



# St. Nicholas Catholic Church

With St. Ann Shrine

March 15, 2020

Third Sunday of Lent

## Announcements and Upcoming Events



TO ALL PARISHIONERS CELEBRATING in MARCH !!!



Skating volunteers please check the calendar for upcoming events!

March 21st-1:00 p.m. –4:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE and Plan to Attend!

A House of Spiritual Formation and Leadership Development

**SAINT CHARLES LWANGA CENTER**  
The Archdiocesan Office of Black Catholic Ministries

**37<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
Testimonial Dinner and Auction  
Sunday, March 22, 2020  
Auction opens - 2:30 p.m.  
Dinner Program starts - 4:00 p.m.  
Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel  
9801 Natural Bridge Road  
Saint Louis, Missouri

Dinner Tickets @ \$45.00 each  
Full Tables (Seats 10) @ \$450.00

*"We Don't Believe He Brought Us this Far to Leave Us!"*

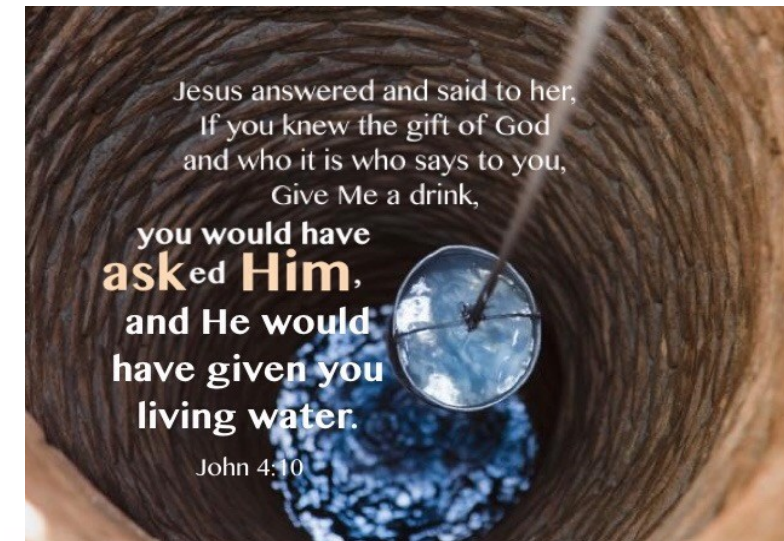
**Lifetime Achievement Honoree**  
Gracious Lady Ophelia Wilson  
(Of the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary)

**Torch Bearer Honorees**  
Better Family Life, Inc.  
Loyola Academy of St. Louis

**Honoring Leaders in the African American Catholic Community**  
For additional information contact the St. Charles Lwanga Center at (314) 367-7929



Join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30 p.m. during Lent!



**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

**Fourth Sunday- Friends and Family Sunday**  
Blessing of Grandparents in honor of Sts. Ann & Joachim  
Friends and Family Fellowship after Mass

**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), 12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.  
701 N. 18th St.  
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.**

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.  
1414 N. Taylor  
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.  
July 18 thru 26 during Novena, 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 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,**

**These are pertinent points concerning the recommendations that I spoke of last week. In light of the recent declaration of the virus pandemic, they are now mandated by the Archbishop:**

“Here’s how we can help protect parishioners from the spread of illness when they gather for Mass:

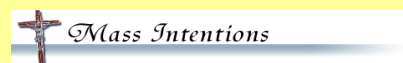
- Sanitize all sacred vessels before and after all Masses (with soap and hot water), because germs may survive on surfaces up to 24 or more hours.
- Suspending the exchange of the sign of peace (or instructing that it be exchanged without physical contact).
- Advise parishioners to keep a distance of three feet from the nearest neighbor when possible.
- Share reminders that Holy Communion is encouraged to be received in the hand.
- Suspending the distribution of Holy Communion to the faithful via the chalice.
- Holy Water fonts should be drained and left empty at this time.
- Encourage good hygiene, including alcohol-based hand sanitizer lotion in restrooms and public areas, and proper cough-and-sneeze etiquette. It is especially important for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to implement these measures.
- Remind the elderly—who are among the most vulnerable—that they have the option to participate in the Mass on TV via channels such as EWTN, and to request that Holy Communion be brought to their place of residence.
- Help identify those who are more at risk (i.e., elderly people living alone, persons with disabilities, children and teens), and check on them;
- People with a respiratory infection, the flu, a fever or a serious cold should be encouraged to stay home and reassured that they are not bound to attend weekend Mass.”

**Please give attention to what we are emphasizing. They are intended for our individual and common good.**

**Your pastor and brother in Christ,**

*Fr. Art*

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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, March 15th** Theodore A. Ellis, 10:30 a.m.

**Sunday, March 22nd** Helen Sloan, 10:30 a.m.

**Stewardship**

**Financial Summary  
For Weeks of March 1, & March 8, 2020**

| Source                             | March 1            | March 8            |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Offertory 10:30 am Mass            | \$ 2,998.15        | \$ 1,347.00        |
| Book of Life                       | \$ 0.00            | \$ 0.00            |
| On-Line Giving                     | \$ 155.00          | \$ 795.00          |
| Central & Eastern Europe           | \$ 242.00          | \$ 0.00            |
| Funeral Donation                   | \$ 250.00          | \$ 0.00            |
| <b>Total Offertory &amp; Other</b> | <b>\$ 3,645.15</b> | <b>\$ 2,142.00</b> |
| Church Mail-in                     | \$ 212.00          | \$ 588.00          |
| Black & Indian Mission             | \$ 440.00          | \$ 2.00            |
| Mass Intentions                    | \$ 10.00           | \$ 10.00           |
| Skating                            | \$ 100.00          | \$ 950.00          |
| <b>Total Parish Deposit</b>        | <b>\$ 4,407.15</b> | <b>\$ 3,692.00</b> |



**15-March  
Third Sunday of Lent**

**10:30 a.m.**  
Lector: Sharonda White  
Lector: DeAndria Player

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jayne Thompson  
Nicole Thompson  
Sylvia Deanes  
Albert Washington  
Alice Prince

**Hospitality:** Monica Feaman  
Charles Feaman

**Commentator:** Cantor

**Altar Servers:** Jalen & Kalen Prince

**22-March  
Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**10:30 a.m.**  
Sarah Biver  
Alice O'Bryant

Ella Scott  
Lawrence McHaynes  
Monica Feaman  
Bill McHugh  
Eloise Grimes

Valada Ellis  
Rich Hrin

Cantor

Makel Dailey & Kelvin Boyd

(Only three needed. Use of Chalices is suspended.)



**The Archdiocesan Office of  
Black Catholic Ministries**

**ST. CHARLES LWANGA CENTER NEWS**



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**37th Annual Testimonial Dinner & Auction on Sunday, March 22, 2020.** Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel. Theme: “We Don’t Believe He Brought Us This Far to Leave Us!” **Tickets are \$65.00 each. Table of 10 for \$650.00.** Contact the Lwanga Center our parish Lwanga Board Representative, **Mrs. Helen Gill** or our other Dinner Committee member, **Jayne Thompson** for additional information about ticket purchase, ads, and auction donations. Our parish honoree is **Mr. Carlton Prince**. Archdiocesan wide honorees are **Grand Lady Ophelia Wilson (also of our parish), Better Family Life Inc., and Loyola Academy of St. Louis.** Lwanga Center’s phone number is: **(314) 367-7929.**

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**Bible Study Continues**

We have resumed the study and prayer at the Center with the Book of Psalms on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. Please bring a Bible. The New American Edition is preferred. There is no fee for the sessions. Free will offerings to the Center are always welcomed. Call **314-367-7929** if more information is needed.

We appreciate everyone who continue to help around the parish by maintaining the building inside and out. A congregation that works together as well as prays together will stay together. God’s continual blessing on each and every one of you.

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

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**Next 2nd Collection** will be next Sunday, **March 22nd for the Catholic Relief Services.**

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**Join us for Friends and Family Sunday, March 22nd,** complimentary coffee, juice, donuts, and fruit. All are welcome to fellowship after 10:30 a.m. Mass.

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**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!**

Special greetings to our friends and visitors who have come to pray and worship with us today. Whether you are just having a look, or searching for a permanent place to worship, we are glad to have you here. We trust that the worship will be joyful and encouraging to all and hope you find a warm welcoming community here at St. Nicholas Parish.

We would love to follow up with you as well, so please sign our guest book, complete one of the visitors cards and return it to one of the ushers.

Thank You... And may the Blessings of God 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.com](http://www.stnickscatholicchurch.com)

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Stewardship Committee will meet today, **March 15, 2020** after 10:30 a.m. Mass.  
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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.

**Sick, Elderly, Home Bound & Prayer Requests**

Kenecia Allen  
Phyllis Allen  
Robert Anderson  
Charlean Armstead  
Eunice Atkinson  
Kate Baldi  
Vera Baird  
Anne Brown  
Angela Cherry-Carr  
Shirley Cherry  
Virginia Cavitte  
Brenda Cole  
Donald Gammon  
Tyrone Gill  
Gregory Jenkins  
Reign Brown-Jones  
Queen Jones  
Katie Johnson  
Lucinda Kaid



Peggy Ledoux  
Judith McDuffie  
Stanley Peterson  
Pamela Randall  
Rev. Robert Reiker  
Bart Robbins  
Derrick & Marilyn Ross  
Janie Shockley  
Irma Stallings  
Doris & Walter Tobias  
Brenda Ulmer  
Carol Wallace  
Albert Washington  
Mildred Washington  
Mary & Herbert Wheeler  
Advertis Williams  
Juanita Williams  
Carole Willis

Please continue to pray for the sick, elderly, homebound, nursing home residents, and all of the vulnerable throughout our community.