

ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

March 29, 2020
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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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, March 30

8:00 am - Tom Tooley

Tuesday, March 31

8:00 am - Helen Hoplons

Wednesday, April 1

8:00 am - Grace Hiller

Thursday, April 2

8:00 am - Georgiann Donovan

Friday, April 3

8:00 am - Betty Louise McMichael

Saturday, April 4

8:00 am - James Walsh
 5:00 pm - Don Thompson

Sunday, April 5

7:30 am - Birdie Wohldmann
 9:30 am - People of the Parish
 11:30 am - Shirley Bertin

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, APRIL 4 & 5

WEEKEND SERVERS

5:00 pm - NONE
 7:30 am - NONE
 9:30 am - NONE
 11:30am - NONE

WEEKEND LECTORS

5:00 pm NONE
 7:30 am -NONE
 9:30 am - NONE
 11:30 am - NONE

EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 pm - NONE
 7:30 am - NONE
 9:30 am - NONE
 11:30 am - NONE



WEEKEND GIFT BEARERS - APRIL 4 & 5

Sat. 5:00 pm - NONE
 Sun. 7:30 am - NONE
 Sun. 9:30 am - NONE
 Sun. 11:30 am - NONE

Sunday Collection - March 22, 2020

Sunday Offering	\$ 7,783
Weekly Budget	\$ 11,290
Weekly Over/Under	-\$ 3,507
Fiscal Year To Date	-\$ 14, 719

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From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

REMEMBER THAT MARCH IS THE MONTH OF ST. JOSEPH AND APRIL IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST!

PASSIONTIDE

Every year, the holy season of Lent kicks into a new phase with the fifth Sunday, which used to be called “Passion Sunday”. That’s so because it begins the period known as “Passiontide”, which comprises Lent’s last two weeks. To set the proper ambiance, the statues and holy images, all expressions of our Catholic joy, are covered in purple, in order to express a fittingly somber tone. We have covered the statues again this year; you’re just going to have to take my word for it!

Up until this point, the focus of Lent was on our sins and need for conversion and renewal; now we’re gearing up for Holy Week with a much greater emphasis on the sufferings of Christ, which he endured in payment of the debt that our sins had accrued. For some reason, I don’t think it’s going to take much to get us all feeling somber this year...

JOURNAL OF THE PLAGUE YEAR

I recall Daniel Defoe (of “Robinson Crusoe” fame) and his other classic work, “Journal of the Plague Year”, a fictional account set in London in 1665, a year when bubonic plague was still wiping out huge chunks of the population of Europe. It was a time when death was swift and pervasive. If you saw the “bubo’s” (as they were called) forming on your skin in the morning, you knew that by afternoon you would be in the throes of horrible fever, and by nightfall you would be dead. This corona is nowhere near that deadly, but its rapid spread has caught the whole world off guard. We know that it will come to an end and that most of us will probably not be hit that hard by it, anyway. For those who are hit by it, however, it can be quite devastating. God does not cause these things, any more than He caused the fall of man through our first parents, but He has always shown a great capacity for working through them to accomplish His great and noble purpose. The whole point of the first Beatitude (“Blessed are the *poor in spirit*”) is to tell us this most basic and fundamental of all the truths of our faith and to impress it deep into our minds: ***WE NEED GOD***. All spiritual growth begins with this, and no progress in the spiritual life is possible without it. As our greatest medical minds are flummoxed by this affliction, we turn to the One who is the Master of all, and, finding Him, we have a treasure greater than what could ever be had without Him. We hope especially that those who have turned *away* from Him will find Him like never before, and find out that He is good (“Taste and see the goodness of the Lord!” - Ps. 34:8) May this be the ultimate end and resolution of the hard times we now endure.

QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

This one should be easy: name the Ten Commandments (in proper order):

ANSWERS: 1. *“I am the Lord, thy God, thou shalt not have strange gods before me”* 2. *“Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord, thy God, in vain”* 3. *“Remember, thou, keep holy the Lord’s Day”* 4. *“Thou shalt honor thy father and mother”* 5. *“Thou shalt not kill”* 6. *“Thou shalt not commit adultery”* 7. *“Thou shalt not steal”* 8. *“Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor”* 9. *“Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s wife”* 10. *“Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s goods.”*





Features:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

As you can imagine, everything's on hold for the time being. We will be back to our usual schedule as soon as we possibly (and safely) can be. The only thing going on at church will be:

- 1) Eucharistic Adoration (every Tuesday from 8:30AM-7:00PM), and*
- 2) Confessions (every Saturday from 4:00-5:00PM, and, as part of a special schedule:
 Tuesday, March 31: 11:30AM-12:00N and 1:00-1:30PM and 6:30-7:00PM
 Monday, April 6: 8:30-9:00AM
 Tuesday, April 7: 11:30AM-12:00N and 6:30-7:00PM
 Wednesday, April 8: 8:30-9:00AM and 6:30PM until the last are heard*

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

“In my second year at Kenrick Seminary the devastating flu epidemic swept over much of the world. The year was 1918. Millions fell victim to the flu bug. It killed more people than World War I. Out of the 175 students, 120 of us were stricken. The large library in the seminary was turned into a hospital ward, staffed by several doctors and nurses. Sister Edna, a stout, ruddy woman, was the head nurse. She had a military bearing left over from her days as a nurse in an army camp hospital. She came in like a tornado, barking out orders to the sick seminarians.

“Take off those damned heavy covers – they’re not necessary. I’ve got something here that will make all of you feel a lot better. I used this intreating the military.’ The ‘treatment’ consisted of a large bottle of whiskey in one hand and a glass in the other. She went from bed to bed dispensing the whiskey. ‘Drink every drop of this and you’ll feel like a well man.’ Coughing and spitting, we complied. About an hour later, she dispensed the medication prescribed by the doctor. Six of the worst cases were put into an adjoining room. I was one of the six. In the bed next to mine, Al Sonjay died quietly in the night after a week of intense suffering. His death made us all fearful.”

*- Msgr. Joseph O'Toole (excerpted from his autobiography, "My God, What a Life!")
 (Ed. note: Sonjay remains to this day the only Kenrick seminarian to die while at Kenrick, and we can only guess whether or not the remedy dispensed by the sister in this quote may actually be the cure for corona, too!)*

WORD OF THE WEEK

HONORIFICABILITUDINY: *(n.)* honorableness, i.e., the quality or trait of being honorable and able to be honored, as in: *“Although completely bereft of honorificabilitudiny, the gangster nevertheless accepted the accolades of the crowd.”*

This Week In Our Parish:
Tuesday, March 31
 8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration



Features:

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Joshua Stremlau, Bradley Stremlau, Corey Rudroff, Steven Bennett, Jerrod Klug, 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

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



PLANT SALE

Spring is in the air and the St Angela Merici Pro Life Plant sale is right around the corner! Last weekend in April in the lunchroom! If you wish to preorder any items, please call Agnes Bullcock at 314-956-3904 or 314-716-3204, by April 10th

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Rachael Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, 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, Bill Stubits, Nancy Brennen, Peggy Hinrichs, Brian Bennett, William Buchholz, Debbie Vietmeier, Suzy Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, John Beyatte, Phil Witte, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens, Paula Gamel, Katie Sanders, Jim McMullen, Veronica Murray, Pat Brennan, Patty Holschen, Jude Pauli, June Hildebrand, E. Richard Smith 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!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Due to the unforeseen circumstances following the outbreak of the coronavirus we will have to postpone the SVDP truck collection scheduled for Saturday, April 4th. We will advise you later when we can schedule another collection date. The Thrift Stores are closed for the time being. We can still accept small bagged & secured items in the collection box in the parking lot. We want to thank everyone who brought items to the church lunchroom on Saturday night & Sunday morning for our monthly food drive. As noted on TV, the food pantries are in need of supplies. We pray that all of the parishioners of St. Angela Merici & our neighbors in need will be well during this tumultuous period.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required and asked to register in the new system before December 31, 2020. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers, and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to www.preventandprotectstl.org to register. Click "Register" below the LOG IN button. Enter the **passcode stlprotect**. Select the type of location where you are a volunteer or employee. Select the specific location by name: St. Angela Merici Parish. Contact Linda Brindley, our parish Child Safety Coordinator, at 314 -838-6565 with any questions or for further assistance. This should take about an hour to do. Thanks in advance for taking care of this.



Features:

Young @ Heart



SAMS-SAINT ANGELA MERICI SENIORS

This group will not be having their April Luncheon Meeting. Hope to see you all in May.



CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

Calling all seamstresses and anyone that can sew. Christian Hospital Foundations is in need of anyone to make homemade cloth

face masks.

Due to the community spread of Covid-19, Christian Hospital is contacting their local churches and parishes to solicit community support from their parishioners in making cloth face masks for their workers working with the general community during this critical time. Can they count on your support?

For those who wish to make masks, they should visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nzw-FIjSwY> to follow the preferred criteria.

We are asking for all donations to be delivered to the Garden Center at:

Handyman True Value Hardware
2635 N Hwy 67 (across the street from Dairy Queen)

Florissant, MO 63033

8:30am – 4:30pm

They ask for masks to be bundled in sets of 25.



MARTHA & MARY SOCIETY

We need some more helping hands to join the Martha & Mary Society. Martha & Mary Society helps with our funeral luncheons. There are many ways you

can help either by preparing a dish, help set up for the luncheon, serve the food and clean up or you can do all the above. If you are willing and able to help out with the Society, please contact the parish office at 314-838-6565 Monday thru Friday from 8:00am till 4:00pm and leave your name and phone number. Thank you in advance for helping the Society out.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ADORERS NEEDED JUST ONE HOUR!

If you want to feel the "Peace of Christ", try giving Jesus an extra hour this week. A young man referred to this as taking a "holy nap" definition: A time of reflection between you and the Lord. A time where you close your eyes, breathe, focus on all the goodness surrounding you and offering up all of your burdens to Jesus to take care of. "Come and spend an hour with Me," Jesus, Himself, made this request of us, His disciples. The benefits we receive are tremendous. The Legion of Mary would like you to give prayerful consideration to commit or recommend to an hour a week to the Lord. **Due to various circumstances we are in need of additional adorers. Why not give it a try and then consider being placed on the list. Eucharistic Adoration is at St. Angela Merici on Tuesdays, after the 8am Mass, and closes with Perpetual Help and Benediction at 7:00pm.** If you are interested, please contact Parish Office at 838-6565.



SUNDAY DONATION

During this time of the coronavirus and since we won't have large gatherings of people there are two ways to give your Sunday Donation to St. Angela Merici. One is to either mail your envelope or drop it by the office. The office is open Monday thru Friday 8:00am till 4:00pm and the mailing address is 3860 N. Hwy 67, Florissant, MO 63034. The other way is to sign up for the online giving. The link for the online giving is on the St. Angela Merici webpage, the web address is

www.saintangelamerici.org

On the home page the link is at the very bottom on the right-hand side. Click on the online giving and it will take you to the page for the online giving. Click on Create New Account and fill out the information. Then you are all set up for the online giving.



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