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April 1, 2018

THIS WEEKEND: EASTER
Divine Mercy Novena after 11:15 am Mass

THIS WEEK AT ST. LOUIS (Daily Mass Schedule p.2)

MONDAY - APRIL 2
Divine Mercy Novena after 11:00 am Mass
  6:30 am - Men’s Spirituality Group, Parish Meeting Hall
  6:45 pm - Knights of Columbus Meeting, Manse

TUESDAY - APRIL 3
Divine Mercy Novena after 11:00 am Mass
  4:30 pm - No Faith Formation Classes

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 4
Divine Mercy Novena after 11:00 am Mass
  10:30 am - Mass at the Highlands Living Center
  7:30 pm - Regional Charismatic Prayer Grp, PMH

THURSDAY - APRIL 5
Divine Mercy Novena after 11:00 am Mass
  6:30 pm - Faith Formation Bingo Night (pg 6)

FIRST FRIDAY - APRIL 6
11:30 AM - 4:00 PM
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, CHURCH
Divine Mercy Novena after 11:00 am Mass
  1:00 pm - Mass at the Highlands Laurelwood

SATURDAY - APRIL 7
Divine Mercy Novena after 9:00 am Mass
Collection of Lenten CRS Rice Bowls
  3:30 pm - Confessions
  4:00 pm - Mercy & Forgiveness Retreat, St. Bernard’s School (pg 8)
  4:30 pm - Mass (Sign Language Interpreted)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 8
Collection of Lenten CRS Rice Bowls
  7:30 am - Mass
  9:00 am - Mass, Children’s Choir
  10:00 am - No Faith Formation
  11:15 am - Mass, Children’s Liturgy of the Word
  5:00 pm - Mass
  6:15 pm - No Middle & High School Youth Ministry

Happy Easter! The Lord is truly risen.
We celebrate with joy, and new life is breaking out all over.
Together with our staff and my fellow priests, let me thank you for being with us! Blessings to you this Easter and throughout this joyful season! Fr. Bob

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**THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

**Mass Intentions for This Week**

**MONDAY - APRIL 2**
Acts 2:14, 22-33/ Mt 28:8-15
11:00 am Mario Serio - Family
5:15 pm Lewis Bouchard - Family

**TUESDAY - APRIL 3**
Acts 2:36-41/ Jn 20:11-18
6:45 am Michelle Krakowka - Donlon Family
11:00 am Funeral for George Pierce

**WEDNESDAY - APRIL 4**
Acts 3:1-10/ Lk 24:13-35
10:30 am Mass at Highlands
Living Center for the People of the Parish
11:00 am Lilian Jabbour - Jo Petcoff
5:15 pm Dan & Jean Lindsay - Family

**THURSDAY - APRIL 5**
Acts 3:11-26/ Lk 24:35-48
6:45 am Robert Dezen - VFW Post 16
11:00 am Margaret Cooper - Peggy O’Neil Midgley

**FIRST FRIDAY - APRIL 6**
11:00 am Angela McGrath - Carolyn & Greg Karl
1:00 pm Mass at the Highlands Laurelwood for Residents & Staff
5:15 pm Special Intention for the Eison Family - Schrecker Family

**SATURDAY - APRIL 7**
Acts 4:13-21/ Mk 16:9-15
9:00 am Eileen Wilmot - Family
4:30 pm Galaa Agban - Jurs Family

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 8**
7:30 am John Buckley - Kay & Sally Flansburg
9:00 am Jim Kaufer - Peggy O’Neil Midgley
11:15 am Judy Hagler - Carol & Joe Tantillo
5:00 pm Frank Eberhardt - Mike & Alice Pieri

All are welcome to spend an hour this Friday, April 6, for First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament between 11:30 am - 4:00 pm. Join us at the Tabernacle Chapel.

**Special Intentions This Week:**
We invite you to have a Sanctuary Lamp lit at the Blessed Sacrament to have your very special intentions remembered for a week.

To reserve a candle, please call or visit the Ministry Center.

One Lamp will burn for Liam
By Maureen & Gary

One Lamp will burn for Dr. Ralph Caschetta
By Carolyn

One Lamp will burn for Jeannie Slotterback
By Maureen & Gary Killeen

**Requiem Aeternam**

Petrus Koomen
Jane Mileo
Norma O’Neill
George Pierce
Jeanette Vincelli

**Saturday & Sunday, April 7 & 8**

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Sunday Communion Service - April 8
The Highlands - Diane Salipante
Heather Heights - Pete & Gerry Shea

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real part of their life; have a relationship with this one who passed through death and rose to new life. But we too can have those doubts, those questions; how can this be? In prayer, have a conversation with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John. You may be surprised at the result!

Every Sunday
No question about it! For weeks after that first Easter, various witnesses experienced the Risen Lord, visible, speaking with them, eating with them, even cooking up a meal on the shore of the Sea of Galilee for Peter and six other of the disciples. But our faith doesn’t rest solely on those ancient witnesses. While in a different manner, Christians ever since have experienced eating and drinking with the Lord every time they celebrate Eucharist. We also experience forgiveness of sins through his name. That, Pope Francis would say, is the Gospel of Joy!

Me Too!
Two weeks ago, after listening to the story of the raising of Lazarus, we were reminded that Lazarus is not the only one who has experienced being in a cold, dark, tomb. There are physical tombs, but also psychological tombs, and emotional tombs. Lazarus is not the only one Jesus has called out of the tomb, into the light, to be set free (check the homily on our parish website). That story of Lazarus was also about Christ, and about each of us. To quote St. Paul, in our second reading: ‘you were raised with Christ’. That means YOU, and ME!

Hope Rising
You go to the cemetery to weep. The tomb is empty. Torn between ‘this is impossible’, and hope, your mind hardly knows what to think. Then you see the grave clothes neatly arranged. What a day that first Easter must have been! We know the story, have heard it over and over. It has been passed on century after century, and folks aren’t just telling tales, they have experienced the Risen Lord as a
### Our Offering of Time & Treasure

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**Online Collection**

**Month-to-Date**: $49,477.33

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### St. Joseph’s House of Hospitality

*St. Joseph’s House of Hospitality* practices all of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy because it was established upon the belief of the God-given dignity of every person. Seven days a week, it provides a hot meal to about 100 people (mostly homeless), clothing, overnight shelter from the winter cold and the summer heat, ecumenical spiritual care, and genuine hospitality.

The Catholic Worker movement was founded in New York City by Dorothy Day in 1933 and arrived in Rochester shortly thereafter. Located at 402 South Ave., “St. Joe’s” is one of 185 Catholic Worker communities in the USA. It not only provides immediate help, but also works with the indigent to transition from the devastating effects of substance abuse into a stable lifestyle. Some St. Joe guests become capable of moving on into the Dorothy Day House across the street or into Alex House on Alexander St. It must be incredible to be offered help for a fresh start in life.

With no outside funding, St. Joe’s relies totally on the generosity of the local Greater Rochester Community. We are part of that community on whom they rely, although they never ask us.

*To carry on their awesome work, they need:* prayers, money to buy the basic essentials for their guests, money to maintain the 3 buildings, and money to pay the small stipend to the interns who staff the facility. They need volunteers of all ages around mealtime to help prepare and serve meals and to offer hospitality to anyone who attends. To volunteer call: 232-3262 or email info@saintjoeshouse.org. More info at www.saintjoeshouse.org

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### Divine Mercy Sunday

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is encouraging Cathedrals and parishes throughout the country to join together in prayer and adoration seeking God’s mercy for ourselves and for our nation for offenses against life, marriage, and religious liberty.

*“Who can say that he is free from sin and does not need God’s mercy? As people of this restless time of ours, wavering between the emptiness of self-exaltation and the humiliation of despair, we have a greater need than ever for a regenerating experience of mercy.”* ~Bl. Pope John Paul II, Regina Caeli message, April 10, 1994

Here is the schedule if you’d like to pray the Divine Mercy novena with us at church:

April 1 after the 11:15 a.m. Mass
April 2-6 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass
April 7 after the 9:00 a.m. Mass

### Next Week’s Tithing Will Support St. Joseph’s House of Hospitality

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### “The Good News is no mere matter of words: it is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others.” – Pope Francis

### Encounters of Hope

Lent was our time to encounter and cultivate a spirit of **global solidarity**. Through encounters of hope we prayed, fasted and gave alms – and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in our risen Lord – and in the lives we encountered this Lent. *Remember to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl!* To ensure that our donations will be put to use as soon as possible, please return your Rice Bowl by **Sunday, April 8**. Please make any checks payable to St. Louis Church. Please write “CRS Rice Bowl” in the memo line of the check. Your contributions can be placed in specially marked containers in church. Thank you for your generosity.

**Rice Bowls will be collected at all Masses next weekend, April 7 & 8.**

### Easter Son-shine for our Shut-Ins

Jesus Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Help us share Easter joy with our parish shut-ins! If you know of parishioners who have recently become homebound or shut-in, please contact Cathy Malik, Pastoral Associate for Pastoral Care (Catherine.Malik@dor.org) in the Ministry Center 586-5675. We will have some Easter gifts of sunshine for our parish shut-ins available for pick-up during the first week of the Easter season. Verily! He is Risen! Alleluia!
Let the Light Shine

St. Louis
Sunshine Luncheon
for nursing home & homebound guests
Thursday, May 17, 2018

Volunteers are needed as:
· escorts
· greeters
· table hostesses
· cooks (at home)
· set-up, break down crew
· kitchen crew

Donations of desserts and appetizers welcome!
The St. Louis School students (our treasures!) will contribute many of their time and talents.
The St. Louis Acafellas will regale the crowds. Come join us for the 40th annual celebration of Son-shine! Fun is expected for all!

Interested in attending or volunteering?
Please contact Cathy Malik at Catherine.Malik@dor.org or 585-586-5675, ext. 228.

BUILDING COMMUNITY

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Interested in volunteering? Please sign up here: bit.ly/2GuZaWQ

How do I sign my child up?
You may register online through the parish website: StLouisChurch.org/VBS ($50 charge per child.)

Non-refundable registration closes May 14th or earlier if we reach our 100-slot maximum.

Registration open to St. Louis Church & School Families.

Interested in volunteering? Please sign up here: bit.ly/2GuZaWQ
With the Easter season comes renewal and joy. In 2018, Saint’s Place celebrates its twentieth year of helping the refugees, of “welcoming the stranger.” Thousands of refugees have fled the horrors of camps, risked their lives and those of their children, so that they could embrace the American dream. We have heard countless stories of success….the children now attending law school, families purchasing their own homes, jobs secured with fair salaries and benefits. Saint’s Place was there to clothe the refugees, furnish their apartments and tutor adults and youth. We were able to lighten their burden because of you, the parishioners, the pastors and our caring, dedicated volunteers and donors.

Saint’s Place will continue to work with the newly arriving refugees (small numbers due to the Executive ban) and focus a great deal of our energy on reaching those refugees already resettled but living on the poverty level. There are thousands of refugee families in Rochester.

Because we have a vast inventory of clothing and household goods, Saint’s Place has reached out to help the poor and needy of Rochester. We support the efforts of Bethany House, Homeless Veterans, RAIHN, other departments of Catholic Family Center and IBERO (Puerto Rican evacuees) to name a few. Our Ministry, first and foremost, is to provide comfort to the refugees but we cannot turn away from the poor.

Please help us to continue our work by volunteering, by donating and most importantly by praying for us. Thank you and God Bless all of you.

SAINT’S PLACE WISH LIST:

- LAMPS (NOT DESK LAMPS)
- COFFEE TABLES
- SMALL DINING TABLES
- DRESSERS
- BLANKETS
- LARGE BOWLS
- LARGE SAUCE PANS
- DRINKING GLASSES/MUGS
**Mercy and Forgiveness Retreat**

Have you discovered how to accept God's forgiveness?

Are you able to forgive yourself?

Do you turn and forgive others?

Encounter a deeper experience of God's mercy and love.

Share a simple meal.

Enjoy time for reflection, discussion, insight, and confession.

Where: St. Bernard’s School of Theology and Ministry

When: Saturday, April 7, 2018

Time: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Cost: $10

Register at the ministry center 586-5675, or online at stlouischurch.org. For more information contact Kathryn.McAlarney@dor.org or Leila.Kaczmarek@dor.org

**PIETRA FITNESS®**

Come join us for an informal class of stretching and strengthening for women featuring Christian prayer and meditation in the Catholic tradition.

Where: Parish Meeting Hall

When: Saturdays, 7:45 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

Starting date: April 14, 2018

Cost: $5 at the door

Equipment: Please bring a mat and water bottle

Drop-ins are welcome, but please register if you’d like us to reserve a space for you. Contact Kathryn at Kathryn.McAlarney@dor.org or call 586-5675, ext. 224

**Is Something Missing in Your Life?**

**Are You Curious About What Catholics Believe?**

**Have You Thought About Becoming Catholic?**

We are starting a new series of RCIA classes, so this is a great time to come and inquire about the Catholic Church. Come, ask your questions, see if this is where God is leading you. Meet other people who are considering the truth of our faith.

If you are seeking something more, come and see!

Contact Kathryn at kathryn.mcalarney@dor.org or 586-5675, ext. 224

**Explore faith topics over a cup of coffee with a great group of folks.**

If you are a thriving Catholic, or just starting your journey, on the brink of leaving the Church, or coming back home, please come and join the conversation.

A super short video launches a lively discussion about the questions we face and the longing we have to live a life of meaning.

Each session is a new topic, so drop in any week!

Where: The Manse (brick building to the right of the main entrance of the church)

When: Sundays, 10:00-10:50 (between the 9:00 and the 11:15 Masses)

Starting date: April 8, 2018

Registration is so helpful, but never a deal breaker! Please email Kathryn at Kathryn.McAlarney@dor.org
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Creating a Safe Environment Upcoming Sessions

In accordance with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People which the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops adopted in 2002, volunteers who work with children, youth or vulnerable adults are required to read and sign the Volunteer Code of Conduct, and complete the Background Check process before volunteer service begins.

This training is open to anyone who works with children, youth or vulnerable adults. Training is also available online. For more information for the online option or about CASE, please call the Ministry Center. All training and background checks are good for 3 years and annually for those who drive for their ministry. If you expiration date is anytime in 2018, please consider attending the one of the sessions below:

Tuesday, April 17th at 9:30 am in the Parish Meeting Hall
Tuesday, May 15th at 9:30 am in the Parish Meeting Hall
(The courtyard parking lot will be open for these sessions)

Year of the Eucharist

Want practical suggestions about growing spiritually in this Year of the Eucharist? Check out the bulletin board in the back of the church! You will find lots of suggestions in a variety of categories, all of which can help you grow in a Eucharist centered spirituality. Just take a slip and give it a try! Or take more than one ... but don’t let the opportunity pass you by. The Easter season would be a great time to consider something new. With 50 days in the Easter season, there is plenty of time to try out several possibilities. Check it out!!

Challenge

Catholic Youth Ministry

Challenge is a unique Catholic girls youth ministry group, which seeks to provide girls grades 5-12 with an environment of character formation and spiritual growth in their Catholic faith. Regular activities include faith-related discussions, games, movies, social events, and service projects. Retreats are also available. High school aged girls may become teen leaders for the younger girls, and also have their own times of discussion of relevant faith-based topics.

To register, please visit: stlouischurch.org/challenge-girls-group
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