

Good News

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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During the holidays, my husband and I invite relatives, friends, and students who can't return home to share our meal and find welcome in a special time. We enjoy cooking for a crowd, and our guests often bring something to share, adding to the bounty. Beforehand, we clean and dust, making sure the house is presentable. Our preparations are anything but relaxed. On the day itself, my husband usually cooks the meal while I offer drinks and conversation. The event couldn't succeed without either of our roles.

In the first reading, Abraham put wife Sarah and the servants to work to provide the feast while he waited on the guests. To his (and his wife's) surprise, the strangers asked where Sarah was and promised her a son. In this moment, we see that Abraham isn't the only important person in the story. God's blessing came mainly to the one in the kitchen, in the background.

When Jesus visits the sisters of Bethany, Martha remains in the kitchen like Sarah. In her anxiety, did she believe God's favor would come only to those who toil? Jesus reminds her there also is blessing in sitting with the guest; he even calls this "the better part."

There is pride and vanity in assuming we can achieve favor and blessing through our works. When we start to think we know where, when, how, and to whom God will come, it's good to return to the word, which reminds us that favor and blessing come according to God's choosing and often to our surprise.

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	+Mike Denegri
	9:00	+Luke Borger
	10:30	Parish
	12:00	+Ronald Williams
	6:00	+Patricia Reaves-Meek & +Walter Joyce
Mon.	6:15	+Luke Borger
	8:15	+Lindsey Carter
	12:00	+E. James Nelson
Tues.	6:15	+John Gano Bryan
	8:15	+Eugenia Gattas
	12:00	+Louise B. Johnson
Wed.	6:15	+Catherine Cremerius & +Kay Kraus
	8:15	Special Intention for Peggy Steffan
	12:00	+Patricia Dawn Reaves-Meek
Thurs.	6:15	+Katherine Joyce & Special Intention for Carl Powers
	8:15	Special Intention for Peggy Steffan
	12:00	+Paul Saxon
Fri.	6:15	+Kay Kraus
	8:15	Special Intention for Dr. Vincent Smith
	12:00	+Charlie Gaia
Sat.	6:15	In honor of Charles & Geri Duff's Anniversary
	8:15	+Raymundo Lopez
	4:30	+Mary Borger & Special Intention for Johnny Costello

Prayers are requested for the sick: Gloria Andreck+ Jean Garbarini+Sophie Wetick+Chuck Sughrue+Jim Clark+Archbishop Peter Sartain+Peggy Steffan+Delores Migliara+Griffin Goold+Rev. Bert Stann+Reese Kirk+Lewis Proctor+Ronnie Jorgenson

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Veta Barber.

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 homebound.

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.

July 17th, 2016—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2016 Bishop's Annual Appeal. St. Louis Parish is 45% towards our goal of 100% participation and 100% towards our financial goal of \$458,000. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the narthex.

RED CROSS BABYSITTER'S TRAINING COURSE

The Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course will be offered on **Monday, August 1st** from 9am-4pm for ages 11-15 only. There will be 15 available spaces. Sign-up sheets are in the church office. You must sign up by **Monday, July 25th**. The cost is \$69. Bring a snack, sack lunch and drink.



PERPETUAL ADORATION

Visit www.tinyurl.com/SLCCAdoration to sign up to volunteer for one hour per week or as a substitute. Many slots have only one adorer and there is a great need to have at least two adorers per shift. **Adorers are needed for the 9am slot on Mondays, the 2am (shared time) and 5pm slots on Fridays, the 10am slot on Saturdays and the 9pm slot on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of each month.**

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

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS BACK!



We are happy to announce that this year we will be holding Vacation Bible School at St. Louis Church. Your children ages K-4th grade are welcome to attend. There is a fee of \$25 per child (covering snacks and supplies) with a maximum of \$75 per family. There is also an opportunity for rising 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th graders and high schoolers to earn up to 20 service hours for next year's requirements. VBS will take place from **July 25th-July 29th**. We will begin each day at 9am (drop off in Clunan Center) and end by attending 12pm Mass (pick up in the Church at 12:30pm). To enroll your child, you must do so by using SignUpGenius at www.tinyurl.com/slcvbs. If you have any questions, call the Church Office at 682-6606.

Volunteers: Rising 11th and 12th graders and adults are needed. Contact Shannon Kirk at skirk@stlouismemphis.org or 662-812-4340.

CONGRATULATIONS FR. BURKE

Fr. Bill Burke will celebrate the 41st anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood with a reception hosted by the Altar Guild on **Wednesday, July 20th** in the Clunan Center following 8:15am Mass. Please join us for this special occasion.

ST. LOUIS WOMEN'S RETREAT HEARTS ON FIRE



How well do you really know Jesus? During this weekend retreat you are invited to revisit your relationship with Jesus. See

him with new eyes. Let him set your heart on fire. Our parish retreat runs from **Friday, August 19th-Sunday, August 21st** with a one day option on Saturday for \$75. The cost for the weekend is \$185 for single occupancy and \$155 for double. Contact Pam John at 292-8875 or pjcosmetics@bellsouth.net for information. Contact Debbie Voyles at Debbie.Voyles@olqp.cdom.org to make your reservation.

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.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CONFESSIONS

Fr. Dexter Noblefranca will be available for Jubilee Year of Mercy Confessions on **Wednesday, July 20th** from 11am-12pm. Stop by on your way to lunch.

SAVE THE DATE:

***Feast of St. Louis Parish Picnic
Sunday, August 28th***

ST. LOUIS YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



St. Louis Youth Ministry is in need of volunteers for our Junior High (grades 7-8) and Senior High (grades 9-12) Youth Groups. We are looking for young excited Catholics. If you are over 21 and are interested in helping with either youth group, please email Hannah Zaleski at Hannah.zaleski@stlouis.cdom.org. It is an amazing opportunity to share and practice your faith.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Louis SVDP helped 15 families in June, as follows. Six were helped on rent/mortgages for \$2,179. Six were helped on MLGW for \$1600. One car payment for \$300. One motel for \$200. We donated \$500 to assist a handicapped woman buy a special van to assist St. Jude patients. In addition, we bought \$758.20 of M. Palazola produce to share with our less fortunate friends at Holy Names Church soup kitchen. We spent \$16.11 on supplies. If you would like to discuss SVDP expenditures, please call or see our Treasurer Curt Mayhew. We thank St. Louis Church for being so generous to SVDP allowing us to help our neighbors here in Memphis. Your support allows us to work with those in need YEAR ROUND! The needs are many and unending. Your donations/support are appreciated. If you would like to learn more about SVDP, please see our website www.svdpusa.org or call 755-8213. **Keep in mind our only fundraiser will be the Walk for the Poor on September 10, at CBHS. More info to follow. God Bless!**

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 forever and ever. Amen.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Banns of Marriage are announced for the third time for **Grace Call** and **Daniel LaForce** and for the first time for **Elaine Kraker** and **Chris Neblette**.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray for all who work in difficult, unjust conditions, seeking fair pay and a safe environment.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading	Genesis 18:20-32
Psalm	Psalm 138
Second Reading	Colossians 2:12-14
Gospel	Luke 11:1-13

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, and Capt. Charlie Kennedy.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of July 10, 2016

Total collection	\$42,390
Envelopes	\$32,629
Electronic	\$8,050
Loose	\$1,711
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	1,730
Donated by envelopes	412 families
Donated electronically	96 families
Non-participants	1,222 families
29% of families participated . . . 71% did not	



EWTN WORLD YOUTH DAY COVERAGE

Join EWTN on a historic journey to Poland to celebrate the Lord's mercy with Pope Francis and thousands of young adults. Their coverage, **July 27th-31st** will include on-location broadcasts of the event. You can find EWTN on your TV, radio, computer and mobile device by visiting www.ewtn.com.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Level 1 will be offered on **Saturdays, August 13th and August 20th** at Church of the Resurrection. There is no cost for this course but Pastor Approval is required. Please visit www.cdom.org to download the registration form for the Pastor signature.



STUDENT SERVICE HOUR REQUIREMENTS

Start earning your service hours this summer! Students who attend St. Louis Catholic School in grades 5 through 8 and students who receive the Sacrament of Confirmation through St. Louis Catholic Church are required to earn service hours each year. Visit www.stlouischurchmphs.org and click on forms for requirement details and signature form.



ROSARY MAKERS GUILD

Members of the Rosary Makers Guild are reminded of the monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 26th at 2pm in the Clunan Center. All parishioners are invited.

The St. Louis Rosary Guild is happy to take special requests for custom rosaries. Call the church office at 682-6606 and the Rosary Guild will contact you.

WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Please join us every Tuesday in the Clunan Center Meeting Room. We are using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible. Meeting time is Tuesdays from 11:30am-12:30pm.

BISHOP'S OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT



The 30th Annual Bishop's Open Golf Tournament will be held on **Friday, September 9th** at Quail Ridge Golf Course. Proceeds from the event fund scholarships to Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Memphis. For more information, call 373-1219.

The Catholic Diocese of Memphis in Tennessee encourages all victims, or parents of minors who are victims, of sexual abuse by a priest, deacon or diocesan employee or agent, to report such abuse by phoning any of the following numbers: Tennessee Child Abuse Hotline (1-877-237-0004) or Shari Lee, Victim Assistance Coordinator (652-4066); or Jim Latta, Office of Professional Responsibility, Child and Youth Protection (359-2027). All reports will be treated in a confidential manner. The Diocese of Memphis offers a program of psychological and spiritual assistance to abused victims in need.

FISHERS OF MEN

The Fishers of Men of St Louis invite all men of the parish to 6:15 a.m. mass on Thursdays and the Fishers of Men Gathering directly after. If you are a man of the parish and want to deepen your Catholic faith with other men, please join us! For more information, call Jonathan Lyons at 481-2199.

Parish Religious Education News

PRE REGISTRATION

Registration for Parish Religious Education classes will be held following all Masses on **Saturday, August 13th and Sunday, August 14th** in the Narthex. The 1st day of PRE class is **Sunday, September 11th**. Also, there is a short mandatory parents meeting on the 11th at 9:00am. For information, contact Anna Shelton at 255-1952 or anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org.

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. First class is **Tuesday, September 6th**. There will be an inquiry session on **Tuesday, August 30th**. 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, Dir. of Religious Education at 682-6606 or deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com or Anna Shelton at anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org.

2016 FOOTBALL SIGN-UPS

Football sign-ups will be held on **Thursday July 28** at 5:30pm in the New Gym. Football is for St. Louis students and PRE Students in grades 5-8. Practice will begin on Monday August 1. Registration forms can be found on the School website. If you cannot make it on Thursday, you may bring your registration information to the first practice. Reminder that Physical forms are due before the first practice.

DOES GOD CARE WHAT I WEAR TO CHURCH?

Summer activities and vacations can make getting to Mass each week seem like a juggling act. Harder still is finding the time to dress properly and prepare, as we would like. But approaching all aspects of the Eucharist carefully can deepen our Communion with Christ. What we wear can help.

Use this guideline. When deciding what to wear in Church, think about this: If it were something you would wear to a picnic, to play a sport, or to clean out the garage or the house, do not wear it to church—even during the summer!

EMAIL UPDATES

St. Louis Church has an email database, which is used to send out news about parish events and activities. Contact jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org if you would like your email address to be included or updated.





ST. LOUIS SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

St. Louis School is accepting applications for 7th and 8th grade for the 2016-2017 school years. Please contact Kim Pesce, Director of Admissions, at 255-1900 for information.

WHAT IS CURSILLO?

Have you ever wondered, "What exactly is that funny word, "Cursillo" mean? Come and find out...Please join us for a one hour informational meeting on **Wednesday, August 3rd** at 7pm. This meeting will be held in the Clunan Center. We will be covering topics such as "Why Go to a Cursillo Weekend?", "What Happens on a Cursillo Weekend and Afterwards?" and "What's the Next Step if I am Interested?" Feel Free to bring a friend! For any questions, contact Elizabeth Orians at 413-2718 or at ejorians@gmail.com.



TRAVELING?

When traveling, visit www.masstimes.org for the locations of the nearest Catholic Church and time of Masses around the U.S. There is also a free app, which can be downloaded to your smart phone.

DENEUVILLE LEARNING CENTER

DeNeuville Learning Center will host its 14th Annual Charity Golf Classic on **Friday, October 7th** at the Links at Galloway. Registration begins at 12pm with shotgun start at 1pm. For information, call 726-5902, ext. 221 or email lbramlett@deneuillecenter.org.



SEMINARIAN DINNER

Knights of Columbus of West Tennessee presents the 9th Annual Angelo Lucchesi Seminarian Dinner on **Friday, July 29th** at 5:30pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with a silent Auction, dinner and live auction emceed by Joe Birch. Tickets are \$50 per person, \$400 for a table of 8 and \$500 for a table with wine. All proceeds benefit our local seminarians. Contact Chris Jackson at 384-8360.

INSTITUTE FOR LITURGY & SPIRITUALITY

St. Louis Parish sponsors any parishioner of St. Louis access at **no cost** to the courses offered by the Institute for Liturgy and Spirituality at the Diocese of Memphis. Please visit www.cdom.org for information about these courses.

HOLE-IN-ONE THANK YOU!

On Behalf of the Men's Club, we want to say thank you for all the volunteers, families, participants and sponsors that came out and supported the church and school at this year's Hole-In-One Summer Festival. We had a great year made possible by your support. Thank you again!



Chris Ybos, President
David Baker, Vice-President
Curt Soefker, 2nd Vice-President
Anthony Steinriede, Treasurer

FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT

Save the Date: Faith and Family Night for all families at the "Canticle of Praise: A Musical Celebration of Faith and Family" with John Angotti. The concert will be **Saturday, September 24th** at 7pm at the AMP at the West TN Farmer's Market, 91 New Market Street, Jackson, TN from 6:30-7:30pm. Food vendors will be available or bring your own cooler. Please bring folding chairs and blankets for seating.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT

"Opening the Door to the Joy of Mercy" Vocation Discernment Retreat for single women ages 17-35 begins **Friday, August 5th** at 5pm and concludes **Saturday, August 6th** at 7:30pm with option for extended stay. Little Sisters of the Poor, 1655 McGill Ave., Mobile AL 36604. There is no charge. Register by Aug. 3 at vocmobile@littlesistersofthepoor.org or (251) 591-3700; early registration is appreciated.

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.

PARISH CENSUS INFORMATION

In order to keep our parish rolls accurate, we need your help. Please notify Anna Shelton at anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org of any change of name, address, telephone number, or added family members. Also, if you are not receiving your church envelopes or Faith magazine, please let Anna know. Thank you!

SUBIACO ACADEMY

Subiaco Academy, a Catholic, college preparatory, boarding and day school in the Benedictine tradition for young men in grades 7-12, has a few openings for 2016-2017. For information or to schedule a visit, call 1-800-364-7824, or email admissions@subi.org. Please visit our website www.SubiacoAcademy.us for the latest news about Subiaco Academy.