ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

December 5, 2021 saintangelamerici.org

3860 N. Hwy 67 Florissant, MO 63034

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT PEACE

PARISH OFFICE, 838-6565 Parish *Fax Number*, 838-6566

Pastor Msgr. Matthew Mitaš, ext. 102

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Music Director Sharon Churchill

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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.

😓 Trayer, Liturgy and Sacrifice

Mass Schedule

Mon - Fri8:00 amSaturdayFirst Sat. of the month, 8:00 amSaturday5:00 pm (Vigil)Sunday7:30, 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 DevotionsTuesdaysAfter 8:00 am Mass & 7:00pmHoly 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 6 8:00 am - Rose Mary Licato (Spec. Int.) **Tuesday, December 7** 8:00 am - Charles Aten 6:30 pm—Marilyn Mitaš Wednesday, December 8 8:00 am - Kenneth Schmidt 5:00 pm - Poor Souls in Purgatory **Thursday, December 9** 8:00 am - Art Batson (Special Int) Friday, December 10 8:00 am - Vito (GP) Mantese Saturday, December 11 5:00 pm - Claudia & George Bidleman (Spec. Int.) Sunday, December 12 7:30 am - Robert (Bob) Happe 9:30 am - Amy Umbeck (Special Int.) 11:30 am - People of the Parish

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 11 & 12

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 - George Bidleman 7:30 am - Katherine Ising 9:30 am - Judith Pitlyk 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

Sunday Collection - November 21, 2021Sunday Offering\$ 6,695Weekly Budget\$11,782Weekly Over/Under- \$ 5,087Fiscal Year To Date- \$31,736

Early Bulletin Deadlines

Articles for the December 12th bulletin are due by December 6th Articles for the December 19th bulletin are due by December 8th. Articles for the December 26th bulletin are due by December 13th 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! O MARY, CONCEIVED WITHOUT SIN...

...pray for us who have recourse to Thee! This is the month dedicated in our Catholic piety to the Sinless One, mostly because that feast of her freedom from original sin is celebrated during it. Speaking of that, and since it is a holy day of obligation, we have scheduled Masses for that feast this coming Tuesday (Dec. 7) at 6:30PM (bringing the period of Eucharistic Adoration to an end) and on Wednesday (Dec. 8) at the usual time (8:00AM) and at 7:00PM. She, under the title of Immaculate Conception, is also the patron saint of the United States.

ADVENT VESPERS...

...continue this evening at 7:00PM in church. We have assembled a tremendous choir of participants this year and it's been going very well. This is one of the most beautiful ways of keeping Advent as its own season, discrete from Christmas, and a time of preparation (and reparation) rather than celebration. Because it is a time of reparation (i.e., making repair for the damage done by our sins), please pay heed to the special times for Confession during Advent (mentioned in the letter that I sent you and reminding you at the bottom of this column each Sunday).

THE SAINTS OF ADVENT

Tomorrow, Dec. 6, is the feast day of one of the many great saints whose festivals help give the holy season of Advent its singular and distinctive flavor. I'm talking, of course, about St. Nicholas, known to the secular world as "Santa Claus". The next day sees the feast of the great doctor of the Church, St. Ambrose, followed by the Immaculate Conception, and St. Juan Diego. Even though her actual feast is gobbled up by next Sunday's Gaudete Sunday celebration, nevertheless, we at St. Angela's will still celebrate...

...OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE/MEXICAN FOOD NIGHT

The annual observance of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Empress of the Americas, is becoming, more and more, an enormous feast for us in the western hemisphere. Appropriately, we will be serving an authentic Mexican fiesta of foods with the cooperation of Ruiz Mexican Restaurant (located on Hwy 67). The dinner will be held in our gym from 6:00PM (after the 5:00PM Mass) until 8:00PM. We will have pinatas and raffles of various sorts and kinds, so bring the kiddos. Please make your reservations in advance (and, of course, you can dine in or carry out). Ole'!

QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

Catholicism and Oscar; it's amazing how often the two have gone together. You may be surprised to learn the number of Hollywood stars who won Oscars for their performances who were also converts to our faith. See if you can identify these legends of the silver screen:

- 1. She played "Bonnie" to Warren Beatty's "Clyde", but won the Oscar for "Network".
- 2. He is best known for the role he most despised: "Obi-Wan Kenobi".
- 3. This star of countless leading roles won the Oscar when he finally showed "True Grit".
- 4. This rugged leading man lit up the screen as "Sgt. York" and in "High Noon".
- 5. This U.S. president's former wife won her Oscar for her role in "Johnny Belinda".
- 6. This many-time nominee finally won the Oscar for her role in "I Want to Live".
- 7. This much-acclaimed actress won for playing opposite Paul Newman in "Hud".
- 8. This celebrated playwright, buried in our Calvary Cemetery, never won the Oscar, but was nominated twice for his screenplays.
- 9. This famous playwright, much celebrated and much deplored, lived before the movies (though many of his plays have been made into Oscar-winning movies), and, like # 8, turned to the Catholic Church for solace in his trials and found it.
- 10. This remarkably accomplished woman, a convert of Ven. Fulton Sheen, sat in the U.S. Congress for two terms, was our ambassador to Italy, and was nominated for an Oscar for her screenplay of "Come to the Stable" (a story of two nuns) in 1949.



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ANSWERS: 1. Faye Dunaway 2. Sir Alec Guinness 3. John Wayne 4. Gary Cooper 5. Jane Wyman 6. Susan Hayward 7. Patricia Neal 8. Tennessee Williams 9. Oscar Wilde 10. Claire Boothe Luce

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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

Dec. 5, 12, &19, Sun.: Advent Vespers! (7:00PM)

Dec. 6, Mon.: RCIA, 4:30pm Parish Meeting Room

Dec. 7, Tue.: Confessions, 8:45-9:15AM

Dec. 7 Tue. & 8 Wed.: Feast of the Immaculate Conception (holy day of obligation), Masses at 6:30PM on Tuesday and 8:00AM & 7:00PM on Wednesday

Dec. 11, Sat.: Mexican Food Night in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe (in the gym, after the 5:00PM Mass); reservations required (see article above)

Dec. 13, Mon.: St. Angela Merici Seniors' Meeting & luncheon, lunchroom, 11:30AM

Dec. 17, Fri.: Catholic Family Movie Night. 7:00PM, in the lunchroom. Feature film: "The Fourth Wise Man", with an all-star cast (free pop and popcorn, of course!)

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

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Let Advent be Advent!" - Msgr. Matthew M. Mitas

"More than any other time in history, mankind faces a crossroads. One path leads to despair and utter hopelessness, the other to total destruction. Let us pray that we have the wisdom to choose correctly." - *Woody Allen*

WORD OF THE WEEK

UNIPARA (n.) a woman who has given birth only once, as in: "This week, we celebrate the Immaculate Conception of the greatest Unipara of all time."

PRAYERFUL WITNESSING AT OUR LOCAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Please join some fellow parishioners in sharing our message of Life in front of the Planned Parenthood on Lindbergh in Surrey Plaza II. We will be present there from 3:00-4:00 pm this Wednesday, December 8th.

Please help us to share the truth with our North County brothers and sisters. For more information, please call Julie Ratermann (314-401-0047).

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 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



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Features:



QUILT RAFFLE The quilters are raffling off this quilt at the Mexican Dinner on December 11th. The size of the quilt is 88X108. So, if you would like to take a chance on winning the

quilt, just fill out the raffle tickets that are in the bulletin or stop by the lunchroom. The cost of the tickets are one for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. You can put your tickets along with the money in an envelope with Quilt Raffle on the front and drop it off at the parish office.



SAM Seniors Meeting Monday, December 13th

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At 11:30am

Krause Katering will be making Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots, Roll & Dessert!!! Beverages will be provided.

Followed by Dave Garvin's Famous Left, Right or is it Right, Left?

NOTE: Make sure that you bring a \$5.00 wrapped Christmas gift suitable for a male or female



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The price for all of this will be \$10.00 which includes \$1.00 membership fee. Payment must be received by Monday, December 6th, which is St. Nicholas Day. Checks can be made out to SAMS or SAM Seniors and dropped in the collection basket, parish office or the black mailbox outside the parish office.

This Week in our Parish:

Monday, December 6 4:30 pm - RCIA in meeting room **Tuesday, December 7** 8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 am - Exercise Class in GYM Wednesday, December 8 The Immaculate Comception of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED 9:00 am - Quilters meet in Rectory Basement Thursday, December 9 7:00 pm - Ladies Club Meeting in Lunchroom Friday. December 10 9:00 am - Exercise Class in GYM Saturday, December 11 6:00pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Dinner in Gym Sunday, December 12 Sunday Masses



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!!

💐 Features:



ATTENTION ALL LADIES OF ST. ANGELA MERICI

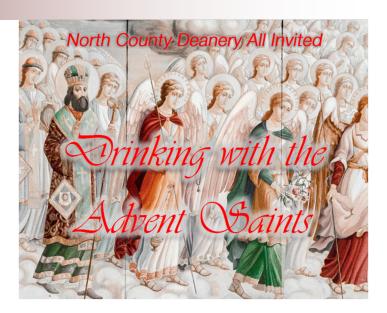
The first official meeting of the Ladies Club is **Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 7:00pm** in the lunchroom. We will begin with prayer in the church at 7:00pm and then move to the lunchroom for the meeting.

Thanks to all who provided initial input as we regrouped. I look forward to working with all of you as we move forward preserving the best of the past and embracing our very special role as women in service to Christ through the parish.



Our Giving Tree is here in the Church vestibule. You have the opportunity to choose an ornament and help a Neighbor in Need during Advent. Please return your gift unwrapped with the ornament attached and place under the Giving Tree. We are helping Most Holy Trinity and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Food Bank this Advent. The items they desperately need are on our Giving Tree. There is a secure box for the gift cards. We need the gifts returned by December 19th unwrapped. Thanks!

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



An interactive lesson on some of the saints with samples of some related alcoholic beverages! St. Ann Church-Normandy Parish Center 7530 Natural Bridge Rd.

Thursday 12/16 7 PM

This event is free. No drinks will be sold. Samples are very small. Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages will be available.



December 12, 2021

Feast of Our Lady of

Guadalupe at Our Lady of

Guadalupe Parish 1115 S. Florissant Rd 63121

Call for information: 314-522-9264

Dec. 11 9:30 pm prayers, songs, dances (oración y cantos)

Dec. 12 1:00 am Mass in Spanish, Archbishop Rozanski

presiding followed by breakfast

8:00 am Mass in English 9:30 am Mass in Spanish 12:00 noon Mass in Spanish

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Sunday, December 12th is her feast day, so St. Angela Merici will be celebrating it on Saturday, December 11th with Mexican food prepared by our famous caterer Krause Katering along with Ruiz Restaurant. Place: St. Angela Merici GYM

Time: 6:00pm till 8:00pm

Cost: \$17.00 per person

Menu: Fajitas (Steak, Chicken, Pork w/Toppings (you build your own), Beef Empanadas, Pork Tamales, Nacho Grande, Southwestern Salad

Dessert: Caramel cake, Sopapilla cheesecake Beverage included with the meal are Water, Ice Tea and a Fruit Punch. We will be selling Beers including Corona, and Margaritas at a cost of \$3.00 each

Check one: Dine In _____

Carry out

How many dinners? _____

Name:_____

Phone Number:_____

All orders must be preorder and paid for by Thursday, December 9th.

Piñatas for the Kids



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