

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 27
5:00 p.m.
Mary Johnson (D)
Sunday, July 28
8:00 a.m.
St. Louis Parish
10:30 a.m.
Jerome, Margaret and Josephine Onokpise (D)
Tuesday, July 30
6:00 p.m.
William Jackson, Sr. (D)
Wednesday, July 31
8:30 a.m.
Grant Terwilligir (D)
Thursday, August 1
6:00 p.m.
Thomas Gott (D)
Friday, August 2
8:30 a.m.
Caquimbo Family (D)
Saturday, August 3
5:00 p.m.
Jerry Thompson (D)
Sunday, August 4
8:00 a.m.
St. Louis Parish
10:30 a.m.
Daniel Dickman (L)



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parish Family,

Today Jesus is taking us to prayer school. He is teaching us what Christian prayer is all about. The words of the Our Father, abridged here in St Luke's version, are God's own instructions on prayer. Each phrase is a fountain of wisdom. Each is worth studying and thinking about deeply, because each shows us how God wants us to approach him and to be with him.

But Jesus knows that because we are human beings we tend to fall into routine. So, even though he gives us the perfect words to use in prayer, he knows we will have a tendency to just learn them by heart and then mindlessly rattle them off. And so he also teaches us two attitudes that should form the background of every Christian's life of prayer. These attitudes, if we keep them fresh, can make sure that our prayer never becomes just an empty, boring shell but that it is always a living, powerful force...as it was for Abraham.

The first attitude is persistence. If we are persistent in prayer, as the friend was persistent in the parable, we give God more freedom to act in our lives, because our desires get more in sync with God's.

The second attitude is confidence. Since we live in a fallen world, we sometimes project our own imperfections onto God. We think that he, like us, is selfish, easily angered, and resentful. As a result, sometimes we hesitate to open our hearts to him in

prayer.

But Jesus tears down these misconceptions. God is our Father--- a better father than even the very best of earthly fathers. So, if earthly fathers know how to be generous and wise with their children, we can rest-assured that God is much more like that with us. He won't give us stones when we ask for bread.

Peace to you and yours,

Fr. Stevens

TIME / TALENT / TREASURE
August 3/4

Extraordinary Ministers
Of Holy Communion

5:00 p.m. S. Wilson, J. Larson
8:00 a.m. J. Vargo, W. Vargo
10:30 a.m. Latin Mass

Lectors

5:00 p.m. K. Radford, E. Hawkins
8:00 a.m. T. Sobon, V. Laurienzo
10:30 a.m. Latin Mass

Sacristans

5:00 p.m. J. Larson
8:00 a.m. M. D'Souza
10:30 a.m. Latin Mass

Altar Servers

5:00 p.m. (Open) (Open)
8:00 a.m. C. Lara, (Open)
10:30 a.m. Latin Mass

Liturgical Assistant

5:00 p.m. R. Larson
8:00 a.m. S. Mehr
10:30 a.m. Latin Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Contact the office if you wish to schedule a Mass for a particular intention

CHURCH FLOWERS

The Flower Ministry is an important part of creating a beautiful environment for worship. Would you like to donate money for flowers for a special weekend? Your donation could be in remembrance of a loved one or a special occasion in your life. Call the office to get details.

CONGRATULATIONS

*Volunteer of the Month for July is Virgil Cross. Thanks for all you do for St. Louis, Virgil!

WELCOME TO ST. LOUIS:

Susan Lincoln

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

New Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, Altar Servers are needed at all three Masses. If you are interested in volunteering; please e-mail me at: stevenss@clergy.ptdiocese.org. Training will be scheduled yet this summer, and "thank you" to the dedicated folks who regularly help.

HELP US STAY UP TO DATE!

Have you changed your phone number or e-mail since you registered at the parish? Have you moved? Please take a moment and send your new contact information to the parish office: 262-8156 or stlouischurch@embarqmail.com

ADULT FAITH FORMATION:

Every Sunday, Catholics gather together to celebrate the Mass. But do we understand the deeper meaning of what happens there? Now we can; come learn more about the Mass. **Wednesday July 31st, 7:00 p.m., Shook Parish Hall**

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Will you be persistent as the friend in the Gospel today in inviting adults who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation to enter the process to be confirmed in November? Call 850-435-3523 for more information.

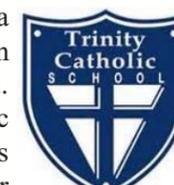


HOMELESS SHELTER

Many thanks to all who consistently give generously by putting food and supplies in the "gray bin" for our community's homeless members. This monthly ministry guarantees a healthy meal to over 250 adults on the first Saturday of each month at the Kearney Center. Keep up the good works, St Louis!

TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Did you know?

You can afford a Catholic education for your child. Trinity Catholic School accepts AAA, Step Up for Students, Gardiner, and McKay scholarships. Internal scholarships are also available through FACTS. Visit www.trinityknights.org/ scholarships to learn more about financial aid options or call us at 850-222-0444.

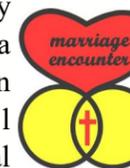


ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

St. John Paul II Catholic High School is currently enrolling for the 2019-20 school year. Did you know that we offer financial assistance and accept several scholarships? For more information and to schedule a tour of our campus please call 201-5744 or e-mail Jillyann McGowan, Director of Enrollment at jmcgowan@jpiichs.org.

MARRIED COUPLES

You are cordially invited to experience a program to deepen your matrimonial vocation's sacramental call to fulfilling love, romance, oneness of spirit and deep joy. The program is presented by



Worldwide Marriage Encounter, the largest pro-marriage movement in the world. Join us on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and renew and refresh the passion and excitement of your marriage. The next weekend will be at Saint Rose of Lima Church in Milton on September 6th, 7th and 8th. Because SPACE IS limited, please apply early! For more information about taking a private time away, check out flwc-wwme.org or call 813-270-7832.

Word of Life

Eternal Father,
source of all mercy and love,
out of love for us you sent your Son,
and willed that blood and water
flow from his side to cleanse us of sin
and restore lost innocence.

Hear the cry of each woman who mourns the loss of her child to abortion. Forgive her sin, restore her to your grace, and still the terror of her heart with a peace beyond all understanding. Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of all tenderness and our Mother, strengthen her faith in you. Give her the consolation to believe that her child is now living in the Lord. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who conquered sin and death, and who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

