# St. Pius V Catholic Church

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Jeremiah 20:9 "Fire In My Heart" - Mark Lawrence



## Work must be an escape from poverty, not another version of it. A Place at the Table

When I was a child, Labor Day shut the door on summer vacation. But I also remember it as a day that was important to my Dad. His first paying job as a teen was in the shoe factory in our small town. When it closed in 1959, he found work at McDonnell -Douglas as a machinist. Unions were essential to him, and to the well-being of our family. I was taught the importance of being present for a strike vote, of walking picket lines, of sharing resources when labor and management couldn't reach agreement, of standing together for what were truly living wages.

Today school begins in mid-August, and the pendulum has swung from organized labor to a gig economy, contract workers, temps, fewer factory jobs and an explosion of low-paying, often part-time work without benefits. How are workers and their allies called to stand together today?

Catholic social teaching on "work" is decidedly counter-cultural. In 1996 the U.S Catholic Bishops published a Catholic Framework for Economic Life. Its first tenet is that "the economy exists for the person, not the person for the economy.". That doesn't fly in the corporate world or even in the boardrooms of many non-profits.

The Framework goes on to state that a "fundamental moral measure of any economy is how the poor and vulnerable are faring. All people have a right to secure the basic necessities of life, i.e. food, clothing, shelter, education, health care, safe environment, and economic security."

Conversations with our neighbors in the food pantry indicate that our economy fails too often. This week we helped Gloria to stop the disconnection of her electric service. She is a retired nurse's aide with about \$1000 per month in Social Security benefits. She cannot pay her rent and utilities, no matter how well she budgets. She struggled throughout her life with low wages. Poverty is the gift that keeps on giving to retirees, whose low Social Security benefits assure that they continue to live in poverty the rest of their lives.

As Christians today we are challenged to examine our economy and our place in it. What is its effect on workers and on our world? Who benefits? Who is losing ground? Much of our industry gives priority to profit over its impact on the environment, the use of scarce natural resources, and the destruction of the homes of those most vulnerable in the United States and across the globe.

There are no easy answers. But there are things that each of us can do. Next week after the Masses we will offer an opportunity for you to take a step to improve the lives of many low-wage Missouri workers. We hope you will join us and act.

Ruth Ehresman, Member of the Justice and Service Commission.

#### A Prayer for Labor Day

God the Maker, help us to look with love and renewed wonder at all the things that exist in part or in whole through the creativity and toil of others and ourselves.

Spur in us a hunger, O God, to honor those who labor, to act for their just working conditions, to demand fair wages and protection, to join them in raising up a more just world. You call us to mourn and act... when people build houses in which they cannot live; plant food, but go hungry; bathe our sores, but can't afford their water bill. Let our gratitude for each one's service spur us to secure justice for each one's dignity.

Amen.

Adapted from an article by Julie Polter, editor of **Sojourners**.

#### MASS OFFERINGS

Offerings were given for the following intentions:

Saturday	Sept 2	4:30 pm	Shirley Tabakat
Sunday	Sept 3	8:00 am	Stanley Pogorzelski
		10:00 am	
Monday	Sept 4	8:00 am	
Tuesday	Sept 5	8:00 am	
Wednesday	Sept 6	8:00 am	
Thursday	Sept 7	8:00 am	Lillian Ventimiglia
Friday	Sept 8	8:00 am	
Saturday	Sept 9	4:30 pm	Archbishop Rozanski
Sunday	Sept 10	8:00 am	John Weinrich
		10:00 am	

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

SEPT 3	Andrew Mudd	Colleen Mudd	SEPT 10	Caden Mattlach	Emma Mattlach
SEPT	Colleen	Lucy	SEPT	Andrew	Michael
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#### LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sept. 2	4:30 pm	Margaret Judge	
Cont 3	8 am	Chris Lloyd	
Sept. 3	10 am	Valerie Cissel	Happy Aboflan
Sept. 9	4:30 pm	Peggy Stein	
Cont 40	8 am	Steve Ohmer	
Sept. 10	10 am	Gen Cassani	Janet Crane



·SEPTEMBER·		
1st Sunday	Lloyd/Murphy/McCruden	
2nd Sunday	Skinner	
3rd Sunday	Children's Ministry	
4th Sunday	Auer	

#### **PASTOR**

Fr. Rich Wehrmeyer, CM (Ext. 207)

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#### **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.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be postponed throughout the summer and will resume in September. Please contact Mary Loux with any questions at mloux3@gmail.com

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



Valerie Cissell Kyle Dickhaus Lili Huelman

Christopher McKeown Tom Roche

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.



## 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.

HAPPY ANNIVER SARY & GOD'S BLESSINGS: Thank you for your example of faithfulness!

**Sept. 8** Bill & Joyce Casseau (61)

Sisters of the Most Precious Blood

Have several job opportunities to join them in their mission:

Spiritual Care & Community Life Director, Accountant,

& Partners In Mission Director.

Please visit www.cpps-fallon.org "What's New" section to view the full job descriptions.



Let us boldly step out of our comfort zone, guided by the Holy Spirit to denounce unjust policies and practices in response to "the cry of the earth and the poor." (LS 49)

#### WE LIVE IN A PLASTIC WORLD, AND IT'S EVERYWHERE!

It's an extraordinarily useful, versatile, cheap material. And it's a growth industry, with one in every ten barrels of oil now used to create new plastic. We can make sure we don't choke our streets, parks, and playgrounds with it.

Because if it's on our street today, then it's in our rivers tomorrow, and our beaches and oceans forever.

"The Plastic Free Communities Manifesto"

#### HOW DO I START A PLASTIC FREE LIFE? one step at a time

Many of you have made these changes already. Earth, Oceans thank you.

You can start with one or two of the following:

- 1. Say no to straws. If you need straws or like them, opt for a reusable one--available in local stores.
- 2. Ditch plastic water bottles and refuse them if offered... bring your own bottle.
- 3. Bring CLOTH bags to the store.
- 4. Avoiding take-away coffee cups which are lined with plastic and unrecyclable in most places.
- 5. Change from PLASTIC vegetable packaging to MESH BAGS—on sale in grocery stores near the fruits and veggies.
- 6. Use Beeswax wrapping instead of plastic wrap.
- 7. At the end of the week WITNESS tell someone about the changes you made and why you made them.



#### PARISH NURSE NOTES

#### SISTER MARYANN IS ON VACATION UNTIL SEPT. 30TH

#### 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.

#### LIVING WELL IN THE COMMUNITY

Tuesdays, July 11 - September 19th A program for people with disabilities to help set goals & get the support needed to achieve them.

- •Set health goals
- Make friends
- •Fun group activities
- •Get active

Snacks provided & transportation services 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

"Prayer is the key that unlocks the treasures of heaven." - St. Pius V





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

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





# THE ANTI-RACISM & EQUITY GROUP

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

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



#### 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 <a href="mailto:stl.scdpsr@gmail.com">stl.scdpsr@gmail.com</a> or 314-773-3070





#### Sunday October 1st 10 AM

St. Pius V Catholic Church 3310 s. Grand Blvd.

Potluck lunch to follow Please bring a dish from your culture to share

> For more info or to volunteer contact Kevin Kuehl MigrantMinistrySTL@gmail.com



#### 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.

A mandatory all-day training session (taught by several leading domestic violence experts) will occur on Saturday, September 9th.

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

#### 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 or drop an envelope off in the collection basket.

The suggested donation is \$10.

We have plenty of weekday Mass times available.

#### PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.



To read the next working document in the synod process entitled, Enlarge the Space of Your Tent, visit www.synod.va

#### COFFEE & CONVERSATION



Join parishioners every Sunday after 10am Mass in Singler Hall.
ALL ARE WELCOME!



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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 or 314-960-4277

Seasons come and seasons go but it is always in season to focus on our faith life in Christ Jesus. Covenant Network Catholic radio helps by drawing us into the beautiful spirituality of our Catholic prayers and devotions. Even the current events, seen through a Catholic prism, keep us attentive to the things that matter for our salvation. Tune into KHOJ 1460 AM or 92.7 FM or listen on the Covenant Network app or anytime at OurCatholicRadio.org.



#### FOOD PANTRY REMINDER

Our regular collection of food, household and hygiene items will be next weekend, September 2 and 3.

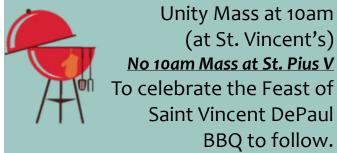
Bins will be in the front of church.

#### **LET'S FILL THOSE BINS!**

Diapers sizes 5, 6 and larger would be greatly appreciated. If it is convenient, pick these up at discount stores to stretch your dollars. And of course, canned meat and peanut butter are always welcome.

As always, thanks for your support of our neighbors."

## SAVE THE DATE! SEPT. 24TH



All are welcome!

# WANTED



## Halloween Costumes

Drop of kids gently used or new costumes/dress up clothes

benefiting One Heart Family Ministries and the International Institute of St. Louis, supporting foster and immigrant families.

WHERE: St. Margaret of Scotland school parking lot

3964 Castleman Ave. St. Louis, MO 63110

WHEN: September 16, 2023 9 a.m. -1.p.m.

Organized by Troop 110, St. Margaret of Scotland

If you can't make the drop off date and time, please email William Lederle at williamlederle3@gmail.com to arrange pickup.



#### TEEN FAITH FORMATION AT ST. MARY MAGDALEN

- Sunday Afternoon Youth Group (11:30-2:00 pm)
  - Large-scale catechesis and evangelization through a Life Teen-based model
- Thursday Caritas Nights (7:00-8:30 pm)
- Four week rotation of small groups, Bible studies, parish-wide Adoration/ Praise & Worship nights (The Well), and intermittent alternative events
- Designed to give teens a repertoire of sustainable, faith-building tools that they can carry with them into the rest of their lives

For more information, call Ali Meehan, Youth Minister at 314-352-2111 ext 112. St Mary Magdalen - 4924 Bancroft Ave, 63109 - www.magdalen.org/youth