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SUNDAY MASSES

7:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Saturday Vigil Mass

12:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday-Friday

6:45 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

Saturday

6:45 a.m.

DAILY CONFESSIONS

In the Chapel

(except Holy Days & Holidays)

Monday-Saturday:

6:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Saturday:

4:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Monday of the Month

At all Masses (except Holy Days
and Holidays)

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY
OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL**

Monday 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday of the month. Contact
the Parish Office at least one month
prior to requested date of Baptism to
arrange for a personal interview with
the Pastor. For parishioners only.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be made at
least six months in advance for those
who have been registered, supportive
parishioners for at least one year.
Contact the Parish Office for a meeting
with the Pastor.

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MEDITATION

Sunday, February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

***Stop judging and you will not be judged.
Stop condemning and you will not be
condemned. (Luke 6:37)***

Whether it's the celebrity on TV or the disheveled person in the store or even the person we work with whose food choices are different from ours, we can find it so easy to pass judgment on people. And if we're honest, it may even seem like a very acceptable thing to do! But in his sermon to the crowds, Jesus is very clear: "Stop judging . . . Stop condemning" (Luke 6:37). So, what should we do instead?

The line that immediately precedes this passage gives the answer: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36).

Consider the mercy of God our heavenly Father. When you catch yourself judging another person, think about the love that God has for you: he sent his Son to die for you when you didn't deserve it—when you didn't even ask for it! Or recall all those instances when you didn't get "what you deserved" in your life. Maybe you spoke harshly to someone, and they spoke kindly back to you, or maybe your boss at work chose to overlook that you were late on a project. Mercy flowed out to you, just as God's mercy extends to each and every person in the world.

When you run into "sinners" today, consider the Father's mercy and then share it generously. Speak kindly in response to harsh words. Bless the person you disagree with. Forgive the aggressive driver in the next lane. Jesus promises that if you offer mercy to those around you, "Your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High" (Luke 6:35).

God is the perfect judge. We can trust him to do his job. He knows when to be merciful, and he knows when to bring correction. He doesn't need our help! Instead, we can be merciful, we can forgive, and we can glorify our heavenly Father as we do.

***"Father, help me to be a reflection
of your merciful love today."***

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PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

That refugees and others who are displaced from their homes may obtain the help and support they need to live with dignity, let us pray to the Lord.

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Jesus Christ, by Faith Revealed #259

Kyrie #1

Gloria #5

OFFERTORY HYMN:

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #280

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

***Lord, I have come to believe that you are the Christ,
the Son of the Living God,
who is coming into this world.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Prayer of Saint Francis #302

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 24

Sirach 1:1-10
Psalm 93:1-2, 5
Mark 9:14-29

Tuesday, February 25

Sirach 2:1-11
Psalm 37:3-4, 18-19, 27, 28,
39-40
Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday, February 26

Sirach 4:11-19
Psalm 119:165, 168, 171-172,
174-175
Mark 9:38-40

Thursday, February 27

Sirach 5:1-8
Psalm 1:1-4, 6
Mark 9:41-50

Friday, February 28

Sirach 6:5-17
Psalm 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35
Mark 10:1-12

Saturday, March 1

Sirach 17:1-15
Psalm 103:13-18
Mark 10:13-16

Sunday, March 2

Sirach 27:4-7
Psalm 92:2-3, 13-16
1 Corinthians 15:54-58
Luke 6:39-45

Prayer Requests: If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please call or email the parish office and we will add their names to our ongoing parishioners and friends list of intentions: omannstlouis@gmail.com or call 651-224-3379.

We ask that you kindly let us know when the names of people should be removed. Many, many thanks.

Please pray for our parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church who are sick: Raymond Acesor, Paul Anderson, Peggy Anfang, Hugh Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Laris Berggren, Odelia Conlon, Monty Denniston, Gretchen Dertz, Jenny Dufner, Greg Ennis, Harry Frazier, Anne Hallgren, Mia Hasouris, Margaret Ann Hennen, Mary Ellen Hennen, Mark Hennen, Austin Hogan, Patty Huiras, Gloria Iverson, Brian Junker, Ernie Jurgens, Marilyn Krass, John D. Lamey, Bonida Lanford, Caroline Lanford, Steve Launiger, Henry Lyons, Jennifer McMaster, Tom Miller, Shirley Milliman, Dick Mogren, Cathy Mullaney, Tim Mullaney, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Joe Oden, Karen Olson, Zachary Redland, Jacob Revera, Jaxson Rivera, Rose Mary Satack, John Schleck, Mamie Singleton, Lana Sloan, Maureen Sullivan, Robert Tereau, Robert Tesch, Allyson Tracy, Robert VanGuilder, Jr, Michael Virnig, Brian Walstad, Jennifer Washington, and Justin Woessner.

RING OUT, O BELLS . . .

DATE	REQUEST FOR	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
February 25	Karissa Gubash	Happy Birthday	Helene Houle
February 26	†Bob Klas, Sr.	Memorial	Fred Lenertz, Sr. and Fred Lenertz, Jr.

OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are open in February and March for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: February 24, 27, 28; March 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29 and 30. Please call the rectory during office hours to make arrangements. Some dates listed as open may not be available due to the normal lag in printing time.

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 24
 6:45 Scott M. Roessler Family
 12:10 †Richard Nielsen
 Tuesday, February 25
 6:45 Gretchen Dertz
 12:10 Carol Gramling
 Wednesday, February 26
 6:45 Stockard and Williams Families
 12:10 †Rose Marie Wetschka
 Thursday, February 27 *Saint Gregory of Narek*
 6:45 †Bob Klas, Sr.
 12:10 †Rosemary Morin
 Friday, February 28
 6:45 †David Graff
 12:10 †Mark T. Burns
 Saturday, March 1
 6:45 Pam Inniger
 5:00 †Joseph and †Lorraine Merkl
 Sunday, March 2 *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners
 of Saint Louis Church
 10:00 †Frances Belland
 12:30 †Steven ‘Fritz’ Eckman

Parish Calendar

February 22 and 23Endowment Collection All Masses
 February 24 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 February 24 Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM
 February 25 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 February 25 Lunchtime Organ Recital 12:35 PM
 February 26 Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM
 February 26 Calix Adoration/Confessions 5:30 PM
 February 26 Calix Mass in Chapel 6:00 PM
 February 27 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 February 28 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 March 3Anointing of the Sick 6:45 AM and 12:10 PM

Mass Intentions

We ask that for any Mass Intention that you kindly fill out the envelope in its entirety so that the envelope is readable. Sadly, we occasionally receive intentions that are unreadable and have no phone number to call for clarification on the spelling of the name(s). Your Mass Intention Envelope can be dropped in any collection basket or mailed to the parish office. Please *call or email* the parish office to schedule Bell Ringing. The suggested stipend for a Mass is \$10 and \$25 for Bells.

ELECTRONIC DONATION

You may now make an electronic donation to St. Louis Church by scanning the QR code to the right. The code is linked to our online giving page on the website.



TUESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERT

This Tuesday, February 25, immediately after the 12:10PM Mass, the Tuesday Lunchtime Concert Series features Samuel Backman. Samuel is the Director of Sacred Music at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Minneapolis.

MARDI GRAS DINNER

Tickets for the Annual Mardi Gras Dinner on Tuesday, March 4th at Mancini's are on sale after all Masses this weekend and every weekend until sold out. Only 25 tickets remain to be sold. Dinner choices are steak, chicken, walleye and vegetarian. You will choose your choice of meal on the night of the party. There will be King Cake for desert! Cost is \$ 40.00 a ticket. Come and join us for a night of fun and fellowship.

ENDOWMENT FUND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend for the Father Paul F. Morrissey in Memory of John Nasseff Endowment Fund. The total amount currently in the fund is \$978,639.77, which is \$21,360.23 short of our goal of One Million Dollars. As always, your continued generosity and support is greatly appreciated.

JOIN THE CHOIR

"All God's children have a place in the choir!"

We have music at the 10:00AM Sunday Masses, September through June. Congregation sings hymns and responses—Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei, also Psalm and Alleluia—led by organ, cantor and choir. Help us grow the choir by singing in it! Practice at 9:00AM on Sunday mornings and sing in the choir at 10:00AM. No midweek rehearsal. The choir has the last Sunday of each month off. Please call Larry Martin, 612-360-1027, if interested.

CALIX SOCIETY MASS

There will be a Calix Society Mass on Wednesday, February 26, at 6:00PM in the chapel. Before Mass, there will be adoration and confessions beginning at 5:30 PM also in the chapel.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION AT THE CAPITOL

Join in Eucharistic Adoration on First Fridays, from February through May, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the State Capitol in the Governor's Dining Room located on the lower level of the Minnesota State Capitol, Room B420. RSVP or drop-in! Registration, parking information, and further details at mncatholic.org/events.

CHURCH FLOOR STRIPPING

Due to the stripping of the church floor, the 12:10 Mass on Wednesday, March 26, Thursday, March 27 and Friday, March 28 will be in the chapel.



February 7, 2025

“When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them.”
Leviticus 19:33 (NAB-RE)

Sadly, our nation’s immigration system is broken. For too long, our laws on paper said “stop, no entry,” while in fact, for economic and political reasons, undocumented migrants were allowed inside, sometimes with the encouragement of business interests and even our government. As Pope Francis has said, migrants have been too often treated “as pawns on the chessboard of humanity.”

Elected officials in both major political parties have failed to rise above political calculation and collaborate on a solution rooted in respect for migrants and the common good of the nation. This leadership failure has resulted in repeated conflicts at the border and in our communities that have only grown worse.

The Biden Administration’s migration policies exacerbated these problems, and as a response, President Trump has resolved to instigate measures focused primarily on enforcement and deportations. Of particular concern is his decision to rescind the policies that had previously limited enforcement at “sensitive” locations such as churches, schools, shelters, and hospitals. It is often precisely in these places that we, as Catholics, respond to Christ’s command to care for our “neighbors” without discrimination. It is not difficult to imagine how the changed policy could interfere with the exercise of our faith to serve those in need (cf. Matt. 25:35).

To the extent that the new Administration’s actions focus on detaining and deporting those with criminal records who pose a danger to society, we offer our whole-hearted support. We oppose, however, any campaign of indiscriminate immigration enforcement that threatens to unnecessarily or unjustly separate the families of those we have come to know as our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We repeat our plea to Congress for comprehensive immigration reform to fix our broken system, and we appeal to the Administration for a revised order that would establish that, absent exigent circumstances, no immigration enforcement action may take place on Catholic church or school property without a properly executed warrant.

Keeping Families Together

In the past few decades, millions of migrants have settled in the United States. Many have built their lives in our communities and started their families here. Their children born here, like us, enjoy U.S. citizenship. Many of these immigrants have been long strengthening the fabric of our society and American life.

The reality is that even though we, as a nation, have come to rely on undocumented migrants and their many contributions to our communities, they have far too often been treated as political pawns. Their labor is exploited, and they are threatened with deportation and demonized whenever it is politically expedient. They are forced to live in fear and operate often within the shadows of society and the economy. And now they are

at risk even in our Catholic churches and schools. Such behavior is a hallmark of what Pope Francis calls a “throw-away” culture.

We encourage the Administration to conduct immigration enforcement prudently, cautiously, and always with human dignity in mind. Central to protecting human dignity is respecting the security and integrity of the family. And families—especially those with minor children and those whose children or siblings are citizens—should not be separated and deported. As church leaders ministering to many of the immigrant families in Minnesota, we see the wisdom in compassionate “families first” policies, such as the “deferred actions” for childhood arrivals (DACA) and for parents of Americans (DAPA) that have been suggested in the past.

We are a nation of laws that must be respected, but taking immigration enforcement actions using a simplistic calculus based on an individual’s legal status is unjust. Justice is about establishing right relationships with one another and giving the other their due. Some proportionate penalties for those who have broken the law may be warranted, but many of our migrant brothers and sisters deserve better than swift deportation given their contributions to our society.

Not ‘Open Borders’

The fact that we advocate for comprehensive immigration reform and the just enforcement of laws against those *already residing here* is not simple-minded advocacy for “open borders.” We recognize that public officials have the responsibility of protecting their citizens and both promoting public safety and putting the needs of their people first. When necessary, governments should institute orderly migration policies, which sometimes require strong border security measures. Walls, for example, can have doors in them for those who need refuge and who exercise the right to migrate.

As the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) states, “[p]olitical authorities, for the sake of the common good for which they are responsible, may make the exercise of the right to immigrate subject to various juridical conditions.” A nation is not required to receive all who seek to enter. It may, from time to time, pause immigration and refugee resettlement when necessary to ensure or restore an orderly system free of corruption and abuse, or when the well-being of citizens needs to be prioritized due to limited resources or other concerns. (See, e.g., Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, “The Church and Racism: Towards a More Fraternal Society,” 1988). Among those concerns includes the ability and desire of immigrants or refugees to “respect with gratitude the material and spiritual heritage of the country that receives them, to obey its laws and to assist in carrying civic burdens” (CCC 2241).

It is incumbent, however, on the nation to ensure that it continues to evaluate in justice how, in solidarity, it can welcome the stranger consistent with its duties toward its citizens.

A Human Rights Test

In his book, *Immigration and the Next America*, Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles describes our response to the broken immigration system as an important human rights test for our nation. We repeat our call for citizens to appeal to Congress and the President for comprehensive reform of our broken system that includes resources for improved border security, a generous but also prudent welcome of refugees and those

seeking asylum that does not overly burden local communities, and pathways to legal status for long-term undocumented residents.

May Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas, intercede for us so that we can see and respond to each other, immigrant and citizen, through our common identity as children of the one Father, and therefore as brothers and sisters. This is the identity that transcends all others, including legal status.

Sincerely,



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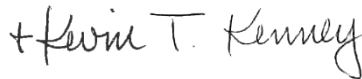
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1 Corinthians 12:4-7

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