


St. Pius V Catholic Church

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October 15, 2023



"Philippians 4:13 - Christ Who Strengthens Me" Mark Lawrence

SAINT 
PIUS V
Catholic Church

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our readings today place in front of us, an invitation. An invitation that calls us to embrace a profound trust in God's provision, respond to His call with joy, and find lasting contentment in our relationship with Christ.

In Isaiah, we find a vision of God's grand feast, a vivid picture of a divine feast, a culmination of God's redemptive plan, a banquet of salvation where all tears are wiped away. It is not just a feast but one that instills a sense of hope and envisions a future where all sorrow is replaced with joy in the presence of the Almighty.

Likewise, the Psalm assures us of the Lord's guidance, a comforting companion, and provision, reflecting a profound trust in God's care amidst life's challenges. Lord knows there are many challenges, but we can be assured that even in life's valleys, God is our shepherd—providing, guiding, and comforting.

Paul's words in Philippians, echo a contentment beyond circumstances, emphasizing reliance on Christ's strength. It's a reminder that our true source of fulfillment is found in our relationship with Him. It's a challenge to find contentment not in our achievements but in Christ's sufficiency, transforming our perspective on lack and plenty.

Finally, the parable of the wedding feast symbolizes God's call to relationship. It unfolds a parable of invitation and response and calls us to respond eagerly to God's invitation. The garment provided signifies the righteousness we're offered through faith in Christ. With this in mind, we are reminded of the importance of actively responding to God's invitation and embracing the righteousness He provides.

Together, these passages unveil a narrative of divine invitation, provision, and the ultimate feast of redemption. As we navigate life, may we wear the garment of faith, trust in God's provision, and respond joyfully to His call, knowing that in Him, we find true contentment and a place at the eternal banquet, a tapestry of divine invitation, comfort, contentment, and a glimpse of the ultimate feast



SUNDAY READINGS:

Reading 1 - Is 25:6-10a

Responsorial Psalm - Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Reading 2 - Phil 4:12-14, 19-20

Alleluia - Cf. Eph 1:17-18

Gospel - Mt 22:1-14



MASS OFFERINGS

Offerings were given for the following intentions:

Saturday	Oct 14	4:30 pm	Marie McCrudden
Sunday	Oct 15	8:00 am	
		10:00 am	Anthony Droeset
Monday	Oct 16	8:00 am	
Tuesday	Oct 17	8:00 am	Florence Beckwart
Wednesday	Oct 18	8:00 am	Carol J. King
Thursday	Oct 19	8:00 am	
Friday	Oct 20	8:00 am	
Saturday	Oct 21	4:30 pm	Marie McCrudden
Sunday	Oct 22	8:00 am	
		10:00 am	Melissa Coors Hoffman

MASS SERVER SCHEDULE (10:00 AM)

Oct 15	Emma Mettlach	James Mettlach
Oct 22	Andrew Mudd	Colleen Mudd
Oct 29	Lucy Muang	Rita Melton
Nov 5	Colleen Mudd	Josey Lynch



LECTOR SCHEDULE

Oct. 14	4:30 pm	Peggy Stein	
Oct. 15	8:00 am	Maureen Fox	
	10:00 am	Linda Karins	Paul Lynch
Oct. 21	4:30 pm	Jenny Heyl	
Oct. 22	8:00 am	Chris Lloyd	
	10:00 am	Alice Roche	Therese Tshakatumba



COFFEE / DONUT SCHEDULE

October 15	Stein
October 22	Knaup
October 29	Melton
November 5	Lloyd/Murphy/McCruden

PASTOR

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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. 16)	Madeline Bock
(Oct. 16)	Madeline Moore
(Oct. 19)	Theresa Forter
(Oct. 19)	Matt Wyrwich
(Oct. 20)	Thomas Brinkmann
(Oct. 20)	Savannah Croke
(Oct. 20)	Grace Mettlach
(Oct. 20)	Michael Thang
(Oct. 21)	Denise Dickerson
(Oct. 21)	Anju Sadasivam

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.

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.



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 mangunelson@cpps-ofallon.org

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

FAITH FORMATION IS ASKING FOR YOUR INPUT!

Use this QR Code to finish a survey, this will allow us to know what Faith Formation activities would be helpful to you! Let your voice be heard!



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
Click on "Ways to Give" at the top of the screen
and then click |Online| in the orange box.



Sunday Collection :

Parish	10/7/23 - 10/8/23	\$3,152.79
Migration Mass	10/1/2023	\$1,305.00



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

YOU ARE INVITED



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



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



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 or 314-773-3070

NEWS FROM OUR FOOD PANTRY

THIS IS A QUARTERLY REPORT FOR JULY-SEPTEMBER 2023

How have we helped our neighbors?



7,468 Individuals received food at the Food Pantry
498 Individuals in **199** Households received financial assistance with their gas, electric, rent, or water bills.

To provide this assistance, generous individuals from St. Pius V, St. Vincent de Paul, the surrounding neighborhood, and other Parishes contributed more than **3,000** hours of volunteer service. Thank You!



You lose your job. Your hours are cut. You have a baby. A relationship ends. Your car breaks down, and you cant get to work. Your Disability / Social Security check doesn't stretch to cover your rent & utilities.

These are some of the realities that bring increasing numbers of neighbors to our Food Pantry or to our St. Vincent de Paul phone lines to ask for help with rent, utilities, car repair, or vouchers for beds, clothing or other furniture.



**"PRAY FOR THE HUNGRY.
THEN FEED THEM.
THAT'S HOW PRAYER WORKS."
- POPE FRANCIS**



INCOME:
IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS \$28,760.00
EXPENSES:
IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS \$110,354.00
FOOD: \$33,171.00
UTILITY ASSISTANCE: \$31,869.00
RENTAL ASSISTANCE: \$41,639.00
FURNITURE: \$2,099.00
TRANSPORTATION: \$765.00
MEDICAL PRESCRIPTIONS: \$84.00
OTHER: \$727.00

Our expenses far exceed our income. We are able to provide this large amount of assistance through the generous bequest of Carol King.

Our goal is to do our absolute best to generate income through donations, grants, and wise purchasing so her bequest can provide stability for our outreach ministry for at least 3 years. Thanks to all who support our work through financial support or as a volunteer.



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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

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
or 314-441-8005.

ST. PIUS' FALL BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, Oct 29th, 2023
8:00 am - 12:00 pm



The impact Life Blood Center will be in an RV in front of church on Grand Avenue
Please schedule your blood donation using the following link

https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/113913

They will be following all the health regulations on COVID-19.

I am hoping that all of our regulars will be able to donate and that those who have never donated will consider donating. At this time. There is a desperate need for blood donations. If you any have questions or would like to sign up you can call Mary Heidbreder at (314)369-6939 thanks so much, I hope you will consider donating!

COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED!



We are in need of volunteers to count the weekly collections.

Please contact Russ Struttman at russ.struttman@stvstl.org



SACRISTAN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Typically, makes sure that the vestments, church furnishings, liturgical vessels and decorative objects are kept in good condition.



Please contact Joe Roach at roachjm@aol.com if interested.



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

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Magdalenyouth.stl@gmail.com