

St. Louise de Marillac

Catholic Parish • Warren, MI

August 8, 2021

19th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME



"I am the bread of life.
Your ancestors ate the
manna in the desert, but
they died; this is the bread
that comes down from
heaven so that one may
eat it and not die."

- Jn 6:48-50

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 Closed Saturday & Sunday

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Saturday: 4 pm **Sunday:** 9:30 am, 11:30 am
Tuesday: 12 Noon **Thursday:** 12 Noon **Friday:** 12 Noon
Holy Days: Consult bulletin

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms - 1st Sunday of the Month at the 11:30 am Mass
Reconciliation - Saturdays 9:45 - 10:30 am
Marriage - 6 months prior notification

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MISSION STATEMENT: St. Louise de Marillac Parish is a Christ-centered Community committed to worship, service and the development of our faith. Through the sacraments we are empowered to embrace the future, welcome people from diverse backgrounds and follow the example of our patroness, St. Louise de Marillac, serving the spiritual and temporal needs of others.



There is joy for all of us having you with us in church this morning! Whether you are here as a family or by yourself, God claims you through the Lord Jesus as a unique, much-loved member of his worldwide family. In the church, sheltered under God's wings, we are never alone.

Interested in becoming a parishioner at St. Louise de Marillac? Contact our office at 586-751-3340

REFLECT

FIRST READING (1 Kgs 19:8)

The prophet Elijah was exhausted and literally prayed for death. The Lord answered his prayer by sending Elijah food and drink for strength. How do you encourage others in your life who are spiritually drained?

SECOND READING (Eph 5:1-2)

Paul held Christian communities to very high standards of conduct. How well do you think your faith community holds these standards today?

GOSPEL READING (Jn 6:44)

We hear today John's account of Jesus' rejection by His own people. The Jews struggled to think of Jesus as "the living bread that came down from heaven." What are some of Jesus' words that challenge you or cause you to struggle?



St. Louise Happenings



On Friday, August 27, we will have our 2nd Annual Golf Outing-Fundraiser at Hickory Hollow Golf Club.

We would like to ask for your support in a few different ways:

1. **BECOME A TEE SPONSOR** - For a \$100 donation, you, your business or a memorial name of a deceased loved one will be acknowledged with a sign at one of the starting tees.
2. **DONATIONS** of gift cards, lottery tickets or monetary donations.
3. **CREATE A "THEME BASKET"** just like we had for festival.
4. **NEW, UNOPENED GIFTS** you may have tucked away.

And of course, if you are a golfer, grab some golfing buddies and register to play!

Our parish family has always been very generous for many, many years supporting the various fundraisers we have had, and hopefully, you will be able to do so again.

You may bring your donations to the parish office (see office hours), send by mail, or bring to church and deposit in the donation basket. Make checks payable to **St. Louise Golf Outing**. Please print **GOLF OUTING** on the envelope.

Thank you in advance for your donation. Pray for good weather on August 27. If you'd like more information or need a registration form, contact Shirley at 586.703.7205 or email stlouise50@gmail.com



GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

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What's Your Hearth Cake?

“Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.” I’ve been to a lot of meetings in my years of work in the Church, and you can take my word for it: the ones with snacks just seem to go better.

I don’t know what it is exactly. Maybe it’s just that people are in a more agreeable mood if you show up with donuts. Or maybe it’s about the very real sense of community and camaraderie that is created at a table where people are engaging in that most human of tasks — eating — beside one another. I think a big part of it comes down to the simple fact that we’re all just nicer people when we’re fed.

This rings true spiritually, too. We simply must remain fed if we, in turn, are to feed others. Think of a time when you have neglected your relationship with God — when you haven’t fed yourself with whatever it is that you need to remain committed to the journey of a Christian life. Is it Mass attendance? Is it prayer or Scripture reading? Is it time with your small group, or conversation with a trusted friend who knows your soul? What sustains your ability to be a good disciple, a good steward? What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly?

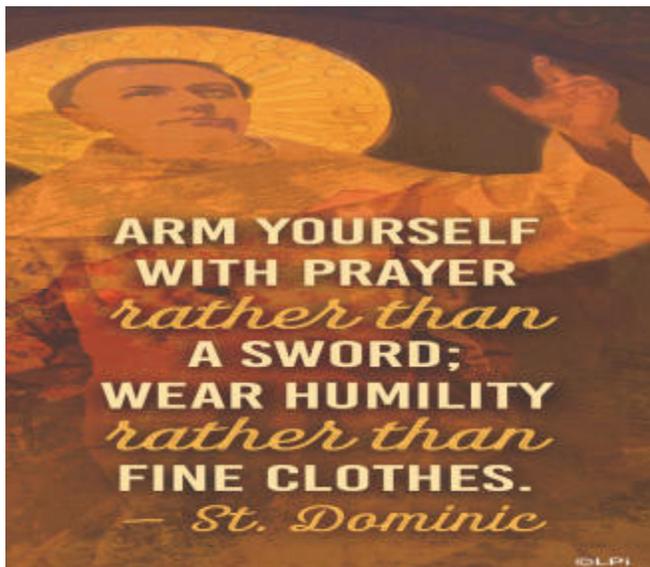
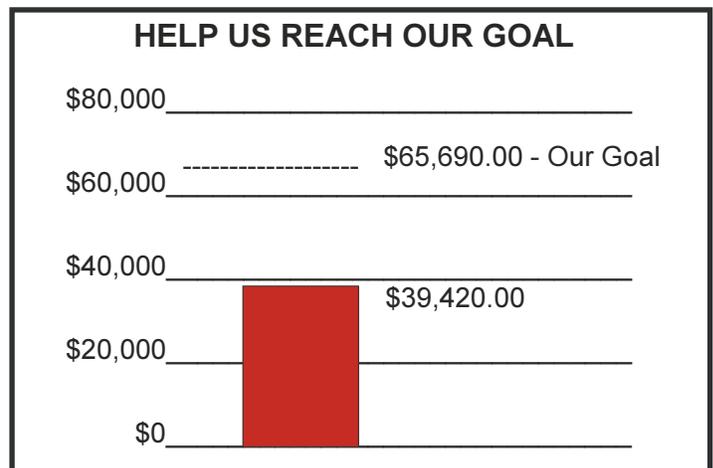
Whatever it is, that’s your hearth cake. That’s your jug of water. Don’t neglect it. The Angel of the Lord is nudging you in your sleep: “Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.”

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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St. Louise de Marillac has now raised \$39,420 towards our 2021 CSA target of \$65,690. Thank you to the 162 parishioners who have already pledged their support. The ministries, programs, and services that the Catholic Service Appeal funds help us Unleash the Gospel in our own parish and throughout southeast Michigan and beyond. Truly, we Fuel the Mission to witness Christ!

If you are still prayerfully considering your CSA pledge, you may mail your completed pledge card in the pre-addressed envelope that was provided to you. You may also pledge your gift to our parish’s campaign online at givecsa.org.

CSA Committee



Stewardship Update as of 08/01/21

Grateful Giving - Joyful Living

Weekly Offering Goal	\$7,000
Weekly Offering Received	\$8,076.07
Capital Improvement/Utilities	\$741
YTD - Budget	\$35,000
YTD - Actual	\$32,912
YTD - Capital Improvement/Utilities (Budgeted Year Goal \$18,500)	\$3,477

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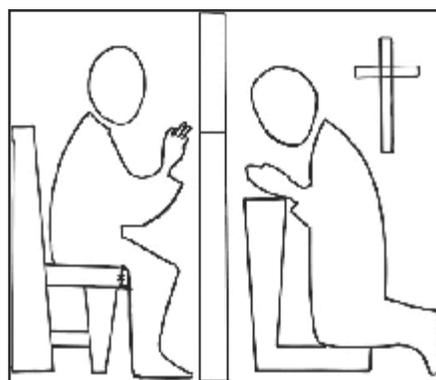
Community Prayer List

Let us pray for our sick and continue to hold in our hearts and minds those who cannot be here today:

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| Olga Bass
Harold Booms
Margaret Brehmer
Terrie Cervera Family
Jim Crepeau
Kevin Crepeau
Patricia Cusick
Jim Dodge, Jr.
Rita Dodge
Christine Dolence
Jude Lynn Trembley-Dulong
Jomar Ferinand
Irene Filio
Jelka Gern
Elvira Grafilo
Nora & Tom Griffin
Maria Hawes
Debbie Hebel
Joe Hebel
Myrna T. Hernaez
Leonila Jimenez
Teresita Jimenez
Zoë Kinsella Johnson
Cindy Kolar
Pete Laudicina
Steven Laudicina
Penny Malony
Al & Pat Mandel | Delores Marchesi
John Marx
Barbara Mezzapelle
Barbara Montalvo Family
Ted Niedbala
Ramon Olano
Ripa Olano
Evelyn Osepchuk
Deacon Charlie Pace
Jim Paruch
Ernie Patton
Priscilla Podowski
Deiter Profit
Harold Promo
Glecya Quendangan-Angeles
Msgr. Thomas Rice
Juanito Romano
Olivia Rokicki
Jerry Sanocki
Scott Snyder
Camile Stockdale
Mary Ellen Tyszka
Helen Walczak
Eleanor Weathers
Beki Willette
Walter Wisniewski
Kristine Yang
Nicholas Yang |
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Mass Intentions

- Tuesday, August 10, 2021**
12 Noon
- Thursday, August 12, 2021**
12 Noon
- Friday, August 13, 2021**
12 Noon
- Saturday, August 14, 2021**
4 pm Lori Rakovan by Helen Walczak
 Juan B. Jimenez by Elvira Grafilo
- Sunday, August 15, 2021**
9:30 am For the Parishioners for St. Louise
- 11:30 am Edward Skarb by Wife
 Brian Skarb by Mother

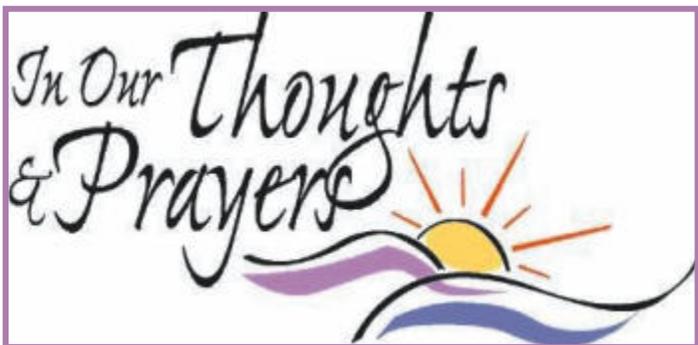


REMINDER

If your name or the name of a loved one has been removed from this list and is still in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 586.751.3340 to be placed on the list for another month.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays -- 9:45 - 10:30 am





An angel says . . .

... peace is seeing a sunrise or sunset and knowing whom to thank.

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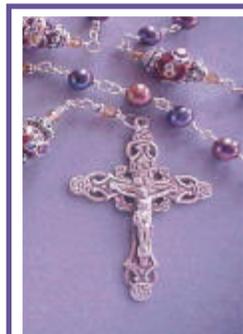
Imagine that feeling when your child is placed on a wait list for a favorite sport or activity because there is no one stepping up to coach the team. In the grand scheme of things, that is a temporary inconvenience, but honestly, everything will be ok.

Now imagine your child's salvation being challenged because there is no one stepping up to pass it on to them. No one to explain to them the beauty and richness of the Catholic Church. No one to explain that St. Louise isn't the same as a non-denominational church down the street and leaving the Church is leaving Jesus' true presence in the Eucharist.

I realize those examples are drastic, but we are living in drastic times. We are literally arming our young people (and their families) to know how to defend themselves in battle against the wickedness and snares of the devil. We are teaching them to better understand how much they are loved and valued as a creation of God, their Father.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS A BIG DEAL!

Please take time to register your child on the parish website if you haven't already done so. I am staffing and ordering material right now and want to assure everyone is counted.



HOLY ROSARY PARTICIPATION

Please join us in the recitation of the Holy Rosary after Mass during the week. What a beautiful way to honor our Blessed Mother. In addition to reciting the rosary in church, consider offering up a spiritual gift for our country by reciting the rosary, or at least a decade, at 7 pm everyday. Pray for the end to unrest, anger and mutual disrespect in our country, and for the return of civility, harmony, and peace in our society. Every prayer will help.

DON'T HAVE CHILDREN AT HOME?

Here are some ways you can help:

- Call your children and ask if their children are registered anywhere. If not, ask permission to bring them to St. Louise and take responsibility for their soul.
- Teach a class here and share your love with the children of the parish
- Be a classroom aide to assist the lead teacher
- Be a hall monitor to assure our children get from point A to point B during class
- Help make copies for catechists earlier in the day so the catechist can prepare the classroom
- Be a prayer assessor. Listen to the children's prayers one-on-one to assure they learn them.

WE NEED YOU NOW!

There is no time to waste! Classes begin Tuesday, September 14, 2021 from 5:15-6:45pm. Staff training begins soon.

Please contact me at music@stldm.org or call the parish office for more information or to help. Thank you in advance for your "YES!"

Greg Crachiolo
Director of Religious Education

Registration for Religious Education 2021-2022 is still open. Please register your children grades K-8 at shorturl.at/otCUY as soon as possible.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AT ST. LOUISE

The Amazing Grace Lutheran Church on Dequindre just south of Common Rd., has graciously offered us the use of their social hall for the Tuesdays of this summer beginning July 6. If you remember the summer of 2019, we enjoyed 8 weeks of socializing, lunching and game playing there. Because of the uncertainty of participants, we will order some lunch after everyone arrives, or bring your own lunch. Any questions, call 586-254-9006.



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