

Good News

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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When confronted with a new idea or a new way of doing things, many of us hesitate. There is often a bit of fear in trying something new and, truth be told, changing the way we do things is sometimes uncomfortable. I remember when we moved from an apartment to a new house. I was very unsettled for several days until a new routine could be established and the many boxes were out of the way. It was a change, and I didn't like it at first. (Now, of course, I can't imagine that we would have raised our family anywhere else.)

The many disciples who were following Jesus listened intently as he talked to them about living bread and eating and drinking his flesh and blood. That new way of thinking was as unsettling as our new house had been, maybe more so. The apostles who were closest to him even admitted that it was a hard saying to accept, and John records that many followers left him and "returned to their former way of life." But the apostles were willing to wrestle with it not because they were so wise, smart, or understanding, but because they believed that Jesus was the Holy One of God and that compelled them to follow him even to death. They had nowhere else to go; Jesus alone could give them what they craved: eternal life.

I've often wondered what I might have said had Jesus asked me if I wanted to go away also. I hope I could have overcome my fear long enough to recognize Jesus for who he was and for the gift he was bringing me.

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	+E. James Nelson, Jr.
	9:00	Special Intention for the Goodwin Family
	10:30	+John & +Marion Gatti
	12:00	+Art Schoembs
	6:00	Parish
Mon.	6:15	+Kay Kraus
	8:15	+Renato Borja
	12:00	+John Bergman & Special Intention for Jim Carter
Tues.	6:15	+Hilda Martin & Special Intention for Babette Eheman
	8:15	+Dr. Joseph Garbarini
	12:00	+Luke Borger & +Estelle & +Clarence Johnson
Wed.	6:15	+Miguel Armona
	8:15	+Art Schoembs & Special Intention for Vegas Nelson
	12:00	+Bill Prest
Thurs.	6:15	Special Intention for the Nursing Staff at Baptist Hospital
	8:15	+Estrella Lopez
	12:00	+Betsy Lanigan
Fri.	6:15	+Art Schoembs
	8:15	+Bob Reinoehl
	12:00	+Ed Bennett & +Virginia Mayer
Sat.	6:15	+Kermit Kaiser
	8:15	Art Schoembs & Special Intention for Lisa Marie Sherlock
	4:30	+Chuck Gaia & Special Intention for Brooklyn Michael

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Donati+Ralph Donati+Agnes Pierotti+Beth Hutton+Christopher Dunn+Ann Fountain+Ann Lunt+James Wade+Hazel Douglas+Charlie Mezzetti+Lenora Drenning+Barbara Carrigan+Barbara Cushing+Stacy Demos Gore.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Mimi Uhlmann+Doug Grokulsky+Robert Oliphant.

Information

Sacrament of Baptism—Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays following noon Mass. Parents are asked to attend an instructional class prior to the baptism. Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

Adults interested in the Catholic Faith—to learn more about the Catholic Faith, please contact Deacon Jeff Drzycimski at 682-6606, ext. 1953 for information about our R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program.

Sacrament of Marriage—Please contact one of the priests for an appointment at least 6 months in advance of the proposed wedding date. Diocesan policy requires that certain guidelines be met.

Funerals—please call the parish office to make funeral arrangements; our staff will be happy to assist you.

Ministry to the Sick—When a family member is ill, home-bound, or hospitalized, please call the parish office to request prayers and to arrange a pastoral visit. The priests and our lay Ministers to the Sick make regular visits to the sick and home-bound.

Counseling Services—St. Louis Parish participates in the Parish Family Counseling Program of the Diocese of Memphis. Professional available; fees are based on one's ability to pay. Contact Anne McInnis at 722-4711.

Nursery—a nursery is provided in the Clunan Center each weekend at 4:30 pm, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, and noon Masses on Sunday.

August 23rd, 2015— Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS SUNDAY! **COME CELEBRATE** **THE FEAST OF ST. LOUIS**



Tuesday, August 25th is the Feast Day of St. Louis. We will celebrate this **Sunday, August 23rd** from 1-4pm. Those who have been away—you are invited, welcome and wanted.

Mass will be celebrated by Msgr. McArthur and our associate pastors at 12:00 Noon in the church. We will have a picnic, games, music, and fellowship on the grounds. BBQ and drinks will be provided. Bring a dish of potato salad, beans or dessert.

Don't miss this whole day to celebrate the St. Louis family!

PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. Louis Parish has online scheduling for Perpetual Adoration. Visit www.tinyurl.com/SLCCAdoration to sign up to volunteer for one hour per week **or as a substitute. It is not necessary to commit to the slot for each week—substitutes are also needed!**

iPhone & Android app is now available! Download Volunteer Scheduler Pro from the app store on your mobile device and enter our Organization ID *StLouisPerpetualAdoration*.

Volunteers are needed for the following times:

Tuesdays at 1am, 6am

Wednesdays at 3pm

Thursdays at 2pm, 6pm

Fridays at 6pm, 7pm

Saturdays at 12pm

Sundays at 2am, 3am, 5am, 5pm

Contact Jan O'Donnell with questions by email at jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org or call 255-1954.



VIRTUS TRAINING

Virtus (Protecting God's Children) Training will be held in the Clunan Center on **Wednesday, September 9th** at 6:30pm. All who work with children (teachers, coaches, etc.) are required to complete this course. Register online at

www.virtus.org or call 682-2150. Pre-registration is required.



Reminder: Federal regulations prevent hospitals from divulging patient information. If you would like a visit from a priest; contact the church office at 682-6606 or jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND **FEED MY FLOCK**

Feed My Flock is a parish-wide one-day outreach event. A second collection for Feed My Flock will be held on **Saturday, August 22nd** and **Sunday, August 23rd**. Please give generously as our goal is to once again package 150,000 meals! Feed My Flock will be held **Saturday, October 24th**. Call Mary Margaret Koch at 219-4617 for more information.



WOMEN'S RETREAT—INVITATION TO JOY

St. Louis Parish will have a Women's Retreat **Friday, August 28th through Sunday, August 30th** at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center. The theme is *Invitation to Joy*. Suggested offering is \$185 single room or \$155 double room. Come for the day on Saturday for a cost \$90. Contact Pam John at 292-8875 or pjcosmetics@bellsouth.net. Contact Debbie Voyles at Debbie.Voyles@olqp.cdom.org to make your reservation.

YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF MEETINGS



The 2015-2016 Kick-Off meetings for Junior and Senior High Youth Groups will be **Sunday, September 13th** in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center. Junior High meets from 4:30-5:45pm and Senior High meets from 7:15-9pm. Visit their website at www.stlouisyouth.org, their Facebook page at St. Louis Catholic Church Youth Ministry and follow the Youth Group on Twitter at *St_Louis_Youth* and on Instagram at *st.louis_youth_ministry*. To be added to the email distribution list, email Hannah Zaleski at Hannah.zaleski@stlouis.cdom.org and include the grade of your child.

MUSIC MINISTRY

St. Louis Choir will resume rehearsals on **Wednesday, September 2nd** at 7pm in the Clunan Center Music Room. The adult choir sings for Sunday 10:30am Mass and for special liturgies. All who love to sing are invited to join! Please come to our first rehearsal and find out how much fun the St. Louis Choir can be. Contact Ray Mullins, Choir Director, at rmullins@stlouismemphis.org or call the church office at 682-6606.



MEN'S CLUB NEWS

MEN'S CLUB KICK-OFF MEETING

The St. Louis Men's Club will have its annual Kick-Off meeting on **Sunday, September 13th** at 7:15pm in the Dining Hall. All men of the parish are invited; food and refreshments will be served. Sports radio will be there to discuss the upcoming football season as well as other sports related topics. Contact Chris Ybos at cybos@ybosconstruction.com or 359-0002.

MEN'S CLUB APPRECIATION DINNER

The Men's Club Appreciation Dinner will be held on **Saturday, September 18th** at 6:30pm in the Clunan Center. Free dinner and drinks will be served. Spouses and significant others are welcome. We will have televisions available to watch college football games. This is a great opportunity to meet other members of the Parish. Please RSVP to Chris Ybos at cybos@ybosconstruction.com or 359-0002.

MEN'S CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

The St. Louis Men's Club Golf Tournament will be held on **Sunday, September 27th** at Galloway Golf Course. Lunch will be served at 11:30am with a shotgun start at 12:30pm. Cost is \$100 per player to be paid at the golf course on the day of the tournament and includes lunch, golf, beverages, and post-golf snacks. Cash and other prizes will be provided for flight winners, closest to the pin and longest drive. Please sign up prior to **Wednesday, September 23rd** by emailing Curt Soefker at csoefker@yahoo.com.

WEDNESDAY EVENING FUN RUNS

We start our runs every Wednesday at **7pm** rain or shine. Walkers welcome! Meet us on the north side of the Clunan Center before we start to get the route. For information, contact Ray Johnson at ray@johnson.org or text/call 704-281-4575.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA & LOURDES WITH FR. DEXTER NOBLEFRANCA

Fatima Santiago de Compostela, and Lourdes Pilgrimage, **April 5th-15th, 2016** with Fr Dexter Noblefranca. The price from Memphis with 2 meals included every day is \$3790 plus \$148 taxes. There are many extra visits included plus a stop at a Eucharistic Miracle in Santarem, Portugal. If you saw the movie, The Way, you will want to explore Santiago. Fatima and Lourdes are very powerful shrines with messages for today. Itinerary may be seen on www.traveltyme.com or brochures are available in the Church office. A \$400 deposit will hold your place. Contact Jeannie Presley at 335-4563 for information. We would encourage you to join us. All are welcome.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the altar are donated from the wedding of **April Dalehite** and **Nicholaus Smith**.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for **Sarah Pardeel** and **Zach Nicholson** and for the first time for **Mary Griffin Tate** and **Whit Orians**.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray for those who care patiently for elderly people with dignity and respect.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 30th
First Reading Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
Psalm Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)
Second Reading James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Gospel Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

PRAYERS FOR THE ARMED FORCES

Please keep the men and women serving in Iraq, and other conflict areas around the world, in your prayers as well as their families. Pray especially for William Newsham, Jonathan Paul Morales, Robert Bender, Desiree Bender, Brad Israel, Major Michael Geiger and Capt. Charlie Kennedy.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of August 16th, 2015

Total collection	37,190
Envelopes	31,318
Electronic	4,207
Loose	1,665
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	1,684
Donated by envelopes	408 families
Donated electronically	68 families
Non-participants	1,208 families
28% of families participated ... 72% did not	

NOTE: Roof Project for Clunan Center and gyms—\$163,808



BISHOP'S OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 28th Annual Bishop's Open Golf Tournament will be held on **Friday, September 11th** with 8am and 1:15pm flights at Quail Ridge Golf Course. To register and for sponsorship opportunities, visit www.bishopsopen.org.



BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

The Health and Wellness Ministry will be doing free Blood Pressure screenings on the following 4:30pm Mass on **Saturday, September 12th** and from 8:30am-12pm on **Sunday, September 13th** in the Clunan Center.