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Pastor - Fr. Francis Mariadas, SAC
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Parish Nurse - Joyce Walker, R.N.
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 SAC
Principal- Jennifer Tussing
Secretary- Danielle Klinge
Custodian- Tim Schroeder

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

If you have ever wanted to know who God is, just look at the Wedding Feast at Cana story. Here Jesus reveals to us his deepest identity. Underneath this story are echoes of Old Testament prophecies and future heavenly realities. Because of this, there is something wonderful about the miracle of the water turned wine. Because of the biblical significance of this passage, we should be very careful of superficial takes on the miracle at Cana.

Jesus had much more than mere human concerns on his mind. This miracle at a Jewish wedding has profound consequences for our faith and for understanding who God is. Understanding who God is has been a human question since the dawn of time.

By performing the miracle, Jesus is revealing his divinity: only God can work a miracle. Why did Jesus do this miracle? He could have done anything to begin his ministry: But the first thing he chose to do is to change water into wine at a Jewish wedding. This is because, above and beyond any other title that Jesus may have had, in his heart, Jesus is the Bridegroom. This coming week let's think about what it means for us, the Church to be the Bride of Christ.

God bless,

Deacon Dave

Year End Statements

Lindsay will be working on printing year end statements for the next couple weeks. If you would like one, please call the office or see me at church and I will be happy to print one for you. I have the list from last year and if you received one then, you don't need to contact me as you will automatically be getting one. Thanks!

Minister's List

A new minister's list for January through April is available on the table in the Narthex. Please pick up a copy if you need one. Thanks!

Welcome

St. Louis Parish welcomes and appreciates Fr. Ritter and Fr. Kidd to offer Mass for us while Fr. Francis is gone. Fr. Francis will be going home to India from January 20 – March 7. It

has been two years since he saw his family. We wish him safe travels and wonderful memories made with his family.

Weekday Mass

Starting January 20 there will be **NO MONDAY masses** until Fr. Francis returns from India. There will be **School Masses** on **Wednesday at 9:15** starting **January 22**. Watch the bulletin for any changes. Thanks!

School News – Preschool

We are now enrolling current students in the 3-year-old preschool program for our 4-year-old program next year. Preschool enrollment will open to parishioners on January 27, followed by the community and public on February 10. Please feel free to call the office at 419-669-1875 if you have any questions.

300 Club

Congratulations to the winners of our 300-club drawing.

\$100 Dave Maas – Custar #165

\$200 Mila Wagner – Deshler #166

\$100 Dick Morris – Pemberville #167

Religious Education Classes

January classes are on the 5th, 12th, & 26th. No class on January 19th. **February** classes will be on 2nd, 9th, 23rd. No class on February 16th. **March** classes will be on the 2nd, 9th, 23rd, 30th. No class on March 16th. **April** classes will be on 6th, 13th, 27th. No class on April 20th. **May** classes will be on the 11th. No class on May 4th.

Donut Sunday

Our parish's delicious donuts are back. Mark your calendars for next Sunday January 26th. Come enjoy good food and fellowship after Mass.

Festival Committee

The festival committee is still in need of two Volunteers to join the committee for a three-year term. If interested, please contact Benjamin Flowers at 419-906-0591 or his email address is FlowersBo8@yahoo.com.

Knights of Columbus Council #17113 News

Contest Winner

We'd like to congratulate Emmett Mier for being our "Keep Christ in Christmas" contest winner! Congratulations!

Welcome!

We'd also like to introduce our newest Brother Knight. On January 6th, Brian Tussing participated in the exemplification ceremony to become part of our council. In addition, several first-degree knights were also elevated to third degree. Congratulations Brothers! And please extend a warm welcome to Brian!

New Members

We are always looking for new members, so if you're interested in joining, please see a knight from either parish and we'll start the process for you. If you join online, use promo code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY to waive your first-year dues.

Knight of the Month for January 2025

By a unanimous vote and nomination, the following individuals have been named Knights of the Month - Bob Pollock and Matt Bulter (of St. Pat's) for lending their time and talents to volunteer at both of our breakfasts in December. Thank you, Brothers and Congratulations!

Share Your Faith

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

Thank You

The funeral committee and the family of Gary Adler would like to thank the parishioners who donated food for the funeral dinner. It

was deeply appreciated, and we thank you for your continued support for the families in their time of need. Please remember to pick up your dishes in the back of church!

Annunciation Radio

"Listen to your 8 a.m. Sunday Mass at EWTN on Annunciation Radio. Your source for prayer, news, inspiration, updates, and daily Mass at WNOC 89.7 FM for Toledo/Bowling Green area. You can also listen at www.AnnunciationRadio.com.

TV Mass For Homebound

WNWO Ch 24 at 6:30., and WTVG Ch. 13.2 at 8:30 a.m.

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Family Perspective

At Cana we get a good insight into Mary's parenting style. She did not plead, argue, demand or manipulate. She merely pointed out the situation and trusted her son would make the best decision.

Please keep in your prayers: Timothy Davis, Ron Tolles, Kendyll Hoile, Oliver John Wilhelm, Sr. Joyce Hoile, Thomas Hermiller, Tricia Gerken, Breckin Maas, Richard Vandergriff, Presley Speakman, Kim Maas, Gwenn Maas, Jim Flowers

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Mass Attendance

January 12, 2025 128

Parish Stewardship

Offering Envelopes	\$	2,535.00
Loose	\$	172.00
School Fund Drive	\$	50.00
Fuel	\$	0.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	15.00
1 st Offering	\$	40.00

MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Jan. 19	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Charles Stein, Harold & Joanne Rader, Judy & Ricky Goris, Frank & Ruth Goris, Don, Sue, Irene, & Robert Maas, Dan & Sybil Knoble, Jim Crouch, Kenny Schroll, Jim Wagner, Ron & Jeff Trumbull, & John & Dolores Schneider
Mon. Jan. 20	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wed. Jan. 22	St. Louis	9:15 a.m.	School Mass with Fr. Grodi for Susan Sager Myers
Thur. Jan. 23	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Fri. Jan. 24	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Sat. Jan. 25	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	
Sun. Jan. 26	St. Patrick	7:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	
Sun. Jan. 26	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving for all who donated to the 2024 St. Louis School Annual Fund Drive

LITURGICAL MINISTERS January 26, 2025

Ministers of Holy Communion	Sun: Jan Cavanaugh, Missy DeSmith, Emily Flowers, Sue Flowers, Cathy Hanna
Lector	Sun: Josie Lirot
Servers	Sun: Phoebe Lirot, Kayley Tussing, Dani Jo Henry
Offertory	Sun: Mark & Missy DeSmith
Hospitality	Sun: John Wagner, Stanley Wilhelm, Al & Dodi Tussing

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 19, 2025	Have a Great Week!
Jan. 19, 2025	No Religious Education Classes today for K-8th
Jan. 21, 2025	RCIA class at St. Pat's from 7p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Jan. 26, 2025	Donuts after 9 a.m. Mass
Jan. 26, 2025	Religious Education Classes for K-8th