



St. Cronan Catholic Church 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time July 17-18, 2021

Mass Information

SUNDAY – 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

SATURDAY VIGIL – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays – 8:00 a.m.

Masks are required for all Masses to keep our unvaccinated children safe.

Live-streaming continues at the 10:00 am Mass. PLEASE BE ON TIME! Also, please note that the recorded Masses will not be available on Saturday evenings when we live-stream. Recorded Masses will take place the weekend of August 1, and the first Sunday of each month. All other Masses will be live-streamed at 10:00. Livestreamed masses are available on our Facebook page any time after the 10:00 Mass,

<https://www.facebook.com/StCronan>

Blessing of Grandparents will take place at Masses next week, July 24-25, in honor of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Prayers Please

Bill Barrett, Mary Truetken, Laurel Hayes' parents, Nancy and Jerry, Robert Nathe's Mother, Eileen, Colleen Wallace's godson, Lachlan, Michelle Frank, Martha Stegmaier, Diane Calcaterra.

Judy Miniace passed away on Wednesday, July 14. The memorial service is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, August 3. Information will be posted as it becomes available. Eternal Rest grant unto her, and let the Perpetual Light shine upon her.

ACA Update: We made our Challenge Goal! We still need 2 new donors to make our new donor goal – if you haven't given before and can chip in just \$5 – we could make it. Thanks so much for your generosity.

Children's Faith Formation 2021-2022. If you have school-aged children (K-8th grade) and are looking for a community in which they can learn about their faith and make the sacraments, please consider joining St. Cronan's Children's Faith Formation program. Additional information and a registration form are available on the desk by the north door.

Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers

Now that we are opening up, we would like to re-institute the Lector and Eucharistic Minister schedule. Instruction is available. If you are interested in either or both ministries, please contact Diane, diane@stcronan.org.

Black Lives Matter Vigil: The St. Cronan Social Justice Committee is hosting a Vigil as a way of atoning for past racism. It will be held every third Friday evening of the month - 5:00 -6:00 pm at the corner of Kingshighway and Manchester. Next month's will be Friday, August 20. Please feel free to bring your own signs. If you have questions, please contact Trish Curtis: trishquita1952@gmail.com

Coffee and Donuts continues **LIVE** on Sundays after the 10:00 Mass. We ask that you maintain 3 ft. social distancing while eating and wear a mask when you finish your donut. Please seat 4 per table if inside. You are welcome to take chairs to sit outside if you are more comfortable doing that. Even though most are vaccinated, we want to respect our families with unvaccinated children. **Volunteers needed:** If you could set up donuts one Sunday a month that would be great. Get a team together, divvy up the jobs, and enjoy! Talk to Maggie or Dorothy for more information.

Bridges Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius in Everyday Life

Are you looking for a deeper prayer life and a closer relationship with God? If so, please consider the "Bridges Retreat in Everyday Life," based on the 450+ year-old Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola. This nine-month retreat is designed and adapted for persons in all walks of life. The retreat consists of daily prayer and journaling (experiencing discernment, contemplation, meditation), in addition to weekly or monthly small group meetings and weekly time with a prayer companion who listens to your experiences and provides oral and written guidance through the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

The retreat runs September into May and coincides with the Church's liturgical calendar. The retreat begins in September 2021, and information sessions (like the retreat) will be offered at five Greater St. Louis-area sites on various days and times this summer, as well as a virtual "Zoom" session. For more details about the retreat and information session schedule, visit: www.bridgesfoundation.org or contact Steve Givens, executive director, 314-401-2072.



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Pastoral Reflection

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Jesus listened. When the disciples returned from healing, forgiving, and sharing the Good News of God's compassionate Love, the first thing Jesus did was listen to them. As he listened to their stories he heard their hearts as well and realized they needed to rest. Jesus then listened with compassion to the crowd, saw they were like sheep without a shepherd, and responded with love.

Jesus shows us the way. Attentive listening is a spiritual practice that enables understanding. Mindful listening heals. We saw the power of deep listening that occurred in South Africa when those who suffered because of apartheid could speak their truth and be heard. Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland proposed a similar Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Commission by which indigenous peoples can share their residential school trauma and be heard. As a country, we need to listen deeply to the racism experienced by our Black, Latinx, Indigenous, and Asian communities. We can learn from communities around the world. For example, Thich Nhat Hahn's Buddhist community often facilitates deep listening between Palestinians and Israelis.

Our church would benefit from deeply listening to those abused, to the LBGQT+ community, and to women.

Attentive listening is important in our families as well. There are many societal factors that work against this as we pay more attention to our phones than to our loved ones.

To counter this addiction to distraction we must take time to rest so we can listen to our own spirits. Jesus reminded his disciples and us. Listen and rest.

By growing our ability to listen well, we can act compassionately as Jesus did.

Madonna Kuciejczyk-Kernan

St. Cronan Church Staff and Helpful Numbers

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