

# ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

June 23, 2024  
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NEW PARISHIONERS  
Register in the parish  
office,  
Mon-Fri, 8:00 am-  
4:00 pm.

SACRAMENT OF BAP-  
TISM  
Baptism Instruction is  
to be scheduled with a  
parish priest.

SACRAMENT OF MAR-  
RIAGE  
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 Friday at 4:00 pm. Please email notices to: [brindley@stangelam.org](mailto: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, June 24

8:00 am - Marilyn Werner (Spec. Int.)

### Tuesday, June 25

8:00 am - Gerald Baker

### Wednesday, June 26

8:00 am - Raymond & Shirley Jacobson

### Thursday, June 27

8:00 am - Tina McFadden (Spec. Int.)

### Friday, June 28

8:00 am - Jerry Meyer

### Saturday, June 29

5:00 pm - Mary Hakeen

### Sunday, June 30

7:30 am - Clarence Friedman

9:30 am - Dot Aubuchon

11:30 am - People of the Parish

## MINISTERS

FOR NEXT WEEKEND, JUNE 29TH & 30TH

### WEEKEND LECTORS

5:00 pm - Crystalyn Talavera

7:30 am - Theresa Watson

9:30 am - Mary Ann Kauffman

11:30 am - Jeanie McCrary

## Sunday Collection - June 2, 2024

Sunday Offering	\$ 11,851
Weekly Budget	To be determined
Weekly Over/Under	- \$
Fiscal Year To Date	- \$

Thank you to everyone who joined us this past weekend for our appreciation dinner for Monsignor Mitas and Deacon Joe! If you'd like to view the slideshow that was shown at the dinner, please visit the link below. God Bless these two men!

[www.saintangelamerici.org](http://www.saintangelamerici.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a loved one— deceased or living—contact Linda at the Parish Office at 314-838-6565 or stop by the office. The stipend is \$10 per Mass. There are infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefits one's soul. The special ministerial fruits of the Mass are applied to the particular intention of the Mass. We have MANY open dates and times! The tradition of offering Masses for others, particularly the dead, originated in the very early Church. We have Mass Cards available in the office you can give to the family of a deceased person or Special Intention Cards for living, for a special occasion or for healing.



## *From The Desk of Msgr. Matthew Mitas:*

**REMEMBER: JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS!**

### **OVERWHELMED (AGAIN?)**

Folks, I am out of words. You have overwhelmed me with the depth of your kindness and the warmth of your affection so many times, that I just can't find words anymore to express my gratitude and the warmth I feel in my own heart for all of you! I was completely caught off guard by the gathering last Saturday to celebrate my 45 years as a priest. Yes, I had seen the ad in the Review the week before (I didn't know that one was coming, either), but I thought that was the end of it. Yes, I knew about the party the parish had planned to, finally and at long last, celebrate the service Deacon Joe Kroutil has rendered for us all, and so I went to the gym expecting that there would be a crowd there to celebrate that. Well, I thank you all for your kind reception of our beloved Deacon Joe (Lord knows he deserves it!). As for me, I can only hope that one day I will be able to deserve all that you have done for me! God bless you all! (By the way, this parish really knows how to keep a secret; I didn't have a clue!)

### **MASS AT PIPERS' CHAPEL**

Dr. Piper and his wife, Judy, have once again invited us to attend Mass at their family chapel in Cottleville. This will take place this Wednesday, June 26, at 11:00AM. We've done this often enough, I think, that people know the way there and where to park. If you don't, just contact me and I'll make sure you get there. I'm leaving it, therefore, to everyone to find their own way there, either meeting here and carpooling or driving individually, and, whereas in the past we made special arrangements at a local restaurant so that we would all eat together, but that was sometimes problematic, so this time, you're on your own (we can discuss this and work it out after the Mass). In any case, all are welcome!

### **SS. PETER AND PAUL**

This coming Saturday (June 29) is the great feast of the great apostles, Peter & Paul, a *very* big feast day in the Church. We will, therefore, have Mass Saturday morning at 8:00am.

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

This Monday, June 24, is the birthday of John the Baptist. How much do you know about him? Let's find out:

1. He is one of very few people whose parents are both canonized saints; name them.
2. Who is older, Jesus or John, and by how much?
3. What town is reckoned to be his birth place?
4. What was extraordinary about John's birth?
5. Which archangel appeared to Zechariah?
6. Which prophet's prophesized return was fulfilled with John's arrival on the scene?
7. Most likely, John was part of a monastic sect that lived on the shores of the Dead Sea and produced the famous "Dead Sea Scrolls". Who were they?
8. Where did John baptize?
9. How did John meet his demise?
10. What man did Jesus declare to be greater than John?

**ANSWERS:** 1. *Ss. Zechariah and Elizabeth* 2. *John is six months older* 3. *Ein Karem* 4. *The archangel announced his birth to his superannuated father, saying that his superannuated wife would bear a child, and was left mute when he didn't believe it, and his speech was restored after he obediently named his new son, "John"* 5. *St. Gabriel* 6. *Elijah* 7. *The Essenes* 8. *In the Jordan River* 9. *He was beheaded by the drunk King Herod, at the request of Salome, the daughter of his "wife" Herodias, whose dance had so enthralled him that he promised her whatever she wanted* 10. *Though He called John the greatest man of the Old Testament, He declared the "least born into the Kingdom" as greater*

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Every Tuesday:** *Eucharistic Adoration in church from 8:30AM-7:00PM, with Devotions and Benediction at 7:00. (The last hour, 6:00-7:00, is dedicated to prayer for vocations.)*  
**By special arrangement with the Parish Office:** Pickleball! (in the gym)





## Features:

### CONTINUED

June 25, Tue.: Catechism Class after the 7:00PM Devotions, Parish Meeting Room

June 26, Wed.: Mass at Pipers' Chapel, 11:00AM

June 29, Sat.: Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul, Mass at 8:00AM

July 2, Tue.: Catechism Class, after the 7:00PM Devotions, Parish Meeting Room

July 4, Thu.: Independence Day, Mass at 9:00AM

### QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"[The concept of] 'homophobia' [is] an invention and instrument of the totalitarian dominance over the thoughts of others. The 'homo-movement' is entirely lacking scientific arguments, which is why it created an ideology which seeks to dominate by creating its own reality...It is the Marxist pattern, according to which reality does not create thinking, but thinking creates its own reality. He who does not accept this created reality is to be considered as being sick." - *Gerhard Cardinal Mueller*

"Whoever would overthrow the Liberty of a Nation must begin by subduing the Freedom of Speech." - *Benjamin Franklin*

### STAT OF THE WEEK

According to Pew Research, these are the percentages of atheists in formerly Catholic countries around the world (with the percentage of the population who call themselves atheist in parentheses): Hungary (2), Poland (2), Italy (8), Spain (10), Germany (8), Sweden (18), France (23). Where does the U.S. fit in? 4%, up from 3% last year.

### WORD OF THE WEEK

LIRIPOOP (*n.*) 1) the tail that hung from a graduating academic's hood (the precursor of the modern tassel that hangs from the mortarboard), 2) a decorative scarf, 3) a storehouse of knowledge, 4) a role or part in a play, 5) a trick, 6) a silly person (which is what it sounds like it should mean), as in: *"If you've ever been called a 'liripoop', whatever it means, it shouldn't be taken as a compliment!"*

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

Rachel Lawson, Jeff Gauthier, Augustine Porter, Billie Lawson, Kristine Lawson, Laurie Kauffman, Carl Kling, Sr., Jerome Rueckert, Debbie Vietmeier, Gloria Wasser, Joe Knese, Donna Ahrens, Jim McMullen, June Hildebrand, John Thummel, Rita Sommer, Bill Moon, Vivian Easley, Deborah Corcoran, Tom George, Marge Dubray, Leona Alligood, Janet Stubits, Sally Caruso, Steve Scherer, Tom Karanzieff, Alma Hankins, Christopher Dafflitto, Theresa Hamilton, Brian Perry, Jan Ostermeyer, Kathy Russell, Colleen Chronister, Tamara Shrader, Art Batson, Lisa Williford, Joe O'Brien, Judy Eads, Tina McFadden, Tina Hawkins, Jack Kiaman, Wilma Schmidt, Gloria Frisella, Barb Schmitz, Gerry & Wayne Schilly, Philip & Ester Sansone, Marilyn Werner, Pete Miller, Vitina Galati, Sister Suzanne Wesley, Jacqueline Thomas, Mary "Meg" Peters, Baby Simon Jones, Julie Ross, Jo Chapman, Jerry Gomez, Joe Licavoli, Mozell Baskin III, Kaelen Askuvich, Doris Hofer, Maricia Cissell, Deacon Joseph Kroutil, Gail Stefaniak, Jim Belcher, Kaylee Gain, Tom O'Brian, Kay Cabay, Pat Scott, Bill Winters, William F. Tierney, David Neumann, Norma Trupiano, Saralinda Bauer and Joan Geerling.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN:

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, Craig Richardson, Dylan Krause, Tyler Krause, Daniel Schmitz, Zachary Hofer, Kyle Hofer, Jacob Graham, Michael Rose, Nicholas Hedlesky, Christopher Hedlesky, Maya Hedlesky, Brody MacKinnon and Mitchell Trost.



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Sunday, July 7, 2024

12:00 to 4:00 pm

1616 Shakelford Rd

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### This Week in our Parish:

#### Monday, June 24

9:00 am - Quilters meet in Rectory Bsmt

#### Tuesday, June 25

8:30 am - Eucharistic Adoration

2:00 pm - Blood Drive in Lunchroom

7:00 pm - Benediction

#### Wednesday, June 26

#### Thursday, June 27

#### Friday, June 28

#### Saturday, June 29

#### Sunday, June 30

### St. Angela Merici Altar Society Needs You!

The Altar Society is in need of a few volunteers to assist with keeping our Church clean. Total commitment is only 8 hours over the course of the year. Interested in joining our *Cleaning Angels*? Please call the Parish office at 314-838-6565 to sign up.



## BLOOD DONORS SAVE LIVES



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THIS BEACH TOWEL  
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### St. Angela Merici

Tuesday, June 18

3:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Cafeteria

3860 N Highway 67

Appointments required.

To schedule, scan QR code or call ImpactLife at 800.747.5401



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## Features:

### THE WOMEN'S GUILD OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH

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is sponsoring a Book Fair. We have thousands of books just waiting to be purchased and enjoyed. There are books to please everyone from pre-birth to their final days and beyond. They'll tell you how to catch food, cook it, eat it and then diet to take it off! Books for kids, teens, Historians, arm-chair detectives, romance seekers, puzzles and videos, tapes, DVDs - just non-ending categories! Our prices are outstanding (\$1.00 for hard-backs, \$.50 for paperbacks and kids' books 6 for \$1.00.!! Located in Faenger Hall (on Rhodes, right behind the church and school)

June 22 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

June 23 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

June 24-28 5:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

June 29 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Questions – call Linda at 752-4660. Don't miss this spectacular event where you can buy plenty of books for the family and STILL be able to afford to go out for dinner!

**HOLY NAME OF JESUS** Monthly Candlelight Community Peace Vigil the Last Sunday of Each Month ~ 7 PM Our monthly candlelight vigils are held outdoors on the front steps of our church on the last Sunday of each month. In case of inclement weather, we will gather in the church vestibule. The vigil is sponsored by the Holy Name of Jesus Social Justice Group and last for 30 minutes. The purpose is to pray for unity in the community, raise awareness of social justice issues and pray for an end to violence, especially gun violence. The vigil consists of music, silent reflection, and group prayer. ALL are welcome to join us every month or whenever you're available to pray with us!

### GERMANFEST

It is that time of the year again for us to hold our annual Germanfest. We are working hard to give everyone a good time. To help us we are looking for new or like new stuffed animals to use at our sucker pull booth. We will have a container in the vestibule for you to drop them off in or you can bring them to the office. Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

Germanfest Committee

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### All Saints Academy Louie's Italian ICE

Join us at Louie's! 20% of sales support our school. Treat yourself and support our school!

Saturday, June 29, 2024

12:00 to 4:00 pm

1616 Shakelford Rd

Don't forget to mention All Saints Academy when making your yummy purchase.

**DESERT DAY:** I really need a day of prayer and quiet! Desert Days at the Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are just that. Come to the quiet and beauty of St. Joseph Chapel at 204 North Main St., O'Fallon, MO on **July 16 from 9:15 am – 3:15 pm**. The day will begin and end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. The opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is also available. Lunch is provided. A free will offering is requested. For more information or to register contact Sr. Mary Cecile Gunelson, CPPS at 636-293-8013 or by email at [mcgunelson@cppsofallon.org](mailto:mcgunelson@cppsofallon.org)



## *Features:*

### **THE LESSER KNOWN SIDE OF GUN VIOLENCE**

Most people are surprised to learn that nearly 60% of all adult gun deaths are suicide by gun. Today, the rate of firearm suicides is at an all-time high in the US: 12 times the gun suicide rate in other high-income countries.

The dynamics of suicide are complex, but research indicates that a combination of several risk factors is often present in the lead-up to suicide: current life stressors, historical risk factors, and access to lethal means of harm such as firearms. Nearly 90% of suicide attempts with a firearm are fatal, compared to 5% of all other suicide attempts.

As we hear in today's Psalm, the Lord heard their distress and hushed the storm. As God is present to us, may we be present to the suffering of others who may be at risk for self-harm to reduce firearm suicide. Using gun locks or securing firearms in a gun safe can reduce the risk of suicide by gun in an emotional, impulsive response to a stressful situation. Also, removing guns from the home when we are concerned an adult or child in the household may be at risk for self-harm to reduce firearm suicide is one of the easiest and quickest ways to intervene.

If you are concerned that someone you know – or you yourself – may be considering suicide, the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline offers 24/7 support by trained counselors

### **SUGGESTIONS FOR PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL IN RESPONSE TO GUN VIOLENCE**

For the victims of gun violence, that they may find healing and peace; for the families of those who have lost loved ones to gun violence, that they may find comfort and strength; and for our leaders, that they may have the wisdom and courage to work toward solutions to the epidemic of gun violence.

For the end to the gun violence that plagues our country. Comfort those who have lost those they love to bullets, those who are recovering from their own gunshot wounds, and those whose lives are shaped by fear of gun violence in their own communities.

For those who minister to the victims of gun violence – doctors, nurses, police, social workers, therapists, families, and religious. May they continue to have the strength and compassion to heal the physical, emotional, and spiritual hurt this plague of violence inflicts.

For the strength to teach our children how to resolve differences non-violently and respectfully, and the courage to model it in our own behavior.

For an end to the violence perpetrated by harsh words, deadly weapons, or cold indifference. May our homes, our nation, and countries around the world become havens of peace, let us pray to the Lord.

### **A SUMMER SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT**

A Summer Silent Directed Retreat will be held in July at Mercy Conference and Retreat Center. This silent retreat allows you to withdraw from the busyness of life and reflect on and deepen your relationship with God. You will meet with a spiritual director each day to accompany you through these graced days of silence and contemplation. Two possible options:

6 days, \$700, Monday, July 8 arriving 9am through Saturday, July 13 at 4 pm

4 days, \$425, Monday, July 8 arriving 9 am through Thursday, July 11 at 4 pm

Information and registration at [mercycenterstl.org](http://mercycenterstl.org)

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