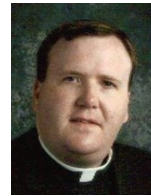


Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 5
5:00 p.m.
Enedina Castelleros (D)
Sunday, October 6
8:00 a.m.
St. Louis Parish
10:30 a.m.
Macko Family (L)
Tuesday, October 8
6:00 p.m.
Deaco Bob Macko (D)
Wednesday, October 9
8:30 a.m.
Racquel Mignott (D)
Thursday, October 10
6:00 p.m.
William Waters, Jr. (D)
Friday, October 11
8:30 a.m.
Pullen Family (L)
Saturday, October 12
5:00 p.m.
Randall Clayton Morris (D)
Sunday, October 13
8:00 a.m.
Edward Veccia (D)
Richard Sullivan (D)
10:30 a.m.
St. Louis Parish



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parish Family,

Isn't Jesus being a bit harsh with the servant in this parable? The servant works hard and humbly submits to his boss, day after day. And then Jesus says he should look for nothing in return--no rest, no reward or recognition, no special treatment; he's just doing his duty, after all. It seems rather cold. We kind of feel sorry for the servant. And yet, we shouldn't.

Christ's point is that his love for us doesn't depend on our "performance." God's love for each of us is already so total, personal, unconditional, and untiring that nothing we do can increase or decrease it. We don't have to achieve great things in order to win God's love for us. We should strive to use our talents to serve God and neighbor, because that's what we were created for. And it's fine to take pleasure in a job well done when we experience a little bit of success.

But the meaning of our lives doesn't come from our achievements. The meaning of life comes from the fact that God created us out of love, redeemed us out of love, and guides us towards heaven purely out of unconditional, overflowing love. And so the servant in God's Kingdom works energetically, joyfully, and peacefully as a response to that gratuitous love of God, in gratitude for God's gifts.... not worrying about what he's going to get in return. God's love doesn't depend on our achievements; our achievements flow from knowing how much God loves us and from

wanting to thank him.

This is true humility. It takes the pressure off of our relationship with God and allows us to experience true freedom, the freedom that comes from being God's children.

This is what the Lord wants us to learn. Instead of letting our achievements go to our heads, Jesus wants to teach us how to make them flow from our hearts. Let that be true of each of us!

Peace to you and yours,

Fr. Stevens

**TIME / TALENT / TREASURE
October 12/13**

**Extraordinary Ministers
Of Holy Communion**

5:00 p.m. B. Mueller, S. Wilson
8:00 a.m. T. Sobon, J. Piotrowski
10:30 a.m. A. Madera, K. Onokpise

Lectors

5:00 p.m. B. Stich, J. Croft
8:00 a.m. E. Campos, T. Cross
10:30 a.m. C. Reynolds, G. Brown

Sacristans

5:00 p.m. M. Reeves,
8:00 a.m. M. D'Souza
10:30 a.m. B. Smith

Altar Servers

5:00 p.m. (Open) (Open)
8:00 a.m. V. Nguyen, (Open)
10:30 a.m. I. Brown, (Open)

Liturgical Assistant

5:00 p.m. J. Mueller
8:00 a.m. S. Ball
10:30 a.m. P. Johnston

MASS INTENTIONS

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



**OFFERTORY REPORT
for Sunday, September 27**

Last week's bulletin announcement brought some questions. Does the parish pay fees when people use VanCo? Yes, there are small transaction fees that are about the same as stores pay when customers use credit cards. There is also an annual fee for the merchant service (hosting).

So then isn't it better to pay by check with the envelopes? We have found that online giving is more consistent. That, plus the savings from not purchasing envelopes, more than makes up for the VanCo fees.

Currently, about 30% of the parish's collections come through online giving. We would like to see more parishioners use the online giving. To sign up for or make changes to online giving, go to <https://stlouiscatholicchurch.org/online-giving>.



THANK YOU!

To everyone participating in our parish grounds Work Day and Farm Share event. We are very grateful for your readiness to help and volunteer!! We could not have achieved these goals without you. Thank you!

**ATTENTION
MASS MINISTERS**

There is now a form available on the parish website, on its "Ministries" page, to submit any such dates you are unavailable to serve. Please submit any dates by the 10th of each month for the following month. If you have any questions please contact Catherine Anderson Smith. 262-8157 or dre@stl.ptdiocese.org.

**KIDS' ANNIVERSARY
DINNER SKIT**

We are putting together a short skit for the children of the parish to perform at our Anniversary Dinner on Oct 13. If your children would like to participate, please contact DRE Catherine Anderson Smith. 262-8157 or dre@stl.ptdiocese.org.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES
FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**

Please consider donating non-perishable food items for the Catholic Charities Food Pantry. Please place donations in the collection box located in the parish hall.

**FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY
OF FATIMA**

Sunday, October 13th is the feast day of Our Lady of Fatima, **Come early** to 10:30 a.m. Mass and join in a special rosary with short reflections as part of the rosary in her honor. The rosary will take no longer than our usual rosary before Mass- 15 minutes or so in the church. See you at 10:00 a.m. on the 13th! Sponsored by the Lay Carmelite Community of

Tallahassee. All are invited to stay for coffee and snacks after Mass as well.

GOOD NEWS OUTREACH



Good News Outreach has been a mainstay of support for the last 33 years to those who have the greatest needs and fewest resources in our community. Through our programs, Good News Outreach has annually provided housing, food and companionship to more than 13,000 seniors, low income families, and previously incarcerated men. With minimal local and state government support, Good News Outreach relies on the generosity and support of churches and individual donors to keep this life line alive. Our Annual Prayer Breakfast is our biggest fundraiser and this year we need your help more than ever. We hope that you can join us for a delicious breakfast, a silent auction and a special program to include Keynote Speaker, Sheriff of Leon County, Walter A. McNeil. A time of giving will also be provided at the end of the program. The event will be held November 9, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. at St. Louis Catholic Church, 3640 Fred George Road, Tallahassee. For more information on the event, including ticket prices, please contact Good News Outreach Executive Director, Donald Parks at 412-0016. Thank you in advance for your kindness, compassion, and generosity.

