

Good News

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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How do we best love God and one another? A student, wanting to become more like Christ in welcoming all people, decided that he would greet every one of his fraternity brothers every week and ask how they were and that he would say hello to the man who sat in front of the drugstore in town begging for change and invite him to lunch. In May, when it came time to see how he did, the student had indeed talked to his fraternity brothers every week and greeted the beggar, but he never did invite him to lunch. "I just couldn't do it," he said. "I was a little afraid of what it would mean. Would I be responsible to help him again?" We talked about it a little, and I invited him to put that question to God in prayer.

I'm not sure any of us have an easy answer to what it means to look someone in the face and invite him to share a meal. And I daresay not many of us would do what that student set out to do. But St. Paul urges us to "pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness" (1 Timothy 6:11). That's a lifetime's work and possible only with the grace of God. Surely, as we grow in those virtues, we will come to see all people as worthy of our time and care without worrying about what might happen in the future. It may not be practical and it certainly won't be easy. But the demands of God's love compel us to try. And if we do so, we might not share the fate of the rich man in Luke's Gospel who learned too late how best to love.

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Masses

Sun.	7:30	+Lamar Kimzey
	9:00	+Jack Curtis & Special Intention for Dr. & Mrs. Michael Podraza
	10:30	Special Intention for Vince Smith
	12:00	+Donald & +Patty Mentzer
	6:00	+Cliff Davis & +Jeanne Fisher
Mon.	6:15	+Mike Denegri
	8:15	Special Intention for Wilson & Winnie Nelson
	12:00	+Tony Lamoureux
Tues.	6:15	+Anthony Cremerius & +Tom Robinson
	8:15	+Mildred Tanning
	12:00	+Lamar Kimzey
Wed.	6:15	Special Intention for the Jim Clark Family
	8:15	+Frank Nobel & +Catherine Joyce
	12:00	+Special Intention for the Claire Gavin Family
Thurs.	6:15	+Kathleen Cragg
	8:15	+Johnny Costello & Special Intention for Jean Bolton
	12:00	+Louis Hinton & +Donna Bickford
Fri	6:15	Special Intention for Donna & Joe Lucchesi
	8:15	+Johnny Costello
	12:00	+Emmett O'Ryan
Sat.	6:15	Miracle for Clare Marie Wilson
	8:15	+Jean Donati
	4:30	+Jim Bedwell & +Ruth Harwood

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Garbarini+Sophie Wetick+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 Mark Autry.

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 McClinnis 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 stlouischurchmphis.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.

BONUS: Bring in a non-perishable food item for our St. Vincent de Paul Society and receive a \$5 coupon off of our Lifetouch portrait order.



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.

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 1am slot on Tuesdays, the 2am (shared time) and 5pm slots on Fridays, the 9pm slot on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of each month and the 4pm slot on Sundays.**

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



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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.

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."

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CONFESSIONS

Fr. Dexter Noblefranca will be available for Jubilee Year of Mercy Confessions on **Wednesday, September 28th** from 11am-12pm. Stop by on your way to lunch.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

The Health and Wellness Ministry will be doing free Blood Pressure screenings following 4:30pm Mass on **Saturday, October 1st** and from 8:30am-12pm on **Sunday, October 2nd** in the Parish Social Ministry Office.

A ROSARY FOR OUR WORLD

Our monthly Rosary for our World will take place **Thursday, October 6th** at 7pm in the Bread of Life Adoration Chapel. All are welcome to come pray for the conversion of the world.



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.

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**.

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.

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.

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.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar were donated in honor of the wedding of **Leni Signey** and **Michael Pagara**.

Banns of Marriage

Banns of Marriage are announced for the third time for **Leni Signey** and **Michael Pagara** and for the first time for **Alethea Barghi** and **Todd Kauffman**.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray that the Church community commits itself to the defense of the culture of life.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

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First Reading Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Psalms Psalm 95

Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:6-8; 13-14

Gospel Luke 17:5-10

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 September 18, 2016

Total collection	\$38,845
Envelopes	\$31,479
Electronic	\$5,906
Loose	\$1,460
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	1,730
Donated by envelopes	393 families
Donated electronically	86 families
Non-participants	1,251 families
28% of families participated . . . 72% did not	

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 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.

RUMMAGE SALE

Rummage sale offering lost and found items will be held in the Clunan Center on **Sunday, October 2nd** in the Clunan Center.



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.

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.



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.

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.

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 www.lumencivitatis.com. 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.

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.

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.



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.



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.

LEBONHEUR MINISTRY

Please check the sign up genius at www.tinyurl.com/stlouissignup for future lunches. Vacation time is nearing an end—remember to collect the toiletries that you do not use from your hotels. The hospital uses them and so does our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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!

ST. FRANCIS OKTOBERFEST

It's here! The St. Francis of Assisi Oktoberfest will run **Friday, September 30th** from 5-10pm and **Saturday, October 1st** from 11am-10pm. Come out and enjoy food, entertainment and games! This year Jeffrey & The Pacemakers will headline the Music Stage Friday & Saturday, 7-10pm, with A Fine Line opening Friday from 5-6pm. We will have Bratwurst, BBQ and Corn-hole Competitions, Youth Talent, Inflatables, Arts & Crafts Booths and of course Jerry-O's Sports Tent. Our Food Tent will feature Brats, Smoke Sausage, BBQ Sandwiches, Hamburgers & Hot Dogs, Garibaldi's Pizza and St Claire's Potato Salad. Italian Ice is back Friday & Saturday. And, this year we are welcoming MemPops on Saturday from 11am-4pm and Delish Desserts from 4-10pm.

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.

ST. BRIGID GARAGE SALE

Year of Mercy Project: Garage Sale for the Lord to be held at St. Brigid Catholic Church, from 8am-12pm on **Saturday, October 15th**. All proceeds go to Catholic Charities programs. How can you help? Donate gently used items, especially furniture, and come shop the day of the sale. Monday – Friday drop off: You can drop off items at the church Monday thru Friday during normal business hours 9-4pm. Please call the church first at 758-0128 to ensure someone is available to help you. Furniture pickup available: If you have furniture that you want to donate and don't have a way to bring it to the church, call 758-0128. Saturday drop off: You can drop off your donations at the church from 9-11am on Saturday, October 1st. If you have any questions, you can contact Suzanne Montgomery at 490-9722 (call or text) or contact Carol Bigam at 570-0755 (call or text) or emailcsundancer@yahoo.com.

SBA TRIVIA NIGHT

SBA Trivia Night for Project Graduation will be held on **Saturday, October 15th**. Doors Open at 6:30pm in the SBA Dining Hall. Cost is \$15 per player, Max 8 per Team. Brother Ignatius will be leading the fun theme of OLYMPICS. For information and registration, contact Amy Iovinelli at amyiov6@gmail.com or visit the St Benedict High School office.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & LECTOR TRAINING

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training will be held at Church of the Holy Spirit **Saturday, November 12th and Saturday, November 19th** from 10am-1:15pm. Lector Training will be held at Holy Rosary Church on **Saturdays, October 8th, 15th and 22nd** from 10am-12:15 pm. Pastor approval is required. Visit www.cdom.org for registration form.

AWAKENING RETREAT FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Awakening Retreat for College Students will be held **Friday, September 30th-Sunday, October 2nd**. Have you been looking for a community in college to grow in your faith? Sign up for the third Memphis Awakening retreat, a national retreat organized by college students for other students to grow in their relationship with Christ! We invite you to join us at Chickasaw State Park. More information can be found on www.memphisawakening.weebly.com.