

Pastoral Reflection
28th Sunday, Ordinary Time
October 9, 2022

This week our Scriptures feature healings. In our first reading from the Book of Kings Naaman, a Gentile king is cleansed of leprosy in the Jordan river. In the Gospel 10 lepers are cured by Jesus, but only, one a Samaritan, returns to thank Jesus. In both these passages there is more going on than physical cures. Naaman realizes that there has been a divine intervention and he accepts the God of Elisha as his redeemer. In the Gospel the Samaritan undergoes a physical cure but more than that he "glorifies God in a loud voice". There has been "healing transformations". These two are not the same after having been touched by a divinity.

We really need "healing transformations" in our society and in our institutional church. I offer you a special invitation to hear one of the "healers" of our day and age. On October 13th at 7 pm at the SLU Center for Global Citizenship Bishop Stowe from Lexington will be speaking words of "healing". Bishop Stowe is a bishop of the people, especially those on the margins of society. At one time he was the Vicar General and Chancellor for the Diocese of El Paso in Texas and he stood with immigrants as they faced the discrimination of so many. In Lexington he has raised his voice against racism. He has been a champion for the LGBTQIA community. He has criticized former President Trump as not truly being pro-life.

I have personally met Bishop Stowe and he encouraged me to continue my involvement in faith-based community organizing, which he was deeply engaged with in Texas. He graduated from St. Louis University. When I contacted him inviting him to come to St. Louis to speak to us, I mentioned that I am serving at St. Cronan Parish. He responded saying, "I know St. Cronan's well!" We are known by bishops outside of St. Louis!?

Please join us for this spirited evening. Bishop Stowe's presentation is sponsored by the Seeds Of Justice Network (SOJN), Pax Christi, Catholic Charities, SLU and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (out of the Office of Peace and Justice). The title of his presentation is: "How can the Church be Prophetic in a Time of great Polarization". Lets join Bishop Stowe in lifting up those on the margins.

Be safe and be blessed,
Fr. Jack (he/him)



St. Cronan Catholic Church
Twenty-eighth Sunday,
Ordinary Time
October 8-9, 2022

Mass Information

SUNDAY – 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

SATURDAY VIGIL – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays – 8:00 a.m

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Masks are suggested for all Masses

The Mass for Sunday, October 2, was recorded and posted on our website on Saturday, October 1: <https://www.stcronan.org/>

Live-streaming continues at the 10:00 am Mass. PLEASE BE ON TIME! Live-streamed masses are available on our Facebook page any time after the 10:00 Mass, <https://www.facebook.com/StCronan>



ALL THINGS NEW

Our St. Cronan listening sessions are scheduled for November 1st and 3rd in the evening. Mark your calendars! Parishioners must register to attend one of them. The following link will allow you to register and will also provide a way to study the Parish workbook for our area. We hope to have an assembly in October to prepare us for the sessions, so it is very important that you read the material and register for the listening sessions. <https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/Ways-to-Engage/Listening-Sessions>

Parish Assembly will take place on Sunday, October 23 in the Coffee and Donuts room. Food will be provided. Please plan to attend as we prepare for the listening sessions



Bishop John Stowe Lecture: How Can the Church be Prophetic at a Time of Deep Polarization? What is the role of the Catholic Church? Of Catholics? Through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching and Fratelli Tutti, Bishop John Stowe (Lexington, Kentucky) will explore this topic – and respond to your questions. Thursday, October 13, SLU Center for Global Citizenship (3672 West Pine Mall, 63108). Doors will open at 6:30PM Central Time in advance of our 7:00PM start; the event will conclude by 8:30PM. Your registration is requested bit.ly/BishopStoweTalk (with an opportunity to do so at the door). Masking is optional. For more information, see the attached flyer. This event is hosted collaboratively by Seeds of Justice Network, Catholic Campaign for Human Development – Archdiocese of St. Louis

St. Louis Black History Bus Tour: Fr. Gerry has been leading these tours on select Saturday mornings for members of the Archdiocese. If there is an interest at St. Cronan's, we will schedule one in the near future. The tour would leave St. Cronan's parking lot on a Saturday at 9:30 a.m. and return to St. Cronan at 1:00 p.m., with an opportunity to eat lunch and discuss with Fr. Gerry at the Parish Center after. Please see the flyer in the chapel for details. To show your interest in a tour, please contact Paul.loidaid@bayer.com ; Berniesalmons@aol.com ; tulsabillw@gmail.com

St. Louis Friends of Bethlehem The Friends of Bethlehem will have Fair Trade Sale at St. Cronan's the weekend of November 5-6. Be prepared to get Christmas Presents!

The Reclamation Center of the Archdiocese of St. Louis is holding an open house Wednesday October 26 and Monday November 7, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For further information, please see the flyer in the chapel.

Midtown Community Center Fundraiser: Lip Sync Battle, Friday, October 14, Schlafly tap room, 2100 Locust. Tickets \$40, includes all-night appetizer buffet, one free beer, full night of entertainment, cash bar. Free parking on site. To sign up your team or purchase tickets: www.midtownstl.org/lip-sync-battle or call 3140534-1180. For further information, see the flyer in the Chapel.

Black Lives Matter Vigil, takes place the third Friday of the Month at the corner of Manchester and Kingshighway, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. The next vigil will take place on Friday, October 21. Please join us!

High School Students: The Archdiocesan Office of Peace and Justice will be hosting a youth event on October 23rd at the Rigali Center titled, "Choose Life: Abolish the Death Penalty". This event will include mass, dinner, and education for high school students.

Parish Ministries: If you would like to add your talents to any of our ministries, and meet a great bunch of people, please visit our website www.stcronan.org for information. You are always welcome!

The Word Among Us: This daily meditation book is available free of charge in the Chapel. Feel free to take one for October.

Being Who You Are, Perfectly Well: An LBGTQIA+ Catholics, Families and Friends Retreat will take place November 18-20 at the Mercy Conference and Retreat Center. For further details visit this link: <https://marianistsjc.net/lgbtq-retreat>

St. Francis Xavier College Church is holding a three-part exploration of the racial history of College church, integral to the story of the founding and development of the city of St. Louis, the Archdiocese, the Society of Jesus and St. Louis University, 12:00-1:30 p.m. at the College Church Lower Level. A light lunch is provided at 12:45. Upcoming sessions will occur on Oct. 16 and Nov. 20. Please see the flyer in the Chapel.

Prayers Please: Kathy Bayless; Trish Curtis' mother and brother; David Gaillardetz' father, Richard; Nick and Shirley Ambrose's daughter, Brigid Costello; Shelly Kurtz; Varrietta Anthony; Teresa Sullivan's friend, Caroline Bucci; Kathy Stock's niece, Jill; Fr. Jack's brother, Mike; Natalie Johnson and the Johnson family; Diane Calcaterra; Sr. Lynne's friend, Jan Berberich, SSND; Barb Sopp's friend, Joe Sinibaldi; Bob Barnicle; Paul Schmitt., Sr. Chabanel; Tim and Else Hirzel's great nephew, Cameron Russell; Barry Buchek, Claire and Alex Wallenda-Zoppe' and family; Kathy Hunn's niece, Lisa; Judy Gallagher; Sharon Orlet, Mary Proot's friend, Jessica Koziem, and Mary's grandson, Silas, Roland and Marie Martir's granddaughter, Madi.

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August 2022 Collection	
General Fund	\$15,999.00
Food Pantry	\$1,365.00
Willie Knighten Fund	\$6,621.00
Capital Campaign	\$370.00
Fundraising-Baseball	\$225.00
Mission Appeal	\$100.00
SVDP	\$1,695.00
Mass intentions	\$20.00
Uganda	\$50.00
Latin America	\$45.00
Building Repair	\$145.00
Total	\$26,635.00