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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.



**ANOIDING 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, September 6, 2026

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

***Oh, that today you would hear his voice:  
“Harden not your hearts.” (Psalm 95:7-8)***

Have you ever tried to mold a pot out of clay? Once it dries, clay is nearly impossible to work with. If you let it harden, you can't reshape it. Just as a potter needs soft clay, so our Lord needs soft hearts that he can shape into vessels of his grace and power.

Today the psalmist calls God's people to “kneel before the Lord who made us” (Psalm 95:6). Through his word, he wants to form his people into a beautiful dwelling for his Spirit. That's why he speaks through his prophets like Moses and Ezekiel, the “watchman” in our first reading (Ezekiel 33:7). He forms us through the Church and through our brothers and sisters in Christ. And he molds us through the voice of his Spirit in our hearts. That's why it's important to heed the psalmist and “harden not your hearts” (Psalm 95:8)!

The problem is that sin tends to harden our hearts. It makes us less pliable and less responsive to God and limits his ability to mold and shape us. So he gave us his Holy Spirit to convict us of sin, so that we would turn back to him (John 16:8). The Holy Spirit softens our hearts and fills us with hope that we can change.

What does a pliable heart, open to the Spirit, look like? Above all, it is humble before God and wants to please him by becoming his instrument in the world. A pliable heart is peaceful because it receives God's love and trusts that God will never hurt or abandon it.

Let's cooperate with the Holy Spirit today. Imagine that you are a piece of clay being shaped by God's loving hands. Picture him molding you; let him show you any rough spots that need extra attention. Yield to him, and let him smooth them out. You—and everyone around you—will be amazed at what God can do in you.

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### FOCUS ON THE WORD

**The one who loves another has fulfilled the law.**

Jesus' words at the end of today's Gospel are some of the most reassuring in Scripture. He is present whenever God's people gather, as we do at every liturgy. When we gather in love and unity, we are fulfilling Paul's instruction in the second reading when he says: *Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another.*

### POPE LEO'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

**For the care of water.**

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

## TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* #271

Kyrie #1

Gloria #5

OFFERTORY HYMN:

*Forgive Our Sins, As We Forgive* #242

Sanctus #75

Agnus Dei #89

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

***Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;  
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

*America the Beautiful* #355

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, September 7

1 Corinthians 5:1-8

Psalm 5:5-6, 7, 12

Luke 6:6-11

### Tuesday, September 8

Micah 5:1-4a

Psalm 13:6abc

Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

### Wednesday, September 9

1 Corinthians 7:25-31

Psalm 45:11-12, 14-17

Luke 6:20-26

### Thursday, September 10

1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13

Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14b, 23-24

Luke 6:27-38

### Friday, September 11

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27

Psalm 84:3-6, 12

Luke 6:39-42

### Saturday, September 12

1 Corinthians 10:14-22

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18

Luke 6:43-49

### Sunday, September 13

Sirach 27:30—28:7

Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12

Romans 14:7-9

Matthew 18:21-35

Prayer Requests: If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please call or email the parish office and their names will be added to our list of intentions: **The email for prayer requests is [omannstlouis@gmail.com](mailto:omannstlouis@gmail.com)** or call 651-224-3379.

***We ask that you kindly let us know when the names of people should be removed. Names will be removed after 2 months unless otherwise notified. Many, many thanks.***

Please pray for our parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church who are sick: Gertie Alvela, Peggy Anfang, Margie Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Lowell C., Jenny Dufner, Greg Ennis, Joan Felion, Harry Frazier, Anne Hallgren, Mia Hasouris, Jacqueline Heintz, Mary Ellen Hennen Mark Hennen, Austin Hogan, Patty Huiras, Doria Johnson, John Johnson, Brian Junker, Marilyn Krass, John D. Lamey, Bonida Lanford, Caroline Lanford, Steve Lauinger, Oscar Marfori, Michael McGuire, Jennifer McMaster, Brad McNaught, Tom Miller, Dick Mogren, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Karen Olson, Stephanie Pommier, Zachary Redland, Jacob Revera, Jaxson Rivera, Inger Saffie, Mamie Singleton, Jim Steinhagen, Maureen Sullivan, Robert Tereau, Allyson Tracy, Robert VanGuilder, Jr, Edie Virnig, Brian Walstad, Jennifer Washington and Justin Woessner.

## RING OUT, O BELLS . . . .

| DATE         | REQUEST FOR                | INTENTION            | REQUESTED BY      |
|--------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| September 9  | †Fr. Ronald DesRosiers, SM | Month's Mind         | Dee Hobbie        |
| September 10 | Kate DeCourcy Knapp        | Happy Birthday       | Helene Houle      |
| September 11 | †Joseph Peter Matt         | Anniversary of Death | The Michel Family |
| September 12 | Ann Miller                 | Happy Birthday       | Helene Houle      |

**OPEN BELL DATES:** The following dates are open in September for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30. 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, September 7 *Seasonal Weekday; Labor Day*

6:45 †Robert Tesch

12:10 †Kirk Dahlstrom

Tuesday, September 8 *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

6:45 †Anthony Aden

12:10 For the Homeless and Unemployed

Wednesday, September 9 *Saint Peter Claver*

6:45 †Wayne Snyder

12:10 For an Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood

Thursday, September 10 *Seasonal Weekday*

6:45 †Margaret Ann Hennen

12:10 †Albin Paulson

Friday, September 11 *Seasonal Weekday*

6:45 †Jose Mari Arimbay

12:10 †Thomas DuBruik

Saturday, September 12 *Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

6:45 For an End to War and Violence

5:00 †Fr. Joe Kasel and †Sister Jo Kasel

Sunday, September 13 *Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners  
of Saint Louis Church

10:00 †Glenn Kaiser

12:30 †John D. Lamey, Sr.

### PARISH CALENDAR

September 7..... Labor Day – Office Closed

September 7..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

September 7..... Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM

September 8..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

September 8..... Synod Book Club 6:30 PM

September 9..... Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM

September 10..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

September 11..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

September 13..... Coffee and Doughnuts 7:00 and 10:00 AM

### Mass Intentions

For Mass Intention Requests, please complete a Mass Intention Envelope clearly and readable and place your envelope in the collection basket or mail to the parish office. The stipend for a Mass Request is \$ 10.00.

### Bell Requests

If you would like to have the bells rung for the intention of a loved one, please call the parish office or mail your request to the parish office. The stipend to have the bells rung is \$ 25.00.

### 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.



### LABOR DAY

Monday, September 7 is Labor Day. Masses will be at 6:45 AM and 12:10 PM. There are no scheduled confessions on Labor Day. The parish office will be closed. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is transferred to Monday, September 14, 2026.

### COFFEE AND DOUGHNUT SUNDAY

Coffee and Doughnut Sunday will resume on Sunday, September 13, after the 7:00 and 10:00 AM Masses.

### SYNOD BOOK CLUB

The St. Louis Synod Book Club is meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, from 6:30 – 7:30 PM in the parish hall. The group will be discussing the book “The Life of St. John Vianney: Demons, Miracles, and Mercy” by Reverend Joseph Everly. New members are always welcome. Please join us.

### SYNOD SCRIPTURE GROUP

The Synod Scripture Group will resume on Monday, September 21, from 6:30 – 7:30 PM in the parish hall. The group will begin discussing the **Gospel of Mark: Growing in Faith**. Mark's Gospel traces the spiritual journey of Jesus' followers. Mark focuses especially on the apostles who readily left behind their homes and livelihoods but with far more difficulty came to understand who Jesus was and what his mission meant for them and ultimately for all of us. **Mark: Growing in Faith** invites us to accompany Jesus' disciples on this journey and grow in our own faith and discipleship. Please join us. New members are always welcome.

### TUESDAY CONCERT SERIES

Due to the lack of funds, the Tuesday Concert Series for the fiscal year 2026 – 2027 has been reduced to one concert a month. In the past, we have received funding for the concert series from a very generous parishioner. If we receive donations to help cover costs, we may increase the recital offerings. The first concert for the new fiscal year will be on Tuesday, September 29, 2026, at 12:35 PM, immediately after the 12:10 PM Mass.

### FR. RON DesROSIERS MEMORIALS

Some people have asked where a donation to the Marist Fathers and Brothers can be sent in memory of Fr. Ron DesRosiers. You can send a donation to Marist Center, 4408 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Washington, DC 20017. Please make a note on the memo line of the check “Fr. Ron DesRosiers Memorial”. Thank you.

### THANK YOU FROM BISHOP KENNEY

Bishop Kenney thanks you for your prayers and well wishes as he begins his treatment for lung cancer. Due to the volume of correspondence, an acknowledgement may take some time. Bishop Kenney thanks you for your understanding.

### WELCOME BACK JIM WREDE

We welcome back our custodian Jim Wrede, who has returned from medical leave. He was truly missed.

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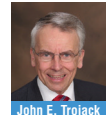
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"What good is it, my brothers,  
if someone says he has faith but  
does not have works?  
Can that faith save him?"  
James 2:14

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the deceased  
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