

ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

December 25, 2022
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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.

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 26
 8:00 am - Evelyn Keller
Tuesday, December 27
 8:00 am - Evelyn Keller
Wednesday, December 28
 8:00 am - Priest Intention
Thursday, December 29
 8:00 am - James Walsh
Friday, December 30
 8:00 am - Jeanne Croteau
Saturday, December 31
 5:00 pm - Kenneth Schmidt
Sunday, January 1
 7:30 am - Evelyn Keller
 9:30 am - Patricia Ann Herbergs
 11:30 am - People of the Parish

MASS STIPENDS If you would like to request a special Mass intention in thanksgiving or remembrance of a loved one at an upcoming Mass, please contact the parish office at 314-838-6565

MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 31ST & JANUARY 1ST

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 - sign up sheet
7:30 am - sign up sheet
9:30 am - sign up sheet
11:30 am - sign up sheet

Sunday Collection - December 11, 2022

Sunday Offering	\$ 9,463
Weekly Budget	\$12,469
Weekly Over/Under	- \$ 3,006
Fiscal Year To Date	-\$ 66,306

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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number : _____

E-mail: _____

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From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:

REMEMBER THAT DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

To all our parishioners, and especially to all our visitors and guests who are joining us on this great feast day, I wish you a most Blessed Christmas and a hearty welcome! Let us celebrate together, with profoundest joy, the birth of the Messiah, for whom the world was waiting and whose birth both prophets and oracles foretold! Christ, indeed, is born this day. To Him be every blessing through all ages, and may He find a worthy welcome from us whom He came to save!

MEN'S CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Last week, I erroneously listed Our Men's Club's Christmas party as taking place this Wednesday, Dec 28, when, in fact, it will take place this Tuesday, Dec. 27. It will still be at the Sports Café (I-270 & St. Charles Rock Road) from 5:00 - 7:30PM. All the men of the parish are welcome!

A FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

It has become a custom of our parish to gather in church on the afternoon of the feast of the Holy Family just to sing Christmas Carols; no special intention, no attempt at fundraising, just, instead, raising our voices in joy to the Lord. As you know, that feast usually falls on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year. *Usually*, I say. This year, since Christmas and New Year fall on Sunday, there is no Sunday between the two feasts, so the Church celebrates Holy Family on the *Friday* between Christmas and New Year. That being the case, we decided to have our annual St. Angela Merici Annual Festival of Carols on the Sunday *after* New Year, viz., the Feast of the Epiphany, January 8. So, as part of the 12 days of go-crazy celebration that follows Christmas, plan on coming and lending your voice to the praise of God and the Joy of the Season. It starts at 1:00 (lasts about an hour). Treats to follow!

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please remember in your prayers the dear soul of Evelyn Keller, mother of our former pastor, Rev. Thomas Keller, who passed away, and whose funeral Mass was offered last Monday.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY (ANOTHER UPDATE)

We're still planning the trip for next November, stay tuned to this post for details as they become known.

QUIZ-A-CATHOLIC

Let's have yet another hodge-podge, mingle-mangle, and mish-mash of Catholic trivia bits, shall we? What better way to spend Christmas! Name, if you can...

1. The famous American author who married an *alumna* of Visitation Academy in St. Louis (and of the Mizzou Journalism School), and became Catholic because of her.
2. The great author, who became Catholic at 12 taking the Confirmation name, Anthony, and who won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1993.
3. Called the Queen of Suspense, this author's work was first published in a Catholic magazine, *Extension*.
4. The actress who gave Elvis his first screen kiss and later became a contemplative nun.
5. The man whom Joe Garagiola said was the major influence of his life.
6. The two opponents of Super Bowl III who got into a heated argument in a bar before the game about which of them was the better Catholic.
7. The site of the first and oldest "Liberty Bell" in America.
8. The doughy treat originally given as a prize for lessons learned whose shape is derived from the image of a monk's arms folded in prayer.
9. The Franciscan who came up with the "scientific method".





Features:

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10. The composer/entertainer at whose funeral Mass a secular song was played for the first time on the great organ of St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York in 1942.

ANSWERS: 1. *Ernest Hemingway* 2. *Toni Morrison* 3. *Mary Higgins Clark* 4. *Delores Hart* 5. *Abp. Fulton J. Sheen* 6. *Kicker Lou Michaels and quarterback Joe Namath* 7. *Immaculate Conception Church, Kaskaskia Island, IL (1741)* 8. *Pretzels* 9. *Roger Bacon* 10. *George M. Cohan (the song was "Over There")*

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 for seniors, from 9:00-10:00AM in the gym

Dec. 27, Tue.: NOTE THE DATE CHANGE! Men's Club Christmas party at Sports Café (St. Charles Rock Road & 270), 5:00-7:30PM

Dec. 31-Jan. 1, Sat./Sun.: New Year's Day, holy day of obligation - usual weekend Mass schedule (i.e.: 5:00PM Sat., 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM Sun.)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If I am anything but a Catholic...I cannot imagine taking any other religion seriously." - *Ernest Hemingway*

"I like to go into the confessional and stay there for an hour and a half...just to make people wonder." - *Tim Conway*

"I will honor Christmas in my heart and try to live it all the year." - *Charles Dickens*

WORD OF THE WEEK

CRAPULENCE (*n.*) sickness or indisposition caused by excessive eating or drinking, as in: "*Christmas is a time for celebrating, but just remember that overdoing it leads to crapulence.*"

NOTE: No, I didn't make up this word!

Please Pray For The Sick of our Parish:

Rachael Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, Rosemary Licato, Augustine Porter, Billie Lawson, Kristine Lawson, Neil MacKenzie, Margaret Kluge, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Trisha Looney, Jerome Rueckert, William Buchholz, Debbie Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, John Beyatte, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens, Katie Sanders, Jim McMullen, Pat Brennan, Patty Holschen, Jude Pauli, June Hildebrand, John Keeven, Florence Coyne, John Thummel, Rita Sommer, Bill Moon, Spencer Broyles, Vivian Easley, Deborah Corcoran, Tom George, Marge Dubray, Bob Holschen, Leona Alligood, Janet Stubits, Vince Perrot, Agnes (Babe) Dreyer, Sally Caruso, Steve Scherer, Tom Karanzieff, Janet Hughes, Alma Hankins, Christopher Dafflitto, Theresa Hamilton, Brian Perry, Jan Ostermeyer, Kathy Russell, Doris Hofer, Colleen Chronister, Tamara Shrader, Art Batson, Sharyn Buchholz, Lisa Williford, Joe O'Brien, Jonathan Louvall, Judy Eads, Tina McFadden, Lonnie Willmann, Tina Hawkins and Don Krause.

Please Pray for Our Service Men & Women:

Bradley Stremblau, 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, Daniel Schmitz, Zachary Hofer, Jacob Graham, Michael Rose, Nicholas Hedlesky, Christopher Hedlesky and Maya Hedlesky.



Features:

Congratulations to Susan Murphy for being the winner of the beautiful throw done by the Quilters.



DIAMOND JUBILEE FUND RAISER ON BEHALF OF FOOD FOR THE POOR.

No donation is too small. To date, we have raised \$6225.69. We are going to collect up to the end of the year, so that we might make it toward a whole house, which would be \$9800.00. All of the money is tax deductible.

BIRTHRIGHT COLLECTION DRIVE

Every year in January St. Angela Merici parish has a collection for the Birthright organization located in St. Charles. Birthright offers support to pregnant women providing them the means to choose life for their unborn children.

The Respect Life Committee of St. Angela asks that while you are shopping for the holidays online or in-store that you consider purchasing one or more of these most needed items: receiving blankets, crib sheets, bottles, baby wash, and small winter sleepers and onesies - sizes preemie to 6 months. They could also use gift cards for groceries or to Target or Walmart so the mothers can purchase a car seat, formula, or put toward a crib.

There will be a container in the church vestibule during the month of January to put the items you purchase. With your help and prayers, we can support the Birthright counselors and the Moms and Dads with resources to enable them to choose life for their children. Thank you so much in advance for your generosity!

SAVE THE DATES FOR MARIAN CONFERENCE 2023

The Maran Conference is BACK! A dynamite schedule of speakers includes Frs. Bill Casey and Mitch Pacwa, exorcist Msgr. Rossetti from the Archdiocese of Washington and popular Catholic speakers Dr. Ray Guarendi and Jesse Romero. Local Catholic personalities Zip Rzeppa and Patty Schneier will also speak. So mark your calendar for May 19-21, 2023 at the Renaissance Hotel. More information forthcoming and registration at <https://stlmc.org/>

THE SISTERS OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD offer an Open House Tour of their beautiful historic chapel and heritage area. For more information or to schedule a tour contact Sr. Cecile Gunelson at 636-293-8013. Address: 204 North Main Street. O'Fallon. MO
Directions: Use the entrance at Main and 3rd street and take the first right. Parking is available on the south side of chapel. Chapel is handicapped accessible.

This Week in our Parish:

Monday, December 26

Tuesday, December 27

8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 pm - Benediction

Men's Club Christmas Party at Sports Cafe

Wednesday, December 28

9:00 am - Quilters meet in Rectory Bsmt

Thursday, December 29

Friday, December 30

9:00 am - Exercise Class in GYM

Saturday, December 31

Sunday, January 1





Features:

January



Happy New Year!

S.A.M. Seniors Meeting & Luncheon

January 9th, 11:30 am

Mostaccioli, Salad, Garlic Bread & Dessert

By: Krause Catering

AND

A speaker from the Jamestown Assoc. will update us on the Zoo, Jamestown Mall & a few other things around us.



Cost is \$8.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members. Name, phone number and payment need to be in by January 4th. Either drop off at the office, leave in collection basket or black mail box.



Features:

THANK *You* SO VERY much

THE ST. ANGELA'S LADIES CLUB

would like to thank the parishioners for their overwhelming support of our nursing home Christmas gift drive.

Through your tremendous generosity, we were able to provide some 90 -100 gifts to each of three nursing facilities, specifically the Pillars, Stonebridge, and St. Louis Place. Again, thank you for making the residents' Christmas a little brighter, and as a group, we would like to wish you a very safe and blessed holiday season



Thank you all who contributed to the St. Vincent de Paul giving tree. The items went to Holy Trinity School children & Perpetual Help food pantry in North St. Louis City. We also want to offer a **SPECIAL THANKS** to the dedicated quilters who always donate their quilt raffle proceeds to St. Vincent de Paul.

BINGO

Every Friday evening at the
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL
1216 Teson Rd.
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THE LADIES CLUB had their Christmas party on Saturday December 3rd. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed themselves. Here are some pictures to enjoy.



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