

Holy Spirit Parish Family

January 16, 2022

Second

SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME



[Jesus' mother said to the servers,]
“Do whatever he tells you.”

JOHN 2:5

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MASS SCHEDULE

*MASSSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED AT 6:30 AM MON/TUES/WED;
8:00 AM THUR/FRI; AND 9:00 AM ON SUNDAYS
(YOU TUBE HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH MARYLAND HEIGHTS)*

Monday thru Wednesday.....6:30am
Thursday and Friday.....8:00am
Saturday:8:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am
Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin.

Eucharistic Chapel Hours

Weekdays: 12am to 6am and 9am to 12 midnight.
Saturdays: 12am to 7am
Chapel will close at 7am Saturday until 9am Monday.

Eucharistic Exposition

Suspended until Further Notice

SPECIAL REQUESTS

COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the Parish Office to request Communion if someone is unable to attend Church.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Please notify the Parish Office concerning hospitalization.

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45pm or by appointment

BAPTISMS & CLASSES:

Baptism Class for parents/godparents is normally held on the first Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Church. To register for the meeting and/or to arrange for a baptism, call the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

Registration

New parishioners may register at Parish Office or download a registration form, www.holyspiritstl.org.

New information, such as change of address, phone numbers or moving from the parish, please call Parish Office at 314-739-0230

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Please submit information for the bulletin by Noon TWO Fridays before publication. Include name, daytime phone number of person submitting information, and group name.
Items can be e-mailed to msaputo@holyspiritstl.org.



A Note From Fr. Bob

Dear Friends,

Grace and peace to you!

You may have heard or read in an email that on Tuesday, January 4th, we experienced a water line break in the school kitchen. For those who hadn't heard or were at either the 5 pm or 9 am Masses last week, a water line supplying the fire sprinkler system in the kitchen burst. It was located above the walk-in freezer and refrigerator. It burst during the second lunch period of school and caused quite an exciting moment as everyone was ushered out of the building as water was rushing into the kitchen and gym. As the system quickly drained, it also caused a leak in the church portion of the system 40 feet off the floor. Fortunately, no one was hurt but we did lose all the food in the two walk-ins. Since repairs could not be completed until Thursday, school and daily Mass were canceled as the building could not be occupied while the fire sprinkler system was out of service.

I would like to thank our staff and teachers for their quick response in moving all the children to safety out of the building as the situation unfolded. Our gratitude goes also to the Maryland Heights Fire Department for their quick response and assistance in moving much of the water out of the gym and kitchen. Their quick action prevented any damage to the gym floor.

Monday, January 17th, is a federal holiday in our country, Martin Luther King, Jr., Day. The day honors the achievements of Martin Luther King, Jr. He was the most prominent and influential of African American civil rights leader during the 1960s and was instrumental in the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which outlawed discrimination in public accommodations, facilities, and employment, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Martin Luther King Day first became a federal holiday in 1986.

If you are of my generation or older, you most likely remember Dr. King. Growing up in East St. Louis I remember listening to his speeches in school. I remember his *I have a Dream* speech and his speech where he used the song *We Shall Overcome* as the outline of his speech. I also remember singing that song in church. Here is an excerpt of the speech he gave in the National Cathedral on March 31, 1968.

“And I tell you why we shall overcome. Because the arc of the moral universe is long but it bends toward justice. We shall overcome because Carlyle is right, “No lie can live forever.”

We shall overcome because William Cullen Bryant is right: “Truth crushed to earth will rise again. “We shall overcome because James Russell Lowell is right: Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne, yet that scaffold sways the future and behind the dim unknown standeth God within the shadows keeping watch above his own. We shall overcome because the Bible is right, “You shall reap what you sow” We shall overcome. Deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome.”

As many of us will have the day off, I wonder, can we all pray that racism and prejudice can be overcome in our lifetime? Can we all pray that each of us look at each other as sisters and brothers created in the image and likeness of God? Pray for the day that we look at each other not as different but as the same. Can we ever reach that day? Yes, we can. Let us pray!

Blessings to all and let's pray for each other this week.

Peace,
Father Bob

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 16

7:30am Jim Mosher
 9:00am Pat Woracheck
 11:00am People of the Parish

Monday, January 17

6:30 am Frank Speidel

Tuesday, January 18

6:30am Pat DeWitt

Wednesday, January 19

6:30am John Tippey

Thursday, January 20

8:00am Rick Jennings

Friday, January 21

8:00 am Dr. Francis Speidel

Saturday, January 22

8:00 am Jack Patten
 5:00 pm People of the Parish

Sunday, January 23

7:30am John Roberson
 9:00am John Mosher
 11:00am Robert Landgren

PRO-LIFE NEWS

March for Life is January 21, 2022 in Washington D.C. Can't make it to D.C.? Check out <https://marchforlife.org> and participate in the annual novena:



Pray to Protect Human Life!
 January 19 - 27, 2022

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup

January 17, 2022

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day A Call to Serve

"Everybody can be great, because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

(from Catholic University of America)



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We express our deep sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the family of

♦ **Thomas Vest, husband of Jean**

May his soul rest in the Peace of Christ.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Stewardship for Dec. 27, 2021—Jan. 2, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	\$13,884.00
Loose Collection	\$ 256.00
Online Donations	\$ 7,539.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 1,260.00
Total	\$ 22,939.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 19,196.00
Weekly Surplus (shortfall)	\$ 3,743.00

HandS
 \$ 1,170.00

Parish Improvements
 \$1,322.00

OUR MISSION:

We, the community of Holy Spirit Parish, centered in the Eucharist, and guided by the Holy Spirit, will use our shared wisdom to be a joyful, accepting and forgiving community. We encourage all to grow in the Catholic faith by teaching and proclaiming the Gospel, serving others and praising God.

Please remember in your prayers our
Sick and Home-Bound *Parishioners*
 and those who care for them.

Please remember in your prayers our
Sick Relatives and Friends:

Don Abramovitz	Kenneth Jordan
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Becky Bonner	Pat Romano
Leon Deimeke	Bob & Tootie
Charles Dent	Ponder
Tom DuBois	Carolyn Putnam
Martha Elmore	Jean Schepers
Ray & Betty Garvels	Ron Unterreiner
Jim Gerdes	Bill & Joan
Kathy Glaser	Weinzirl
Sherry Holland	

Kendell & Tina	Colin Meyer
Bedell	Liz Prange
Harold Feltmann	Alford Snowden
John Garvels	Grace Solimando
Michael Gill	Judy Taylor &
Paul Hyduchak	Family
Suzanne Johnson	Caroline Van Scoyk
Kristi Kenning	Jerry Sutterer
Jenny Lemkemann	Chris Wells
Trish Merklin	Paul Williams
Lou & Betty	Michelle Wilson
Merritt	Ruby Winschel



Please deposit your Holy Spirit
 Knights of Columbus baby bottles
 into the 'MILK CAN' located in the
 Gathering Space!
 Thank you!



The Prayer Shawl Ministry

Jesus' clothing had miraculous healing powers. The woman who suffered from hemorrhage for 12 years, was healed when she simply touched Jesus' garment (Matthew 5:28). People begged to touch the fringe of Jesus' cloak and were cured of illness when they did. (Matthew 14:36)

Our prayer shawls are crafted with prayers for the person who will receive it. They provide comfort and warmth to the recipient, but they are also a reminder of the love with which they were made and the love God has for us.

We have Prayer Shawls available for women, men and children. We have all shapes and colors and can find an item that will work for anyone. They were all hand made by parishioners and are available upon request at no cost - see my contact information below.

THE MEETING FOR JANUARY HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO RISING COVID CONCERNS.

If you have any questions, or want a shawl, don't hesitate to call or text Mary Dale-Bannister at 314-497-5048. Email: dalebannister@sbcglobal.net.

YOUR BEST
 Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.
 —Anonymous

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, January 16

Feast of the Little Jesus

2:00 pm—Novena

3:00 pm—Mass

7:00 pm—AI Anon, by Zoom

Monday, January 17

6:00 pm—Quilting, Annex

Tuesday, January 18

9:00 am—Quilting, Annex

Wednesday, January 19

9:00 am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm

No Prayer Shawl Meeting tonight!

Thursday, January 20

9:00 am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm.

6:00 pm—Bells Rehearsal

7:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, January 22

4:00 pm—Confessions

PRAYER OF THE WEEK Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Almighty ever-living God,
who govern all things,
both in heaven and on earth,
mercifully hear the pleading of your people
and bestow your peace on our times.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.*

Electronic Giving Year-Round!

GIVING GREENER

Are you trying to cut down on the paper you use? Is the check you write to our parish one of the few checks that you write anymore? You can give greener by using our **Online Giving Program**. (see below) You can set up the amount that you would like to give on a schedule that meets your needs and you never have to worry about writing another check, forgetting your envelope, or having cash in your wallet. **Be sure to insert your Envelope Number in the appropriate box online.**

If you would like to discontinue your paper envelopes and use the Online Giving option instead, or need help with the website, please call Mary Saputo at the Parish Office.

Go to the Holy Spirit website at www.holyspiritSTL.org and click on ONLINE GIVING in the bar at the top of the page.

It's simple! It's safe! And it keeps God at the top of your giving list!



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GLUTEN FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

Gluten allergy? Would you like a gluten-free host? Please contact the Parish Office, 739-0230.

SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to our Jan. 4th Red & Blue winner of \$25 ~ Pete Kielhofner
Thank you for supporting our school!

Mon., Jan.17: NO SCHOOL—Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Thurs., Jan 20: 8:00 AM—Kindergarten thru Grade 4 Mass led by Grade 2
Fri., Jan. 21: 8:00 AM—Grades 5 thru 8 Mass led by Grade 8C

YOUTH MINISTRY

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ON FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM www.facebook.com/hsyouth AND as [hs_youth_stl](https://www.instagram.com/hs_youth_stl) (HS Youth STL) on Instagram

DIGNITY OF LIFE PRAYER NIGHT AND WALK

Join us for a prayer service to honor the dignity of life on Friday, **January 21 7-8:30 p.m.** at St. Catherine Laboure Church 9740 Sappington Rd., Sappington, MO 63128. Everyone is welcome – junior high and high school teens, and their families are the target audience.

CONFIRMATION

7TH GRADE FAMILIES – Reminder: Our rescheduled meeting will be **Wednesday, January 26, 2022** – 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. It is a meeting for **parents and candidates**. Session day and time choices are due at this time. We'll go over the program in depth. Check your email for information with the subject line "Confirmation."

HIGH SCHOOL – NEED SERVICE HOURS? SEE MEETING TIMES BELOW:

Are you in high school? Do you need service hours? Want to make new friends, deepen old friendships, and grow in faith? **Join us for Eat. Pray. Discuss:** be a part of our team as we plan for the spring retreat April 9-10 for the 7th and 8th grade (April 8-10 for the team). It's a great way to serve, deepen friendships, and grow in your faith.

MEETING TIMES FOR RETREAT TEAM:

Beginning **JANUARY 23 and 24** we will meet every **Monday evening from 7:30-9:00** and every 4th Sunday of the month from 1:30-3:00 to catch up with those who cannot meet during the week. Meetings will be held in the Resource Center in the Holy Spirit Room which is in the basement. Come to the basement door or ring the doorbell in front.

OUR SAINTS ARE SHOWING

Check out our **Saint Display** on Facebook and Instagram. You'll have a chance to see them in person the Parish Hall January 30th. Enjoy learning about different Saints, and why our young people chose them as their Saint names.

PSR NEWS

Tues. Jan. 18: Parent conferences
Mon. Jan. 24: First Communion Parent Meeting -
7:00 in Church
Tues. Feb. 08: 3rd grade Family, Faith & Fun Night
Tues. Feb. 15: 8th grade Family, Faith & Fun Night
Tues, Feb. 22: 5th grade Family, Faith & Fun Night

Inclement Weather Bulletin:

If PSR is cancelled because of snow etc., we will post it on the Holy Spirit website. (You must be registered on the website) We will also send out a blast from PSR Enroll Broadcast and watch for our postings on the school closing lists on KMOV (Ch. 4) & Fox2/News22

Let's Come Together for Catholic Schools Week
With the help of our parish we can do great things!



The Faculty, Staff, and Students of Holy Spirit School appreciate all of the support you have given over the years! For this upcoming Catholic Schools Week we have a wonderful idea to help strengthen our community. We want to come together and make blessing bags for children in need. If you would prayerfully consider donating items from the list, the students will then assemble the bags during Catholic Schools Week. Together we can touch so many lives! These blessing bags will then be donated to Loaves and Fishes. These bags are a small way to help these children know that they are seen and loved.

There will be a box in the gathering space starting January 9, 2022.
Please have all items to the Church by our Open House on Sunday, January 30, 2022.

Items Needed

All items should be for children.

Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Coloring/Activity Book
Crayons
Fruit Snacks
Juice Box



'SOUPER' BOWL SUNDAY—FEB. 13

Holy Spirit's Social Justice Committee and HandS once again ask for you to donate a can or two of hearty soup.

The white bin will be in the Gathering Area to collect your generous offer.
Thank you so much!

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Thought for the Week

You are gifted, any way you slice it!

We're all good at something. But not all of us consider our talents and skills as assets given to the Body of Christ.

Say you can sew, make people laugh, fix an engine, bake a great pie, or balance a mean checkbook. Of what use are these things to the church, you might ask.

Discernment of gifts is something Saint Paul took very seriously in the early community. In our faith sharing, we might ask each other how "mighty deeds" or knowledge or healing might be translated into modern needs the church has.

Don't underestimate the healing value of a great pie!



Feast Day of St. Sebastian *January 20*

Sebastian was the son of a wealthy Roman family. He was educated in Milan and became an officer of the imperial Roman army, and Captain of the Guard. He was a favorite of Emperor Diocletian.

During Diocletian's persecution of the Christians, Sebastian visited them in prison, bringing both supplies and comfort. He is reported to have healed the wife of a fellow soldier by making the sign of the cross over her. During his time in the army he converted many soldiers and a governor.

Charged as a Christian in 288 in Rome, Sebastian was tied to a tree, shot with arrows, and left for dead. However, he survived, recovered, and returned to preach to Diocletian, where the emperor then had him beaten to death.

Saint Sebastian was venerated at Milan as early as the time of St. Ambrose and was buried on the Appian Way. **He is patron of archers, athletes, and soldiers, and is appealed to for protection against plagues.**

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62:1-5
Ps 96:1-3, 7-10
1 Corinthians 12:4-11
John 2:1-11

Monday January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot

1 Samuel 15:16-23
Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23
Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday January 18

1 Samuel 16:1-13
Ps 89:20-22,27-28
Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday January 19

1 Sam 17:32-33,37,40-51
Ps 144:1b,2,9-10
Mark 3:1-6

Thursday January 20

1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7
Ps 56:2-3,9-13
Mark 3:7-12

Friday January 21

St. Agnes
1 Samuel 24:3-21
Ps 57:2,3-4,6,11
Mark 3:13-19

Saturday January 22 Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn

2 Samuel 1:1-4,
11-12,19,23-27
Ps 80:2-3,5-7
Mark 3:20-21

Today's Gospel story gives us a good example of how to handle conflicts without sinning.

Mary sees a need and wants Jesus to do something about it. She knows full well that only a miraculous intervention will solve the problem. She wants the divine in him to respond to her request, but the human nature of Jesus responds first: He doesn't want to reveal his divinity with this kind of miracle. He's eager to heal souls, not empty wine jars.

"Woman, how does your concern affect me?" he says. "My hour has not yet come." This is like saying, "I respect your request, holy Daughter of Eve, but think about how a miracle in this situation would affect the ministry I'm about to start! People will come to me for party favors and other earthly pleasures, but I want to give them eternal salvation."

We Catholics like to use this scripture as faith-building evidence of the Blessed Mother's ability to help us. We see her in this story as a mother who can get for us whatever we want from Jesus, because she can make him change his mind. Jesus told her no, but the conflict was resolved her way. Mary won, Jesus lost.

Isn't this how we view conflicts? It's not resolved until someone's a winner and someone else is a loser.

Therefore, when we make requests of God and he doesn't give us what we want, we feel like we're the loser, so we pray harder, trying to make God become the loser. And when that doesn't work, we ask the Blessed Mother to side with us and influence her Son against his will.



Therefore, when we make requests of God and he doesn't give us what we want, we feel like we're the loser, so we pray harder, trying to make God become the loser. And when that doesn't work, we ask the Blessed Mother to side with us and influence her Son against his will.

But God wants us to be the winner from the start! He always wants what's best for us. Mary knew this when she told the wine stewards, "Do whatever my Son tells you."

Conflicts are not inherently bad. Conflicts become sacred opportunities for wonderful solutions when we entrust them to God. Mary trusted that Jesus cared about the people at the party. Jesus trusted that the Father cared about both the people and his ministry. It was a win-win situation.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. How do you feel when you lose an argument? How hard do you work at making the other person lose?
2. Will you trust God to take good care of you – even if you feel like a loser?
3. Describe a conflict (a hypothetical one or a real one from your past or present) and suggest an ideal solution. Is anyone a loser in this scenario?
4. If you were to truly trust God, what might he do to resolve the conflict so that everyone benefits?

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—JANUARY 23, 2022

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



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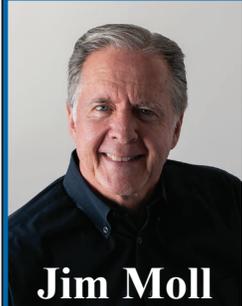
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