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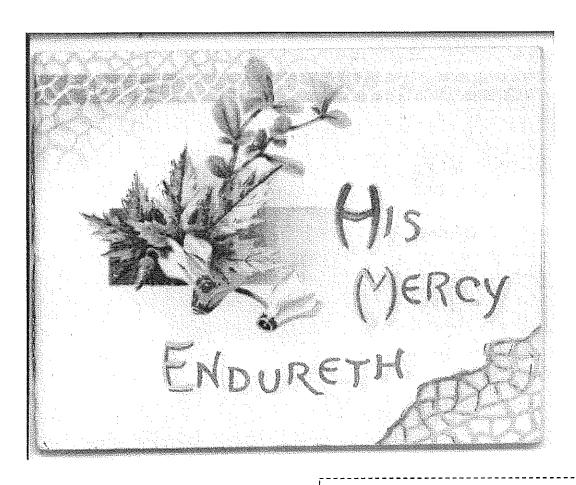
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# APRIL 16, 2023 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: Acts 2: 42-47 1 Pt 1: 3-9 Jn 20:

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Monday: Acts 4: 23-31; Jn 3: 1-8

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Tuesday: Acts 4: 32-37/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5: 17-26; Jn 3: 16-21

Thursday: Acts 5: 27-33; Jn 3-31-36

Friday: Acts 5: 34-42/ Jn 6: 1-15

Saturday: Acts 6: 1-7; Jn 6: 16-21

Sunday: Acts 2: 14, 22-33;1 Pt 1: 17-21;

Lk 24-13—35(46)

# **Exciting News from Your St.** Vincent de Paul Society

On Saturday, April 8, the Holy Name of Jesus Food Pantry received a donation of fresh produce from Giddo Simon Ministries. Giddo Simon Ministries (GSM) was founded to continue the good work of George Simon Sr., a man of great faith and generosity, who saw a need to give fresh produce to food pantries, the poor and homeless through his work as a produce stand owner at Soulard Market. This donation enabled our pantry to provide fresh produce to 70 households within our parish. These donations will continue every month.

"Get up and God will get up with you."

# HOLY NAME of JESUS PARISH

We Are A MISSION PARISH With A Mission

## COME SERVE WITH US & COME PRAY WITH US

### PLEASE GIVE THIS YOUR ON-GOING ATTENTION

The Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic continues to affect many parish life activities and our worship together.

Our Parish Directory reflects our hope for schedules to return to something more normal.

Continue to consult the **Parish Bulletin** for more specific real-time information as well as listen for the most recent information being announced by **St. Louis County** and the **State of Missouri**.

### HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH

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Parish Office Hours Monday - Thursday 7:00 am - 4:30 pm

Father Michael Henning, Pastor mickeylee48@sbcglobal.net

Father Ray Iwuji, In Residence

Theresa McWilliams, Director of Music tmacwms@sbcglobal.net

**Deacon George Watson, Permanent Deacon** hgwatson@msn.com

Deacon Matthew Duban, Permanent Deacon meduban@sbcglobal.net

Sister Mary Lawrence, SSND Parish Evangelization srmarvec@gmail.com

Sandy Miesner, Parish Secretary parishoffice 10235@sbcglobal.net

Joseph Vassallo, Facilities Maintenance Coordinator David Vaughn, Parish Custodian

Human development is primarily a vocation, every person's calling from God 'to be more'.

Therefore, the Church teaches that the essential quality of 'authentic' development is to promote the good of every man (person) and of the whole man (person).

# CELEBRATING MASS & SACRAMENTS

Liturgy of the Eucharist (Weekend & Weekday Masses)

Saturday **4:00 pm** (CST) / **5:00 pm** (DST) Sunday **9:30 am** 

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation 9:00 am & 7:00 pm Civil Holidays See Bulletin Mass Intentions for Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 2:30-3:30 pm

3:30-4:30 pm (Daylight Savings Time)

Day & Evening Times during Advent & Lent Weekdays Anytime by Appointment with Fr. Mike at Home / Church

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

1st Saturday of Every Month—After Evening Mass 3rd Sunday of Every Month—After 9:30 am Mass Anytime by Appointment with Fr. Mike at Home / Church

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday 8:30 am -12:00 midnight

Perpetual Help Devotions

8:30 am—After Tuesday Morning Weekday Mass

**Parish Rosary** 

8:30 am—After Weekday Mass 3:30 pm CST / 4:30 pm CDT—Monthly on 3rd Saturdays

7:30 am & 10:00 am—Monthly on 3rd Sundays

THE ONGOING PRIORITIES OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

MEMBERSHIP \* PARTNERSHIP \* STEWARDSHIP



# mission notes

we are a mission parish with a mission

sunday, april 16th, 2023

father mike



### REACHING OUT IN LOVE

All contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal have already been designated for specific needs.

They are restricted for Education, Pastoral Programs,

and Charitable Services and Ministries that assist parishes of the Archdiocese and many people throughout our community.

# **How Does The Appeal Benefit Our Parish?**

Our Annual Catholic Appeal is rooted in our Biblical CATHOLIC TRADITION of mutual support and reaching out with generosity to those in need.

It is **AN ACT OF FAITH** on our part that the **power of love** is always more powerful than any painful difficulty or circumstance in life.

It is AN ACT OF STEWARDSHIP, convincing evidence that there is a God who cares for people in their time of need.

In our parish we experience the benefit of this Appeal through—

the services of Catholic Family Counseling,

the assistance programs of

Catholic Charities,
especially in services provided by the

Pathways to Progress Initiative &

St. Louis Counseling

the aid provided through our St. Vincent de Paul Society, and

the educational programs and religious formation for children offered by the elementary schools and parishes of our Deanery.

All these ministries and services – and much more – are possible because of your generous support for the Appeal each year.

# What Are Our Goals for This Year?

The success of our effort to achieve the following goals depends on one thing alone – **PRAYER**.

Let us pray especially that God will help us to believe in the importance of what we are doing.

Let us pray that God will help us to know and experience the joy of giving as we see and hear more about how our annual generosity is a blessing on others.

Our parish has THREE GOALS:

- To raise \$38,070 in pledges/gifts
- To increase parish participation.
   If you have made a gift or pledge in previous years, we encourage you to recommit to the Appeal.
   If you have never made a pledge or gift—or may not have done so in several years— we encourage you to do so this year.

We have a goal of developing 26 new donors.

• To increase the amount each participating family / individual contributes to the Appeal by encouraging new donors and by reminding all donors that you can more easily increase your gift by pledging your payments over several months or through the entire year.

# What We're Doing To Achieve in Our Goals!

During the coming weeks you will be receiving information about this year's Appeal in the *St. Louis Review* and in the *St. Louis Catholic* magazine. Please take advantage of this reporting.

In our parish everyone will have an opportunity to make a pledge or gift in support of the Appeal BEFORE AND AFTER ALL WEEKEND MASSES in the Main Vestibule of our Church.

Saturday/Sunday, April 22nd & 23rd Saturday/Sunday, April 29th & 30th Saturday/Sunday, May 6th & 7th

NEXT WEEKEND our parish will welcome Mr. Tyler McClay to speak at both of our parish Masses. Tyler is a Permanent Deacon of the Catholic Church. He currently serves a the Director of Advocacy for Catholic Charities and advises the leadership of the Catholic Church in the State of Missouri as a member of the Missouri Catholic Conference.

The ACA supports Catholic ministries necessary for the day-to-day work of the Church—helping parishes, families, and individuals across our region with their immediate needs. The ACA and our Sunday Offertory collection are the ordinary ways our members support Church ministries and programs serving others in ways no one parish alone could accomplish.



# mission notes

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### an open letter to the parish from father mike

in his body and blood

### we have our communion and future hope

In February of this year I began my 18<sup>th</sup> year of service as pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Parish. My assignment here in 2005 was to begin the implementation of a pastoral plan for the reorganization of parishes in North St. Louis County. Then as now, the **primary challenge** of this plan was this:

"Sustaining viability in the face of population transition, a diminished number of Catholics in the region, the continued aging of current parishioners, declining Catholic school enrollment, historically disappointing efforts at evangelization, consequent budget shortfalls, and other broader social and cultural trends."

(Strategic Pastoral Plan, Best Set of Recommendations, December 2004)

For the past 18 years as a parish I believe that we have embraced this challenge with a positive and energetic spirit. Remembering the rich goodness of the past revitalized our parish life and worship. Exploring what a new parish might look like in this time and place invited us to create a new identity and mission that would sustain us and be of service to the community. Sustaining hope for the future we have established here the beginnings of a new commitment that our Catholic Church will be more visible, credible, and engaged in the work of Christ than ever before.

For the past 18 months our parish has been actively involved in a new archdiocesan wide pastoral planning process. *All Things New* has now invited us to once again refresh our identity and renew our commitment to the future. In our life times we have all experienced change. At times it has surprised us. But when it's been openly talked about and deliberately, prayerfully planned, we've also discovered the blessings of change. Soon we will again begin another period – 1 to 3 years – of implementing change for the future.

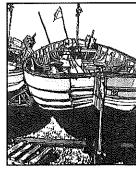
With this in mind and knowing that I would be turning 75 this year, I wrote Archbishop Rozanski in January requesting his permission and blessing to resign as Pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Parish and to continue my service to the Church of St. Louis as a retired priest. The Archbishop has granted my request and I will be moving into the next part of my life at the end of June.



the powerful good things that
happen in our lives are
signs from God
signs of the love that helps us grow
of the love that heals sows seeds of hope
the promise of more to come

who doesn't want that love to be every day close to follow it certainly any where any time any place

more important for you and I and you to know others know how we've been changed for their good too!



"As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed was pressing to accompany him. Jesus did not grant his request, but told him instead, 'Go home to your family and make it clear to them how much the Lord in his mercy had done for you'"

Gospel of Mark 5: 18-1

### **Envisioning Friendship in Christ**

Most of us learned this definition of a "sacrament": "a sacred sign instituted by Christ to give grace". But most likely not until we were adults did we learn that the Church is a Sacrament, defined in exactly the same way.

Through all of these years I have understood that our "sacramental presence" here might best be achieved under the motto *Friendship In Christ*. A former teacher helped me understand this as meaning: *Enjoying* each others company, *Striving* to bring the best out of each other, and *Sharing* a commitment to a common good outside of ourselves. Our movement into the future might well be energized by a continuing commitment to the same.

### Assessing the State of the Parish

Since 2005 our parish has worked to fulfill one of the **key expectations** of our previous pastoral reorganization: That we become "the strongest possible presence of the Church in the local community" attracting all others to Christ and the Church. In 2015 our parish reassessed our viability, laying the foundation for future planning. This assessment helped us to solidify our commitment to the priorities of stewardship, membership, and partnership.

In January 2021 parish leaders refreshed this viability assessment and proposed a transition plan for the appointment of a new pastor. This report was sent to Archbishop Rozanski knowing that it would be a useful groundwork for our participation in the *All Things New* strategic planning initiative. Our parish leaders are fully committed to this planning process, believing that our experience and knowledge will contribute to the long-term vision and planning for the work of the Archdiocesan Church in this region.

Bring your Church,
O Lord, to perfect faith and charity.
Open our eyes

to the needs of our brothers and sisters; inspire in us words and actions to comfort those who labor and are burdened.

Make us serve them truly, after the example of Christ and at his command. And may your Church stand as a living witness to truth and freedom, to peace and justice, that all people may be raised up to a new hope.

Eucharistic Prayer for Various Needs Jesus, Who Went About Doing Good

### Managing Transition to the Future

In January 2023 my greatest concern was being able to tell you that our future is in good hands. And so, I then formed a **Transitional Leadership Team** and began preparing them for the work of collaborating with pastors and parish leaders within our new "pastorate". I will always thank God for you and commend you to God in my prayers. May our sharing of faith with others enable us to know all the good which is ours in Christ.

### Parish Pastoral Leadership Council

### A Transitional Leadership Team

collaborating with the pastors and current parish leaders within a newly formed pastorate on the organization and the formation of a new faith community for the sake of a visible, credible, and engaged Catholic Church in this region.

### Pastoral Leadership Team

Deacon George Watson Parish Ministry
Deacon Matthew Duban Parish Ministry
Theresa McWilliams Director of Music
\* Sister Mary Lawrence Evangelization Coordinator /
Liaison to Board of Education
Sandy Miesner Parish Secretary

### Parish Pastoral Council

Marialice **Duhadway** / Betty **Kondracki**\* Christine **Kulla-Branz** / \* Mary **Meredith**Mark **Tranel** / Greg **Warnusz** / \* Judy **Mantych**Gina **Walsh** 

Liaison to ArchSTL Peace & Justice Commission

### **Parish Finance Committee**

Michelle Easley / Donna Schlemmer Tina Fichter / \* Mark Tranel Secretary Bill Krenn

Chairperson & Liaison on Property Leases to the ArchSTL Office of Building & Real Estate Kim Staten

Parish Accountant, Shared Accounting Office

### Facilities Maintenance Team

Joseph Vassallo Facilities Maintenance Coordinator Patrick Barrett Liaison to Parish Finance Committee Michael Petroff

Liaison to Parish Finance Committee on Capital Improvements

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference

Annette Bligh President
Patrick Barrett / Bill Krenn Vice-Presidents
Bob & Pat Stolte Treasurer & Secretary
Michael Petroff Food Pantry Coordinator

### All Things New Leadership Team

Mary Meredith Primary Point of Contact
Mark Tranel / Peg Warnusz
Sister Mary Lawrence Evangelization Coordinator
/ Liaison to Board of Education

(\*) Transition Executive Team

# PLEASE PRAY for:

Donna Lane, Bob Seidel Jr, Cody, Bernette Goymerac, Mildred Miller, Mary Masterson, Tim Downs, Cooper Treacy, John Baboer, Maureen Williams, Mary Williams, Al Haines, Betty Kondracki, Mary Lou Sammelman, Patty Corbin, Chris Deaton, Glen Marstall, Anne Marlowe, Dorothy Anderson, Joan Geerling, Carol Jones, Parker Jackson, Mike Swoboda, George Lawler, Phyllis Lawler, Audrey Corbin, Marjorie Dubray, Colin Schultheis, Bill Oliver, Mike Coffer, Whitney Coke, Ken Ellis, Tom K., Carol Lawrence, Lisa Erickson, Mark Hayes, Karen Pilgram, Jacklean Thomas Dudley, Aurelien Akakpo-Lado, Donna Cahr, Rhonda Finney, Crisanta Castro, Michael Mulvihill, Sr., Michael Swoboda, Katy Moran, Marty Bligh, Rosemary Macken

### **MASS INTENTION**

Tuesday

April 18

8:00am

**Ethel Meyer** 

Wednesday

April 19

8:00am

Catherine Grbich

Thursday

April 20

8:00am

Frank Hauser

Friday

April 21

8:00am

Kathy Uhlenbrock

Saturday

April 22

5:00pm

People of the Parish

Sunday

April 23

9:30am

Wich Family



**CONGRATULATIONS TO** 

George & Henrietta Beck

On their 75th

Wedding Anniversary!



April 22 5:00pm

April 23

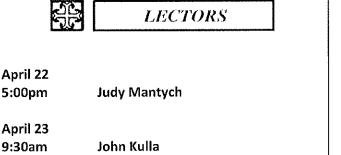
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Stewardship of Treasure

### Your Gifts of Support for Our Parish Mission

April 9, 2023	\$5,475.02
Online Giving (included above	\$1,823.00
Budgeted weekly offertory	\$8,028.00
This week's <loss></loss>	\$2,547.98
Budgeted weekly expenses	\$12,843.00
This Weeks <loss></loss>	\$7,367.98

Eucharistic Ministers	
Joan Aslin	
Pat Stolte	



# Rest in Peace &

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Delores Bamert and all who have died this week. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

### **PRAYER CHAIN**

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please call Betty Kondracki @ 868-0176



Saturday April 29th after 5 pm Mass

# Parish Gathering & Happy Hour

sponsored by

Holy Name of Jesus Evangelization Team

Even if you don't attend Saturday night Mass, please join us after Mass for this parish gathering!

Come join us after 5 pm Mass on Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup> to meet and socialize with other members of our parish. Visitors, new and past members are also invited to attend this gathering in the Community Center after Mass. Wine, beer, soda and water will be provided. Those attending are encouraged to bring their favorite snack/appetizer to share. Come meet with other parishioners, welcome new friends and enjoy the company of others in an informal setting. Please bring any friends you think might enjoy gathering with us.







The Holy Name of Jesus Evangelization Team is offering a Family & Friends CPR Course on Monday May 8 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Community Center

The class teaches the lifesaving skills of adult Hands-Only® CPR, child CPR with breaths, adult and child AED use, infant CPR and relief of choking in an adult, child or infant. Skills are taught in a dynamic group environment by using the American Heart Association's (AHA) research-proven practice-whilewatching technique, which provides students with the most hands-on CPR practice time possible. The cost of the class is \$10.00. If a CPR certification card is requested, an additional charge of \$18.00 will be necessary. You may pay at the door the night of the class.

Registration is required because there is a maximum number of people we can accommodate. Please call Mike Petroff at 314-401-6803, Sister Mary at 314-606-4107, Sandy at the parish office or return the form below in the collection basket.

Please register me for the CPR Class on May 8:
Name
Phone Number
Email Address