

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 18

6:00 p.m.

Mary Manns (D)

Sunday, August 19

8:00 a.m.

St Louis Parish

10:30 a.m.

Edward Veccia (D)

Richard Sullivan (D)

Tuesday, August 21

6:00 p.m.

Richard Spinnenweber (D)

Wednesday, August 22

8:30 a.m.

Bishop Wack C.S.C (L)

(Ordination of Bishop)

Thursday, August 23

6:00 p.m.

Patrick Thornburg (D)

Friday, August 24

8:30 a.m.

Andrea and Mila Busch

(L)

Saturday, August 25

6:00 p.m.

Joe Mueller, Sr. (D)

Sunday, August 26

8:00 a.m.

Williams Antozzi, Sr. (D)

10:30 a.m.

St. Louis Parish



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parish Family,

St. Paul was a great saint who did an incalculable amount of good for the Church and the world, but he was not universally praised during his lifetime. He made a lot of enemies. More than once they even tried to murder him. They also spread lies about him, sabotaged his work, and made his path through life rocky and rough.

One reason he made so many enemies was the clarity of his preaching. He didn't beat around the bush. In today's Second Reading, for example, he is very clear with the Christians in the important city of Ephesus. He actually tells them not to act like fools by following the evil ways of popular culture.

He is saying the same thing to us. The Christians in Ephesus in the first century were still battling against foolishness and sin, even though they were baptized and going to Mass regularly. That should give us a sense of relief. We do not come to Mass because we are perfect; we come to Mass because we love Jesus Christ and want to follow him more closely every day.

And St. Paul tells us how we can do that.

He explains to the Ephesians two key ingredients for Christian wisdom, two key skills that we all need to develop if we want to experience life as God meant it to be experienced. First, we have to overcome ignorance by becoming experts in God's plan and His will. This applies both to how we see our individual lives, and also to how we see the world around us. In both, we want to learn to follow God's will, not ours. And second, we have to put material pleasures in second place and spiritual pleasures in first place: "Do not get drunk on wine, but be filled with the spirit."

Peace to you and yours!

Fr. Stevens

TIME / TALENT / TREASURE
August 25/26

**Extraordinary Ministers
Of Holy Communion**

6:00 p.m. S. Wilson, E. Hawkins
8:00 a.m. T. Cross, J. Piotrowski
10:30 a.m. R. Spanarelli, F. Spanarelli

Lectors

6:00 p.m. C. Morris, K. Radford
8:00 a.m. T. Sobon, S. Ball
10:30 a.m. C. Reynolds, K. Onokpise

Sacristans

6:00 p.m. M. Reeves
8:00 a.m. T. Sobon
10:30 a.m. B. Smith

Altar Servers

6:00 p.m. (Open), (Open)
8:00 a.m. V. Nguyen, (Open)
10:30 a.m. S. Berrien, D. Smith

Liturgical Assistants

6:00 p.m. J. Mueller
8:00 a.m. G. Brown
10:30 a.m. P. Johnston

For Sunday, August 12

Offertory this week:	\$5,593.00
Target:	\$4,503.36
Collected vs Target for month	\$1,324.42
Collected vs Target since July	\$2,270.21
Projected Offertory for year:	\$276,933.89
Annual Budget:	\$250,000.00

Building Fund this week:	\$554.00
Collected this month:	\$1,307.00
Target for the month:	\$2,713.00
Collected since July 1:	\$4,373.00
Collected vs Target since July 1:	-\$1,053.00

Improvements Collections:	\$39.00
Total collected to date:	\$522.00

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

This ministry is helping us improve the look and upkeep of our parish! Our goal for the year is \$11,000. To date we have collected \$733.50. Monthly Movie Nights support this campaign. Car wash gift card sales support our efforts! Aluminum can sales also add to this account!

Altar Flowers
in loving memory of
Richard Sullivan
Edward Veccia
By
Chrys Sullivan



CONGRATULATIONS

*Volunteer of the Month for August is **Thomas Smith**. We appreciate all you do for St. Louis.

WELCOME TO ST. LOUIS PARISH

Nicholas Page.

FALL FESTIVAL

COMMITTEE MEETING

August 26th at 12:30 p.m.

If you are interested in serving on the Fall Festival Planning Committee, please plan on attending. Past event chairs are welcome, and new interested folks are needed. Lunch will be provided.

GIFT BASKETS/SILENT AUCTION

Our Fall Festival committee is seeking donations for our **Gift Basket-Silent Auction, Sunday October 14th**. Please consider donating a gift basket in honor of a loved one, or special intention you may have. Gift Baskets, and Silent Auction items can be dropped off at the Parish Office, Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or before/after Sunday Mass.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Please consider donating non-perishable food items for the Catholic Charities Food Pantry. With the summer months, their supplies are low and they are in need. You can also make a financial contribution by placing it in a marked envelope: "Catholic Charities/Food Pantry". Please place donations in the collection box located in the parish hall.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES PARISH REPRESENTATIVE

St. Louis Parish needs a volunteer to serve as a representative/liaison

for Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida. This person should have a love for the needs of the poor, and be an active and positive liaison between St. Louis Parish, Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida, and the local Pastor. If you are interested, contact Fr. Stevens: stevenss@clergy.ptdiocese.org, or 262-8155.

Thank you, Fr. Stevens

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY CLASS

Wednesday Bible Study Class will resume on August 29th from 10-11 a.m. The 8-week class will be "Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother." The cost of each study set is \$24.95 plus shipping. Please let Gloria Pullen know if you will attend in order to obtain the needed materials (270-7875).

HOMELESS SHELTER MEAL MINISTRY

Many thanks to all who donated so generously and those who came and worked at meal preparation and serving! Another fine night of dining at the Shelter for 275+ on August 4th! Keep up the good work and generosity; there was plenty of food for all. If dropping off anything *before* our next dinner assignment (September 1st - Labor Day weekend), please make it coffee...*(their peanut butter supply is overflowing)*. May God bless us all.

Brenda and Mary

OPEN DOOR, PRO-LIFE INVITATION

Would you consider being a table host for Open Door's banquet this fall (November 8th)? Inviting your friends to join you at your table is all that is requested. Be a guest for brunch at the Mangan home and



SATURDAY, AUGUST 25
7:00 p.m.
ST. LOUIS PARISH HALL

"THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO"

Based on Alexandre Dumas' classic tale of romance, adventure and revenge....will Edmund Dantes succumb to his burning anger and lust for revenge? Witness his evolving faith struggle as he is betrayed by his best friend and loses what is most dear to him in life. Will faith, gratitude, patience, generosity and perseverance triumph over hatred and vengeance?

Admission to Movie: FREE
(Donations Accepted)
Popcorn: \$5.00 (AYCE)
Sausage Dogs: \$1.50
Soft Drinks: \$0.75

Join us to watch movies that will inform you about important people or events in the history of our Catholic faith or that may inspire you to be a better father/mother/spouse/son/daughter/friend.

All proceeds go to St. Louis' Capital Improvement Fund

CHOIR

"Adult Choir practice is Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the church. Please come and sing with us! No prior music experience necessary. E-mail questions or concerns to pjwilford@gmail.com."

