



#### **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 two years. Contact the Parish Office for a meeting with the Pastor.

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### **MEDITATION**

March 21, 2021

### The Fifth Sunday Of Lent

I am troubled. (John 12:27)

Jesus was *troubled*? That's putting it mildly. The Greek word John used here means to be greatly distressed or in fear and dread. It's the same word used to describe the disciples' reaction to a deadly storm at sea (Matthew 14:26). It's the same kind of distress that King David felt as he wept over his slain son, Absalom (2 Samuel 19:1), and that Lot felt as he fled the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 19:16).

So what troubled Jesus so much? The realization that his "hour" had come (John 12:23). After spending so much time preaching and teaching, healing people and driving out demons, Jesus had now arrived at the time for his passion. He knew that agonizing torture and a slow, lingering death awaited him, and the thought of it filled him with dread.

Yet Jesus also knew that, as terrible as it would be, the cross was necessary if he was going to save us from sin. It wouldn't be easy, it wouldn't be pretty, but it was necessary. So rather than shrinking back, he placed himself in God's hands and trusted that his Father would see him through it. He loved us too much to walk away.

We all face times when we feel troubled. It could be because we are witnessing a loved one suffering, or it could be as we face our own suffering. It's painful, it's challenging, but it's unavoidable. If that describes you today, know that you are not alone. Jesus has his arm around you and is holding you close. He knows what it's like to feel so distressed that you want to run away. And because he knows, he can comfort you and help you.

Jesus endured the cross because he knew that his death would reveal the depths of God's love for us—and for you. Let that love surround you and sustain you today.

"Lord, teach me to open my heart to your love. Jesus, I need you today."

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FEATURED: The Saint Joseph's Tabernacle Door. In 2007 when the current St. Joseph and BVM altars were installed, new marble



"doors" were designed by Eric Menzhuber. Twin City Tile and Marble created the new doors and reassembled with great care the "new" altars. Dedication booklets were placed in each of the "tabernacles" marble altars. Note the details that symbolize St. Joseph - the Lily and the

carpenter's square, his occupation - is also a symbol of accuracy and truth. Image enhanced for detail...to be continued.

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.

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 22

Daniel 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62; Psalm 23:1-6; John 8:1-11

Tuesday, March 23

Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 102:2-3,16-21; John 8:21-30

Wednesday, March 24

Daniel 3:14-20,91-92,95; Psalm (Daniel) 3:52-56; John 8:31-42

Thursday, March 25 Isaiah 7:10-14; 8-10; Psalm 40:7-11;

Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38

Friday, March 26 Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 18:2-7; John 10:31-42;

Saturday, March 27

Ezekiel 37:21-28; Psalm 31:10-13; John 11:45-56

Sunday, March 28

Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22:8-9,17-20,23-24; Philippians 2:6-11;

Mark 14:1-15:47

**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: markmstlouis@comcast.net or call 651-224-3379.

Please pray for our parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church who are sick: Paul Anderson, Peggy Anfang, Bill, Joyce Cole, Christy, Ginny Collins, Monty Denniston, Shirley Dufresne, Barb Arland-Frye, Greg Ennis, William F. Faulkner, Don Gervais, Anne Hallgren, Margaret Ann Hennen, Lary Haupt, Bonida Lanford, Caroline Lanford, Lowell, Tom Miller, Tom Mogren, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Mary Bartel O'Connell, Zachary Redland, Tamera Schwartz, Brian Walstad, Justin Woessner.

#### Requests for Bells and Masses 2021

Envelopes for your requests are located in the vestibule of the church. They can be dropped in any collection basket or mailed to the parish office. <u>Please print clearly</u>. We will do our best to honor the date you request.

#### **Evening of Prayer and Reflection for Women**

Thursday, March 25, 6-7 p.m., Church of Saint Jerome, Maplewood. Join Featured Speaker Kelly Wahlquist, founder of the national women's ministry WINE, for an evening on "Living Our Lives with Courageous Faith and Contagious Joy" with a focus on women of the Bible. Reservations required for in person attendance, or via a live stream.

On the Tabernacle door is the French translation of Genesis 41:55 ("Go to Joseph and do whatever he tells you.") On the statue of St. Joseph is the Latin equivalent of the first portion of that text (ITE AD JOSEPH).

## RING OUT, O BELLS ... INTENTION

REQUEST FOR

Jade BillionHappy Birthday†Joseph HouleAnniversary of Death

**REQUESTED BY** 

Nancy and Bruce Lindberg Helene Houle

OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are still open in March and April for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one. March 26th-28th, April 4th-6th, 12th-14th, 17th, 19th, 21st-23rd, 25th-26th, 28th-30th. Please call the rectory during office hours to make arrangements.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, March 22

DATE

March 21

March 25

6:45 Richard G. McGuire

12:10 Agnes Heinen

Tuesday, March 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

6:45 Steve Floeder

12:10 Jean, Special Intention

Wednesday, March 24

6:45 †Almer Doerr

12:10 †Don Hedman

Thursday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord

6:45 Families

12:10 40 Days For Life

Friday, March 26

6:45 Paul Gatto

12:10 Katherine F. Dubard

Saturday, March 27

6:45 Joan Felion

5:00 Christopher Martino

Sunday, March 28 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners and Friends of

St. Louis Church 9:15 Deceased Marists

11:00 †Thomas McGuire

12:30 Carol Gramling

#### PARISH CALENDAR

Anointing of the Sick suspended until further notice.

Rosary in the Church March 22, 23, 25 & 26 at 11:35am Organ Concert Tuesday, March 23, Following the 12:10 Mass Eucharistic Exposition Wednesday, March 24, 11am-12 Noon Stations of the Cross Friday, March 26, 5:15pm

**Stations of the Cross** will be offered on Fridays during Lent at 5:15 pm in the church. On Good Friday at 12:10 p.m. only.

Tuesday Organ Concerts Continue

St. Louis Church's renowned Organ Concerts continue this year on Tuesdays following the 12:10 Mass. The March 23rd concert recitalist is Kantor Hans U. Hielscher. He is Director of Music at Wiesbaden Marktkirche, Germany. For a complete schedule of concert information go to our website at stlouiskingoffrance.org.

There will be no organ recitals on March 30th and April 6th. Recitals will resume April 13 with recitalist Laura Edman from First Presbyterian Church in Stillwater, Minnesota.

#### **Easter Flowers**

Honor your loved ones this Easter by making a donation to help with the Easter flowers in their honor or in their memory. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. **PLEASE PRINT** your name clearly on the front of the envelope and the name(s) of those in whose honor you are making the contribution on the back. These envelopes can be dropped in any **collection basket**.

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#### Church of St. Louis Information Update

in an effort to stay more connected with our parishioners and friends, St. Louis Church is asking for updated contact information, especially email addresses. Our goal is to use this updated data to more effectively communicate with you regarding schedule changes and pertinent parish news. We will also be implementing in the future the option to receive our weekly parish bulletin electronically, which is more efficient and cost-effective for the parish. Emails will be kept private and secured. Please go to our website Stlouiskingof france.org and click the orange button on the opening page on the right hand side that reads "Update My Information" and follow the instructions.

#### Franciscan Brothers of Peace Donations

All donations can be deposited in one of the boxes in the front of the Church or Chapel through Wednesday, March 31st.

**Catholic Services Appeal** 

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Lenten Lecture Series: St. Joseph, Model for Christians

Fridays through March 26, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Church of Saint Agnes, St. Paul. The Church of Saint Agnes is hosting its annual Lenten Lecture Series on Friday evenings during Lent following 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross in the Upper Church. This year's theme — "St. Joseph, Model for Christians" — features presentations on six titles and roles of St. Joseph as model of the Christian life with a wonderful line-up of speakers as we celebrate the Year of St. Joseph. All talks are free and open to the public

#### Second Collection Next Weekend

There will be a second collection at all of the Masses next weekend for the ongoing repair, maintenance and restoration of the Church, Chapel Parish Hall and Rectory. Merci Beaucoup!

**Reminder:** View previous bulletins on the website in the calendar & events section. The inside featured photos are now in full color. <a href="https://www.stlouiskingoffrance.org">https://www.stlouiskingoffrance.org</a>

Thank you!

During this time of the Sunday Mass obligation being temporarily suspended, we are so very grateful to our parishioners and friends who have continued to support the parish either through online giving or mailing in their contributions.

## WHAT IS A CHURCH BULLETIN?

EVERY SUNDAY THE VAST MAJORITY OF CATHOLIC CHURCHES PLACE A WEEKLY BULLETIN OR NEWSLETTER IN THE HANDS OF EVERY PERSON ATTENDING A SUNDAY MASS. EACH BULLETIN IS UNIQUE TO THE SPECIFIC CHURCH AND GENERALLY CONTAINS A PASTORAL LETTER, A SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND CURRENT EVENTS. IT IS A MINI-MUST READ FOR PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS AND VISITORS WHO WISH TO STAY CURRENT WITH THE LIFE AND PEOPLE OF THE PARISH.

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