

ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 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, November 30

8:00 am - Gerard T. Wightman

Tuesday, December 1

8:00 am - Jim Volli

Wednesday, December 2

8:00 am - James Farace

Thursday, December 3

8:00 am - Philip Witte

Friday, December 4

8:00 am - Schmidt Family

Saturday, December 5

8:00 am—Philip Witte
 5:00 pm - Grace Khoury

Sunday, December 6

7:30 am - Rachel Gehner
 9:30 am - Philip Witte
 11:30 am - People of the Parish

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 5 & 6

WEEKEND SERVERS

5:00 pm - N/A
7:30 am - N/A
9:30 am - N/A
11:30 am - N/A

WEEKEND LECTORS

5:00 pm - Matt Adams
7:30 am - Katherine Ising
9:30 am - Mary Ann Kauffman
11:30 am - Charles Danganan

EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 pm - N/A
7:30 am - N/A
9:30 am - N/A
11:30 am - N/A

WEEKEND GIFT BEARERS - DECEMBER 5 & 6

Sat. 5:00 pm - N/A
 Sun. 7:30 am - N/A
 Sun. 9:30 am - N/A
 Sun. 11:30 am - N/A

Masses for The Immaculate of Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary are on Monday, December 7th at 5:00pm and on Tuesday, December 8th at 8:00am and 7:00pm

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From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

REMEMBER THAT NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY AND DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION!

IN THIS SEASON OF THANKFULNESS...

...I am grateful for many things. Most of all, I am appreciative of you, our wonderful parishioners, who, despite being jerked around by all craziness of the past nine months, have shown yourselves to be so loyal to your parish. I see it in the faithful care with which you provide for the needs of the parish. I see it in the loving attention that you give to our parish facilities, especially our gardens. I see it in the ways that we have discovered to keep parish life afloat despite “social distancing”, and I saw it most personally in the kindness of your prayers and condolences for my mom and my family at her passing. Let us praise God and thank Him, for there is much for which to be grateful!

MASS AT PIPER’S CHAPEL

We are once again making a pilgrimage to the wilds of Cottleville to offer Advent Mass at the chapel attached to the home of Dr. Terry Piper and his wife, Judy, on Wednesday, Dec. 2. The Mass starts at 5:00PM (a bit earlier because of the earlier sunset), so we can either meet here at the parish and carpool together, or those who know the way can just meet us there at 5:00. There is a sign-up sheet in the lunchroom so we can have a count for the dinner at the Madison Café (optional) after.

ADVENT SCHEDULE

With the holy season of Advent, which starts today, comes a special schedule of devotions, Masses, and, best of all, Confessions. I will be sending out a letter very soon which will contain that schedule, as well as the Mass times for Christmas. Check your mailboxes! One thing that will definitely be on that schedule is...

...VESPERS

It has become our tradition here at St. Angela to celebrate the Church’s solemn evening prayer (i.e., “Vespers”) on the evenings of each of the four Sundays of Advent. It’s one of the best ways I know to keep Advent as the discrete season that it is, imbibing and celebrating its singular and special character. Despite the limitations, I think this year’s will be the best ever! Seriously! Plan on coming and seeing; they start tonight!

HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY

We are currently in the process of trying to organize a family sing-along of traditional and familiar Christmas Carols in our church on the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 27, the feast of the Holy Family. I’m not sure exactly what it will entail (except for the obvious), but when it was proposed to me, it sounded like a lot of fun. I don’t know whether or not we’ll be able to pull it off, but mark it down; it could well actually *be* a lot of fun!

QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

This quiz will be eminently practical, in that it will cover some basic Catholic practices and rules of Catholic conduct. These are all things that you *should* be doing already:

1. How long must one fast before taking Holy Communion?
2. Of what do you remind yourself when you bless yourself with holy water?
3. What feast days are observed as holy days of obligation in the United States?
4. Who is obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation?
5. Who is obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday?
6. Who is obliged to abstain from meat on Friday?
7. Are Catholics only obliged to abstain on the Fridays of Lent?
8. Is Advent a time for penance and fasting?
9. What devotional act does a Catholic perform when he enters and leaves his pew?
10. What is the demeanor a Catholic should maintain when in church?





Features:

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ANSWERS: 1. One hour 2. Your Baptism 3. The Divine Maternity of Mary (Jan. 1), Assumption of Mary (Aug. 15), All Saints' Day (Nov. 1), Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8), & Christmas (Dec. 25) 4. Every Catholic who is able to attend mass 5. Catholics age 18-59 6. All Catholics age 14 and over 7. No, the obligation is for every Friday, but some other act of penance may be substituted in its place 8. Yes (which is why purple/violet is the color of the season), but without the fast & abstinence days like Lent 9. He genuflects 10. Prayerful silence, with the profound awareness of the Presence of the Almighty

UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Tuesday: Eucharistic Adoration in church from 8:30AM-7:00PM, with Devotions and Benediction at 7:00.

Every Tuesday and Friday: Exercise in the gym from 9:00-10:00AM.

Nov. 23, Mon.: Men's Club Meeting at 7:00PM in the lunchroom

Nov. 26, Thu.): Thanksgiving Day, Mass at 9:00AM, canned goods and other imperishable food items to be collected.

Nov. 29, Sun.: First Sunday of Advent, Vespers at 7:00PM.

Nov. 30, Mon.: RCIA, 6:30PM, Parish Meeting Room (all welcome!)

Dec. 2, Wed: Mass at Piper's Chapel

Dec. 4, Fri: 7:00pm Holy Hour in Church

Dec. 7, Mon. & 8, Tue: Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Masses at 5:00PM Monday and 8:00AM & 7:00PM Tuesday (pre-empting devotions)

Dec. 7, Tue: Catechism Class, after the 7:00PM Mass (live-streamed)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"At this Christmas, when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern." - *St. Teresa of Calcutta*

WORD OF THE WEEK

YUKE (*v., i.*): to itch, as in: "*He was scratching so much because he was yuiking so much.*"

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Rachael Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, Rosemary Licato, Guy Henriksen, Augustine & Ray Porter, Billie Lawson, Kristine Lawson, Neil MacKenzie, Margaret Kluge, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Trisha Looney, Jerome Rueckert, Kathy Pilla, Nancy Brennen, Peggy Hinrichs, Brian Bennett, William Buchholz, Debbie Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, John Beyatte, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens, Paula Gamel, Katie Sanders, Jim McMullen, Veronica Murray, Pat Brennan, Patty Holschen, Jude Pauli, June Hildebrand, John Keeven, Florence Coyne, John Thummel, Margaret Nolte, Zachery Davisson, Rita Sommer, Bill Moon, Gladys Broyles, Patricia Prange, Peggy Graziani and Brian Perry.

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!

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, 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.

PARISH SANCTIFICATION

Our next Holy Hour for the Sanctification of our Parish will be on Friday, December 4, 2020 at 7:00pm.

As we enter the Season of Hope let's spend a special hour with Jesus in whom we can trust to fulfill our true hopes and dreams.

Deacon Joe



Features:



THE ST. ANGELA'S MEN'S CLUB would like to thank everyone that ordered pizza's and deserts at our Fall pizza sale. Without your support it would not have been as successful as it was. The men's club uses the proceeds from their fund raisers to help support various parish needs and causes such as SVDP, Catholic tuition subsidy, the Mother's Day flowers, and other special needs such as the new video system.

The Men's Club is still taking orders for the "2021" Cardinal Calendars. Cost of the calendar's is \$16.00 each, which is due at the time of pick-up. Order forms will be on a table in the lunchroom after the weekend Masses or you can call or text Steve Meierotto 314-341-9235. The calendars should be available the beginning of December and would make a great Christmas gift



Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food. . .

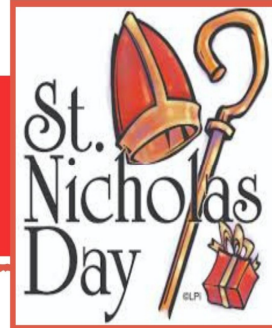
The need of our Neighbors in Need is great! Our Neighbors are struggling because their jobs have been lost and their living expenses have stayed the same.

Your St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking for your aid. Prayers are always necessary. At this time, we are out of funds. If you have a spare dollar or two and you can help our Neighbors in Need, it would be greatly appreciated! Your reward will be in heaven! Your Vincentians

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EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Announcements for the December 20th bulletin are due by December 10th.

Announcements for the December 27th bulletin are due by December 14th.

Announcements for the January 2nd bulletin are due by December 21st.

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Effective January 1st, if you have not registered with Prevent and Protect, you are no longer in compliance with the Safe Environment Program. Make sure to continue after you register and do all 6 steps. There is a background check, 3 videos to watch with questions to answer and signing the Code of 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 matter.

BIRTHRIGHT CHRISTMAS CARDS

It's Almost that Time of Year!

Now that it is November, you may start thinking about addressing those Christmas cards!! Our Pro-Life Committee will again be selling Birthright Christmas Cards to support the beautiful work they do to support Moms and their Unborn Children. The cards will be available after all Masses the weekends of November 28/29 and December 5/6. If you need some before those dates, please call Julie Ratermann at (314) 401-0047. Thanks for your continued support!!!

LADIES CLUB NURSING HOME COLLECTION

Here is an opportunity to bring Christmas cheer to residents of the area nursing homes. The Ladies Club is hosting a drive to collect items for the residents. Please place new unwrapped items in the special barrel in the back of church by Sunday December 15th.

Gift suggestions: Blankets, Sweat pants(lg/xlg), sweaters (button fronts), hand held games, puzzles(500 or less pieces), clocks, socks, slippers, radios, puzzle books, gloves, mittens, photo boards. Thank you for your generosity.

WELCOME! Whether you are a longtime resident 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 it in the collection basket, dropping off at the parish office or emailing the parish office at brindley@stangelam.org.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number : _____

E-mail: _____



MARYGROVE CHRISTMAS CHAMPIONS

The holidays are here and the kids at Marygrove will soon be given the wonderful Christmas they've always deserved- one that includes sledding and decorating cookies, gathering around the table for dinner and opening presents on Christmas morning. Bring joy to a child at a time when they need it the most. Be a Marygrove Christmas Champion and help give over 200 children a holiday experience they will always remember.

- Purchase gifts on a child's wish list and drop off, unwrapped, at Marygrove by December 11th
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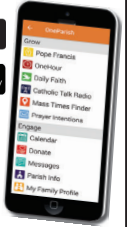
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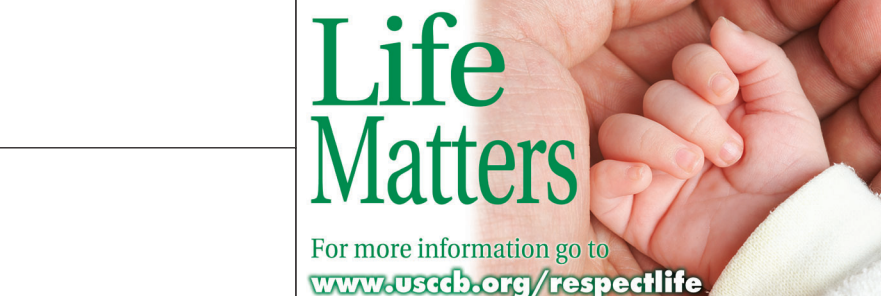
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