

Ste. Genevieve Catholic Church
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Saint Genevieve - Pray for us!

May 17, 2020

Stewardship Awareness ~ 6th Sunday of Easter *"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil."* (1 Peter 3:17)

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

Mass Intentions

Fr. Nemeth will be saying Private Masses daily.

Monday, May 18th

8 am Pete & Lu Bauman

Tuesday, May 19th

8 am Jack Myers

Wednesday, May 20th

8 am Stan & Pat Schwent

Thursday, May 21st

8 am John & Mary Kist

Friday, May 22nd

8 am Carl Beyatte (B'Day)

Saturday May 23rd

8 am John Bahr

Sunday, May 24th

6 am Jim Siebert

8:30 am For the Parish

10:30 am Mamie Jokerst

WORDS TO LIVE BY...

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

ST. JOHN I Acts of the Apostles
16:11-15 and John 15:26 – 16:4

Tuesday

ST. DUNSTAN Acts of the Apostles
16:22-34 and John 16:5-11

Wednesday

ST. BERNADINE OF SIENA Acts of the
Apostles 17:15, 22 – 18:1 and John 16:12-15

Thursday

ST. CRISPIN Acts of the Apostles
18:-1-8 and John 16:16-20

Friday

ST. RITA Acts of the Apostles
18:9-18 and John 16:20-23

Saturday

ST. JOHN BAPTIST ROSSI Acts of the
Apostles 18:23-28 and John 16:23-28

Sunday

ASCENSION OF THE LORD Acts of
the Apostles 1:1-11 and Ephesians 1:17-23
and Matthew 28:16-20

Together we pray for those who are sick: Aly Bauman, Jaida Fallert, Bob Mueller, Anna Van Houten, Virginia Marcheck, Pat Marzucio, Shirley Kern, Marilyn Burgert, Miles Woodward, Sarah Rash, Julia Ann Jennings, Dick Basler, Michael Bader, Mary Martin, Lewis Pruneau, Erna Kist, Amanda Nesslein, Rosalie Brumfield, Jean Fisher, Margie Klein, John Como, Sawyer Gullett, Bill Naeger, Anna Mae Grieshaber, Rick Johnson, Barb Schweiss, Mary Meyer.

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Dear Parish Family,

We will resume the public celebration of Mass at Ste. Genevieve Parish on **Monday, May 18th with the 8:00am Mass**. Our normal Saturday evening and Sunday morning Mass schedule will resume on Saturday May 23rd.

Our liturgical life will look a little different when we come back to Mass. The following information is to inform you how you may return to public worship safely and responsibly. These procedures and practices are in keeping with recommendations/restrictions from the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Though things will be different, they are not permanent; restrictions will gradually be eased as the continuing health situation is monitored.

All Catholics are dispensed of their obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice.

Who may attend...

- Parishioners who are symptomatic or who have been exposed to another with the virus should not come to church, in accordance with national, state, and local health directives.
- Attendees should take their temperature at home before determining whether they should attend Mass.
- Anyone over 60 years-old and those with underlying health complications are encouraged to participate in Masses via radio, TV, or live-stream only.

If I choose to participate remotely, will I still have the opportunity?

- Mass will still be broadcast on AM980 at 8:30am and on Ste. Gen TV at 11:00am and 5:00pm.
- The 10:30am Mass will still be available on the parish Facebook page. *Please be aware that this livestream may have to be recorded and posted after Mass if sound quality is an issue.*

What happens when I arrive at Church?

- Social distancing recommendations will be followed in regards to spacing of individuals in church.
- **Every other pew will remain empty in church. These designated empty pews will be marked with a sign on the seat.** We are asking that one family sit per pew. Individuals and couples can sit and opposite ends of a pew with plenty of distance.

- Attendees are recommended to wear a mask when entering and leaving church. Masks may be removed when in the pew.
- Volunteers will wipe down the tops of pews, door handles, and other high traffic fixtures and furnishings after each Mass
- **Following Mass, please exit the church practicing appropriate social distancing. Please do not remain in church to socialize as people may wish to pray in the peacefulness of a quiet church after having been apart for so long.**
- Bulletins or other materials normally handed out will be available on tables at each church door. Ushers will not pass materials from one person to another.
- Father, the Deacon, and seminarians will greet parishioners after Mass, but will maintain distancing for the health and well-being of all.

How will the Mass, itself, be different?

Mindful that these modifications are temporary and necessary to return to public worship, we must all be patient with what will be different when we return.

During this first phase of re-opening, liturgies will be simplified, yet retain their reverence and dignity.

- Congregational singing is discouraged at all parishes. We will wait for the return of our music ministry until phase two of our reopening, keeping with recommendations from the Archdiocese. We know this will be a strange adjustment, but it is only temporary.
- Missalettes will be available at each entrance of church. Please feel free to take one home with you and bring it back for your personal use. Please do not leave missalettes in the pew after Mass.
- The sign of peace is still suspended until further notice
- The offertory procession will be omitted.
- Stationary baskets for making an offertory gift will be available at each door...please consider signing up for online giving through the parish website.
- Holy Communion will only be distributed under one Species, meaning there will be no reception of the Precious Blood from common chalices.
- Holy Communion will be distributed by Father, Deacon, and the seminarians at all the Masses. If needed, an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be asked before Mass begins to assist.
- **Holy Communion will be distributed with the minister of Holy Communion going up and down each empty pew and distributing to parishioners who will remain in their place.** If you are not receiving Communion, please be seated. This will alleviate the need for people to pass one another in the return aisles.
- The Faithful are still encouraged to make a Spiritual Act of Communion if not attending Mass or uncomfortable receiving Holy Communion. The Spiritual Act of Communion will be lead at each Mass following Communion.

Other aspects and liturgies

Liturgical Ministers

- Father, Deacon, and the seminarians will distribute Holy Communion. Should an Extraordinary Minister be needed, they will be asked to assist before Mass. Please disregard the minister schedule for the time being.
- Lectors and servers should follow their schedule as best as possible.
- Commentators will not be needed to announce hymns, but should still welcome people to Mass, lead petitions in the absence of a deacon, read the responsorial psalm, and make necessary announcements at the end of Mass.

Confessions

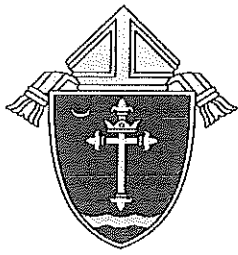
- Confessions will be heard beginning 30 minutes prior to weekend Mass. Please make plans to arrive at the beginning of confession times and do not wait until the last minute, if you can avoid it.
- **Confessions will remain behind the screen until further notice for the health and wellness of priest and penitent.**
- **Additional confession times will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 4:00-4:45pm starting Tuesday May 19th.**
- Please wear a mask when coming to confession and making use of hand sanitizer before entering the confessional.

Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings

- Baptisms will still be celebrated following the 10:30am Mass. Only one family will be scheduled at a time to keep attendance to a smaller number.
- Funerals will still be celebrated but will follow the procedures for other Masses.
- Weddings will still be celebrated but attendance may be limited to a smaller congregation. Couples with weddings scheduled should consult with the parish office.

I am very grateful for the many parishioners who have continued to support our mission through their financial support during this difficult time. I am thankful and edified by the participation of so many people, near and far, in our livestreamed and broadcasted Masses; it will be a wonderful moment when we are able to worship together again. This community has always banded together to overcome challenges in the past and we have done so once again to keep our community healthy. With your continued cooperation and support, we will be able to return to public worship safely and responsibly. Let's continue to pray for one another and be thankful for the many gifts we have been given!

Fr. Nemeth



Guidelines for Observing Social Distancing and other Health Requirements for the Celebration of Mass

GENERAL GUIDELINES/REMINDERS

- Dispensation of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues until further notice.
- Parishioners who are symptomatic or who have been exposed to another with the virus should not come to church, in accordance with national, state and local health directives.
 - Attendees should take their temperature at home before determining whether they should attend Mass.
- Anyone over 60 years-old and those with underlying health complications are encouraged to participate in Masses *via live-stream only*.

CLEANING, SANITIZING AND HYGIENE

- Appropriate cleaning of high-use areas within the church is completed before and after each service.

CAPACITY/ATTENDANCE

- Gathering of congregants where Mass is celebrated is *limited to* the following:
 - For churches of less than 10,000 sq. ft., the number of all those present at each Mass is limited to 25% or less of the fire or building code maximum occupancy.
 - For churches of 10,000 or more sq. ft., the number of all those present at each Mass is limited to 10% or less of the fire or building code maximum occupancy.

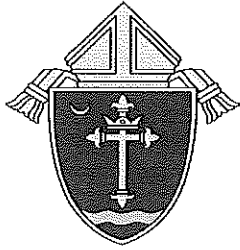
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

- The faithful are obliged to wear a mask during the celebration of Mass, except for the brief moment of receiving Communion.
- Ushers and other volunteers will wear masks and gloves (when gloves are not available, frequent handwashing will be necessary) throughout the celebration of Mass.
- Specific PPE practices are required for Eucharistic ministers. More details are included under "Holy Communion" below.

OFFERTORY

- Stationary baskets will be used for donations from the assembly and are to be monitored by the ushers until the donations are collected
- Collection baskets should not be passed, nor will ushers take up the collection from the congregation.
- Please consider giving your offertory online.

SIGN OF PEACE IS SUSPENDED



Guidelines for Observing Social Distancing and other Health Requirements for Holy Communion

HOLY COMMUNION

- **Communicants are to receive the Host in the hand** in keeping with the advice of state health officials and thereby to avoid the Communion minister's fingers coming into contact with saliva or particles exhaled from the communicants' mouth onto the ministers' fingers.
- **Communion ministers must be masked**, must sanitize their hands immediately before and after distributing Communion, and when at all possible, should utilize a disinfectant wipe or purificator dipped in a sanitizing solution (at least 60% ethanol or 70% isopropyl alcohol) to sanitize their fingers when incidental contact is made with the communicant.
- Distribution of **Holy Communion from the chalice is prohibited** to the assembly. For those who suffer from celiac disease, special arrangements are to be made with the pastor.
- When approaching the Communion minister, the communicant is to pull their mask below their chin in order to prepare to receive Communion as above. The communicant immediately replaces their mask after consuming the Host.
- Ushers or other volunteers who are masked and gloved will ensure six-foot distancing in the Communion line.
- Floor markings shall be placed six feet apart in the aisles in which the congregation approaches the sanctuary for Communion to facilitate proper social distancing.
- Maintaining a single-file is necessary for the distribution of Holy Communion for each Communion minister and communicant to maintain social distancing. Multiple Communion ministers may be used as long as one-way traffic patterns are observed.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday May 23 5 p.m.

Extraordinary Ministers: Seminarians

Lector: Betty Arnold

Servers: Austin Ringwald, Lily Ringwald, Jayce Palmer

Sunday May 24 6 a.m.

Commentator: Shirley Schweigert Kist

Extraordinary Ministers: Seminarians

Lector: Michelle Hoog

Servers: Ella Kraenzle, Emma Kraenzle

Sunday May 24 8:30 a.m.

Commentator: Dorcas Grass

Extraordinary Ministers: Deacon Robert, Seminarians

Lector: Roxanne Joggerst

Servers: Gavyn Joggerst, Madison Joggerst, Kalan Fallert

Sunday May 24 10:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers: Deacon Robert, Seminarians

Lector: Raymond Suda

Servers: Jordan Bales, Jayce Bales, Luke McClure

Ushers Schedule for June

5 p.m.

Saturday

Bryan Wolk, Dale Luttrell, Rick Johnson
Volunteers Needed

6 a.m.

Sunday

Bill Tlapek, Raymond Baechle, Bob Kraenzle
Bill Wehner, Tom Grass, Gary Grass

8:30 a.m.

Sunday

Robert Wolk, Dean Okenfuss, Jeff Okenfuss, Mike Okenfuss
Jerry Weiler, Chuck Baumann, Samer Zoughaib

10:30 a.m.

Sunday

Jerry Holliday, Jim Pope, Rick Sexauer
Jonas Jokerst, Tim Kuenzel, Bill Lurk

Church Offertory

5/10/2020

Sunday Envelopes

\$10,708.52

Easter

\$40

On-Line Giving

\$ 3,989.00

TOTAL

\$14,697.52

We thank you for your generosity.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

The following hours are still open:

Tuesday 1 a.m.

Thursday 2 a.m.

Friday 12 a.m., 3 a.m., 1 p.m., 11 p.m.

Saturday 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 4 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m.

Sunday 12 a.m., 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 4 a.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 11 p.m.

If you are interested in being a volunteer for one of the above hours or would like to be a sub, please call the Parish Center @ 883-2731.

“Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament has His hands full of graces, and He is ready to bestow them on anyone who asks for them.”
(St. Peter of Alcantara)

For Your Information

The Parish Center Office is closed. If you need to speak to someone in the office, please leave a message. The office staff will be checking voicemails regularly.

Congratulations to Jonathan “Jack” Ruzicka who was ordained to the transitional diaconate by Archbishop Robert J. Carlson at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis on May 2. Jack helped at the 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Masses and also taught 8th Grade Parish School of Religion this school year.

Catholic Communication Campaign Next weekend, there is an envelope in your packet to help support the Catholic Communication Campaign. The campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through Internet, Television, Radio and Print Media. Your support helps spread the Gospel message!

Annual Catholic Appeal Weekend will be delayed so pastors, parish staff and volunteers can focus on their Parish needs. The ACA Office is still accepting donations. They can be mailed to: 20 Archbishop May Dr., St. Louis, MO 63119 or give online: aca.archstl.org.

Valle Auction Due to the current health emergency, the Valle Auction Committee has decided to move forward with a Virtual Auction for this year. Any persons that purchased a ticket to attend the event should check their emails for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Roxanne Joggerst @ (573) 883-0569 or roxannejoggerst@gmail.com. We will be opening our Virtual Auction up to anyone who chooses to bid on items. We will be sending out more information regarding our new Virtual Auction in the coming week. Watch Valle Auction on Facebook for more details or email: auction@valleschools.org to get on the email mailing list.

Tan Books, a Catholic Publisher based in North Carolina and someone Ste. Genevieve Parish does business with, has graciously offered books at a discount rate of 30% until May 31, 2020. Additionally, 30% of all sales from our Parish will be sent back to our Church as a donation. Simply go to their website: www.tanbooks.com and use Code: GENE63670 at checkout to receive the discount.

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! ~ The Gift of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is called the Advocate, the Paraclete, and the Consoler in Scripture. He is the gift of the Father whom we received at Baptism and then more fully in Confirmation. The Holy Spirit is our defender, the one who stands by us in the midst of the attacks of Satan (the accuser). Constantly reminding us of what Jesus has taught us and guiding us into prayer, the Spirit leads us just as He led Jesus. "The Holy Spirit, whom Christ the head pours out on his members, builds, animates, and sanctifies the Church" (CCC 747). *Praise God for the gift of the Holy Spirit, our anointing, our dove, our fire.*

A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic Most Merciful and Triune God, We come to You in our weakness. We come to You in our fear. We come to You with trust. For You alone are our hope. We place before you the disease present in our world. We turn to you in our time of need. Bring wisdom to doctors. Giving understanding to scientists. Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity. Bring healing to those who are ill. Protect those who are most at risk. Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one. Welcome those who have died into Your Eternal Home. Stabilize our communities. Unite us in our compassion. Remove all fears from our hearts. Fill us with confidence in Your care. (mention your particular concerns and prayers now) Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.

Fiat Women's Group All women are invited to view our next livestreamed talk, presented at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary on Thursday, May 21. The speaker will be Msgr. James Ramacciotti, Cardinal Burke Chair of Canon Law, Assistant Professor of Canon Law & Formation Advisor at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. Msgr.'s talk is entitled: "*How Bishop's become Bishop's*". Please join us for Mass at 8 a.m. followed by Msgr.'s talk immediately following Mass. Msgr. will give a short presentation after which people may submit questions or comments via YouTube or Facebook Live. You may access Msgr.'s talk here: <https://www.youtube.com/user/kenrickglennon/live> or on Facebook Live. For more information or to watch videos from past Fiat talks see: www.kenrick.edu/fiat.

Attention: All Parents & Active School Volunteers: Reminder: Please remember to update your Training!

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. ***Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required and asked to register in the new system before December 31, 2020.*** This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children Workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children Workshop, all clergy, volunteers and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to www.preventandprotectstl.org to register and contact your Parish Child Safety Coordinator @ 883-2731 with any questions or for further assistance.

Help Wanted – St. Joseph Parish – Zell Office Position working 3 days a week beginning June 29. Computer skills are required. The computer program used by the Archdiocese is Servantkeeper 7. There are many duties to perform so the job is being advertised early to give enough time to get acquainted with the job. Please call (573) 883-3481 if interested.

St. Agnes Elementary School is now Hiring Middle School Math & Language Arts Teachers

For 2020-2021 School Year, St. Agnes Elementary School, in Bloomsdale, MO, is seeking two highly dynamic teachers who live their Catholic Faith. St. Agnes Elementary School is committed to helping students discover the joy of learning and the joy of the Gospel, while building the skills and virtues necessary for success in today's world. Candidates should have a passion for Catholic Education and be familiar with VBRD (Virtue-Based Restorative Discipline). One opening is for an Upper Grade Homeroom 5th – 8th Grade Language Arts Teacher. Teacher certification and a strong Language Arts background is required. The other opening is for an Upper Grade Homeroom 5th – 8th Grade Mathematics Teacher. Teacher certification and strong mathematics skills are required. Please send cover letter and resume to Fr. Michael Benz @ frmichaelbenz@yahoo.com or St. Agnes Parish, P.O. Box 124, Bloomsdale, MO 63627.

St. Agnes Elementary School is now Hiring a Principal

For 2020-2021 School Year, St. Agnes Elementary School (K-8) in Bloomsdale, MO, is seeking a highly dynamic Principal who lives the Catholic Faith. St. Agnes Elementary School is committed to helping students discover the joy of learning and the joy of the Gospel, while building the skills and virtues necessary for success in today's world. A successful candidate will possess a passion for Catholic education, have great organizational, communication and leadership skills, and demonstrate knowledge of Virtue-Based Restorative Discipline (VBRD). Please send cover letter and curriculum vitae to Fr. Michael Benz @ frmichaelbenz@yahoo.com or St. Agnes Parish, P.O. Box 124, Bloomsdale, MO 63627.

Good News!

May 17, 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter (A) • Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

We have hopes for ourselves and others. We hope for good health, for fulfilling work, for settled lives for our children. As valuable as such hope might be, that is not what Peter is referring to in today's second reading. He is talking about religious hope. Not hope *that*, but hope *in*. Not hope that God will give us what we ask, that God will supply what we cannot accomplish, that God will reward our faithfulness. That is also valid hope, but it is still not religious hope.

Genuine religious hope is hope or trust in God. Period. Trust in God when we have no idea what the future might bring. Trust in God when all our best plans crumble before us. Trust in God when we face the terrors of illness and death. This is a trust or hope for which we do not provide God plans to follow so our needs get met as we think they should be. It is a hope that enables us to place ourselves into the hands of God. Period.

This kind of hope asks for nothing and expects everything. Why? Because we are convinced that God loves us with a passion we can't possibly imagine and, therefore, wants what is best for us. This might seem like an impossible hope, but the reading goes on to list reasons to hope. God's love is exemplified by Jesus Christ, who "suffered for sins...that he might lead you to God" (1 Peter 3:18). Who could ask for more?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



INSTITUTE FOR THEOLOGICAL ENCOUNTER WITH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Join us for this exclusive ITEST Webinar
Screen Time During COVID-19 and Beyond

Saturday, May 23, 2020 9:00 am to 12:40 pm (Central Time)

Link to the webinar will be emailed to all who register.

Webinar Schedule

- 9:00 am Welcome and Prayer by Dr. Thomas P. Sheahen, Director, ITEST
- 9:10 am Sister Marysia Weber, RSM, DO, MA
- 10:45 am Dr. Sebastian Mahfood, OP
- 12:00 pm Q & A (All times are central time.)
- 12:40 pm Closing Prayer and Adjourn

Meet Our Presenters

Sister Marysia Weber, RSM, DO, MA

"Screen Time - What Matters"



Sister Marysia Weber, RSM, DO, MA is a Religious Sister of Mercy of Alma, MI who is a physician, board certified in psychiatry with a fellowship in consultation-liaison psychiatry, who trained at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. She also holds a Master's degree in Theology from Notre Dame South Bend, Indiana. She is currently the Director of the Office of Consecrated Life for the Archdiocese of Saint Louis and is adjunct clinical instructor at Washington University School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry.

Dr. Sebastian Mahfood, OP

"Among the Marvelous Things: The Value for Evangelization of Appropriately Used Social Media"



Dr. Sebastian Mahfood, OP, has served full time since 2012 on the faculty of Holy Apostles in Cromwell, CT, as Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies and Vice-President, following eleven years on the faculty of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis, MO. He has been a Lay Dominican of the Queen of the Holy Rosary Chapter in the Province of St. Albert the Great since 2008. Among his publications is included *Among the Marvelous Things: The Media of Social Communications and the Next Generation of Pastoral Ministers* (<https://enroutebooksandmedia.com/marvelousthings/>)

Webinar cost \$10 (Free of charge for ITEST Members)

Register by May 20 at www.faithscience.org/screentime

Questions: email ITEST@archstl.org