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## **Parish Office Hours:**

Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

#### **Parish Staff:**

Pastor - Fr. Francis Mariadas, SAC
Deacon - David Krempec
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 Facilitator 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. Francis Mariadas Principal- Jennifer Tussing Secretary-Stacey Graham Custodian- Tim Schroeder Brothers and Sisters.

We are quickly finishing up Ordinary Time this weekend, and after the Feast of Christ the King next weekend, we will be heading right into Advent. Are you ready? It seems like it sneaks up on us every year. Advent, of course, is the season of preparation before Christmas. It's technically a season of penance, hence the purple vestments, sort of like Lent. But maybe a little preparation before the preparation is needed.

What are you going to do this Advent to make the upcoming Christmas season the best ever? In many ways, people are already preparing by writing their shopping lists (and shopping), figuring out schedules for family time, and when to put up the decorations. So, what about getting your soul ready? There are several meditation booklets out there you can get, as well as online resources, and a new video series or two on Formed.org. Take a few moments this week to plan ahead for Advent. Invite some parishioners over to spend some time together, light your advent wreath each day, try something new.

The Church gives us a tremendous amount of resources to help us grow in our faith. I know I am looking forward to having an awesome Advent, and I pray you all will as well.

God bless, Dcn. Dave

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## **Religious Education**

November classes are Nov. 13 and Nov. 19. No class on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Pre-packaged snack donations are appreciated. Or if you want to make a monetary donation for snacks that will also be greatly appreciated. Thanks!

#### Mark your calendars!

On Sunday, November 26, Bishop Daniel Thomas will be installing Fr. Francis as our new pastor. Please try to attend and support Fr. Francis and welcome the Bishop to our Parish. A very special day for our parish!

## **Thanksgiving Mass**

Thanksgiving mass will be on November 22 at 7:00. This is Thanksgiving eve so please try to attend and give thanks for our many blessings.

#### **Attention Eucharistic Ministers**

There will be a meeting on Monday, November 20 at 7:00 for all current Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors and for anyone who would like to become one. Please consider doing either ministry. It is a great way to participate in Holy Mass.

## **Server Training**

A reminder to meet with Deacon Dave at 11:00 on Nov. 25 about Fr. installation Mass on Nov. 26.

## 2024 Envelopes

2024 offering envelopes are now available on the table in the Narthex.

## **Holiday Insert**

You will find a schedule for all the upcoming Penance services, Holy Day and Christmas and New Years Mass schedules. Attach it to your bulletin board or on your refrigerator. There will also be one on the bulletin board in church if you need to check.

## St. Louis Community Food Pantry

As the winter months are approaching it is time to consider donating to our food pantry. Thanksgiving is a time to help those who are less fortunate than we are. Feel free to leave your donations in the back of church or at the food pantry. We accept non-perishable food items. This would include canned and sealed containers. NO glass or homemade items will be accepted. Ideas include canned meat, stews, soups, peanut butter etc. We will also except a few personal items: soap, shampoo etc. Again, everything should be new and sealed in its package.

If you would like to contribute, but do not want to shop, you may put money or a check in an envelope marked "food pantry" and put it in the collection or send it to the church office. We will use it to fill in supplies as needed. If you have any questions, please contact Dianne Hoile.

## **Congratulations**

St. Louis Parish would like to congratulate John & Marilyn Kempf who will be celebrating **70** years of marriage on November 21. If you would like to honor them with a card there address is: 22755 Defiance Pike, Custar, OH 43511. Let's fill their mailbox with good wishes!!!

#### **Knights of Columbus News**

**Family of the month** for November is the Schank Family. Thanks for organizing the All Saints Mass.

**Knight of the month** is Mike Lang. He is our Life Director and was instrumental in securing more yard signs and material for issue 1.

## **Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest**

We are once again sponsoring the "keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. The contest starts today, and entries will be accepted until Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. The contest is open to all children in k-thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The these should reflect "Keep Christ in Christmas" and what that means to you. The top three prizes are \$50, \$30 and \$20 Amazon gift card. Paper and entry forms are available in the back of church. Your name and grade should be on the back of your poster. We had many great submissions last year and can't wait to see what you come up with this year! Do your best, God bless and good luck!

#### **Breakfast with Santa**

The Knights will be having a breakfast at **St. Louis** on **Dec. 10**<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to Noon and at **St. Pat's on Dec. 17**<sup>th</sup> from 11:45 am to 2:00 pm. Menu includes pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, milk, juice and coffee for a free will donation. Carry outs are available. Santa will be making a trip all the way from the North Pole to be there! Please bring a camera if you'd like a picture with Santa. Proceeds from the breakfast will help with sponsorship of a seminarian from Fr. Francis' order in India.

## 300 Club

**Congratulations** to the winners of our 300-club drawing.

\$100 Jeff & Kim Griffith – Weston #083

\$200 Kayley Tussing – Custar #084 \$100 Margaret Feehan - Deshler #085

## **Support Our Retired Priests**

Please consider a donation to Perpetuate The Gift Appeal starting September 17, 2023. Your gift benefits our retired diocesan priests and your Parish. Once a priest retires he is responsible for his own personal expenses: medical, housing, car, clothing and food. All funds contributed from now until December 31, 2023, help reduce the amount the parish contributes to the fund. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate the Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697 and placed in the envelope found attached to the bulletin. A gift may also be made online at www.toledodiocese.org.

#### TV Mass for Homebound:

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

#### A Family Perspective

As the man in today's gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has 'entrusted' our family to us. Like the good servants we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.

Please keep in your prayers: Mary Maas, Skylar Smith, Nancy Wensink, Ron Tolles, Jim Wagner, Kendyll Hoile, Aiden & Erin Callahan, Gwenn Maas, Oliver John Wilhelm, Brenda Cavanaugh Spence, Sr. Joyce Hoile, Thomas Hermiller, Tricia Gerken, Breckin Maas, Richard Vanderghriff, Frank "Macy" Costilla, Presley Speakman.

#### **Office Hours**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00 to 2:00 Closed Nov. 23 and Monday Nov. 27

#### **Mass Attendance**

November 12, 2023	146
Parish Stewardship	
Offering Envelopes	\$1963.00
Loose	\$ 145.00
School Fund Drive	\$ -0-
Fuel	\$ 40.00
Cemetery	\$ 495.00
All Saints	\$ 30.00
Donuts	\$ 332.00

November 19, 2023

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Nov. 19	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Emil & Dolores Goris, Terry Feehan, Larry Ickes, Harold & Joanne Rader, Frank, Ruth, Judy, & Ricky Goris, Kathleen Kempf, In Honor of John & Marilyn Kempfs's 70 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary
Mon. Nov. 20	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	
Wed. Nov. 22	St. Louis	7:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Mass
Thur. Nov. 23	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving Mass
Fri. Nov. 24	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Sat. Nov. 25	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	
Sun. Nov.26	St. Patrick	7:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	
Sun. Nov.26	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Terry Feehan, Robert, Irene, & Sue Maas, Dan & Sybil Knoble, Jim Crouch, John Feehan, Living & Deceased of the Stan Ickes Fm.

# LITURGICAL MINISTERS November 26, 2023

Ministers of Sun: Dc. Dave, Diane Wensink, Barb Wilhelm, Karen A. Ellen Boyer

**Holy Communion** 

**Lector** Sun: Marijane Adler, Scott Boyer

Servers Sun: Liz & Clare Tussing, Phoebe Lirot, Brooke & Zach Koenig, James Mahlman

Luke Van de Heijning

**Offertory** Sun: Jason Dahms Fm.

**Hospitality** Sun: Dave & Josh Flowers, Ben & Emily Flowers

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nov. 19, 2023	Have a Great Week!
Nov. 20, 2023	Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors meeting 7:00
Nov. 22, 2023	Thanksgiving Eve Mass – 7:00 P.M – St. Patrick's 8:30 a.m. Nov. 23
Nov. 26, 2023	Fr. Francis Installation