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SUNDAY MASSES

7:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. Saturday Vigil Mass
12:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday-Friday
6:45 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

Saturday
6:45 a.m.

DAILY CONFESSIONS

In the Chapel
(except Holy Days & Holidays)

Monday-Saturday:
6:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Saturday:
4:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Monday of the Month
At all Masses (except Holy Days
and Holidays)

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL

Monday 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday of the month. Contact
the Parish Office at least one month
prior to requested date of Baptism to
arrange for a personal interview with
the Pastor. For parishioners only.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be made at
least six months in advance for those
who have been registered, supportive
parishioners for at least one year.
Contact the Parish Office for a meeting
with the Pastor.

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MEDITATION

Sunday, December 28, 2025

Feast of the Holy Family

*... bearing with one another and forgiving one another.
(Colossians 3:13)*

Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family. We can take for granted that Jesus, the Son of God, Mary, the Mother of God, and St. Joseph, the Just, must have been holy. But what about the rest of us? What is the key to living as a holy family?

In his Letter to the Colossians, St. Paul puts his finger on one of the best ways to experience holiness in family life: *bearing and forgiving one another* (Colossians 3:13). Because despite of our love for each other, annoyances or misunderstandings or frustration will arise. So what do we do? Paul tells us that when we have grievances against someone else, we need to bear with them and be willing to forgive them just as the Lord has forgiven us.

That's the beauty of today's second reading. Paul doesn't present a stained glass image of holiness for us to strive for but never attain. He shows us how to get there! It starts as we acknowledge that we are all God's chosen ones, forgiven and beloved. So, living as a holy family isn't just a matter of doing the "hard work" of loving one another. It's also a matter of receiving the grace and Mercy God offers so that we can love in ways that we can't do on our own. It's a matter of giving away what we've received.

Practically, this means treating our family members with the heartfelt compassion and patience that we have received from Christ. It means bearing with our fellow sinners because we know how much Jesus bears with us.

What a relief this is! We don't have to pretend to be perfect. We could never do it on our own anyway. But we do have to receive from Jesus the forgiveness that can move us to extend the same mercy to our loved ones. And that will make for a holy family!

"Heavenly Father, thank you for your mercy that moves me to show mercy to my loved ones!"

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PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center of our hearts and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you. Amen.

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war and conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.

TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:
O Come, All Ye Faithful #199

Kyrie #1

Gloria #5

OFFERTORY HYMN:
What Child is This #208

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:
Sing of Mary #390

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 29

1 John 2:3-11
Psalm 96:1-3, 5b-6
Luke 2:22-35

Tuesday, December 30

1 John 2:12-17
Psalm 96:7-10
Luke 2:36-40

Wednesday, December 31

1 John 2:18-21
Psalm 96:1-2, 11-13
John 1:1-18

Thursday, January 1

Numbers 6:22-27
Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6 8
Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 2:16-21

Friday, January 2

1 John 2:22-28
Psalm 98:1-4
John 1:19-28

Saturday, January 3

1 John 2:29—3:6
Psalm 98:1, 3c-6
John 1:29-34

Sunday, January 4

Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

Prayer Requests: If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please call or email the parish office and we will add their names to our ongoing parishioners and friends list of intentions: omannstlouis@gmail.com or call 651-224-3379.

We ask that you kindly let us know when the names of people should be removed. Many, many thanks.

Please pray for our parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church who are sick: Paul Anderson, Peggy Anfang, Margie Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Laris Berggren, Odella Conlon, Monty Denniston, Gretchen Dertz, Jenny Dufner, Elzbieta, Greg Ennis, Harry Frazier, Anne Hallgren, Mia Hasouris, Margaret Ann Hennen, Mary Ellen Hennen, Mark Hennen, Austin Hogan, Patty Huiras, Doria Johnson, John Johnson, Brian Junker, Ernie Jurgens, Marilyn Krass, John D. Lamey, Bonida Lanford, Caroline Lanford, Steve Lauinger, Lowell, Henry Lyons, Jennifer McMaster, Tom Miller, Dick Mogren, Cathy Mullaney, Tim Mullaney, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Joe Oden, Karen Olson, Zachary Redland, Jacob Revera, Jaxson Rivera, Inger Saffie, Mamie Singleton, Jim Steinhagen, Maureen Sullivan, Robert Tereau, Robert Tesch, Allyson Tracy, Robert VanGuilder, Jr, Michael Virnig, Brian Walstad, Jennifer Washington and Justin Woessner.

RING OUT, O BELLS . . .

DATE	REQUEST FOR	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
December 29	Dr. John D. Lamey, Jr.	Happy Birthday	Self
December 30	The Lamey Family	Well Wishes for the New Year	Dr. John Jamey, Jr.
December 31	Parishioners and Friends of St. Louis Church	Happy New Year	Priests and Staff of St. Louis Church

OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are open in January for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31. Please call the rectory during office hours to make arrangements. Some dates listed as open may not be available due to the normal lag in printing time.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 29 *Saint Thomas Becket*
 6:45 †John Schleck
 12:10 John D. Lamey, Jr.

Tuesday, December 30 *Sixth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of Our Lord*
 6:45 †Jax Affolter
 12:10 †Andy Braun

Wednesday, December 31 *Seventh Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of Our Lord*
 6:45 Matt and Jamie Poster
 12:10 Stephen Lauinger

Thursday, January 1 *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*
 6:45 †Victoria Joseph
 12:10 †April Grace

Friday, January 2 *Saint Basil the Great*
Saint Gregory Nazianzen
 6:45 †Inez McWain
 12:10 Dennis Reinig Family

Saturday, January 3 *The Most Holy Name of Jesus*
 6:45 Bob Tibesar
 5:00 †Ruth Ann Chessey

Sunday, January 4 *The Epiphany of Our Lord*
 7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners of Saint Louis Church
 10:00 †Richard Hoff
 12:30 The Wanderer Benefactors

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 1, 2026
 The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation
 Mass at 6:45 AM and 12:10 PM
No scheduled Confessions on New Year's Day

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will close at noon on Wednesday, December 31, 2025, and will be closed on New Year's Day, Thursday, January 1, 2026.

TUESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERT

The Tuesday Lunchtime Concert Series will resume on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, immediately after the 12:10 PM Mass.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES

A Christmas Flower Donation can be given in honor or in memory or in honor of a loved. Please clearly write your name and the names of persons being remembered clearly on the envelope. Envelopes are located at the back of the church. Also, envelopes were included in your envelope packet this year,

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Support those who have given a lifetime of dedicating their lives to service, usually for little or no pay. The Religious Retirement Fund helps the retirement needs, health care and much more of retired religious. Envelopes are located at the back of the church. Please drop them in the regular collection basket. Many thanks.

2026 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The 2026 calendars are available at the back of the church. We thank Jim and Charles Belland of Rebarfab, Inc. for their generous donation of sponsoring the calendars for 2026.

END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

A reminder that if you are planning on making an end of year donation, your donation will need to be post marked by Sunday, December 31, 2025, or received by the parish office by December 31, 2025, in order to be included on your 2025 contribution statement. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity and support of St. Louis Church.

SAINT ANTHONY BREAD FOR THE POOR DONATIONS

On the envelope for Saint Anthony's Bread for the Poor, it states "This offering is to feed the hungry; to alleviate the needs of the poor." St. Louis Church, on a quarterly basis, sends these donations to one of the following charities: Joseph's Coat, Listening House, Franciscan Brothers of Peace and Catholic Charities. For the quarter ending September 30, 2025, \$455.00 was sent to Joseph's Coat. St. Louis Church received a thank you letter from Rebecca Bedner, Executive Director of Joseph's Coat, to the parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church stating "Thank you for your generous gift of \$455.00 in support of Joseph's Coat. We appreciate your participation in our Matching Campaign; it's a wonderful way to double the impact of your contribution-thank you!"

PARISH CALENDAR

December 29 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 December 29 Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM
 December 30 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 December 31 Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM
 December 31 Parish Office Closes at 12:00 PM
 January 1 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 January 2 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

Mass Intentions

We ask that for any Mass Intention that you kindly fill out the envelope in its entirety, and so that the envelope is readable. Sadly, we occasionally receive intentions that are unreadable and have no phone number to call for clarification on the spelling of the name(s). Your Mass Intention Envelope can be dropped in any collection basket or mailed to the parish office. Please *call or email* the parish office to schedule Bell Ringing. The suggested stipend for a Mass is \$10 and \$25 for Bells.

ELECTRONIC DONATION You can now make an electronic donation to St. Louis Church by scanning the QR code to the right. The code is linked to our online giving page on the website.



WHAT IS A CHURCH BULLETIN?

EVERY SUNDAY THE VAST MAJORITY OF CATHOLIC CHURCHES PLACE A WEEKLY BULLETIN OR NEWSLETTER IN THE HANDS OF EVERY PERSON ATTENDING A SUNDAY MASS. EACH BULLETIN IS UNIQUE TO THE SPECIFIC CHURCH AND GENERALLY CONTAINS A PASTORAL LETTER, A SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND CURRENT EVENTS. IT IS A MINI-MUST READ FOR PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS AND VISITORS WHO WISH TO STAY CURRENT WITH THE LIFE AND PEOPLE OF THE PARISH.

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*There are different kinds of spiritual gifts
but the same Spirit;
there are different forms of service
but the same Lord;
there are different workings but the same God
who produces all of them in everyone.
To each individual the manifestation of
the Spirit is given for some benefit.
1 Corinthians 12:4-7*

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