



Visitation - St. Ann's Shrine Parish Family

"Growing Together for over 100 Years"

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MASS TIMES

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Monday—Friday: 8:15 a.m. (in Rectory)

MINISTERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Rev. John Vogler, *Pastor*

Sr. Pat Hottinger, S.H., *Pastoral Minister*

Patricia Fleming, *Secretary*

Carmelee Hall & Carole Johnson, *Parish Council Co-Chairs*

Barbara Parker, *Sacristan/Altar Society*

Jeffrey Walton, *Minister of Music*

MINISTRIES TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

St. Louis Catholic Academy (pre-K through 8th): 4720 Carter Ave., 63115, 389-0401

Cardinal Ritter Prep H.S.: 701 N. Spring, 446-5500

St. Charles Lwanga Center (Adult & Youth Development): 4746 Carter Ave., Suite 100, 63115, 367-7929

Cardinal Ritter Institute (Various services for the elderly): 961-8000

Jet-Setters (Senior Citizens Bingo-1st Wed., 10:30 am to 3:00 pm): Eunice Atkinson 535-5018

Vincent de Paul Society (Help for the needy-Tue., 9:00 am to Noon): John Fleming 534-3919

Father Tolton Center (Assistance for Seniors): 385-3445

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and Visitation-St. Ann's Shrine, or about the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion and Reconciliation--call us. For Marriages, call the Pastor at least 6 months ahead of time.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
February 10 through February 16, 2014

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
 Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

Liturgical Roles

February 9 February 16

COMMENTATORS

Coisetta Wright Alice O’Bryant

PROCLAIMERS

Diane Trice Sr. Pat Hottinger
 Alice O’Bryant Ophelia Wilson

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Barbara Parker Cheryl Dunn
 Jerry Hall Sam Dunn
 Diane Trice Alice O’Bryant
 Sr. Pat Hottinger Venus Spain-Walker
 Sylvester Raymond John Fleming

SERVERS

Jerry Hall Kayla Moore
 Taylor Baker

USHERS

Anita Reed Carla Moore
 Irma Stallings Barbara Peebles

Your Gifts to God and Parish

General & Loose Collection		\$974.43
Utility & Stewardship		5.00
Candles		3.00
Funeral		300.00
Other		85.00
Novena		7.00
Total		\$1,374.43

A QUICK LOOK AT THE MONTH OF DECEMBER
 Total Expenses = \$15,179 Total Income = \$6,721
 We went into the hole by **-\$ 8,458.00**
COME TO MEETING FEBRUARY 23rd!!!
 We need your input on how to raise more funds.

FR. JOHN’S COMMENTS

“Can We Change The Skyline?”

It was during the early days of television. A workman was placing television transmitters at the very top of the Empire State Building in New York City. Seeing him at work up there, so high above, a reporter thought this would make a fascinating human interest story. So, when the workman had completed his task and had returned to the ground, the reporter approached him and asked, “Aren’t you frightened to work under conditions like that? Isn’t it dangerous to work so high off the ground?” The workman replied, “Yes sir, it is dangerous.” Then he added, “But then, how many people can say that they have changed the skyline of a city like New York!”

After relating that story, James McCormick made this comment: *“God offers us the privilege of changing the skyline not of a city, but of the world. We can help make this world healthier, more humane, more harmonious, and more blessed. God made a good world. Now He wants us to help Him make it good again. We can do that. By God’s grace, we really can do that. If we can, surely we must.”*

The skyline of New York City can be changed by workmen building up the Empire State Building or by terrorists tearing down the Twin Towers. All it takes is the vision and the determination to do it. The same can be said of this human society. Yes, God made us all good but we are the ones who have to decide what we are going to do with God’s good gifts.

All too often, I hear decent people talk and act as though evil is more powerful than good. What a lie! As St. Paul once said, where sin abounded, grace abounded all the more. When good people give evil so much power, they can let themselves get by with shirking their responsibility to change this world.

Sure, it is not easy once we and our society have become so immersed in sin. Sure, it is a burden to fight off the habits of selfishness and fear and vengeance and sexual abuses and greed and comfort seeking and polluting or you name any other of the modern-day deadly sins that have us in their grip. However, as the bishops at the Second Vatican Council said, it is a “splendid burden.”

The victory can be won. We can change the “skyline” of humanity. And, as McCormick said, “If we can, surely we must.” Never again let good people entertain the lie that we and this world are just the way we are and we cannot change.
 Love, Fr. John

**The Kwanzaa Principle this week is
 “FAITH”**

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

Pray for those unable to attend today.

Homebound: Dorafrances & Charles Robinson, Claude Bell, Anna Holloman & Clint Harris. **In Nursing Homes:** Myrtle Evans, Mary Minter Charlotte Logan, Sondra Reese, Sr. Anne Catherine Shaw & Ruby Fortson.

Stewardship "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16
The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and you don't want to put yourself ahead of others.

Parish News

WEEKLY CATHOLIC NEWS-You should be receiving *The St. Louis Review*. The parish pays for it and you are asked to **reimburse the parish for \$30**. Use the envelope from your packet or put it in any envelope marked for the St. Louis Review.

REPAIRS TO HALL-For the next week or two, the kitchen and dining room in the Hall is being restored. We should be pleased with the results. The whole dining room will have brand new tile.

BE GENEROUS TO THE VINCENT DE PAUL-The demands for help are very great right now.

Parish Council

We are looking for **NEW MEMBERS!**

Please tell one of our **PRESENT MEMBERS:**

Fr. John	Carmele Hall
Carole Johnson	Richard Stephenson
Sylvester Raymond	Lillian Payne
Ophelia Wilson	Derrick Ross
Sherri Heiken	

ALL ARE INVITED

Please attend a Planning Meeting for ways to raise money for our Parish. We need your input. We have to raise funds—we can't just cut back. (After Mass—February 23)

Birthdays In February

Myrtle Evans	February 3
Anthony Wright	February 6
Cheryl Dunn	February 7
Derrick Ross Jr.	February 13
Leonard Gibson	February 16
Vanessa Hayes	February 17
Charlean Armstead	February 28
Andrew Ross	February 28

INCARCERATION: SLAVERY REVISITED?-A free panel discussion explaining what mass incarceration is, how was it created, how is it affecting our community, and what can we do to change it. The MO History Museum. February 9 from 2-4pm. Everyone is welcome. Sponsored by the Catholic Action Network for Social Justice.

FACTS GRANT & AID PROGRAM-For Catholic families of the Archdiocese. Tuition Assistance Request forms for 2014-2015 school year to be completed and returned by March 1, 2014. Call David at 792-7305.

ANNUAL HOT SPRINGS SPA RETREAT-Sponsored by the St Charles Lwanga Center, May 30-June 2, \$365. (Deposit: \$125 on/before February 4.) Final payment on/before April 7. For more details call 367-7929.

BIBLE STUDY-At the St. Charles Lwanga Center resumed Thursday, February 6 at 1:00 p.m. "Exploring and Praying with *The Book of Numbers*." Free will offerings are welcome. More information call 367-7929.

MEN'S RETREATS-Someone you know could use a retreat? Call White House Jesuit Retreat 416-6400. Every Thursday of February 13, 20, 27.

SHOEMAN WATER PROJECT-We accept any type of shoes as long as they don't have holes. This is a project to provide clean drinking water systems. More information 636-751-8197 or info@shoemanwater.org.

DANGEROUSLY COLD WEATHER-Christ Church Cathedral will be open extended hours as a warming center: Monday-Thursday 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Friday 7 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Located 1210 Locust St. next to Central Library. More information 231-3454.

INFORMATION TO HELP SCHOOLS PETITION-Held at St. Elizabeth on Wednesday, February 12 between 12:00 and 1:00. Contact Pat Taylor 381-4145.

LWANGA CENTER AWARDS DINNER

SUNDAY, March 30, 2014

Renaissance St. Louis AirPort Hotel

Our parish honorees this year are

Ms. Irma Stallings & Kayla Moore

Tickets are \$60 a person for this fund raiser.

See Ophelia Wilson or Fr. John for tickets or to take out an ad.

These are our own!

Cardinal Ritter Prep HIGH SCHOOL
St. Louis Cath. Academy GRADE SCHOOL
St. Charles LWANGA CENTER

Please Support Them.

Daily Mass: February 10-14, 8:15 a.m. In Chapel
Choir Rehearsal: February 10, 6:30 p.m. In Rectory
St. Ann Novena: February 13, 8:15 a.m., Mass in Chapel.

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