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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." - Lk 1:41-42

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ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH - PARISH INFORMATION

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Office Hours and Phone: 262-835-4533
Monday - Fr. Blanco's day off
Monday thru Thurs - 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Friday - Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. LOUIS

SATURDAY: 5:30 PM
SUNDAY: *8:00 AM
WED & FRI: 8:30 AM
HOLY DAYS: 9:00 AM

ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM
SUNDAY: **10:00 AM
TUES & THURS 8:30 AM
HOLY DAYS: 6:00 PM

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Sat December 19 5:30 pm **Vigil Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass**
 †Patricia Dickert (Don Noll Family)
 †Greg Burzynski (Kathy Burzynski-nephews)
 †Hugh Mooney (Donna Mooney)
 †Lloyd Henkel (Eileen Henkel)

Sun December 19 *8:00 am **Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass**
 †George & Hedwig Schuppe (Family)
 †Walter Boczkiewicz (Susan Terpeza)
 †Collette Barth (Tom & Sharon Bissonnette)

Mon December 20 Weekday

Tues December 21 Weekday
 St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Wed December 22 8:30 am **Weekday No Mass**

Thur December 23 Weekday
 St. John of Kanty, Priest

Fri December 24 4:00 pm **Christmas Eve**
 Mass at St. Paul
7:00 pm **Mass at St. Louis**
 Living and deceased Priests and Deacons
 9:00 pm Mass at St. Paul

Sat December 25 8:00 am **Nativity of the Lord**
Mass at St. Louis
 Deceased Members of St. Louis and St. Paul Parishes
 No Evening Mass

Sun December 26 *8:00 am **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**
Mass
 †Dave & Maryellen Carlson (Carlson Family)
 †Andy Burzynski (Kathy Burzynski-sons)
 †Carl Kortendick & Patti Aberg Kortendick (Family)

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READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25
Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
Monday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45
Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66
Friday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79
Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Holiday Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: 4:00 pm St. Paul
 7:00 pm St. Louis
 9:00 pm St. Paul
 Christmas Day: 8:00 am St. Louis
 10:00 am St. Paul
 No Evening Mass



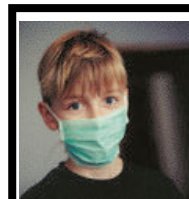
FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP

December 4 & 5, 2021

Stewardship	\$ 5,905.16
Building & Grounds	\$ 1,775.00
Offertory	\$ 158.00
Siena Catholic Schools	\$ 25.00
Food Pantry	\$ 20.00
Flower Donation	\$ 45.00
Circle of Giving	\$ 1,655.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$ 1,625.00
Total Contributions	\$ 11,208.16

Weekly Schedule

Saturday, December 18
 5:30 pm Mass
 6:30 pm Reconciliation
Sunday, December 19
 8:00 am Mass
Monday, December 20
 9:00 - 11:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry
 1:00 - 4:00 pm Food Pantry
Tuesday, December 21
 6:30 pm Finance Council
Wednesday, December 22
 8:30 am Mass
 9:00 - 12:00 pm Food Pantry
 6:30 - 8:00 pm Choir Practice
Thursday, December 23 (No events)
Friday, December 24
 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass
 Parish Office Closed
Saturday, December 25
 8:00am Christmas Day Mass
Sunday, December 26
 8:00 am Mass



THE WEARING OF MASKS IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED INSIDE THE PARISH, WHILE AT MASS, MEETINGS, OR STOPPING AT THE PARISH OFFICE.



PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like your name added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the Parish Office *Newly Added

Katrina	Bargender	Ralph	Groothuis	Angela	Pron
Fuzzy	Baumann	Carol	Johnson	Jeffry	Schwartz
Bill	Blomberg	Bette	Keskitalo	Maggie	Senzig Skorvera
Linda	Bruchert	Shirley	Kortendick	Rosemary	Steinmetz
Lois	Dombrowski	Art	Lechner	Michael	Strueder
Harold	Erickson	Janice	Lechner	Anita	Vaculik
Carmen	Groothuis	Ralph	Lewandowski	COVID-19	VICTIMS

St. Augustine tells us that a “Christian is a mind through which Christ thinks, a heart through which Christ loves, a voice through which Christ speaks and a hand through which Christ helps.” As we look around and out at the world, we do not have to search too far before we come face to face with inequity and injustice. There is so much unfairness, prejudice, anger, hatred, violence, and want. The stories of human heartache, people being hurt, deprived of life’s necessities, loneliness, and sickness are far too commonplace. For many of the world’s ills, the vices of greed, lust, pride, gluttony, and jealousy are clearly among the more significant root causes.

Why doesn’t God just step in and fix this mess? After all, God created this world, and one would hope that he would step up and take some measure of responsibility for it! Once we sit with this thinking for a while, we can begin to realize just how flawed it really is. God did take responsibility and God did fix the problem! God sent us Jesus Christ as the divine solution to the world’s ills. It is not God who has shirked responsibility, we have. We are the ones who continually fail to set our own personal needs, wants, and securities aside so that One more powerful than us can use us.

Mary had to set her needs aside in order for the Son of God to come into the world. Put simply, Mary listened and believed. Having opened herself to being an instrument of the Divine, God could use her as his mind, heart, voice, and hand. She became God’s vessel so that God’s greatness could reach the ends of the earth and peace could come upon the world. God’s fix for the world’s difficulties is you and me. We are the ones who confess that Jesus Christ came into the world as the Son of God, the Prince of Peace, and herald of justice. All we have to do is believe, as did Mary, that what has been spoken to us by the Lord will be fulfilled. Then, we can step aside and be the Christians we claim to be. What a difference it would make if every person who professed to be Christian truly understood that their one and only vocation is to be God’s instrument. What a beautiful, equitable, and just world it would be.

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Stewardship contributions to be counted for this tax year need to be received at the parish office by December 28.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Baby Jesus’ Wish List

Odds are you’ve got a Christmas list going by now — gift ideas for everyone from your nephew to your goddaughter to your mailman. But what about the birthday boy? What’s the gift Jesus gets from you this Christmas?

If you’ve ever read the Book of Leviticus, you know all about the sacrifices God asks of the Israelites, referred to in the reading from Hebrews today. Leviticus can be a chore to read — a little repetitive, a little intimidating. There’s a lot of very specific actions that God asks His Chosen People to complete to make up for whatever they have done wrong. In essence, it’s a bit of a wish list for gifts.

But it’s a wish list that can really confuse you. What’s God going to do with a cereal offering? The kidneys of an animal? If you look closely, what God is doing here is beautiful. He’s customized his wish list to only those things He knows the Israelites can give. It’s God saying, in what amounts to theological baby-talk for folks who barely know of Him and His ways, exactly how they could be stewards. “Do this, but don’t do that. If you do that, do this and you will find My mercy.”

Our guide to stewardship — the Gospels of Christ — is less precise because by the time of Christ, God’s people have grown in understanding of love and mercy and relationship with the divine. Through Christ, we find out that God’s real wish list didn’t really consist of cereal offerings and the kidneys of various animals. It’s far simpler, but luckily, it’s something we still have on-hand. All He wants is our whole heart.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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The new hours are now Monday thru Thursday 9 am to 4 pm, and closed on Friday.

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Monday: 1:00 - 4:00PM
Wednesday: 9:00AM - 12:00PM

RECONCILIATION

St. Louis: 1st & 3rd Saturday at 6:30PM
St. Paul the Apostle: 2nd & 4th Saturday at 2:45PM
or by appointment

ANOINTING

St. Louis: 2nd Saturday at 6:30PM
St. Paul the Apostle: 2nd Tuesday after Mass

ST. LOUIS CEMETERY

Our cemetery is open to the public.
For more info, please visit our parish website at:
www.stlouisparishwi.com/cemetery.html

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Parents must be registered with the parish.
Please call the parish office to register for a Baptism
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Marriage: Couples should call the pastor at least six
months before the desired wedding date.



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(Pastoral Council - September 2019)

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