sts. Joachim & Ann Catholic Church

#### FISH FRY

4:00 – 7:00pm

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##### ALA CARTE

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 Hush Puppies  
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Seafood: Fried Cod or Catfish \$4.00 pc  
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### The Catholic Women for Christ



conference is Saturday, March 12th, at SLU High School. It is always a wonderful mini-retreat and offers 4 great speakers, plus lots of faith-filled activities, including Mass at 11:30am, shopping for religious items and lunch! You can stay or go whenever you want. Doors open at 8:45am and the day ends around 4pm. The link to the CWFC page and registration is <https://www.catholicwomenforchrist.org>. We can carpool together. Please spread the news to your friends and family. Contact Diane Distl for more info. 314-954-4887

### JASSS

#### Sts. Joachim & Ann Senior Service & Social Club for Senior Men & Women 55 & Older



JASSS Board Meeting will be Monday, March 7, from 1-3pm at the Ministry Building. All members are welcome to attend and voice their opinions, concerns and suggestions to the Board. Members, this is **YOUR** club and we would like to hear from you.

On Thurs., March 17, there is a Mass for Melody Williams at 8am.

JASSS meeting luncheon will be Tuesday, March 22, at noon, at the Care Service. If possible please try to arrive at the meeting **as early as you can** as the meeting must start at noon. This will help the Membership Committee move the members swiftly through the sign-in process. We will be having, pizza, salad and desserts. Drinks will be provided. Lunch cost is \$7.00. Please bring exact change for the lunch if possible. A **lunch ticket** will be given to you at your sign-in. You will need this ticket to get your food. Deacon Tim Schultz will be the speaker addressing the topic "All Things New" which is of great importance to us all. Please bring a roll of paper towels for the Care Service Food Pantry.

We had 4 new members joins JASSS in February! We welcome all of you and are so happy you joined.

Please see the Membership Committee to pay your dues if you haven't done so at the last meeting. Dues are \$20.00 a year.

Copies of the By-Laws will be available if you didn't get one at the February 22 meeting. Please see Dede Warhol for a copy.

The Travel Committee is presenting a day at Chester, IL and Perryville, MO for Wed., May 11, from 8:30am to 6pm. If interested please see the Travel Committee for more information. Sign up and payment is due at the March 22 meeting lunch. Our **first overnight trip** is June 29-30 to Arcola and Author, IL experiencing Amish ways. Cost is \$250 for double room and \$300 for single. Final payment is due at the March, 22 meeting. Please call Pat McAllister at 636-397-5678 for all the details.

**Hospital Visits** Please contact the Rectory Office at 636-441-7503 if you or a loved one are hospitalized so that one of our priests can visit.



# *Family Empower Hour*

**Tuesday, March 8**

**6:30 – 7:30 PM**

**at**

**Sts. Joachim and Ann Church**

**Come and spend some interactive prayer time before  
the Blessed Sacrament! Praise and worship, one  
decade of the rosary, petitions, and more!**

**Kid & baby friendly! All are welcome!**

**(Come and go as you are able.)**

**Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do  
not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of  
heaven."**

# A Action C Changes T Things!



## Missouri Right to Life "Show Me Life" Pro-Life Action Day

**Tuesday, March 8, 2022**

**Missouri State Capitol  
1st Floor Rotunda**

**We need you to ACT!**

- Come to Jefferson City on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, for Pro-Life Action Day to encourage your legislators to pass pro-life legislation.
- Registration begins at 10:00 a.m.
- Lobby your legislators and join the noon rally with our special guest.

### *melissa ohden* Life Empowers



Melissa is the survivor of a failed saline abortion. Despite the initial concerns about her future after surviving the attempt to end her life at approximately seven months gestation, she has not only survived but thrived.

Fulfilling the purpose she believes God set out for her when He saved her from the certain death of the abortion attempt, Melissa is truly a voice for the voiceless.

**Bus transportation is available from several sites in the St Louis metro and surrounding areas. Bus registration deadline is March 1.**

Sign up online at [www.easternregionmrl.org/actionday](http://www.easternregionmrl.org/actionday). Or contact Missouri Right to Life-Eastern Region at 314.434.4900.

#### Bus #1

Pick-up locations	Departure	Return
Grasso Plaza - Affton	7:00 a.m.	6:20 p.m.
St. Paul Church - Fenton	7:20 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
Union MO Commuter Lot	8:05 a.m.	5:15 p.m.

#### Bus #2

Pick-up locations	Departure	Return
Kohl's - Creve Coeur	7:00 a.m.	5:45 p.m.
Hobby Lobby - Cave Springs	7:30 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Wentzville Walmart	8:00 a.m.	4:45 p.m.
Warrenton Walmart	8:20 a.m.	4:15 p.m.



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# Diaper Drive

**Weekends of March 12-13 through  
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**Diapers collected will be delivered to those in need in the  
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# SING UNTO THE LORD

Friday March 18, 7pm, J&A Church



## SING UNTO THE LORD

The Concert Choir from Lutheran High School Northwest from Rochester Hills, Michigan and Honors Choir from Lutheran High School Westland from Westland, MI, will combine in their first ever joint tour from March 17-20, 2022, performing three concerts in Metro Saint Louis, Missouri and one in Metro Detroit.

The choirs will lift their voices to "Sing Unto the Lord!" showcasing works from a variety of eras in many different styles including pieces from W.A. Mozart, Michael Barrett, Mark Hayes, and Melissa Dunphy. A free will offering will be taken to defray tour costs. Please join us!

### **Thursday, March 17th, 7:00 PM**

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
9733 Olive Blvd.  
Olivette, MO 63132

### **Friday, March 18th, 7:00 PM**

**Sts. Joachim and Ann Catholic Church**  
**4112 McClay Road**  
**Saint Charles MO 63304**

### **Saturday, March 19th, 7:00 PM**

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
115 S. Sixth St  
St Charles MO 63301

### **Sunday, March 20th, 7:00 PM**

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church  
1100 Lone Pine Rd  
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*This free seminar is for people of all ages and life situations: singles, parents of young families, those caring for aging parents and those facing illness or death. There will be no solicitation at this event.*

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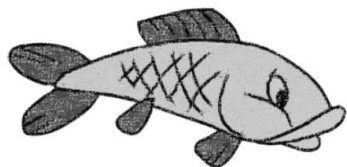
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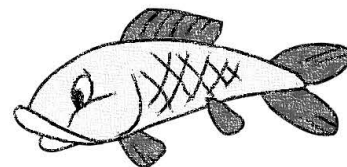
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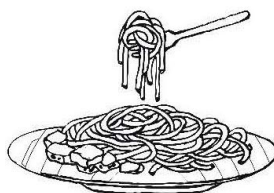
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**Baked Potato**

**Hush Puppies**

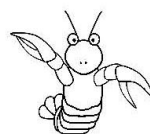
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## Alive In Christ - Scholarship Details

In an effort to increase and retain enrollment of children in Catholic elementary schools, the "Alive in Christ" Scholarship Program seeks to provide financial assistance to those families (both Catholic and Non-Catholic) who wish to offer their children an education at a Catholic elementary school in the archdiocese. Scholarship awards are based upon financial need of the applicant and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applications of all income-eligible families with students attending eligible schools will be considered, regardless of faith. K-4 applications for new students will be given preference and existing students at any grade level are eligible to apply as well.

## 2022-23 Income Eligibility Guidelines

**2022-2023 Alive in Christ Income Guidelines**

Household Size	Award Eligibility	Award Eligibility	Award Eligibility
	100% of \$2000	75% of \$2000	50% of \$2000
2	\$33,434	\$44,485	\$60,896
3	\$37,149	\$49,753	\$68,062
4	\$40,864	\$55,605	\$76,182
5	\$46,353	\$64,515	\$89,208
6	\$50,215	\$71,816	\$102,165
7	\$54,078	\$80,338	\$115,122
8	\$57,941	\$90,075	\$128,077
For each additional child	\$4,704	\$8,704	\$12,752

## Catholic Family Tuition Assistance (CFTA)

The people of the Archdiocese of St. Louis established this endowed fund through their contributions to the Returning God's Gifts campaign. This ten million dollar endowment was established in May, 1999. Grants are made on the basis of financial need as determined by the application process. Grants may be used for Catholic children in Catholic families to attend an archdiocesan or parochial elementary school or an archdiocesan or parochial high school. Annual income guidelines are not published because both income and annual expenses are considered in the award process. The 2022-23 application deadline is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Applications will be considered for students of income-eligible Catholic families who would like to attend grades K-12 at any archdiocesan or parish school. Students who are new to the school and those who already attend will be considered.

## 2022-23 Income Eligibility Guidelines

Not applicable.



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## Safe Environment

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a system for safe environment compliance called **Prevent and Protect STL**. **Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required to register in the system and complete the steps outlined below.** This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. Those new to service must register in Prevent and Protect STL prior to employment or volunteering. Those currently in service must register in the Prevent and Protect STL in order to remain in compliance with Safe Environment.

All clergy, employees and volunteers must:

1. Attend a Protecting God's Children workshop. Upcoming workshops can be found at: <https://www.preventandprotectstl.org/s/stlouis/pgc.htm> For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to the new system.
2. Register for an updated background screening. Screenings will automatically be updated every three months. **There is a one-time \$8 fee for the screening. Payable online by credit card.**
3. View two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct
4. Agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct
5. An online Protecting God's Children refresher will be required every three years.

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT USER REGISTRATION

Got to <https://www.preventandprotectstl.org>

Click "Register" below the LOG IN button (image at right).

Enter the passcode **stlprotect** when prompted.

Location Category:

**Select: Parish or Parish School**

Parish/Location: (Scroll to the bottom of the drop down menu)

**Select: Sts. Joachim and Ann Parish and School**

Click the roles associated with your employment/service at the parish.

If you are active at only one location, this will be your **"primary"** location.

If you are active at more than one location, click the **ADD PARISH/LOCATION** button and repeat the steps above. With more than one location, please click the "This is my main/primary location" circle to indicate where you are employed or, if you are a volunteer, where most of your ministry or service is performed.

Complete your personal information. Please enter your **legal first name** for the purposes of the background screening. Background screenings will automatically be updated every three months.

Create a username, password and password clue. Agree to the Terms of Use and click SUBMIT.

You will then be prompted to submit information for a background screening, register for a Protecting God's Children workshop\*, view two online training modules, and agree to the Code of Ethical Conduct.

\*If you have previously attended a PGC workshop, the system will find and/or ask you to confirm your previous record of attendance. You will not be prompted to register for an upcoming workshop. **If, for some reason, it does not match your previous training to this account and you are prompted to register for a class, please register for December 31, 2020 "PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED-DATE NOT LISTED"** The correct training record will be applied to your account by the Office of Child and Youth Protection.

User may use the links in your approval checklist to access these requirements. These steps may be completed all at once or may be completed separately at your convenience. You will receive an automated email weekly to remind you which requirements are outstanding. When all compliance requirements have been completed, your account will be approved and you will be clear to work with minors and vulnerable adults.

- ☒ Register onto the site
- ☐ [Submit New Background Check](#)
- ☐ Complete ["Protecting God's Children"](#) training
- ☐ Complete ["Mandated Reporter"](#) training
- ☐ Complete ["Code of Conduct"](#) training
- ☐ Sign ["Code of Conduct"](#)

The image shows a web form for logging in or registering. At the top, it says 'LOG IN'. Below this are two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. There is a checkbox labeled 'Remember this account'. Below the input fields is a large blue button labeled 'LOG IN'. Below the 'LOG IN' button are two links: 'Forgot Password' and 'Register'. The 'Register' link is circled in red, and a large blue arrow points to it from the right.

Parish Child Safety Coordinator – Dana Puckett 636-441-7503, [puckett.d@stsja.org](mailto:puckett.d@stsja.org)

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