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Parish Office Hours:

Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Parish Staff:

Pastor - Fr. Walter Tuscano, SAC

Parish Secretary – Linda Boyle

Bookkeeper - Sue Stokes

Parish Nurse - Joyce Walker, R.N.

Music Coordinator- Jennifer Tussing

Finance - Dennis Schwab

Pastoral Council- Joyce Walker (Secretary)

Cemetery Board – Robert Boyle (President)

School Advisory – Lindsay Tussing

Altar Rosary Society - Julie Lause (419-601-3319)

Mission Coordinator - Mary Jane Flowers

Religious Education & Youth Group Facilitators -

Joyce Walker (419-494-4813)

Prayer Hotline – Dianne Hoile (419-669-2504)




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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School Staff:

Superintendent- Fr. Walter Tuscano

Principal- Jennifer Tussing

Secretary- Kim Bonner

Custodian- Tim Schroeder

(Continued from last week...)

Q. If someone who believes in God but is not baptized and passes away, do they go to hell?

Another interesting scenario is the adult who is not baptized. What happens when that adult dies?

We must look at this from the point of view of a God who is infinitely wise and infinitely loving.

In this case there are a few possibilities. The first possibility is what is referred to as the “baptism by blood.” This would be the person who desires Baptism but, before actually receiving this sacrament, is martyred for their faith. We don’t see this that often in our times but it was a real situation in the early Church. We believe that this desire to be baptized, as well as the act of martyrdom, provides the grace of Baptism and thus the person is fully graced by God.

Similarly, we speak of the “baptism by desire.” This would include those who believe and desire Baptism but die before they are baptized. The desire alone suffices for God to pour forth His grace. This would also apply to children who die before they are baptized when the parents desired Baptism. The desire on the part of the parents suffices for the grace to be poured forth.

Lastly, we need to look at the situation of those who did not choose to be baptized and, therefore, die without this sacrament. These cases will fall in one of two categories.

First, there are those who through no fault of their own do not come to an explicit faith in Christ and, as a result, do not seek Baptism. In this case God will judge only the heart.

There are many reasons why a person may not come to faith in Christ explicitly through no fault of their own. Say, for example, that a person lives in some culture where the Gospel has never been preached and they have never

heard of Jesus. Does God consider them to be guilty of eternal damnation because they never had the opportunity to hear about Jesus? Certainly not.

Another example would be the person who heard about Jesus but received only a message of hypocrisy. Let’s say that the way the message was continually preached was skewed and malicious. Perhaps the preacher was living a double life and the person hearing about Jesus rejected the explicit Gospel message because the only messenger of that Gospel was presenting it in a very disordered way. In that case, the rejection of the message may be nothing more than a rejection of the hypocrisy of the messenger. And that may be a good thing!

The bottom line is that God knows the heart and God sees the intention in that heart. So if someone fails to come to an explicit faith in Christ and, therefore, fails to receive the Sacrament of Baptism in an explicit way, God will still look only at the heart. And when He does look into that heart, if He sees goodness and faith, He will pour His grace anyway. So, this is the case where a person who is not baptized but following the voice of God in their conscience without even realizing whose voice that is. In reality, this person has faith and God will see that!

The only case that may end with eternal damnation is the person who fails to receive Baptism through their own fault. They are given every opportunity to hear the Gospel, they have the good Christian witness of others, and they interiorly reject this of their own free will. Free will is the key here. And, again, only God knows the heart and only God can be the judge of one’s heart. So if God sees in the heart an obstinacy that is freely chosen, then this person is guilty and may lose that offer of eternal salvation.

(<https://mycatholic.life/catholic-question-and-answer/baptism-and-salvation/>)

Update on Fund Raiser

We have received \$68,944.25 toward Boilers, Church Building and Church roof project. Our goal is \$213,917.00. If you have not donated

yet, prayerfully consider making donation towards this project.

2021-2022 Preschool Registration

Registered members of St. Louis Parish and St. Louis Staff will have the opportunity to enroll their child(ren) for the upcoming school year February 1 thru February 14. Please call the school office for more information 419-669-1875.

New Parish Email

We have a new email id for parish – stlcustar@gmail.com

Deacon James Caruso will be joining us on January 31 for Mass.

Prayer Chain Update

We will be updating our Prayer Chain during January. Please sign up in the back of church or contact the church office. Please update your phone numbers. It costs nothing to pray for the intention of our parish family. “Faith in Action”

2020 FUND DRIVE RESULTS:

We first want to thank everyone very much for all your donations this past year. This greatly helps us keep our school viable and is just another reminder of what great and generous people we have in our St. Louis family. We ended the year meeting 74% of our \$40,000 goal. We were able to raise \$29,661.00. As a reminder, all of you who have supported this fund drive will be remembered on Sunday, August 1st and your names will be placed on the Honor Roll of Donors list, which is hanging in the school basement. May God bless all of you for your generosity.
ST. LOUIS SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday @ 09.30 am School Mass
Wednesday @ 09.00 am.

Church Visitation

The church will be open Monday-Friday from 8:30 to 3:30 for private visitation.

Online Mass

On Sundays we have a Facebook live mass at 09.30 am on **St. Louis Parish Custar** Facebook page

New Envelopes- 2021 Envelopes are in the narthex on the table. Please pick them up at your convenience. Thanks!!

300 Club Update

Here are the winners for 01/17/2021

- #211 Mary Ann Weasel - \$100
- #212 Mike Hannewald- \$200
- #213 Bob & Linda Boyle - \$100

Please keep in your prayers

Fr. Paul, Gwen Maas, Phil Kramp, Charles Stein, Carolyn Souvenir, , Ron Trumbull, Herman Wensink, Oliver John Wilhelm, Brenda Cavanaugh Spence, Dan Smith, Fiona Bartley, Tricia Gerken, Sr. Joyce Hoile, Stefanie Rich, Dodi Tussing, Betty Wilhelm, Bob Boyer, Thomas Hermiller, Jim Flowers, Brekin Maas, Isabella Sweeney, Josh Vandergriff

**On the first Sunday of every month the prayer list will be reset with names that have contacted the office for that month. Contact our Parish Office @419-669-1864.

Office Hours –

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mass Attendance

January 17, 2021 76

Parish Stewardship

Offering Envelopes	\$ 3550.00
Loose	\$ 20.00
Fuel	\$ 100.00
Christmas	\$ 50.00
1st Offering	\$ 80.00
School	\$ 10.00

Scriptures for January 24, 2021

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20

A Family Perspective

It must have been difficult for Zebedee to watch his sons walk away and follow Jesus. It was the end of 'Zebedee and Sons Fishing, Inc.' Our children were never ours. They are only on loan to us. We raise them to let them go.

Religious Education/CCD

The classes are after Mass from 10:30 until 11:45. Classes each Sunday In January except January 31.

***SNOW EMERGENCIES**

In case of level 3 snow emergency all events scheduled at the church and school will be cancelled. Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via tv, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion.

Feed Your Soul with Prayer this Lent!

Nothing will transform your life so completely, absolutely, and forever like really learning how to pray. That's why this year's BEST LENT EVER journeys through Matthew Kelly's latest book, *I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit*.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through all forty days of Lent, you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and your God.

If you choose to throw yourself into this experience, we promise you that you will be surprised by what God can do in your life with just an email, a short video and an open heart. So this year, don't just sign up for BEST LENT EVER, have your best lent ever! <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent/best-lent-ever.html>

Pick up a complimentary Best Lent Ever Journal, provided by Dynamic Catholic, in the narthex at St. Louis church. Matthew Kelly's book, *I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit* is also available.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 24, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Jan. 24	St. Louis	9:30 a.m.	John & Dolores Schneider, Joanne Rader, Judy, Frank & Ruth Goris, Deceased members of the Albert & Jean Wilhelm Family
Mon. Jan. 25	St. Louis	9:30 a.m.	School Mass- Tom & Caroline McCurdy
Tues. Jan. 26	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Wed. Jan. 27	St. Louis	9.00 a.m.	
Thur. Jan. 28	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Sat. Jan. 30	St. Patrick	4:30 pm	
Sun. Jan. 31	St. Patrick	7:30 & 11:30 a.m.	
Sun. Jan. 31	St. Louis	9:30 a.m.	Robert Kempf, Richard Wilhelm

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – January 31, 2021

Ministers of Holy Communion **Sun:**

Lector **Sun.:** Cathy Hanna

Servers **Sun:** Amy Flowers

Offertory **Sun.:**

Hospitality **Sun:**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 24. 2021	Have a Great Week!!!
Jan. 24. 2021	CCD Classes 10:30 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.
Jan. 31, 2021	NO CCD Classes
Feb. 05, 2021	1 st Friday Adoration 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Feb. 06, 2021	1 st Saturday devotion 8:30 a.m.