

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church

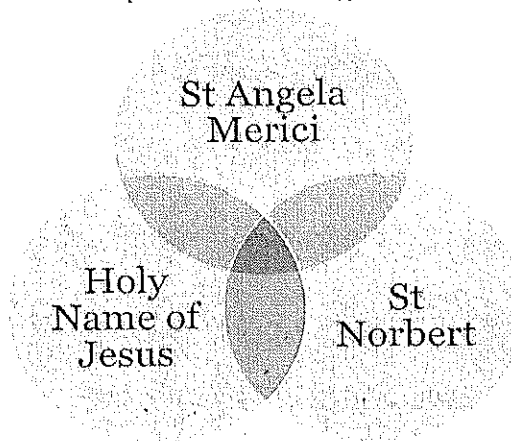
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Catholic Church Founded in Northeast St. Louis County 1908 - 2005 Holy Name of Jesus Parish Established

September 3, 2023

Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

See, I am doing "Something New." Now it is springing forth, do you not perceive it? (Isaiah 43:19)



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HOLY NAME of JESUS PARISH

We Are A MISSION PARISH With A Mission

COME SERVE WITH US & COME PRAY WITH US

PLEASE GIVE YOUR HEALTH ON-GOING ATTENTION

We encourage our members to always value their good health, caring for themselves and the health of our community.
We are grateful, always hopeful, and ever cautious about the worship and activities of our parish.

Continue to consult the **Parish Bulletin** for more specific real-time information as well as
current information announced by St. Louis County and posted at the doors of church and parish buildings.

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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 Mass Intentions in Bulletin 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

Anytime by Appointment with Fr. Mike at Home / Church

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 9:00am – 10:00pm

Perpetual Help Devotions

8:30 am—After Tuesday Morning Weekday Mass

Parish Rosary

8:30 am—After Weekday Mass

THE ONGOING PRIORITIES OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

MEMBERSHIP * PARTNERSHIP * STEWARDSHIP

EVANGELIZATION * SOCIAL CONCERN

My dear Brothers and Sisters,

Laudetur Jesus Christus, In Saecula Saeculorum! In today's scriptures (Jeremiah 20:7-9, Romans 12:1-2, Matthew 16:21-27), we are confronted with the **powerful instinct of self-preservation** that is deeply ingrained in all living beings. From the *gazelle* fleeing from the *lion* to plants defending themselves against harmful insects, the preservation of life is a natural priority. And for us *humans*, it is no different. Our ancestors fought hard to survive, ensuring that we are here today.

However, there are exceptional individuals among us who go against this instinct. They willingly put themselves in harm's way to save others. They run into burning buildings, dive into raging rivers, and shield others from danger. **We honor the heroic acts of law enforcement during the Boston Marathon bombing and the daily sacrifices made by our military personnel.** These few individuals set aside their own self-preservation when the moment calls for it. **But for most of us, the thought of risking our lives for the sake of another is something we hope to never face. It is easy to say that we would give our lives for someone else, but the truth is, we don't truly know what we would do until that moment arrives. In those critical seconds, we are faced with a choice: ourselves or someone else? Whom would we choose to let live?**

Peter, too, faced a similar dilemma when he heard Jesus foretell His suffering and death in Jerusalem. Peter's response was one of shock and refusal to accept such harm coming to his dear friend. He couldn't believe it and wouldn't believe it. Little did Peter know that it wasn't just Jesus who would be asked to **"lose his life,"** but also Peter himself and all who call Jesus their Lord.

Jesus teaches us, **"For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."** This call to lose our lives is not meant to be an exception or a heroic act reserved for a few. It is the very essence of what it means to be a follower of Jesus. **It applies to each and every one of us, including you and me. God does not forbid us from losing our lives for His sake. He desires our love, not just when it is convenient, but always.** This self-sacrificial love is what truly saves us, transforms the world, and unleashes a power that nothing and no one can stop.

We witness this perfect love on display in the Passion of Our Lord. Jesus refused to respond to violence with violence, to condemn those who condemned Him. He remained steadfast in His love, even at the cost of His own life. Through His selfless act, He brought about a newness of life that the world had never seen before.

To **"lose our lives"** means to love even when it costs us something, even when we are afraid or unsure of our own abilities. Sadly, too often, we choose to **"save our lives"** instead. We prioritize our own gain and turn a blind eye to the needs of others, thinking, **"It's not my problem."** But what profit is there in gaining the whole world if we forfeit our own lives? **Let us strive to forfeit our lives in this world, to lay them down in love, and in doing so, embrace the victory won for us through the saving acts of Jesus. Let us refuse the temptation to preserve our lives at all costs, for that is a price we cannot afford to pay.**

May we find the courage to love selflessly, to lose our lives for the sake of others, and in doing so, discover the true meaning of life and unleash the transformative power of love. Amen. Have a blessed week!

In Christ, through Mary,
Fr. Samuel Inameti
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PLEASE PRAY *for*:

Bob Seidel Jr, Bernette Goymerac, 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, Mike Swoboda, George Lawler, Phyllis Lawler, Audrey Corbin, Gylan Matthes, Marjorie Dubray, Colin Schultheis, Bill Oliver, Mike Coffey, Whitney Coke, Ken Ellis, Tom K., Carol Lawrence, Lisa Erickson, Mark Hayes, Karen Pilgram, Jacklean Thomas Dudley, Aurelien Akakpo-Lado, Donna Cahr, Rhonda Finney, Michael Mulvihill, Sr., Michael Swoboda, Katy Moran, Marty Bligh, Sharon Klein, Sr. Mary, Shirley Swoboda

MASS INTENTION

Monday 8:00am	September 4 Bob Dougherty
Tuesday 8:00am	September 5 Irene Brown
Wednesday 8:00am	September 6 James Martin
Thursday 8:00am	September 7 Kathryn & Glenn Rogers
Saturday 5:00pm	September 9 Piwowarczyk
Sunday 9:30am	September 10 People of the Parish

Dear Brothers & Sisters,
May the peace of Christ be in your hearts and family. We are pleased to offer communion or anointing visits to our Homebound parishioners. If you know someone who would appreciate this service, please contact Sandy at parishoffice10235@sbcglobal.net or call 314-868-2310. God bless you all!

In Christ through Mary,
Fr Samuel
HNJ



Stewardship of Treasure

Your Gifts of Support for Our Parish Mission

August 27, 2023	\$6,576.30
Online Giving (included above)	\$1,047.00
Budgeted weekly offertory	\$8,028.00
This week's <loss>	\$1,451.70
Budgeted weekly expenses	\$12,843.00
This Weeks <loss>	\$6,266.70

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Jer 20:7-9/ Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27
Monday:	1 Thes4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6,9-11/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Cos 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16,18-23 or 1:18-23
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5
Sunday:	Ez 33:7-9/Rob 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Lectors

September 9 5:00pm	Joan Aslin
September 10 9:30am	John Kulla



Eucharistic Ministers

September 9 5:00pm	Judy Mantych
September 10 9:30am	Bill Krenn

We will be holding our annual Trivia Night on Saturday, September 16th.

We could use the following donated items:

Gift Cards, Bottled Water, Canned Soda (Coke, Diet Coke, Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Sprite).

Please drop off any donations to the office.

The Holy Name of Jesus Men's Club will resume our monthly meetings following our summer break on **Tuesday, September 12 at 6:30 pm**. All men of Holy Name of Jesus, St. Angela Merici and St. Norbert are invited to attend. The meetings are held in the Parish Community Center (former school cafeteria) on the north side of the church building. Following a short meeting, there will be an opportunity for fellowship, and a light meal will be served. We hope to see you all there.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHOIRS ♪

Do you love to sing? Consider participating in one of our parish choirs!

The **Holy Name of Jesus Choir** supports the singing of our congregation at one Mass each weekend and some Holy Days. Rehearsals take place in church on **Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm**. All voice types are welcome.

The **Holy Name of Jesus Funeral Choir** leads the singing as needed for parish funerals and Memorial Masses. There are no rehearsals. This choir gives support and consolation to grieving families.

Please fill out the slip below and drop it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office. For more information contact Theresa McWilliams; tmacwms@sbcglobal.net.

Holy Name of Jesus Choir

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Voice type (if known) Melody ___ Soprano ___ Alto ___ Tenor ___ Bass ___

I am interested in the Holy Name of Jesus Choir ___ and /or the Funeral Choir ___

ROAD TO HEALTH RENDEZVOUS

These Rendezvous focus on healthy lifestyle techniques that can easily be incorporated into our everyday routines. The schedule is fluid so that they are available to a wide base of participants. Anyone may attend. The events take place at **Holy Name of Jesus Cafeteria**. Our next two Rendezvous will be;

- **Tuesday, September 12th at 12:00 pm**. There will be an informational segment on **Health and Longevity**. A nutrient dense lunch will be served. **Cost is \$15.00 cash only**. Please sign up by 5:00 pm Monday, September 11th.

Please send your **name, email address, and phone number** to Theresa McWilliams at tmacwms@sbcglobal.net.