

THE ST. LOUIS QUARTERLY



Holy Week & Easter

We all truly came together for Holy Week and Easter this year. There were a record amount of people who attended Palm Sunday celebrations, the Sacred Triduum Liturgies, and Easter Sunday Masses!

As a parish, we are all so grateful for your joyous presence at Easter Sunday Mass, and continued attendance in the weeks and months that have followed.

Thank you to all our Priests, Liturgy Coordinators, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Ushers, Choir Members, & everyone behind the scenes who made Holy Week & the Easter Season fervent and beautiful.

Farewell Michelle Andrews-Smith

After seven years as the Director of Faith Formation here at St. Louis, our beloved Michelle Andrews-Smith has moved over to work as the Associate Director of Campus Ministry at the University of Rochester's Newman Center, under the direction of Fr. Brian Cool.

We are all so thankful for all the lives she's impacted in her time here, and pray for a smooth transition and fruitful labor at the University!



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Pentecost & Corpus Christi

Pentecost, celebrated 50 days after the Resurrection of Jesus, marks the celebration when the Holy Spirit descended upon the 12 Apostles and Mary. We traditionally call this day the 'Birthday of the Church,' because it is the day on which the Apostles left the upper room, no longer afraid, and preached the Gospel to all of Jerusalem! The colors the priest wear for Mass this day are red for the Holy Spirit. Many St. Louis parishioners joined in wearing red and orange hues. The congregation that day looked like it was ablaze with the Spirit!

Shortly after Pentecost, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus, also known as Corpus Christi. This year, Corpus Christi was special in many ways. First, it marked the start of the National Eucharistic Revival (more about that on page 6). Second, it marked the first public homily of our newly ordained Deacon Gerard de la Fuente! And last, but certainly not least, in keeping with tradition around the world, St. Louis Church held a Eucharistic Procession around the front of the Church with the Blessed Sacrament.



Celebrating Baptisms

Over the late Spring, St. Louis held 19 baptisms. Please join us in celebrating these beautiful children and their faithful families!

The following children were baptized in late spring at St. Louis:

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| • Grace McDonnell, April 9th | • Josephine Testani, May 15th |
| • Madelyn Marriott, April 23rd | • Nathan Powell, May 21st |
| • Michael Marriott, April 23rd | • Jonathan Wilmot, May 28th |
| • Leah Kime, April 23rd | • Elizabeth DeGrave, May 29th |
| • Stuart Frame, April 23rd | • Baron Baxter, May 29th |
| • Amelia Frame, April 23rd | • Madison Fitch, June 11th |
| • Owen Lawatsch, April 23rd | • Jack Rich, June 11th |
| • Nolan Segrue, April 30th | • Lydia Ma, June 25th |
| • Lily Riccardi, May 7th | • Cormac Mulvaney, June 26th |
| • Violet Riccardi, May 7th | |



Madison Fitch & parents, Baptized June 11, 2022

Celebrating New Marriages

Over the late Spring, St. Louis held four weddings. Please join us in celebrating this beautiful sacrament that these lovely couples received!

The following couples were wed at St. Louis over the late Spring:

- Zachary Lynch & Nicole Rotoli, May 7, 2022
- Alvaro Ore & Kaitlin Wolcott, May 14, 2022
- Ryan Pettinella & Deanna Doughety, June 4, 2022
- Ryan Stansbury & Sophie Palmer, June 25, 2022



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Confirmation at Sacred Heart Cathedral

Confirmation is the third and final Sacrament of Initiation in the Catholic Church. Through Confirmation, recipients are sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit - wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. After completing the two year preparation program the following young adult parishioners have committed to living their lives rooted in Christ and the Catholic Church by receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 26, 2022 at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, administered by Bishop Salvatore Matano. Included in quotations are the confirmation names selected by each young adult.

- Jack "William" Andrews
- Anthony "Joseph" Camarella
- Bryce "Sebastian" Carr
- William "Barnabas" Ciavari
- Jackson "Joseph" Clark
- Julia "Jacinta" D'Anza
- Souglas "Francis of Assisi" Denning
- Sean "Ignatius of Loyola" Donlon
- Lilliana "Cecilia" Donner
- Luke "Jeremiah" Fliss
- Skyler "Rose" Fliss
- John "Peter" Glennon
- Maseline "Bridget of Sweden" Glennon
- Braeden "Sebastian" Goetz
- Nicholas "Nicholas" Hobaica
- Ethan "James the Greater" Kepes
- John "Bernard" Kessler
- Dane "Maximilian Kolbe" Lewis
- Laura "Gianna Beretta Molla" Manjerovic
- Chase "Ignatius of Loyola" Mauro
- Avery "Ann" Moose
- Shannon "Louise de Marillac" Moynihan
- Nolan "Patrick" Petrone
- Paul "Jerome" Pippin
- Finnean "Paul" Pauthier
- ZaveryAnn "Elizabeth" Powers
- Alec "Michael" Riedman
- Eleanor "Mary" Riley
- Charles "Bernard" Ryan
- Sophie "Camilla" Schenkel
- Neel "Jean-Pierre Neel" Stancampiano
- Charles "Francis of Assisi" Stoll
- William "Joseph" Straub
- Charles "Joseph" Thyroff
- Olivia "Mary" Vorrasi
- John "Paul" Wadsworth
- Camryn "Joseph" Wlostowski
- Izabela "Monica" Woloszuk
- Stefan "Michael" Woloszuk

First Communion at St. Louis

Over the Spring, we had over 50 young parishioners take part in the sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time. Their names are listed below:

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| • Isla Adams | • Vivienne Fox | |
| • Sophia Arena | • Evan Gauthier | |
| • Allegra Barnes | • Capri Genovese | |
| • Clara Bohannon | • Abigail Gooch | |
| • Caleb Bonafonte | • Alexander Headd | |
| • Caroline Boynton | • Gianna Infante | |
| • Louisa Buckman | • Landon Knapp | • Paige Papugo |
| • Penelope Carey | • Simon Leal Moreno | • Andrew Pederzoli |
| • Mason Chapman | • Matteo Lennox | • Landon Perelli |
| • Patrick Charles | • Keara Lewis | • Parker Perelli |
| • Nikolas Daron | • Piper Lilly | • Liam Peters |
| • Eva Doyle | • Madeline Lincoln | • Adriana Petraglia |
| • Shannon Dziorny | • Dominic Maniaci | • Christian Pugliese |
| • Logan Esquivel-McCarson | • Anastasia Marsocci | • Aubrey Rama |
| • Evan Farr | • Patrick Minter | • MacKenzie Rhodes |
| • Claire Fleming | • Chika Morimoto | • John Rickard |
| • Peter Fox | • Victoria Nugent | • Davis Roland |
| | | • Francesca Roote |
| | | • Emmalene Ruffin |
| | | • Emilia Ryan |
| | | • Laura Salviski |
| | | • Ford Sayers |
| | | • William Sengenberger |
| | | • Isabelle Sharpe |
| | | • Jacqueline Tacci |
| | | • Reagan Thomas |
| | | • Gabriella Valerio |
| | | • Grace Walker |



Welcome Fr. Simon!



On May 10, 2022, Fr. Simon Atta Denchira arrived at St. Louis Church from Ghana, Africa (Diocese of Obuasi). He has served as a Priest & Pastor for 18 years in Ghana and now is serving as our Parochial Vicar.

Thank you to all who welcomed Fr. Simon. Let us continue to make him feel at home in our community!



June Session of Women's Bereavement Group

The St. Louis Women's Bereavement Group meets for 6 weeks in the Spring and the Fall. The goal of the bereavement group is simple; to create a safe, supportive space for women who are grieving the loss of a loved one. In our June meetings, we laughed and cried together. We shared stories and swapped daily practices that help us on our journeys. We met both Fr. Simon and Fr. Hoan, and received encouragement and blessings from them. We are looking forward to having a summer get-together to continue building friendships. Thank you to everyone involved in making this ministry so wonderful!



Saint's Place Super Sale

The 2022 Saint's Place Super Sale was a success! The goal for this year's sale was to raise \$160,000 to support the ministry throughout the year. Thanks to your help (volunteers, shoppers, staff, and corporate sponsors) we met our goal!

Clean-up is underway. Check out the weekly church bulletin and our Facebook Page (@saintsplaceroc) for more updates from us and even more photos.



St. Louis School's Carnival Celebration

On a perfect June evening, students, families, faculty, and staff gathered for the first ever St. Louis School Carnival to celebrate another joyous year. Complete with giant inflatables, a juggling stilt walker, a roaming magician, balloon animals, tattoos, great food, carnival games, and prizes - what more could you ask for? How about a chance to dunk your favorite gym teacher in the dunk tank!

All year long, St. Louis students worked to 'Be the Light' at school and in their community by being of service. St. Louis' graduating fifth graders played host to classic carnival games with a return of the 5th Grade Mission Day that raised money for our sister school in Kenya. (Organized by the Student Activities Committee, SAC.)

Farewell Mrs. Aldred

Mrs. Laurie Aldred's last day at St. Louis School was on April 15, 2022. After 19 years as an essential part of St. Louis School she moved on to her new role at the Mendon Center Elementary School. During her last week at St. Louis School, we celebrated her and thanked her for all she's done for our students (past & present), staff, families, & community members.

Thank you Mrs. Aldred for all the time and care you gave to St. Louis School- you are such a blessing!



Spirit of St. Louis Award

Mrs. Laurie Aldred truly embodied the spirit of St. Louis School! In honor of her years of service at St. Louis School, a scholarship was created. The 'Laurie Aldred Spirit of St. Louis Award' is given to a current SLS 1st grade student entering 2nd grade, who embodies the spirit of St. Louis School, much like Mrs. Aldred did. This year's recipient is: Bianca Marasco.



Godspeed St. Louis School 5th Graders!

On June 21, 2022 Fr. Mitch celebrated our annual "Godspeed" Mass for our outgoing 5th Grade Class. This class faced many ups and downs together. It is without question that they have developed outstanding character in the past few years. We are honored to have learned and grown with them at St. Louis School. *May God bless them as they continue their educations!*



Congrats Deacon Gerard



On May 21, 2022, parishioner Gerard de la Fuente was ordained into the Permanent Diaconate with Alexander DeLucenay and Jose Rivera.

Deacon Gerard is already hard at work! He is preaching at weekend Masses, performing baptisms, and supporting our priests here at St. Louis. While he continues to offer his aid here, his official assignment is at St. Mark's Church in Greece.

Thank you to all who have been praying for Deacon Gerard and his family as they prepared for his ordination.

The de la Fuente family could still use your prayers as they adjust to this new calling placed on all of their lives.

Additionally, please continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated life (Sisters, Priests, Brothers, & Deacons).



Eucharistic Revival

We kicked off the National Eucharistic Revival on Corpus Christi with a Eucharistic Procession, along with many other parishes in our diocese and across the country.

This revival was called for by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) as a way to heal, convert, form, and unify the Church. The Revival will last three years, and this first year is the "Year of Diocesan Revival." This means that from June 2022 - June 2023 the Diocese of Rochester Priests and Staff will all be working to cultivate an internal revival that will overflow into our parishes and communities... and we need your help!

Personal stories are so powerful and are truly the best way to attest to the power of Christ, fully present in the Eucharist. Would you share your story with us so we can grow together as we lean in to the Mystery of the Eucharist and reignite our Church's love for the "Source and Summit" of our faith?

To share your encounters with Jesus/ testimonies,

fill out our online form here:

<https://stlouischurch.org/eucharistic-revival#testimony>

To share your story "In Person," **fill out one of the yellow form found at the entrances** of the Church and drop the form in one of the collection towers at the doors of the Church.

Church Repairs: HVAC

As you may be aware, our church's Air Conditioning and Heating system (HVAC) is in need of repair. We have a team working on lining up contractors and machinery to replace our existing system, but supply chain issues are pushing out our projected timelines. As we solidify the contracts, we will keep you apprised of the construction schedule through our weekly bulletin.

Work at St. Louis: Now Hiring!

Faith Formation Director

St. Louis Church is seeking a Full-time Faith Formation Director.

Primary Function: This full-time position is responsible in directing all faith formation and sacramental preparation for school-aged children. This individual should be a strong collaborator in working with the pastor, staff, and parishioners in implementing the faith formation vision of the parish. Full job posting can be found at: www.dor.org/employment/

Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Confirmation

St. Louis Church is seeking a part-time Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Confirmation .

Primary Function: To develop, direct and implement a comprehensive youth ministry program for members of the community in 6th to 12th grades, direct our Confirmation program for 8th and 9th grades, as well as coordinate and oversee the St. Louis CYO program. This includes acting as the staff liaison between CYO and the Diocese, and recruiting or functioning as Athletic Director. Full job posting can be found at: www.dor.org/employment/

Operations Aide: Seasonal, Part-time, Full-time Options available

We need an all-around inside and outside general helper. This person will be moving and stacking school furnishings, weeding, assisting with general repairs, and helping with summer activities.

It's a great, paid position for recent high school grads or college students during summer vacation. Only age requirement is 18 or older. Position could extend past summer if the candidate is interested and available. Paid full time and part time options available. For more information, or to apply, contact Sally Schrecker (585-586-5675 ext.235, or sally.schrecker@dor.org)

Mark Your Calendar

- **July 15-** Red Cross Blood Drive | 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Parish Meeting Hall
- **August 14-** Faith Formation Registration Deadline
- **August 15-** Feast of the Assumption (*not an obligation when it falls on a Monday*)
- **August 25-** Feast of St. Louis
- **September 5-** Labor Day (Parish Office Closed)
- **September 7-** 1st Day of School at St. Louis School
- **September 10 & 11-** Helping Haiti Corn Sale
- **September 11-** Parish Picnic | 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM | Gym & Playground
- **October 1-** Women's Bereavement Group | Saturdays, Oct. 1 - Nov. 5 | Parish Meeting Hall

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