



Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church

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MASS & SACRAMENTS

Sunday Masses: 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses Monday, Wednesday

Thursday, Friday & Saturdays: 8:00 am

Tuesday Morning Prayer: 8:00 am

Tuesday Mass: 5:30 pm

Saturday Masses 8:00 am and 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday,
7:00-7:50 am or by appointment.

Tuesdays, 5-5:20 pm

Baptisms: Meeting first Thursday of the
month. Preregistration required.

Marriages: Contact the priest at least 9
months prior to the wedding date.

Funerals: To be arranged by contacting
the Parish Office.

Change of Address or Telephone

Number: Please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: 4:00 pm Monday.

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LIVING OUR FAITH

From the Desk of Fr. Pastorius,

1. Congratulations to Deacon James

“Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.” - 1 Chronicles 16:8. As a parish we give thanks to the Lord for Deacon James Tetreault who for the last ten years has been living out the above verse from Chronicles as a Permanent Deacon here at Epiphany of Our Lord Parish. In my short time here, I have come to see that this quiet man continues to help people grow closer to Christ through his prayers, his dedication to the less fortunate, and his love for the liturgy. Join me in congratulating Deacon James Tetreault in 10 years of service to the Church as a permanent deacon.

2. The Time Has Come to Explore the Changing of Mass Times

In the May 17 bulletin, I included a letter announcing and explaining the necessity to drop one of our three Sunday Masses. I know that change is not always easy, but that does not mean it is not necessary. I invite you to pray this prayer with me during this time of transition...

My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into its worship, if I invite and bring them. It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity, and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. AMEN

3. Masses for Deceased or Special Intentions

Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons, for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, go to the Parish Office. They will help you with the dates and times which are available. Cards are then given to you so that you can mail them to whomever you choose to so they may also participate in the Mass. The stipend or offering given signifies the sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

4. Being A Minister

“A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love Christ. We must make an effort to 'live' the Mass with calm and serenity, with devotion and affection” – Josemaría Escrivá. Please consider becoming an Extraordinary (Eucharistic) Minister or a lector for Sunday Mass.

5. Vacation Bible School

In the Bible Jesus tells us that we are to let the children come to Him. Some of our parishioners have heard God calling them to answer this call from the Gospel by starting a Vacation Bible School. Please contact Michael at the office or check out www.epiphanystl.org.

6. Electronic Giving

Many of our parish families are planning to get away for some summer fun and relaxation in the next few months. We pray for that your vacation time will be safe and a source of many happy memories. However, please don't take your parish offering with you. Each summer our parish office struggles to juggle the bills as Sunday offerings decrease significantly. If you find that you tend to forget your envelope more often during the less structured weeks of summer, please consider our electronic giving program. Go to www.epiphanystl.org It's simple! It's safe! And it keeps God at the top of your giving list even when you are away!

7. Father's Day Collections

“When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much he had learned in seven years.” - Mark Twain. Please consider making a donation to Lindenwood Area Senior Ministry this Father's day by using the special “Father's Day” Envelope in your packet in gratitude for all that your father has done for you.

God bless,
Fr. Tom

Spiritual Ponderings

Spirituality of Fundraising

According to one Biblical scholar there are approximately 700 direct references to money in the Bible and hundreds more indirect references. Plus, nearly two thirds of the parables of Jesus dealt with the use of money and yet most priests (including myself) are afraid to talk about money. Perhaps it is because the old saying “the last part of a person to be converted is their wallet” has more truth to it than we would like. We always seem to find the time and money to spend on things that we want.

While preparing couples for marriage, I have stumbled upon a large number of books written by Dr. Gottman. Dr. Gottman has been listed as one of the top 10 Most Influential Therapists of the past quarter century by the Psychotherapy Networker and has published over 190 academic articles and co-authored over 40 books. I believe that one of his greatest insights is his understanding of how money and financial matters affects relationships. For Dr. Gottman money is more than money because money has come to represent in our society our dreams and hopes. He points out in his writings that while money is often listed as the number one cause of divorce for both the rich and the poor, in the end it has very little to do with actual money itself. Instead he explains that the couples are arguing over whose dreams will be fulfilled and whose dreams will go unfulfilled. For example, for a young man thinking about going to college money represents the possibility of furthering his education. For a newly married couple, money may symbolize the hope of one day owning a home, financial stability, the creating of a loving and safe environment for their future children, and or all the above.

In one of his books, he writes about a couple who were heading toward divorce because they were tired of arguing over money. The husband in the situation desired to have so much money in savings and the wife desired to have a place in the country and there was no way that their incomes were going to allow the couple to accomplish both. After talking with them for a while, he helped them see that they were not really arguing about money but about their dreams. The wife wanted to be able to give their children something that she had treasured growing up because she loved going out to her parent’s place in the country and felt that it allowed her family growing up to bond better than other families she had known. The husband on the other hand desired to have a large savings account in order not to end up living in a state run nursing home like his uncle. It was a fear that the husband had carried with him since he was a child and his parents would force him to go with them to visit his uncle. Once each person realized what the money symbolized for them, they were not only able to compromise but they also felt better understood by their spouse and their relationship grew stronger because of it.

What does money symbolize to you? Most things that money can or we believe it can buy fall into one of two categories: Pleasure or Security. Here are list of common things that money can symbolize according to Dr. Gottman:

Here is a list of some common “deep” dreams expressed by couples I’ve worked with.

A Sense of Freedom	The Experience of Peace	Unity with Nature	Exploring Who I Am
Adventure	Justice	A Spiritual Journey	Honor
Becoming more powerful	Unity with my Past	Healing	Knowing My Family
Becoming All I Can Be	Having A Sense of Power	Dealing w/ growing older	Exploring Creative side
Getting over a personal hang-up	Becoming more competent	Asking God for Forgiveness	Exploring an old part of myself I have lost
Getting over past hurts	Having a sense of order	Being productive	place & time to just “be”
Being able to compete and win	Exploring the physical side of myself	Getting my priorities in order	Finishing something important
Quietness	Being able to just relax	Travel	Reflecting on my life
Atonement	Building something important	Ending a chapter of my life-saying good-by to something.	

I am going to end today’s Spiritual Ponderings with Dr. Gottman’s tips for planning a budget.

Dr. Gottman’s Suggestions For Budgeting:

Step 1: Itemize Your current Expenditures

Step 2: Manage Everyday Finances

Step 3: Plan your financial future

1. Imagine your life 5, 10, 20, 20 30 Yrs. What would be your ideal circumstances?
2. Now list your long-term financial goals
3. Share your list with each other

LITURGIES & SCHEDULES

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 7

- 7:00 am Parishioners
- 9:00 am Leo & Ann Bereswill
- 11:00 am John Ellison, Sr.

Monday, June 8

- 8:00 am Don & Sean Welby

Tuesday, June 9

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer
- 5:30 pm Carolyn M. Regan

Wednesday, June 10

- 8:00 am Joseph & Mary Cresce

Thursday, June 11

- 8:00 am Joey Baines



Friday, June 12

- 8:00 am In Honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, June 13

- 8:00 am Therese A. Davisson
- 5:00 pm Pat Campbell

Sunday, June 14

- 7:00 am Frank Stochla
- 9:00 am Martha Rybinski
- 11:00 am Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND & SICK OF OUR PARISH

John Lutz	Dominic Caputa	Kathy Kennebeck
Mary Hipskind	Kathy Hatfield	Matthew Joganik
Gloria Murabito	Edward Joganik	Ethan Sonderman
Dave Hanneken	Christine Weber	Michael Wesby
	Glenda Elder	

OUR OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 30-31, 2015

Online Donations

General Fund..... \$573.00

Sunday Collection

Envelope..... \$3699.00

Loose..... \$533.00

Total..... \$4,232.00

Votive..... \$44.00

Ascension..... \$25.00

Holy Father..... \$10.00

Glennon..... \$25.00

Father's Day..... \$80.00

Mother's Day..... \$20.00

St. Pat's..... \$5.00

SVDP..... \$75.00

Maintenance & Repair .. \$123.00

Debt..... \$20.00 \$2,861.50(YTD)

Tuition Assistance..... \$5.00 \$1,428.00(YTD)

Endowment Fund..... \$ \$10,934.00(YTD)



OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday - Saturday, June 8-13

- 7:30 am - Rosary, Church

Sunday, June 7

- 10:00 am - Bible Study, CMR
- 11:00 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB
- Noon - Liturgy Committee Meeting, CMR

Monday, June 8

- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, UH
- 5:30 pm - Fit Factor, UH
- 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts, Upper Hall
- 5-9:00 pm - T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field

Tuesday, June 9

- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, UH
- 5-9:00 pm - T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field

Wednesday, June 10

- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, UH
- 5:30 pm - Fit Factor, UH
- 6:30 pm - Bells Practice, Church
- 7:00 pm - Msgr. Sullivan Meeting, AR
- 7:30 pm - Choir Practice, Church
- 5-9:00 pm - T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field

Thursday, June 11

- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, UH
- 7:00 pm - Youth Group, UH
- 7:30 pm - Prayer Group, Church
- 7:30 pm - Epiphany Men's Club Mtg., AR
- 5-9:00 pm - T-Ball, Msgr. Sullivan Field

Friday, June 12

- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 3:30 pm - GSA, UH
- 3:30-6:30 pm - Dance, UH

Saturday, June 13

Sunday, June 14

- 10:00 am - Bible Study, CMR
- 11:00 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 7, 2015

- Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
- Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16
- Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26
- Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
- Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37
- Immac. Heart: Is 61:9-11/Lk 2:41-51
- Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS, NOTES & EVENTS

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING DAY We need more altar servers to assist with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If you are between 5th and 12th grade and would like to join the altar servers, please attend our training day on **Tue, July 7**. We will meet in the Church at 5:30 for Mass and training.

DUC IN ALTUM PRE-MASS TALKS Please join us 15 minutes before either the 9 or 11am mass for a short talk on a subject of interest. *This Sunday's Topic:* "The Most Sacred Heart: How to Make an Act of Reparation" Past talks are also posted in written form on our website and our Facebook page. Next Sunday: "Praying the Breviary: Sanctifying the Day."

OUR DEARLY DEPARTED



In your kindness, please pray for the repose of the soul of Frank Boehm, our former parishioner. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Memorial Mass - Reserve the Date on your Calendar! The *Epiphany Men's Club and Ladies Guild Memorial Mass & Dinner* will be July 9, 2015. Mass will be 5 Pm with the dinner served in the gym immediately after church. See you there!

Saint Louis Life Teen will NOT be meeting this **Wednesday (June 10)**! Join us next Wednesday, June 17th as we kick off our summer programming addressing "hot button issues" as we explore *The Game of Life: Life Issues in the Catholic Church*. Please contact Lauren (314.288.8873 or lauren@saintlouislifeteen.org) with any questions that you may have!

Glennon Sunday More than 60 years ago, Cardinal Ritter, a visionary leader of our church, asked the St. Louis parishes to build the only free-standing Catholic children's medical center in the country. Brick-by-brick, dollar-by-dollar, the faithful of St. Louis build SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center that was the beginning of Glennon Sunday. Please consider making a donation to the Glennon Sunday collection. "Where Faith and Healing Unite." You can also give online at Glennon.org.

Trivia Night Saturday, July 25, 2015 - 7 pm doors open at 6:15 pm. Electrical Workers Hall, 5850 Elizabeth - 63110. Cost is \$20 per person - tables of eight maximum. DETECTIVE THEME DECORATIONS. *Prize for the best costume and best decorated table.* Beer, Soda & Snacks provided or bring your own. Sponsored by the Lindenwood Park Neighborhood Association. Contact Pat Acquisto, 314-781-2129 or email: patacquisto@sbcglobal.net for reservations

Epiphany's 2015 Annual Flea Market

This years Flea Market will be held in the gym on: **Early Bird - Thursday, June 25th from 6-8 pm with a \$3.00 entry fee. Fri., June 26th, 9 am - 1 pm--Sat., June 27th, 9 am - 3 pm--Sun., June 28th, Noon - 4 pm**

NOW ACCEPTING all items **EXCEPT** clothing, televisions, telephones, entertainment centers, mattresses or exercise equipment.

You can drop off your donations at the gym starting **NOW through June 22nd**, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am until 12 Noon and 1:30-3:30 pm. We will have three Wednesday evening drop offs on: June 3, 10 & 17 from 6-8 pm. We will also have 3 drop off Saturdays on: June 6, 13 & 20 from 8:30 am until 12 Noon.

The last day to drop off will be June 22nd from 8;30 am until 3:30 pm. We are counting on your donations to fill our gym, so keep us in mind. If you are unable to bring your donation to us, we will have pickups on certain days. Please give us a call, Rich Huelsmann 645-5941. Please give us **ADVANCED** notice to schedule a pickup.

In conjunction with the Flea Market we are collecting gently used clothing for Sr. Chris for the various Homeless shelters that she works with. Please label the clothing for women, men, children, babies and **KEEP SEPARATE** from the Flea Market donations.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS are needed to sort, price and have fun. If you are a student in need of service hours we certainly can use your help; we need young strong bodies! Please contact Rich-645-5941, Barb-781-7879 or Helen-647-8146.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Lectionary: 168 Gospel Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Spiritual Reflection: Augustine, perhaps the most influential Christian theologian of all time, puts it this way: Jesus didn't leave us the church and from the church we derive the Eucharist: rather, for him, Jesus left us the Eucharist and from the Eucharist we derive the Church. The church is in service of the Eucharist, not vice versa. Heaven will be a banquet table. The Eucharist is that table. -Ronald Rolheiser

Spiritual Questions

1. Why the Eucharist?
2. How can the Church be at the service of the Eucharist?
3. What books have you read about the Eucharist?
4. What did different saints think about the Eucharist?
5. How did the early Church so the importance of the Eucharist? How can we?