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Music Coordinator- Jennifer Tussing
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Established 1864

***Mission:** We, the members of St. Louis Catholic Church, come together under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to promote the mission of Jesus Christ. We encourage and support the development of the sacramental life of each member in our communities through liturgical, education, social and service activities. The stewardship of our time, our talents and our treasures expresses the continuous accountability to God and the shared responsibility to each other, to our communities and to the world.*

St. Louis School ♦ Established 1875

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Superintendent- Fr. Francis Mariadas
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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

One of the main themes of Lent is the Cross. And one of the great preachers of the Cross is St Paul. So, in today's Second Reading we just heard one of St Paul's most famous lines about the Cross. He is writing to the Christians in Corinth, where the Church was suffering from divisions: they were forming groups that criticized each other and claimed to be better than each other. These divisions are a sign that the Corinthians have lost sight of the most important thing, of Christ himself, who came to reunite the fallen, divided human family in his Church. The strife is a sign that they are beginning to look at themselves and their Church from a merely human, political perspective, not from God's perspective. But we can never follow Christ faithfully if we do that.

To emphasize this point, St Paul calls to mind the central image of Christianity: The Cross. It is not humanly logical, he writes, to think that God atoned for our sins and established his eternal Kingdom by being rejected, abandoned, humiliated, and crucified. And yet - that's exactly how it happened. If we look at the Cross from a human perspective, it not only doesn't make sense, but it is actually repulsive. Our fallen human nature wants pleasure, prosperity, and worldly success - not crucifixion. But if we look at it from God's perspective, the Cross reveals the meaning of life: it shows the intensity of God's love for us and points out how we can love him in return.

This is what St Paul means when he writes that beautiful line: "For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength."

God bless,

Dcn. Dave

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Welcome

We welcome Fr. John Stites. who is filling in for Fr. Francis this weekend. Also Fr. Ritter will be doing the school mass on Wednesday. Thank you!

Thank You

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for the wonderful support you have given us all through our loss. Words just cannot express how appreciative we feel from the cards, flowers food, donations, and kind words.

"When we lose someone, we love we must learn not to live without them but live with the love they left behind." Jim always cherished the memories of from all of you. His church family was always special to his heart.

Thank You,
Jim Wagner Family

Donuts

Donut Sunday is March 10 after Mass. Stop in for a tasty treat to take home and enjoy the fellowship with parishioners.

Stations of the Cross

All are welcome to join in praying the Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays at 7:00PM at St. Louis church through the Lenten Season beginning on February 21. We will gather to pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary at 6:30 PM. All ages are welcome to pray. Readers and cross bearers are needed. Please contact the parish office, email at stloiusparishcstar@gmail.com, or message on Facebook. Participating in the traditions and prayers help us to have a holy Lenten Season. Stations of the Cross prayers are available in the narthex for those who'd like to pray the outdoor Stations of the Cross at St. Louis cemetery through the Lenten Season.

Lenten Confessions Schedule

St. Louis -Monday, March 11th From 8-9 a.m., 12-1 p.m., & 6-8 p.m.

St. Patrick – Friday, March 15th from 9-10 a.m., 12-1 p.m., & 6-8 p.m.

School News- Preschool

We still have openings for the 3 year old preschool program! Anyone with a child who will be 3 years old by August 1st may apply now! Please feel free to call the office at 419-669-1875 if you have any questions.

Sons of the American Legion Breakfast

The Sons of the American Legion are hosting a breakfast **TODAY** Mar. 03 from 8:00 to 12:00 noon. Dine in or Carryout. Menu consists of fresh grilled sausage, pancakes, scrambled eggs, French toast, sausage gravy and biscuits, coffee, juice and milk. All you can eat for a free will donation. Location: Custar Legion Hall. This is the last breakfast until Fall!

Reverse Raffle and Silent Auction Update

There are only **14 tickets** remaining to be sold. The Raffle is only 2 weeks away! If you haven't bought your ticket yet they will be on sale after Mass on Sunday or in the church office.

We will be having a Silent and Live Auction throughout the evening. Donations can be dropped off at the school or church office, or by contacting Jennie Tussing, Abby Lang, Katie Mahlman or Cathy Hanna. We are looking forward to a night of celebration. Hope to see you there. It is always a fun evening!!

We are going to have a wine bottle toss game and need donations of bottles of wine. Drop off to the people above. Thanks!!

Diocese of Toledo Safe Environment Program in Full Compliance with USCCB

Each year, the Diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the Charter. The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by cleric or by any personnel or volunteer of the Catholic Church, please report the abuse to your

local police department, Child Protection Services and Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator (419)-244-6711 ext. 4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue; Toledo, Ohio 43604

Knights of Columbus News:

Fish Fry

Our next fish fry is on March 22nd from 4:00 to 6:30pm at St. Pat's in Grand Rapids.

Super Cash Bonanza

The Knights of Columbus are kicking off their **SUPER CASH BONANZA** campaign this week. It's one of our biggest charity campaigns of the year! Tickets are available for purchase after mass for \$5.00 each. At minimum you could win \$500, the top prize is over \$49,000! The drawing is May 18th at the state convention. See the poster in the back of church for more details. Proceeds benefit K of C charities and area charities.

A Family Perspective

Today's gospel says Jesus chased the merchants out of the temple, it doesn't say He was angry. Jesus teaches us to act from conviction and not from anger. He didn't condemn the merchants, only their business practice. Attack the behavior and not the person.

Please keep in your prayers: Timothy Davis, Margaret Whitacre, Ron Tolles, Kendyll Hoile, Oliver John Wilhelm, Brenda Cavanaugh Spence, Sr. Joyce Hoile, Thomas Hermiller, Tricia Gerken, Breckin Maas, Richard Vandergriff, Frank "Macy" Costilla, Presley Speakman. Kim Maas, Haley Cortez, Kay Zeisloft

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
10:00 to 2:00

Mass Attendance

February 25, 2024 119

Parish Stewardship

Offering Envelopes	\$1829.00
Loose	\$ 152.00
School Fund Drive	\$ 50.00
Black Indian	\$ 5.00

3rd Sunday of Lent

March 03, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Mar. 03	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Terry Feehan, Paul Bowers, Lawrence Diem fm. Walter Wilhelm fm., Larry Ickes, Living & deceased of the James Feehan Fm.
Mon. Mar. 04	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wed. Mar. 06	St. Louis	9:15 a.m.	School Mass Fr. Ritter
Thur. Mar. 07	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Fri. Mar. 08	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Sat. Mar. 09	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	
Sun. Mar. 10	St. Patrick	7:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	
Sun. Mar. 10	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	John Feehan, Judy & Ricky Goris, Francis & Rosella Flowers, Dan Smith, Ron & Jeff Trumbull, Mike & Larry Cavanaugh, Dennis Krebs, James B. Wagner, Living & deceased of the Stan Ickes Fm.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS March 10, 2024

Ministers of Holy Communion	Sun: Emily & Sue Flowers, Stacey Graham, Cathy Hanna, Alex Sifuentes
Lector	Sun: Jan Cavanaugh
Servers	Sun: Zach Koenig, Reed Hanna, Sophie Dahms
Offertory	Sun: Emily Henry Fm.
Hospitality	Sun: Dave & Josh Flowers, Ben & Emily Flowers

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 03, 2024	Have a Great Week!
Mar. 03, 2024	Sons of the Legion Breakfast 8-12
Mar. 08, 15, 22	Deshler Immaculate Conception Fish Fry 5-till run out
Mar. 10, 2024	Donuts after Mass

