



April 16, 2023

**Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

**Announcements and
Upcoming Events**



TO ALL PARISHIONERS CELEBRATING IN APRIL!

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Receiving the Blessed Sacrament in the Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic faith, but during these unprecedented times and to ensure the health and safety of all people, it is not always possible or desirable to receive the Sacrament publicly during this time. However, there are still opportunities to draw close to Christ and unite with the Church during these difficult times. We encourage all parishioners who would like to do so, to take the opportunity to receive the blessings bestowed upon us through a Spiritual Communion. Spiritual Communion is an opportunity to still be able to unite ourselves to the Sacrament. The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith; an Act of Love; a desire to receive Christ; and an invitation to Him to come into your heart. Families or individuals can be encouraged to receive Spiritual Communion in the following manner.

STEPS FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

- Find a quiet space
- Begin with the Sign of the Cross
- Read the daily readings. These can be found at any of the following locations:
- <http://usccb.org/calendar/index.cfm?showLit=1&action=month>
- MAGNIFICAT: English: www.magnificat.com/free
- Take time to reflect on the readings
- Pray the Our Father; Pray the Prayer of Spiritual Communion
- Conclude with the Sign of the Cross

Prayer of Spiritual Communion:

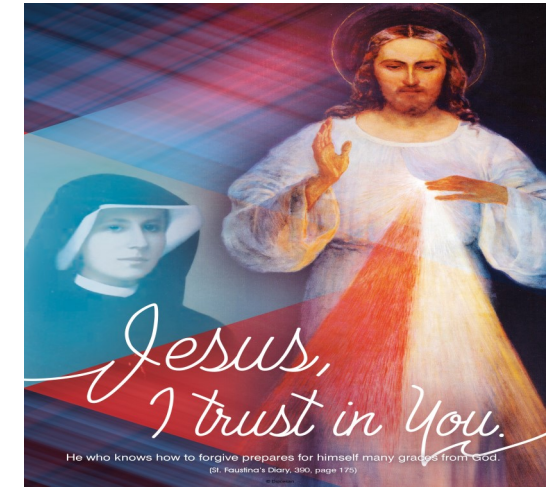
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.
(Attributed to St. Alphonsus Liguori)



St. Ann, pray for us!

Archbishop Rozanski has lifted the dispensation of the faithful to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation as of July 1, 2021. It is noted that parishioners who are sick, homebound, immunocompromised and gravely concerned for their health retain the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass.

EVERYONE WHO IS ABLE TO RECEIVE THE INOCULATIONS SAFELY WITH THE RESPECTIVE COMPOUNDS IS ENCOURAGED TO BE VACCINATED AND RECEIVE BOOSTERS AS APPROPRIATELY GUIDED BY YOUR MEDICAL PERSONNEL.



Rev. Arthur J. Cavitt, Pastor
arthurcavitt@archstl.org

Pastoral Staff
Deacon Stanley Peterson (Retired)
Darlene Elston—Religious Education

Music Ministry Coordinator
John Reed

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Please see Fr. Cavitt or call the Rectory for an appointment.

Parish Center Rental and Roller Skating
Call the Parish Office for details.

Food Pantry
Monday (except holidays), 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
701 N. 18th St., **Now On Facebook**
<https://www.facebook.com/snfpstl/>
Serving Zip Codes 63101, 63102, 63103, 63106, & 63155

Two forms of ID to confirm residency are necessary.
The Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program is an equal opportunity provider.

1414 N. Taylor location
Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Serving Zip Codes 63108, 63113, 63115

701 N. 18th Street
Saint Louis, Missouri. 63103
Phone: (314) 231-2860 Fax: (314) 241-9823

Email: stnickscatholicchurch@gmail.com
Web Page: www.stnickscatholicchurch.com

Sunday Mass
10:30 a.m.
Scheduled Weekday Masses
On Holy Days of Obligation, 12:15 p.m.

St. Ann Novena
July 18-26

See www.stnickscatholicchurch.com for the link about the St. Ann Shrine and Novena

Church Parking also available on Sundays and special events on the lot at the northwest corner of 19th and Lucas. Entrance is on 19th Street.

**St. Nicholas Catholic Church
Mission Statement**

We, the community of believers of St. Nicholas Catholic Church are called by GOD to give living witness to the saving power of Jesus offered freely to all humanity. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit and sent into the world to recreate the face of the earth. In the light and the truth of the Gospel message, we are committed to: Grow in our faith, participate in and support our Church, to reach beyond ourselves to meet the needs of others who seek to better their lives by unashamedly living our Catholic Faith.

Pastor's Corner



Dear People of God,
Continual Blessed Resurrection and Easter Season to you.

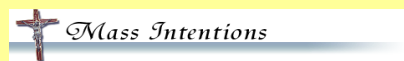
Thank you to the crew who cleaned and sanitized the church yesterday for today's liturgy.

Please see the revised note on page three about the All Things New Initiative. As I've noted regularly, Don Elston is our primary contact person. Parishioners agreeing to serve as key leaders are Gene Baldi, Eloise Grimes, Bill McHugh, Jennifer Muzinic, and Jayne Thompson. Thank you, folks your continual service to the parish.

I will reiterate here as I have for months now that to the extent that you can, everyone is urged to make financial contributions to the church in person at Mass, through on-line giving, or postal mail. Thank you to those of you who are doing so as well as being among those who are regularly attending Mass and are involved in parish ministries. In other words, thank you for your stewardship at this crucial time. Continue to know that aside from being in the midst of numerous structural problems, in order to continue operating, there are still bills to be paid on a regular basis.

Please stay "prayed-up" generally and close to the warmth during these trying weather days. Our Lady, Health of the Sick, pray for us. St. Ann & St. Joachim pray for us. St. Nicholas, pray for us.

Your pastor and brother in Christ,
Fr. Art



You are invited to submit Mass Intentions to the Parish Office or to Fr. Art for scheduling. Only one submission is accepted for each Mass. The submission should include \$10.00 for each Mass Intention. We will list them in the bulletin for that upcoming week.

Sunday, April 16

Larry & Marlena Costello
and Family

Stewardship

**Financial Summary
For Weeks of April 9 & April 2**

Source	April 9	April 2
Offertory/Drop Off	\$ 1,270.00	\$ 1,356.37
On-line Giving	\$ 75.00	\$ 696.00
SVDP Use of Facilities		\$ 600.00
Good Friday-Holy Land	\$ 205.00	\$ 10.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 25.00	
Candle Lightings		\$ 3.00
Mass Intentions		\$ 20.00
Retired Priests Fund	\$ 238.00	
Total Offertory & Other	\$ 1,813.00	\$ 2,685.37
Church Mail-in	\$ 1,635.00	\$ 800.00
Total Parish Deposit	\$ 3,448.00	\$ 3,485.37



April 16
Second Sunday of Easter

10:30 a.m.
Lectors:
Jennifer Muzinic
Gene Baldi

Eucharistic Ministers:
Don Elston
Darlene Elston

Hospitality:
Monica Feaman
Judy McDuffie

April 23
Third Sunday of Easter

10:30 a.m.
Lectors:
Connie Johnson
Alice O'Bryant

Eucharistic Ministers:
Eloise Grimes
Albert Washington

Hospitality:
Frances Wilkes
Monica Feaman
Judy McDuffie



**The Archdiocesan Office of
Black Catholic Ministries**

ST. CHARLES LWANGA CENTER NEWS



The Lwanga Center Bible Study continues with our exploration of "The Book of the Wisdom of Ben Sira (also known as the Book of Sirach)" on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m., currently at St. Nicholas.

The date is still Sunday, April 23, 2023 for the 39th Annual Testimonial Dinner. Archdiocesan Honorees are Deacon Charles Allen (Posthumously), Simeon Layne, Jr. and Mathews-Dickey Boys' and Girls' Club of Greater St. Louis. Mrs. Eloise Grimes is our parish honoree. Mrs. Helen Gill remains the Lwanga Board Representative and liaison for such. Please be advised that tickets have sold briskly. There is currently a waiting list.



ALL THINGS NEW

The Archdiocesan Curia is composed of those institutes and persons who assist the Archbishop in governing the entire diocese, especially in directing pastoral action, in providing for the administration of the diocese, and in exercising judicial power. The Archbishop met with the Curia this past week to present the All Things New 1st Draft Component as it affects the realignment of the Curia. Some of this of course, will be dependent on the configuration of parishes, with that announcement anticipated next month. Let us continue to pray for the process and persons directly involved in the coordination.

**ARE YOU READY FOR THE COVID VACCINATION?
CALL 877-435-8411 OR LOG-ON TO MOSTopsCovid.com
for vaccination sites and related information.
Also log-on to the church's web page for information from a
public service announcement sponsored by the St. Louis City
Department of Health.**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Special greetings to our friends and visitors who have come to pray and worship with us. We are glad to have you with us.

Please feel free to sign our guest book and or complete one of the visitors cards and return it to one of the ministers of hospitality.

Thank You and may the Blessings from our Lord be with you.

**Church
Announcements**



Our church is now offering online giving. All households receiving regular church envelopes should have already received information in the postal mail about this option.

Feel free to view the link on our website:

www.stnickscatholicchurch



For enrollment in the Book of Life please see instructions and forms on the appropriate stand by the St. Ann Shrine. Please note that the Book is for enrollment of the names of the deceased for perpetual prayer.

Please feel free to offer Mass Intentions for the living and deceased through instructions under the Pastor's Corner.



To light candles across from the St. Ann Shrine is \$4.00. To purchase a candle it is \$5.00, please see one of the church ministers. Place your money in an envelope and insert it in the canister stand across from the chapel. Candles on the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Altar are lit for \$1.00. The canister is in that area on the Altar.



The first of three ACA weekends is next week, Sunday, April 23rd. We will have a guest speaker, Ms. Phelps from the Education Dept. on Sunday, April 30th. Fr. John Vogler will preside at Mass that day as Fr. Art is designated as an ACA guest speaker on that Sunday too. Your attention and generosity are appreciated. Mrs. Darlene Elston is the Parish Chairperson, assisted by Mr. Don Elston.

Sick, Elderly, Home Bound & Prayer Requests

Debbie Allen
Kenecia Allen
Phyllis Allen
Kate Baldi
Vera Baird
Anne Brown
Angela Cherry-Carr
Shirley Cherry
Virginia Cavitte
Candice Burke
Chloe Burke
Jalen Burke
Brenda Cole
Larry Costello & Family
Calvin Davis
Geraldine Davis
Warren Davis
Patricia Fleming
Donald Gammon
Addie Gill
Helen Gill
Tyrone Gill
Karen Gonnigan
Gregory Jenkins
Everlyn Jones
Reign Brown-Jones



Queen Jones
Virgil Kaleem
Peggy Ledoux
Brenda Mahr
David Mancuso
Teresa Mancuso
Hannah Moll
Thomas Newman
David O'Bryant
Bill McHugh
Barbara Parker
Deacon Stanley Peterson
Elouise Reed
Bart Robbins
Derrick Ross
Charles Sams
Janie Shockley
Doris Tobias
Brenda Ulmer
Carol Wallace
Mildred Washington
Steve Washington
Carole Willis