

## Good News

### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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Like many people, when I hear the words “king” and “queen,” I have an image formed by fairy tales and historical novels. The rulers of countries live in castles. They wear crowns and long capes and sit on thrones while their loyal subjects pay them homage. While I am aware that modern kings and queens wear “regular” clothes unless tradition dictates otherwise and that castles have become more contemporary, I still watch royal weddings for a glimpse of the pageantry that fed my childhood fantasies.

Pilate had an idea of what kings were like, too. In the first century, kings made laws and led people into battle. They had great armies and were a danger to another country’s way of life. The Jews kept talking about a Messiah who would become king and destroy Israel’s enemies. Pilate wasn’t taking any chances. For Rome’s sake, he would get rid of anyone who seemed a threat.

What Pilate failed to realize was that Israel’s king had a very specific function, and it was not to make laws or lead armies. Instead, the king was to study and obey the Law of God and become himself the example of obedience (see Dt 17:18–20). When Pilate called Jesus “the King of the Jews,” his words were truer than he knew, for Jesus was obedient to his Father, even unto accepting death for our sake. But Pilate had no idea why he was right because he was thinking in human terms.

Today we honor Christ, the king of the Jews, of all of us, and of the whole universe. Let us see him as he is and do as he does.

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## Masses

Sun.	7:30	+Grace Venuti
	9:00	Parish
	10:30	+Eric Milkent
	12:00	+Grace Catherine Goodwin
	6:00	+Sean Michael Bolton
Mon.	6:15	In honor of St. Expedite
	8:15	Special Intention for Jeannie Cooley & Mary Carroll
	12:00	+Louis Nobert
Tues.	6:15	Special Intention for Tommy Love Gorman
	8:15	+Sissy & +Bill Trigg
	12:00	+Bob Moore
Wed.	6:15	+Luke Schanzer
	8:15	+Rosemary Kern & Special Intention for Ann Margaret Costello
	12:00	+Lorene Bass & +Luke Schanzer
Thurs.	6:15	+Sonny Gowan
	9:00	+Theresa Higgins
Fri.	6:15	+Kay Kraus
	8:15	+Cole Harrison Smith
	12:00	+Mary Jorgensen & Special Intention for Winnie Dean Costello
Sat.	6:15	+Jake Buschor
	8:15	+Special Intention for Johnny Baker Costello
	4:30	+Charlie Mezzetti & +Bob Crenshaw

Prayers are requested for the sick: Don Dowling+Peggie Sue Weir+Tim Corrigan+Jean Donati+Frankie Stentz+Danette Brown+Thomas Holland+Deacon Jim Champion+Sarah Beth Overcash+Duane Sell.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Dan Thompson+Charlotte Clunan+Bruce Lamey.

## 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.

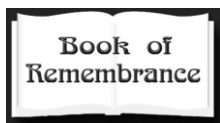
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## YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS



Senior High Youth Group Small Groups will go out for dinner at 7pm on **Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Junior High Youth Group will meet from 4:30-5:45pm on **Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>** in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center. For the calendar and other 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.

## BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



During the month of November, every year we remember our loved ones who have died. We invite you to write the names of your beloved in the Book of Remembrance which will be located in the Narthex throughout November. This book will be a sign of our prayers for all those deceased and of our communion with them through the death and resurrection of Christ.

## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET SIGN UP

In honor of the year of Mercy, Msgr. McArthur is starting the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Church. The Chaplet will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 2:30pm (so moms picking up kids can attend). It will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:45am (following the children's mass). We are in need of volunteers on every day but Wednesdays. Please contact Susan Smith at [Sbsmith408@aol.com](mailto:Sbsmith408@aol.com) or Libby Parks at [libbykpark@gmail.com](mailto:libbykpark@gmail.com).

## PRISON MINISTRY

Each Christmas, we supply 600 inmates of C.C.A. Prison in Mason, Tennessee, a Christmas package containing a white towel, large bar of soap, large toothpaste, pen, and four Christmas cards. We would appreciate cash or check donations so the items may be purchased in bulk. Donations may be left in the church office. Christmas cards will be needed to fill the packages.

## SAVE THE DATE!

### MARDI GRAS DINNER & PARADE

The St. Louis Men's Club will sponsor the annual Mardi Gras Dinner and Parade on **Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**. The theme will be "Favorite Sports Teams". Email Greg Crone for information at [croneg@bellsouth.net](mailto:croneg@bellsouth.net).

## SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend **Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>** and **Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>** will be for the Campaign for Human Development.

## THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE

Mass will be celebrated at St. Louis Church at 6:15am and 9am on **Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**. The 9am Mass will be a special Family Mass of Thanksgiving. There will be no 8:15am or 12noon Masses on Thanksgiving Day. A collection of non-perishable food items will be collected for our St. Vincent de Paul Society.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Louis SVDP appreciates your generosity in helping the poor. Curt Mayhew recently compiled our annual report and a few items to share with you follow. St. Louis has 38 active members. St. Louis helped approximately 950 families this past year including about 80 church drop ins. We made 870 home visits. This involved over 1,825 service hours and 5,676 miles driven to visit the poor. Our members also take daily phone calls from our dedicated line 236-9327. We visit the poor in their homes as per SVDP guidelines. Home visits are made by 2 or more of our members, never alone. We never catch up and always have people waiting for home visits. If you are interested in helping the poor thru SVDP, please join us the first Monday each month at 6 pm in the Clunan Center or call 755-8213 for more information. On **Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm we will have our Christmas potluck dinner after the Immaculate Conception Mass at 6pm. RSVP to Linda Clark phone 569-1355. Thank you for your continued generosity. We hope you all have a Happy Thanksgiving. God bless!

## ST. BENEDICT AT AUBURNDALE

### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES

Congratulations to these parishioners who were recently inducted into the National Honor Society at St. Benedict at Auburndale:

**Courtney Cremerius**  
**Sara Griesbeck**  
**Shea Short**

**Malia Sorce**  
**Nicole Wallis**

## LEBONHEUR

In November, we'll do lunch on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Check [www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0948afae2c7-parish](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0948afae2c7-parish). Call Cathy at 685-1934 if you have questions.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION



Signups will be held on **Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** and **Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** in the Narthex following all Masses. A chart will be available showing the days and times adorers are most needed.

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*.

The only slot with **no** adorer is **Saturdays at 12pm**. Many slots have only one adorer and there is a great need to have at least two adorers per shift.

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

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## ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet on **Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>** from 10:30-11:30am in the Clunan Center.

## 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.



## KNITTING & CROCHETING MINISTRY



The St. Louis Knitting Ministry meets on Sundays from 1-3pm. People who crochet (in preferred yarn) are also needed. Beginners are welcome.

Members supply their own materials (donations welcomed!). Needs and demands are growing tremendously to wrap newborns and sick in God's love. Call Charlotte B. Parry at 820-0531 for information.

**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](mailto:jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org).

## ST. LOUIS CRADLE ROLL



St. Louis Cradle Roll welcomes **Jackson Arthur Wendt**, born November 8<sup>th</sup>, son of **Stephanie and Arthur Wendt**, grandson of **Linda and Pete Sciara and Cecilia and John Wendt**.

## ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray that those who need the blessings of health and liberty find God's abundant healing in their lives.

## NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

First Sunday of Advent

First Reading	Jeremiah 33:14-16
Psalms	Psalms 25
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Gospel	Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

## 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 Jonathan Paul Morales, Robert Bender, Desiree Bender, Brad Israel, Capt. Charlie Kennedy, and Philip Principi.

## OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of November 15, 2015

Total collection	<b>\$37,741</b>
Envelopes	32,881
Electronic	3,841
Loose	1,019
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	<b>1,711</b>
Donated by envelopes	417 families
Donated electronically	69 families
Non-participants	1,225 families
29% of families participated . . . <b>71% did not</b>	
Visit <a href="http://www.stlouischurchmphis.org">www.stlouischurchmphis.org</a> to give online.	

## 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS—THE UNTOLD STORY

SBA presents "The 12 Days of Christmas – the Untold Story" on **Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>-Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** at 7 pm, **Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** Matinee at 2:30pm. A rollicking original version of the 12 Days story. Tickets-\$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. 260-2840.

## ST. AGNES ACADEMY—ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

St. Agnes Academy—St. Dominic School will host a Coffee and Conversation on **Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**. Prospective parents and students for the 2016-2017 school year are welcome to drop in Siena Hall's Admissions Office during the school day to tour the campus and explore financial aid opportunities. Visit [www.saa-sds.org](http://www.saa-sds.org) or email [admissions@saa-sds.org](mailto:admissions@saa-sds.org).



### SAA-SDS GINGERBREAD HOUSE

St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School invites you to The Gingerbread House—A Sweet Shopping Extravaganza on **Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>** and **Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** in Siena Hall. The Gingerbread House features over 60 vendors, pictures with Santa, and much more! There is a Ladies Night Preview Party on **Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30-9:30pm. Cost for Ladies Night is \$35 for advance purchase and \$40 at the door. The Gingerbread House is open for shopping **Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** from 8am-4pm and admission is \$5. Santa will stop by from 10am-2pm. Shoppers can select from a wide array of merchandise, including clothing, jewelry, artwork, food, sporting goods and holiday decorations. For more information, contact [ebennet@saa-sds.org](mailto:ebennet@saa-sds.org) or call 435-5826.

### DEMONSTRATE YOUR THANKFULNESS THIS SEASON

Each holiday season, St. Louis Church anticipates and relies on a seasonal increase in contributions. It is through the donations of every individual and family in the congregation that we are able to carry on our work now and throughout the year.

If you need a convenient way to make recurring contributions or plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to check out our electronic giving options. As the pace of life speeds up around the holidays, you may find electronic giving a most welcome way to make contributions.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit our website at [www.stlouischurchmphs.org](http://www.stlouischurchmphs.org) and click on the Online Giving button. Thank you for your generosity and support!

### HEALING THE HEALERS

“Healing the Healers”: Reflections on Emotional and Spiritual Wounds and Healing Morning of Reflection for all Ministers to the Sick with Fr. Ben Bradshaw will be held on **Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church beginning with 8:15am Mass in the Chapel. Program: 9-11am in the Family Life Center, Room 113. RSVP by **Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>** to 373-1237 or [Pam.ray@cc.cdom.org](mailto:Pam.ray@cc.cdom.org).

### WEDNESDAY EVENING GLOW RUNS

We start our runs every Wednesday at 6pm sharp, no matter the weather. Walkers welcome! Meet us on the north side of the Clunan Center before we start to get the route. Wear reflective gear and bring something that glows or a runners lite, the more colors the better! For more info or to get on the weekly email list, contact Ray Johnson at [ray@johnson.org](mailto:ray@johnson.org) or text/call 704-281-4575.

### 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.

### 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. Please make checks payable to St. Louis and drop in collection basket or leave in church office. Donations over \$18 help to cover working costs of the Memphis Diocese’s communications.

### *Parish Religious Education News*

#### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS NEEDED

St. Louis Church is seeking three additional volunteer teachers 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.

#### R.C.I.A.

RCIA, or the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is the process through which non-Catholics come into the Catholic Church. There will **not** be a class on **Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**. For more information, contact Deacon Jeff Drzycimski, Director of Religious Education, at 682-6606, ext. 1953, or [deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com](mailto:deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com).

### WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

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



## VETERANS DAY THANK YOU

Thank you to all of our veterans who attended the Veterans Day Ceremony at St. Louis Catholic School. We appreciate you spending your morning with us. In honor of all of our veterans, SLCS raised and donated \$350.00 to the VA Medical Center of Memphis. The students also donated toiletries to be used at the hospital. Thank you to all who participated in and supported our Veterans Day Ceremony.

## 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).

## MADONNA CIRCLE

### Calling all Catholic Women!!



Madonna Circle, A Catholic Women's Service Organization, is turning 80 this year and we would love for you to join us! We are a group of Catholic women that provide service, fellowship, and spiritual growth in the Gospel tradition. Madonna Circle serves St. John's Jubilee School, St. Peter Manor, and many other organizations under our Random Acts of Kindness program. Please take a moment to visit our website at [www.madonnacircle.org](http://www.madonnacircle.org) to see all the wonderful things we are doing and consider becoming a member of this amazing organization! Contact Lisa Berry at [lfberry@comcast.net](mailto:lfberry@comcast.net) or 219-8308 or Paige Emanuel at [pgemanuel@comcast.net](mailto:pgemanuel@comcast.net) or 494-0445.

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

Fatima Santiago de Compostela, and Lourdes Pilgrimage, **April 5-15<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.

## EMAIL UPDATES

St. Louis Church has an email database which is used to send out news about parish events and activities. Please contact us at [jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org](mailto:jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org) if you would like your email address to be included or updated.

## OFFERTORY CHECKS

Many parishioners make their weekly offertory contribution by check and do not use their envelope. This requires the office staff to look up the account number. If you do not know your account number, please contact Anna Shelton at 255-1952 or [anna.shelton@stlouis.com.org](mailto:anna.shelton@stlouis.com.org).

## ST. MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN

Are you looking for that perfect gift for that special someone, family, friend, coworker, or boss, who has everything? Make a tax deductible donation to St. Mary's Soup Kitchen. An acknowledgement card will be mailed to them per your donation. Contact Nancy at 522-9420 or mail donation and names to St. Mary's Catholic Church, 155 Market, Memphis, TN 38105.

## 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.

## CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Catholic Medical Association of Memphis will meet on **Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** at St. Francis Hospital. We will celebrate Mass in the Longinotti auditorium at 6:30pm followed by supper. Speaker will be Church Health Center founder Dr. Scott Morris discussing "What Is Christian Healthcare?" All Catholic physicians, dentists and nurses and health care professionals are invited. RSVP by **Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>** to Dr. Santiago Vera at [svera@uthsc.edu](mailto:svera@uthsc.edu).

## NURSERY & CRY ROOM

Children are always welcome at St. Louis Catholic Church. We strive to provide a church home for all. However, it is distracting to others if children play loudly and talk during Mass. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of our nursery or cry room in order to allow all present to fully experience the celebration of Mass. Infants and children through 3 years old are welcome in our Nursery, which is well-staffed by professional childcare providers who are part of our Mother's Day Out team. Staff members are assisted by teenagers who have completed the Red Cross Babysitting Certification Course. There is no charge for the nursery.