

## Good News

### Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Mary Katharine Deeley*

The undergraduate students with whom I work are part of a generation whose opportunities to serve others began in grade school. Regardless of religious affiliation, culture, or race, these students raised money, contributed to canned food drives, helped at food pantries, or built houses with their classmates or fellow club members. Now in college, they have hundreds of opportunities to help those less fortunate which are sponsored by this nonreligious institution alone, let alone the many more offered by their respective religious houses and communities. For the most part, they serve willingly, even eagerly. But I find that few of them sit down to reflect on the good work they do. They rarely consider the call to solidarity with the poor or the command of Christ to love one another. They just have a felt sense that they should.

For Catholics, as for all Christians, this felt sense has its roots in the faith we proclaim. If we truly believe that Christ is the Son of God and our Savior, our faith compels us to do what he did and to love as he loved. And it is more than that. Many people do service work because it's the right thing to do or because they want to give back. Those are good reasons. But we are called to be in a relationship of love with those we serve. We are challenged to see not only how we might serve them but to see the gifts they bring to us and how they shape our lives. We are called to accept them as our brothers and sisters.

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## Masses

Sun.	7:30	Special Intention for Dorothy Jermann
	9:00	+Eduardo Fernandez
	10:30	+Gordon Wills, Sr.
	12:00	+Iris Carmel da Lomba
	6:00	Parish
Mon.	6:15	+Kay Kraus
	8:15	Special Intention for Dorothy Jermann & John Rose
	12:00	+Bob Moore & Special Intention for Joe & Ellen McNally
Tues.	6:15	+Luke & +Mary Borger
	8:15	+Art Schoembs & Special Intention for Joe & Linda Jenkins
	12:00	+Hugh & +Virginia Walsh
Wed.	6:15	+Bill Keefe
	8:15	+Ed Harrison & Special Intention for Winnie Costello
	12:00	Special Intention for John Pinkston
Thurs.	6:15	+Helen McGraw
	8:15	Special Intention for children at St. Jude
	12:00	Special Intention for Andrew Ausi
Fri.	6:15	+Luke Schanzer, Sr.
	8:15	Special Intention for Johnny & Katie Riley
	12:00	+Jim Craven & +Betty Hayes
Sat.	6:15	Special Intention for Teresa Bounds & Jude & Genevie Nelson
	8:15	+Pamela Townsend Becallo
	4:30	+Jim Bedwell & +Chuck Gaia

Prayers are requested for the sick: Clayton Smith+Chris Smith+Bob Crenshaw+Alma Potts+Janet Bowens+Emil Cerngul+Terry Williams+Wendy Ray+Renate Broecker+Cecilia Hudson+Elena Canaan+Lee Faison+Sue Hughes.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Charlie Mezzetti+Jimmy Simmons+Ann Porteous Butterworth.

## 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.

# September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015— Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF MEETINGS



The 2015-2016 Kick-Off meetings for Junior and Senior High Youth Groups will be **Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>** 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. Dinner will be served. For information, visit [www.stlouisyouth.org](http://www.stlouisyouth.org). You may also visit the 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.

## 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 13<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:cybos@ybosconstruction.com) or 359-0002.

### MEN'S CLUB APPRECIATION DINNER

The Men's Club Appreciation Dinner will be held on **Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto: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 27<sup>th</sup>** 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 23<sup>rd</sup>** by emailing Curt Soefker at [csoefker@yahoo.com](mailto:csoefker@yahoo.com).

## BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

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



## SECOND COLLECTION FOR

### THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

There will be a second collection for the St. Louis Chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society this weekend, **Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** and **Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**.

## ALTAR GUILD MEETING

Ladies of the parish are invited to attend the Altar Guild's first meeting of the year on **Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** at noon. We will celebrate Mass followed by lunch at the home of Becky Kraker, 214 Fleur de Lis Cove. Please join us as we kick off the year with an "Attitude of Gratitude" for our wonderful church parish.



## BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

St. Louis Parish has made our financial goal for the Annual Appeal with 45% of parishioners contributing. If you have not contributed, please prayerfully consider sharing in the responsibility of the mission of the Church in West Tennessee.

## YOUNG MOMS BIBLE STUDY

Are you a young mother . . . or perhaps just the mother of young children, looking for a bible study? Join us! We meet on Thursdays from 10-11:30am in the Clunan Center. Childcare will be provided for children up to 5 years old in the nursery. The book is "Beloved and Blessed" by Kimberly Hahn Contact Katie Abart at [klyons218@gmail.com](mailto:klyons218@gmail.com) or 229-1540 or Jen McBride at [jen.s.mcbride@gmail.com](mailto:jen.s.mcbride@gmail.com) or 481-5902.

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE/EKKLESIA THURSDAY COMING TO ST. LOUIS

Her message is for PEACE in our world and our families. Mark your calendars: **Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>** from 12-8pm. Bill Sockey, Custodian, will speak at 1pm and 7pm. Visit [www.lifefatima.org](http://www.lifefatima.org) or contact Tine Winterrowd at [Williams\\_tine@msn.com](mailto:Williams_tine@msn.com) for more information.

At 5:45pm, there will be an Ekklesia Dinner in the Clunan Center. Cost is \$5 per person. Visit [www.tinyurl.com/StLouisEkklesia](http://www.tinyurl.com/StLouisEkklesia) or call the church office at 682-6606 to make a reservation for dinner or to sign up to volunteer to help.

## QUEEN OF PEACE

Rosary, Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration begin at 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** at St. Louis Church. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. Louis Parish has online scheduling for Perpetual Adoration. Visit [www.tinyurl.com/SLCCAdoration](http://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:

Mondays at 11am

Tuesdays at 1am, 6am

Wednesdays at 3pm

Fridays at 7pm

Saturdays at 12pm

Sundays at 2am, 3am, 5am, 12pm, 5pm

Contact Jan O'Donnell with questions by email at [jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org](mailto:jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org) or call 255-1954.



## FEED MY FLOCK SIGNUP

Signups for Feed My Flock will be held in the Narthex following all Masses this weekend. You may also sign up online at <http://tinyurl.com/feedmyflock>. Feed My Flock is a parish-wide food packaging event and will be held on **Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**.

Over 700 volunteers come together to package meals for the hungry. Our goal is to package 150,000 meals! If you have questions, call Mary Margaret Koch at 219-4617.

## LEBONHEUR

**Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** will be our only meal served this month. We've planned a tailgating party since it is now football season. Check the sign up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0948afae2c7-parish>. Menus for the rest of the year are being added. Those single serve items for the pantry are always needed. If you can donate pantry items, just leave them in the parish office. We will check often and get them to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor at the hospital for you. If you have problems with the sign up or any other questions, please call me - Cathy Freres at 685-1934 or 496-2025.

## ST. ANGELA MINISTRY

Our first event will be BOWLING!!! We will Meet **Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** from 4-5:30pm at Billy Hardwick Bowling Alley. We will have pizza and drinks. There is no cost. Please RSVP by emailing [sewjustimagine@att.net](mailto:sewjustimagine@att.net) or calling 849-6530.

## ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet on **Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** from 10:30-11:30am in the Clunan Center.

## Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are in memory of **Louis and Betty Orians, Philip and Betsy Burke, and Stephen Wilson Quinn, Sr.**, donated from the wedding of **Mary Griffin Tate and White Orians**.

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for **Erin Courtney and Jeff Townsend** and for the first time for **Natalie Barnoud and Ryan Allen**.

## ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray for the generous volunteers of the St. Vincent de Paul Society who strive to help the poor.

## NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 20<sup>th</sup>

First Reading Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Psalm Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)

Second Reading James 3:16-4:3

Gospel Mark 9:30-37

## 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 September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Total collection	<b>\$34,012</b>
Envelopes	26,868
Electronic	5,401
Loose	1,743
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	<b>1,684</b>
Donated by envelopes	266 families
Donated electronically	45 families
Non-participants	1,373 families
19% of families participated . . . <b>81% did not</b>	

NOTE: Monthly Utilities—\$18,833

## LIFE CHAIN

Life Chain Sunday will be **Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>** from 2-3pm. St. Louis will stand on Poplar at White station in front of the Starbucks. Last year we had so many that we also covered the sidewalk in front of Walgreens. Let's do that again! Blessed once more, we will have a Eucharistic procession from St. Louis starting at 1:30pm in front of the Clunan Center and prayerfully walk to our spot with Our Lord. Join us as we pray and stand for the unborn in our world who are not protected against the evils of abortion. We pray one day abortion will no longer be a choice in our land. Bring the family.

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

Fatima Santiago de Compostela, and Lourdes Pilgrimage, **April 5<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://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.

**FAITH MAGAZINE**

In the diocese's print publication, Faith West Tennessee, you will read about local Catholics who put their faith in action. For \$18 a year (\$1.50 per month) the magazine will help you to explore your faith and to evangelize. Donations over \$18 help to cover working costs of the Memphis Diocese's website ([www.cdom.org](http://www.cdom.org)), weekly online news in the West Tennessee Catholic, the diocesan calendar and Facebook – always with free access for you.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES WORKSHOP**

**Come And See—Sharing Love, Giving Voice**

This workshop is offered by the Parish Social Ministry Office of Catholic Charities of West Tennessee. This workshop begins a series of opportunities addressing the role of citizens from a Catholic perspective. Brian Corbin, National Executive Vice-President for External Relations, Catholic Charities USA and Peter Gathje, PhD, Professor of Christian Ethics, Memphis Theological Seminary and Founder of Manna House, will lead on **Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>** from 11:30am-4:15pm at St. Louis Church. Lunch is included. Reservations are required. Register: <http://ccwtnpsm10-10-15.eventbrite.com>.

**INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

Join Fr. Dexter Noblefranca on a Pilgrimage to the Philippines for the 51<sup>st</sup> International Eucharistic Congress. The meeting takes place **January 21–February 2, 2016** in Cebu, Philippines. The group going from our diocese will experience a pilgrimage designed especially for parishioners of the Catholic Diocese of Memphis. To attend with Fr. Dexter, please register by **December 21<sup>st</sup>**. For more information please call Faith Journeys at 1-877-732-4845, option 1. To see a full color brochure with itinerary, visit [www.myfaithjourneys.com/login](http://www.myfaithjourneys.com/login) and enter group #16050.

*Parish Religious Education News*

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
TEACHERS NEEDED**

St. Louis Church is seeking one additional volunteer teacher for Parish Religious Education classes. PRE is offered for grades Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> for students who do not attend Catholic schools. Parishioners willing to assist in these programs are asked to contact Sonya Fleck at 921-1833.

**DIRECTOR OF SUNDAY SCHOOL  
& VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**

St. Louis Church is currently seeking someone who can take on the responsibility of running the Sunday School program during 10:30am Mass for 3-5 year olds, as well as volunteers for Vacation Bible School. Parishioners willing to assist in these programs are necessary for them to continue. Please contact Deacon Jeff Drzycimski, Director of Religious Education, at 682-6606 or 240-7649, or [deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com](mailto:deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com).

**R.C.I.A.**

R.C.I.A. is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. This program is designed to help non-Catholics learn about the Catholic faith. Meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. If you are interested in learning about the Catholic faith or if you are interested in helping someone who is pursuing the faith, contact Deacon Jeff Drzycimski, Director of Religious Education at 682-6606 or [deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com](mailto:deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com) or Anna Shelton at [anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org](mailto:anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org).

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

The 15<sup>th</sup> Campaign of 40 Days for Life prayer vigil will begin **Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** and continue thru **Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**. We pray for 40 days from 6am-6pm. We join people from all over the world in prayer for 40 days, begging our Lord to change the hearts of the mothers seeking an abortion, for the workers and for all who betray the dignity of women and the unborn. Our physical presence brings a witness of Christ's love and mercy. We offer help, hope and love to all who enter Planned Parenthood at 2430 Poplar. Planned Parenthood has been exposed for what they do and we must declare *no woman ever needs to enter a Planned Parenthood*. Visit [www.40daysforlife.com/Memphis](http://www.40daysforlife.com/Memphis) or call Libby Parks 355-8546.

**BOWLING FUN NIGHT**

St. Louis Fun Night at Billy Hardwick's All-Star Lanes each Tuesday from 6:30-8:30pm. Cost is \$5 and includes shoe rental. No registration required.

## ROOM IN THE INN

**“For I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in.” Matthew 25:35**



St. Louis Parish is launching into an already established ministry in Memphis called Room in the Inn. We have committed to sponsoring and running the Inn ten nights this winter to help make a difference to those without a home. In partnership with Colonial Cumberland Presbyterian Church (1500 S. Perkins Rd.) we will feed, shelter and provide fellowship to 12-14 homeless men and women on our scheduled nights. A warm place on a cold night can mean the difference between life and death. We need your help. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/SLCRITI> to volunteer. For information call Pam Scarbrough at 763-0295 or Ann Drennan at 674-2117.

### ST. THERESE RAVIOLI/SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Therese will hold a Ravioli/Spaghetti Dinner on **Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>** from 11am-2pm at St. Therese Church. Ravioli plate is \$8, spaghetti plate is \$6, combination plate is \$8. Free spaghetti for children under 5 years old.



### WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Please join us every Tuesday in the Clunan Center Meeting Room to discuss The Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans. We are using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible which can be purchased at St. Paul's Book Store. We are studying the *Gospel of Mark*. Meeting time is Tuesdays from 11:30am-12:30pm.



### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

All are invited to our SVDP Feast Day Mass here at St. Louis on **Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** & our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for the Poor at CBHS on **Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**. Walkers are appreciated and needed. For a fun Saturday, please sign up at [www.svdpmemphis.org](http://www.svdpmemphis.org) or pick up a card from the poster in the narthex. Let's make St. Louis parish the largest supporter of SVDP and help feed the poor in Memphis. God bless!

### 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. Beginning **Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** run will begin at 6pm. For information, contact Ray Johnson at [ray@johnson.org](mailto:ray@johnson.org) or text/call 704-281-4575.



## FLEUR DE LIS

REMEMBER, we are meeting on **Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>** this month! We'll meet in the Clunan Center at 6pm for hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner at 6:30pm. A guest speaker from Whole Foods Market will give a presentation on healthy eating. Cost will be \$10 per person as we are having Leonard's catering a chicken dinner. Call Cathy or Fred at 685-1934 to make your reservation by Monday, the 14<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars for OKTERBERFEST next month. It will be **Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

### CATHOLIC DIVORCE CARE MINISTRY

Join other divorced Catholics on a 6-week journey toward finding the hope, healing and peace you may be seeking. This program offers valuable insight for everyone. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Cost \$20 per person includes a "Personal Survival Guide" and all materials. Sessions begin **Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>** from 6-8pm in the Clunan Center. For more information or to register, please call the Office of Pastoral Life Ministries at 373-1224 or email [alma.abuelouf@cc.cdom.org](mailto:alma.abuelouf@cc.cdom.org). Registration forms may be found at [www.cdom.org](http://www.cdom.org).

### OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center is 10 years old! Come celebrate with us on **Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** from 3-6pm. Our new statue of Mary will be blessed at 3pm followed by a picnic and concert with John Angotti at 3:30pm. Free hamburgers/hot dogs/cold drinks or bring your own special treats. For information: [www.olqpretreats.com](http://www.olqpretreats.com) or call (731) 548-2500.

### THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Morning Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 9:30am in the Meeting Room. The Study is entitled "Mercy A Bible Study Guide For Catholics" by Fr Mitch Pacwa. Each of the six sessions in this study will help you rediscover the incredible history of God's mercy in your own life, which in turn will lead you to an understanding of the importance of extending God's love and mercy to the world around you. Contact Kathy Hackett at [kahackett@yahoo.com](mailto:kahackett@yahoo.com).

### Grief Support Group

An eight week grief support group will begin on **Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30 – 8:00pm, at Methodist Hospice, 6416 Quince Road. Mrs. Reba David, Minister of Consolation, will lead the group. If you have experienced the death of a loved one, you are welcome and invited to attend. For additional information and registration, contact Reba David at 754-7085.