

ST. LOUIS SCHOOL 7TH GRADE FISH FRY

FEBRUARY 22, 2012
ASH WEDNESDAY
4:00 PM - 7:30 PM



MENU

FRIED OR BAKED FISH
CHEESE PIZZA
BAKED POTATO OR FRIES
COLE SLAW OR APPLESAUCE
DRINK AND DESSERT

CARRYOUT AVAILABLE

FREE WILL OFFERING

PROCEEDS GO TOWARD THE STUDENTS' 8TH GRADE TRIP



Black & Indian Missions Collection—February 26

Next Sunday, our parish will take up the annual Collection for Black and Indian Missions. Our financial contribution helps to support Catholic American Indian communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. The collection also supports African American evangelization programs particularly in the south. Let us unite with the love of Christ in supporting the Black and Indian Mission Collection with generous hearts. The Collection will be taken up after Communion.

Adoration Chapel

The adoration hours that are currently open are:

**Tuesday-3:00pm; Thursday-2:00pm; Friday-9:00am and 3:00pm;
and Saturday-2:00pm**

If you are willing to take over one of these hours, please call Christy at 932-1789.

Kindergarten Open House & Registration

St. Louis Catholic School is hosting an **Open House** for all incoming Kindergarten students for the 2012-2013 school year on **Sunday, March 4th from 8:30-11:30am**. At the Open House you will have the opportunity to schedule a time for Registration.

Kindergarten Registration for the 2012-2013 school year is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 14th**. Contact the school office after March 4th to schedule a time for Registration.

Ordination Committee

Our parish will be blessed with two ordinations this spring. Jerry Byrd will be ordained from our parish as a priest for the Archdiocese and Ron Freyer will be ordained to the permanent diaconate. The parish is in the process of making plans for celebrating these two events. Please call the parish office if you are interested in being on this planning committee.



Balloon Booth Winner

Congratulations to Jackie Fitzgerald for having the furthest returned balloon from the 2011 Parish Festival. Her balloon was returned by a kindergarten student in Sugar Grove, Ohio which is 147 miles from Batesville. Overall 15 balloons were returned. Thanks everyone for playing. Other balloons returned were: Rebecca Roell, and Pat Brinkmoeller, Brookville Lake; Garret Burkhart, Emma Geis, Drew Gutzwiller, and Matt Rudolf, Hamilton, Ohio; Ivy Glaser, Evan Blanken, Lizzie Moeller, and Chris Baker, Oxford, Ohio; Martha Hillenbrand, Middletown, Ohio; Annie Freese, Jamestown, Ohio; Lony Voegelé, Wilmington, Ohio; and Carol Raver, Guilford, Indiana. Results were very consistent this year.

Magnificat—March Issue

The March issue of the Magnificat has arrived for those with subscriptions. Please pick them up in the parish office, or make arrangements to pick them up after Mass.

Thank You!

Dear Parents & Parishioners,
Thank you so much for making Catholic Schools Week a huge success! Your time, talent and dedication to St. Louis knows no bounds. The support of a cast of many makes a fantastic time for all. We can not express our gratitude enough.

Yours in Christ,
The St. Louis School Staff

Baptism Preparation Class

The baptism preparation class is for parents who are having their first child baptized. The next class will be offered on **Tuesday, February 21st at 6:15pm** in the Parish Office. To register, please call the parish office, 934-3204. Baptisms are held on the 2nd & 4th Sundays by appointment. Call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

NFP Class

A Natural Family Planning Class will be held on **Sunday, March 4th from 9:00am to 12:15pm** in the St. Louis Parish Office, 2nd floor. There is a \$30.00 fee for books and materials. For reservations call 934-3338 or 934-4054.

Thanks for Your Support!

A special **Thank You** to the Knights of Columbus for hosting the 24th Annual Pro-Life Bowl and Spaghetti Dinner. Their hard work was much appreciated. Also thanks to all who participated and helped to support the Crisis Pregnancy Hotline and Right-to-Life of S.E. Indiana.

Lost & Found

A ladies scarf was found in church in the west transept a few weeks ago and can be picked up in the parish office.

Save the Date

**Sunday, March 18th
4:00-7:00pm**

**St. Louis School Old Gym
Tasting of International Cuisine**

Needed: Flags and other decorations from other countries as well as **recipes**. Please contact DeeDee Kaiser at the parish office, 934-3204, ext. 222, or at 212-2393.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 19, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Anthony Weigel
- 9:30 am Gemma Ritter
- 11:00 am For the Parish Community

Tuesday, February 21, St. Peter Damian

- 6:00 pm Jack Kellerman

Wednesday, February 22, Ash Wednesday

- 8:10 am Kenneth & Caroline Duerstock

- 5:00 pm Gary Nobbe

Thursday, February 23, St. Polycarp

- 8:10 am Dolores Voegele

Friday, February 24

- 8:10 am Robert Simmermeyer

Saturday, February 25

- 5:00 pm Loretta Kruse

Sunday, February 26, First Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 am William Linville
- 9:30 am For the Parish Community
- 11:00 am Gladys Volz and Carrie Bachus



Readings for the Week

- Sunday: Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/2 Cor 1:18-22/Mk 2:1-12
- Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29
- Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37
- Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
- Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
- Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Altar Servers

Tuesday, February 21

- 6:00 pm Gus Kellerman & Zeb Streater

Wednesday, February 22

- 8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS
- 5:00 pm Cole Struewing & Kent Wilson

Thursday, February 23

- 8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Friday, February 24

- 8:10 am SCHOOL SERVERS

Saturday, February 25

- 5:00 pm Caroline Meer, Gabriel & Isaiah Frey

Sunday, February 26

- 8:00 am Ellen, Grace & Samantha Tonges
- 9:30 am Molly Jeffers, Morgan Anderson & Sarah Dice
- INCENSE: Joe Freyer
- 11:00 am Decker Horninger, Tyler Wachsmann & Aaron Weber

Stations of the Cross

Friday, February 24

- 7:00 pm Tyler Wachsmann, Matthew Lents, Gabe Frey

Altar Servers

If you plan to be gone during Spring break, please contact the parish office, 934-3204 or email eeckstein@st.louisschool.org.

Greeters

Saturday, February 25

- 5:00 pm Al & Rosalie Geis

Sunday, February 26

- 8:00 am Caran & Jeanne Siefert
- 9:30 am Tom & Cathy Sullivan, Kathy Wagner
- 11:00 am Bob & Kathy Mattucci

Lectors

Ash Wednesday, February 22

- 5:00 pm Jim Dickey

Saturday, February 25

- 5:00 pm Mark Wilder

Sunday, February 26

- 8:00 am Ken Rudolf
- 9:30 am Tom Jeffers
- 11:00 am Pat Weigel

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, February 25

- 5:00 pm Lorraine Hampson, Al Geis, Mary Sitterding, Bob Luesse, Dave Meyer, Fran & Carol Bessler

Sunday, February 26

- 8:00 am Ruth Siefert, Pat Meer, Erma Hartman, Mike Gerstbauer, Janet Freese, Jim Kuisel, Rosie Koehne
- 9:30 am Bertie Schmidt, John Wilson, Don & Marilyn Freyer, Cathy Sullivan, Sebastian Moster, Jon Geers
- 11:00 am Kathy Mattucci, Maria Mercado, Jim & Sandy Dickey, Todd Dennis, Linda Kolb, Mark Masavage

Gift Bearers

Saturday, February 25

- 5:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday, February 26

- 8:00 am Jim & Maureen Esser family
- 9:30 am Jade & Lissa Ritter family
- 11:00 am Gene & Wende Lambert family

Gift Bearer Schedule

March 3rd & 4th

- 5:00pm—Brad & Mary Dickey family
- 8:00am—Tim & Marcy Wurtz
- 9:30am—Sam & Denise Wintz family
- 11:00am—Bruce & Joanne Dickman

March 10th & 11th

- 5:00pm—Pat & Mary Back family
- 8:00am—John & Anita Brelage
- 9:30am—Tim & Pat Hunter family
- 11:00am—Frank & Jean Leising Thompson

March 17th & 18th

- 5:00pm—Volunteer
- 8:00am—Shawwn & Diana Storms family
- 9:30am—Dan & Millie Shane
- 11:00am—Bruce & Mary Ellen Rippe family

March 24th & 25th

- 5:00pm—Terry & Paula Volz
- 8:00am—Jerry & Nancy Mauk
- 9:30am—Tom & Jill Thornsberry family
- 11:00am—Neil & Jan Narwold family

Who's Praying for Jerry This Week?



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| Sunday, February 19 | Gary Kuntz |
| Monday, February 20 | Susan Fritsch |
| Tuesday, February 21 | Ken Wanstrath |
| Wednesday, February 22 | Mary Harrah |
| Thursday, February 23 | Lori Howard |
| Friday, February 24 | Megan Howard |
| Saturday, February 25 | Ellen Eckstein |
| Sunday, February 26 | Nancy Fahringer |

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline

6:30-8:00pm Monday, February 20 and 9:00-10:30am Friday, February 24

Egypt and Exodus, Part 1 Exodus 3-5, 7, 11-12, 14, 16, 17

Supplemental readings: John 1:29; John 6; Matthew 26:17, 26-28; 1 Peter 1:17-19; 1 Corinthians 5:7-8; 10:1-4 Catechism 206

Upcoming Confirmation Classes

Wednesday Night Religious Ed: Feb. 29, March 7, 14

St. Louis School Students: March 1, 8, 15

Thank You!

Thanks to all who participated in Eucharist Centered Activity Day. It took many volunteers to put this day on. Presenters told stories, led crafts, gave Church tours. Kitchen workers baked bread and set up snacks. Behind the scenes people set up rooms, cleaned up, organized, prepared activities. Thanks to all—we could not have done this without you!

Scripture From Christ Renews His Parish

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will now rain down bread from heaven for you." The Israelites called this food manna. It was like coriander seed, but white, and it tasted like wafers made with honey. The Israelites ate this manna for forty years, until they came to settled land; they ate this manna until they reached the borders of Canaan.

Exodus 16:4a,31,35

Random Acts of Kindness



The Faith Formation Commission is promoting "Random Acts of Kindness" for the Lenten season with the hope that they will continue long after Lent is over. **A Random Act of Kindness** may be as simple as

holding a door open for someone, smiling at someone you don't even know, picking up something someone dropped. It could be visiting a sick friend, giving an unexpected gift, thanking a parent or teacher. It can be giving a compliment or sending a note of appreciation. It may be paying for the next person's drink in the coffee shop line or letting the person in line behind you go before you in the grocery store. Cards stating: "You were blessed with a Random Act of Kindness. Please Pay it Forward." are located in containers near the **five minutes with the Word** Lenten booklets. Let's spread our Christian faith by **Random Acts of Kindness** throughout our parish and community this Lent.

"They shall know we are Christians by our love."



February 19

- **Breakfast**—Holy Family Church Cafeteria, **7:00am-Noon**. Sponsored by Knights of St. John International, St. Joseph Commandery No. 220, Oldenburg.

February 24

- **Lenten Fish Fry**—St. Martin Catholic Church, **servicing 4:30-7:00pm**. Carry outs available.

February 24

- **Fish Dinner**—All You Can Eat Breaded Cod Fillet Dinner, **servicing 4:30-7:30pm**, Sunman American Legion, Free will donation. Carry outs available. Sponsored by Sunman Firemen's Club & Aux.

February 25

- **OA 23rd Annual Reverse Raffle, Dinner, Auction**—This year's event, "A Night at the OA Corral" begins at 6:00pm at the Batesville Knights of Columbus Hall. Questions, contact Debbie Lamping, 933-0737.

February 25, March 3 & 10 (corrected)

- **Dance Lessons**—In anticipation of the March 10th Glenn Miller Orchestra dinner/dance, free ballroom dance lessons from 5:30 to 6:30pm will be given by Chris and Laura Ault at the Ault Chiropractic building, on Tekulve Road for the first two lessons, the last one at 5:30 at the Batesville Knights of Columbus, just prior to the dinner/dance. Cost for the Dinner/Dance at the K of C Hall is \$30/person, \$25 if you're an RAA member. Questions: 933 0355.

March 1

- **Turkey Noodle Dinner**—Greensburg Community Bread of Life Soup Kitchen, **servicing 4:00-7:00pm**. Ticket information, contact Kim Porter at 812-662-4887 or k.porter@etczone.com.

March 3

- **2012 SPRED Dinner/Dance**—Contact Kara Favata at 317-236-1448.
- **Chicken Dinner**—Knights of Columbus Hall, Batesville, **5:00-8:00pm**. Proceeds benefit St. Anthony of Padua's sister parish in Haiti.

March 9 & 10

- **"You Can't Take it With You"**—presented by the Oldenburg Academy Drama Club at **7:00pm** in the OA auditorium. Tickets maybe purchased at the door—\$7/adults and \$5/ages 18 & under.

March 10

- **Morris Firemen's Breakfast**—Schad Hall, Morris, **7:00am-1:00pm**.

St. Louis Bingo Weekly Volunteers

Week 4: Thursday, February 23rd

Reg. Sales: Tara Rahe

Floor Workers: (Includes Captain, Caller, Bankers, Floor & Instants) Todd Tekulve, Brenda Moorman, Sue Siefert, Dave Eckstein, Steve Eckstein, Tim Dietz, Scott Lamping, Mark Grieshop, Jade Ritter, Jim Vankirk, Tara Rahe, Brad Nobbe, Spot & Marty Doll, Susan Roell (Subs: Sandy Weberding, Peggy Williams)

Kitchen Workers: Jan Narwold, Julie Raver, Jenny Lents, Rose Obermeyer, Carmie Meyer, Connie Meyer, Marge Walke, Kayla Wuestefeld

Bakers: Faith Batta, Janet Freese, Lissa Ritter, Julie Vankirk, Holly Lipps, Pat Ertel, Sherri Rudolf, Brenda Ratcliffe, Sandra Tindall, Bonnie Hertel.

Weekly Bingo

We have two positions open which include a cashier for the 5th Thursday (only 4 times a year) and a floor worker on the 1st Thursday. If you are able to fill one of the openings, please call Natalie Wanstrath at 932-4822. This is a fun way to help keep the cost of tuition down!

Super Sunday Bingo March 11th

The second Super Sunday Bingo of the 2011-2012 school year will be March 11th. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** If you can help set up, work, bake or clean up, we would like to hear from you. Forms are available in the back of church and can be returned to the baskets near the church exits, or you can contact Julie Cox at 934-4512 or dacox@etczone.com.

PTO SCHOLARSHIPS

St. Louis PTO will award four scholarships in the amount of \$500.00 each to any eighth grade student currently enrolled at St. Louis School and planning on attending a Catholic High School next year. Scholarship forms can be picked up in the school office and **MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN MONDAY APRIL 2ND, 2012.** For questions please email Autumn Hurm @ Hurm40@hotmail.com or call at 934-3140. Recipients will be announced in May.

Father Herculan Scholarship

Available to any 8th grade student who will be attending a Catholic High School. **Essay is due to the Parish Office by April 2nd.** Awards will be granted April 20th.

Criteria for the essay:

1. How have you given of your time, talent, and treasure to St. Louis Parish and to the community?
2. Explain your financial assistance need.

For more information contact the parish office at 934-3204.

Youth Scholarship—Hamburg Knights of St. John #276

The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage continuing education based on need and to provide incentives, not necessarily based on GPA. Eligibility Requirements include: Acting Catholic; Intention to pursue education at a college, trade or technical school or seminary; Possible renewable with re-application; Priority given to parishes represented in Hamburg Knights of St. John #276; Check made jointly to recipient and school for tuition. **Applications are available in the parish office and must be completed by March 1st.** Recipient will be notified by May 15th.

Rosemary (Doll) Dierckman and Melanie Dierckman Memorial Scholarship

Available to any St. Louis parishioner who will be entering the 9th through 12th grade for the 2012-2013 school year and wants to continue his or her Catholic education at Oldenburg Academy or who is currently attending Oldenburg Academy. The scholarship is valued at \$1000. **Applications are available** in the OA Admissions Office, St. Louis School Office or St. Louis Parish Office.

Batesville K of C Council #1461 Scholarships

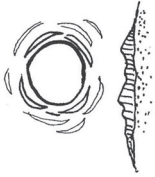
The Batesville Knights of Columbus are offering \$10,000 in scholarships for the following categories:

- Two \$1,000 Scholarships to any male and female currently in an accredited Trade/Tech School or College.
- Two \$1,000 Scholarships to any male and female high school senior continuing on to an accredited Trade/Tech School or College.
- Two \$1,000 Scholarships to any male and female currently attending an accredited Catholic High School or Seminarian School.
- Four \$1,000 Scholarships to any male or female student entering a Catholic High School or Seminarian School in the fall of 2012.

Applications are available at the K of C Hall on Delaware Road or from the St. Louis School Office or Parish Office. **Applications need to be returned to the K of C Hall or postmarked no later than March 31st.**

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent at 7:00pm
beginning Friday, February 24th



LENT 2012

Ash Wednesday, February 22nd Mass Schedule

8:10 am (All School Mass) & 5:00pm
(Everyone is welcome to attend either Mass).

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| <p>"Lent is the liturgical season of forty days which begins with Ash Wednesday and ends with the celebration of the Paschal Mystery (Easter Triduum). Lent is the primary penitential season in the Church's liturgical year, reflecting the forty days Jesus spent in the desert fasting and praying" (<i>Catechism of the Catholic Church</i>).</p> | <p>27 Raise the level of your prayer today and really think about the meaning of the words you are saying.</p> | <p>28 Put a cross, crucifix, or other image of Jesus in each room of your home to help keep you focused on him.</p> | <p>22 ASH WEDNESDAY Attend an Ash Wednesday liturgy and wear the cross of ashes all day.</p> | <p>23 Choose Lenten offerings of prayer, penance, and almsgiving.</p> | <p>24 Abstain from eating meat today, and make your meals truly penitential.</p> | <p>25 Pick a saint to learn about and imitate. Ask for his or her special help and protection during Lent.</p> |
| <p>4 Choose someone who has passed away or someone who needs extra help as your Mass intention today.</p> | <p>5 Pray an extra Rosary today and every day this week.</p> | <p>6 Forgive someone who has hurt you.</p> | <p>7 Ask Jesus to heal whatever separates you from feeling God's bountiful love.</p> | <p>8 Read the Ten Commandments (<i>Exodus 20:1-17</i>) and resolve to live them.</p> | <p>9 Share a meatless meal with friends and tell them why you are abstaining.</p> | <p>10 Visit a nursing home and read to a resident, take someone for a walk, or pay someone attention.</p> |
| <p>11 Take one idea from today's Gospel reading or homily to implement during the coming week.</p> | <p>12 At the end of the day, make an examination of conscience. Pick one change to make.</p> | <p>13 Look for evidence of God at work in your life today.</p> | <p>14 Deal with anyone in your life who may be interfering with your relationship with God.</p> | <p>15 Try to find the time to read an entire Gospel at one sitting. (Hint: St. Mark's Gospel is the shortest.)</p> | <p>16 Make a fresh start on your Lenten journey today. Renew your Lenten observances.</p> | <p>17 Attend a parish Reconciliation Service or go to Confession on your own.</p> |
| <p>18 LAETARE SUNDAY Celebrate the halfway point of Lent. Do something fun after Mass today.</p> | <p>19 Go to a private room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret.</p> | <p>20 Ask God for a new grace today that will bring you closer to him.</p> | <p>21 Resolve to go the entire day without judging or criticizing anyone.</p> | <p>22 Pick one way you can simplify your lifestyle to make more room for God.</p> | <p>23 Figure out how much money you saved by abstaining from meat and give it to the poor.</p> | <p>24 Trim down your possessions and give what you don't need to the poor.</p> |
| <p>25 Look around your neighborhood today for signs of new life.</p> | <p>26 Get up an extra 15 minutes early each day for the next two weeks and spend that time in prayer.</p> | <p>27 Call Catholic Relief Services (877-HELP-CRS or www.catholicrelief.org) to see how you can help.</p> | <p>28 Make a conscious effort to see everyone with loving eyes today.</p> | <p>29 Today, pray for someone you don't like.</p> | <p>30 Eat a pretzel as a reminder that Catholics used to fast from milk, butter, eggs, cheese, cream, and meat.</p> | <p>31 Perform some act of service for your parish. Ask at the rectory for suggestions.</p> |
| <p>1 APRIL Place palms around each image of Jesus in your home. Welcome the Messiah into your heart.</p> | <p>2 Recite the Profession of Faith or the Apostle's Creed each day this week.</p> | <p>3 Notice someone who may be hungry for love or attention and satisfy that hunger.</p> | <p>4 Forgive an offense you may have suffered and let God be the final judge.</p> | <p>5 Look for someone who is poor or homeless and share your food.</p> | <p>6 Meditate on the Stations of the Cross today. Try to imagine yourself at the scene of each one.</p> | <p>7 Think about a way in which you might have betrayed Jesus. Ask his pardon.</p> |