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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
Administrative Assistant – Lindsay Tussing
Bookkeeper - Sue Stokes
Parish Nurse - Joyce Walker, R.N.
Music Coordinator- Jennifer Tussing
Finance – John Maas
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
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 SAC
Principal- Jennifer Tussing
Secretary- Danielle Klinge
Custodian- Tim Schroeder

WE DON'T NEED more time; we need more energy. Let's face it. There are twenty-four hours in a day. Nobody gets more, and nobody gets less. It doesn't matter how much money you have, who your father is, or how well you can kick a football. Twenty-four hours is all you get. It is probably the only way the equality we speak so much about actually exists.

The differentiating factor is energy. Energy is our most valuable resource, not time. For too long we have been subscribing to myths. Stress is bad. Downtime is a waste of time. Money drives performance. These are but a few.

Stress isn't bad. Stress all the time is bad. Downtime isn't a waste of time. Too much downtime is a waste of life. Money doesn't drive performance. Passion and purpose drive performance.

Energy is created by a sense of purpose and a lifestyle that integrates our legitimate needs, our deepest desires, and our talents.

Matthew Kelly

Thank you

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who made my 90th birthday so special. Thank you for the cards, visits, gifts, calls, the special Mass, the choir, and everyone who came to my open house. Mark your calendars for my 100th birthday party!! God Bless you all,

Marie Wensink

Stations of the Cross

All are welcome to join in praying the Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays at 7:00PM at St. Louis church through the Lenten Season. We will gather to pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary at 6:30 PM. All ages are welcome to pray. Readers and cross bearers are needed. Please contact the parish office, email at stloiusparishcustar@gmail.com, or message on Facebook. Participating in traditions and prayers help us to have a holy Lenten Season. Stations of the Cross prayers are available in the narthex for those who'd like to pray the outdoor Stations of the Cross at St. Louis cemetery through the Lenten Season also.

School News – Preschool

Preschool enrollment for the 3-year-old program only **has 3 openings left**. Any child who will be 3 years old by August 31st may apply. To be considered enrolled, parents need to obtain a registration form from the school office and pay a \$50 non-refundable registration fee.

Currently the **4-year-old class is full** with a waitlist. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school office at 419-669-1875.

Religious Education Classes

March class is today. **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.

Attention all 6th gr., Jr. High and High School students

- The Culture Project Missionaries will be coming back to talk to us on **Sun., April 13** after the **9:00 am Mass**. We will meet in the school basement. The talk will end with a question-and-answer session and should be finished around 11:15 am. Please see Luann Flowers if you have any questions.

Lenten Confessions Schedule

St. Louis – Monday, April 7th from 8-9 a.m., 12-1 p.m., & 5-7 p.m.

St. Patrick – Friday, April 11th from 9-10 a.m., 12-1 p.m., & 5-7 p.m.

Diocese of Toledo Scholarship Fund – 100% Ohio Income Tax Credit

In 2021, House Bill 110 established a program that allows Ohio taxpayers to receive a **100% tax credit against Ohio income tax liability** for contributions made to a certified Scholarship Granting Organization. The maximum credit amount is \$750 for singles, or \$1,500 if married and filing jointly. In 2023 the Diocese of Toledo Scholarship Fund was formed, a registered non-profit 501 (c) 3 Scholarship Granting Organization. The organization collects funds to assist students in grades K – 12 to attend non-public schools within the Diocese of Toledo. **Donations received before April 15th, 2025, may be applied to the 2024 tax year.** The tax credit cannot exceed the Ohio tax owed. Your donation can be designated to a specific school, like St. Louis School, Custar. You can donate online at <https://www.dotsgo.org> or by mail. Forms are located in the back of church. Questions contact Jennie Tussing at the school or the church rectory.

Funeral Committee

The funeral committee is asking for food donations for the funeral on **Saturday, April 5th**. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus News:

March 2025 Family of the Month

The Bob and Linda Boyle Family has been unanimously voted as “**Family of the Month**” for **March 2025**. Bob and Linda are always the first two smiling faces you see that welcome you to St. Louis every Sunday morning. They are always happy and eager to volunteer their time, talents, a smile and an ear to anyone who needs it. Both have served multiple roles in the church and can always be counted on as a steadfast supporter of St. Louis School and the Knights of Columbus. We thank them tremendously for their dedication to their faith, the church and the community.

March 2025 Knight of the Month

Mike Hannewald has been unanimously voted as “**Knight of the Month**” for **March 2025**. Mike has been a member of the council for almost seven years and has dutifully filled the position of our financial secretary for just as long. Under his guidance, our membership roster, financial records and reports have always been timely, well-kept and detailed. He also serves as a CCD teacher, lector and can always be counted on to help at any council event or fundraiser. Thank you for always being a stellar example of a Catholic man of faith.

Fish Fry

The KofC fish fry will be held on **Friday, April 11, 2025**, from 4:00 – 6:30 (or sold out). The Price is \$15 for adults/seniors, and \$10 for kids. The menu consists of Fried fish, choice of potato, mac & cheese, coleslaw, roll, dessert/drink. Carryout and dine-in available. We humbly ask for your help by providing a dessert or two for the dinner that will be held at St. Patrick’s Parish. We’d be appreciative of anything (cakes, cupcakes, cookies, brownies, etc.) There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church. Desserts can be brought to St. Pat’s any time after 2pm on April 11. Thank you.

Support Our Seminarians

Located in the back of church is a “**Support Our Seminarians**” (S.O.S.) jar. S.O.S. is a KofC program throughout the state of Ohio that supports our Seminarians and promotes vocations. Money raised stays within the diocese and the diocesan vocation office receives the collective monies from KofC councils throughout the year. In 2024, a sum of \$26,000 was raised and presented! Please help with this

worthy cause and leave a donation in the jar – no amount is too small. The campaign will run through April. Thank you for your continued support!

Super Cash Bonanza

The Knights of Columbus are kicking off their SUPER CASH BONANZA campaign. It’s one of our biggest charity campaigns of the year! Tickets are available for purchase after mass for \$5.00 each. The minimum you could win is \$500, the top prize is over \$49,000! The drawing is May 17th at the state convention. See the poster at the back of the church for more details. Proceeds benefit K of C charities and area charities.

Milton Twp. Fire Dept. Breakfast

The Milton Twp. Fire Dept. is hosting a breakfast **Sunday, April 6** from 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Dine in or Carryout. Menu consists of sausage, pancakes, scrambled eggs, French toast, sausage gravy and biscuits, coffee, juice, and milk. All you can eat for a free will donation.

Family Perspective

We may feel like the Prodigal Son, but the gospel wants us to focus on the father who was forgiving and understanding. We all make mistakes and need forgiveness. Who in your family needs your forgiveness and acceptance this Lent?

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

Office Hours

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

Mass Attendance

March 23, 2025 **155**

Parish Stewardship

Offering Envelopes	\$ 2,470.00
Loose	\$ 245.00
School Fund Drive	\$ 50.00
Fuel	\$ 30.00
Eastern Europe	\$ 30.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 50.00

MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Mar. 30	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Charles Stein, Jim Wagner, James, Mary Lue, & Ron Stein, Linda Kramp, & Thierry Kernisan
Mon. Mar. 31	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	
Wed. Apr. 02	St. Louis	9:15 a.m.	
Thur. Apr. 03	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Fri. Apr. 04	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	
Sat. Apr. 05	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	
Sun. Apr. 06	St. Patrick	7:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	
Sun. Apr. 06	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Robert, Irene, Sue & Don Maas, Jim Crouch, Dan & Sybil Knoble, Charles Stein, Dan Smith, Jim Gebers, & Gary Adler

LITURGICAL MINISTERS April 06, 2025

Ministers of Holy Communion Sun: Emily Flowers, Sue Flowers, Cathy Hanna, Dianne Hoile, Julie Lause

Lector Sun: Josie Lirot

Servers Sun: Brooke Koenig, Cate Tussing, Parker Hanna

Offertory Sun: Dave Flowers Family

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 30, 2025	Have a Great Week!
Mar. 30, 2025	Religious Education Classes today for K-8th
Apr. 01, 2025	RCIA class at St. Pat's from 7p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Apr.04 & 11	Deshler Immaculate Conception Fish Fry from 5 p.m. – till run out
Apr. 04, 2025	First Friday of Adoration 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Apr. 06, 2025	Religious Education Classes for K-8th
Apr. 06, 2025	Milton Twp. Fire Dept. Breakfast from 8 a.m. – Noon
Apr. 11, 2025	Save the Date - K of C Fish Fry at St. Pat's 4 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Mar. 31 – Apr. 04	St. Louis School Spring Break

