



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
March 24 through March 30, 2014

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4;
 Lk 4:24-30
 Tuesday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10;
 Lk 1:26-38
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;
 Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;
 Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
 Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;
 Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

Liturgical Roles

March 23 *March 30*

COMMENTATORS

Diane Trice Brenda Ulmer

PROCLAIMERS

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Charlean Armstead Alice O’Bryant
 Sylvester Raymond Derrick Ross
 John Fleming Venus Spain-Walker
 Barbara Parker Irma Stallings
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SERVERS

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 Barbara Peebles Irma Stallings

FR. JOHN’S COMMENTS

“Can You Love Without Controlling?”

In 2011, Anita Williams was honored with the St. Charles Lwanga Center *Lifetime Achievement Award*. Several people testified to the powerful influence that Anita had on them. Her grown daughter, Stacey Crater, said, “There can be no better mother for me ever on earth. She is the best. I love her.”

I believe that Anita Williams was the *best* kind of mother on earth precisely because she knew how to deeply love by influencing without controlling. Stacey said, “She gives great advice. The best advice she gave me was to go to school. She didn’t make me go she advised me to go.”

Why is it that so many of us good people do not know how to love without controlling the people we care about? Parents, bishops and lovers all seem to think that the loving thing is to make people behave. We want laws to stop abortion, pornography, drug abuse or whatever else is harmful to the people we love. We want to make them go to college, go to the doctor, get good grades, work hard and go to church.

Yet, every wise parent I know has learned that you cannot control an adult child. If you try, you will not only lose the battle of control, but you will also lose all your influence. I think that is tragic! What is more loving, do you think?--to lose by trying to controlling or to win by influencing?

Equally tragic, however, is when parents give up trying to influence their children once they learn that they can no longer control them. I know that it is hard for parents to be trusted. When children are little, parents *have* to control them. So, now, there is all that history to be lived down. I still say that, somehow, parents have got to establish the fact that they no longer wish to control.

Don’t ever let a grown child say that it is not your business to lovingly give them advice (without control). They often are willing to listen to the advice of their “goofy” friends. Why should they not at least listen to the advice (without control) of the ones who brought them into the world and made it possible for them to survive?

After Anita advised (without control) her daughter to get an education, she said, “No one’s going to take care of you. You’ve got to take care of yourself.”

Stacey said, “And I just love her for that.” And I say that, that is the very best kind of loving mother.

Love, Fr. John

Your Gifts to God and Parish

General & Loose Collection		\$906.10
Utility & Stewardship		15.00
Black-Indian Mission		15.00
Rice Bowl		23.00
Gifts—Individual		275.00
Flowers		10.00
Novena		5.00
Total		\$1,249.10

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Pray for those unable to attend today.

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

Stewardship "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." John 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True satisfaction only comes when we follow Jesus.

Parish News

LENTEN RICE BOWL COLLECTION-

Throughout Lent, we have an opportunity to bring forward our contributions after Communion. Take a Rice Bowl home to remind you to save your contributions. Money is to help poor people around the world.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION –TODAY

This Sacrament at Mass can be a key for your Lent.

FISH FRY FOR OUR OWN PARISH– On the first

Friday of April (the 4th), 2:00 to & 7:00 p.m. in the Hall. **FLYERS IN BACK OF CHURCH.** The profits go to our Church. **SPREAD THE WORD!!**

THANKS TO ALL FOR THE CELEBRATION!–

The Black History Program and the Family & Friends gathering was great because of your participation.

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.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

All Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence from meat (from the age of 14 on). Good Friday (April 18) is also a day of Fast for Catholics over the age of 18 and up to the age of 59. "Fast" means only one full meal that day (two other small meatless snacks are allowed). Catholics will not lightly excuse themselves from these obligations but, if there is a serious health problem, the obligations would not apply.

Parish Council

We are looking for NEW MEMBERS!
More than ever, we need support from you.
Please tell one of our **PRESENT MEMBERS.**

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER–Come and explore God's plan for your marriage on a Marriage Encounter weekend and give your spouse this unforgettable gift. To find out more or to apply for an upcoming weekend, go to www.stl-wwme.org or call 469.7317. Date: April 4-6.

CURSILLO WEEKEND FOR MEN–Share your faith with others who help support you. You don't have to be alone. [Applications for April 3-6, see Fr. John.]

FREE HELP FOR "CIRCUIT BREAKER" CREDIT

–To schedule your appointment, call the St. Louis Area Agency on Aging at 314-612-5918.

ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATRE–At

The Fabulous Fox, Friday April 25 at 8:00 p.m. Contact Barbara Jackson/St. Mathews Parish if you are interested in going as a group. Tickets are \$35 deadline to purchase tickets is April 11th. Call 322-2363 or jacksonb@ritenour.k12.mo.us.

SEE TEST & TREAT–Free Breast Cancer Screening, Pap Test, Mammogram, cholesterol, Hpv test for women, ages 21-65 who are uninsured or underinsured. April 12, 8 a.m. -12 p.m. at the Center for Advance Medicine 4921 Parkview Place (Central West End) Free hospital parking. Pre-register Call 800-600-3606 or 747-7222.

AFRICAN FILM FESTIVAL–FRIDAY, March 28-Sunday, March 30. Washington University in St. Louis, Brown Hall, 7:00 p.m. free admission. More information, 935-7879 or wupa.wustl.edu/africanfilm.

EXCITING YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE–At St. Charles Convention Center, May 30-June 1. Sign up now at www.encounterstl.com or call 792-7008.

These are our own!

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

Birthdays In March

Kathleen Carter	March 1
Patricia Fleming	March 2
June Stephenson	March 3
Claude Bell	March 4
Billy Ross	March 5
Queen Jones	March 7
Sylvester Raymond	March 11
Carmele Hall	March 14
Sr. Pat Hottinger	March 20
Donald Logan	March 20

Daily Mass: March 24-28, 8:15 a.m. In Chapel
Choir Rehearsal: March 24, 6:30 p.m. In Rectory
St. Ann Novena: March 27, 8:15 a.m., Mass in Chapel.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS: March 28, 5:30 p.m.

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