



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.*

- Lk 4:18

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St. Bernadette Sodality	2nd Monday
School Board	2nd Monday
Parish Finance Council	3rd Monday
St. Vincent de Paul	2nd Tuesday
Home and School	1st Thursday
Liturgy Board	Two times a year

Presidents

Athletic Association – Amanda Jones
Home and School – Cindy Cundiff
Parish Finance Council – Jim Kimminau
School Board – Sarah Borgmann
St. Bernadette Sodality – Pat Peters

Bulletin Notices

If you would like to have an article published in the bulletin, please submit it in writing to the rectory **by Monday afternoon at rectory@ollwashmo.org.**

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
WELCOMES YOU!**

If you are visiting, we hope you have a blessed experience and always feel welcome here. Visit us again soon!

If you would like to become a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, give us a call at 636-239-3520. Or, a new parishioner form is available on our website at www.ollwashmo.org.

Assisted Listening Devices are available. Please ask one of the ushers for help.

The restrooms are located to the left as you exit into the gathering area.

If we can assist you further, don't hesitate to contact us at:
1014 Madison Avenue, Washington, MO 63090
Rectory 636-239-3520
Website: ollwashmo.org + Email: rectory@ollwashmo.org



Our Lady of Lourdes @ollwashmo.org



@LourdesParish1

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday:

8:00 am & 10:00 am

Monday-Saturday: 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

Please check the bulletin for the exact schedule.

Confessions

Wednesday 5:00 - 5:45 pm

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

or by appointment

Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesdays after 8:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday after 8:00 Mass until Tuesday before 8:00 Mass
& Wednesday after 8:00 Mass until 6:00 p.m.
in the Chapel located around the back of church.
Contact Amy Blomberg, 636-667-0832, with questions.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**Mission Statement**

The Mission of Our Lady of Lourdes is to create a faith community for all members to grow in their relationship with God and each other so that they can proclaim the Good News of Christ's Message.



FROM THE DESK OF FR. JIM,

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend is an important weekend for us as American Catholics. This Saturday, January 22nd, is the 49th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision which was handed down by the Supreme Court legalizing abortion throughout the country. As you all know, this is an extremely contentious issue in our society today, especially with challenges to abortion recently having been heard by the Supreme Court. Every year on this anniversary, people throughout the country gather and rally, march and pray, offering peaceful protest against an offense which is anything but peaceful. Millions pray and hope, every day and every year that there might be an end to abortion, and as faithful followers of Jesus, each of us should join in these hopeful prayers for the legal protection of the unborn. We also ought to pray for mothers in difficult situations, for mothers (and fathers) who have had an abortion, and for unborn children who are in danger of abortion. As a child, I began to pray nightly for an end to abortion, especially with the following prayer of spiritual adoption promoted by Archbishop Fulton Sheen: "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Amen."

The other thing we ought to pray for as Catholics, is conversion of heart, first for ourselves, and then for others and our whole culture. Early in my time in seminary, we had a guest lecture by the late Justice Antonin Scalia. Among the many things of which he spoke, abortion is the one I remember the most because he said something really important. He mentioned that the government can make laws and that the courts could overturn or uphold them; but he pointed out to us that, even should Roe v. Wade be overturned, it wouldn't be enough because the culture must be converted. He said conversion is not the realm of the courts but that of the faithful. This year, as we solemnly remember the anniversary of Roe v. Wade, many are doing so with renewed hope that the laws might change. What a blessing that would be! However, we still have more work to do, and even more of an uphill battle than this 49 year fight.

As disciples of Jesus we need to pray for the conversion of our culture, which our recent popes have called a culture of death, a throw away culture rooted in selfishness. The best starting point is to pray first for our own conversion of heart, daily asking the Lord to root out our own selfishness, that we might have selfless hearts to contribute to a culture of life and love. Of course action is needed too, so a simple suggestion: we have a great pregnancy assistance center here in Washington, which our Lifeline Coalition supports. They do so much great work helping young mothers in difficult situations and could always use whatever support we can offer.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Jim Theby

Support Pro-Life

The annual LifeLine Coalition Campaign will be this weekend in our parish.

You will have the opportunity to support life through your contribution to this fund that provides assistance to women and families facing a crisis pregnancy.

Efforts are directed to provide the care and support necessary to Choose Life.

The LifeLine Coalition (LLC) is a group of Catholic social service agencies and pro-life caregivers who are committed to assisting men and women in crisis pregnancies. The LifeLine Coalition Campaign is an annual drive to raise money to provide practical assistance including medical expenses, food, clothing, housing, counseling, adoption services and spiritual guidance.

The envelopes will be located in the pews and please return with your donation the following weekend.

If you choose to donate by check, please use the LifeLine envelope and make the check payable to our parish .

Our parish will then submit one check for the full amount donated.

Thanks in advance for your support. Your prayers are important also, and together we can make a difference so that "Life will be Victorious". **May God Bless you for your generosity!**



-School News-



OUR WEEK IN REVIEW:

1st Graders are learning about 2-digit addition and subtraction.

6th Graders are learning to analyze information in Reading Class to solve mysteries.

3-8 Music: 4th graders are learning how to play the recorder. 6th, 7th, and 8th graders will begin learning songs for their Spring Concert in April soon.

New Student Enrollment information for the 2022-2023 school year will be coming next week!

Join Us for

Faith, Fun & Friends

SUNDAY EVENINGS

Following the
6pm Regional Youth Mass
until 8:30 pm
SFB Notre Dame Hall

For more info,
email Fr. Tony Ritter:
fritter@borgiaparish.org

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

STARTING JANUARY 18, 2022

Looking for a scholarship for the 2022-2023 school year?

- All elementary schools in the Archdiocese of St. Louis
- All Catholic high schools
- Any private elementary school in the City of St. Louis

Apply online at TTEF-STL.ORG

Deadline is February 28th, 2022.

Go to: ttef-stl.org
or call Laura George, Senior Director of Scholarship at 314-772-7777

Free Online Application

TODAY TOMORROW

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS
Office of Catholic Education and Formation

Roman Catholic Foundation
EASTERN MISSOURI
The Holy Family, St. Louis

ST. FRANCIS BORGIA HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

TRIVIA KNIGHT

FOR OUR 6TH, 7TH, & 8TH GRADE FRIENDS

CONTESTS & GAMES!

WIN PRIZES!

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE
OUTSIDE FOOD & SNACKS ALLOWED

MAR 10

\$30/TEAM OF 6 - \$5/PLAYER

BORGIA HIGH SCHOOL
WINGBERMUEHLE ACTIVITY CENTER

6 - 8 PM

REGISTER HERE

FOR MORE INFO:
MOIRA VOSSBRINK
(636) 239-7871 X197

WEEKLY OFFERING—JANUARY 16, 2022

Sunday Offering	\$4,954.00
Loose Collection	\$438.00
Total Offering	\$5,392.00

Parish Maintenance Fund	\$84.00
Bernadette's Purse	\$80.00
Initial Offering-Envelope Fund	\$70.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$5.00
St. Louis Review	\$485.00

**LECTORS**

Saturday, January 29 @ 5 pm - Michelle Etter
 Sunday, January 30 @ 8 am - Jane Mense
 Sunday, January 30 @ 10 am - Mark Piontek

GREETERS

Saturday, Jan 29 @ 5 pm— Karen Chrisco and
 Betty Parmentier
 Sunday, Jan 30 @ 8 am - Dave & Janet Braun
 Sunday, Jan 30 @ 10 am - Jan Groeper

We are looking for parishioners/families interested in bringing up the offertory at all our weekend Masses.

If you are interested, please let the rectory know via a phone call or an email and we will add you to our list. We will need to know which Mass you attend or which Mass time rotation you would like to be placed on if you have a preference. The offertory rotation will be added to this listing under Liturgical Ministers in the bulletin so you will know when you are on the schedule. We look forward to hearing from many of you!! Thank you!

Email rectory@ollwashmo.org or call us at 636.239.3520.

Martha's Helpers -- church cleaning volunteers --- for **Friday, January 28th:**

Michelle Boland, Christy Feldmann,
 Arlene Lamb, Michelle Nieder,
 Carrie Freese, Betty Dobsch, Cheryl Rutz,
 Harold Eckelkamp.



Thank you for keeping our beautiful church clean!

**Pray For Our Troops**

Please keep all our Men and Women serving in the military in your prayers.

Suzanne Albert, T.J. Bond,
 Cameron Bunkley, Chris Chicoine,
 Toni Cooley, Lee Fortner,
 Nicholas Gassel, Evan Hix,
 Hannah Hoeft, Drew Holtmeyer,
 Daniel Holzem, Brett Jones,
 Stuart Klemm, Thomas Krausch,
 Jacob Martin, Josh Martin,
 Aaron Maune, Robert Minnich,
 Brian Nelson, Jacob Nelson,
 Brian Patterson, Dominic Price,
 Mykaela Smyser, Nathan Smyser,
 Peyton Struttmann, Jacob Trentmann,
 Beau Vowels

Clayton Brantley, Kristian McDonald,
 Bill Connor, Aaron Coon, Chris Elbert,
 Ryan Elbert, Nadine Frericks,
 Heather Green, Butch Holtmeyer,
 Doug Holtmeyer, Evelyn Kamler,
 Mary Lee Kliethermes, Leona Kuchem, Dr. Jake Lippert,
 Peggy (Carey) Lippert, Jameson Marquart,
 Ruth Marquart, Vernon Massmann, Theresa Mohesky,
 James Morranville, Louis Sampel, Dan Schoffin,
 Dan Skornia, Miranda Stapleton, Joseph Teipel,
 Collin Warrender, Bob Weber, Mary Lee West,
 Carol Willming, Judy Wyatt



If you would like to have your loved one added to or removed from our prayer lists, please call the rectory at 636-239-3520.



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will be sponsoring the Harvest Table on Saturday, February 19th at St. Peter's UCC in Washington. The Harvest Table is a meal served to the needy of our community .

We are in need of one person to volunteer that evening to help package the dinners for the drive thru pickup line. If you are able to assist with this on Feb. 19th, please reach out to Sharon at 636-432-4111. She will need to let them know who they can expect. **Thanks in advance for any assistance you can give. Your help is much appreciated!**



Lourdes Shop and Earn ShopWithScrip®

Weekly Update January 18, 2022

Regular sales: \$9,075.00

Regular profit: \$359.09

Online sales: \$5,350.00

Online profit: \$198.55

Number of families: 29

Monday Entry, January 31st:

Diana Smith, Laura Rickman, Lynn Riegel

Tuesday Pick-up, February 1st:

Group 1: Lynn Watson

Group 2: Kathy Maune

Group 3: Jodi Pohl

Group 4: Sara Gerling

Friday Sort, February 4th: Lane Elcan, Tim Huber

Saturday Mass

January 29th: Sara Gerling

February 5th: Amy Steffens

Sunday Mass

January 30th:

8:00 a.m.: Julie Brinker

10:00 a.m.: Maggie Hotz

February 6th:

8:00 a.m.: Rebecca Searcy

10:00 a.m.: Lindsey McGilvray



OLL FIRST TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Tuesday, February 1st will be our next First Tuesday Breakfast after the 8:00 a.m. Mass & Perpetual Help Devotions. We will meet at Bob Evans Restaurant. There will be an area that will be reserved for our group. ***Come join us! Everyone is welcome.***

January 23, 2022 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION.....

“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...” (NEHEMIAH 8:10)

Ezra’s instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here’s the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.



MONDAY, JANUARY 24

8 am Glenn Kopp

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

8 am Wilma Kuenzel

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

8 am Jerry Tobben

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

8 am Laverne Schelich

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

8 am Rita Brinker

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

5 pm David Holdmeyer

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

8 am Ron Raasch

10 am Our Parishioners

How to View and Print Your Parish Contribution Statements

You can view your parish contribution statements any time by going to the website:

<https://servantkeeper.com/member-portal/oll>

It is helpful to use this website to print statements, view your Faith, Family and Fellowship pledge balances and also to update information on your parish profile.

If you need help logging onto this website, contact the parish office at 636-239-3520.



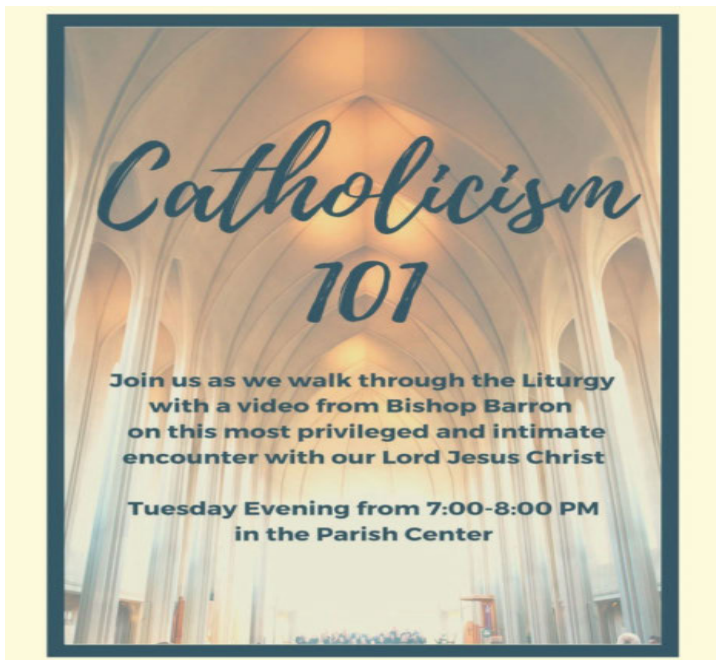
Our Lady of Lourdes has a list of prayer intentions that our parishioners pray for daily. These intentions stay on the list for six weeks. You may visit our website at ollwashmo.org, scroll down and click the “prayer wall button” and place your intentions there. You may also call the rectory @ 636.239.3520 to have them added.



January 22-28, 2022

Monday-Saturday 8 am Mass in Church
 Saturday, Jan 22 4:00—4:45 pm Confessions
 5:00 pm Mass in Church
 Sunday, Jan 23 8:00 & 10:00 am Mass in Church
 6 pm Youth Mass at Borgia Church
 Monday, Jan 24 7 pm — Finance Committee Mtg
 Tuesday, Jan 25 5:30 pm — MOPS Mtg—Room 2
 7 pm-Bell Choir Practice in Church
 7-8 pm—RCIA/Catholicism 101-- Parish Hall
 Wednesday, Jan 26 6:30-7:45pm—PSR classes--School
 Friday, Jan 28 Church Cleaning after 8 am Mass

JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL ON TUESDAY EVENING AT 7:00 PM TO GAIN A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF THE PARTS OF THE MASS. THIS WEEK WE WILL MOVE INTO THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST WITH BISHOP BARRON.




MOTHERS
OF
PRESCHOOLERS
(MOPS)

We have a MOPS group here at Our Lady of Lourdes which meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month. If you would like to join the group or get more information, contact Lacey Jones at LaceyLee.Harp@gmail.com. **All are welcome!**

Pro Life



RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE

St. Francis Borgia Parish will be hosting a **Naming & Commendation Prayer Service on Sunday, January 23, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.** The service will last approx. one hour.

This prayer service is open to everyone...**ALL ARE WELCOME!** Find Comfort, Healing & Hope..."I am the Resurrection and the life." - John 11:25 This prayer service was developed by the Archdiocese of St. Louis to meet the needs of families whose child died before birth for any reason (including miscarriage, accident, abortion or still birth). Parents and families of any religious background are invited to attend, whether the loss was recent or long ago. The rite, celebrated by Fr. Michael Boehm, will offer parents and families an opportunity to name the child, bring peaceful closure to great loss, and unite with our merciful God.

- To RSVP or for more information, please contact Jane Maune at janemaune@hotmail.com or 636-432-6781.
- To learn more, go to www.archstl.org/respect.../programs/pastoral-care.

Word of Life — January 23, 2022

"Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? ... Even a woman who doesn't go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion"



RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE

Woman's Bible Study & Fellowship— Abortion Healing Ministry.

"There is hope for the future...God"

This fellowship group, open to any woman wounded by abortion, meets at least monthly on the 2nd/4th Wednesdays starting at 6:30 pm. To learn more, call/text: 314.406.0815
Email: hopehealing@archstl.org
Web: archstl.org/hope-healing
All inquiries and information are kept confidential.

---Upcoming Community Events---

"So whoever is in Christ is a new creation; the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come."
2 Cor. 5:17

MADE NEW

Becoming the man God has called you to be

JEFF CAVINS

STEVE ALLGEYER

FR. PAUL HOESING

FEBRUARY 12, 2022
8:45 AM - 4:00 PM
SI COMMONS @ SLUH

\$30
EARLY BIRD PRICING THROUGH 1/10

REGISTER AT CATHOLICMENFORCHRIST.ORG
OR BY CONTACTING YOUR PARISH CAPTAIN
QUESTIONS: CALL 314-792-7182

The "All You Can Eat" Breakfast at IC in Augusta for this Sunday (January 23) **has been cancelled** due to covid.

Mark your calendar for **NEXT SUNDAY, January 30th** — St. John the Baptist Parish—Gildehaus will have their Fifth Sunday Breakfast from 7:30 am—10:30 am in their Parish Center. Adults \$10.00 Children 6-12 \$4.00 Under 6 Free. Proceeds to Benefit St. John's School. Everyone welcome!

JOIN US ON A PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND

Hey...this is Fr. Tim Foy from St. John the Baptist-Gildehaus Parish and I want to invite you on a very unique pilgrimage to Poland from Aug. 1-15, 2022! We will retrace many of the steps of Pope St. John Paul II and see the Wawel Castle and Cathedral, the Divine Mercy Shrine, St. Faustina's Convent, the Wieliczka Salt mine, and the heart of the trip is a walking pilgrimage from Krakow to the Black Madonna Shrine of Czestochowa (Note: our tour bus will accompany the pilgrims to provide a break if needed). **The next two information meetings will be at Holy Infant of Ballwin on January 30th at 1pm and at Immaculate Conception of Dardenne Prairie on the same day at 3 pm.** Please call me with any questions at 636-583-2488.

3rd Annual Knights of Columbus Council #16213

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by
Knights of Columbus Insurance
Mike York Agency

Benefiting St. Gertrude School and Special Olympics Missouri

Saturday, March 5, 2022
St. Gertrude Parish Center
6520 Hwy YY, Washington, MO

Doors open at 10:30 am
Check-in from 11-11:30 am
Double-elimination tournament begins at 12 pm

\$40/team (Includes koozie and 1 free drink ticket for each player, with a 4 game/2 match guarantee)

- > Men, women, or coed teams allowed
- > Must be 21+ to participate
- > Cash payouts to 1st thru 5th place teams!
- > Food and alcohol available for purchase
- > 80/80 Raffles throughout the entire tournament

Register your team today at 2022kofc16213cornhole.eventbrite.com
or by using the QR code above!

Registration open to the first 64 teams and closes at midnight on February 26, 2022. No signups accepted the day of the tournament

Contact Nick Jacquin at 314-606-4822 if you have any additional questions!

St. Ann's Church, Clover Bottom, Invites You to Our

COMEDY NIGHT

DINNER & DANCE

Jeremy Nunes (HEADLINER)
& Larry Smith

LIVE MUSIC BY - Steve Leslie Band

WHERE?
WASHINGTON
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

WHEN?
SATURDAY,
MARCH 19, 2022

FOR INFORMATION OR TICKET RESERVATIONS

www.stannchurchcloverbottom.org
(CLICK ON THE COMEDY NIGHT LINK)

EMAIL
stann.mills@yhti.net
or CALL: 636-239-3222

MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND
TICKET INCLUDES MEAL AND OPEN BAR
BRING CASH FOR RAFFLES

TICKETS \$50 PER PERSON
IF PAID IN ADVANCE
\$60 IF YOU PAY AT THE DOOR
(tables of 8 available)

Reservations are Required
by March 10, 2022

LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS SOLD. GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY!

Doors Open at 6 PM - Dinner at 6:30 PM
Comedy Show at 8 PM - Music to Midnight

Join Archbishop Rozanski and our St. Louis Christian communities in ecumenical prayer for unity as we lift up our brothers and sisters in the Eastern Christian traditions. Together we will reflect on the coming of the Magi in Matthew 2:2! RSVP IS APPRECIATED BUT OPTIONAL BY CALLING 314-792-7177



*"We saw the
star in the East"*

Mt 2:2

Sunday, January 30 @ 7 - 8pm

St. John Bosco Catholic Parish

12934 Marine Avenue

Creve Coeur, MO 63146

Archdiocese of St. Louis Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Friends Foundation, a group that supports those with special needs in Warren and Franklin Counties, is having a **Drive Thru Gala on Saturday, February 12, 2022**. This will be Curbside Pick-up with a great Menu from Mosaic Café at 901 Patients First Drive in Washington, MO. For the complete menu, to order, and more information visit mosaiccafeandcatering.com or pat@mosaiccafeandcatering.com. Call Sharon at 314-960-1042 with questions. Visit Friendsfoundation.net Early bird drawing on Jan 30 by ordering. Prepay by noon on Jan 30 for a free meal at the gala! Thank you for your support.

St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish and School 2nd Annual Alumni Mass

will be held on Sunday, February 27, 2022 at 10 a.m. We warmly welcome home our alumni and their families. At Mass, we will hear the testimony of a distinguished St. Ignatius graduate and take a group photo of all alumni in attendance! Questions? Contact Jacob at jacoblierman@saintig.com.



Corporal Care Team Contact Information

If you or someone you know needs physical help doing little things around your house, please phone:

Carole Lohmeyer 573-459-6473

Dixie Schneider 636-239-8449

"Doing small things with great love"

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! — Study

In today's Gospel we hear from St. Luke who is writing about Jesus and His teachings so that he can get to know Jesus better and help to share His message. We can't give what we don't have, and we can't grow closer in our relationship with Jesus unless we communicate with Him and study His teachings and His life. We can do this through Scripture, through the saints, and through each other. *"Please, Holy Spirit, inspire all of us to hunger for increased knowledge of Christ. Amen."*

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

- Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
- Monday:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18
- Wednesday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday:** 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
- Friday:** 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
- Next Sunday:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

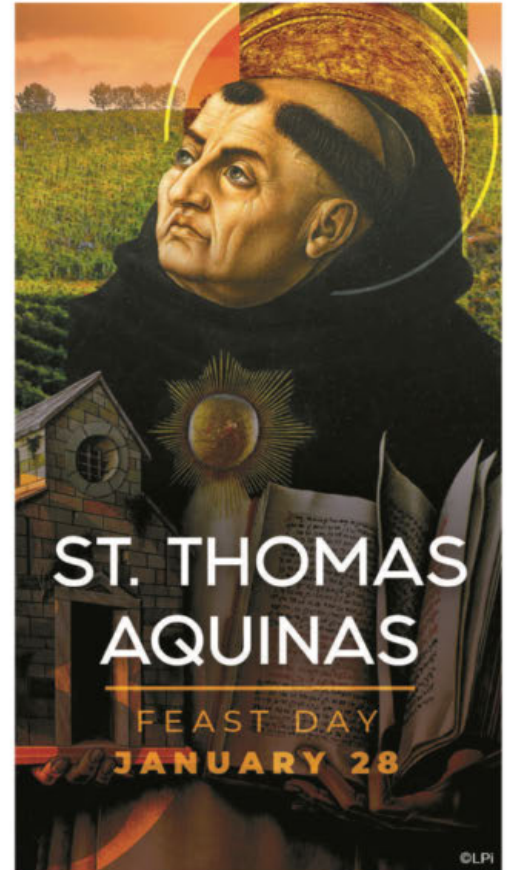
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
- Monday:** St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
- Wednesday:** Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
- Thursday:** St. Angela Merici, Virgin
- Friday:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.

JOIN US FOR OUR
CELEBRATE THE KNIGHT

Gala

5 PM • DOORS OPEN
6 PM • DINNER
7 PM • LIVE AUCTION

19 FEB St. Francis Borgia High School 20
1000 Borgia Dr
Washington MO 63090 22

New Parishioner Information

We welcome new parishioners and ask them to register by contacting the rectory office, 636-239-3520, or go to ollwashmo.org under quick links and print the new parishioner form and drop it off at the rectory.

Baptisms

Please contact the rectory to schedule a baptism. The Sacrament of Baptism is held on Sundays at 11:15 am.

Weddings

Contact Fr. Jim Theby at least six months in advance.

Children's Chapel

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