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SEPTEMBER 13, 2026
THE 24TH SUNDAY IN
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FAMILY MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGILS

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

SUNDAYS

- St. Louis Parish: 9:00 & 11:00 am
 - Blessed Sacrament: 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 religioused@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 September 12 ~ The Most Holy
Name of Mary**

St. Louis 4pm

All Souls

Blessed Sacrament 4:30pm

Ricky, Hoken, Olivia, & Isabela Cromwell ~ Req by: Peter & Tracy Cromwell

St. Michael's 5:30pm

Wedding Anniversary of James & Teresa Lyons ~ Req by: Family

SUNDAY September 13

St. Louis 9am

Marian & James McLellan ~ Req by: James McLellan

St. Louis 11am

Kevin Christner ~ Req by: Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner

Blessed Sacrament 10:30am

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St. Michael's 12pm

St. Michael's Parishioners ~ Req by: Kevin & Peggy Lyons

**MONDAY September 14 ~ The Exaltation of
the Holy Cross**

St. Michael's 6:45am

Ann Weihing

St. Louis 12:05pm

Kevin Christner ~ Req by: Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner

TUESDAY September 15 ~ Our Lady of Sorrows

St. Michael's 6:45am

Stephen Rogacki ~ Req by: John Kopera

St. Louis 12:05pm

Carol Ann LaBelle ~ Req by: Deacon Tommy

THURSDAY September 17 ~ St. Robert Bellarmine

St. Michael's 6:45am

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St. Louis 12:05pm

Rev. Joseph M. Sorg ~ Req by: The Joseph M. Sorg Foundation

FRIDAY September 18

St. Michael's 6:45am

All Souls

St. Louis 12:05pm

Howard D. Curlette & Rose Regina Curlette ~ Req by: Sandy Curlette

SATURDAY September 19 ~ St. Januarius

St. Louis 4pm

James Chassin ~ Req by: Family

Blessed Sacrament 4:30pm

All Souls

St. Michael's 5:30pm

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SUNDAY September 20 ~ Catechetical Sunday

St. Louis 9am

Roger VanDruff ~ Req by: Anthony & Kim Jordan

St. Louis 11am

Pasquale Mustillo ~ Req by: Louis Mustillo

Blessed Sacrament 10:30am

Paul W. Beltz ~ Req by: Cathy Beltz

St. Michael's 12pm

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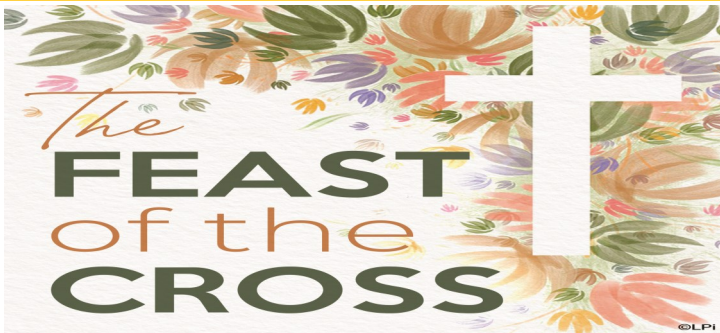
MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Kevin Christner by Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner.

The Pieta Altar Candle burns in Loving Memory of Kevin Christner by Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner.

The St. Joseph Altar Candle also burns in Loving Memory of Kevin Christner by Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner.

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.



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, Sal Polizzi, Maverick Marchese, Judy Robinson, Cynthia Goetz, Frank Floyd, Daniel Floyd, Margaret Foegen.

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, especially our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

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.

THE COLLECTION AND ATTENDANCE WILL BE POSTED NEXT WEEK DUE TO THE BULLETIN NEEDING TO BE SUBMITTED EARLY DUE TO THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY.

There will be two collections next week. The Second Collection will be for Seminarian & Diaconate Formation.

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

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



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

LECTORS/EUCHARIST MINISTERS SEPTEMBER 19 & 20, 2026

Lectors:

Saturday, 4:00 Ann Dumansky

Sunday, 9:00 Christian Gugliuzza

Sunday, 11:00 Pam Nordstrom

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday, 4:00 Diane Randazzo

Sunday, 9:00 Patrick Kearns

Sunday, 11:00 Kathy Boerner & Jim Ferrini

Blessed

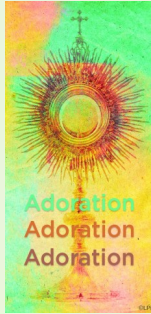


Sacrament

ADORATION WITH ROSARY AND DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE

Adoration with Rosary and Devotion to the Holy Face will resume Tuesday, September 15th at 6:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, Delaware Ave.

All are invited to come and spend time in prayer and reflection before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.



COLLECTION FOR SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

The collections will be noted in next week's bulletin as the bulletin needed early submission due to the Labor Day Holiday.

There will be two collections next week. The Second Collection will be for Seminarian & Diaconate Formation.

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour will resume on September 13th after the 10:30 Mass.

We need volunteers to host coffee hour. A sign up sheet will be available or you can contact Celine La-Duca by phone or text at 716-352-4771.

NEXT BOOK CLUB SESSION

All are welcome to discuss the latest Blessed Sacrament Book Club selection: **"Seeking God with John Henry Newman: by Ryan Marr (Our Sunday visitor Press., 2020). The session will be on Monday, November 2nd at 10:30 am in St. Joseph's Hall** The book is available online with amazon, Barnes & Noble, Thriftbooks, or OSV Publishing.

Contact Bonnie Blum at blumfam7@gmail.com for information.

LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2026

Lectors

Saturday 4:30 pm

September 5 P. Jones

September 12 M. Cusack

September 19 L. Urbanski-Farrell

September 26 D. Galucki

Sunday 10:30 am

September 6 G. Reidel

September 13 M. J. Carroll-Devine

September 20 A. Wulf

September 27 M. Pitek

Eucharistic Ministers

Sunday 4:30 pm

D. Russell

C. Jones

C. Russell

B. Mierszwa

Sunday 10:30 pm

J. Knab

R. Morgante

L. Buckley

C. Pitek

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER Readings for the week of September 13, 2026

Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14/Lk 8:4-15



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC ~ RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mercy You Can Feel

"You qualify for forgiveness," I heard the woman on the other end of the phone tell me, and I surprised myself by starting to weep.

I had called the hospital system's financial services department to set up a payment plan on a balance I owed after having some unexpected scans and tests. I was hoping to minimize the dent our family's savings took - transform one devastating wallop into a series of more easily absorbed blows, so to speak.

Imagine my surprise when I realized the hospital was pulling its punch. If you have ever had a financial debt forgiven, you know the relief that came over me in that moment.

It wasn't until a little later that the guilt set in. I know so many people who have medical debt. Why was I able to get out of paying, and they were not?

But the cold, hard truth is that I didn't "get out" of anything. My insurance, for which I pay, had given the hospital enough money to cover the true cost of the procedures. That balance would merely have increased the hospital's profit.

Make no mistake: capitalism does not forgive.

If you describe the Sacrament of Reconciliation to someone unfamiliar with theology, chances are they'll think God is a chump. "You get to go in, say you're sorry, and leave - and everything's just fine?" someone once asked me in disbelief.

Well, yeah. That's forgiveness.

Real mercy cannot be budgeted. It must be given recklessly, extravagantly, against all reason. It must cost the giver. It must scandalize any accountant worth his salt. And no one "qualifies."

If I can't wrap my head around the idea, it might mean I'm stuck in a for-profit paradigm of justice. It might just mean that I need to engage more in real mercy. Mercy I can feel.

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

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The collection will be noted in next week's bulletin as the bulletin needed early submission due to the Labor Day Holiday.

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**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.

His mercy
endures forever.

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Happenings

GOSPEL MEDITATION ~ ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 13, 2026

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 18:21-35

In my parish, there was once a new employee who frequently told me she was sorry for various imperfections in her work. It could be a little tiring. I finally told her, "You know, you don't have to say 'sorry' so often." She looked me right in the eyes and said, "Father, you're right. I'm sorry." Her ear-to-ear grin betrayed that she enjoyed the irony - and that she would keep asking for forgiveness as often as she needed it.

The Gospel reading this week proclaims to us that God, in Jesus, delights in numerous requests for, and the granting of, forgiveness. To Peter's question, "**Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?**" Jesus responds, "**I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.**" In other words, Peter, stop counting.

Christian life should be marked by a commitment to frequent forgiveness. God never tires of forgiving us. His limitless love has overcome the power of vengeance, hatred, and division. We tap into that each and every time we ask for forgiveness or extend it to another.

How beautiful our hearts become when they become accustomed to frequent forgiveness! How joyful and attractive become our marriages, families, and parish communities! How light our souls feel when unburdened by the habit of keeping score.

Challenge: Name one thing, small or large, for which you could ask forgiveness from someone in your life. Then do it.

~ Father John Muir

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SPIRIT JEOPARDY

Spirit Jeopardy will take place Wednesday, October 21, 2026 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm in the **Church Hall at St. Louis Church** at Main and Edward Streets. All are welcome to attend. Parking is available in the back of the church off Franklin Street.

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 religoused@stlouisrcchurch.org

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

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VIRTUES, EXPLAINED!

Friendliness

Mini Explanation

Without practicing the virtue of friendliness, known officially as affability, we cannot properly evangelize the Gospel. This virtue is more important than ever in the modern world, where we so often encounter people who think differently than we do.

Friendliness, Explained!

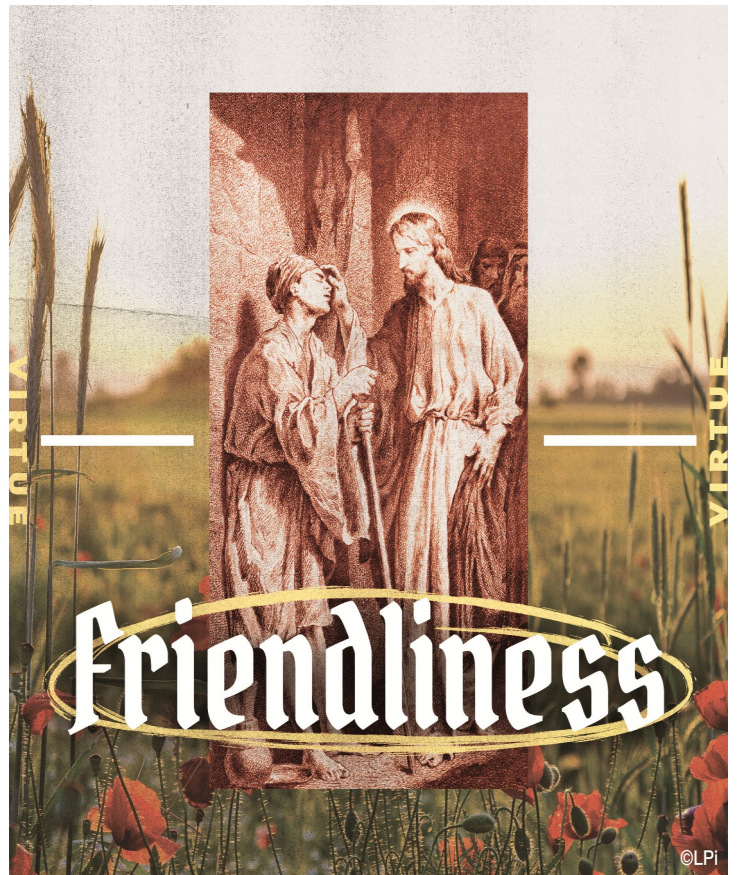
The modern world we all must share seems, in some ways, to be shrinking.

For good or ill, thanks to the internet, the widespread use of social media, and the omnipresence of smartphones, we are finding ourselves interacting frequently with people who live, act, and think differently than we do.

It may well be that the virtue of friendliness, known officially as affability, is more important than ever.

In fact, being attached as it is to the virtue of justice, friendliness is a debt we owe our fellow human beings, writes St. Thomas Aquinas (*Sum*, II:II, Art.2). The fact is, we cannot evangelize without kindness. We can see this in the instructions Christ gives His disciples in the Gospel of Matthew: "As you enter a house, wish it peace. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; if not, let your peace return to you." (Matthew 10:13)

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