

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

March 20, 2022



Third Sunday
of

God called out to Moses from
the burning bush and said,
“Remove the sandals from your feet,
for the place where you stand is holy ground.”

Exodus 3:4, 5

Lent

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Monday to Friday
8:30am to 4:30pm

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PARISH ANNEX

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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!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you for your support of our annual Lenten Seafood Dinner and the Holy Spirit Council of the Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Campaign.

The first two weeks of the Seafood Dinner are off to a great start. The first week saw a wonderful crowd dining in, at the Carry Out, and the Drive-Thru. Sales for the first dinner were \$11,100.00! The second week saw more wonderful people at all three areas and the sales for the second week were over \$12,000.00! Thank you! It is not possible without the support of all those who come to share in the dinner and all the many people who volunteer to work the dinners. It is a great community event, and we thank all of you for showing such a great spirit! Blessings to all.

The Knights of Columbus Holy Spirit Council expresses their deep gratitude for your generous response to the Baby Bottle Campaign. You contributed \$9,070.47 for a tremendously successful campaign. Thank you! Your generosity is a model for all!

As we move deeper into Lent, let's keep each other in our personal prayers. Let's pray that we all grow in our relationship with Jesus.

Blessings to all!

Peace,

Father Bob

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 20

7:30am Evelyn Mareschal
9:00am People of the Parish
11:00am Gerry Cruzabra

Monday, March 21

6:30 am Bob Merris

Tuesday, March 22

6:30am Jack Gamel

Wednesday, March 23

6:30am Pat DeWitt

Thursday, March 24

8:00am Mike Koch

Friday, March 25

8:00am Richard/Virginia Eikermann

Saturday, March 26

8:00am Rick Feldhaus
5:00pm John Jenkins

Sunday, March 27

7:30am Mike Rolfes
9:00am Sophia Agasino
11:00am People of the Parish



*Please considering
visiting the
Spiritual Lending
Library in our
beautiful
Gathering Area!*

*With a good cup of coffee from 'Spirit Brew',
that's a winning combination!*



ALL THINGS NEW
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*Don't Forget to
TAKE THE SURVEY!*

Please help us by participating in a
10-15 minute parish survey online
conducted by the Catholic
Leadership Institute.

The survey can be accessed through an online link from
March 2, 2022 through April 4, 2022 and will ask you
to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to
provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow.
All responses will be confidential and the parish will only
receive information about the community as whole.
We are trying to get the highest response rate possible.
This information will be invaluable to **Fr. Bob Evans** and
our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive
to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the
results this Spring/Summer at which time we will share
what we have learned with the entire parish.

The link is available on our website and on the *All Things
New* website (allthingsnew.archstl.org)
If you prefer a paper copy of the survey, you may pick up
that version after daily and Sunday Masses; they will be
located in the **Gathering Area and the West Transept
Entrance.**

To submit the completed paper survey, please drop it off
in the **box in the Gathering Area.** To make special
arrangements for getting a paper
copy, please contact Mary Saputo,
Parish Administrative Assistant at
314-739-0230 ext. 102.

**Thank you for helping with this
important project!**



TODO LO HAGO NUEVO
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OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Stewardship for February 28– March 6, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 16,686.00
Loose Collection	\$ 737.00
Online Donations	\$ 11,749.00
Total	\$ 29,172.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 19,196.00
Weekly Surplus (shortfall)	\$ 9,976.00

Black/Native Amer. HandS	Parish Improvements
640.00	\$540.00
	\$1,112.00



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

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

- ♦ **David Lehman, brother of Bev Brown**
- ♦ **John Beine, son of John & Frances Beine**

May their souls rest in the Peace of Christ.

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.

Don Abramovitz	Ray/Betty Garvels	Carolyn Putnam
Lorraine Bath	Jim Gerdes	Jean Schepers
Ronnie Bindbeutel	Kathy Glaser	Kathy Schindler
Carol Bonner	Sherry Holland	Pete Schwaninger
Becky Bonner	Kenneth Jordan	Gary Szevery
Sr. Mary Eliz.	Susie Meyer	Jan Telthorst
Cullen	Glenn Mueller	Ron Unterreiner
Leon Deimeke	Bob/Donna Pedrotti	Bill/JoanWeinzirl
Charles Dent	Karen Piskulic	Tom/Jeanne
Tom DuBois	Pat Romano	Zemblidge
Martha Elmore	Bob/Tootie	
Till Fehrbacher	Ponder	

Please remember in your prayers our
Sick Relatives and Friends:

Kendell/Tina Bedell	Suzanne Johnson Jenny Lemkemann	Judy Taylor & Family
Ann/Bill Boewer	Barb McDonald	Caroline Van Scoyk
Brenda Joyce	Trish Merklin	Jerry Sutterer
Crouch	Lou /Betty Merritt	Chris Wells
Harold Feltmann	Colin Meyer	Paul Williams
Kathy First	John Misauraca	Michelle Wilson
John Garvels	Liz Prange	Ruby Winschel
Michael Gill	Jan Redden	
Greg/Jane Hefley	Alford Snowden	
Paul Hyduchak	Grace Solimando	

PRO-LIFE NEWS

To Honor and Glorify Jesus Christ and Defend Innocent Life



2022 MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE



Speakers:



Abby Johnson
CEO & Founder
And Then There Were None



Bishop Shawn McKnight
Diocese of Jefferson City



Lisa Rowe
Chief Executive Officer
Support After Abortion



Catherine Glenn Foster
President & CEO
Americans United for Life



Pastor Jon Nekou
President
Missouri Baptist Convention



Reagan Barklage
National Field Director
Students For Life America



Rev. Anthony Viviano
Moderator For ProLife Ministry
Diocese of Jefferson City



Bridget VanMoans
CEO Vision Leader
Thrive Nation



Pastor Michael Salemsink
Executive Director
Lutherans For Life



Rachel Blackmore
Outreach & Development Director
Churches For Life



Hope Miller
ProLife Youth Activist



Jay Ashcroft
Secretary Of State
Missouri



Susan Klein
Executive Director
Missouri Right To Life



Chuck & Linda Raymond
Silent No More Awareness Campaign

April 20, 2022
SCHEDULE:

Missouri State Capitol
South Lawn
204 W Capitol Ave
Jefferson City, MO

7:45 am to 3:30 pm Grounds Open
Over 30 Life Affirming Exhibits

8:00 am Rosary and Prayer Walk

9:15 am Pre-Rally with Speakers

10:00 am March Begins

11:00 am Rally with Speakers

12:00 pm Knights of Columbus Council # 4454
Fundraiser Lunch-Grilled Hot Dogs, etc.

Capitol North Lawn
1:00 pm Students For Life Apologetics & Rally
Lucy Gonzalez & Hope Miller

MO Supreme Court Sidewalk
2:00 pm Silent No More Awareness: Testimonies
Chuck & Linda Raymond, Silent No More
Catherine Glenn Foster, Americans United for Life
Mary Varni, Respect Life Apostolate, Archdioc St. Louis

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Next to Knights' Food Area 8:30 am-1:00 pm

www.midwestmarchforlife.com 573-340-8444



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O God, author of every mercy
and of all goodness,
who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving
have shown us a remedy for sin,
look graciously on this confession
of our lowliness,
that we, who are bowed down
by our conscience,
may always be lifted up by your mercy.
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.

PSR NEWS

Tues., Mar. 22: No PSR - Spring Break

Tues., Mar. 29: Lenten Activity Night
Grades 1-5;

Reconciliation Grades 6-8

Tues., Apr. 5: First Communion Banners due

Are you patient, supportive, and fun? You are needed! We are hoping to have VBS this summer and we are looking for volunteers to help out. If your heart is stirring within you while you read this, please contact Linda 739-0230 x 108

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, March 20

7:00pm—Al Anon, by Zoom

Monday, March 21

1:00-7:00pm—Eucharistic Adoration,
closing with Benediction at 6:50pm

6:00pm—Quilting, Annex

7:00pm—Evening Prayer/Reconciliation

Tuesday, March 22

9:00am—Quilting, Annex

Wednesday, March 23

6:30am-9am—St. Patrick's Ctr Casseroles

9:00am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm

7:00pm—Contemporary Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm—Prayer Shawl, Resource Center

Thursday, March 24

9:00am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm.

6:00pm—Bells Rehearsal

7:00pm—Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 25

2:30pm—Grief Support. Resource Ctr.

4:30-7:00pm—Seafood Dinner

7:00pm—Stations of the Cross, Social Justice

Saturday, March 26

4:00pm—Confessions

Sunday, March 27

7:00pm—Al Anon, by Zoom

SENIOR EXERCISE MISSES YOU!

- ♦ No Cost to You!
- ♦ And You'll Feel Better!

**Come Join Us at 9am every
Wed. and Thurs. at the Annex!**



Lunch Bunch!

TUES. MARCH 22, our ***older adult*** parishioners are invited to gather at ***11 am*** for light-hearted conversation while enjoying lunch together.

**SPORTS CAFÉ, 3579 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044
(Next to Bob Evans and Olive Garden)**

****Note that lunchtime is 11 am and the restaurant opens at 11 am****

Directions: West on St. Charles Rock Rd. Pass under Hwy 270 and then make a left at the stoplight onto Pennridge Dr. Make another immediate left to stay on Pennridge Dr. Sports Café will be on the right.

Please RSVP to the Parish Office 314-739-0230 by NOON MON., MARCH. 21

Invite a friend or come alone because it's just for fun!



Discernment 101

Saturday mornings of prayer and reflection
on God's will for your life

for women ages 16-33*

FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
12	26	30	21
Vocation: A Response of Love to Love	The Examen: A Path to Freedom	Making Decisions in Peace	Courageous Discipleship

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Mass • Refreshments • Talk • Discussion
Eucharistic Adoration

Pauline Books & Media, 9804 Watson Road, St. Louis
Can't travel? Ask about joining us on Zoom!

RSVP to Sr. Amanda Marie
stlouisvocations@paulinemedia.com

*If you are under 18, you will need permission from a parent or guardian to attend. Please contact Sr. Amanda for details.

Women's Discernment Series

Join the Daughters of St. Paul on Saturday mornings for *Discernment 101*, a series for single women ages 16-33 to help you grow in your relationship with God and discern how God is inviting you to live out the gift of who you are in the world.

Our next spring dates and topics are:

SAT., MAR. 26 (The Examen Prayer: A Path to Greater Freedom)

SAT., APR. 30 (Making Decision in Peace)

SAT., May 21 (Courageous Discipleship)

Each day begins with 8:30 Mass followed by refreshments, a talk, discussion, and Eucharistic Adoration. A Zoom option is available for those unable to attend in person. For more details or to register, please visit

connect.pauline.org/discernment-101

or email Sr. Amanda Marie

at stlouisvocations@paulinemedia.com.

(If you are under age 18, parental permission is required to attend; please email Sr. Amanda for details).

PRIDE

What better proof of your pride could you have given than to claim you were not proud?

—*St. John Climacus*

SCHOOL NEWS

We are currently enrolling students for the 2022-2023 school year. Please call the School Office to for registration information or to set up a school tour 314-739-1934.

- Mon., Mar. 21:** School resumes today 7:50am-3:00pm (*Masks Are Required Mon., Mar.21 thru Mar. 25, for one week following Spring Break. This is for an abundance of caution.*)
Today we begin our March Mission Project "Coin Wars for MS Bright Spot" Mar. 21 -Mar.25,
Wearing of Spring Uniforms begins today.
- Tues., Mar. 22:** Golden Ticket Dress Out Day (student must have the Golden Ticket to Dress Out obtained from their parent who attended the Home & School Assoc, Mtg. 3/9)
- Thurs., Mar. 24:** 8:00 AM Kindergarten thru Grade 4 Mass led by Kindergarten
Key Store Today!
- Fri., Mar. 25:** 8:00am Grades 5 thru 8 Mass, led by Grade 5
2:15 PM Kindergarten thru Grade 8 Stations of the Cross, led by Grades 5 & 7
Grade 2 Lenten Seafood Dinner Dessert Donations
3:30 PM Grade 1 thru 8 Parent Viewing Grade Book will be closed
End of Third Quarter

YOUTH MINISTRY

FIND HOLY SPIRIT YOUTH MINISTRY

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

C2B - SPRING RETREAT for 7th and 8th grade students is April 9-10. Look for permission forms that came home through school and PSR, pick one up in the Parish Office or request one electronically from Donna Eisenbath.

Register by March 30. Cost is \$40 per person. Adult chaperones are free.

CONFIRMATION

7TH GRADE FAMILIES – Session 2: What's Holding You Back is in March.

Upcoming gatherings: 4th Wednesday – March 23; 4th Sunday – March 27

The **Rite of Enrollment** will be on **April 3 at 11:00 a.m. Mass.** All Candidates should plan to attend.

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS:

Retreat Team meetings are Sunday afternoons in the Resource Center March 20, 27 and April 3 from 1:30 – 3:30. Team members should plan to attend at least one meeting a week. There will be an ALL TEAM meeting on Thursday, April 7 – time TBD by the team. **C2B Retreat Dates** are April 8-10 for the team.

Help Wanted:

RETREAT PLANNING AND CHAPERONES: As we begin preparing for our retreat in the spring, we need PGC adults who are willing to chaperone (all you have to do is be there. Bring a book. Take walks. Enjoy some quiet time.). Our retreat is April 9-10, and the team will go down a day before. Please contact Donna Eisenbath if you are willing to help us make the retreat a success.

Lenten Prayer Resources for Parents and Teens

Busted Halo (<https://bustedhalo.com>) has some great resources for Lent. You can check out their website or find them on social media.

CONSIDERING DONATING TODAY!!

This is the last weekend (Mar. 19/20) that we will be collecting diapers for infants, toddlers and adults as part of our 4th Annual diocesan-wide Pro-Life service project to assist families in need.



Diaper Drive
Weekends of March 12-13 through
Sunday, March 20
Drop off during the weekend Masses at your Parish
Sponsored by the Permanent Deacons of the Archdiocese of
St. Louis, in conjunction with the Respect Life Office.
Diapers collected will be delivered to those in need in the
local area. Please be generous.

Holy Spirit Parish alone collected just over 10,000 diapers during the last campaign, and we hope to exceed that this year!

We ask that you please consider purchasing infant, toddler or adult diapers on your next shopping trip! Just bring them to the Parish Hall—a sign will be posted. All donations will be distributed to local organizations such as *Room at the Inn*, *Thrive*, and *Birthright* to assist families in our parish community.

(We would like to stress the need for larger size infant/toddler diapers such as 3's, 4's and 5's.)

For more information, please contact Deacon Scott (deaconscoff@holyspiritstl.org) or Deacon Jim (deaconjim@holyspiritstl.org).

We ask you to pray for the success of this project and to please be as generous as possible!
Thank you!

Holy Spirit Contemplative Prayer Group

Contemplative prayer, such as Centering Prayer, can lead one to discover the meaning of Psalm 46:
“Be still and know that I am God”.

The prayer can help you to find the God within and hear with the ear of the heart.

This group meets on the **1st and 3rd Monday** of the month from **3:30—4:45pm** in the Resource Center.

If you have an interest, please contact
Karlye Keleher at 314-291-5209



SPEAKER SERIES

Please join us on Wed., **March 30, 7pm** in the Rigali Room for a presentation of the **Church's Teaching on Ecology**. Our guest speaker is **Sister Cheryl Kemner**, a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

The Franciscans have always believed in the sacredness of creation. In 2008, they committed further to that belief by choosing ‘Care for Creation’ as their community focus. Since 2015, when Pope Francis issued his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, they have been engaged in promoting and living its values through education, advocacy and collaboration. The community's 2021 Chapter Direction statement asks them to tend to God's presence in the heart of the world, prayerfully, prophetically and courageously.

In answer to that call, Sr. Kemner and several other Sisters have given presentations on *Laudato Si'* and *Fratelli Tutti* to parishes, peace and justice teams, and conferences at Our Lady of the Snows and Cardinal Rigali Center.

For more information, contact Clare Duffy 314-291-2144, or Peggy Owen 314-738-0562.

3rd Sunday of Lent

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15
Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12
Luke 13:1-9

Monday March 21
2 Kings 5:1-15b
Ps 42:2,3; 43:3,4
Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday March 22
Daniel 3:25, 34-43
Ps 25:4-9
Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday March 23
Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9
Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday March 24
Jeremiah 7:23-28
Ps 95:1-2, 6-9
Luke 11:14-23

Friday March 25
Annunciation of the Lord
Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10
Ps 40:7-11
Hebrews 10:4-10
Luke 1:26-38

Saturday March 26
Hosea 6:1-6
Ps 51:3-4, 18-21
Luke 18:9-14

How do you feel when someone who's hurtful or morally corrupt gets hit with a hardship that makes them suffer? We rejoice because justice has been meted out.

Jesus says we cannot truthfully say that someone is a "greater sinner", even if that person is doing more damage, is more unChristian, or is blatantly an evil-doer.

Every person has been created in the image of God, even the worst ones. Those who display an opposite image are nonetheless loved by Christ, who died for them. It's a tragedy that they do not live as the person God created them to be. But it will be an even worse tragedy if no one invites them to turn their lives over to Christ.

Evil-doers are children of God living in ignorance of their true identity. They are victims of evil and were seduced into believing that it's

the best way to live. They don't understand that they can be healed by the Sinless One who conquered evil for their redemption. We should feel sorry for them — this is the gift of mercy. We should mourn with Jesus for the tragedy that continues within their souls — this is the most precious gift of mercy.

When we don't care enough to grieve over a person's inner destruction, we are sinning. We are disregarding what Jesus did for them on the cross. We are damaging our own souls.



Those who sinned against you are like the fig tree in Jesus' parable. If you have access to them, he wants you to till their soil. He wants you to fertilize their souls with love and with the truth of the Gospel as taught by your actions and, when they're ready, by your words.

Notice that Jesus doesn't want us to keep a diseased, disintegrating tree in the garden forever. After we have done everything possible, if the evil-doer refuses to change, the best care we can give to the garden is to cut down the tree. This means walking away or calling in the authorities. This, too, is loving. When fertilizer won't produce good fruits, a fallen tree becomes mulch and enriches the ground for a new beginning.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Who has been so hurtful that you wish God would punish them?
2. Can you feel sorry for them? Can you pray for God to do good for them? In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, ask for God's help in feeling more concerned about them. In this, you'll find freedom from the anger that has been holding you captive.
3. What steps can be taken to fertilize the lives of the problematic people of your parish or family?
4. How do you know when it's time to continue trying and when it's time to chop the tree down?

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT— (MARCH 27, 2022)

5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21;
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



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