

ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

December 2, 2018

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT HOPE

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NEW PARISHIONERS

Register in the parish office,
Mon-Fri, 8:00 am- 4:00 pm.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism Instruction is to be
scheduled with a parish priest.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

To be arranged with the parish
priest at least six months prior.



Prayer, Liturgy and Sacrifice

Mass Schedule

Mon - Fri 8:00 am
Saturday First Sat. of the month, 8:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm (Vigil)
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 8:30 am - 7:00 pm
 7:00 pm - Perpetual Help & Benediction

Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 pm
 Or by appointment, call 314-838-6565

Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesdays After 8:00 am Mass & 7:00pm

Holy Day of Obligation Masses

To Be Announced.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Submit to the parish office by Monday at 4:00 pm. Please email notices to: brindley@stangelam.org.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 3

8:00 am - Dorothy Vogel

Tuesday, December 4

8:00 am - Carl Moro

Wednesday, December 5

8:00 am - Teresa Miller

Thursday, December 6

8:00 am - Most Forsaken Souls in Purgatory

Friday, December 7

8:00 am - Mary Jo Schmidt

6:00 pm - Sam Bommarito

Saturday, December 8

8:00 am - Bibiana Ihekire

10:00 am - Father Robert Marshall

5:00 pm - James Robinson III (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, December 9

7:30 am - Rachel Gehner

9:30 am - Theresa Davisson

11:30 am - People of the Parish

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 8 & 9

WEEKEND SERVERS

5:00 pm - Matt Adams, Jahnea Gates
 Daena Talavera

7:30 am - Ben, Jacob & Kevin Burke

9:30 am - Jason Brady, Matthew Neiner,
 Sebastian Thomas

11:30am - Megan Kelley, Molly Malone

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

WEEKEND LECTORS

5:00 pm - Crystalyn Talavera

7:30 am - Harry Maier, Katherine Ising

9:30 am - Eric Spalding, Alan Scheibel

11:30 am - Julie Ratermann

EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 pm - Claudia & George Bidleman, Karen Dietz,
 Vitina Galati, Diana & Ray Skubic, Shirley Sweney

7:30 am - Agnes & Geoffrey Bullock, Margie Heppermann, Carol Pauli, Kenneth Schmalbeck, Theresa & William Watson

9:30 am - Nancy Hesselbach, Donald & JoAnn Holdener, Debbie Keeven, John & Sue Scheiding, Laura Vietmeier

11:30 am - Charles Danganan, Linda McManus, Denyse Sternberg

WEEKEND GIFT BEARERS - DEC. 8 & 9

Sat. 5:00 pm - Marnie Brown/Sandy Norman

Sun. 7:30 am - Carol & Jude Pauli

Sun. 9:30 am - Debbie & John Keeven

Sun. 11:30 am - The Licalde Family



Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Gift Bearers & Ushers –

Please sign up for the Christmas Eve, Christmas day and Solemnity of Mary Liturgies in the Lunchroom after Mass today.

Servers – Please sign up for the Christmas Eve, Christmas day and Solemnity of Mary Liturgies in the Servers area.



From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

REMEMBER THAT DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION!

ADVENT TRADITIONS

I love the holy season of Advent! Sadly, the secular world has no use for it. The world of the godless starts celebrating its own materialized and secularized version of Christmas right after Thanksgiving (at least they *used* to; now it's more like *Hallowe'en!*), bypassing Advent altogether. What do we expect? St. Paul described that "culture" very well when he said that "their god is their belly and their glory is in their shame" (Phil. 3:19). But those of us who live in God's Kingdom understand the beauty and harmony of the many varied seasons of the Church's magnificent liturgical calendar, because we understand their purpose. Advent is the season of St. John the Baptist, for it echoes his great cry: Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand! Advent is a time for *not* celebrating Christmas. We *need* Advent. Christ is coming, but we're not ready to meet Him. Let us, therefore, make good use of the many soul-enriching traditions of this season, including...

...ADVENT VESPERS

We have been observing this exquisite and ancient custom of the Church at St. Angela's for a few years now, and so I think we all know what it entails. It is a most effective way to remind us that the world was once in desperate need of a Savior and didn't have Him, and how anxious the whole world was in anticipation of His coming. They will be held every Advent Sunday evening at 7:00 and last about half an hour. We gather in the darkness, at this darkest time of the year, to symbolize the darkness of the world without the Savior. We light the candles and chant the prophecies that foretell His coming, all culminating with the adoration of Him in the Blessed Sacrament. It's something for the whole family (and the kids *love* it!). And don't forget...

...CONFESSIONS

Can anyone say he has no need of repentance? "The just man falls seven times..." (Prov. 24:16). Can anyone repent without acknowledging his sins before the One who has the power and will to forgive him? Confessions this week will be at the usual 4:00-4:45PM on Saturday, and from 1:00-1:30PM this Tuesday.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

This coming Saturday (Dec. 8) is the feast of the patron saint of the United States: Mary, the Immaculate Conception. It is, of course, a holy day of obligation. Masses, therefore, will be at 6:00PM on Friday (Dec. 7) and at 8:00 & 10:00AM on Saturday.

QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

St. Matthew begins his gospel by asserting Jesus' *bonafides* to claim Messiahship, establishing that Jesus was descended, as was prophesied, from Abraham through King David. He then proceeds to give us the names of 42 ancestors of the Lord. To most of us, those names are meaningless; we have no idea who they are. (In fact, all *anybody* today knows about a lot of them is their names, as presented to us by St. Matthew.) But some are famous, some are infamous, some are both. See how much you know about the forebears of the Lord, and name:

1. The first listed ancestor of Jesus, who was also the first Jew
2. The king, son of Bathsheba and renowned for wisdom, who built the first temple
3. The king who dug a (still working) tunnel to connect the Gihon Spring with Siloam Pool
4. The father of King David; one of Jesus' titles calls Him the "Root of" this man





Features:

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5. The son of #1 (in his old age) by his wife, Sarah (in her old age)
6. The younger twin who bamboozled his older brother out of his birthright
7. The one male mentioned in the genealogy who was not an ancestor of Jesus
8. The king who found the lost Book of Deuteronomy and re-inserted it into the bible
9. The man who led the Jewish exiles back to Jerusalem from Persia
10. The five women mentioned (all of whom conceived in an irregular fashion)

ANSWERS: 1. Abraham 2. Solomon 3. Hezekiah 4. Jesse 5. Isaac 6. Jacob 7. Uriah, the Hittite 8. Josiah 9. Zerubabel 10. Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, "the wife of Uriah" (i.e., Bathsheba), the Blessed Virgin, Mary

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2, 9, 16, & 23: Advent Vespers

Dec. 4: Msgr. Mitas' Catechism Class, parish meeting room, after the 7:00PM Perpetual Help Devotions

Dec. 4 & 7: Exercise class for seniors in our gym. (Every Tuesday and Friday from 9:00-10:00AM)

Dec. 5: Confessions from 1:00-1:30 (in church)

Dec. 7 & 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady (Patroness of the United States) - Masses at 6:00PM (Friday), and 8:00 & 10:00AM (Saturday)

December 12: Mexican food night, to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, 4:30-7:00PM in the gym. We'll have Fajitas, Chimichangas, Nachos, and even a piñata for the kids!

TBD: Re-scheduling of the pilgrimage to EWTN

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Democracies...have ever been found incompatible with personal security and the rights of property; and have, in general, been as short in their lives as they have been violent in their deaths." - *President James Madison, father of The Constitution*

WORD OF THE WEEK

QUETCH: to moan, shake, and twist in pain

This Week In Our Parish:

Advent Giving Tree all week

Tuesday, December 4

8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 am - Seniors Exercise Class, GYM

3:00 pm - Legion of Mary, Rectory Basement

7:00 pm - Benediction

Wednesday, December 5

9:00 am - Quilters Meeting, Rectory Basement

6:30 pm—Ladies Club Meeting, Meeting Room

Friday, December 7

9:00 am - Seniors Exercise Class, GYM

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Rachael Lawson, Dorothy Martinelli, Jeff Gauthier, Lila Jones, Jennifer Berkbigler, Sue Pitti, Mary Dietz, Rosemary Licato, Evelyn Finno, Claudette Kazakian, Shirley Bertin, Lisa Williford, Roy Wong, Guy Henriksen, Debbie Corcoran, Augustine & Ray Porter, Billie Lawson, Jim & Eileen McMullen, Kristine Lawson, Katie Horn, Neil MacKenzie, William Brennan, Carolyn Stokes, Allison Molner, Margaret Kluge, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Vincent Scognamiglio, Sarah Hopf, Trisha Looney, Jerome Rueckert, Charles Haynes, Kathy Pilla, Jane Buchholz, Bill Russell, Art Batson, Eli Felder, Mary Shive, Thomas Mollerus, Louise Mierkowski, George Siebels, Bertha Carter-Simmons, Marion Miller, Bill Stubits and Jude Wulf.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF WE NEED TO ADD OR REMOVE ANYONE FROM THE ABOVE SO AS TO KEEP OUR SICK LIST CURRENT. THANK YOU!

SANCTIFICATION OF OUR PARISH

The Holy Hour for the Sanctification of Our Parish will be on Friday, December 7th at 7:00pm. Come to pray and meditate with us for an hour. Do you think that God would be pleased with your being present before the Blessed Sacrament?

Deacon Joseph Kroutil



Features:

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Joshua Stremlau, Bradley Stremlau, Corey Rudroff, Steven Bennett, Jerrod Klug, Michael Olwig, Pat Edwards-Parrish, Guthrie Stotser, Jonathan Buss, Brad Sanders, Matthew Meske, Jackie Cotter, J. Timothy Sullivan, Matthew Hawkins, John Reddan, Brandon Gruelle, Dustin Kyle, Jacob Doerle, Max Rose, Craig Richardson, Isiah Stewart, Matthew Moorman, Jacob and Joshua Graham

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WISH TO ADD A FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS IN THE ARMED FORCES.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our Advent Giving Tree is full of ornaments waiting to be picked by our parishioners! Please bring your unwrapped presents & leave them under the tree. We will be collecting toys, books, bed & bath linens & clothing, shoes & socks for infants, children & adults. Please return your gifts by Dec. 16th. Giving to help others is a blessed way to start the Advent season

QUILT RAFFLE

The Quilter's have made a beautiful quilt. They will be in the lunchroom selling chances on this quilt after all Masses.

Please stop by and support them. The drawing will be done at the next dinner on December 12th. Remember you don't have to be there to win.



SAVE THE DATE!!!

We will again have a New Year's Eve Dinner! The participants in the March for Life 2019 will be hosting the dinner, once again, following the vigil Mass on Monday, December 31st. Thank you for your ongoing support of the gift of Life.



NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE 2019!!!

The March for Life in DC will take place on January 18, 2019. If you are interested in/thinking about going, please call the Parish Office (838-6565) and let us know. We would like to coordinate our activities in DC and also help with the cost of your trip. Every human life is precious.



Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of a volunteer to wash and iron the Communion linens, when we need a substitute for someone on our regular schedule and on the fifth Monday of the month which occurs on April 29th, July 29th, September 30th and December 30th in 2019. If you can help us in this ministry, please call Carol Pauli at 314-741-4080. Thank you so very much.

Sunday Collection - November 25, 2018

Sunday Offering	\$ 11,284
Weekly Budget	\$ 12,223
Weekly Over/Under	- \$ 939
Fiscal Year To Date	- \$ 24,190

CONGRATULATIONS

The winner of the S.A.M. \$150 CLUB drawing is **Bob & Georgia Gremminger** Congratulations on winning \$250!

It's not too late to join!
YOU could be the next winner!



Features:

SAM Seniors

Meeting & Luncheon!

December 10th, 11:30 am



Bring a \$5.00 Christmas gift (wrapped) suitable for a male or female.



Please call your contact person

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH IS HER FEAST DAY. WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THAT DAY WITH SOME MEXICAN FOOD PREPARED BY KRAUSE KATERING



Place: St. Angela Merici Gym

Time: 4:30pm—7:00pm

Cost: \$15.00 per person

Menu: Fajitas (Steak, Chicken, Pork and Toppings (you build your own)), Chili Colorado Beef w/ refried beans & rice, Chicken Chimichangas, Nacho Grande, Salad (build your own South of the Border toppings)

Dessert—Caramel cake, Sopapilla cheese cake, Biscochitos (cookie)

Beverage— Beers, Corona & Margarita



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Saturday, December 8, 2018

9:00 am Mass in the Abbey Church with the Benedictine Community

10:15 am - 12:30 pm Spiritual Motherhood Program in the Parish Centre Lower Level with refreshments, Talk, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and prayers for priests, Priest Adoption Ceremony and Benediction.

Free, but please REGISTER by DECEMBER 3 - Online www.stlspiritualmotherhoodforpriests.com, Email smfpstl@gmail.com, or Call 314-275-0890.

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It is time to prepare the new quarterly schedule. Please update your availability for the quarter beginning on January 3rd through March 31st, 2019. The new quarterly schedule will be prepared the week of December 17th, 2018.

Please remember that any change after the new schedule is prepared, you will need to find your own substitute.

If you have any questions, please contact me via email at stangelamericischer@gmail.com. Thank you.

Ken Schmalbeck



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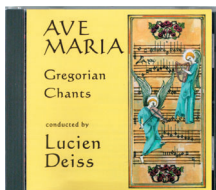
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