

ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

November 27, 2022
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3860 N. Hwy 67
Florissant, MO 63034



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT HOPE

PARISH OFFICE, 838-6565
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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, November 28

8:00 am - Ed Bialecke

Tuesday, November 29

8:00 am - Joanne George

Wednesday, November 30

8:00 am - Jim Valli

Thursday, December 1

8:00 am - John Hirrons

Friday, December 2

8:00 am - Schmidt Family

6:00 pm - Norma Jean Rickelmann

Saturday, December 3

8:00 am - Priest Intention

5:00 pm - Helen Conlon

Sunday, December 4

7:30 am - Robert (Bob) Happe

9:30 am - Patricia Ann Herbergs

11:30 am - People of the Parish

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 3RD & 4TH

WEEKEND SERVERS

5:00 pm - N/A

7:30 am - N/A

9:30 am - N/A

11:30 am - N/A

WEEKEND LECTORS

5:00 pm - Claudia Bidleman

7:30 am - John Fallah

9:30 am - Laura Vietmeier

11:30 am - Julie Ratermann

Sunday Collection - November 13, 2022

Sunday Offering	\$ 8,909
Weekly Budget	\$12,469
Weekly Over/Under	- \$ 3,560
Fiscal Year To Date	-\$ 51,577

Please come to

Vespers

at Saint Angela Merici Parish

3860 North Highway 67 (Lindbergh Boulevard)

On each of the four Sundays of Advent

(November 27 & December 4, 11, & 18)

Starting at 7:00pm

"Vespers" are the official Evening Prayer
of the Catholic Church.

It is traditional to celebrate them
with great solemnity

on Advent's four Sundays.

Come join us in observing this holy season
with the solemnity it is due!

(Eucharistic exposition and Benediction included.)

MASS STIPENDS If you would like to request a special Mass intention in thanksgiving or remembrance of a loved one at an upcoming Mass, please contact the parish office at 314-838-6565



From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

REMEMBER THAT NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE SOULS IN PURGATORY AND DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION!

THE YEAR OF GRACE, 2023

With this Sunday, the First Sunday of Advent, the Year of Grace 2022 is laid to rest, never to be seen again, and the new one, 2023 is born. Like all new beginnings, it gives us hope. 2022 was good to us in many ways. If for nothing else, we will always be grateful for the Dobbs ruling of the Supreme Court that overturned its unjust, tyrannical, and just plain bad ruling in Roe. But there's still much more work to be done. Every year, the Church provides its liturgical cycle of feasts and seasons as vehicles whereby we will not just remember and celebrate the events of our salvation, but that we will actually re-live them. By means of her holy Liturgy, Mother Church makes it possible for us, even though we are removed from their first occurrence by 2,000 years, to be partakers in them still. In Advent, we re-live the longing of a sinful, but not abandoned, people, as they yearned for a Savior. He came once, He will come again. Let's keep ready!

ADVENT VESPERS

Next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent, and the Church's whole cycle of feasts and seasons that comprises our Liturgical Calendar renews itself. As has been our custom here at St. Angela's for the past several years, we will celebrate the Church's solemn evening prayer (or, "vespers") in grand style on the evenings of all four of Advent's Sundays, starting at 7:00 each night. Also as in the past, we will have an *ad hoc* choir of singers (comprising all ages and both sexes) to advance the praise of God by chanting the prophecies and canticles. It's a wonderful experience! And so I ask two things of you: first, plan on making it a big part of your Advent preparations for the Coming of Christ. (And invite your children and their children to join us, too – it becomes one of the most cherished memories of childhood for those who participate!) Second, lend your voice to this *ad hoc* choir. Not Pavarotti? Not a problem! Come to the lunchroom by 6:15 next Sunday for a brief rehearsal. (I suspect you already know the melodies, anyway – they're pretty simple!) Also: the *ad hoc* choir dresses in black pants & white shirts/blouses.

HE CAME TO CALL SINNERS

Christ did many things when He walked the earth. Most of all, He came to save us. From what? From sin, for sinners we are and very much in need of His saving grace. Perhaps the best thing He left us was the sacrament by which our sins are forgiven, namely Confession. The greatest peace you will ever experience in life is when you hear the words, "I absolve you from your sins..." after a good confession. There will be special times for the sacrament all through Advent. You should have gotten by now my Advent/Christmas letter. Hang onto it. It has all the Confession times. Additionally, this week I'll be hearing confessions right after the 8:00AM Mass on Tuesday (in addition to the usual Saturday confessions, of course).

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

We will be once again honoring the Patroness of the Americas, Our Lady of Guadalupe, with a Mexican Food Night. It will be after the 5:00PM on Saturday, Dec. 10. Lots of good food, music & even a piñata or two! Make your reservations now (by calling the parish office.)

QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

At the beginning of this new Year of Grace (2023), we return to the basics of our faith, and so this week's quiz will be one on the fundamentals of our religion, according to the old, reliable, Baltimore Catechism:

1. Who Made us? 3. Why did God make us? 3. From whom do we learn to know, love, and serve God? 4. Where do we find the chief truths of the Church? 5. What do we mean when we say that God is the Supreme Being? 6. What is a spirit? 7. What do we mean when we say that God is self-existing? 8. What do we mean when we say that he is infinitely perfect? 9. Can we know by natural reason that there is a God? 10. How can we know about God apart from natural reason?

ANSWERS: 1. God 2. To know, Love and serve Him in this world, so that we might achieve the happiness of heaven 3. From Jesus, through the Catholic Church that He established 4. In the Apostles' Creed





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5. That He is above all creatures, the self-existing, infinitely perfect spirit 6. A being of intellect and will, but no body, and is immortal
 7. That He does not owe His existence to any other being 8. That He has all the perfections without limit 9. Yes 10. Yes, through divine revelation, viz., Scripture and Tradition

UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Tuesday: Eucharistic Adoration in church from 8:30AM-7:00PM, with Devotions and Benediction at 7:00.

Every Tuesday and Friday: Exercise for seniors, from 9:00-10:00AM in the gym

Nov. 27, Sun.: Advent Vespers, 7:00PM, in church

Nov. 28, Mon.: Men's Club meeting, 6:30, in church

Dec. 1, Thu.: December birthday breakfast after the 8:00AM Mass

Dec. 2, Fri.: First Friday, Masses at 8:00AM & 6:00PM (followed by the holy hour for the sanctification of the parish)

Dec. 3, Sat.: First Saturday Mass (no speaker series to follow)

Dec. 4, 11 & 18, Sun.: Solemn Advent Vespers, 7:00PM, in church

Dec. 6 & 20, Tue: Catechism Class, following the 7:00PM Devotions (in the Parish Meeting Room – all welcome)

Dec. 7 & 8, Wed. & Thu.: Feast of the Immaculate Conception, 5:00PM Mass (Wed.), 8:00AM & 7:00PM (Thu.)

Dec. 10, Sat.: Mexican Food Night in honor of O.L. of Guadalupe, 6:00-8:00PM (make reservations now!)

Dec. 12, Mon.: SAM Seniors meeting & luncheon, 11:30AM, lunchroom

Dec. 16, Fri.: Catholic Family Movie Night, featuring the classic "The Bells of St. Mary's", 7:00PM in the lunchroom, free pop & popcorn, of course!

Dec. 24 & 25, Sat. & Sun.: Christmas, Masses at 5:00 & 10:00PM (Sat., and 8:00 & 10:00AM (Sun.)

Dec. 26, Mon.: Men's Club Christmas party

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness, and thus to open doors of hope." - *Pope Benedict XVI*

WORD OF THE WEEK

CANDIDATE (*n.*) a politician who always stands for whatever it is that he wants the people to fall for, as in: *"I can't believe that in this last election cycle we had so many candidates and so few real leaders."*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Rachael Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, Rosemary Licato, Augustine Porter, Billie Lawson, Kristine Lawson, Neil MacKenzie, Margaret Kluge, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Trisha Looney, Jerome Rueckert, William Buchholz, Debbie Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, John Beyatte, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens, Paula Gamel, Katie Sanders, Jim McMullen, Pat Brennan, Patty Holschen, Jude Pauli, June Hildebrand, John Keeven, Florence Coyne, John Thummel, Rita Sommer, Bill Moon, Spencer Broyles, Vivian Easley, Deborah Corcoran, Tom George, Marge Dubray, Bob Holschen, Leona Alligood, Janet Stubits, Vince Perrot, Agnes (Babe) Dreyer, Sally Caruso, Steve Scherer, Tom Karanzieff, Linda Belcher, Jim Belcher, Janet Hughes, Vince Beseau, Alma Hankins, Christopher Dafflito, Theresa Hamilton, Brian Perry, Jan Ostermeyer, Kathy Russell, Doris Hofer, Colleen Chronister, Tamara Shrader, Art Batson, Sharyn Buchholz, Lisa Williford, Joe O'Brien, Jonathan Louvall, Judy Eads, Tina McFadden, Tina Hawkins and Millie Boschert.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN:

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, Craig Richardson, Matthew Moorman, Dylan Krause, Tyler Krause, Daniel Schmitz, Zachary Hofer, Jacob Graham, Michael Rose, Nicholas Hedlesky, Christopher Hedlesky and Maya Hedlesky.



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Our Giving Tree is making its appearance on the 21st of November. You will have the opportunity to choose an ornament and help a child have a Merry Christmas. The ornament will have the name of the child, their age and what will make Christmas great for this child. Please return the present wrapped with the child's name on the front and place it under the Giving Tree. Your gift should be returned no later than December 19th. Thanks! Your Vincentians

LADIES CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY



Our Ladies Club will be hosting their Christmas party on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at noon in the lunchroom. If you are

able, please bring your favorite snack, beverage, or appetizer for all to share. Dress up in your best holiday attire. There will be music, games, and gifts for all who attend. Let us all start this Holiday season in style. If you have any questions, call Robin Galanos at 314-315-6858.

THE SAM'S QUILTERS



are getting ready to have a raffle for a throw called the Christmas Star. It measures 53x63. All proceeds from the raffle will go to St. Vincent de Paul. You can fill out the and put them into an envelope along with the money and drop them off at the parish office, collection

basket or in the black mail box. The cost of the tickets is one for a \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held at the feast day dinner of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Saturday, Dec. 10th.

This Week in our Parish:

Monday, November 28

6:30 pm - Men's Club Meeting in Church

Tuesday, November 29

8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 am - Exercise Class in GYM

7:00 pm - Benediction

Wednesday, November 30

9:00 am - Quilters meet in Rectory Bsmt

Thursday, December 1

Friday, December 2

9:00 am - Exercise Class in GYM

6:00 pm - 1st Friday Mass

Saturday, December 3

8:00 am - 1st Saturday Mass

Sunday, December 4

7:00 pm - Vesper in Church

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

We know it isn't even Thanksgiving yet, but we wanted to let you know that the Pro-Life Committee will once again be selling Christmas cards to benefit Birthright St. Charles!! These beautiful cards will be available after all Masses in the lunchroom the two weekends following Thanksgiving (11/26-27 and 12/3-4). The price for each pack of 10 for \$8.00. If you need your cards before then, please call Julie Ratermann at (314) 401-0047. Thanks so much for your ongoing support!!

COLD WEATHER SUPPLIES NEEDED.

Along with you Spaghetti Casserole that are due on December 13th, St. Pats is asking for some winter socks, gloves, coats, blankets, sleeping bags, snowsuits, tents, tarps, hand warmers, water resistant gloves, winter boots, to-go Kleenex, and lip balm/Vaseline. There will be a container in the entry to church to drop off your items for them. Thanks in advance for your help. Paddy will be delivering these items to them.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH When You Shop on Amazon, be sure to use the www.amazonsmile.com link and choose St Angela Merici Church as your charity. Our parish does receive donations from this activity, and every little bit helps.



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St Vincent de Paul would like to give a big thankyou to each one and all who helped us provide turkeys and side dish items for a complete Thanksgiving Meal for 40 Food pantry neighbors in need. The Germanfest Committee was most generous in helping purchase the turkeys, as well as a donation from the Men's club. Of course, the parishioners who participated come through, as always, to provide the extra side items. St. Vincent de Paul members and T.E.A.M. Food pantry are most grateful & appreciative for your contributions in our month-long event. Thanks again! St. Vincent de Paul

DIAMOND JUBILEE FUND RAISER ON BEHALF OF FOOD FOR THE POOR.

No donation is too small. To date, we have raised \$57155.69. We are going to collect up to the end of the year, so that we might make it toward a whole house, which would be \$9800.00. All of the money is tax deductible.



SAM Seniors Meeting
Monday, December 12th
At 11:30am

An early Merry Christmas to all Seniors of St. Angela Merici Parish
A FREE LUNCHEON

Menu: Sliced Roast Beef w/Gravy, Cranberry Chicken Breast, Pasta House Salad, Scalloped Potatoes, Amaretto Carrots, Rolls, Butter and Dessert all this made for us by Krause Katering. Remember that this is a free luncheon only available to St. Angela Merici Seniors.

We will be doing our usual entertainment of playing the game left, right. So you will need to make sure that you bring a wrapped \$5.00 gift suitable for a woman or man.



Ok now is the most important part. Reservations. You need to leave your name & phone number at the parish office or place a note in the black mail box with that information on it. You need to make sure that your name is on the list no later than, Wednesday, December 7th.

Sorry, we can not accept any walk-ins on the day of the luncheon.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE NORTH COUNTY DEANERY

Holy Name of Jesus welcomes parishioners from the North County Deanery to the below:

- Advent Reconciliation Service – **Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m.**
- Immaculate Conception Solemnity – **Thursday, December 8 with Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**
- Advent Guided Adoration – **Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m.**

Sacred Heart welcomes parishioners from the North County Deanery to the below:

- Advent Confessions – **Saturday, December 10 & 18 at from 8:30 a.m. & 4:15 p.m. and Wednesday, December 14 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**
- Advent Novena – **Friday, December 16 to Friday, December 23**

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne welcomes parishioners from the North County Deanery to the below:

- Rorate Caeli Mass – **Saturday, December 3 at 6:30 a.m.**

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta welcomes parishioners from the North County Deanery to the below:

- The Gift of Faith; The Gift of Perseverance, An Advent Reflection – **Saturday, December 3 at 9:00 a.m. to Noon**

St. Martin de Porres welcomes parishioners from the North County Deanery to the below:

- Christmas Caroling Service – **Thursday, December 15 at 7:00 p.m.)**



St. Rose Variety Club Presents
I'LL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
Sat., Dec. 10, 2022 at 6:30pm
St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Parish Hall
1210 Paddock Drive, 63033
Tickets are \$5 each
Call 314-837-3410 for ticket info.



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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

St. Angela Merici will be celebrating her feast day on Saturday, December 10th with Mexican food prepared by our famous caterer Krause Katering.

Place: St. Angela Merici GYM

Time: 6:00pm till 8:00pm

Cost: \$18.00 per person or \$35.00 for a couple

Menu: Fajitas (Steak, Chicken, Pork w/Toppings) (you build your own), Chicken Flautas made by Birdie Reddan, Enchilada Casserole, Burritos, Nacho Grande, Mexican Rice and Southwestern Salad.

Dessert: Caramel cake, and Sopapilla Cheesecake

Beverage included with the meat are water, Ice Tea and a Mexican Punch. We will be selling Beer including Corona, and Margaritas at a cost of \$3.00 each.

Check one: **Dine In** _____ **Carry out** _____

How many dinners? _____

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

All orders must be preorder and paid for by Thursday, December 8th. .



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