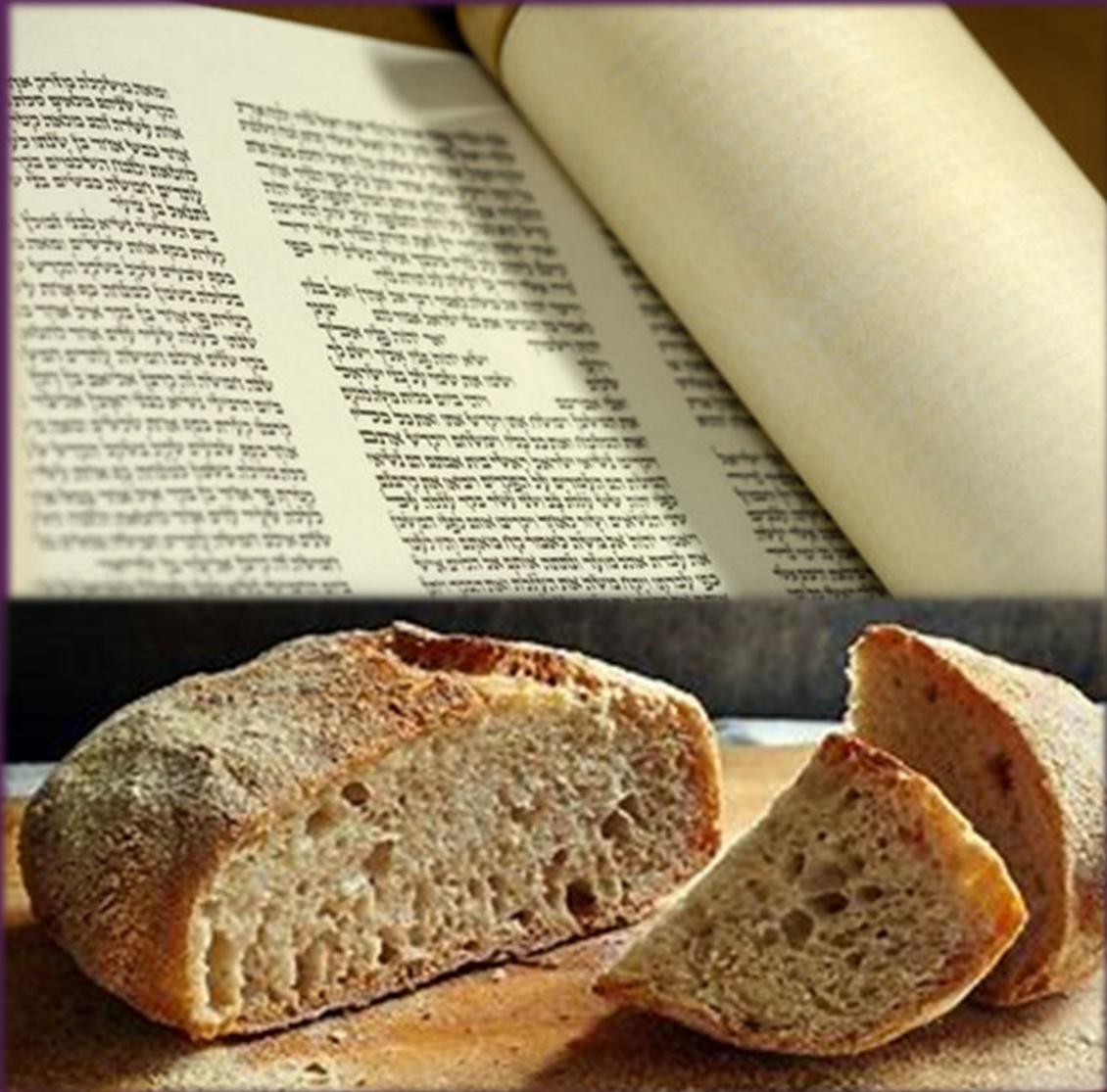


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Masses

Saturday, 4:30 PM & Sunday, 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM (Church)
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM (Chapel)

Confessions:

Saturday, 3:45-4:15 pm
Sundays of Lent after the 8:00 & 10:00 am Masses

Dear parishioners,

The Lenten Season begins the same way every year: Ash Wednesday, the temptation of Christ in the wilderness (1st Sunday) and his transfiguration on the mountain (2nd Sunday). Lent concludes with the entry into Jerusalem and the Passion of the Lord.

The “middle Sundays” are distinctive. This year the theme of the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent is *repentance*. The root idea is “returning.” The Hebrew Bible uses the word for “return” to indicate repentance. We also use words like “turning,” “turning back,” “change of heart.” So we will listen for these words and ideas in the weeks ahead.

Today we have some images of what we are returning to. We are renewing our covenant with God, the moment when we said “Yes” to the gracious and grace-filled way of life God offered us when we were baptized, or when we renewed our baptismal promise. The first reading today tells us of the ritual of renewal, including a “profession of faith.” The second reading sounds like a very primitive “apostles’ creed.” We speak about the Lordship of Jesus, realizing that that includes the mystery of His death and resurrection. During the time of the Roman Empire, the phrase “Jesus is Lord” was considered treason, a capital offense, for the Emperor had declared himself a god.

We turn away from anyone and anything that tries to claim first place in our lives, and we turn our hearts and minds back to the one, living and true God.

As the current Covid situation seems to be improving, we are adjusting our safety practices according to City of St Louis directives.

Masks will no longer be required for those who are fully vaccinated. However, please feel free to wear your mask in Church. (I will do so at Communion time and similar situations.) More pews will be open; we will resume our liturgical processions, and we would also like to renew the ministry of Altar Server. This ministry is open to any one, beginning with fifth-graders. *There is no upper age limit, so we welcome teen, young adult, and adult servers.*

Have a great Lent, and peace be with you,

Fr Paul

We will be restarting our **Monthly Food Collection** that will take place during Mass on the first full weekend of each month.

The Food Pantry is especially in need of:
corn, cereal, peanut butter, pasta sauce, canned fruit, canned pasta meals, pork & beans, laundry detergent, dish soap, shampoo, bar soap, deodorant, and plastic bags.

Please bring the items you wish to donate to Mass and place them in the bins near the communion rail at the Offertory.

We are grateful for your continued support of our SVDP Food Pantry!

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES FOR APRIL

Bulletin Date:	Due by:
Sunday	Wednesday
April 10	March 30
April 17	April 6

***Monday** is the normal deadline to submit items for the upcoming weekend's bulletin*



The Disciple Maker Index survey is open!

The survey will be available until **April 4** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on what efforts the parish is doing to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole.

- Go to <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y3561y> to complete the survey.
⇒ Available online in 18 languages
- *All members of the household 18 years and older are asked to complete the survey.*
- ***If you prefer a paper copy:*** These will be available **in the back of church and chapel as of March 2.**
 - A link to access a printable version is also be available on our website:
<http://www.stpiusv.org>. Click on the **All Things New** icon.
 - To submit the completed paper survey, please drop off **in the collection basket or at the parish office.**

Please take 10-15 minutes to complete the survey. The results will be invaluable to me, the staff, and our many volunteers as we seek ways to best support everyone in their discipleship journey.

Thank you for participating in this first phase of **All Things New!**

BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



The Frassati Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, based out of our St. Pius V parish, is inviting all interested parishioners to join us for a service opportunity this Lent.

This is a chance for anyone looking to directly serve our neighbors. We will guide you through the process of reaching out to a neighbor in need from our neighborhood to help with financial assistance (typically helping with rent or utilities), and we provide the resources. All you need to provide is some of your time (perhaps the time you would volunteer at the fish fry in years past).

Stay tuned for further details on how, when, and where, coming soon. We hope to have the chance to serve our neighbors with you this Lenten season!

MASS OFFERINGS

This week, offerings were given for the following intentions:

Sat	Mar	5	4:30 pm	
Sun	Mar	6	8 am	For the Parish
			10 am	Carol King †
Mon	Mar	7	8 am	Keely Bullard
Tue	Mar	8	8 am	
Wed	Mar	9	8 am	Niedzwiecki Family †
Thu	Mar	10	8 am	Florence Beckwar †
Fri	Mar	11	8 am	Karen Robertson Stoneman
Sat	Mar	12	4:30 pm	
Sun	Mar	13	8 am	For the Parish
			10 am	



Lector/Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Mar 5	4:30 pm	Chris Lloyd
Mar 6	8 am	Steve Ohmer
	10 am	Happy Aboflan
		Marie Andrews
Mar 12	4:30 pm	Peggy Stein
Mar 13	8 am	John Sanderson
	10 am	Tom Brinkman
		Sr. Gen Cassani



MARCH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and GOD'S BLESSINGS:

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 3rd Julie Mudd | 19th Betty Mues |
| 7th Jennifer Clennon | 20th Tom Sanger |
| 8th Harold Duke | 24th Rita Martinez |
| Kathy Stone | Michael Sadasivam |
| 12th Fr. Paul Niemann | 26th Tom Huelman |
| 14th Sally Eckhard | Carrie Redd |
| 15th David Sadasivam | 31st Jonathon Sadasivam |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY and GOD'S BLESSINGS:

Thank you for your example of faithfulness!

March 31 Jef & Mary Faszholz (44)

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



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

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| Valerie Cissell | Ruthann Marshall |
| Joe Fontana | Mary Kathleen Moriarty |
| Lili Huelman | Tom Roche |
| Christopher McKeown | Shirley Tabaka |

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.

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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 six months prior to the wedding.

Family Faith Corner- Lent

Lent is a time to prepare for the great feast of Easter. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (March 2nd) and includes 40 days to pray, fast, and give to others.

Read Together: Joel 2: 12 *Even now, says the LORD, return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, and weeping, and mourning;*

Discussion: How do you want to prepare for Easter during this season of Lent? How can your family *return to the Lord* with your whole hearts?

Activity: Consider doing one (or more) of the following:

1. *Prayer Chain*- make 40 paper strips and write someone or something you want to pray for on each one. Put the strips together to form a chain and remove one daily during the Lenten season and pray for the intention written on the paper link during meal time.

2. *Family Fasting*- Give up something as a family such as candy, chocolate, desserts, going out to eat, or drinking beverages other than water. Consider preparing a meal together as a family giving a task or dish to each member of the family.

3. *Acts of Service*- Create a jar with random acts of kindness and pull out a slip daily or weekly. Acts might include: give a compliment, reach out to an old friend, write a thank you note, and donate items or money to a favorite charity.



The next meeting of the
**Anti-racism & Equity
working group is
SUNDAY MARCH 20.**
All are welcome to attend.

Parish Prayer Time

Please join us in prayer every **Wednesday from 5 - 6 pm**, wherever you are. We are praying for our parish, our Archdiocese and our community. The Rectory Chapel will be open during this time.

The rosary 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.

Masks and social distancing are required in the chapel.



St. Pius will have our Spring Blood Drive on Sunday, April 3rd from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 pm.

The impact Life Blood Center will be in Singler Hall downstairs from church. Due to COVID-19, 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 hope that all of our regulars will be able to donate and that those who have never donated will consider it, 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.

**GENERAL REVENUE & EXPENSE
JANUARY**

Revenue	Total
Offertory & Gifts	\$19,250
Misc. Revenue	\$777
Rental Income	\$1,500
Restricted Gifts	\$1,188
Arch. Grant	\$3,179
Fund Raising	<u>\$0</u>
	\$25,894
Expense	
Personnel	\$10,940
Supplies	\$3,615
Fees & Services	\$1,104
Cleaning/Repair & Maintenance	\$10,055
Cabrini Academy	\$4,720
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**Join members of our parish community to
discuss the history of segregation in America**

St. Louis has been often cited as one of the most segregated cities in America. Would you like to explore how this happened? The Anti-Racism and Racial Equity Working Group invites you to a six session Book Club discussion of *The Color of Law* by Richard Rothstein. Rothstein is an American historian and author affiliated with the Economic Policy Institute, and a senior fellow (emeritus) at the Thurgood Marshall Institute of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. His current research focuses on the history of segregation in the United States with regards to education and housing. Spoiler alert: It did not happen by chance! This acclaimed book takes an historical look at how federal and local policy decisions and real estate practices assured segregation not only in St. Louis, but across the nation.



Choice of groups: Thursday mornings at 11 AM and Tuesday evening at 7 PM. Both sessions are tentatively in Singler Hall and will last about 90 minutes. Peggy Stein, Justin Stein and Sandy Anderson will facilitate the Tuesday group. Gen Cassani and Ruth Ehresman will facilitate the Thursday group.

Please sign up in back of church or email Ruth Ehresman ruthrehresman@yahoo.com. if you would like to participate. We have purchased books, and the cost is \$13, if you are able to contribute toward the purchase of books. We do not want the cost of the book to be a barrier to anyone's participation. Books will be available in Church after Masses. We will make arrangements to get the books to you, if necessary. Discussions will begin Tuesday, March 15 and Thursday, March 17.

**Great things are happening
at Cabrini Academy:**

5th grade is participating in Dancing Classrooms, 8th grade is working with Opera St. Louis to write and perform a musical, and 2nd grade is busy preparing for 1st Communion. Please call the office (314.776.0883) to schedule a tour or discuss enrollment!

We ask for your continued prayers as we continue to pray for all of our parish communities during this season of Lent.



Environmental Racism in St Louis Report: What's Next?

Please join us **March 8 at 7pm** via Zoom when speakers from various foundational organizations gather to discuss the origins of the report on *Environmental Racism in St Louis*, and the community support, challenges, and actionable steps to be taken. Speakers will include Karisa Gilman Hernandez, a community organizer for Dutchtown South Community Corporation; Ashton Kuehnel, grassroots organizer for the Missouri Chapter of Sierra Club; and Katherine Fenerson, a civic engagement organizer.



To register go to: <https://franciscansisters-olph.org/events/> or call (314) 965-3700



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4:30 PM - Entrance Antiphon:

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days. *Ps. 91*

Gathering Song:

8 AM: Drawn to You - *Music Issue # 396*

10 AM: Enter the Journey - *Music Issue # 646*

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses spoke to the people, saying: "The priest shall receive the basket from you and shall set it in front of the altar of the Lord, your God. Then you shall declare before the Lord, your God, 'My father was a wandering Aramean who went down to Egypt with a small household and lived there as an alien. But there he became a nation great, strong, and numerous. When the Egyptians maltreated and oppressed us, imposing hard labor upon us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and he heard our cry and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. He brought us out of Egypt with his strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders; and bringing us into this country, he gave us this land flowing with milk and honey. Therefore, I have now brought you the firstfruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given me.' And having set them before the Lord, your God, you shall bow down in his presence.

Responsorial Psalm

4:30 PM & 8 AM: **Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.** *Ps. 91*

10 AM: **Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble, be with me, Lord, I pray.**

- *Music Issue # 796*

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Brothers and sisters: What does Scripture say? *The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart*—that is, the word of faith that we preach—, for, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. For the Scripture

says, *No one who believes in him will be put to shame.* For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, enriching all who call upon him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, *One does not live on bread alone.*" Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant. The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: *You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve.*" Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and: With their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*" Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*" When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

4:30 PM - Communion Antiphon:

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. *Mt 4*

Presentation of gifts:

8 AM: Stand by Me - *Music Issue # 738*

10 AM: Seek the Lord - *Music Issue # 661*

Communion Song:

8 AM: To Live With Him Forever

- *Music Issue # 520*

10 AM: Remember Your Love

- *Music Issue # 659*

Closing Hymn:

8 AM: All is Well With My Soul

- *Music Issue # 469*

10 AM: Lead Me, Lord - *Music Issue # 739*