

## Good News

### Second Sunday of Lent

*Fr. Mark Haydu, LC*

Raphael's greatest painting, perhaps the greatest painting of all the Renaissance, depicts today's Gospel account of the transfiguration. Raphael loved this painting so much he never sold it. He hung the painting over his bed, and at his death he turned to look at it.

The transfiguration of the Lord reminds us of the glory we are all called to even when that glory is hidden. When God called Abraham, it was to make of him a great nation and to give him glory. But Abraham had to leave what he had and enter into the unknown to receive what was promised. We, too, need to set out and leave our expectations if we ever hope to enter the mysteries of faith and discover the reward we are searching for. Setting out and leaving behind are like little "deaths" that prepare us for the glory of salvation.

The Father revealed Jesus' glory to his three closest apostles so their faith would survive the cross. God didn't want them to become disillusioned or frightened by his suffering and death. A voice came down from heaven and confirmed Jesus as the Son to assure the apostles that even if he didn't seem like the Messiah in his human nature, he most certainly was.

It was this image of the glorified Jesus that Raphael reflected on and labored over for years. He needed to see this transfiguration during his life and at the hour of his death to keep the faith. So do we.

#### *For Reflection*

What images and objects around my house or workplace remind me of my faith? How can I be a sign of the glory to which we are called?

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## Masses

Sun.	7:30	Parish
	9:00	+Sid Kraker
	10:30	+Thomas James
	12:00	For the Poor Souls in honor of St. Joseph
	6:00	+Mike Costello
Mon.	6:15	+Sid Kraker
	8:15	Special Intention for Kay Coleman Johnson
	12:00	For the Poor Souls in honor of St. Joseph
Tues.	6:15	+Catherine Joyce
	8:15	+Anna Dolores McArthur
	12:00	Special Intention for Jimmy Jude & Scarlett Nelson & For the Poor Souls in honor of St. Joseph
Wed.	6:15	+Adriana Moya
	8:15	+Tom James
	12:00	Special Intention for Billy Canale & for the Poor Souls in honor of St. Joseph
Thurs.	6:15	+Elsa P. Heros
	8:15	+Jimmy Riley
	12:00	For the Poor Souls in honor of St. Joseph
Fri	6:15	+Sid Kraker & Catherine Joyce
	8:15	+Judy Mulrooney Middleton
	12:00	For the Poor Souls in honor of St. Joseph
Sat.	6:15	+Teresa Hinders
	8:15	+Albert Heros & Special Intention for Mike & Debbie Rose
	4:30	+Mary Jane Miller & +June Green & Poor Souls in honor of St. Joseph

Prayers are requested for the sick: Jean Garbarini+Archbishop Peter Sartain+Peggy Steffan+Dr. Tucker Larkin+Bob Mader+Sarah Ward+Lisa Barzizza MacCormack+Geri Duff+Wendy Ray+Billy Canale+Mary Ann Zeber+Christopher Gano+Louis Distretti+Tan Wallace+Katherine McArthur Sigafos+Teresa Teribery+Donald Weis+Terry Williams+Barbara Prest+Patty Orsak.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Jo Shelton+Brennon Picarella+James Douglas.

## 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.

## March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017—Second Sunday of Lent

### PARISH MISSION BEGINS TODAY! MATTHEW & MYSTICS

This year we are hearing the Gospel according to Matthew in our Sunday liturgies. The Mission will unite some of the key themes of Matthew with the Church's powerful tradition of personal prayer, especially what the great mystics have taught us. Msgr. Al Kirk will speak at 4:30pm, 9am, 10:30am and 12pm Masses. We will have 2 sessions daily Monday-Wednesday 10am and 6:30pm. The mornings will be for those who can't get out at night. Let's make this Lent the best ever!

### ST. LOUIS PARISH 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



#### Family Dinner Celebration—Saturday,

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Party to celebrate 60 years. We will have 4:30pm Mass and then a huge family dinner celebration—buffet dinner, drinks, hors d'oeuvres. Bring the family and give thanks and celebrate.

**Serve 60: 60 Service Opportunities in 60 days in honor of 60 Years—Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>-**

**Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>:** For information and to volunteer, visit [www.tinyurl.com/serveatstlouis](http://www.tinyurl.com/serveatstlouis).

### SERVE60 SERVICE PROJECTS COMING UP

*Room in the Inn, March 9<sup>th</sup>*

*Villa Vianney landscaping, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 8am*

*Le Bonheur Lunch, March 11<sup>th</sup> from 11am-3pm*

*New Dates Fig Tree Food Pantry at Catholic Charities, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm*

*New Handywork for Missionaries of Charity,*  
*March 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm*

***Canned Food Sorting,** any Monday, Tuesday or  
Wednesday morning*

***SVdP home visits,** every Saturday*

### RICE BOWL LENTEN PROGRAM



Rice Bowl is more than a cute cardboard box! CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program for families and faith communities in the United States who want to put their faith into action. Participants journey through the 40 days of Lent with a collection of daily reflections and activities included in the CRS Rice Bowl calendar and on the mobile app. Look for Rice Bowls in the Narthex and find more information at <http://www.crsricebowl.org/>

### SECOND COLLECTION FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

SVDP is the second collection this week. Please be as generous as you can!! SVDP also appreciates all food donations! Monetary donations are also always needed! With your generosity, SVDP was able to help 22 families in the month of January! We helped 7 families with rent (\$2,629), 13 families with utilities (\$3,686), 1 client with an appliance (\$125), and fresh produce for the soup kitchen (\$540). Thank you for your generosity!

### 2017 LENTEN SCHEDULE

Confessions will be heard on each Tuesday and Thursday from 5-6pm in addition to our regular confession schedule of Saturdays 3:30-4:30 and 20 minutes before each Sunday Mass.

Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays at 5:30pm.

Divine Mercy Chaplet following 8:15am Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 2:30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays and at 2:45pm on Fridays.

### LENTEN REGULATIONS

The Lenten regulations regarding fast and abstinence are as follows: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days 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.

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life Memphis will continue through **Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**. Come join us in this fight for the dignity of all human life. We stand in peaceful, prayerful vigil in front of the country's largest abortion mill, Planned Parenthood at 2430 Poplar every day from 6am-6pm for 40 days. We stand as a physical witness to the fact that all life from conception to natural death is to be cherished and treasured. We offer help, hope and love to all entering Planned Parenthood's business. We need you to grab a friend, sign up and come pray. Sign up at [40DaysforLife.com/Memphis](http://40DaysforLife.com/Memphis) or contact Libby Parks at 355-8546 or [Libbykpark@gmail.com](mailto:Libbykpark@gmail.com).



## LEBONHEUR MINISTRY

Thank you to all who have contributed items for our lunches. The next one is **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**. Check the sign up at [www.tinyurl.com/stlouissignup](http://www.tinyurl.com/stlouissignup) to volunteer for this and/or one of the upcoming lunches. Also, please remember that we collect items for the pantry on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor. These are all single serve items that do not require a can opener. There is a list on the bulletin boards in the hallways of the Clunan Center. For information, please call Cathy Freres at 685-1934.

## LENTEN FISH FRIES



The St. Louis Men's Club will hold Lenten fish fries on **Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>** at 5:30pm in the Dining Hall. Fried catfish, hushpuppies, French fries, cole slaw, desserts and cold beverages will be served. Cheese pizza will be available for children. Adult catfish plate is \$10, child's catfish plate is \$5 and cheese pizza is \$5.

## FLEUR DE LIS

Well, we have had quite a "NO" winter this year! I am enjoying the early Spring with so many things flowering and temperatures that invite you to get outdoors. Our next dinner is **Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Hors d'oeuvres at 6pm and dinner at 6:30pm. We will be eating in the Dining Hall this time as Carla will be preparing a spaghetti dinner for us. One of our newer members, Susan Zoccola, will give a short presentation about our National Parks and her years as a park ranger. Cost is \$10 per person. Please make your reservation by **Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**.

Our outing to see "The Bridges of Madison County" at the Circuit Playhouse is scheduled for **Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**. The matinee starts at 2pm. We need to get the tickets ordered asap. Cost is \$25 per ticket. If you would like to join us, please call Jerry Basler at 385-2014. We will carpool and leave from the church parking lot by 1:15pm—and maybe go out for dessert afterwards!

## 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. 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 4am slot on Mondays, 1am slot on Tuesdays, the 2am (shared time) 3pm and 5pm slots on Fridays, the 3am slot on Saturdays, the 9pm slot on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays of each month and the 10am, 4pm and 10pm slots on Sundays.** Contact Jan O'Donnell by email at [jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org](mailto:jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org) or call 255-1954.

## Banns of Marriage

Banns of Marriage are announced for the first time for **Allison Collis and Ryan Eldridge** and for **Caitlin Giovanetti and Zackary Ross**.

## ROSARY BRIGADE INTENTION

Pray for the people of the earth, that they always cherish God's gift of peace.

## NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading	Exodus 17:3-7
Psalm	Psalm 95
Second Reading	Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel	John 4:5-42

## 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, Capt. Jay Schaffler and Jeff Sexton.

## OFFERTORY REPORT

Week of March 5, 2017

Total Collection	\$48,074
Envelopes	\$37,657
Electronic	\$8,819
Loose	\$1,598
Budget requirements	\$40,385
Total registered families	1,805
Donated by envelopes	563
Donated Electronically	118
Non-participants	1,124

**38% of families participated.....62% did not**

## 20'S & 30'S GROUP

The 20's & 30's Group has some upcoming events we want you to be a part of! On **Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**, join us and other young adult groups for "Adoremus", an evening of music, prayer and confession. This event is sponsored by Catholic Young Adult Ministry and hosted by Sam Mauck. For information, email us at [stlouis.youngadults@gmail.com](mailto:stlouis.youngadults@gmail.com). If you are not a part of our group and would like to be, send us an email or text 497-2237.

## ROOM IN THE INN

Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> is our last night to host Room in the Inn this Spring. Volunteers are still needed. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/SLCRITI> to volunteer. We also welcome financial donations, as well as new underwear for men and women. Call Pam Scarbrough at 763-0295 or Ann Drennan at 674-2117.

## YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

Junior and Senior High Youth Groups will meet on **Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** in the JPII building. Senior High meets from 7-9pm and Junior High meets from 4:30-5:45 pm. For 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.



## COLE HARRISON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

St. Louis Catholic Church Youth Ministry is proud to sponsor two Cole Harrison Smith Memorial Scholarships. Seniors in high school who are pursuing post-secondary education and who are *active* in parish youth ministry are eligible to apply for a \$1,500 scholarship and a \$500 scholarship to be awarded annually. The application may be picked up at the parish office or downloaded from our youth ministry website, <https://stlouisyouth.org/>. Deadline for return of applications to the youth ministry office is **Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**.

## ADOREMUS

Adoremus: An evening of music, reflection, prayer and confession for 20s/30s. *"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest..."* Join young adults from all over to pray and worship together in the Eucharistic Presence of Jesus! Confession will be available. **Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm at St. Louis. Music led by Mary Katherine Wright. Reflection by Fr. Dexter Noblefranca. Keep up with the event on Facebook. Search for ADOREMUS MEMPHIS in Events.

## 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.

## SOCIAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE & NETWORKING EVENT

Two Topics: An Overview of Current Poverty in Our Area and Best Practice "24 Hours For the Lord" with Mary Margaret Koch. **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** from 9-11am at St. Francis Church. Open to anyone in the care and concern ministries in our diocese (parish, school contacts, St. Vincent DePaul groups, Knights of Columbus, volunteers, etc.). RSVP Therese Gustaitis at 722-4794 or [therese.gustaitis@acc.cdom.org](mailto:therese.gustaitis@acc.cdom.org).

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY TRIVIA NIGHT

Parish Social Ministry will sponsor a Trivia Night with Br. Ignatius on **Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** in the Clunan Center. Doors open at 5:30pm—questions start at 6:30pm. Hawaiian luau theme and prizes. Registration forms are available on the Parish Social Ministry page on the church website. Registration deadline is **Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**. On-site registration will not be available. The Trivia Night benefits PSM outreach programs and Feed My Flock.

## KNITTING & CROCHETING MINISTRY



The St. Louis Knitting Ministry meets on Sundays from 1-3pm. People who crochet (in preferred yarn) are also needed. Beginners are welcome. Members supply their own materials (donations welcomed!). Needs and demands are growing tremendously to wrap newborns and sick in God's love. Call Charlotte B. Parry at 820-0531 for information.

## ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Apply for enrollment by calling the school office at 255-1900 or apply at [www.stlouismemphis.org](http://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. Check our website for a detailed explanation of our admissions process. Those interested in K-8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2017-18 school year should call or apply online as soon as possible. Tours and shadow days can be scheduled with our Admissions Director, Kim Pesce.

## PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. FRANCES

Medjugorje Pilgrimage Sept 13-22, with Fr Francis Chiawa. \$2,589 from Memphis includes everything but lunches and tips. In the Footsteps of St. Paul Pilgrimage Oct 25-Nov4 with Fr Bill Parham. \$4445 includes 7 day cruise with a day in Athens before and after the cruise. For information, contact Jeannie Presley are 683-7807, [presleyjeannie@gmail.com](mailto:presleyjeannie@gmail.com)

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Rise, and do not be afraid." Let us comfort our spouses and ourselves by celebrating the love of God in our marriages by experiencing a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on **April 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>** at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center in Stanton, TN. For more information or to apply, visit our website at [www.wwme-section10.org/memphis](http://www.wwme-section10.org/memphis) or contact us at 540-220-4170.

## WOW—WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY



Please join us every Tuesday in the Clunan Center Meeting Room to discuss the Gospel of Matthew. We are using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible which can be purchased at St. Paul's Book Store. Meeting time is Tuesdays from 11:30am-12:30pm.

## EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS

At Easter Masses, lovely lillies decorate the altars. If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone special, please use the envelope in your packet. Your donation will be recognized in the bulletin Easter weekend. Deadline for donations to be recognized in the bulletin is **Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**.



## 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](http://www.cdom.org)), weekly online news in the West Tennessee Catholic, the diocesan calendar and Facebook – always with free access for you.

## 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](mailto:jan.odonnell@stlouis.cdom.org).



Anointing of the sick.

## CBHS YOUTH LACROSSE PROGRAM

Brothers Lacrosse Club spring season is open to all area boys grades 3-8 who intend to apply for enrollment at CBHS. Fast paced, physical and lots of fun! Limited practices fit into other spring sport schedules. Contact Ken Kimble at [kkimble@cbhs.org](mailto:kkimble@cbhs.org) for more information.

## Youth Retreats

### YOUTH MINISTRY RETREATS

The final SEARCH retreat of the year will be held **Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>-Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>** for students in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Cost is \$60.

Retreat will be held at Memphis Catholic High School. Registration is required and forms are available at [www.stlouisyouth.org](http://www.stlouisyouth.org). Contact Dianne Dolan at 373-1292 or [dianne.dolan@cc.cdom.org](mailto:dianne.dolan@cc.cdom.org).

## WEEKEND RETREATS

Do you need a weekend away – a weekend with no commitments? Would you like a forty eight hour break in your life where the only expectation is to show up and let God do the rest? Come to Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center for a weekend retreat sponsored by St. Ann, Nativity and Cathedral Women **March 17-19** or a Men and Women's Retreat sponsored by Holy Spirit and St. Mary parishes **March 24-26**. The retreat theme is: Psalms: Life as Prayer - Conversation, Conversion and Compassion in the World. The Psalms speak to all of human experience. Retreats begin Friday evening with dinner at 6:30pm and conclude with lunch on Sunday. Suggested offering: \$185 – per single occupancy or \$155 per double occupancy. Register online: [www.olqpretreats.com](http://www.olqpretreats.com) or call 731-548-2500. Women and men of all parishes are welcome.

The Catholic Diocese of Memphis, 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 Victim Assistance Coordinator (652-4066). 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.

## MSGR. PAUL W. CLUNAN ENDOWMENT FUND

The Clunan Fund is named after our long-time pastor, Msgr. Paul W. Clunan. The purpose of the Clunan Fund is to provide assistance to families who are unable to pay the full tuition fees and to aid in keeping pace with new developments in technology, curriculum and facilities. Online donation is available at [www.stlouischurchmphis.org](http://www.stlouischurchmphis.org) and by clicking on this QR code with your smart phone.



## 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.