PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
ASKING FOR HER INTERCESSION IN THIS TIME OF NEED

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and
deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to
be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to
our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen.

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.
WHAT’S HAPPENING
THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 26
7:00pm—Al Anon, Community Rm., Rigali Rm., Rm. 9

Thursday, April 30
7:00pm—Al Anon, Rm. 2

Sunday, May 3
7:00pm—Al Anon, Community Rm., Rigali Rm., Rm. 9

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS
Stewardship for April 6-12, 2020

Sunday Envelopes, 112 utilized $ 14,368.00
Loose Collection $
Online Donations, 85 families $ 7,475.00
Total $ 21,843.00
Weekly Budget $ 20,190.38
Weekly Surplus (shortfall) $ 1,652.62
HandS Parish Improvements
$ 1,410.00 $ 315.00

SOCIAL JUSTICE

LOVE IS SOCIAL JUSTICE

“Justice is the social form of love and charity is no substitute for justice.”
Sometimes we fall into the thought or habit of giving a donation and telling ourselves “I’ve done my part.” Have we really? May I quote from Bread for the World; “don’t build a high wall, build a longer table.”
Peace be with you.

JUST LIVING

“Labor is not a commodity to be bought and sold—Labor is a means of self-expression, the worker’s gift to the common good.”
~ Peter Maurin, friend of the Venerable Dorothy Day
May 1st—Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministry has specially selected & trained men & women to listen with care to all they serve, & to keep all that is shared with them in strict confidentiality. Whether your struggle with emotions is what you consider small, or even if it is larger, Stephen Ministry awaits your call for help. 739-0230, ext.130, leave a confidential message.
Compassionate & caring listening for you!

Thank You

I can’t begin to tell you how much I appreciate all the cards, gifts and kind words you have shared with me for my Priestly Anniversary, for Easter, and especially for my 80th birthday! Your prayers and your thoughtful greetings have been a great comfort in this difficult time. And the Birthday Parade!! Wow!! It was so good to see you all in person, even if for just a few minutes. Again, thank you so much and may Our Loving God bless you always and keep you safe and healthy.

Father Jerry
PRO-LIFE NEWS
PRO-LIFE SAINT SPOTLIGHT:
ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA: Patron saint of mothers, physicians, and unborn children. Feast Day: April 28
St. Gianna was a physician, mother, and wife who dedicated her life to the service of others. St. Gianna refused an abortion and hysterectomy after a uterine tumor was discovered while she was pregnant with her 4th child. She chose life for her child, and died about 1 week after delivery secondary to a post-operative infection. Reflection from Franciscanmedia.org: “With great faith and courage, Gianna Molla made the choice that enabled her daughter to be born. We can often wish that we were in different circumstances, but holiness frequently comes from making difficult choices in bad situations”. St. Gianna, pray for us!

A NOTE FROM FR. BOB
Dear Friends,
Grace and peace to you!

Thanks to the men of our men’s group, Men As Faith Followers In Action, for their work at spring gardening recently. Many of them were here for several hours on a recent Saturday, raking, trimming, pruning, weeding, and cleaning up the grounds around the church, school, and rectory.

Thank you! The grounds are beautiful!

Hope! We all want public Masses to resume. Father Jerry and I are grateful that we can bring Mass into your homes through live-streaming. Like you, we really miss having you all here in person. How long will public Masses be suspended? We can only hope that we might begin some type of return in mid-May. But as the renown, Dr. Fauci says, we don’t set the timetable, the virus does. Will there be some sort of restrictions in place once we return? It seems likely given all the discussions that are currently taking place on a national level around how to lift restrictions. In the meantime, we continue to practice staying safe by staying at home. Thank you for all your notes and emails of encouragement and appreciation. I am blessed to be your pastor. Let’s keep praying for each other and taking care of each other during these extraordinary times.

Keep in mind that the church is open for a visit after Mass until 5:00 pm each day. Please observe the limit of 10 people at a time when visiting. Thank you for sending your pictures, there are now over 500 in church! If you would like your photo in church, just send it to me at revans@holyspiritstl.org.

May God keep you safe and healthy,

Peace,

Father Bob
FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We express our deep sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the families of
Eugenia (Jean) Bauer, mother of Donna (Mike) Cole;
Cathy Garofalo, wife of Tony, mother of Jenny, grandmother of Taylor;
Matt Hewitt, husband of Kelly, father of Olivia & Maisie; Betty Cauley, sister of Paddy Kasprzyk;
Lorraine Tabash, grandmother of Tom Cusumano & Bill (Michelle) Godefroid, great grandmother of Becca & Lexie Cusumano, Emily & Christopher Barton, Anthony, Isabel, Nicholas & Gabriel Godefroid; and
Mary Goss, grandmother of Jackie Cusumano, great grandmother of Becca & Lexie.

May their souls rest in the Peace of Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS

(Please note these are NOT public Masses. Fr. Bob will celebrate these Masses each day without worshipers.)

Sunday, April 26
9:00am People of the Parish

Monday, April 27
8:00 am Kay Peters, Special Intention

Tuesday, April 28
8:00am Kirk Shamel, Special Intention

Wednesday, April 29
8:00am John Sapienza

Thursday, April 30
8:00am Otto Dallavalle

Friday, May 1
8:00am Frank Garvin

Saturday, May 2
8:00am Richard Rieth

Sunday, May 3
9:00am People of the Parish


dyn@t Catholic, ALIVE! — SPIRITUAL HEARTBURN AND TYPOLOGY

The disciples recounted how their hearts were burning within them when Jesus opened the Scriptures to them. One of the many beautiful elements of the Faith is Biblical typology, the fulfillment of elements of the Old Testament in the New Testament. Common examples are Noah’s ark prefiguring the Church, the Flood prefiguring Baptism, and Moses prefiguring Jesus Christ. As we rejoice throughout this blessed Easter Season, let us pray with the Old Testament and see how Christ fulfills what is found in it. St. Augustine wrote, “In the Old Testament the New Testament is concealed; in the New Testament the Old Testament is revealed.” Through typology we can experience spiritual heartburn, the best kind, and more fully appreciate God’s plan in salvation history. archstl.org/dynamic

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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

Irene Biggins Marie Knox Mike Sampson
Becky Bonner Charles Kraemer Anita Schiermeyer
Nancy Brand Bill Kriete Bill Schneider
Jim Brockmeyer Doris Kulage Norma Schwinger
Connie Buenemann Mike Lemp Rudy & Brenda
Nicole Chapman Jerry McGuire Torricelli
Ed Cody Mary McGuire Nanci Van Amburg
Matthew Cody Ron Murphy Katy Van Stratton
Peggy Cody Karen Newcomb Joe & Jean
Charles Dent Matt Niedringhaus Joe & Jean
Dorothy Faerber Jacob Null
Till Fehrenbacher Dave Peters
Joe Greco Bob & Donna
Steve Hirschmugl Pedrotti
Betty Hirschmugl Brian Ponder
Diane Javaux Carolyn Putnam
Kenneth Jordan John Rizzello
Al Katzler John Roberson

Sick Relatives and Friends:

Rosemarie Angevine Betty Halpin Ron Meyer
Kendall & Tina Bedel Steve Hartnett Melinda Oeth
Janice Borgmann Bethany Henderson Loretta Rath
Lauren Castellana Ruth Ilo David Rychlewski
Nancy & Larry Chik Charlene Jennings Albert Schiermeyer
Jackie Craven Shane Katzler Kate Schneider
Anne DeSchryver Pearl King Fynlee Schneider
Paul Ecks Sharon Lewis Dave & Paula
Jim Eisenbath Lisa Masek Schneider
Lee Engert Jon Matson Ron Schonhoff Sr.
Colleen Evans Trish Merklin Grace Solimando
David Fehrenbacher Cameron Meyer Josephine Sterlin
Judy Gannon Christine Meyer Kurri Warren
Michael Gill Luke Meyer Bonnie Wittman

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### Easter Schedule

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### School News

**Congratulations** to our April 20 $25 Red & Blue winner **Brad Burch**.

Thank you for supporting our school!

With God all things are possible!

Mrs. Hewitt

### PSR News

**PSR Registration 2020-2021**

The Parish School of Religion has 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 & make payments for PSR through our online program, [www.holyspirit.psrenroll.com](http://www.holyspirit.psrenroll.com) or PSR registration is one of the quick links on the parish website, [www.holyspiritstl.org](http://www.holyspiritstl.org). Detailed information was also sent by email to each returning family.

Families registering from now until May 31st will receive discounted pricing. Additionally, all returning families that register between these times will be entered into a drawing to win one of three free family registrations (value $30). Don’t delay!

### RCIA Update

The Elect and Candidates (Allison, Christine, Tiffany, Amanda, Caleb, Morgan) are joining our live-stream Sunday Mass and then video conferencing together afterward. They are well, but miss the support of our Holy Spirit community. Tentatively, they will be received into the Catholic faith at Pentecost. Please consider sending an email to let them know you are thinking about and praying for them during this uncertain, yet joyful time of preparation. Send your message to krychlewski@holyspiritstl.org. Karen will share your email with them.

Thanks for your continued prayerful support!

### Protecting God's Children

**NEW—PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN REQUIRED FOR EVERYONE VOLUNTEERING AT HOLY SPIRIT PARISH, SCHOOL OR PSR!**

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. **EVERYONE** ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are **REQUIRED** and **ASKED** to register in the new system as soon as possible. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God’s Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God’s Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers, and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct.

Please register at [www.preventandprotectstl.org](http://www.preventandprotectstl.org), use the passcode stlprotect.

Contact Mary Welsh, Child Safety Coordinator, Parish Office (mwelsh@holyspiritstl.org) with any questions or for further assistance.

### Vacation Bible School/F3/Family Night

**June 22-26, 2020**

Has Been **CANCELLED** due to the Coronavirus situation.

Watch for our return Summer 2021!
The two disciples of today's Gospel reading did not recognize Jesus until after they heard him explain the scriptures and then broke bread with him. It was a two-part process. First, while listening to him teach about the scriptures, only their hearts recognized him. ("Were not our hearts burning within us?") Their eyes didn't see his true identity until Jesus shared a meal with them, raised the bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them to eat.

When we celebrate Mass today, we're on a similar journey with Jesus. First, we have the Liturgy of the Word, where we hear the scriptures and a homily that explains them. This is a time of opening our hearts to him. A well-trained reader will speak the words of scripture with meaning and emphasis so that our hearts can recognize God in the words. A well-trained priest or deacon will set our hearts on fire as if Jesus himself were teaching us the meaning of the scriptures. But even when the reader or homilist does a poor job, we can open our hearts to hear Jesus speaking to us directly.

Then we move into the Liturgy of the Eucharist. When the presiding priest consecrates the bread and wine, it is Jesus himself who is actually doing it, using the priest's hands and vocal chords. Jesus is doing for us what he did for those two disciples at Emmaus.

If we have opened our hearts to Jesus during the first part of Mass, and if we are still paying attention, we see more than a piece of bread and a chalice of wine. We see Jesus. We recognize him with our hearts and our heads. We know beyond all doubt that the resurrected Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. In what area(s) of your life does Jesus seem to be absent? How can the Mass help you recognize Jesus and feel his closeness?

2. What else can you do to discover the presence of Jesus when you are not able to sense his nearness?

3. When did you first discover that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist? What helped you with that discovery?

4. How do you know that the bread and wine change into the substance of Jesus while retaining their original form (which is called "transubstantiation")?

5. How easy is it for you to recognize Jesus in the Eucharist? Why?
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