# ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

December 19, 2021 saintangelamerici.org

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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) 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.

**NEW PARISHIONERS**: Please register in the parish office, Mon-Fri, 8 am - 4 pm. For more information, call the Parish Office, 314-838-6565.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, December 20

8:00 am - Jane Buchholz

Tuesday, December 21

8:00 am - Joseph F. Galati

Wednesday, December 22

8:00 am - Jane Hoskins

Thursday, December 23

8:00 am - Robert (Bob) Happe

Friday, December 24

8:00 am - Walter, Agnes & Leo Dreyer

5:00 pm - Joseph Krause

10:00 pm - Rob Tudor

Saturday, December 25

8:00 am - Zykan Family (Spec. Int.)

10:00 am - Steve Scherer (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, December 26

7:30 am - Robert (Bob) Happe

9:30 am - Kauffman Family (Spec. Int)

11:30 am - People of the Parish

#### **MINISTERS**

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 25 & 26

#### **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 - No Mass

7:30 am - Don Krause

9:30 am - Laura Vietmeier

11:30 am - Julie Ratermann

#### **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

## Need Volunteers for Lectors and Servers for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses

### **Sunday Collection - December 5, 2021**

Sunday Offering \$ 14,929 Weekly Budget \$ 11,782 Weekly Over/Under +\$ 3,147 Fiscal Year To Date - \$ 30,360

### **Early Bulletin Deadlines**

Articles for the January 2, 2022 bulletin are **due by December 20th.** 

### SUPPORT OUR PARISH When You Shop

on Amazon, be sure to use the

www.amazonsmile.com link and choose St Angela Merici Church as your charity. Our parish does receive donations from this activity, and every little bit helps.



# From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

# REMEMBER THAT DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY!

#### **CHRISTMAS**

The schedule of Masses for Christmas is as follows: Friday, Christmas eve (Dec. 24), 5:00 & 10:00PM, Saturday, Christmas Day, 8:00 & 10:00AM. There will be no 5:00PM Mass or Confessions on Saturday evening, December 25.

#### CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK...

...will be heard on the following days and at the following times: after Vespers this evening, Monday (Dec. 20) after the 8:00AM Mass, and Wednesday (Dec. 22) from 5:00-6:00PM. In every case I will hear Confessions until the last are heard.

#### SPEAKING OF VESPERS...

...don't forget that the last of them will be celebrated this evening at 7:00PM. Both attendance and participation this year have been outstanding! God has been praised and His people have been edified!

#### A FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

Last year, we tried something new and I think it went over very well. We met in church after the last Mass on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year's (the Feast of the Holy Family) and, accompanied by our more-than-capable parish organist, Sharon Churchill, we sang the old, familiar, traditional, Christmas carols. Nothing fancy, just a bunch of believers expressing their joy in song. It took me back to my days as a youth when "sing-alongs" were all the rage; we had Mitch Miller, who inspired people to join his chorus in their own homes each week on his TV show, and if you went to Shakey's Pizza, there was a young man banging on the keyboard and leading the patrons in song. And it was wonderful and *fun!* Well, we're going to do it again this year. Come join us at 1:00PM next Sunday, December 26 in church and have the time of your life!

#### LOOKING AHEAD TO NEW YEAR'S...

Even though the feast of the Divine Maternity of Mary, which is normally one of the Holy Days of Obligation, is not observed as such this year because of its falling on a Saturday, we will still have Mass for that feast on Saturday morning, January 1, at 8:00, and we will also have the Saturday evening Mass that day at 5:00. We will not, however, have the New Year's Eve Mass on Friday, nor will we have the St. Joseph Radio speaker after the 8:00AM Mass.

#### **QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC**

It seems like a quiz on the topic of Christmas will be in order, so here goes:

- 1. What did your true love give you on the 8th Day of Christmas?
- 2. With how many ghosts must Scrooge contend in Dicken's "Christmas Carol"?
- 3. What topper typically adorns the traditional Christmas tree?
- 4. In "It's a Wonderful Life", what happens every time a bell rings?
- 5. In what country was the real St. Nicholas born?
- 6. In what country did we find the first-ever Christmas tree?
- 7. What is the best-selling Christmas song ever?





#### CONTINUED

- 8. Where was Jesus born?
- 9. Which people were the first to see and adore the New-born Christ?
- 10. What was the name of George Bailey's guardian angel?

ANSWERS: 1. Eight maids a-milking 2. Four (Marley, and the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and yet to come) 3. An angel 4. An angel gets his wings 5. Turkey 6. Germany 7. Bing Crosby's "White Christmas" 8. Bethlehem (where else?) 9. The shepherds in the fields around Bethlehem 10. Clarence Oddbody

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Every Tuesday: Eucharistic Adoration from 8:45-7:00PM, with Perpetual Help Devotions

and Benediction at 7:00PM

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

Dec. 19, Sun: Vespers, 7:00PM in church, followed by Confessions

Dec. 20, Mon.: Confessions, after the 8:00AM Mass

Dec. 21, Tue: Catechism Class, after the Perpetual Help Devotions at 7:00, in the Parish

Meeting Room

Dec. 22, Wed.: Confessions, 5:00-6:00PM

Dec. 24, Fri.: Christmas Mass at 5:00PM and 10:00PM

Dec. 25, Sat.: Christmas Mass at 8:00 & 10:00AM

Dec. 26, Sun.: A Festival of Carols, 1:00PM in church (treats to follow)

Jan. 1, Sat.: Mass for Our Lady at 8:00AM, Mass for The Epiphany at 5:00PM

#### QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you Good News of a great joy which will come to all the people." - Archangel Gabriel (Luke 2:10)

"God became man so that man could become as God." - St. Ambrose, Doctor of the Church

#### WORD OF THE WEEK

NOEL (n.) (alternate spellings: Nowel, Nael, Nowell)) Derived from the Latin, Natalis (meaning "birth"), it's another name for Christmas, as in: "The First Nowell, the angel did say..."

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Rachael Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, Rosemary Licato, Augustine Porter, Billie Lawson, Kristine Lawson, Neil Mac-Kenzie, Margaret Kluge, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Trisha Looney, Jerome Rueckert, Brian Bennett, William Buchholz, Debbie Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, John Beyatte, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens, Paula Gamel, Katie Sanders, Jim McMullen, Pat Brennan, Patty Holschen, Jude Pauli, June Hildebrand, John Keeven, Florence Coyne, John Thummel, Margaret Nolte, Zachery Davisson, Rita Sommer, Bill Moon, Spencer Broyles, Vivian Easley, Deborah Corcoran, Tim Scott, Tom George, Marge Dubray, Bob Gremminger, Helen Conlon, Karen Hill, Bob Holschen, Leona Alligood, Keenan Prentice, Janet Stubits, Dennis Russell, Richard John Landgraf, Vince Perrot, Agnes (Babe) Dreyer, Sally Caruso, Grace Fleming, Steve Scherer and Brian Perry.

#### 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, Craig Richardson, Matthew Moorman, Dylan Krause, Tyler Krause, Jacob Graham and Joshua Graham

# Jeatures:



# PROJECT RACHEL SPIRITUAL SUPPORT GROUP for women

who have been wounded by an abortion experience. The group

meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be Thursday December 23, 2021 at 7PM. Contact 314-792-7565 or stlprojectrachel@archstl.org.



### PROJECT JOSEPH SPIR-ITUAL SUPPORT GROUP

**oseph** This is for any man who has been wounded by an abortion

experience and is seeking healing. The groups meets on the first Monday of the month. The next meeting is on Monday January 2, 2022, 7PM. Contact 314-792-7565 or prolife@archstl.org.

#### This Week in our Parish:

Monday, December 20

4:30 pm - RCIA in meeting room

Tuesday, December 21

8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 am - Exercise Class in GYM

Wednesday, December 22

9:00 am - Quilters meet in Rectory Basement

Thursday, December 23 Friday, December 24

NO EXERCISE CLASS TODAY PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Saturday, December 25
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 26 Sunday Masses



### **EQUALITY BEGINS IN THE WOMB.**

Pro-life America was partially silenced in 2021 with the cancellation of the Annual March for Life in Washington DC this past January. That will not happen again in 2022, praise God. This will be the 48th Annual March and it is on and the North County Missouri Right to Life Pilgrimage Bus is open for business! We will leave on Thursday, January 20th, and return on Saturday the 22nd. Please prayerfully consider coming with us on this prayerful, peaceful pilgrimage to lovingly show our support for the least among us, the unborn. Jeff Stoll can be reached at 314-556-2077 to answer any questions you may have or to assist you in registering for this incredible experience.



Stop by the Gift Card table in the lunchroom and support the parish and do your shopping the easy way!

If you do not see a gift card that you need, ask and we might be able to order it for you. Thanks for shopping at St. Angela Merici!!



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PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO FOOD DRIVE IN DECEMBER. THANKS!

**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 it off at the parish office or emailing the parish office at brindley@stangelam.org.

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St. Angela Men's Club will be selling Offical 2022 St. Louis Cardinals calendars in the lunchroom.

Please stop by and purchase your calendar. The cost of the calendar is \$16.00.

The Parish office will be closed on Friday, December 24th, due to the Christmas Holiday. We will be back to work on Monday, December 27th at 8:00am. All of us would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas.



# Features:



Join us for a Christmas Carol Sing-Along as we celebrate the birth of our Newborn King and the Feast of the Holy Family.

SUNDAY

**DECEMBER 26, 2021** 

1:00 PM

WE WILL HAVE TREATS TO FOLLOW

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