

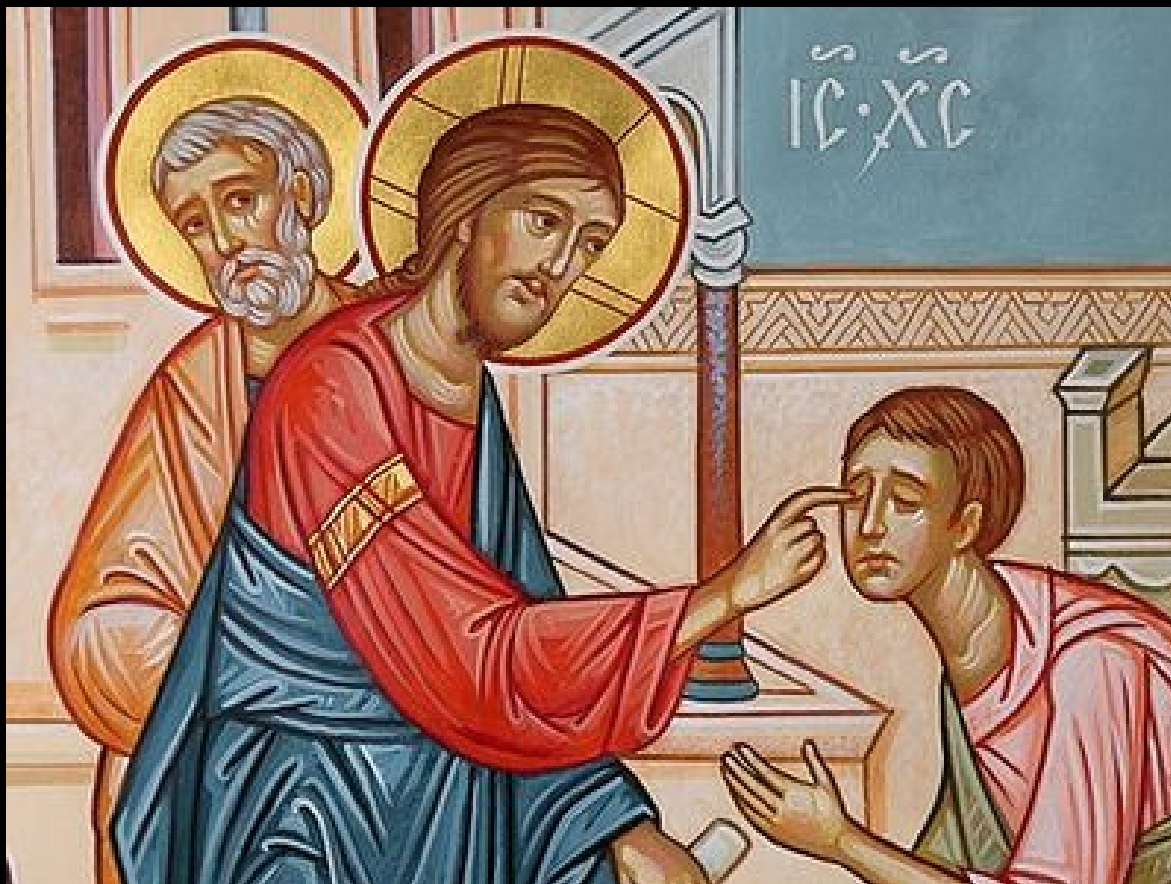
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH OFFICE, 838-6565
Parish Fax Number, 838-6566

Pastor
Msgr. Matthew Mitas, ext. 102

Deacon
Rev. Mr. Joseph Kroutil

Parish Secretary
Linda Brindley, ext. 100
brindley@stangelam.org

Bookkeeper
Monique Zykan, ext. 103

Music Director
Sharon Churchill

Mary Ann Kauffman, ext. 101

St. Vincent De Paul...ext. 504

NEW PARISHIONERS
Register in the parish office,
Mon-Fri, 8:00 am- 4:00 pm.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Baptism Instruction is to be
scheduled with a parish priest.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
To be arranged with the parish
priest at least six months prior.



Prayer, Liturgy and Sacrifice

Mass Schedule

Mon - Fri 8:00 am

Saturday First Sat. of the month, 8:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 8:30 am - 7:00 pm

7:00 pm - Perpetual Help &
Benediction

Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Or by appointment, call 314-838-6565

Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesdays After 8:00 am Mass & 7:00pm

Holy Day of Obligation Masses

To Be Announced.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Submit to the parish office by Monday at 4:00 pm. Please email notices to: brindley@stangelam.org.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 23

8:00 am - Jarod Maessen

Tuesday, March 24

8:00 am - Birdie Wohldmann

Wednesday, March 25

8:00 am - Georgiann Donovan

Thursday, March 26

8:00 am - Bette Landgraf

Friday, March 27

8:00 am - Bob Shipley

Saturday, March 28

8:00 am - James O' Malley

5:00 pm - McManus Family

Sunday, March 29

7:30 am - People of the Parish

9:30 am - Clayton Halling

11:30 am - Terry McManus

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, MAR. 28 & 29

WEEKEND SERVERS

5:00 pm - Veronica & Vicky Breen,
Daena Talavera

7:30 am - Thomas Anderson, Kaitlyn Smith,
Volunteer Needed

9:30 am - Aaron Fenner, Jocelyn Thomas,
Sebastian Thomas

11:30am - Megan Kelley, Megan Looney,
Volunteer Needed

WEEKEND LECTORS

5:00 pm - Crystalyn Talavera

7:30 am - John Fallah

9:30 am - Pat Buchanan, Eric Spalding

11:30 am - Jeanie McCrary

EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 pm - Claudia & George Bidleman, Tina Clarkin, Karen Dietz, Vitina Galati, Nora Kaikati, Shirley Sweney

7:30 am - Margie Heppermann, Kenneth Schmalbeck, Rick Vietmeier, Theresa & William Watson, Cathy Welsh, **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

9:30 am - Donald & JoAnn Holdener, John Scheiding, **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

11:30 am - Agnes Bullock, Linda McManus, Denyse Sternberg

WEEKEND GIFT BEARERS - MAR. 28 & 29

Sat. 5:00 pm - Bob & Lois Adams

Sun. 7:30 am - Warren & Barbara Schnell

Sun. 9:30 am - Bill & Nancy Hesselbach

Sun. 11:30 am - Lucy Ware, Grace Painter &
Berta Carter-Simmons

Sunday Collection - March 15, 2020

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Weekly Budget	\$ 11,290
Weekly Over/Under	- \$ 3,507
Fiscal Year To Date	-\$ 14,719

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From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

REMEMBER THAT MARCH IS THE MONTH OF ST. JOSEPH

LAETARE, HIEROSOLYME!

“Rejoice, O Jerusalem!” That is the cry on this Fourth Sunday of Lent (“Laetare Sunday”). Despite everything, there really is much to rejoice about, and the rose-colored vestments reflect it.

PANDEMICS

This coronavirus pandemic is not the first such pandemic to strike St. Louis. Our city was struck with dread cholera several times in the mid-19th century, claiming a huge death toll each time. Festering and communicated through the presence fetid and contaminated human and animal waste on the streets and in the drinking water, this fearful affliction claimed as much as 10% of the population of our city whenever it struck. The first time was in 1832, and then it hit again in 1848/49 (largely in conjunction with the Great St. Louis Fire of 1849). There were relatively minor outbreaks in 1854 & 1856, but it struck for the last (and probably worst) time in 1866. I think we should all know that in the 1849 outbreak, the Jesuits at St. Louis University gathered all its students into the College Church (located then on 9th St.) and told them to commit their lives and health to the care of the Mother of God. They did, and from that moment on, not one student died on campus. Again in 1866, the Jesuits at St. Joseph Church (11th & Biddle, now known as the Shrine of St. Joseph) did the same thing as their confreres did in 1849. They summoned the whole parish into that massive church (a bold and reckless thing to do with a malady as communicable as that dread affliction) and told them to pledge themselves to pray to St. Joseph, their parish patron, for deliverance. (Bl. Pius IX had recently declared the glorious foster father of Jesus to be patron of the Universal Church.) They did so, promising to build a new and fitting high altar in his honor in their church. From that moment on, not a single person who signed the pledge of prayers was claimed by cholera. The magnificent high altar that dominates the church’s architecture today is rightly called “the Altar of Answered Prayers”). So what should we be doing in response to this current situation? What did our ancestors do? What do you think?

GLORIOUS SAINT JOSEPH

Speaking of St. Joseph, this last Thursday was his major feast day (he has another one in May), and, as is the Church’s ancient custom, we passed out the delicious St. Joseph Bread. We still have some left, and we’re making it available to those who wish to have some (and you’d be crazy not to!). We ask a small donation, the sum of which will be given to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

LENTER SPEAKER SERIES

Sad to report, but this series (and the Stations of the Cross with it) has been terminated, another casualty of corona.

JUST A HEADS-UP

Our parish parking lot is, generally speaking, in pretty good condition, but it, along with the concrete of the sidewalk that adjoins it, does need some work. This work mostly entails sealing up its cracks, some of which are rather large. If we don’t do this, we hasten the break-up of the pavement through the natural freeze/thaw cycle that afflicts most St. Louis edifices. The entire project, which comprises rubberized sealing of the big cracks, a universal sealing of the whole lot, repairing damaged concrete, and re-striping it, will cost about \$23,000. This will be our big project for the summer. The work will start soon, but won’t be finished until we get warmer weather.





Features:

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QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

Many saints have semi-official designations attached to them as patrons for certain afflictions and those who suffer from them. I'll name the saint, and your task is to name the disorder from which he or she protects you:

1. St. Peregrine 2. St. Blaise 3. St. Erasmus
4. St. Lucy 5. St. Acacius 6. St. Giles 7. St. Maurus
8. St. Liborius 9. St. Agatha 10. St. Corona

ANSWERS: 1. Cancer 2. Throat diseases 3. Stomach disorders 4. Eye diseases 5. Headaches 6. Mental disorder, e.g., epilepsy, panic attacks, schizophrenia, etc. 7. Colds 8. Gravel, i.e., kidney & gall stones 9. Diseases of the breast 10. Not currently known to be the patroness of anything, but, although it wasn't named for her, the coronavirus has her name all over it

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 31 & Apr. 7: Confessions, 11:30-12:00n

Apr. 5: Palm Sunday, beginning of Holy

Week: Showing of Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ* in our lunchroom

Apr. 7: Catechism Class resumes in the Parish Meeting Room after the Devotions at 7:00PM; all, of course, are welcome!

Apr. 9: Maundy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:30PM

Apr. 10: Good Friday, Stations of the Cross, Good Friday service, 7:30PM

Apr. 11: Holy Saturday, Paschal Vigil, 7:30PM

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"First, do no harm." - *The Oath of Hippocrates*

"Life is a sexually transmitted disease, and the mortality rate is one hundred percent." - *R. D. Laing*

WORD OF THE WEEK

GALACTOPHAGIST: (*n.*) One who drinks milk, as in: "*Maybe if we all became GALACTOPHAGISTS we could better survive the corona!*"

This Week In Our Parish:

Tuesday, March 24

8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration

3:00 pm - Legion of Mary, Rectory Basement

7:00 pm - Benediction

Wednesday, March 25

9:00 am - Quilters, Rectory Basement

Thursday, March 26

7:00 pm - Pro-Life Meeting, Rectory Basement

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Rachael Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, Rosemary Licato, Evelyn Finno, Guy Henriksen, Augustine & Ray Porter, Billie Lawson, Kristine Lawson, Neil MacKenzie, Margaret Kluge, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Trisha Looney, Jerome Rueckert, Charles Haynes, Kathy Pilla, Bill Stubits, Nancy Brennen, Peggy Hinrichs, Brian Bennett, William Buchholz, Debbie Vietmeier, Suzy Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, John Beyatte, Phil Witte, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens, Paula Gamel, Katie Sanders, Jim McMullen, Veronica Murray, Pat Brennan, Patty Holschen, Jude Pauli, June Hildebrand, E. Richard Smith and Ken Schmidt.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF WE NEED TO ADD OR REMOVE ANYONE FROM THE ABOVE SO AS TO KEEP OUR SICK LIST CURRENT. THANK YOU!

CONGRATULATIONS

The winner of the S.A.M. 150 CLUB drawing is
Mary Lou & Bill Hof
Congratulations on winning \$250!

It's not too late to join!
YOU could be the next winner!

AND Please save the date!!
S.A.M. 150 Club Dinner Dance Is
May 2nd.



Features:

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Joshua Stremlau, Bradley Stremlau, Corey Rudroff, Steven Bennett, Jerrod Klug, Pat Edwards-Parrish, Jonathan Buss, Brad Sanders, Matthew Meske, Jackie Cotter, J. Timothy Sullivan, Matthew Hawkins, John Reddan, Dustin Kyle, Jacob Doerle, Max Rose, Craig Richardson, Isiah Stewart, Matthew Moorman, Jacob Graham and Joshua Graham

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WISH TO ADD A FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS IN THE ARMED FORCES.

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES & STATIONS OF THE CROSS HAS BEEN CANCELED FOR THE REST OF THE SERIES.

SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS IS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.



PLANT SALE

Spring is in the air and the St Angela Merici Pro Life Plant sale is right around the corner! Last weekend in April in the lunchroom! If you wish to preorder any items, please call Agnes Bullcock at 314-956-3904 or 314-716-3204, by April 10th

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

There are just 2 weeks until the SVDP truck collection on Saturday, April 4th from 8am to 4pm! We hope you have been setting aside your unwanted clothing, household goods, toys, books, decorations, etc. as you do your Spring cleaning. Please remember to secure your bags & boxes. If you have old shoes or clothing that cannot be sold in the Thrift Store, please mark the bag or box "recycle". We can use the credits that we receive from this collection to provide our neighbors with clothing & household furnishings. We appreciate the support from the parishioners at St. Angela.



MEN'S CLUB

We hate to inform you that we will be canceling our monthly meeting on Monday, March 23rd and the AED Training classes. We will reschedule this at a later date.

PROJECT RACHEL SPIRITUAL SUPPORT GROUP



for women who have been wounded by an abortion experience. The group meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be Thursday March 26, 2020 at 7PM. Contact 314-792-7565 or stlprojectrachel@archstl.org.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required and asked to register in the new system before December 31, 2020. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers, and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to www.preventandprotectstl.org to register. Click "Register" below the LOG IN button. Enter the **passcode stlprotect**. Select the type of location where you are a volunteer or employee. Select the specific location by name: St. Angela Merici Parish. Contact Linda Brindley, our parish Child Safety Coordinator, at 314 -838-6565 with any questions or for further assistance. This should take about an hour to do. Thanks in advance for taking care of this.



Features:



SAMS-SAINT ANGELA MERICI SENIORS

This group's purpose is to have fun, relax, eat lunch, enjoy entertainment and go home happy. Anyone 55 years of age or older is eligible for membership. The organization meets at 11:30 AM on the second Monday of each month in the cafeteria. They also schedule some field trips and are involved in charitable activities. This is a group of seniors who have a great time. Annual dues of \$15 per person will be collected at the April 20th meeting so this is a good time to join. Lunch is \$8 for members and \$10 for nonmembers. Reservations are required for lunch and must be made by the Thursday before the meeting. Contact Carolyn Humphrey at 921-3762 for more information.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ADORERS NEEDED JUST ONE HOUR!

If you want to feel the "Peace of Christ", try giving Jesus an extra hour this week. A young man referred to this as taking a "holy nap" definition: A time of reflection between you and the Lord. A time where you close your eyes, breathe, focus on all the goodness surrounding you and offering up all of your burdens to Jesus to take care of. "Come and spend an hour with Me," Jesus, Himself, made this request of us, His disciples. The benefits we receive are tremendous. The Legion of Mary would like you to give prayerful consideration to commit or recommend to an hour a week to the Lord. **Due to various circumstances we are in need of additional adorers. Why not give it a try and then consider being placed on the list. Eucharistic Adoration is at St. Angela Merici on Tuesdays, after the 8am Mass, and closes with Perpetual Help and Benediction at 7:00pm.** If you are interested, please contact Parish Office at 838-6565.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

The OLS Women's Guild Quilt Social
has been postponed until
APRIL 26, 2020

All other details remain unchanged

Please continue to return the raffle chances & sleepers you received
in our initial mailing - - they are the ones we will use!

PLEASE RE-MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR APRIL 26TH
Because we so look forward to seeing you then!

Any questions, please call Linda at 314-752-4660.

Thanks for understanding!

MARTHA & MARY SOCIETY

We need some more helping hands to join the Martha & Mary Society. Martha & Mary Society helps with our funeral luncheons. There are many ways you can help either by preparing a dish, help set up for the luncheon, serve the food and clean up or you can do all the above. If you are willing and able to help out with the Society, please contact the parish office at 314-838-6565 Monday thru Friday from 8:00am till 4:00pm and leave your name and phone number. Thank you in advance for helping the Society out.

SUNDAY DONATION

During this time of the coronavirus and since we won't have large gatherings of people there are two ways to give your Sunday Donation to St. Angela Merici. One is to either mail your envelope or drop it by the office. The office is open Monday thru Friday 8:00am till 4:00pm and the mailing address is 3860 N. Hwy 67, Florissant, MO 63034. The other way is to sign up for the online giving. The link for the online giving is on the St. Angela Merici webpage, the web address is www.saintangelamerici.org. On the home page the link is at the very bottom on the right-hand side. Click on the online giving and it will take you to the page for the online giving. Click on Create New Account and fill out the information. Then you are all set up for the online giving.



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