

Good News

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary Katharine Deeley

I have a little jar of mustard seeds on the bookcase in my office. They were given to me as a going-away present by a priest I knew, a little reminder to keep the faith. Every time I hear the Gospel about the mustard seed, I am reminded of him. He was a mentor and friend, one of the many people who have inspired my faith from young adulthood until now. He is also the example of what I hope to be for the students I teach. The faith which we explore is a rich inheritance, indeed, and I can only hope to influence my students as much as he influenced me.

Being a faith-filled person isn't for cowards. As Paul tells Timothy, God gave us gifts of power and love to be able to stand against evil and to love those who seem unlovable. God called us to a holy life which means that we occasionally have to turn away from what the world has to offer and embrace a different way of living. Christ's disciples are called to help make the world holy through word and example, by inviting others to know Christ and acting in such a way that knowing Christ seems the only possible response. Finally, God gives us the Holy Spirit, who makes it possible for us to live lives that are worthy of the calling to which we have been called.

"Stir into flame the gift of God," Paul exhorts. Fire is the perfect metaphor. It lights our way and gives us warmth. It also purifies us for the work ahead. Who inspired you in your faith? How will you become a better disciple today because of them?

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Masses

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| Sun. | 7:30 | +Tony Tavoleti |
| | 9:00 | +Nick Pinter |
| | 10:30 | +Mary Jorgensen & +Lindsey Carter |
| | 12:00 | +Ed Dorian |
| | 6:00 | +Walter Joyce |
| Mon. | 6:15 | +Bettie Coleman |
| | 8:15 | +Margie Ryan & +Bo Costello |
| | 12:00 | Special Intention for Devanie Cooper |
| Tues. | 6:15 | +Clayton Poole & Special Intention for Archbishop Peter Sartain |
| | 8:15 | +Frank Canale |
| | 12:00 | +Patricia Riley & +Jaime Neira |
| Wed. | 6:15 | Special Intention May God Bless America |
| | 8:15 | +Bud Hisky |
| | 12:00 | +Bob Moore & +John Pepin, Sr. |
| Thurs. | 6:15 | +Edward Kaminski |
| | 8:15 | Special Intention for Juanita Moore & Eddie Riley |
| | 12:00 | +Betty Hayes & Special Intention for Scott Burdette |
| Fri | 6:15 | Miracle for Clare Marie Wilson |
| | 8:15 | Special Intention for the Wilson Family |
| | 12:00 | +June Green |
| Sat. | 6:15 | +Catherine Cremerius |
| | 8:15 | +Dr. Fox Miller |
| | 4:30 | Special Intention for Joe & Donna Lucchesi's 50th Anniversary |

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Garbarini+Sophie Wetick+Archbishop Peter Sartain+Peggy Steffan+Dr. Tucker Larkin+Frances Ricossa+ Deacon Ralph Donati+Bryan Donati+Mary Harlow+Bob Mader+Sarah Ward+Larry Berretta+Anna Pechak+Peggy Griggs+Ann Berry+Maggie Campbell.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Peggie Sue Weir.

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.

October 2nd, 2016—Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIFE CHAIN

Come join us for the annual Life Chain today **Sunday, October 2nd** from 2-3pm. Again we are blessed to plan a Eucharistic procession from St. Louis to our spot at Poplar and White Station. Meet in the Clunan Center to pick up signs at 1:30pm. We will process down White Station in a prayerful manner. The entire family is needed to take a stand for the sanctity and dignity of all human life. Won't you be a part of the physical witness of Christ's truth? He is calling YOU!



BIRTHRIGHT SUNDAY

There will be a second collection on **Saturday, October 1st** and **Sunday, October 2nd** to benefit Birthright.



JUNIOR HIGH COFFEE CHAT

Find out how St. Louis Catholic School prepares students for High School through faith formation and academic excellence utilizing progressive technology while enhancing students' emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being. Join us on **Wednesday, October 12th** at 8:15am in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center for a tour of the Junior High building, and to meet the Jr. High teachers, ask questions and get answers. RSVP to Kim Pesce at 255-1900 or kpesce@stlouismemphis.org.



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.

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."

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.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CONFESSIONS

Fr. Dexter Noblefranca will be available for Jubilee Year of Mercy Confessions on **Tuesday, October 4th** from 4-5pm. Stop by on your way home from work.

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.

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.



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**.

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.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are in memory of **Peggie Sue Weir** donated by her family.

Banns of Marriage

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for **Alethea Barghi** and **Todd Kauffman** and for the first time for **Stephanie Wharton** and **Paul Stephens**.

ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray that all people may recognize and treat each person as a masterpiece of God's creation.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading 2 Kings 5:14-17
Psalm Psalm 98
Second Reading 2 Timothy 2:8-13
Gospel Luke 17:11-19

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 25, 2016

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| Total collection | \$42,973 |
| Envelopes | \$33,332 |
| Electronic | \$7,648 |
| Loose | \$1,993 |
| Budget requirements | \$40,385 |
| Total registered families | 1,730 |
| Donated by envelopes | 407 families |
| Donated electronically | 90 families |
| Non-participants | 1,233 families |
| 29% of families participated . . . 71% did not | |

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.

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.



YOUTH GROUP

The Senior High Youth Group will meet from 7-9pm on **Sunday, October 2nd** in the St. John Paul II Youth Ministry Center. Junior High will meet on **Sunday, October 14th** 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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Tuesday, October 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the Clunan Center Meeting Room, there will be a Baptismal Preparation Class. Parents planning to have a child baptized are expected to attend one of these sessions. Please contact the church office at 682-6606 to register.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to these parishioners who were recently inducted into the National Honor Society at St. Agnes Academy: **Catherine Broughton, Ashton Bunch, Caroline Conrad, Abigail Heck, Emma John, Isabella Kardoush, Ellie Nobert, Allison Raney, Nicole Simon, Chandlor Stroud, Erin Taylor and Lauren Valdes.**

SERRA CLUB HOLY HOUR

The Serra Club of Memphis will hold its monthly Holy Hour on **Thursday, October 13th** at 7pm at St. Louis Church. The Holy Hour is dedicated to praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. All Catholics are welcome.

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 **ADMISSIONS** 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.

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.

QUEEN OF PEACE

Rosary, Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration begin at 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, October 10th** at St. Louis Church. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m.

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 continues 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.

BISHOP MARTIN HOLLEY INSTALLATION

A Mass for the Installation of the Most Reverend Martin Holley as the fifth bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Memphis in Tennessee will be held at 2pm on **Wednesday, October 19th** at the Cook Convention Center. All are welcome. To RSVP, go to Eventbrite "MEMOCT19". No tickets are being given out and seating is open. Consider carpooling from parishes as parking may be limited due to multiple events taking place in and around the convention center. For more information call 373-1200.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY NETWORKING EVENT

Bishop Martin Holley will be the guest speaker at a Catholic Charities Parish Social Ministry Networking Event on **Saturday, October 22nd** from 9-11am in the Clunan Center. To RSVP, contact Therese Gustaitis at 722-4794 or therese.gustaitis@acc.cdom.org. The event is open to anyone in the care and concern ministries in our diocese (parish, school contacts, St. Vincent DePaul groups, Knights of Columbus, volunteers, etc.)

FLEUR DE LIS

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, October 27th**. We will again be meeting in the Dining Hall as Carla and Cathy will be preparing an Oktoberfest Feast for everyone, i.e. brats, pork roast, German potato salad, sweet cabbage, and sauerkraut. Hors d'oeuvres are at 6pm followed by dinner at 6:30pm. Local legend Jimmy Ogle will give us a little talk about Memphis History. Please call Cathy or Fred at 685-1934 by **Monday, October 24th** to make a reservation.

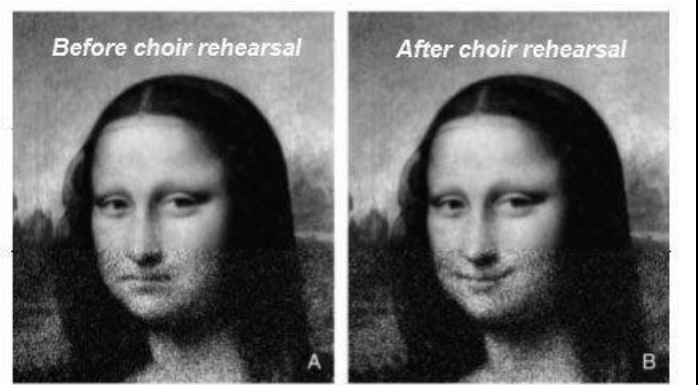
We are planning a riverboat ride together during October. Call if you are interested. Other "stay-cations" are in the works also.

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.



Singing can make even the Mona Lisa smile



Contact Ray Mullins for information at rmullins@stlouismemphis.org.

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.

CHRISTMAS WREATH AND GARLAND SALE

Looking for fresh Christmas wreaths and garland? Representatives from the Dorothy Day House will be at St. Louis the weekend of **October 8th and 9th** taking pre-orders for wreaths and garland. For more information, please visit Dorothy Day House's website (dorothydaymemphis.org) or contact Larry McBride (larry.mcbride@gmail.com; 395-7451).

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.

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.