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Parish Staff:

Pastor - Fr. Francis Mariadas, SAC
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School Advisory – Lindsay 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
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THE SAINTS fixed their gaze on God. They listened to the voice of God in their lives. They resolved to cooperate with God in the fulfillment of his will on earth. They discovered their essential purpose, and they fixed the attention of their thoughts, words, and actions on leading a life of holiness. They saw each moment as an opportunity to do the will of God. They knew that what God did in them was more important than anything they could ever do themselves. And as a result of these defining characteristics they blossomed and became all God had created them to be. That is the value of singleness of purpose in the Christian life, and it is written on each of their lives.

One of my favorite passages from the Bible affirms my belief that the will of God is not as much of a mystery as we make it out to be. It comes from the book of Micah, “You have been told what is good and what Yahweh wants of you. Only this, that you live justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with your God.” (Micah 6:8)

Matthew Kelly

“Souper” Bowl Sunday

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting soup for our community’s Food Pantry. “Souper” Bowl is today **February 9th**, so donate some soup and put it in your favorite teams’ tote in the back of church, and we’ll see what team will win. All soups are appreciated, especially the chunky ones, during the winter.

ATTENTION Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Mass Coordinators, Servers (14 and up), and anyone else interested in assisting with mass responsibilities:

Deacon Dave will be having a brief training session on **March 2nd** following the **9:00am mass** to cover how to set up prior to and clean up following masses, funerals, adoration, and any other liturgy that would need assistance.

It is important for us to have a working knowledge of where things are, what they’re

for, why we have them, and how to set up properly so that the liturgy will go smoothly. We are in need of folks to help with these very important duties, so please plan to attend.

Valentine’s Dinner

There will be a baked steak and chicken dinner on **Saturday February 15th** from **4:30 – 6:30p.m.**

Dinner includes Steak or chicken, homemade noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans or corn, coleslaw, applesauce, cucumbers, pie and drinks. Carry – outs are available. The cost is a free will donation, with proceeds going to St. Louis School.

Volunteers are invited to sign up to help and to donate pies. Please drop off your pies between 1-3:30pm on Saturday or Friday during school hours.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

Any questions please call: Dianne Hoile 419-575-1513 or Lisa Wilhelm 419-261-2570.

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 be open to the community and public tomorrow February 10. Please feel free to call the office at 419-669-1875 if you have any questions.

Religious Education Classes

February classes will be today & 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.

High School Youth Group

Our High School Youth Group will be holding a board game night today, **Sunday, Feb. 9 from 3-6 pm** in the school basement for any high school students. We will have games and tacos. Board games will be available, but you are welcome to bring any games to share.

Come join in on the fun and meet some new friends!

Attention all Jr. High and High School students

Our Toledo Diocese has made available to us the Culture Project Missionaries. They are a group of young adults who will be coming to our parish to talk with our Jr. High and High School students about important teen topics that they may be dealing with on a regular basis.

The Culture Project Missionaries will be speaking with our teens after the **9:00 am Mass on Feb. 16** (Human Dignity Talk), **March 23** (Social Media Talk) and **April 13** (Sexual Integrity Talk). Each talk will end with a question-and-answer session and should be finished by around **11:15 am**. All Jr. High and High School students are encouraged to attend. Please see Luann Flowers if you have any questions.

Reverse Raffle and Silent Auction

Save the date for our 17th Annual Reverse Raffle and Silent Auction to be held **Saturday, March 15** at Nazareth Hall in Grand Rapids, OH. Tickets are now on sale! This past week you should have received a letter in the mail with a form on how to purchase tickets. You can mail the form back to the church or drop the form with payment in the Sunday collection. We will then mail your tickets to you. We are also accepting donations for the LIVE and silent auction! If there is something that you would like to donate, you are welcome to drop it off at the school office during school hours, the church rectory or contact Cathy Hanna (419-615-5540) or Jennie Tussing (419-601-4202) to make other arrangements. Thank You!

The Rosary in a Year Podcast

Many are familiar and fans of the Bible in a Year (BIY) and Catechism in a Year (CIY) podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz. Be transformed by daily prayer with The Rosary in a Year (RIY) podcast with Fr. Mark-Mary Ames. By listening to this podcast, you will discover: How to deepen your focus and enter into the mysteries, how to build a meaningful habit of daily prayer, and the power of Mary's influence in your life, and more.

Each of the daily episodes are about 10-15 minutes long, making it easy to listen to your

own personal listening, with your family, or with a small group. No matter where you are in your spiritual life, this podcast is for you.

The RIY podcast can be found on Ascension app or any of your podcast sources. If help is needed in setting up a podcast app on your smart phone or tablet, contact Julie Lause.

New Catholic High School Coming

St. Michael's in Findlay will be building a new Catholic High School, which is set to open for the 2026-2027 school year. If we have enough parishioners interested, a representative from St. Michael's will come give a presentation for parents. Please contact the rectory at 419-669-1864. The deadline for next year's enrollment is March 5, 2025.

TV Mass For Homebound

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

Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus asked Simon to start by "going a short distance." Later he asked Simon to "go into deeper water." The first step toward reconciliation is usually a "short distance" which gives us the courage to go further "into deeper water." Reconciliation starts with the first short step!

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

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Parish Stewardship

Offering Envelopes	\$	2,615.00
Loose	\$	171.00
School Fund Drive	\$	50.00
Fuel	\$	275.00
Altar Rosary	\$	90.00
1 st Offering	\$	30.00

MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Feb. 09	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Robert, Irene, Sue, & Don Maas, Jim Crouch, Dan & Sybil Knoble, Charles Stein, Richard Wensink, & Jim Gebers
Mon. Feb. 10	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wed. Feb. 12	St. Louis	9:15 a.m.	School Mass with Fr. Kidd – Susan Sager Myers
Thur. Feb. 13	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Fri. Feb. 14	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Sat. Feb. 15	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	
Sun. Feb. 16	St. Patrick	7:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	
Sun. Feb. 16	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Eugene, Nancy, & Michael E. Adler, Larry Ickes, Charles Stein, John Feehan, L/D of James Feehan Fm., Jim Wagner, Connie Clark, & Ron & Jeff Trumbull

LITURGICAL MINISTERS February 16, 2025

Ministers of Holy Communion	Sun: Ellen Boyer, Jan Cavanaugh, Missy DeSmith, Emily Flowers, Sue Flowers
Lector	Sun: Joyce Walker
Servers	Sun: Brooke Koenig, Jacob Dahms, Faith Henry
Offertory	Sun: Emily Henry Family
Hospitality	Sun: Alan Hanna, Chuck Hoile, Adam & Rick Stein

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 09, 2025	Have a Great Week!
Feb. 09, 2025	Religious Education Classes today for K-8th
Feb. 09, 2025	High School Youth Group Game Night from 3 - 6 p.m.
Feb. 11, 2025	RCIA class at St. Pat's from 7p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Feb. 15, 2025	Valentine's Dinner – Baked Steak & Chicken 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Feb. 16, 2025	NO Religious Education Classes for K-8th
Feb. 16, 2025	Culture Project Missionaries for Jr. High & High School after Mass

