

## Good News

### Palm Sunday

*Mary Katharine Deeley*

On Palm Sunday, we gather as a Church to celebrate Jesus' coming into Jerusalem and hear the story of his passion and death. Each Gospel writer tells the story a little differently. Each one lifts up different faces and characters, and through their eyes we watch what unfolds.

Luke's Gospel is the only one that mentions the women who followed Jesus from Galilee (23:55-56). We know nothing about these women other than where they came from, but two things stand out: These women temporarily set aside their Passover preparations to care for a man who had been publicly condemned as a criminal, and they were willing to look their beloved Jesus' death full in the face. They watched while Joseph of Arimathea lay him in the tomb and made sure that Jesus would be cared for even in death. They saw where he was buried and laid out and then went to prepare the spices and oils that would anoint his body and honor it.

Today, these women are examples of the countless anonymous disciples who quietly challenge culture and politics to follow the Lord's call. We rarely notice them, even now, but they are in our churches and our neighborhoods, willing to do what needs to be done, even if it means suffering, sacrificing, or looking rejection and death in the face. As we enter Holy Week, these people just might be the companions we need.

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## Masses

Sun.	7:30	+Jeanne Fisher & +Tim Corrigan
	9:00	+Dick Lanigan
	10:30	Parish
	12:00	+Charles Patrick Warriner, Sr.
	6:00	+D.T. Capote
Mon.	6:15	Special Intention for Gloria Andereck
	8:15	+Dick Lanigan
	12:00	+Cathie Kirk
Tues.	6:15	+Cathie Kirk
	8:15	Special Intention for Camille Thompson
	12:00	+Emmett O'Ryan
Wed.	6:15	Special Intention for Johnny & Mary Ann Martin
	8:15	+Katherine Joyce
	12:00	+Paul Saxon & Special Intention for Tom Mack

### Holy Thursday

### Good Friday

### Holy Saturday

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Donati+Lewis Proctor+Gloria Andereck+Kathleen Bryant+Cliff Davis+Jean Garbarini+Alani Stocks+Sally Thomason+Teresa Bounds+Jeannia Lucchesi+David H. Klyce+Raymond Kopp+Susan Mellen.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Deacon Jerry Herbers+Jim Eikner+Lawrence Lester.

## 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.

# March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016—Palm Sunday

## BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Last weekend was our Parish Commitment Weekend for the 2016 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet completed your card, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office. We would like 100% participation in our one faith, one family which is the Diocese of Memphis.

## JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Pope Francis has called for a special Jubilee Year of Mercy. St. Louis Parish will offer the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Church at 2:30pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and following the 8:15am Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Susan Smith at [Sbsmith408@aol.com](mailto:Sbsmith408@aol.com) or Libby Parks at [libbykarks@gmail.com](mailto:libbykarks@gmail.com).



## 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. **Adorers are needed at 7pm on Tuesdays and Fridays.**

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.

## LENT SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Here is a chance, as a family, to do a positive simple service for Lent. St. Louis has over 300 homebound and/or active older parishioners. They are a very important part of the parish. Each Easter we deliver a flower to them from the church. Msgr. McArthur is asking for families to volunteer to deliver just one—yes, just one flower to these families. God will bless your service and generosity. Flowers, recipient's name and address may be picked up in the church office.



## JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Confessions will be heard on **Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup>** from 5-6pm in addition to our regular confession schedule of Saturdays 3:30-4:30 and 20 minutes before each Sunday Mass and Holy Week opportunities.

## WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Women of the Word will not meet on **Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>** due to Holy Week.

## HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION

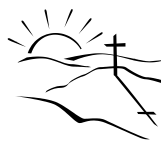
The Collection on **Holy Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>** will be for parish charity.

## GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

The Collection on **Good Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** will be for the maintenance of the sacred edifices of the Holy Land.

## SECOND COLLECTION EASTER SUNDAY

The Second Collection Easter weekend **March 26<sup>th</sup>** and **27<sup>th</sup>** is for the education of our seminarians.



## 31<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL EASTER SUNRISE MASS

You are invited to celebrate Mass at Calvary Cemetery on **Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** at 6:45 a.m. Rev. Msgr. John McArthur will be the celebrant; Rev. Msgr. Valentine Handwerker will be the homilist.

## DOORS OF MERCY: EXPLORING GOD'S COVENANT WITH YOU



JUBILEE  
Year of Mercy

Join us! For only the fourth time in Church history, the Pope has declared an Extraordinary Jubilee Year. And the focus? Mercy. Learn to give and receive forgiveness, to forgive others, to forgive yourself. This is not a bible study, there is no written homework, just eight simple sessions that will help you to experience God's hope, healing and loving mercy led by Msgr. John McArthur. We will use the Ekklesia Thursday format with \$5 dinners. Upcoming sessions are at 6pm on **Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** and **Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**. Sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/StLouisEkklesia> or call the church office at 682-6606.

## BASEBALL/SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

Registration is open for Grades 1-4 Baseball/Softball. There is a \$50 registration fee. Deadline to sign up is **Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**. Forms may be downloaded from [www.stlouismemphis.org](http://www.stlouismemphis.org). Contact Michael Bennett at 255-1966 for information.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Spring campaign for 40 Days for Life will continue thru **Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**. This is an international prayer, fasting and peaceful prayer vigil in front of Planned Parenthood. Won't you be a part of this vibrant mission? To sign up call 730-6279 or [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com) or call Libby Parks at 355-8546. We will be praying from 6am til 6pm daily.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Michael and Frances Franks      Charlotte Joure  
Paula and Charlie Cole          Jordan Knight  
Gregory and Jennifer Lawrenz      Linda Smith

## OPERATION RICE BOWL

“Rice Bowls” for participation in Operation Rice Bowl, a program of Catholic Relief Services, will be available in the narthex during Lent. The donations are to be returned on Easter Sunday.



## YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

Senior High Youth Group will meet on **Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 7-9pm. Junior High will meet from 4:30-5:45 pm on **Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Both groups meet 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.

## FLEUR DE LIS

Fred and I hope all of you have a Happy and Holy Easter! Our next gathering will be **Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup>** at 6pm. We will meet in the cafeteria for a delicious oven fried chicken dinner prepared by Carla. Peach cobbler and strawberry cake for dessert. Master gardener, John Peterson, will join us. His presentation will be on herb gardening—something we should all be able to do on our patios! Please call us by **Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** to make a reservation at 685-1934.



## ROOM IN THE INN

St. Louis Parish is participating in the Room in the Inn with Colonial Cumberland Presbyterian Church. We need drivers and shepherds to spend the night. Sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/SLCRITI>. For information call Pam Scarbrough at 763-0295 or Ann Drennan at 674-2117.

## BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

If you have lost someone dear, please join us for eight week sessions on grief and loss. Deacon Jack and Linda Conrad will be conducting the class beginning at 5:30pm in the Clunan Center on **Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**. If you have questions, call 383-0093.

## 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.



## ST. LOUIS CRADLE ROLL

St. Louis Cradle Roll welcomes **Wyatt Dean Logan**, born March 5<sup>th</sup>, son of **Elizabeth and Patrick Logan**, grandson of **Jamie and Keith Logan** and **Michele and Bob Flynn**.

## Banns of Marriage

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for **Betsy Mays** and **Jasper Carlisle**.

## ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray for a deepening faith in those preparing to enter the Church and for renewed faith in their sponsors and teachers.

## NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  
First Reading      Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43  
Psalm                  Psalm 118  
Second Reading      Colossians 3:1-4  
Gospel                  John 20:1-9

## 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, Philip Principi and Bryan Haneghan.

## OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of March 13, 2016

Total collection	<b>\$32,334</b>
Envelopes	26,741
Electronic	4,406
Loose	1,187
Budget requirements	40,385
Total registered families	<b>1,711</b>
Donated by envelopes	403 families
Donated electronically	80 families
Non-participants	1,228 families
29% of families participated . . . 71% <b>did not</b>	

## GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY



We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the parish. This book is being provided at no cost to the parish, including the mailing to each family, and is being subsidized by local businesses who advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and would like information, email Judi Herbers at [judi.herbers@stlouis.cdom.org](mailto:judi.herbers@stlouis.cdom.org).

## 2016 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### Confessions

Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 5-6pm  
Holy Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 5-6:30pm  
Good Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> from 5-6:30pm  
Holy Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-4:30pm

### Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm

### Good Friday

Stations of the Cross at 3pm  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 7pm

### Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil at 8pm

### Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>

Masses: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 12noon  
Nursery at 9am & 10:30am Masses only

### BREAD OF LIFE ADORATION CHAPEL

The Bread of Life Adoration Chapel will close at 5pm on **Holy Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>** and will re-open at 12pm on **Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**.

### LENTEN REGULATIONS

The Lenten regulations regarding fast and abstinence are as follows: Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence only. Church law binds as follows:

- A. The Law of Abstinence (not eating meat) obliges those who have completed their 14<sup>th</sup> year.
- B. The Law of Fast (only one full meal each day, nothing between meals) obliges those who have completed their 18<sup>th</sup> year until the beginning of their 60<sup>th</sup> year.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**Catholic Diocese of Memphis—Administrative Assistant—Dept. of Development** This position provides administrative office support, performing comprehensive diversified clerical administrative duties.

**Catholic Diocese of Memphis—Parish Business Manager** The Catholic Diocese of Memphis is accepting resumes for a Parish Business Manager position for a large parish in the Memphis Deanery. This position administers the business operations of a Catholic parish church with a school and other departments, including hands-on involvement with all accounting, payroll, budgeting, benefits, insurance, and other financial matters of the parish.

Visit [www.cdom.org](http://www.cdom.org) for qualifications and information.

### MOTHER'S DAY OUT



Mother's Day Out is now signing up students for the fall of 2016. Classes are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9:30-2:30pm. Students may attend 1 or 2 days a week. Tuition for 1 day per week is \$90 and 2 days per week is \$180 per month. There is a \$50 registration fee. Contact Margaret Canale at 255-1963.

### WOMEN'S MORNING OF SPIRITUALITY

The Women's Morning of Spirituality will be held on **Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** at the Church of the Incarnation from 8:15am-1:30pm with a Continental Breakfast beginning at 7:15am. Keynote Speaker is Kelly Nieto. Witness Speaker is: Leslie Harden. Music with Bethany and Kevin Paige. Celebration concludes with Mass. Register at [www.womensmorning.com](http://www.womensmorning.com).

### Pope Francis' Prayer for Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.



## KISS ME KATE AT ST. BENEDICT



St. Benedict presents Kiss Me, Kate, Cole Porter's classic jazzy musical based on Shakespeare's Taming of the Shrew. Dates are **April 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm and **April 10<sup>th</sup>** at 2:30pm matinee in SBA Performing Arts Theatre. Reserved seat tickets \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door (while available). Information, call 260-2840 or visit [sbaeagles.org](http://sbaeagles.org).

## SBA SPRING FLING

SBA Spring Fling—a campus-wide Showcase will be held on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm. Showcase includes academics, arts, athletics and everything SBA has to offer. Free entry to a variety of sports action and discounted entry to the spring musical Kiss Me, Kate, along with tours and meet-and-greet. Open to all prospective students and their families. For information—call admissions at 260-2873 or visit [sbaeagles.org/visitsba](http://sbaeagles.org/visitsba)

### SAVE THE DATE!

11<sup>th</sup> Annual Cardinal 5K

Sponsored by Paragon Bank  
Benefiting St. Louis Catholic School  
and Madonna Learning Center  
Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 5K at 9am

Kids' 1-Miler at 10am

[www.facebook.com/StLouisSchoolCardinal5k](http://www.facebook.com/StLouisSchoolCardinal5k)

## 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 runner's lite, the more colors the better! Contact Ray Johnson at [ray@johnson.org](mailto:ray@johnson.org) or text/call 704-281-4575.



## MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE



Medjugorje Pilgrimage **June 29-July 8**, with Fr Francis Chiawa as spiritual director. \$2990 from Memphis includes taxes and a hotel stopover one night in Frankfurt, Germany. Reservations must be made by March 14, or sooner as space permits. Both air and land can be charged on credit card. Breakfast and dinner are included each day. To view the flyer online go to: [www.medjugorje.org](http://www.medjugorje.org) or email or call Jeannie Presley, group coordinator at [presleyjeannie@gmail.com](mailto:presleyjeannie@gmail.com) or 335-4563. This is a great opportunity to experience life in the village where Our Lady is reportedly appearing.

## ST. MICHAEL PANTHER INVITATIONAL BBQ CONTEST

BBQ contest will be held at St. Michael's on **Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**. 100% of entry fee goes to St. Michael's church to assist in repairs of damage left behind by vandals. For information or to enter, contact Derrick Von Stein at 692-0432 or [dkvonstein@att.net](mailto:dkvonstein@att.net).

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

SVDP Ozanam Center, fed 3,300 people in February. Also 175 food bags of Love were handed out on Valentine's Day. Our good neighbor Southern College of Optometry will do screenings and repair glasses at our center in April. We need toiletries to give our friends that come by every day of the year. Memphis SVDP Council was able to help our Mississippi neighbors in Marshall county & surrounding areas in amount of \$10,000 after tornadoes swept thru doing extensive damage. If you drive down Hwy 78, you can see part of the damage just east of Holly Springs. Our president Gloria Hyden secured \$5,000 from our national emergency fund and our local conferences raised \$5,000.

Our next St. Louis SVDP meeting is **Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>** at 6pm in the Clunan Center donut room. Come help us help the poor in our great city or call 755-8213 for information. Thank you for your continued generosity. God bless!

## TRIVIA NIGHT AT ST. LOUIS CHURCH

St. Paul Trivia Night with Brother Ignatius will be held **Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>** in the old gym. All proceeds to support St. Paul Church Window and Renovation project. Doors open at 6 pm with Trivia starting at 7pm. Teams of 8 at \$20 a person (\$150 per team before April 15) with great prizes. Theme is "Memphis, My Home Town." Dessert and beverage bar available. Bring your competitive spirit and plan for a great evening of fun! Contact Steve Vescovo at [vescovos@thomasonlaw.com](mailto:vescovos@thomasonlaw.com) or Nancy Glaser Shellenberger at [shellfly10@icloud.com](mailto:shellfly10@icloud.com). Send completed registration forms (available at [stpaulsmemphis.com](http://stpaulsmemphis.com)) and fees to Sister Mary Martha at 1425 E. Shelby Drive, Memphis, TN 38116.

## SPECIAL PRESENTATION ON THE PSALMS

A series presented by Dr. Michael Pahls will be offered at St. Louis Church. *An Introduction to the Psalms* will be held on **Saturdays, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>**. *Praying the Psalms Individually and In Community* will be held on **Saturdays, May 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**. *The Psalms: Their Relationship to the New Testament and Songs* will be held on **Saturdays, June 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>**. All sessions are from 9am-12:15pm. Visit [www.cdom.org](http://www.cdom.org) for more information.