



May 16, 2021

The Ascension of the Lord



Announcements and Upcoming Events

TO ALL PARISHIONERS CELEBRATING IN MAY!

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)



WE ARE CONTINUING OUR CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC MASSES IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARCHDIOCESAN DIRECTIVES.

THIS INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO PERSONS NOT COMPROMISED THROUGH VULNERABILITIES OF HEALTH. EVERYONE WHO IS ABLE TO RECEIVE IT WITH ITS RESPECTIVE COMPONENTS IS ENCOURAGED TO BE VACCINATED.

PLEASE REVIEW THE PASTOR'S CORNER ABOUT THE LIVE-STREAMED MASS.

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

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

Music Ministry Coordinators
Irene Franklin, 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 (Note Revised Hours)
Monday (except holidays), 10:00 a.m.-12:30 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

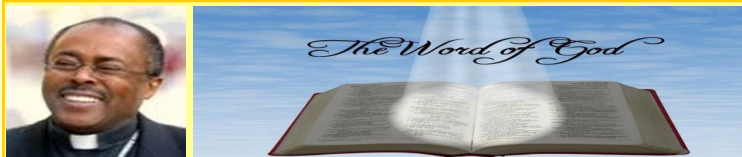
Sunday Mass
10:30 a.m.
Scheduled Weekday Masses
Holy Days of Obligation, 12:15 p.m.

Parking available on Sundays and special events on the lot at the north-west 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,

Blessed Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and continual Blessed Easter Season to you.

We will continue to schedule the live streaming of Mass on Sunday as long as is technically manageable for us with reasonable audio and visual clarity. Later viewing of the recording will still be anticipated to be on YouTube and the Parish Website later in the day.

Thank you to the crew persons who participated in the cleaning and sanitizing of the church for this weekend. We have received revised directives from the Archdiocese in light of the amended mandates from the Center for Disease Control and our local city and county governmental pronouncements. For the time being, we will continue to wear masks during liturgies and will also continue our sanitation procedures.

Please continue to log on to the parish website for the electronic copy of the bulletin and or let us know your email address for forwarding a copy. If you know a parishioner who does not have electronic access, let us know the appropriate postal address and we will send a copy from that list.

Everyone is urged to continue to make financial contributions to the church in person at Mass, through on-line giving, or postal mail.

Mindful of this Easter/Resurrection Season, please remember to stay "prayed-up" generally. Our Lady, Health of the Sick, 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.

Stewardship

Financial Summary
For Weeks of May 2 & May 9, 2021

Source	May 2	May 9
Offertory/Drop Off	\$ 1,112.53	\$ 843.00
Mass Intentions		\$ 10.00
Easter Vigil		\$ 10.00
Ascension		\$ 10.00
Catholic Home Mission		\$ 5.00
Catholic Communications		\$ 5.00
On-Line Giving	\$ 390.00	\$ 270.00
Ascension SVDP Pantry Use of Facilities	\$ 300.00	
Total Offertory & Other	\$ 1,802.53	\$ 1,153.00
Church Mail-in	\$ 2,759.00	\$ 470.00
Total Parish Deposit	\$ 4,561.53	\$ 1,623.00



16-May	23-May
Ascension of the Lord	Pentecost
10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Lectors: Jennifer Muzinic Gene Baldi	Sharonda White Alice O'Bryant
Eucharistic Ministers: Glenda H. Miller Bill McHugh	Eloise Grimes Alice Prince
Hospitality: Sylvia Deanes Monica Feaman Judith McDuffie	Phyllis Allen Monica Feaman Judith McDuffie
Commentator: TBD	TBD



The Archdiocesan Office of Black Catholic Ministries

ST. CHARLES LWANGA CENTER NEWS



Thank you to everyone who joined in the 37th Annual Testimonial Awards Celebration honoring leaders from parishes and the wider Archdiocese. For viewing convenience, the posted recording can be accessed here:

<https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesLwangaCenterOBCM>

<https://youtube.com/channel/UCRVP1YIF6duBqSWK04SVnnA>
(St. Nicholas YouTube Channel)

Congratulations to our adult parish honoree, Mr. Carlton Prince. Congratulations to the Fr. Feuerbacher Lifetime Achievement Award honoree, our parishioner Ophelia Wilson.

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You are invited to celebrate the Memorial of St. Charles Lwanga and Companions with us on Thursday, June 3rd, 6:30 p.m. Mass, here at St. Nicholas.

Please feel free to contact the Center as needed for information at (314) 367-7929.

Stewardship of your time and talent, and treasure is greatly appreciated for the maintenance of our parish.

UPDATED VACCINATION INFORMATION

Please note that Covid vaccine administration information at America's Center (now at the Dome through June 1, seven days a week until further notice) is available at 877-435-8411 and covidvaccine.mo.gov/navigator.

- Pfizer shots 1 & 2, sixteen years of age and older (Parent or guardian must accompany 16-17 year olds.)
- Free to all Missouri Residents
- Registration Preferred but Walk-ins Welcome
- No ID or Insurance Required
- Accessibility Assistance Available
- ASL and Language Translation Available

This information is placed here for your reference to move toward inoculation if you haven't already done so.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

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

For those in the assembly today, 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.

For those with us on-line, more information about us including a bulletin link can be found through www.stnickscatholicchurch.com.

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

Church Announcements

Stewardship is HEART WORK

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.com

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 ACA parish promotional weekends continue. Your pledges/contributions are greatly appreciated.

2nd Donation today, Sunday, May 16 for Catholic Communications Campaign. Contributions are appreciated. Envelope in parishioners' packets. Catholic Home Missions Appeal contributions on May 23rd.

Sick, Elderly, Home Bound & Prayer Requests

Kenecia Allen
Phyllis Allen
Robert Anderson
Eunice Atkinson
Kate Baldi
Vera Baird
Anne Brown
Angela Cherry-Carr
Shirley Cherry
Virginia Cavitte
Brenda Cole
Arushus Coleman
John Cook
Calvin Davis
Geraldine Davis
Donald Gammon
Helen Gill
Tyrone Gill
Timothy Hacker & Friend
Father Kevin Haines
Eugene Harper
Gregory Jenkins
Reign Brown-Jones



Queen Jones
Lucinda Kaid
Russell Kowalewski
Peggy Ledoux
Judith McDuffie
Lisa Musielak
Barbara Parker
Stanley Peterson
Gianna Bella Preston
Pamela Randall
Rev. Robert Reiker
Bart Robbins
Derrick & Marilyn Ross
Nancy Sciolino
Janie Shockley
Irma Stallings
Doris & Walter Tobias
Nicole Thompson
Brenda Ulmer
Carol Wallace
Albert Washington
Mildred Washington
Herbert Wheeler
Carole Willis