

Good News

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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When Pope Francis was elected, Catholics were inspired by his humility and simplicity. When he bowed before the people in St. Peter's Square and asked for their prayers, the little crowd gathered around the TV in the basement of the Catholic Center was moved to tears. When he announced that he would continue living in the guest house rather than the papal apartments and eat in the cafeteria, we cheered. But Pope Francis also challenged us. He wanted us to examine how we treated the poor and marginalized of the world. In his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, he confronted us with the understanding that our misuse of the environment impacted the poor first of all and that we could no longer continue to consume our natural resources in a reckless and greedy fashion.

The prophet Amos has some harsh words for those who exploit the poor. In the Old Testament, care for the widow, orphan, and stranger—the poorest of the poor—were among the most righteous things a person could do. Many prophets pointed to the failure to do so as a sign that the people had turned from the Lord and, in their sin, cared only for themselves. More recent figures who also have indicated that the measure of a society is the way they treat their poorest members include Ghandi, Pope St. John Paul II, and Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Christ commanded us to love one another. Surely this includes seeing that all have the basic necessities of life, even if that means we don't get everything we want.

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	+Betty Butts Sherlock
	9:00	+Lindsey Carter
	10:30	+Mike Denegri
	12:00	Parish
	6:00	+Bud Hisky & Special Intention for Franco Nayan
Mon.	6:15	+Vera Gabriel
	8:15	+Jean Donati & Special Intention for Christian James
	12:00	+Chuck Gaia
Tues.	6:15	+Sue Wade
	8:15	Poor Souls & +Johnny Costello
	12:00	+Pat McGannon
Wed.	6:15	+Ann Trimble
	8:15	+Margie Ryan
	12:00	+Michael Dorian
Thurs.	6:15	+Steven Helveston & +Katherine Joyce
	8:15	+Christine Tucker & +Tommy Carroll
	12:00	Special Intention for Devanie Cooper
Fri	6:15	+Mike McCain
	8:15	+Mike Denegri
	12:00	+Mike Denegri & Special Intention for Donna & Donald Mentzer
Sat.	6:15	+Mary Bistolfi
	8:15	+Letha Parra
	4:30	+Margie Ryan & Special Intention for Tommy Edwards

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Garbarini+Sophie Wetick+Jim Clark+Archbishop Peter Sartain+Peggy Steffan+Dr. Tucker Larkin+Frances Ricossa+ Deacon Ralph Donati+Mary Harlow+Bob Mader+Franco Nayan+Sarah Ward+Larry Berretta+Anna Pechak.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Vito Romeo.

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.

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PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

St. Louis Parish is planning to publish a new pictorial directory through Lifetouch. It has been 10 years since we last published a pictorial directory. Reserve your appointment time by clicking the link on stlouischurchmphs.org or call 866-756-0281. Each family that comes in for photography and portrait viewing at the church will receive a complimentary directory and 8x10 custom color portrait. You will be able to view and select your portraits electronically from a variety of poses. Additional Lifetouch portraits will be available for purchase. Your entire appointment will normally take less than one hour. This is an excellent opportunity for family portraits which will be ready before Christmas.

HOME & SCHOOL/ALTAR GUILD SOCIAL

All ladies of the parish (school and church) are invited to a social evening at 6:30pm on **Tuesday, September 20th** in the Clunan Center. Come and enjoy a fun evening and learn about the Home and School Association which supports our school and the Altar Guild which supports our parish. Our goal is to facilitate a bond between the women of our parish as we join together in fellowship, prayer and service to our school and church community. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/SLCGuild> to sign up to bring an appetizer or beverage.



FEED MY FLOCK SIGNUP ONLINE

Signup at www.feedmyflock.net. Feed My Flock is a parish-wide food packaging event and will be held on **Saturday, October 15th**. 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.

FLEUR DE LIS

Our September gathering is **Thursday, September 22nd**! And it falls on the second day of Fall! We will meet for hors d'oeuvres at 6pm in the Dining Hall. Our wonderful Carla will be preparing oven fried chicken with all the fixings! Dinner is at 6:30pm. Our guest speakers are law partners Will Zoccola and Pat Mason. They will be discussing estate planning. Please RSVP by **Monday, September 19th** to Fred or Cathy at 685-1934. Also, call if you have any questions! Cost is \$10 per person.

SECOND COLLECTION

LOUISIANA FLOODING HELP

People in the Baton Rouge and Lafayette dioceses have been badly hurt by flood waters in recent weeks. St. Louis Parish will have a second collection **Saturday, September 17th** and **Sunday, September 18th**.

LE BONHEUR

Our Le Bonheur ministry is in its 5th year! Your support over these years has been, and I am sure will continue to be, just wonderful! Our next lunch is **Saturday, September 24th**. It's football season, so we will be tailgating with the menu. Please check signup: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0948afae2c7-parish>. If you have any questions, please call Cathy at 685-1934.



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 2am (shared time) and 5pm slots on Fridays, 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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thanks again for supporting your SVDP Walk for the Poor. This is the sole fund raiser for your soup kitchen at the Ozanam Center, 1306 Monroe. The soup kitchen gives meals to our less fortunate neighbors every day of the year. This past year we served 65,000 people, with 18,419 volunteer hours of which 8,147 were nonmember hours. In addition to the soup kitchen, our 10 SVDP Conferences in the Memphis Diocese provided over \$280,000 in emergency assistance to local families. Learn more at www.svdpmemphis.org. We have a national vehicle donation program that supports our food mission at nvdp@svdpusa.org. Our next St. Louis SVDP meeting is **Monday October 3rd** at 6 pm in the Clunan Center.

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. Bill Burke will be available for Jubilee Year of Mercy Confessions on **Wednesday, September 21st** from 11am-12pm. Stop by on your way to lunch.

BISHOP STEIB FAREWELL

For 23 years, Bishop Terry Steib has served as a dedicated and caring leader and shepherd to the clergy, parishioners and community at large within the Catholic Diocese of Memphis. All parishioners from the Diocese are invited to visit with Bishop Steib at a reception to be held in his honor on **Sunday, October 9th** from 3-6pm at St. Benedict at Auburndale. To RSVP, call 373-1217 or go online to Eventbrite "Bishop Steib Reception."

PRE CLASSES

It is not too late to register for Parish Religious Education classes for children in grades K-8 who do not attend Catholic schools. For registration information, contact Anna Shelton at 255-1952 or anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org.

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.



St. Louis Cradle Roll

St. Louis Cradle Roll welcomes **Charlotte Louise Upchurch**, born August 26th, daughter of **Julie and Marc Upchurch**, granddaughter of **Joey and Joel Stark**, and great-granddaughter of **Marie and Don Stark**.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are in memory of **Ed and Mary Catherine Harrison and Cole Harrison Smith** from the wedding of **Erica and Robert Smith**.

Banns of Marriage

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for **Leni Signey and Michael Pagara**.

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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading	Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalm	Psalm 146
Second Reading	1 Timothy 6:11-16
Gospel	Luke 16:19-31

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.

NURSERY & CRY ROOM

Children are always welcome at St. Louis Catholic Church. 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. Teenagers who have completed the Red Cross Babysitting Certification Course assist staff members.

WEDNESDAY EVENING FUN RUNS

We start our runs every Wednesday at 6pm, rain or shine. We only cancel if there is lightning nearby. Walkers welcome! Meet us on the north side of the Clunan Center. For more info or to get on the weekly email list contact Ray Johnson at ray@johnson.org or text/call 704-281-4575.

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), weekly online news in the West Tennessee Catholic, the diocesan calendar and Facebook – always with free access for you.

MEN'S CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT



The St. Louis Men's Club Golf Tournament will be held on **Sunday, October 16th** 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, October 12th** by emailing Stephen Gaia at sgaia@allcovered.com.



ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Apply for enrollment by calling the school office at 255-1900 or apply online at www.stlouismemphis.org. Because of limited space in our Preschool, it is imperative that parents apply for admission 18 months prior to the start of your child's school career. We offer priority enrollment to siblings of current students and to contributing members of our parish. Please check our website for a more detailed explanation of our admissions process. Those interested in K-8th grade for the 2017-18 school year should call or apply online as soon as possible. Enrollment will take place in early 2017. Tours and shadow days can be scheduled with our Admissions Director, Kim Pesce.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING

Are you being called to help others who have lost a loved one? Has someone been there for you when you went through the grieving and mourning process? St. Louis Parish is seeking a volunteer coordinator to lead our Bereavement Ministry to provide comfort to those experiencing loss. Training will be held on **Saturday, October 22nd** from 8:30am-4:45pm at St. Louis. All candidates must have pastor approval. Deadline for registration is **Wednesday, October 19th**.

YOUTH GROUP



The Senior High Youth Group will meet from 7-9pm on **Sunday, September 18th** in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center. Junior High will meet on **Sunday, September 25th** from 4:30-5:45pm. 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. To be added to the email distribution list, email Hannah Zaleski at Hannah.zaleski@stlouis.cdom.org and include the grade of your child.

ARCHBISHOP ARTHUR ROCHE TALK

Archbishop Arthur Roche is coming to St. Louis from the Vatican on **Thursday October 6th** at 7pm. Archbishop Roche is the next speaker in the 2016 Lumen Civitatis Jubilee Year of Mercy series. His talk is entitled "Mercy and the Spiritual Life" and will complement the Lenten presentation on "The Jesus Prayer in the Year of Mercy" given earlier this year by John Michael Talbot. To register, go to <http://bit.ly/2clVV8X>. Please register early as a capacity crowd is expected and seating is limited. Archbishop Arthur Roche was appointed in 2012 by Pope Benedict XVI to serve as Secretary of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments at the Vatican. He is also a member of the Pontifical Council for Culture, to which he was named by Pope Francis in 2014.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

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.

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. It is not too late to join. 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 at 682-6606 or deaconjeff@thecatholiccafe.com or Anna Shelton at anna.shelton@stlouis.cdom.org.

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@deneuvillecenter.org.



PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. DEXTER

Anniversary Pilgrimage to Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, Saragoza, and Lourdes, **April 18-28, 2017** with Fr. Dexter Noblefranca. \$3836 plus \$160 taxes include air, lodging, and 2 meals a day with wine served at dinner, and all admission fees. Early reservations are needed, as seats are limited. Brochures are in the office or contact Jeannie Presley for more information at 335-4563.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



The Fall campaign for 40 Days for Life will begin **Wednesday, September 28th** and continue through **Sunday, November 6th**. This is an international prayer, fasting and peaceful prayer vigil in front of Planned Parenthood's facility at 2430

Poplar. This is the 17th campaign that Memphis has participated since the inception of this Life giving ministry. Come learn that YOU can make a difference by your presence and prayer. Our Lord only asks us to show up and be His voice and hands for those who CANNOT speak for themselves. Many Catholics and other dedicated Christians have seen the fruits of our efforts. Since 2007, 11,796 souls have been saved, 133 workers have left the industry of death, 74 abortion mills have closed forever. And 636 cities and 36 nations will participate this Fall. Won't you be a part of the largest pro-life event in history!? We must continue to witness to the community promoting the sanctity of human life. We need you! To sign up call 730-6279 or www.40daysforlife.com/Memphis or call St. Louis parishioner, Libby Parks at 355-8546. We will be praying from 6am until 6pm daily.

SAINT AGNES ACADEMY

7th and 8th grade girls and parents interested in St. Agnes Academy for high school placement are welcome to Blue & White Spotlight Night on **Tuesday, September 20th** from 4-7pm at St. Agnes. Receive a free guest pass to watch a home game of soccer or volleyball, watch our Drama Department perfecting "High School Musical", see an Art show and live AP Art class demonstration and take part in a STEM experiment. RSVP not required, but questions are welcome! Email jmoore@saa-sds.org. In addition, the annual 9th Grade Preview Morning for 8th grade girls is **Wednesday, October 26th** from 8:45am-12pm and consists of faculty and student presentations, guided tours and lunch. Parents are also welcome. An RSVP to the 9th Grade Preview Morning is required (by October 19th): please email jmoore@saa-sds.org. Email jmoore@saa-sds.org with any high school admission questions or visit saa-sds.org, (select the tab "Admission", then "High School").



GLORY CONFERENCE Memphis' Biggest 20s & 30s Event Yet is coming

September 23rd-24th! The Office of Catholic Campus & Young Adult Ministry is hosting the Glory Conference, **September 23rd-24th** at St. Louis Catholic Church. The glory of God is the human being fully alive. That is what this conference reminds us. Through prayerful liturgy, great music, great art, insightful talks, food and fellowship, we will celebrate what is true, beautiful and good! Friday Night Concert Performer: Alanna-Marie Boudreau. Praise and Worship Leader: PJ Anderson. Speaker: Joan Watson. Master of Ceremonies: Jimmy Mitchell. For tickets and more information, go to www.gloryconferencememphis.com.

ST. BENEDICT 8TH GRADE VISIT DAY

Growing in Faith—Elevated by Excellence, Come see for yourself! St. Benedict High School 8th Grade Visit Day for St. Louis School and Parish 8th graders will be held on **Thursday, September 29th** starting at 9am. Reservations required at sbaeagles.org/visitsba or 260-2840.

ROSARY MAKERS GUILD

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.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: Looking at the Issues from a Catholic Perspective—hosted by St. Ann Bartlett's 20's & 30's Group. **Tuesday, September 20th** from 7-9pm at St. Ann Bartlett. Free admission. RSVP to Therese Gustaitis at 722-4794 or therese.gustaitis@acc.cdom.org

FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT

Faith and Family Night at the "Canticle of Praise: A Musical Celebration of Faith and Family" with John Angotti on **Saturday, September 24th** at 7pm at the West TN Farmer's Market, Jackson, TN from 6:30-7:30pm. Food vendors will be available or bring your own cooler. Bring chairs and blankets for seating.

AVE MARIA'S GALA DINNER

On **Sunday, October 2nd**, Ave Maria's Gala Dinner will be held at TPC Southwind honoring Bro. Chris Englert, Dr. Warren & Kay Johnson and Will Gagne. The next day, **Monday October 3rd**, Ave Maria's 16th Annual Fr. Leonard Oglesby Memorial Golf Tournament will also be held at TPC Southwind.