

In the Church, the transformative power of the Eucharist is experienced through the dignified celebration of Holy Mass, and people are empowered for mission because of that.

—George Weigel

Dear Parishioners,

As we begin 2020, I am looking forward to continuing the work of growing God's kingdom in the new year. Thank you for contributing your time, talent, and treasure so that our mission to know Jesus and make Him known to others is at the heart of everything we do! At the beginning of the 2019-20 fiscal year, I met with several St. Louis campus leaders to discuss our mission and to open the lines of communication between volunteer leaders and SLC staff. Our leaders have been doing an excellent job "keeping the main thing the main thing." I am very pleased with their efforts and confident that the second half of the fiscal year will be even more successful than the first.

Before Christmas, I sent an email update to all of you. In addition to providing an end-of-the-calendar-year report, I mentioned that hiring our new Music Directors, Kevin and Bethany Paige, was only part of an on-going plan for providing a strong Mass experience. We see and serve the majority of our members on the weekend so Sunday Mass is our best opportunity to share our mission with parishioners and visitors. We will continue to offer programs and bible studies throughout the week, but we want to especially focus on the weekend experience in the coming months. I have invited several staff members and parishioners to lead this effort. I will continue to consult the Parish

Pastoral and Finance Councils for long-term strategic planning. The Weekend Experience Committee will be focused solely on the weekend Masses. Other committees may be formed as needed.

It is our goal to collaborate with a variety of parishioners who are united in our mission and who represent our congregation, diverse in age, expertise and life experience. The members of the Weekend Experience Committee, pictured below, want to hear from you. They will collect suggestions and feedback during the month of January. Submit all suggestions to a member of the committee via email (contact info is listed below) or on paper in the suggestion box in the narthex of the church by January 31, 2020. Please include your name and contact info in case follow up is required. The committee will do its best to carefully consider all submissions when they meet again in February.

It is impossible to respond to each opinion, but I assure you, we will listen to each and will prayerfully respond with what is best for our parish. I know that we will accomplish great things by working as a team. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Sincerely in Christ,



Fr. Jolly Sebastian, Pastor

Suggestions & Feedback

- Email a committee member (contact information on next page)
- Place in Suggestion Box in Narthex
- Name and contact information must be included
- Deadline January 31, 2020