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### Parish Staff:

Pastor - Fr. Walter Tuscano, SAC  
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Parish Secretary – Linda Boyle  
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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)



**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- Stacey Graham  
Custodian- Tim Schroeder

“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” This is the message that we hear from the readings for this Sunday. Love one another, love does no evil, love is the fulfillment of the law. When we love, and our love is received, all is well. When we are shown love from others and we return that love, again all is well, and we grow in holiness and happiness.

But what happens when others do not show us the love we deserve or expect? Today's Gospel passage shows us **one way** of loving our neighbor as ourselves that is especially **powerful**, and especially **difficult**. In this passage, Jesus puts before us the case of someone who is clearly doing something wrong: "If your brother sins against you," he says. This could refer to those times when we simply feel misunderstood or neglected by family members or friends. Other times we feel unfairly treated by superiors at work, teachers, or civil servants.

When we experience that kind of thing, what is our natural reaction? Almost always, we feel a strong desire to complain about it, to start criticizing the person who is causing us so much grief. And that's exactly what Jesus wants us to avoid. Jesus teaches us to respond with maturity and patience by going right to the source of the problem. Instead of talking about the people who are making things difficult, Jesus wants us to talk directly to them. And if that doesn't work, we are to be patient, bringing objective parties into the conversation, treating others as we would like them to treat us. Jesus wants us to gently but clearly "warn the wicked," as today's First Reading put it, not just complain about them or look down on them. Of course, this is not easy.

Resisting our natural tendency towards judgmental criticism and useless complaining takes effort - but true love always takes effort. And the good news is that we don't have to do it all on our own. Jesus himself is always ready to come to our aid, as he does at each mass when we receive him in Holy Communion.

God bless. Dc. Dave

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### **School News**

The 2023-24 school year is almost here! With the recent legislation in Ohio regarding Universal School Choice, where all students in grades K-6 are eligible for a scholarship, it is a blessed opportunity to send your children to St. Louis Catholic School at little to no cost to you! To learn more about the excellent education your children can receive at St. Louis please call Mrs. Tussing at 419-669-1875 to schedule an appointment or tour the school.

### **Job Opening**

We are currently seeking to fill the following positions for the 2023-2024 school year. Please help spread the word!

**Grades 3/4 Teacher**  
**Before School Aid 7:30-8:45 a.m.**

Interested applicants can call the school or send an email to [jtussing1875@gmail.com](mailto:jtussing1875@gmail.com)

### **Religious Education Signup**

Signup sheets are available on the table in the back of the church for this year's Religious Education program. Classes will be starting sometime in September.

**Thank You** The funeral committee and the family of Kathleen Kempf would like to thank the parishioners who donated food for the funeral dinner. It was deeply appreciated and we thank you for your continued support for the families in their time of need.

Please remember to pick up your dishes in the back of the church.

**Donuts**

Donuts return this Sunday after Mass. Stop in and enjoy and have fellowship with fellow parishioners.

**Altar Rosary News**

The Altar Rosary Society is offering a carpool to the Latin Mass at St. Michael the Archangel (downtown chapel) on **Thursday, September 21** for the 5:30 PM Mass. If you've never experienced Latin Mass or it's been a long time, this is a wonderful opportunity.

Meet in the St. Louis church parking lot at 4:15. All are welcome - singles, families, couples, men, women, children, Catholic and non-Catholic. Look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex, contact the parish office, email [stlouisparrishcustar@gmail.com](mailto:stlouisparrishcustar@gmail.com), or message on Facebook if you'd like to ride together.

**Server Training** Please meet after church on September 24 for a short training session. This is for current servers and anyone who is interested in serving. The age ranges from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade thru 12<sup>th</sup>.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** is first and foremost a great opportunity for people looking into entering the Catholic Church, but also a great way for current Catholics to learn more. It's not just about the "what" and "how" of what is believed and done in the Church but more importantly, the "why." This program is designed for anyone, whether you are interested in becoming Catholic, have received Baptism but want to receive Confirmation and Communion, or just want to know more about the Catholic faith. Throughout the year we will discuss important topics such as: Who is God, how to understand the Bible, what are the sacraments, Marriage and Family, as well as many current social issues and what other questions that you might have. Whatever your background or past experience, you are welcome to attend any of the **RCIA** sessions. Classes begin on October 3<sup>rd</sup> in the St. Patrick community center, lasting from 7:00pm-8:30pm, and will be held on Tuesday evenings through until Easter. For more information, please contact the Parish office at 419-832-5215 or Deacon Dave at 419-973-0980.

**Introducing COR**

Saint Louis and Saint Patrick parishes are excited to announce Cor. Cor is a Men's faith formation group that will meet once a month. Cor will focus

on Formation, Fraternity, and Prayer. Our goal is to help men become better husbands, fathers, and leaders. This is achieved by creating an atmosphere to help men foster a deeper, more meaningful relationship with Christ. Our first meeting will take place at St. Patrick's parish on September 14th. It is scheduled from 7:30 until 9:30 pm. This will be an informal session consisting of a meet and greet with snacks and beverages. This is open to ALL men of the parish, so we look forward to seeing most of you there! If you have any questions, please call Arron Mier @ 419-239-5737 or Nate Balusik @ 419-819-8583.

**Wednesday Rosary Reminder**

Rosary Warrior Wednesdays will continue through the months of September and October. Weather permitting, we will continue to meet at St. Louis cemetery at 6:30 PM. In case of bad weather, we will meet in church. Follow Facebook for updates or text Julie Lause at 419-601-3319 if you'd like to be added to the Rosary Warrior message group.

**TV Mass for Homebound**

WNWO-Channel 24 @ 6:30 a.m & WTVG-Channel 13.2 @ 8:30 a.m.

**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 Office closed Thursday 9-14

**Mass Attendance**

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**Parish Stewardship**

Offering Envelopes	\$2857.00
Loose	\$ 25.00
School Fund Drive	\$ 50.00
Fuel	\$ 177.00
Catholic Univ.	\$ 110.00

**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 10, 2023**

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Sept. 10	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Robert, Irene & Sue Maas, Dan Smith, Emma Drummer, Lawrence & Helen Wilhelm, Terry Feehan, Dave Smith, Larry Ickes
Mon. Sept. 11	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	<b>NO MASS</b>
Wed. Sept. 13	St. Louis	9:15 a.m.	<b>NO MASS</b>
Thur. Sept. 14	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	<b>NO MASS</b>
Fri. Sept. 15	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	<b>NO MASS</b>
Sat. Sept. 16	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	
Sun. Sept. 17	St. Patrick	7:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	
Sun. Sept. 17	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.	Paul DeSmith, John & Dolores Schneider, Terry Feehan, Margarito Martinez, Jim, Mary Lue, & Ron Stein, Linda Kramp, Living & deceased Stan Ickes Fm.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS September 17, 2023

**Ministers of Holy Communion**      **Sun:** Arron Mier, Rick Stokes, Joyce Walker, Diane Wensink, Barb Wilhelm

**Lector**      **Sun:** Diane Wensink

**Servers**      **Sun:** James Mahlman, Taylor Maas, Peyson Wilhelm

**Offertory**      **Sun:** Jason Dahms Fm.

**Hospitality**      **Sun:** John Wagner, Stanley Wilhelm, Al & Dodi Tussing

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 10, 2023

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**Have a Great Week!**

**Donuts After Mass Today**

**Henry County Right to Life at 7:00 p.m. ST. Paul Church, Hamler**

