



Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church

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MASS & SACRAMENTS

Sunday Masses: 8:00 & 10:30 am

Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday: 8:00 am

Tuesday Evening Mass: 6:30 pm

Saturday Masses 8:00 am and 4:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday, 7:30-7:50 am

Sundays, 10-10:20 am

Tuesdays, 6-6:20 pm OR by appointment

Baptisms: Meeting first Thursday of the month. Preregistration required.

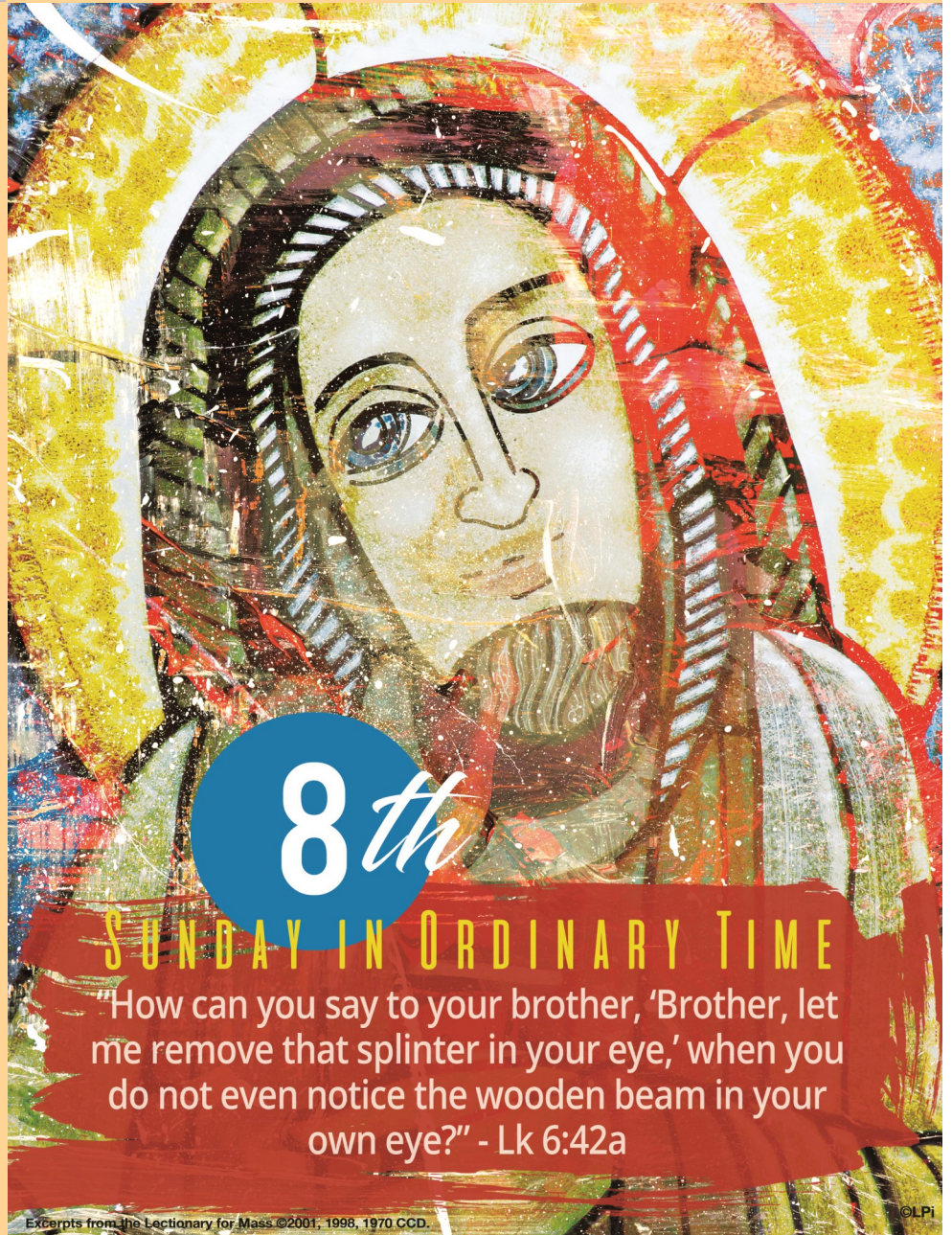
Marriages: Contact the priest at least 9 months prior to the wedding date.

Funerals: To be arranged by contacting the Parish Office.

Change of Address or Telephone

Number: Please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: 4:00 pm Monday.



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019

Phone: 314-781-1199
www.epiphanystl.org

Thank you to the children's choir for helping lead us in singing last week. If your children are interested in joining. They practice twice per month on Tue nights and sing at one Mass per month.

7 pm, Sunday March 31 is an evening of Reflection, Confessions, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We'll have a half hour spiritual talk, followed by adoration and confessions. I'm hoping to get one additional priest to hear confessions.

7 pm, Tuesday April 2 Stations of the Cross. Join us as the parish children lead us for Stations of the Cross.

We are looking for a leader for Tenebrae. Tenebrae is a Holy Week devotion that focuses on praying the Psalms and entering into the darkness of the Cross. We would like to have it again this year but are currently looking for a willing volunteer to lead those prayers. If you're interested in seeing what's involved, please let me know and I'll show you the liturgy.

Flu season is in full swing, so to minimize the passing of germs, we won't use chalices for about 6-8 weeks or so. We want everyone to stay happy and healthy. This will be for weekends only (daily mass goers, we'll take our chances). A quick note: The Catechism teaches that Our Lord is fully present Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in both the Host and the Precious Blood, so even receiving the Host only means that we are receiving the *Body and Blood of Christ*.

During flu season, I will also be omitting the optional, latter portion of the sign of peace, which is the second half where you turn to each other in the pews. If you're sitting with your family and still want to pass the sign of peace with a hug or kiss, I say go for it even if I don't make the invitation to do so.

Mass Explanations - Protecting Our Lord

At Mass, Jesus is here. Even though he is all-powerful, he chooses to become small so he can spend time with us. Jesus comes to us under the appearance of bread and wine. Think about a piece of bread. It can easily be dropped on the ground. A glass of wine can spill. Jesus trusts us to take care of him. Have any of you ever spilled a glass during dinner, or dropped a crumb on the ground while eating? I have. Accidents happen. But at Mass, we try as hard as we possibly can to make sure that never happens.

- I spread out a corporal, which catches any particles. After communion I fold it up carefully so everything falls into the center.
- I put a pall on the chalice. This keeps bugs from flying into the cup. When I take the pall on or off, I place my other hand at the bottom of the chalice so that if I bump it, it won't fall over.
- After the words of consecration, the fingers that have touched Jesus are held together so particles don't fall from my fingers to the ground.
- I wipe off the paten into the chalice. There is always a particle or two on it.
- During communion, our servers help us by holding communion patens. This is a very important job, because the Hosts sometimes have particles on them that fall off. The patens catch them. Incidentally, if you receive communion on your hand, you'll need to be very aware of whether a particle is on your fingers as you walk back to the pew. One of the advantages of receiving on the tongue is that this possibility doesn't happen.
- After communion, it takes a minute to clean up everything. No precious blood goes down the sink. I pour water into the chalice, drink it, and dry it out as carefully as I can. When I pour the water, it goes over my fingers to clean them off. After that I hold my hands normally again.
- Finally, Jesus is placed in the tabernacle. This protects him from danger.

All of these little things we do are because we love Jesus and want to keep him safe. He gave away all his power to be with us at Mass. It is our job to protect him.

Fr. Michael

CONVERSING WITH GOD IN LENT

Please join us on Thursday evenings during Lent to reflect on and discuss the Mass readings for the upcoming Sundays. We will use the book "Conversing with God in Lent" praying the Sunday Mass Readings with Lectio Divina. Meetings will begin at 7:00 in the rectory meeting room and last about 90 minutes. Meeting will consist of reading the Sunday epistles and gospel and reflecting on their meanings and how they affect our lives. Join us on any Thursday you can. Each meeting is independent and does not rely on making it to all of the meetings. If you have any questions or want more information please contact Marilyn and Gerry Unger at 314-645-3483.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
"Could you not stay with me one hour?" (Mt-26:20)

Dear Parishioners,
 St. Ambrose Catholic Church is in the process of finalizing the construction of its new Adoration Chapel. Upon completion in March, we are going to expand our Adoration hours into various evenings throughout the week. We want to share this wonderful ministry with our neighboring parishes. If you are interested in volunteering as an Adorer or simply just coming to pray in our chapel, you are very welcome. We will be having some informational meetings after our weekend masses on March 2nd (5:00PM) & March 3rd (7, 9 & 11AM) in our Church Hall. If you have would like to sign up or have any questions, please contact Bonnie Devoti at 314.223.1495 or devotij@gmail.com or me at 314-771-1228-ext 4 or jfragale@stambroseonthehill.com
 Thanks and God Bless!

Pro-Life Matters

40 /Days For Life Campaign: Once again, our community will be one of many cities from coast to coast joining together for the *40 Days for Life* campaign. *40 Days for Life* is an intensive effort designed to raise awareness, save lives, bring healing, and lead our nation to repentance for the sin of abortion through three components:

- 40 days of prayer and fasting
- 40 days of peaceful vigil
- 40 days of community outreach

Beginning March 6th through April 14th you can help make a life-saving impact by joining our vigil at: **Planned Parenthood [Forest Park], 4251 Forest Park Ave, St Louis, MO 63108**

The vigil is peaceful; participants sign a "Statement of Peace" with a pledge that they will conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner. All are welcome! For more information or to join us for an hour or more, please contact Marilyn and Gerry Unger at 314-645-3483.

Helpers Mass and Rosary: Join us March 16th for our monthly Mass and rosary walk to celebrate life and pray for the building up of the Culture of Life in the greater St. Louis Area! The Mass starts at 8 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis followed by the rosary procession, adoration, and benediction. Fr. Timothy Noelker, Director of Archdiocesan Mission Office will be our celebrant and lead the rosary walk. For more information, contact the RLA at prolifestl@arch.org or at 314-792-7555.

Project Rachel & Project Joseph: The services of Project Rachel and Project Joseph are available to anyone who has been wounded by an abortion experience and is seeking healing. Services include: free, confidential, professional counseling, monthly spiritual support group meetings, healing retreats, spiritual direction, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Project Rachel Next Meeting Thursday March 28th 7:00 PM. For more information contact Marisol 314-792-7451 mpfaff@archstl.org or STLprojectrachel.org.

Project Joseph Next Meeting Monday March 4 th 7:00 PM. For more information contact Chuck 314-974-6787 craymir@sbcglobal.net or STLprojectjoseph.org

Hope for the Broken-hearted: Whether you are the mom, dad, grandparent or sibling, abortion can leave a hole in the heart of any family member. Find healing for your heartache at Project Rachel and Project Joseph with free, confidential, professional counseling at 314-792-7565.



Join Hundreds in the St. Louis Pro-Life March!

March on the Arch

March 23rd

Together we can save lives and end abortion in our community!

Check-in at 12pm. March starts at 1pm. - Meet outside Planned Parenthood (4251 Forest Park Ave.)
Return shuttle service provided with registration.

Hosted by Coalition for Life St. Louis - 11780 Borman Dr., St. Louis MO 63146

For Questions Call 314-827-4039

Register Today **STLMarch.com**



LITURGIES & SCHEDULES

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, March 3**
 8:00 am The Keiser Family (*Good Intentions*)
 10:30 am Parishioners
- Monday, March 4**
 8:00 am Thomas McDonnell
- Tuesday, March 5**
 8:00 am Marge Essmann
 6:30 pm Ronald Wheeler
- Ash Wednesday, March 6**
 8:00 am Esther Klearman
 (*Conversion & Sanctification*)
 7:00 pm Parishioners
- Thursday, March 7**
 8:00 am Michael Scott Huelsmann
- Friday, March 8**
 8:00 am Sean & Don Welby
- Saturday, March 9**
 8:00 am Melvin Klearman
 (*Conversion & Sanctification*)
 Deceased Members of the
 Epiphany Class of '70
- First Sunday of Lent, March 10**
 8:00 am Parishioners
 10:30 am Mary Heuing

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND & SICK OF OUR PARISH

Toni Berberich	Sheryl McPherson	Tracy Limpert
Jack McPherson	Dorothy Kaup	Nannette McPherson
Maryann Morrow	Karen Glanz	Joan Huelsmann
Dorothy Ackermann	Ethan Sonderman	Daniel Barr
Ken Wisniewski	Ellie Wisniewski	Pam Devine

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 3, 2019

- Sunday:** Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/
 1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45
- Monday:** Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [11a]/
 Mk 10:17-27
- Tuesday:** Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/
 Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and
 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/
 Lk 9:22-25
- Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/
 Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/
 Lk 5:27-32
- Next Sunday:** Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Stewardship "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." (Luke 6:43)

Are you using your God-given gifts in the way God intended? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday - Saturday March 4-9

- 7:30 am - Rosary, Church

Sunday, March 3

- 9:00 am - Bible Study, CMR
- 10:30 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB

Monday, March 4

- 7:30 am - 5:00 pm - GSA,
- 7:30 am -- 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts, Upper Hall

Tuesday, March 5

- 7:30 am - 5:00 pm - GSA,
- 7:30 am -- 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 6:30 pm - PSR, Church, AR and UH

Ash Wednesday, March 6

- 7:30 am - 5:00 pm - GSA,
- 7:30 am -- 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym

Thursday, March 7

- 7:30 am - 5:00 pm - GSA,
- 7:30 am -- 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 7:00 pm - Lenten Discussion Group, CMR

Friday, March 8

- 7:30 am - 5:00 pm - GSA,
- 7:30 am -- 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 3:30-6:30 pm - Dance, UH
- 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm - Fish Fry, Gym

Saturday, March 9
 Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, March 10

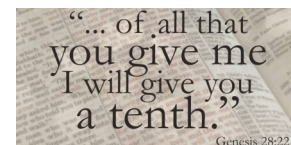
- 9:00 am - Bible Study, CMR
- 10:30 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB



OUR OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 23-24, 2019

Sunday Collection

General Fund	\$4,782.00	
General Fund Loose	\$260.25	
General Fund Online	\$280.00	
Total	\$5,322.25	
Candlemas	\$35.00	
First Offering	\$10.00	
Maintenance & Repair	\$150.00	
M&R Online	\$25.00	
SVDP Online	\$15.00	
Votive	\$35.00	
Tuition Assistance	\$10.00	
TA Online	\$15.00	\$1,228.00(YTD)
Endowment Fund	\$..	\$115,319.64(YTD)



The Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis needs you!

Would you like to come to the most beautiful building in Saint Louis and volunteer one morning or afternoon a week. There are opportunities waiting for you as a Greeter or Tour Guide. Greeters sit and the desk in the vestibule and welcome people from around the world. Greeters are needed Monday thru Friday from 10:00 to 1:00 or 1:00 to 4:00. Tour Guides are needed on Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings to share the beautiful mosaics in our Cathedral Basilica. You will receive training if interested in becoming a Tour Guide or a Greeter. Please prayerfully consider giving your time and talent for a few hours a week to share this great treasure of our faith. Thank you. Please contact Sister Pat Donnelly at 314-373-8241

Magnificat-A Ministry to Catholic Women

My Soul magnifies the Lord, my spirit finds joy in God my Savior...God who is mighty has done great things for me, holy is His name."

Speaker: Amy Olson

Date: Saturday, March 30

Time: 8:30 am Registration; 9:00 am - Noon (Meal & Speaker)

Place: Cardinal Rigali Center

20 Archbishop May Drive

Shrewsbury, Mo 63119

Price: \$20

LIMITED SEATING! Reservations taken until March 26 by calling the Catholic Renewal Center, 314-801-8688 or by emailing: catholicrenewal@archstl.org "Checks may be sent ahead made out to: Our Lady of America" and mailed to: Magnificat/Catholic Renewal Center, 1406 S Sappington Road, Crestwood, MO 63126 ***For stairless entry there is parking available in the rear of the building***

(Please return with payment)

Name: _____

of tickets _____ Total Enclosed _____

Email Address: _____

Or Phone #: _____

ST Vincent DePaul activity for February:

26 adults and 14 children helped
 \$560 from food pantry
 \$375 Schnucks food vouchers
 \$50 paid to Ameren
 \$50 in vouchers to the SVDP thrift store
 Pantry and/or monetary contributions
 are greatly appreciated!



Fish Fry starts on Friday, March 8th! It takes **many volunteers** to make Fish Frys successful! Please consider joining the crew - we are always looking for more help to keep things running smoothly. If you have been a regular worker in the past and find your schedule no longer permits you to fulfill this commitment, please let Monica and/or Steve know as soon as possible. Thank you!

2019 Friday Fish Fry Dates

March 8, 15, 22, & 29 And April 5 & 12

Dine In & Carry-Out Menu

Catfish \$5.00
 Pollock \$4.00
 Cod Filet \$3.50
 Cod Filet Sandwich \$4.00
 Shrimp \$1.00

Bread (White/Rye/Wheat) \$.25 per slice
 French Bread \$.50
 Jello/Desserts \$1.00

Dine In Sides

Mac & Cheese \$2.50
 Spaghetti \$1.50
 Coleslaws/3-Bean/Corn/Green Beans /Beets \$1.00

Carry Out Sides

Mac & Cheese or Fruit Salad
 Quart: \$5.50 Pint: \$3.50 1/2Pint: \$2.50
 Spaghetti, Cole Slaw (Creamy or Oil & Vinegar), Beets or 3-Bean Salad
 Quart: \$4.00 Pint: \$2.50 1/2Pint: \$1.50
 Green Beans or Corn
 Quart: \$3.00 Pint: \$2.00 1/2Pint: \$1.50

Beverages

Beer & wine \$2.50
 Soda \$1.00
 Milk/Tea/Coffee .50¢

***Dinners are served in the gym from 4:30-7:00 PM
 Carry outs are available.***

Men's Club Alpha Square Raffle 2019-20

Tickets are still for sale for the 2019-20 Season. The remaining drawings are now through June of 2019. Each month there is a \$100 winner and a chance for four \$25 winners. It is possible to win all twelve months. To purchase, fill out the attached form with cash or check and mail to: Richard Huelsmann or Epiphany Parish Office. You may also drop request in the Sunday collection marked: Alpha Square Raffle. Make checks payable to: Epiphany Men's Club. Submit requests to: Richard Huelsmann, 6536 Smiley Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63139. 314-645-5941.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Squares (\$12 EACH): _____