


# *St. Pius V Catholic Church*

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*October 8, 2023*



*Philippians 4:7 "The Peace of God." Mark Lawrence*

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Catholic Church

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today's readings offer us a profound reflection on our relationship with God. These passages depict God's expectations for His people, the response of humanity, and the call to righteous living.

In Isaiah we are likened to a vineyard tended by a loving God. Yet, we must examine our lives and ask: Are we yielding the fruits of righteousness, or have we strayed from the divine path?

The psalmist echoes the cries of a people longing for God's intervention. As we navigate the challenges of life, we too can find solace in turning to God, trusting in His guidance, and seeking restoration in times of need.

Philippians provides a practical guide to living a life of peace. During uncertainties, let us approach God with gratitude and supplication, allowing His peace to guard our hearts and minds. The virtues mentioned noble, right, pure, lovely, and admirable - serve as a roadmap for a Christ-centered life.

Finally, in Matthew, Jesus shares the parable of the wicked tenants. This narrative calls us to reflect on how we receive and respond to God's messengers and His Word. Are we open to God's guidance, or do we, like the wicked tenants, reject His messages?

As we contemplate these passages, let us renew our commitment to cultivating the fruits of righteousness, turning to God in times of distress, embodying virtues that reflect Christ, and embracing the messages God sends our way. May our lives be a testament to our faith, and may we be vigilant tenants of the vineyard God has entrusted to us.

Amen.

*Please note: Parish Council announcement will occur at the end of the month.*



#### SUNDAY READINGS:

Reading 1 - Is 5:1-7

Responsorial Psalm - Ps 80:9, 12, 13-16, 19-20

Reading 2 - Phil 4:6-9

Alleluia - Cf. Jn 15:16

Gospel - Mt 21:33-43



**MASS OFFERINGS**

*Offerings were given for the following intentions:*

Saturday	Oct 7	4:30 pm	Marie McCrudden
Sunday	Oct 8	8:00 am	
		10:00 am	Juan Posada
Monday	Oct 9	8:00 am	
Tuesday	Oct 10	8:00 am	Florence Beckwart
Wednesday	Oct 11	8:00 am	Carol J. King
Thursday	Oct 12	8:00 am	
Friday	Oct 13	8:00 am	
Saturday	Oct 14	4:30 pm	Marie McCrudden
Sunday	Oct 15	8:00 am	
		10:00 am	Anthony Droeset

**MASS SERVER SCHEDULE (10:00 AM)**

Oct 1	Caden Mettlach	Emma Mettlach	Lucy Muang
Oct 8	Colleen Mudd	Lucy Muang	
Oct 15	Emma Mettlach	James Mettlach	
Oct 22	Andrew Mudd	Colleen Mudd	



**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

Oct. 7	4:30 pm	Paul Lynch	
Oct. 8	8:00 am	Steve Ohmer	
	10:00 am	Barb Geers	Margaret Judge
Oct. 14	4:30 pm	Peggy Stein	
Oct. 15	8:00 am	Maureen Fox	
	10:00 am	Linda Karins	Paul Lynch



**COFFEE / DONUT SCHEDULE**

October 1	Lynch
October 8	Estrada
October 15	Stein
October 22	Knaup

PASTOR

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**BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

**Monday at Noon**

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Deacon George Watson, CRE.  
Phone: 773-3070 - stl.scdpsr@gmail.com

**SACRAMENTAL NEEDS**

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Please call the parish office for more information.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available upon request, especially before surgery or hospitalization.

MARRIAGE

St. Pius V Church is available for weddings of parishioners only.

Engaged couples should contact the Pastor as soon as possible after engagement and at least 6 months prior to the wedding.

MASS TIMES

Saturday, 4:30 PM (Church)  
Sunday, 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM (Church) &  
Mass in Zomi - 1:00 pm (except 1st Sunday)  
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM (Chapel)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 3:45-4:15 pm & the last Sunday of the month after Mass.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE HOSPITALIZED & FOR ALL THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:



Valerie Cissell	Christopher McKeown
Kyle Dickhaus	Tom Roche
Lili Huelman	Mary Bohley

If you are in need of a special prayer and would like your name on our Prayer list, you may contact the parish office. Please remember that in order to honor individual privacy, only the person or an immediate family member can make a request.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY & GOD BLESS!

- Oct. 8 Sofia Estrada
- Oct. 10 Mike Jakubowski
- Oct. 13 Maria Marquz

If you would like to see your birthday and/or anniversary in the bulletin, please call the Rectory at 772-1525 or email stlspv@gmail.com

**PARISH PRAYER & ADORATION TIME**

Please join us in prayer every  
**WEDNESDAY FROM 5:00 - 6:00 PM**

*The Rectory Chapel will be open during this time.*

*The rosary in simple format will be prayed at the beginning of the hour.*

*The remaining time will be for individual prayer.*

*The Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Chapel, so this is also a time for Eucharistic Adoration.*

Join us in prayer for our  
Parish, Archdiocese,  
Pope Francis, & the world.

*Sisters of the Most Precious Blood*

**Desert Day:** I really need a day of prayer & quiet! Desert Days at the Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are just that. Come to the quiet and beauty of St. Joseph Chapel at 204 North Main, O'Fallon, MO

**October 17  
& November 15, 2023**

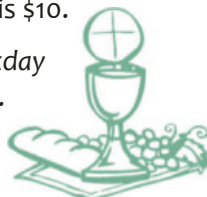


from 9:15 am - 3:15 pm.  
The day will begin & end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, & rest.  
The opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is also available. Lunch is provided and we ask a free will offering. For more information or to register contact Sr. Mary Cecile Gunelson, CPPS at 636-293-8013 or by email at mcgunelson@cpps-ofallon.org

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a special intention such as the repose of the soul of a loved one, health, anniversary, etc., please call or email the parish office - drop an envelope off in the collection basket. The suggested donation is \$10.

We have plenty of weekday Mass times available.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please note the following dates Children's Liturgy will be offered during the 10am mass:

- October 8, & 22**
- November 5, & 19**
- December 3, & 17**



If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering please contact Mary Loux at mloux3@gmail.com



PARISH NURSE NOTES

EMPOWERMENT EXCHANGE  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month

*This is a peer support group for individuals with disabilities that provides a nurturing space to share experiences, find understanding and build meaningful connections. Transportation funding is available.*

BOTH EVENTS ARE LOCATED AT:

Delta Center Office  
3837 McClay Rd, Ste T, St Peters, 63376  
For more information, please call  
636-387-3857 / michaelanderson@dcil.org  
636-387-2851 / lisaezeamii@dcil.org



Is available through our parish website  
or by visiting  
<https://osvhub.com/stpiusv/funds>

On our website: [www.stpiusv.org](http://www.stpiusv.org)  
Click on "Ways to Give" at the top of the screen  
and then click |Online| in the orange box.



**Sunday Offering October 1, 2023:**  
**\$1,673.00**

*"Charity is the bond that holds all virtues together."  
- St. Pius V*

YOU ARE INVITED



Meets the 3rd Sunday of every month in  
the rectory meeting room  
after coffee & donuts 11:30 am



PASS ON THE GOOD NEWS!

What good news? The Good News of Jesus and our Catholic Faith.

This fall, children throughout the South City, First Grade (Pre Sacramental Prep) through Confirmation will sign-up to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic Faith.

YOU CAN HELP THEM GROW BY BECOMING A CATECHIST OR SUBSTITUTE CATECHIST.

South City PSR meets Monday Evening from September through May on the campus of St. John the Baptist. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well.

One longtime catechist commented: *"I learn so much from the children"*  
and another, *"I get more out of it than I put in."*

Training, materials and support will be provided.

For more information, contact Deacon George Watson [stl.scdpsr@gmail.com](mailto:stl.scdpsr@gmail.com) or 314-773-3070





### Monday is the day to start the week, right?

However, Monday, October 9, 2023 is very different because it is the start of the Synod on Synodality where some 464 Catholic bishops, religious and lay representatives are gathered in Rome for the first session of the **Synod on Synodality** (it has been extended to two parts, set to conclude in October

2024). **85 members are women, and 40 of them are voting delegates. A FIRST! ANOTHER FIRST. This is the FIRST TIME in the history of the church where the people of God worldwide were asked what they thought was needed to be the Church in the third millennium based on the signs of the times.** In the past few years, there have been Synods, one on Youth, the Family, and the Amazon.

**LEARN:** The Instrumentum Laboris was drafted on the basis of all the material gathered during the listening phase, and in particular the final documents of the Continental Assemblies and will be used for reflection and discussion in the immediate preparation for the synodal assembly and to assist the synod fathers in their interventions and exchange in the synod hall.

### WHAT IS SYNODALITY?

#### **Seeking the HOLY SPIRIT to open horizons of hope for the fulfillment of the Church's mission.**

In brief, Synodality is a way of being community which has been part of the Church since the very beginning ( Acts 15), the Council of Jerusalem, the first time the Church faced an intractable problem. We follow the disciples from disagreement to silence and storytelling, and then to discerning the Holy Spirit. Once the Spirit is discerned, the Church is compelled to action. There is much that we can learn from this example for the Church today. There are new skills to learn, unhealthy habits to break, dispositions to cultivate and stepping away from our own agendas. The purpose of the synodal process "is not to produce documents, but to open horizons of hope for the fulfillment of the Church's mission" (DCS, 6.)

#### **More in the following weeks:**

**WATCH: Put in your browser:** Why Pope Francis' big Vatican meeting next month is so important - YouTube

**PRAY:** Go to YouTube Taizé Adsumus Sancte Spiritus (We stand before You, Holy Spirit)

Source: <https://www.schoolforsynodality.org.uk/four-steps>

Adapted by S. Gen Cassani, SSND



### SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

St. Louis Survivors Legal Support ("SLSLS") is a new nonprofit organization that represents victims of domestic violence. SLSLS provides attorneys to victims who seek orders of protection.

SLSLS is seeking non-attorney volunteers to meet victims at the Order of Protection Office at the County Courthouse, obtain basic information, and assist them in completing their petitions for orders of protection. Volunteers could work several hours on a weekly or every other week basis.

If interested, please contact Mike Burton at (314) 503-0737 or michael.burton@slsls.org

### St. Pius V Food Pantry News!

The regular monthly collection of food will be moved to the weekend of **October 8**, since our annual Migration Mass is October 1.



Donations of **Laundry Detergent** & **Dish Detergent** are most welcome.

Dollar Tree offers the best price for the these items. We are looking for a few volunteers to help neighbors register to vote while they are at the pantry. If you are able to do this from 10:00 - 11:30 am on a Saturday, please contact Ruth Ehresman at (314)504-3616.



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APR. 10 - JAN. 7, 2024  
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**JOIN THE SERVER MINISTRY!**

St. Pius seeks to grow its team of altar servers for all Masses  
Any Catholic girls and boys in grade 5 or older & adult women & men are invited to participate

**Servers are needed for all Masses:**  
**4:30pm Saturdays**  
**8:00am & 10:00am Sundays**

Contact Jeff Mudd if you're interested or have questions  
[jeffreygmudd@gmail.com](mailto:jeffreygmudd@gmail.com) or 314-960-4277

**LECTOR TRAINING**

Do you love God's word?  
Then you're the ideal person to be a lector.  
We can use more lectors for all masses.



No experience needed.  
Training provided.  
Please contact Marie Andrews  
at [alleluiawomen@gmail.com](mailto:alleluiawomen@gmail.com)  
or 314-441-8005.

**ST. VINCENT'S QUARTER  
AUCTION!**

**BIDDING PADDLES ARE \$5**  
**EVERY BID/ITEM IS 25¢**

**OCTOBER 7, 2023**

**BRING SOME SNACKS, DRINKS AND HAVE  
FUN!**



**DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM**



*National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows  
Way of Lights Volunteer Request*

Friday, Nov. 17– Sunday, Dec. 31

Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit?  
Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights  
greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display at the Shrine  
of Our Lady of the Snows from November 17 - December 31.

This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours.  
If interested, please email [programs@snows.org](mailto:programs@snows.org), call 618-  
394-6281 or go to our website at: [www.snows.org/  
wayoflights](http://www.snows.org/wayoflights)

**GRATITUDE FOR  
MIGRATION MASS**

What a spectacular celebration of the World Day of Migrants & Refugees we had at St. Pius! Thank you to all who pitched in to make our Migration Mass & potluck a huge success! We could not have done this without all of you. Thank you to all of the liturgical ministers & those who helped organize the Mass & to all who prepared, cooked, & cleaned for our potluck lunch. We are grateful to those who attended & volunteered from our supporting parishes that make the collective mission of the Immigrant & Refugee Ministry a reality. Thank you to the immigrants & refugees in our community who share their beautiful cultural gifts with everyone. Thank you all for your witness of a diverse community united in God's love!



For more information or to volunteer with the Immigrant & Refugee Ministry, contact Kevin Kuehl  
[MigrantMinistrySTL@gmail.com](mailto:MigrantMinistrySTL@gmail.com), 314-772-1525 ext. 204.



All Middle & High School youth are welcome to join us any Wednesday for community, faith formation, food & fun!

Wednesdays 6 - 8 pm

Tutoring 6 - 7 pm

Faith Formation 7 - 8 pm

4924 Bancroft Avenue 2nd floor of School Building

[Magdalen.org/youth](http://Magdalen.org/youth)

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