



Announcements and Upcoming Events

TO ALL PARISHIONERS CELEBRATING IN SEPTEMBER!

MS. EUNICE ATKINSON TURNS 100!

The sorors of Sigma Gamma Rho and the family of Ms. Atkinson invite her church family to participate in the 100th Birthday Parade of Cars celebrating her. It occurs on Saturday, September 26, 2020 beginning at 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. The location is the Kennerly Temple Church of God in Christ-Parking Lot; 4307 Kennerly Ave. (also known as Bishop Ward Ave.); St Louis, Missouri 63113.

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 HAVE RESUMED OUR CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC MASSES WITH LIMITED SEATING IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARCHDIOCESAN DIRECTIVES. THIS INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO PERSONS NOT COMPROMISED THROUGH VULNERABILITES OF HEALTH AND OR AGE. PLEASE REVIEW THE PASTOR'S CORNER FOR UPDATED INFORMATION ABOUT THE CURRENT SUSPENSION OF LIVE –STREAMING BUT ENHANCED PRESENTATION OF ON-LINE 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.
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.

On-site food pantry service at the 1414 N. Taylor location has resumed. Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Serving Zip Codes 63108, 63113, 63115

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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.

St. Ann Novena Annually Scheduled For July 18 thru 26 Has Been Postponed Until Further Notice.

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,

Peace of Christ to you.

Please be mindful that until otherwise advised, masks are required to be worn by the on-site congregation during liturgies except for Communion time. For the past couple of weeks we have been getting consistently good results when the recorded Masses have been uploaded, now seemingly within a two day period as the uploading takes longer with the improved quality. The live-stream presentation of Mass has been suspended until further notice but our next step is to capture the quality in order to present it for live-stream presentation again. We're working on a solution. In the meantime, look for the recorded upload on Facebook and YouTube under the title, St. Nicholas Roman Catholic Church, referencing the date of the Mass and also feel free to sign on to the front page of our website, <http://www.stnickscatholicchurch.com>.

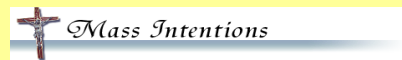
If there is no one to receive Communion in the parking lot today, then that too will be suspended as we are now sighting persons who previously received in the lot, who are now coming to Mass inside and receiving with the assembly.

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.

Thank you to those of you who have continued to make financial contributions to the church. Everyone is urged to continue to do so in person at Mass, through on-line giving, or postal mail. Also, please forward your ACA pledge cards appropriately to the ACA Office. Thank you to the team who assisted on Saturday in cleaning and sanitizing the church for today's liturgy.

Remember to stay "prayed-up". 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.

Sunday, September 20 The Matthews Household

Stewardship

**Financial Summary
For Weeks of September 6 & September 13, 2020**

Source	September 6	September 13
Offertory/Drop Off	\$ 829.67	\$ 686.10
Catholic University of America Assumption of Mary	\$139.00	
Grant for On-Site Food Pantry Other Contribution	\$5.00	\$ 5,000.00
Book of Life		
On-Line Giving	\$ 325.00	\$ 255.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Candles	\$ 25.00	\$ 10.00
Total Offertory & Other	<u>\$ 1,333.67</u>	<u>\$ 5,961.10</u>
Church Mail-in	\$ 1,439.00	\$ 1,255.00
Total Parish Deposit	<u>\$ 2,772.67</u>	<u>\$ 7,216.10</u>



20-September
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Eucharistic Ministers: Don Elston
Eloise Grimes

Hospitality: Sylvia Deanes
Monica Feaman
Judith McDuffie

Commentator: Cantor

Altar Servers:

27-September
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 a.m.
Rashonda Roundtree
Sharonda White

Alice Prince
Bill McHugh

Frances Wilkes
Judith McDuffie
Monica Feaman

Cantor



**The Archdiocesan Office of
Black Catholic Ministries**

ST. CHARLES LWANGA CENTER NEWS



The 37th Annual Testimonial Dinner and Auction postponed from March has been rescheduled for April 25, 2021. Currently, tickets that have already been purchased will be honored for the rescheduled date. Please feel free to contact the Center as needed for information at (314) 367-7929.

Congratulations to St. Nicholas parishioners NiaSky Dailey, Aaliyah Gill and Amonie Gill who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, July 11th at St. Alphonsus Rock Church amidst a restricted assembly of family and guests.

Lwanga Center Bible Study remains on recess until further notice. Call 314-367-7929 if more information is needed.

Stewardship of your time and talent, and treasure is greatly appreciated for the maintenance of our parish. **Stewardship Awareness Sunday this year is next Sunday, September 27.**



LET US PRAY AND ACT ACCORDINGLY IN RESPONSE TO THE RECENT ADDITIONALLY HARROWING EVENTS AND SUBSEQUENT UNREST IN OUR COUNTRY AND WIDER WORLD WITH LOCAL IMPLICATIONS.

Of particular interest to you might be the Bishops' statement in wake of the death of Mr. George Floyd found here: <http://usccb.org/news/2020/20-83.cfm>
Also, a related statement by St. Alphonsus Rock Parish was supplemented with our July 12 bulletin.

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

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.

ACA contributions are greatly appreciated during this critical time. Please remit in the pre-addressed envelope that was sent to you. For more information, contact the Church office or Mr. Albert Washington, the Parish Chairperson.

Next Stewardship Committee Meeting is today after Mass. We will be practicing social distancing and continue to wear masks in each other's presence during that time.

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
John Cook
Calvin Davis
Geraldine Davis
Donald Gammon
Tyrone Gill
Father Kevin Haines
Gregory Jenkins
Reign Brown-Jones
Queen Jones
Katie Johnson



Lucinda Kaid
Peggy Ledoux
Judith McDuffie
Stanley Peterson
Barbara Parker
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
Carole Willis