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JULY 26, 2026
THE 17TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

FAMILY MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGILS

- St. Louis Parish: 4:00 pm
- St. Michael's: 5:30
- St. Joseph's Cathedral: 4:30 pm

SUNDAYS

- St. Louis Parish: 9:00 & 11:00 am
 - Blessed Sacrament at St. Michael's: 10:30 am
 - St. Michael's: 12:00 pm
 - St. Joseph's Cathedral: 10:30 am
- WEEKDAYS: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY**

- St. Louis Parish: 12:05 pm
 - St. Michael's: 6:45 am
 - St. Joseph's: St. Joseph's Cathedral: 12:10 pm (M-W-Th-F) 5:15 pm **Tuesday**
- CONFESSION: ON REQUEST AFTER ANY MASS**

- St. Louis: Saturdays: 3:15-4:00 pm
- St. Joseph's Cathedral: Wed & Fri 11:45 am; Saturday 4:00 pm
- St. Michael's: after 6:45 am daily until 8:30 am, or by appt. - Fiore20b@gmail.com

- St. Anthony's: 30 mins before all Masses

BAPTISMS: New parents must participate in a virtual pre-baptismal instruction class. Information and registration forms are available on the St. Louis website for the Downtown Family of Parishes. Questions? Contact the Faith Formation Office at religiously@StLouisrcchurch.org.

WEDDINGS: AT ST. LOUIS OR BLESSED SACRAMENT

Registered parishioners should call the family office to discuss and check available dates. Arrangements should be made 8 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS: AT ST. LOUIS OR BLESSED SACRAMENT We welcome you to the Downtown Family of Parishes! Registration forms can be found on the websites.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Anointing in preparation of surgery or illness can be done after any Mass. Communal anointing takes place the last Sunday of the month after the Noon Mass at St. Michael's.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

All bulletin submissions must be **pastor approved**.

Email to dbfpbulletin@gmail.com



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY July 25 ~ St. James

St. Louis 4pm

Eunice Wozniak ~ Req by: Family

St. Michael's 5:30pm

Anna Maria Dorazio

SUNDAY July 26

St. Louis 9am

Anniversary of Dr. Richard Saab ~ Req by: Maureen Saab & Family

St. Louis 11am

In Honor of St. Ann ~ Req by: Anne Biniszkiewicz

Blessed Sacrament at St. Michael's 10:30am

All Souls

St. Michael's 12pm

All Souls

MONDAY July 27

St. Michael's 6:45am

Joseph DeReu

St. Louis 12:05pm

All Souls

TUESDAY July 28

St. Michael's 6:45am

Francis Kleindon ~ Req by: Richard Lehner

St. Louis 12:05pm

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THURSDAY July 30 ~ St. Peter Chrysologus

St. Michael's 6:45am

Intentions of Pope Leo

St. Louis 12:05pm

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FRIDAY July 31 ~ St. Ignatius of Loyola

St. Michael's 6:45am

Mary Lucielle Summers ~ Req by: Richard Lehner

St. Louis 12:05pm

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SATURDAY August 1

St. Louis 4pm

James Chassin ~ Req by: Dumansky Family

St. Michael's 5:30pm

All Souls

SUNDAY August 2

St. Louis 9am

Cathy DePlato & Betty Everett ~ Req by: Tom & Mary Ann Everett & Robin Lee & Larry Havron

St. Louis 11am

Mary Gilbert-Berg ~ Req by: Phoebe Collins

Blessed Sacrament at St. Michael's 10:30am

Connie LaPena ~ Req by: Sandy Falletta

St. Michael's 12pm

The Bayerl & Pettit Families ~ Req by: The Bayerl Family

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Blessed Sacrament Tuesdays 6pm to 7pm

Saint Michael's Sundays 1pm to 2pm

Saint



Louis

EVENTS AT ST. LOUIS

Thank you to everyone who celebrated St. Ann with us.

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of James Chassin by the Dumansky Family.

The Pieta Altar Candle burns in Loving Memory of James Chassin by the Dumansky Family.

The St. Joseph Altar Candle also burns in Loving Memory of James Chassin by the Dumansky Family.

If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in memory of a loved one or for your special intention, please use the envelope available for that purpose.

We honor requested dates as they are available.

SPIRITUAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT

We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. It enables the preservation, ministry and maintenance of our historic church. It assists us in reaching out to the people of our neighborhood.

OUR COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK WAS \$4,309.00
OUR WESHARE COLLECTION WAS \$1,101.51
OUR TOTAL COLLECTION LAST WEEK WAS \$5,410.51

**THE NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS WHO
ATTENDED WAS 362**

PLEASE CONTACT JENNIFER COLLESANO, ESQ. REGARDING A REQUIRED MINIMAL DEDUCTIONS (RMD)



****Please Note: We are only accepting online giving through WeShare.**

WeShare registration forms are provided electronically and at the back of the church for your convenience.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Diane Andriaccio, Gabriella Parisi, Rosemary Bloch, Laurie Hoehn, Tracy Allen Abram, Greg Joseph, Marcella Ng, Beverly Grover, Kim Bach, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shephard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Dr. Fred Luongo, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, David Marchetti, Frank Zawistowski, Bernadette R. Crawford, Joyce Persico, Gail Neil, Ed Kast, Linda Holben, Rachel Gaiser, Michael Hawkins, Allie Urbanski, Dr. William Fiden, Sharon Hunger, Fr. Drew Morgan, Larry Kennebeck, Denise Goodman, Jason Parks, Kienan Duggan, Hazel, Jeanine Miranda, John Campbell, Rebecca McCormick Boyle, Joan Kubiniec, Kyleena F., Greg Pratt, Stephanie Dickinson, Daniel Bamrick, Timothy Galbato, Marisa Restivo, Sal Polizzi, Margaret Foegeen.

Please contact the Parish Office to have a loved one placed on the Prayer List. If their condition continues to warrant our prayers, we will gladly include them as long as necessary.

We remember all those recently deceased, Mary Lavoie Bonato, and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

LECTORS/EUCHARIST MINISTERS AUGUST 1 & 2, 2026

Lectors:

Saturday, 4:00 Diane Randazzo

Sunday, 9:00 Christian Gugliuzza

Sunday, 11:00 Pam Nordstrom

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday, 4:00 Ann Dumansky

Sunday, 9:00 Mary O'Shea

Sunday, 11:00 Lisa & Tim McCarthy

Blessed



Sacrament

COLLECTION FOR JULY 19, 2026

The collection report for last week is as follows:

E-giving - \$1,840.01

Weekly - \$1,821.00

Fuel - \$30.00

Total - \$3,691.01

There will be one collection next week

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING MASSES AT BLESSED SACRAMENT

Masses and services at Blessed Sacrament will be **Temporarily Suspended** for approximately one month **beginning Monday July 13** due to renovations.

Our Sunday 10:30 am Mass will relocate to St. Michael's Church (651 Washington St.) **beginning Sunday, July 19.**

In place of our Saturday Vigil Mass parishioners are invited to attend St. Louis (Main & Edward Streets) at 4:00 pm or St. Michael's at 5:30 pm.

Parishioners who attend Tuesday/Friday 8:00 Masses are invited to St. Michael's at 6:45 am Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri or St. Louis at 12:05 Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri. Please keep an eye on the bulletin and listen to announcements at Mass and check your email inbox for updates on when we can return.

If you have Masses scheduled during the times of the temporary suspension please call the Parish Office to reschedule. Masses can be said at St. Michael's or St. Louis. You can also reschedule at Blessed Sacrament for a future date.

Downtown Family of Parishes Office - 716-884-0053

Please continue to use your Blessed Sacrament envelopes at St. Michael's or St. Louis. Thank you.

LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE JULY/AUGUST 2026

Lectors

Sunday 10:30 am

July 26 M.J. Carroll-Divine

August 2 A. Wulf

August 9 G. Riedel

August 16 M. J. Carrol Devine

August 23 A. C. O'Leary

August 30 M. Pitek

Eucharistic Ministers

Sunday 10:30 am

C. Pitek

J. Knab

R. Morgante

L. Buckley

M. J. Carrol Devine

C. Pitek

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

Readings for the week of July 26, 2026

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

TREASURE

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"The kingdom of heaven
is like a treasure buried
in a field."

MATTHEW 13:44

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Choosing Heaven

My children often ask me questions about Heaven. What does Heaven look like? Is there nighttime in Heaven? Do you get hungry in Heaven? Are there oceans in Heaven? Will we feel bored in Heaven?

My answer is almost always the same: "I can't tell you for sure." I guess I didn't realize how little we actually know about Heaven until I had kids who were obsessed with hearing the details.

But accepting human ignorance is liberating in a way, because it allows me to see clearly - and cling wholeheartedly to - the three things I do know for sure: Heaven is where God is, and Hell is where He isn't, and it's completely my decision where I want to be.

The choice, you see, is everything.

We need to pay attention to how Jesus describes the kingdom of Heaven in His parables. It is, He tells us, a treasure - but a treasure buried in a field owned by someone else. It is a beautiful pearl - and a very expensive pearl. It is a bountiful yield - one which must be carefully, even painstakingly sifted through.

It's so easy to imagine the delight of the man who finds the treasure, who encounters the pearl, who hauls the bursting net aboard, just as it is easy to call ourselves followers of Christ, to hang a Rosary from our windshield and go to Mass.

It's less easy, and a great deal more uncomfortable, to contemplate what comes next: the sacrifice, the commitment, the perseverance through uncertainty.

Heaven is an incredible stroke of luck - one that requires a good deal of follow-through. We can never earn it, but we must choose it.

Again and again and again, we must choose it.

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651 Washington St.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

The counts and attendance for July 19, 2026 will be noted in next week's bulletin.

Weekly Collection needed to cover expenses— \$3,200

Registered Families - 42

INFORMATION REQUESTS

For any Parish Information regarding St. Michael's Masses, funerals, prayer requests, please contact the Downtown Family of Parishes office -

Phone - 716-884-0053 Email - dbfpbulletin@gmail.com

IN YOUR PRAYERS FOR ST. MICHAEL'S

Evan, Fran, and Mo Angelo, Judith Barone, Alexander & Michael Brickel, Alonso/Caceres/Rios Santa Cruz, Peter Caruso, Annie Feldman, Mary Biuttner Gutierrez, Gloria Knight, Elain Love, Dr. David Marchetti, Jean McCarthy, Tom Passmire, Arlo Thomas Stadler, Jack Stepniak, Angelo Tomsello, Mark Lisiecki.

ST. MICHAEL'S INFORMATION

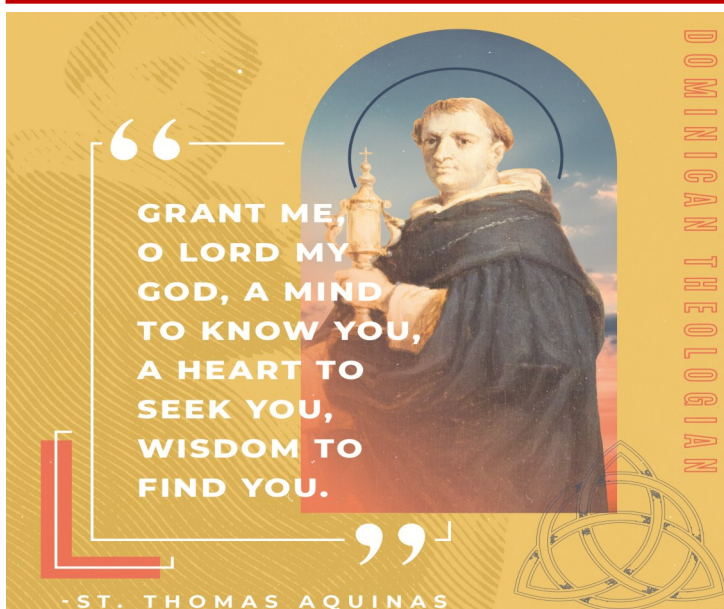
Holy Hour: Join us Sundays for a Holy Hour starting at 1pm, featuring exposition, adoration, rosary, and silent prayer until 2pm at which time the church will close.

St. Michael's Update:

As of 4/16/2026, twice, the Dicastery of the clergy (Vatican) has upheld Bishop Fisher's decision to merge St. Michael's with St. Louis.

A third and final petition has been filed with the Signatura of the Dicastery of the clergy.

We are awaiting this final decision of the Vatican.



News

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Happenings

2026-2027 FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

We are excited to welcome families to the 2026-2027 Faith Formation Program! Our year will begin on **Catechetical Sunday, September 20th**, and continue through April.

Faith Formation sessions will alternate between Blessed Sacrament and St. Louis Churches, and will include a variety of opportunities for families to grow in faith together, including family faith formation lessons, service experiences, and at-home sessions each month.

All children, ages 4 through 10th grade, are warmly invited to participate. Whether your family is returning or joining us for the first time, we look forward to growing together in faith and community throughout the year.

Detailed program information can be found here:

<https://stlouisrcchurch.org/religious-education/prek-10-grade-faith-formation/>

New Families: Please complete the online registration form and submit via email to Ashlee Campbell.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Ashlee Campbell at 443-744-0354 or religiouslyused@stlouisrcchurch.org

We look forward to a wonderful year full of faith, service, and community!

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ANGEL TREE BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLIES JULY 18 - AUGUST 9

The Angel Tree Committee is collecting backpacks and school supplies for the children in the Angel Tree program. Angel Tree is part of the Prison Ministry Fellowship program that teaches Christian values by supporting the spiritual growth and restoration of incarcerated individuals and their families.

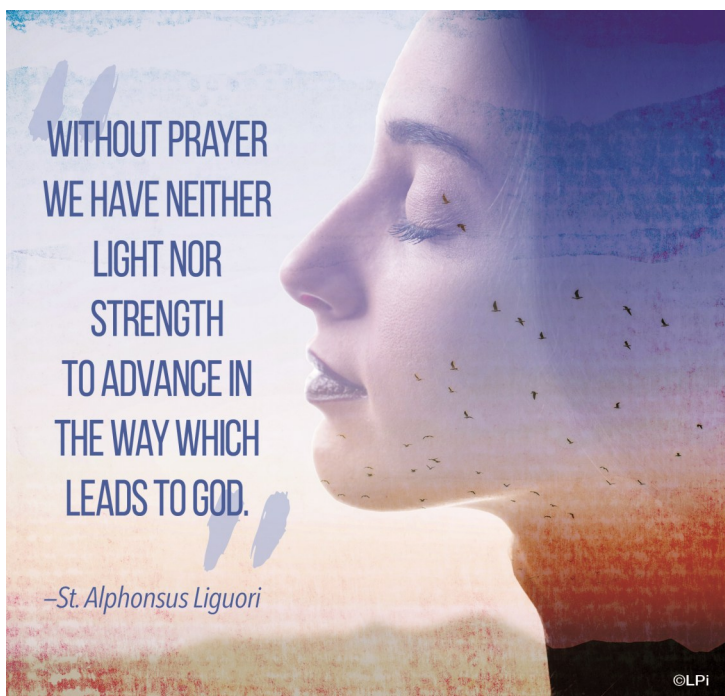
This back-to-school supply drive is our third outreach to the families this year. Through these efforts, we seek to share Christ's love and extend a welcoming invitation to our parish community. All gifts come with a note identifying them as being "From Your Friends at St. Louis Church". The backpacks and supplies will be provided to the same children who received Christmas gifts through Angel Tree and whose parents received gift cards through our Mother's Day & Father's Day outreach.

You can participate by:

- Donating new school supplies (drop them off at the bins in church)
- Making a monetary donation - donation centers will be set up at the church
- Purchasing items through our Amazon Wish List (supplies will be shipped directly to the church)

Thank you for helping us share Christ's love and support local children as they prepare for a successful new school year.

Questions, contact Ashlee Campbell (443-744-0354) / religiouslyused@stlouisrcchurch.org



VIRTUES, EXPLAINED!

Hospitality

Mini Explanation

The virtue of hospitality is characterized by kindness and welcome, particularly to those who are strangers. It is the practice of true Christian love - love purely for the sake of the one "who loved us first" (1 John 4:19)

Hospitality, Explained!

When three strangers came to Abrahams tent at Mamre on a sweltering day, he rushed to offer them respite from the heat (Genesis 18:2-2). When the prophet Elisha visited Shunem, a woman set aside a special room in her house for him, so that he would return and feel comfortable (2 Kings 4:10).

These Old Testament examples show people living out the law of welcoming the sojourner (Leviticus 19:33), a law that found fulfillment in the Christian mandate to "practice hospitality" (Romans 12:13) and sow "brotherly love" (Hebrews 13:1-1).

The virtue of hospitality is characterized by kindness and welcome, particularly to those who are strangers. Since the stranger, by nature, has no particular claim on our affections, the love we extend to him is true Christian love - love purely for the sake of the one "who loved us first" (1 John 4:19).

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