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# ST. LOUIS PARISH, CUSTAR


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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

**Q. Do aborted babies, those lost in miscarriage and those stillborn go to Heaven?**

This question takes on deep personal significance for those parents who have lost a child in one of these ways. Therefore, the first thing to emphasize is that God is a God of perfect love. His mercy is beyond what we can comprehend. We should be at peace knowing that God is the one who meets these precious children as they depart this life even prior to having been born.

So what happens to this precious little ones? We do not ultimately know since the answer has never been revealed to us directly through the Scripture and the Church has never definitively spoken on this issue. However, we can offer various options based on the principles of our faith and the wisdom of the teachings of the saints. Here are various considerations:

First, we believe the grace of Baptism is necessary for salvation. These children are not baptized. But that should not lead us to conclude they are not in Heaven. Though our Church has taught that Baptism is necessary for salvation, it has also taught that God can offer the grace of Baptism directly and outside the act of physical baptism. Therefore, God can choose to offer the grace of Baptism to these children in a way that He chooses. God binds Himself to the sacraments, but He is not bound by them. Thus, we should not worry about the fact that these children die without the external act of Baptism. God can easily offer this grace to them directly if He so chooses.

Second, some suggest that God knows who among the aborted babies would have chosen Him or not. Though they never lived their lives in this world, some speculate that God's perfect knowledge includes knowledge of how these children would have lived had they been given the opportunity. This is only speculation but is certainly a possibility. If this is true, then these children will be judged in accord with God's moral law and His perfect knowledge of their free will.

Third, some suggest that God offers them salvation similarly to the way He offered it to the angels. They are given the opportunity to make a choice when they come into the presence of God and that one choice becomes their eternal choice. Just as the angels had to choose whether or not they would serve God in love and freedom, so it may be that these children are given the opportunity to choose or reject God at the moment of their death. If they choose to love and serve God, they are saved. If they choose to reject God (as a third of the angels did), they are freely choosing Hell.

Fourth, it's not correct to simply say that all aborted, miscarried or stillborn babies automatically go to Heaven. This denies their free choice. We must trust that God will allow them to exercise their free choice like all of us.

Finally, we must believe with absolute certainty that God loves these most precious children far more than any one of us ever could. His mercy and justice are perfect and they will be treated in accord with that mercy and justice.

(<https://mycatholic.life/catholic-question-and-answer/q-do-aborted-babies-go-to-heaven/>)

**Update on Fund Raiser**

We have received \$69,494.25 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.

**First Saturday Devotions**

First Saturday Devotion as requested by Our Lady of Fatima will be held on February 06. Starting with Eucharistic Adoration and Confession @ 08.30 am and Holy Eucharist @ 09.30 am.

**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.

**2021 St. Louis School Reverse Raffle**

This year's Reverse Raffle will be held

Saturday, March 27. After speaking with Nazareth Hall about the current guidelines that are in place for Covid-19, we unfortunately will not be able to hold the event in person. We will once again be having the raffle on Facebook LIVE like we did last year. Steve Powell will be the emcee for the evening. The raffle will begin at 7pm. Tickets cost \$50 and will go on sale beginning this weekend after Mass. Tickets will also be available by calling the church rectory (419)669-1864 or the school office (419)669-1875. There will be no silent auction this year. Additional cash prizes have been added to our raffle to give you a better chance of winning since we cannot hold this event in person.

Thank you so much for your continued support!  
~St. Louis PTAA Cathy Hanna, Katie Mahlman, Abby Lang, Luann Flowers, Jennifer Tussing

**New Parish Email**

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

**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 01/24/2021

- #092 Nick Wagner - \$100
- #097 Jack & Betty Whitacre - \$200
- #098 Mary Ann Gebers – 100

This is the last drawing. Congratulations to the winners and thanks everyone for buying tickets to support our school. See you in the fall!!

**Please keep in your prayers**

Brenda Wagner, 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, Breckin 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 24, 2021 83

**Parish Stewardship**

Offering Envelopes	\$ 1753.00
Loose	\$ -0-
Fuel	\$ 25.00
1 <sup>st</sup> Offering	\$ 5.00
School	\$ 10.00

**Scriptures for January 31, 2021**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
1 Corinthians 7:32-35  
Mark 1:21-28

**A Family Perspective**

Today’s gospel reminds us “clean spirits” still haunt our families. These “spirits” thrive inside our grudges ,punishing silence, impatience and abruptness. Today Jesus offers you the “authority” to cast out these spirits from your life and your family.

**Religious Education/CCD**

The classes are after Mass from 10:30 until 11:45. Classes every Sunday in February.

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**January 31, 2021**

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Jan. 31	St. Louis	9:30 a.m.	Robert Kempf, Richard Wilhelm, In Honor of Luann Flowers birthday
Mon. Feb. 01	St. Louis	9:30 a.m.	<b>School Mass-Wayne &amp; Shirley Sidle, Harold Babcock</b>
Tues. Feb. 02	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Wed. Feb. 03	St. Louis	9.00 a.m.	
Thur. Feb. 04	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Sat. Feb. 06	St. Patrick	4:30 pm	
Sun. Feb. 07	St. Patrick	7:30 & 11:30 a.m.	
Sun. Feb. 07	St. Louis	9:30 a.m.	Roger Wilhelm, Larry Ickes, Deceased members of the Stan & Dortha Ickes Family

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS – February 07, 2021

**Ministers of Holy Communion**      **Sun:**

**Lector**      **Sun.:** Dan Hoile

**Servers**      **Sun:** Brian Tussing

**Offertory**      **Sun.:**

**Hospitality**      **Sun:**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 31. 2021	Have a Great Week!!!
Jan. 31. 2021	NO CCD Classes
Feb. 05, 2021	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Feb. 06, 2021	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday devotion 8:30 a.m.
Feb. 07, 2021	CCD Classes 10:30 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.