



8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

If you have something for publication in the bulletin, please send it to bulletin@sjiparish.org. The deadline is each Monday at noon.



Mass Times

Sat.: 8:00 am & 4:30 pm

Sun.: 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30 am; 4:30 pm

Mon.: 6:30 am

Tues. - Fri. 6:30 & 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday: 5:30 pm—7:00 pm Saturday: 3:30 pm—4:30 pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

T/W/Th 9:00 am—9:00 pm

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Attendance at a Baptismal preparation class is required. Classes are held the 2nd Thursday of the month; call to schedule.

Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation

For those who have been baptized Catholic or wish to enter the Catholic Church, OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes are required. For more information contact Sr. Rosemary.

SACRAMENT of ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anyone who is seriously sick and would like a visit from one of the priests may call the parish office to request one. Hospitals no longer call parishes with this information.

SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE

Contact one of the priests to begin your preparation at least nine months before the anticipated wedding date.

Sacrament of Holy Orders and Vowed Religious Life

If you are interested in learning about a religious vocation, please contact one of the priests or the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at stlvocations.org or 314-792-6460.

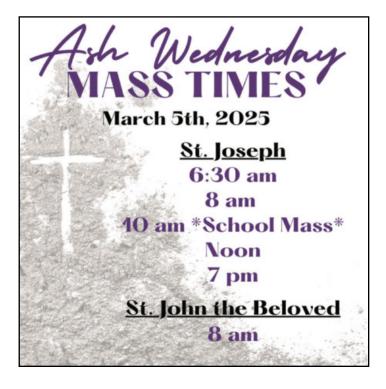
HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Parishioners who are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion may call the office to make arrangements.

Ministry Schedule	March 8 4:30 pm	March 9 7:00 am	March 9 8:30 am	March 9 10:00 am	March 9 11:30 am	March 9 4:30 pm
Lectors	Esparza Schiavi	Nason Schilly	Appelbaum Dischert	Girl Scouts	Schlect Volunteer	Huey
Servers	S. Rakers A. Rakers	Volunteer	L. Preston H. Preston J. Lehn	V. Walt I. Rohe S. Blomstrom	R. Murphy D. Westerman A. Westerman	J. Bates P. Arington

Mass Intentions					
Monday	March 3, 2025				
6:30 am	Cal Weber				
Tuesday	March 4, 2025				
6:30 am	Kevin Malone				
8:00 am	John Ruzicka				
Wednesday	March 5, 2025				
6:30 am	Rose Selsor				
8:00 am	Stephen W. Meadows				
10:00 am	Tracy Alan Dodderer				
12:00 pm	The Poor Souls in Purgatory				
7:00 pm	Mary Truetken				
Thursday	March 6, 2025				
6:30 am	Sr. Mary Lee, ASCJ Special Intention				
8:00 am	Leah Tomsky				
Friday	March 7, 2025				
6:30 am	The Poor Souls in Purgatory				
8:00 am	Mrs. Mary Hunsaker Special Intention				
Saturday	March 8, 2025				
8:00 am	Lourdes Maranan				
4:30 pm	John Klevorn				
Sunday	March 9, 2025				
7:00 am	Milton Becker				
8:30 am	Parker Schaefer				
10:00 am	Pauline McAndrews				
11:30 am	For the people of SJBD/SJ Parishes				
4:30 pm	Rev. Martin Mulvihill				

Parish Stewardship 2/3/2025 - 2/9/25				
	Current	Fiscal YTD		
Offertory				
Total collected	\$33,291.87	\$768,871.79		
Amount needed	\$23,292.23	\$745,351.38		
Surplus or <mark>shortage</mark>	\$9,999.64	\$23,520.41		
Special collections				
Tuition assistance	\$1,676.00			
St. Vincent de Paul	\$235.00			
Sr. Christine's Food Pantry	\$2,255.00			



Please stop by, call, or email the parish office to schedule Mass Intentions. Mass cards for *special intentions* or *in memory* are available; they may be picked up in the parish office. The stipend per Mass is \$10.



From the Desk of Fr. Anthony Yates, Pastor

Lent

Be sure to make plans to start your Lenten pilgrimage this Wednesday by celebrating Mass. As the ashes are applied to your forehead in the sign of the cross and you hear the words, "Remember, you are dust and to dust you shall return," recall the goal of our earthly journey towards heaven. This act symbolizes our mortality as well as our need for ongoing repentance. It is a reminder that this life is short and merely a foreshadowing of what we shall become through the redemption of Jesus Christ on the Cross. The work of our redemption will not be complete until we are raised from the dead, in resurrected bodies like His own and called to the eternal communion of heaven.

Remember that Ash Wednesday is a day of abstinence from meat for all Catholics over the age of 14. This is also a day of fasting for those ages of 18-59. Of course, if you're older and can, you should fast. Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Here again Catholics will not hold themselves lightly excused, but if there is a serious health problem, this obligation would not apply.



OCIA - Rite of Sending

Next week, at 8:30am Sunday Mass, we celebrate the Rite of Sending. Those who are in The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA), which is a formal program of catechetical instruction, prayer and spirituality, and liturgies will be sent to the Archbishop for the Rite of Election to be formally accepted to complete their formation towards the Easter Sacraments. OCIA is a spiritually moving process beneficial to the whole parish community. As we draw closer to the celebration of Easter, let us pray for those elect and candidates who will be entering our holy Catholic Church this Easter.



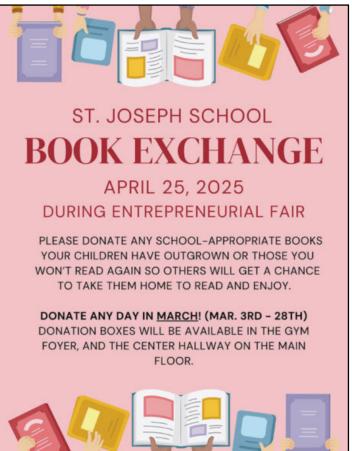
DONUT SUNDAY

Today

March 2nd
6:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the cafeteria









Congratulations to our recently baptized:

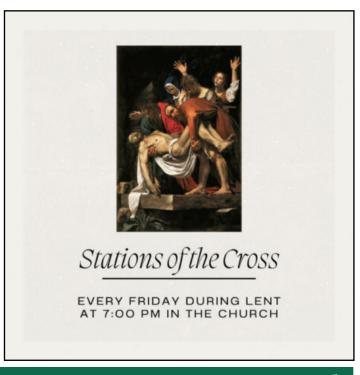
Ilya Pominov, son of
Nikolai Pominov & Samantha Bowler

Cameron Shore, son of
Nicholas & Natalie Shore

Eleanor Green, daughter of
Brian & Samantha Green

Margot Green, daughter of
Brian & Samantha Green

Baptized in Christ in February 2025
May the blessing of the Lord be upon them and may God watch over and cherish these children whom He has blessed with the grace of Baptism.

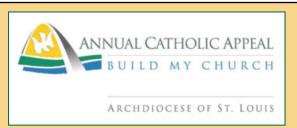


March 2nd Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel today, Jesus uses images in speaking to his disciples: "Can a blind man act as guide to a blind man?.... Why look at the speck in your brother's eye when you miss the plank in your own?...A good tree does not produce decayed fruit..." Your donations supporting St. Vincent de Paul are a healthy tree branch reaching out from the goodness of your heart. Watch for our 5th Sunday special collection later this month for your big chance at Lenten almsgiving!

For more information, email Dbalsman@ymail.com

Prayer Meeting: 3/12, 6:30 pm Business Meeting: 3/24, 6:30 pm All meetings in the Corpus Christi Center.



The Annual Catholic Appeal is approaching. This years appeal weekends will be April 26-27, May 3-4, and 10-11. We are looking for volunteers at each mass to help at the table handing out and collecting pledge cards. This is an easy way to help with the parish campaign effort. Simply help for ten to fifteen minutes before and after the mass you are attending.

If you are interested in assisting this years collection efforts, or have questions about assisting, please reach out to Miriam Rohe at miriam_rohe@yahoo.com or via text or call at 314-239-1099. We would like to have at least one person for every mass these three weekends if possible.



Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:57

Our Risen Lord remains with us (His True Presence – Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity) in every tabernacle of the world! The Adoration Chapel is just the place to come and thank God, Our Eternal Heavenly Father, for sending His Only Son to die for us so we may have eternal life.

O most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore you, glorify you, and give thanks for your great glory.

Exposition of Our Lord is 9am-9pm, Tuesday-Thursday. All other hours, Our Lord remains in the tabernacle.

BECOME AN ADORER FOR AN HOUR EACH WEEK ON

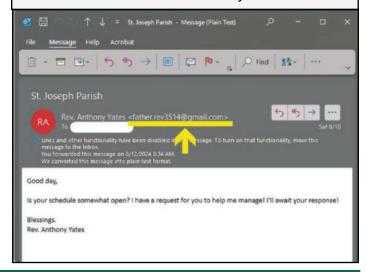
Wednesdays 1:00pm, 3pm, or 4:00pm Thursdays 3:00pm or 4:00pm

(Please contact Barb 314-732-2256)

Junk Email Reminder

It didn't take long for spammers to start sending fake emails in the name of "Rev. Anthony Yates." Please be reminded that Fr. Yates, like Fr. Shaughnessy before him, will not be sending you emails asking for favors.

Also, note that the sender email address is NOT Fr. Yates'. This is always a clue!



6 March 2, 2025



"Where sin increased grace overflowed the more."
Romans 5:20

We are pleased to offer a Lenten series entitled **Seven Deadly Sins—Seven Lively Virtues.**

Join Bishop Robert Barron for a challenging presentation of Seven Deadly Sins, those great spiritual blocks that inhibit our flourishing in relationship with God and with one another. Pride, envy, anger, sloth, avarice, gluttony, and lust are presented as patterns of dysfunction within us that lead to unhappiness. However, Bishop Barron shows us how to counteract those seven sinful patterns through a conscious process of opposition which are the 'seven lively virtues.' The seven lively virtues offer antidotes to each sin and help set us on the right path to healing and happiness.

Sessions will be held in the Corpus Christi Center on Wednesdays from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon.

Sessions and dates:

February 26: Pride & Humility

March 12: Envy & Admiration

March 19: Anger & Forgiveness

March 26: Sloth & Zeal

April 2: Avarice & Generosity

April 9: Gluttony & Asceticism

April 16: Lust & Chastity

To register please contact Sr. Rosemary at rbuttice@sjiparish.org or 636-464-1013 ext. 106.



You do not need to grieve alone. Join others on the journey! The grief support group will hold their monthly meeting Thursday, March 13th from 6-7 pm in the Corpus Christi Center.

Amy Neu, a therapist with West County Psychological Associates will facilitate the meeting.

For more information contact Amy at 314-275-8599 x178 or amy.neu1@gmail.com

ADULT BASKETBALL

Join us Sunday evenings from 8-9:30pm in the Gym for some pick-up games. All skill levels are welcome. For more information or to get on the communication list, please contact adultsports@stjoehawks.com.

Our Parish Praying Together

May those who are ill be blessed by Jesus' healing presence:

Judy Becker Jim Kaiser Kathy Bonito Roland Kaiser Craig Buchan Zoe Matthews Carol Engelbach Dena Moss Dennis Frauenhoffer Nancy Nicholas Pat Gang Lynn Stefaniak Nick Hummel Noella Torgerson Betsy Wagner Eileen Kaiser

Reminder: names are published for 60 days. Please contact the office to add/remove names.

We pray for those in the Military:

Meaghan Angus
Wyatt Cook
John Costigan
Caleb Curran
Collin Fitzsimmons
Kamryn Heredia
Jack Jeffers
Isaac Longtin

Austin McHaffie-Sharp
Jacob Sarfraz
Jared Sheets
Grant Staggenborg
Jack Vilchis
Lucas Weiland
Megan Weiland



MONDAY NIGHTS IN LENT 7 - 8:30 PM ST. JOSEPH CORPUS CHRISTI CENTER

FULFILLED MARCH 3

Am I truly happy? Feeling busy, frustrated or just mediocre?

Patrick & Dorothy Yeung

describe their story from Dorothy's conversion as Evangelical to Catholic and how they found total fulfillment in Jesus!

TRANSFORMED MARCH 10

Does God really care about me? Will things ever change?

Kassie O'Brien

speaks about leaving the alternative lifestyle after 17 years and embracing a fully Catholic, sacramental life.





RENEWED MARCH 24 Fr. Anthony Gerber

LOVED APRIL 7
Fr. Jacob Braun



FORTIFIED MARCH 31
Scott & Claire Steinbruegge

INSPIRED APRIL 14
Michael & Heather Vento



NO NEED RSVP. JUST SHOW UP! NO MEETING DURING SPRING BREAK MARCH 17.

UNPACK presentations are offered by the Image of God Institute staff and speakers, unpacking the treasure trove of JPII's teachings, especially Theology of the Body.



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Do you receive email from the parish?

We use "Constant Contact" to email parishioners. If you do NOT get the emails and wish to receive them, please notify Kim Johnson in the parish office at kjohnson@sjiparish.org or 636-464-1013.

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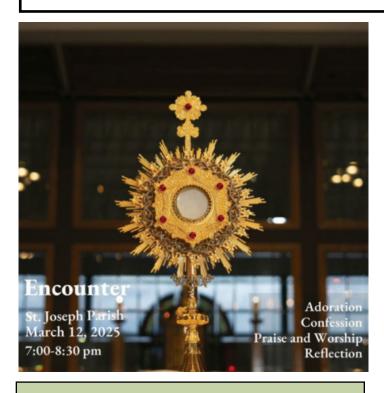
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of St. Louis is dedicated to bringing the healing, help, and hope of Jesus Christ to those in need with a compassionate, caring presence.

Catholic Charities provides an array of services for women and their children in need of support and care. **Good Shepherd Children and Family Services** offers maternity and pregnancy

services for young women in crisis pregnancies. **Saint Martha's** provides emergency shelter and services for women and children experiencing domestic violence. **Queen of Peace Center** offers long-term residential substance use treatment for pregnant and postpartum women and their children.

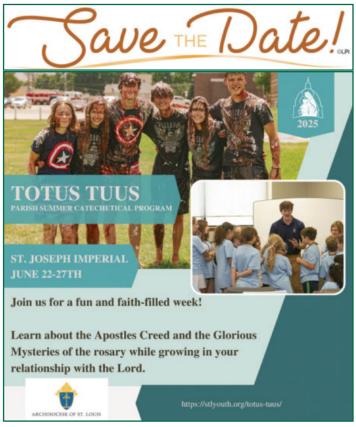
Catholic Charities' model of service emphasizes accompaniment as we journey with individuals and families through the most difficult times of life seeking long-term change.

To learn more or to get involved with Catholic Charities, please contact your Parish Ambassador Carroll Lee Schilly by email at carrolleeschilly@yahoo.com or by phone at 314-973-4042.



Prime Timers

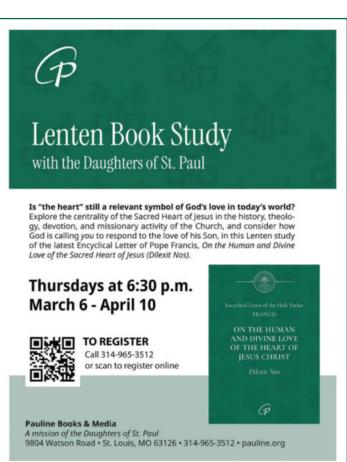
The March Prime Timers meeting will be held at 12:30 p.m. on March 19th. We will be celebrating St Patrick's Day. Anyone over 55 is welcome to join us. Dues are \$15.00 a year. As always, we welcome St John's members to join us. Any questions, call Lorraine Simms at 732-259-0738.



Women's White House Retreat

May 22- May 25, 2025
It begins with dinner at 6:30 P.M. May 22 and ends after lunch May 25 at the Jesuit White House Retreat,7400 Christopher Drive. For information and registration, please call Dr. Mary Dixon 636 467 2104.

I hope to see you there!





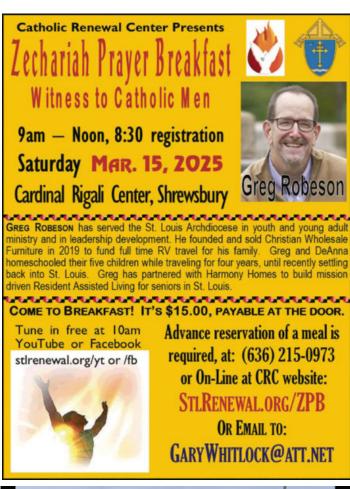


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Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience this year! The following upcoming weekends are available in 2025. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call

Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

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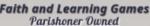
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