

ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
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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 23

8:00 am - Father Wesloh

Tuesday, December 24

8:00 am - George Siebels

5:00pm - John Conlon

10:00pm - Joseph Krause

Wednesday, December 25

8:00 am - Letha Salena Fenton

10:00am - Dorothy Aubuchon

Thursday, December 26

8:00 am - Dorothy Aubuchon

Friday, December 27

8:00 am - Jack Guinn

Saturday, December 28

5:00 pm - Ruth Adams

Sunday, December 29

7:30 am - Dorothy Aubuchon

9:30 am - James Walsh

11:30 am - People of the Parish

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, DEC. 28 & 29

WEEKEND SERVERS

5:00 pm - Matt Adams, **2 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

7:30 am - Thomas Anderson, Kaitlyn Smith, **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

9:30 am - Jocelyn & Sebastian Thomas, **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

11:30am - Megan Kelley, Megan Looney, **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

WEEKEND LECTORS

5:00 pm - Crystalyn Talavera

7:30 am - Don Krause, John Fallah

9:30 am - **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**, Alan Scheibel

11:30 am - Jeanie McCrary

EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 pm - Claudia & George Bidleman, Tina Clarkin, Vitina Galati, Diana & Ray Skubic, Shirley Sweny

7:30 am - Agnes & Geoffrey Bullock, Donna Krause, Rick Vietmeier, Theresa & William Watson, **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

9:30 am - Nancy Hesselbach, Debbie Keeven, John & Sue Scheiding, **3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

11:30 am - Charles Danganan, Denyse Sternberg, **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

WEEKEND GIFT BEARERS - DEC. 28 & 29

Sat. 5:00 pm - Bob & Lois Adams

Sun. 7:30 am - **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Sun. 9:30 am - Bill & Nancy Hesselbach

Sun. 11:30 am - Lucy Ware, Grace Painter & Berta Carter-Simmons

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From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

REMEMBER THAT DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF MARY'S IMMACULATE CONCEPTION!

ALL FOUR CANDLES ON THE WREATH BURNING...

...means one thing (as every life-long Catholic knows), namely, that Christmas is very near, at most, seven days away. Well, this year it's three days, and that's very near, indeed! See below for the times for the Masses of Christmas.

THE LAST OF THE VESPERS (and CONFESSIONS)...

...is this evening, at 7:00, in church. Even if you've missed the first three, come for the last. It's still the best way to keep a good Advent! The last Confessions of the season will be heard immediately following Vespers, until the last are taken care of.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

We always get a lot of visitors for the big feast, usually the children and grandchildren of parishioners and we are always happy to have them. Let this year be no different! Spread the word of the times of our celebrations: Tuesday, Dec. 24 - 5:00 & 10:00PM, Wednesday, Dec. 25, 8:00 & 10:00AM.

...AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Looking ahead, we will have our traditional New Year's Eve parish dinner after the 5:00PM Mass in the lunchroom. The proceeds from this dinner have always gone to support the efforts of our Pro-Life Committee, and this year is no exception. So plan on joining us on the 31st! (The Masses on January 1 will be at 8:00 & 10:00AM.)

QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

The Catholic monarchs have made most of European history over the past several centuries, but mostly the kings and emperors. Standing behind every great man, however, is a great woman, and today's quiz will be on the great Catholic queens and empresses of history. Sharpen your wits and see how much you know!

1. Name the empress who found the Holy Cross.
2. What Hungarian queen found miraculous roses in her cloak?
3. What Catholic queen refused to divorce Henry VIII?
4. What queen of Scotland was murdered by Elizabeth I of England?
5. What queen of France was guillotined?
6. What Spanish queen hocked her jewels to finance Columbus' first voyage to America?
7. Who was the only Catholic empress of Mexico?
8. Which queen of Sweden is a canonized saint?
9. What French queen financed much of the work of St. Vincent de Paul?
10. Name the Roman empress who protected the heretical monophysites?

ANSWERS: 1. *St. Helena* 2. *St. Elizabeth of Hungary* 3. *Catherine of Aragon* 4. *Mary, Queen of Scots* 5. *Marie Antoinette* 6. *Isabella* 7. *Empress Carlotta* 8. *St. Brigit of Sweden* 9. *Anne of Austria* 10. *Theodora*





Features:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

December 24 & 27: Exercise class for seniors in our gym. (Every Tuesday and Friday from 9:00-10:00AM) - All are invited, all are welcome!

December 22: Confession (after Vespers)

December 22: Advent Vespers, 7:00PM, in church

December 24/25: Christmas Masses/Holy Day of obligation (5:00 & 10:00PM on the 24th, 8:00 & 10:00AM on the 25th)

December 31/January 1: Feast of the Divine Maternity of Mary (holy day of obligation) - Masses at 5:00PM (12/31) and 8:00 & 10:00AM (1/1/20)

December 31: Pro-life New Year's Dinner/Party, after the 5:00PM Mass (in the lunchroom)

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"There is more simplicity in a man who eats caviar on impulse than in a man who eats grape-nuts on principle." - *G. K. Chesterton*

"What might Catholics of the past (or the future) condemn in the Church today? They certainly wouldn't accuse us of excessive zeal. They might be shocked by our lukewarmness, our cowardice masquerading as tolerance, our laxity, our willingness to countenance heresy, sacrilege, blasphemy, and immorality within the Church herself, (and) our eagerness to ingratiate ourselves with the secular world." - *Joseph Sobran*

WORD OF THE WEEK

ANGUILLIFORM: (*adj.*) resembling an eel, as in: "*Ever notice how anguilliform so many of our professional politicians are?*"



The parish office will be closed on Wednesday, December 25th and Thursday, December 26th. We will return back on Friday, December 27th. We would like to wish each and every one a very Merry Christmas.

This Week In Our Parish:

SVDP Advent Giving Tree

Monday, December 23

7:00 pm - Men's Club Meeting, Lunchroom

Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 am - Senior Exercise Class, Gym

3:00 pm - Legion of Mary, Rectory Basement

7:00 pm - Benediction

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Rachael Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, Mary Dietz, Rosemary Licato, Evelyn Finno, Guy Henriksen, Augustine & Ray Porter, Billie Lawson, Kristine Lawson, Neil MacKenzie, Margaret Kluge, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Trisha Looney, Jerome Rueckert, Charles Haynes, Kathy Pilla, Marion Miller, Bill Stubits, Nancy Brennen, Peggy Hinrichs, Brian Bennett, William Buchholz, William Belcher, Harry Maier, Debbie Vietmeier, Suzy Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, Evelyn Young, John Beyatte, Phil Witte, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens and Ken Schmidt.

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!

March for Life 2020 – Registration Now Open

MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN is now accepting registrations for our bus trip to the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 23- 25, 2020. Until all life is protected, we will travel to D.C. to meet with our representatives and peacefully protest against the Supreme Court's decision to legalize abortion. This trip is open to anyone ages 7 and up (chaperones not provided). We depart from several locations in the St. Louis area and we do not stay in hotels as we sleep on the buses. The cost if received by Dec. 20 is \$205. The cost after Dec. 20 is \$220. For more information and to register go to www.missourilifecaravan.org. Contact us at: 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com. Registration deadline is Jan. 2, 2020.



Features:

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

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



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We want to thank all the St. Angela Merici elves for their donations to the Advent Giving Tree! The families that we visit will be very appreciative of your generosity. It's a blessing to be able to bring joy to others during this holiday season.

If you are looking for a year-end tax deduction & you have a car, truck, motorcycle, etc. that you would like to donate, please call the parish office & leave your name & phone number on the SVDP extension.

Don't forget to check out the SVDP Thrift Store at #1 Paddock Plaza for that last minute gift or extra Christmas decoration! In addition to donated items, they have many new items.

The SVDP Society wants to wish all the parishioners at St. Angela Merici a very Merry Christmas



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Great Marriages Don't Just Happen, Couples Make Them!

Give your spouse a particularly LIFE GIVING gift this Christmas by signing up for to attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in the St. Louis area. The next weekends are Feb. 7-9 or Apr. 24-26, 2020 at the Courtyard Marriot in St. Peters, MO. <https://stl-wwwme.org/schedule.php> or call or text 314.649.7317.

SAVE THE DATE

*Ministry Day for
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UPCOMING EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

**January 5 bulletin announcements due by
Wednesday evening, December 25**

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WELCOME! Whether you are a long-time residents or newly arrived to the parish, we thank God for you. If you are not registered or if your information has changed, please let us know by returning the information below either by placing in the collection basket, dropping off at the parish office or emailing the parish office at brindley@stangelam.org.

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Address: _____

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Features:

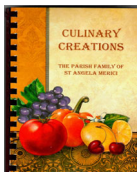
MESSAGE FROM LAURA VIETMEIER

For those occasions where I am not able to provide or lead Sunday School, I am looking for someone who would be willing to volunteer as a sub during 9:30am Mass. If you are interested in doing so, or know of anyone who may be, please contact the parish secretary Linda Brindley at 314-838-6565 ext. 100, brindley@stangelam.org or me personally, Laura Vietmeier @314-814-0021, winedpohl@gmail.com. Thank you and please feel free to spread the word.



THE LADIES CLUB would like to thank all those who contributed to the nursing home collection. You made the holidays brighter for the residents

CULINARY CREATIONS



If you haven't heard the cook books are here. We will be selling them in the lunchroom after all masses and you can even stop by the parish office during working hours and pick one up for the cost of \$10.00 each



Please join your fellow parishioners and friends for a delectable New Year's Eve Feast on Tuesday, Dec. 31st following the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass. We will party while supporting our Pilgrims who will be participating in the March for Life in Washington, DC on Jan. 24th. The "ball" will drop at 7:00 pm to ring in the New Year with our fellow revelers in the Azores!!

Many blessings to you! We appreciate your support! The cost of this wonderful dinner is \$12 per adult, and \$25 per family maximum

MINISTERS

FOR DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH

SERVERS

5:00 pm - Vicki & Veronica Breen, Alex Hopf

10:00 pm - Megan Looney, Megan Kelley,
2 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

8:00 am - Jacob, Ben & Ella Burke

10:00am - Michael Rose, Daena Talavera,
VOLUNTEER NEEDED

LECTORS

5:00 pm - Don Krause, Paul Krause

10:00 pm - Theresa Prosser, Geoff Bullock

8:00 am - Theresa Prosser, Anges Bullock

10:00 am - George Bidleman, Claudia Bidleman

EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 pm - Nora Kaikati, Evelyn Kroutil, Donna Krause, Diana & Ray Stubic, VOLUNTEER NEEDED

10:00 pm - Theresa Prosser, 5 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

8:00 am - Geoff Bullock, Bill Watson

10:00 am - Debbie Keeven, VOLUNTEER NEEDED

GIFT BEARERS - DEC. 24 & 25

5:00 pm - Jack & Nora Kaikati

10:00 pm - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

8:00 am - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

10:00 am - Bill & Debbie Keeven

POKER TOURNAMENT



The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Poker Tournament Feb 15! Tourney will be held at Assumption (Mattese). Cost is \$25 with gift cards for the winners.

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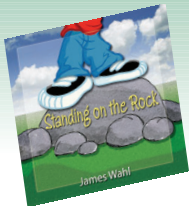
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