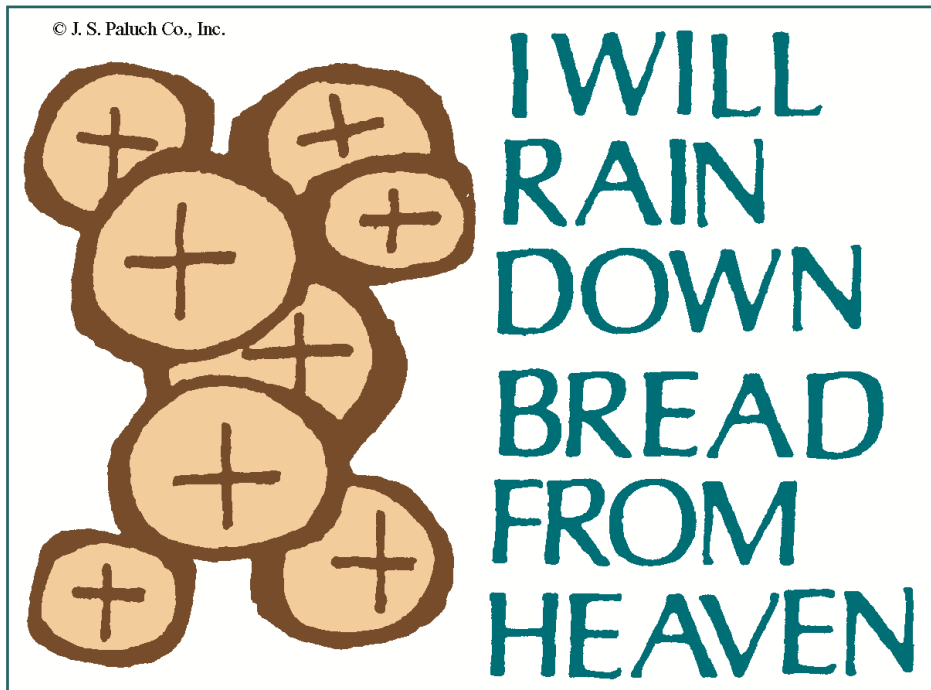


Holy Spirit Parish Family

August 5, 2018 — Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN RESUMES SEPTEMBER 9TH

Liturgy of the Word for Children during the 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday Masses for children 3 years old through third grade is resuming September 9th. After the Opening Prayer the children will be invited to gather with their catechist. After a blessing they will gather in a separate space to listen to the Word of God, sing, and pray. They will recite a Children's Creed and share Prayers of the Faithful. They will rejoin the assembly for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

PARISH OFFICE

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
between 8:00am and 5:00pm

PARISH STAFF

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Rev. Jerry Meier, Retired
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Deacon Scott Kaufman

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Faith in Action, (See Sharon Kaufman)
HandS.....314-739-9796
Stephen Ministry
.....314-739-0230 ext. 130

SCHOOL

(K-8 & PRE-SCHOOL & PREK INFORMATION)

3120 Parkwood Lane
Maryland Heights, MO 63043
Phone: 314-739-1934
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Kate Ayres, School Secretary,
kayres@holyspiritstl.org

PARISH ANNEX

3111 Parkwood Lane,
Maryland Heights, MO 63043,
Pre-School, Pre-K.....314-739-5020

MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSIONS

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

EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL HOURS

Weekdays: 12am to 6am and 9am to 12 midnight.
Saturdays: 12am to 7am
 Chapel will close at 7am Saturday until 9am Monday.
Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

Wednesdays 9 a.m. Mass until Noon (closing with Benediction). Confessions 1st Wednesday.

BAPTISMS

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 Karen Rychlewski.

MARRIAGE

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

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.

REGISTRATION

New parishioners may register at Parish Office or see one of the priests after Mass. New information e.g. address, phone numbers or moving from the parish, please call Parish Office.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Stewardship for July 16-22, 2018

Sunday Envelopes, 250 utilized	\$ 16,008.00
Loose Collection	\$ 581.29
Online Donations, 69 families	\$ 4,785.00
Total	\$ 21,374.29
Weekly Budget	\$ 20,576.00
Weekly Surplus (shortfall)	\$ 798.29

HandS	Parish Improvements
\$ 205.00	\$ 3,145.00

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK**Sunday, August 5**

7:00 pm—Al Anon, Community Rm.

Monday, August 6

6:00 pm—Quilting, Annex
 7:00 pm—Carnival Booth Chair Mtg, Parish Hall
 —Infant Baptism Parent Mtg, Church

Tuesday, August 7

9:00 am—Quilting, Annex
 7:00 pm—ACTS Core Team, Rm. 2
 7:30 pm—Fire in the Spirit, Community Rm.

Wednesday, August 8

9:00 am—Exposition/Benediction, Church
 7:00 pm—Food Addicts Anonymous, Rigali Rm.

Thursday, August 9

9:00 am—Taste & See, Parish Hall
 6:00 pm—PreSchool Parent Mtg, Community Rm.
 7:00 pm—PreKindergarten Parent Evening,
 Community Rm.
 —Al Anon, Room 2

Sunday, August 12

7:00 pm—Al Anon, Community Rm.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

In line with his predecessors and with the social teaching of the Catholic Church, Pope Francis wrote in the introduction, he knows that the Gospel message applies to social and economic questions as well as to questions of personal spirituality and Church life because "God does not abandon His creatures to the clutches of evil."

While the global economy has allowed billions of people to attain well-being, he stated, "the economy and markets have had a role in the excessive exploitation of common resources, increasing inequality and the deterioration of the planet."

STEPHEN MINISTRY

"You have turned my mourning into dancing...you have clothed me with gladness."
 ~ Psalm 30:11

Help received is a gift to the one receiving it. The most difficult thing we may ever do might be asking for help in the first place! If you find yourself struggling to get through life problems, and feel that there is no way out; consider calling the Stephen Ministry. The Stephen Ministry is made of men and women who have answered the call to help those who struggle to get through life issues, small or large. Consider calling the Stephen Ministry, 739-0230, ext.130, and leave a confidential message. Perhaps you will find your gift of help!

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend enriches your good marriage by strengthening communication. It is a great way to rediscover what a great thing you have going for you in your marriage. The next weekends are Aug. 3-5 or Sep. 21-23, St. Peters. To apply or get more information, www.stl-wwme or call 314.649.7317

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In your prayers, please remember all the sick and home-bound *parishioners* and those who care for them.

Betty Apprill	Marge Horton	John Rizzello
Jean Bauer	Al Katzler	John Roberson
Becky Bonner	Frank Kekeisen	Patrick Ryan
Jim Brockmeyer	Clyde Klump	Bill Schneider
Ed Cody	Marie Knox	Harland & Peggy Standerfer
Matthew Cody	Mary Ann Koperski	Linda Tarrant
Paula Davidson	Charles Kraemer	Pat Tellmann
Lisa Delfert	Doris Kulage	Nanci Van Amburgh
Lou Difani	Mike Lemp	Jean & Joe
Anne Elmore	Jerry McGuire	Wangler
Dorothy Faerber	Al Metzger	Gene Weckherlin
Till Fehrenbacher	Karen Newcomb	Bill & Joan
Ed Flores	Matt Niedringhaus	Weinzirl
Janet Frayne	Leonard Pemberton	Tom Zemblidge
Ray Garvels	Brian Ponder	
Steve Hirschmugl	Dee Powers	

Sick Relatives and Friends:

Leo Bachinski II	Samantha Kerwin	Judy O'Hare
Gloria Bardol	Dennis King	Mark Pearia
Tony Bedrosian	Irene Lee	Gerald Perdun
Christopher Bolm	Pam Lewis	Anthony Pyzdrowski
Jackie Craven	Kelsie Manna	Teri Rooney
Allie Doell	Louis Merritt	Antoinette "Babs" Sarmiento
Alex Fritzius	Cameron Meyer	David Schneider
Anita Geiger	Christine Meyer	Grace Solimando
Baby Finley Gerhardt	Luke Meyer	Wanda Wade
Robert Hachmeister	Ron Meyer	Carly Walker
Donna Hatfield	Mike Mitra	John Wamhoff
Gene Hooker	Marsha Moore	Tom Wangler
Raymond Jaegers	Aloe Mossburger	Bonnie Whitman
Ken Jordan	Logan Nevlín	
Shane Katzler	Melinda Oeth	

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 5

7:30am	For Our Parishioners
9:00am	Till Fehrenbacher, Happy Birthday
11:00am	Bernice Fehrenbacher

Monday, August 6

6:30 am	Tom & Mary Schulte, Special Intention
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Tuesday, August 7

6:30am	Faithful Departed
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Wednesday, August 8

6:30am	Catherine Balke
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Thursday, August 9

8:00am	Briccio & Consolacion Cadiz
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Friday, August 10

8:00am	Ben L. Ricks
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Saturday, August 11

8:00am	Bernetta Drury
5:00pm	James R. Shamel

Sunday, August 12

7:30am	Tom & Mary Schulte, Special Intention
9:00am	For Our Parishioners
11:00am	Gerald Weiss

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE



We express our deep sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the family of **Robert Hachmeister**, father of Mike (Darcy), grandfather of Patrick and Abigail. May his soul rest in the Peace of Christ.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — AUG 11-12 & 15

Aug 11-12	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Money Counters	Aug 15 8:00 AM	Aug 15 7:00 PM
Hospitality	M Bovier R & S Ramspott D Klein C Milligan K Shamel	P Klaas T & MK Canavan R Fetsch F Gallagher J Saputo	L Frein S Hirschmugl L Pattison K Flood W Schlenk	S Demand J Kinealy S Shipman H Free J Greco P Gruszczynski M Kohl C VanDoren	EARLY R Fetsch J Moran		
Hearing Assist	G Cunningham	J & P Schuette	C Putnam	R Armon			
Lectors	P Cunningham	R Lauber	M Hachmeister	J Laneman		D Gill	B Backowski
Eucharistic Ministers	T Bath D Hass A Merris C Notter C Stuckey J & J Chrimer R & N Swantner	R Dallavalle M McCarthy W Prather J & K McFarling	L Gath D Hachmeister K Johnson P Krause A Lange C & K Caverly P & K Farrar	P Abramczyk B Berardino B Dufaux M Feltmann A Wehking R & M Keating R & MA Weiss	LATE P Albers R Slice	R Dallavalle S Kaufman A Merris R & MB Chik	M DeWitt P DeWitt B Flores MJ Flynn S Silver
Servers	K Hill M Hill W Peroutka					3 Subs Requested	A Gianino W Kielhofner K Poole

SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS: 8 A.M.—3 P.M. MON-FRI

Contact information...314-739-1934 or email,
Mrs. Kelly Hewitt, Principal – khewitt@holyspiritstl.org
Mrs. Kate Ayres, Secretary – kayres@holyspiritstl.org

Hello everyone! I am so happy to be here and to be getting things in gear over at the school. The floors have been waxed, the window shades are on their way, and a Maker Space is being revamped. What is a Maker Space? Check out next weekend's bulletin!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL PACKETS

Please pick up your Back-to-School packet after Mass **THIS** weekend – they can be found in the Parish Hall.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR PRE-KINDERGARTEN THRU GRADE 8

is Thursday, August 16, with a Noon Dismissal. Spirit Zone Aftercare will **NOT** be available. Also, on August 16, Pre-School playdate 9–10 AM

Friday, August 17, school begins it's regular schedule. Drop off from 7:10–7:50 AM for Pre-School thru Grade 8. Spirit Zone Aftercare Program will be available. Children **MUST** be registered for Spirit Zone to attend

RED & BLUE RAFFLE TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!

The parents of the Holy Spirit School are selling Red & Blue Raffle Tickets. The tickets are **\$20 each**. The raffle drawings begin the first week of September and continue through the last Monday school is in session in May. The first Monday of each month a ticket will be drawn and that winner will receive a **cash prize of \$100**. Every additional Monday in the month a winner will receive a **cash prize of \$25**. If you would like to purchase a ticket there are tickets on Page 5 of this bulletin.

You may also reach out to a Holy Spirit School Family or contact the school office, 314-739-1934.

Thank you so much for your support!

NOW ENROLLING!

Holy Spirit Day School is enrolling for the 2018-2019 school year! We would love to schedule a tour for someone you know and show them what we have to offer! There is a true love for Jesus and the faculty and staff are committed to every child's success at Holy Spirit School! As we plan for the 2018-2019 Holy Spirit School year, please continue to pray for growth and continued success!

A couple of wish list items for the Maker Space: egg cartons, newspapers, paper bags, paper towel rolls, nuts, bolts, screws, washers, basic tools (hammers, etc), shoe boxes, and small pieces of wood. If you have any of these used items laying around, we would love to take them off your hands. Drop them off at the school or parish office.

Blessings, Mrs. Hewitt

PSR NEWS

PSR REGISTRATION FOR 2018-19

If you have not registered your child(ren) for Parish School of Religion for the 2018-19 school year, please contact Sharon Kaufman, Coordinator of Religious Education or Julie Spinner both at the Parish Offices 314-739-0230 **as soon as possible**. PSR registration is completely online only. If you do not have computer access and need assistance, please contact Sharon to set up an appointment to complete the registration process.

The Parish School of Religion offers religion classes on Tuesday evenings, from 6:45-8 p.m. for students in grades 1-8 who attend public schools. PSR sessions focus on the message of Jesus, experienced within a community of faith with opportunities to pray, worship and do service for others. The students are also prepared to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Confirmation is a parish wide program coordinated by our Youth Minister, Donna Eisenbath.

All families will register and make payments through our online program, www.holyspirit.psrenroll.com or PSR registration is one of the quick links on the parish website, www.holyspiritstl.org. Detailed information was also sent by email to each returning family.

For information, 314-739-0230 or email

Sharon Kaufman, skaufman@holyspiritstl.org OR
Julie Spinner, jspinner@holyspiritstl.org

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION-IMPORTANT DATES

***NEW Catechist/Assistant Meeting: Tuesday, August 7 7:00 – 8:00 pm in the School Library.**

***ALL PSR Staff Potluck & Meeting : Tuesday, August 14, 6:30pm in the Parish Hall**

***Sunday, August 19th, Back to School Mass for Holy Spirit PSR & Full Time School Families and Staffs at 11 am. Immediately following Mass, there will be a meet and greet for families in the Parish Hall.**

MISSOURI MOST 529 SAVINGS PLAN

Along with The Office of Catholic Education & Formation will host information sessions across the archdiocese during the month of August. You are invited to attend a free presentation to learn how a 529 savings plan can be used to pay for elementary and high school tuition and create tax savings for families.

August 15, 6-7 PM or 7:30-8:30 PM

St. Joseph School Cafeteria
555 St. Joseph Ln, Manchester 63021

August 16, 6-7 PM or 7:30-8:30 PM

Our Lady of Lourdes, Parish Hall
950 Madison Ave, Washington MO 63090

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September 4, 2018 – May 20, 2019

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SAVE THE DATE ...

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2:30 PM

HOLY SPIRIT GOLF TOURNAMENT

Berry Hill Golf Course

Limited to the first 18 Four Person Teams

\$50.00 per player (No Additional Charges at Course)

Benefits Holy Spirit Capital Improvements

Snacks and Drinks provided at the course
Food and Prizes following golf

Questions? Don Casey, 314-308-8127



"TASTE & SEE" FOR OLDER ADULTS THIS THURSDAY!

Its not too late to join fellow parishioners this Thursday, August 9th, 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall, for coffee & donuts. **Aging Ahead (formerly Mid-East Area Agency on Aging)** maintains a strong commitment to wellness of family caregivers who are providing full time care to aging adults & grandchildren. It's essential for family caregivers to recognize their own needs by taking good care of themselves through relaxation, support & renewal. Learn about **Aging Ahead's** resources and advocacy for dedicated caregivers. See you there!!

SENIOR EXERCISE

Senior Exercise for August 7, 8, 14 & 15, has been **CANCELLED**.

We will resume Tuesday & Wednesday, August 21 & 22.



LADIES CLUB

We will have our Annual INDOOR picnic on August 14. The potluck will begin at 6 PM, please bring a dish.

After the meeting we will play picnic games!

MOVIE SCREENING: "I LIVED ON PARKER AVENUE"

The Daughters of St. Paul in collaboration with Missouri Right to Life are hosting a screening of the short documentary film, "I Lived on Parker Avenue" on **Thurs., Aug. 23, 7 pm, Pauline Books & Media, 9804 Watson Rd.**

This inspiring 2017 pro-life, pro-adoption film follows the dramatic cross-country reunion between then Louisiana college student David Scotton and his Indiana-based birth-parents. The film also explores the life stories of David's birth parents and adopted parents, and his mother's experience at an abortion facility when pregnant with David.

Call 314-965-3512 for more information and to register. Admission is free.

CARNIVAL NEWS

BASKET RAFFLE BOOTH

Please consider donating new items that can be used in gift baskets. Basket themes may include summertime fun, sports, dinner & a movie, baby boy or girl, card/board games, crafts, NASCAR, tailgate party, cat or dog, etc. We'd love to receive donations of game, theatre, or event tickets. Would your employer consider donating a set of their season tickets? We can also use baskets or containers that are in good condition. Please place items in the Parish Hall marked "Basket Raffle."

If you prefer, monetary or gift card donations will be gladly accepted. Don't forget to purchase your gift card donations from the SCRIP Table! Please put them in an envelope marked "Basket Raffle" and place them in the collection basket or drop them off at the Parish Office.



It is through your generous support that the basket raffle booth will be successful. Thanks for your help in making the Holy Spirit 2018 Carnival the best ever!

Shelly Barry, 707-6049



TEDDY BEAR BOOTH

The teddy bear booth is in need of many new or gently used stuffed animals. Please drop them in the Parish Hall marked 'Teddy Bear Booth.' If you would like to schedule a drop off/pick up of large donations OR have any questions please contact



Jackie Decker at 852-7699 .

CARNIVAL NEWS

The Holy Spirit Carnival Committee is looking for people to CHAIR BOOTHS during the annual parish Carnival being held Friday, September 7th, and Saturday, September 8th, this year.

**THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR COMMUNITY
AND BUILD RELATIONSHIPS.**

**WE HAVE SEVERAL VERY IMPORTANT BOOTHS THAT ARE STILL IN NEED OF CHAIRPERSONS,
SO PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING OUR PARISH CARNIVAL.**

Open Booths:

Ticket Booths for Rides
The Beer Garden- ID Booth
Bottle Booth
Operations
Shooting Gallery
The First Aid Booth
Guest Relations- At the front of the parking lot
Monopoly
Vault



**** Bingo- in the Parish Hall ** URGENT NEED
(Friday night and Saturday Afternoon only)**

If you were a 2017 Chairperson and haven't responded, please contact Jean Painter (853-3699) as soon as possible to let us know your plans for 2018.

We will again have the "Sign-up Genius" for volunteers to work in the booths again this year, stay tuned for more information on this.

Thank you so very much for your continued support of our amazing parish Carnival!

Jeff and Jean Painter

**Please contact Jeff & Jean Painter,
(314)291-6435 to work together to help
Holy Spirit continue to be one of
the best parishes in the Archdiocese.**

YOUTH MINISTRY

FIND US ON FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM! — www.facebook.com/hsyouth & Instagram HS_YOUTH_STL

PLEASE PRAY for our young people starting school

That they may stay safe and make good choices in this time of new beginnings

MATT MAHER IN CONCERT AT ASSUMPTION, O'FALLON, MO THIS FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

Matt Maher is a nine times Grammy nominated, contemporary Christian artist who just happens to be Catholic. He is fantastic in concert sharing great music and witness of his faith. What a great way to celebrate faith as a family. Check this out.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors – ALL ARE WELCOME:

Eat, Pray, Discuss 2.0 – EVERY Thursday evening from 7-9 in the Resource Center. Come join us! Drop in for games, good food and discussions on your burning questions about your faith.

CONFIRMATION

8th grade Confirmation 2018 – Session 7: The Eucharist, Mon., Aug. 27, 6:45-9:00 in the Parish Hall. At least one parent should plan to attend with their child.

7th grade Confirmation 2019 – An informational meeting for parents & young people to be Confirmed will take place Wed., Oct. 17, 7-8:30 PM in the Parish Hall.

Youth Pilgrimage to the MARCH FOR LIFE for 7th – 12th grades

It's summer, but we're planning for fall. If you are interested in attending the March for Life with Holy Spirit and Generation Life, mark your calendar for an information meeting Weds., Sept. 12, 7 PM in the Parish Hall. We will need many chaperones to make this happen so please check your calendar for Jan. 16-20 to see if you

can help make this experience a reality for our teens.

WE NEED YOU!

PGC ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: WE ARE PLANNING FOR FALL GATHERINGS AND EVENTS, and need you. Ministry is a community effort. We need your help to make all these things possible to our young people. Young adults, parents and empty nesters are all welcome. Our young people benefit from your life of faith and appreciate your help.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MADNESS: Adults who are willing to chaperone one Friday night a month for Middle School Madness from September - May. All we need is your presence. **Time involved:** 2 hours a month. This can be several adults who take turns.

PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE: A few adults to form a planning committee for our participation in the youth office's Generation Life pilgrimage to the March for Life. We will have a meeting or two in August/September to assemble information and plan for our attendance.

Interested? Want to help our teens?

Contact Donna Eisenbath.

HANDS — FOOD PANTRY

The dog days of summer are upon us and the food pantry shelves are getting bare. Please consider the following list when you are doing your own grocery shopping and help re-stock our shelves!

- Spaghetti Sauce (no glass jars please!)
- Canned Soup
- Canned Peas
- Canned Carrots
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Chicken
- Canned Fruit
- Applesauce
- Jelly (no glass jars please!)
- Cereal
- Bottled Juice
- Kleenex
- Cookies

Thank you for your generosity, we appreciate you!

HandS Food Pantry Volunteers

YOUNG ADULT EVENTS WITH THE WAY STL

Check us out online for more information!

E-mail: thewaystlouis@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thewaystl/>

Website: www.thewaystl.org

First Friday Holy Hour

7 PM, St. Richard's Parish

Women's Emmaus Study Group*

7-8:30pm 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Men's Emmaus Study Group*

7-8:30pm 2nd and 4th Thursdays

E-mail us for more information OR

Theresa Weaver, tweaver1704@gmail.com

Matt DeWitt, dewittmw@gmail.com



*Emmaus study group is a small faith sharing group. Topics covered are determined by the group and range from weekly readings, study of specific books of the Bible, & video series.

AROUND TOWN

DYNAMIC CATHOLIC, ALIVE! – STANDING OUT

One of the challenges we face in evangelization is connecting with the culture in order to penetrate it and refine it with Gospel values. Many people have fallen prey to the culture in this process and have forgotten their goal. As Christians, we should stand out, especially in the hyper-secularized culture in which we find ourselves in the Western world in 2018. It is important for us to consider where we have come from and where we are going as disciples of Jesus Christ. Paul reminds us in his letter to the Ephesians that we must put away the old self and not live as the Gentiles do. We can certainly meet others on their terms, but we must avoid the trap of forgetting that our task is to help lead them away from a dull and sterile existence, consumed by evanescent pleasures. As baptized Christians, we are called to lead new and transformed lives in the power of the Holy Spirit. Let's stand out! We do not need to be pompous or attention-seeking, but authentic Christians will be recognized as different in this world. archstl.org/dynamic

OFFICE OF NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING - ENKINDLE MINISTRY

Couples facing problems with fertility don't have to walk this journey alone. Faith tells us our lives are ultimately in God's hands. Along our way, he sends us help in carrying our burdens. As you work toward acceptance of this challenge, our Enkindle infertility counseling ministry is here to offer hope while seeking peace. Contact Melissa Barnason for a free half-hour appointment to speak with a registered nurse and a licensed counselor.

melissabarnason@archstl.org

The office is at 11700 Studt, Creve Coeur, MO 63141

HOLY TRINITY FAMILY FESTIVAL 10901 St. Henry Ln., St. Ann, MO 63074

Friday, August 17 – 6-10 p.m.

Saturday, August 18 – 1-10 p.m.

Pork Steak Dinner – Friday - 6-8 p.m.,

Chicken Dinner – Saturday - 4:30-7:00 p.m.

Beer/Wine Booth, BBQ, Tacos/Tamales
Nachos/Funnel Cakes, etc.

Raffles: Quilt, Smart TV

Big Money – 4 winners – (\$250-\$2,000)

Games, Rides, Basket Raffle, Silent Auction, 50/50,
Dunking Booth, Pull Tabs, dunking booth and more....

PRESALE PRICED Food/Game & Ride Tickets
are being sold after all masses every weekend

AND in the parish office (3400 St. Gregory)

Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

All are invited to come to the Holy Hour for Vocations! This is for everyone, those who are discerning a vocation, & those who would like to pray for vocations. Our next Holy Hour for Vocations is **August 17**, 7:30 pm, the Main Church of Ascension Parish, with Transitional Deacon George Staley preaching the homily. Confessions will also be available. A social will follow the Holy Hour in the Multi-Purpose Room attached to the school.

2ND ANNUAL NEWLY-DESIGNED PASTORAL COUNCIL & PARISH LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Saturday, **September 1** – 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Facilitator: Fr. Richard Bockskopf

\$15.00 per person – Lunch Included

Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Dr, 63119

To register, visit: www.archstl.org/ParishWorkshop

Registration required by August 27.

Questions? Alyssa Johnson,

alysajohnson@archstl.org OR 314.792.7185

18TH ANNUAL TEE OFF FOR THE KIDS

St Alban Roe Knights of Columbus hosts this annual golf tournament, **September 15**, Missouri Bluffs Golf Club, 18 Research Park Circle, St. Charles, MO. Proceeds benefit **SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital** and the Knights of Columbus Charity. \$165.00 individual golfers, \$660.00 per foursome. Includes lunch, golf, beverages, dinner, silent and live auctions. To register, Dave Maloney 636 399 8085 or themaloney4@att.net.

RETROUVILLE

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18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
John 6:24-35

Monday August 6 Transfiguration

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
2 Peter 1:16-19
Mark 9:2-10

Tuesday August 7

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22
Ps 102:18-23, 29
Matthew 14:22-38
or Matthew 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday August 8 St. Dominic

Jeremiah 31:1-7
Jer 31:10-3
Matthew 15:21-28

Thursday August 9

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Ps 51:12-15, 18-19
Matthew 16:13-23

Friday August 10 St. Lawrence

2 Corinthians 9:8-10
Ps 112:1-2, 5-9
John 12:24-26

Saturday August 11 St. Clare

Habakkuk 1:12 -- 2:4
Ps 9:8-13
Matthew 17:14-20

In the Gospel reading, Jesus says: "Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life." In other words: In your daily life, work hard to obtain whatever will nourish your soul and sustain you past death into eternity.

Jesus says: "The work God wants you to do is to believe in the one he sent." Why does he call this "work"?

To fully believe, we must work at getting rid of every doubt and distrust that interferes with our belief in Christ, our trust in his words (including what he inspired in the official teachings of the Church), and our willingness to conform to his way of life.

This work requires (1) identifying our vulnerabilities that make us doubt and distrust, (2) uncovering what we're afraid will happen if we do trust, and (3) overcoming that fear by gaining a better understanding of the truth. Any fear that interferes with our holiness is always based on something untrue.

Jesus says: "The bread of God, which nourishes your soul, is that which comes down from heaven and gives life." He's referring to his presence in the Eucharist, the bread that he provides in every Mass. What work do you need to do so that you can be nourished more fully by the Eucharist? Is there something that's stopping you from receiving the



Eucharist? Work hard to remedy that obstacle! It will make a difference to your eternal soul. If you're sincere about uniting yourself to Christ, he will make possible whatever is needed to clear the way.

Because the Eucharist is Jesus, it can heal us, purify us, and help us become more like Christ himself. However, it takes conscious effort to fully embrace this opportunity. Why would we want to be lazy about that? The benefits of hard work in our faith life will endure for eternity.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. What raises doubts in your mind about Christ's presence and power in your daily life?
2. What in your relationship with Jesus needs more work so that your belief in him will give you confident hope that he is guiding you to heaven?
3. How has the Eucharist helped you on your journey to heaven? How has it changed you, purified you?
4. Is it possible that Christ's true presence in the Eucharist can also help those who are unable to receive communion? How so?

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1 Kgs 19:4-8 — Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 — Eph 4:30-5:2 — Jn 6:41-51

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