

Monday Notes
August 22, 2022

Mass Schedule

5:00 p.m. Saturday
8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sunday
8:00 a.m. Wednesday

The Masses for August will be live-streamed at 10:00 on Sundays and posted on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/StCronan/>

There will be a recorded Mass for the first weekend in September. Mass will be recorded on Tuesday, August 30 at 9:30. This Mass will be posted Saturday afternoon, September 3, on our website: <https://www.stcronan.org/>

If anyone might be available on Tuesday to read for the recorded Mass, please contact Diane.

Masks are suggested for all Masses.

Starting next week, Mary is off to Europe and Fr. Jack is taking a 2-week vacation. Please keep Diane in your prayers as she holds down the fort! If anyone would be available to spell me by answering the office phone during that time, please let me know – I can use the help!
diane@stcronan.org

Willie's Funeral: Our custodian, Willie Knighten, passed away suddenly two weeks ago. Willie's funeral will take place this Thursday, August 25, at 11:00 at St. Cronan. The family will go to the cemetery immediately after the service, then return to St. Cronan Parish Center for a luncheon around 12:30. All are welcome to attend. If you would like to contribute to a trust fund for his daughter, Nina, who lost her mother last November and will be a senior in high school, please send checks to St. Cronan with "Willie" in the memo. You can also contribute on this site: <https://stcronan.square.site>

Seeds of Justice Network: Interested in social justice activities in our area? Visit www.seedsofjusticenetwork.org or use the QR code below to sign up for the Seeds of Justice Network newsletter! The weekly email features a justice-focused article of the week, a listing of local events, and a few national events & trainings.



All Things New:

Young Adult Survey: Young adults, ages 18-39, single or married, with or without children, are invited to take the young adult survey through September 12. Take this opportunity to inform the church of St. Louis about your experience, hopes and needs.

<https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/Ways-to-Engage/Young-Adult-Survey>

Connect to young adults: <https://stlyoungadults.com/>

St. Cronan Anti-Bias/Anti-Racism Survey: The St. Cronan Parish Council would like you to complete a survey regarding our work toward becoming an anti-racist parish. For further information, please read Andrew Viragh's letter, which is attached. The Survey can be accessed here: [ABAR Survey](#)

History of St. Cronan's: This weekend will be the last chance to view the posters in Church from the Archives Committee on the first 53 years of St. Cronan's history. Any questions, please see Bill Blow or Al Sprehe.

Sock Angel Campaign: Starting this Sunday, you will have the opportunity to contribute to the St. Peter Claver Sock Angel campaign by providing adult-sized socks to be distributed to St. Louis homeless people in September. A bin and a sign will be in the chapel to receive your socks throughout August. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

St. Pius V Anti-racism & Equity Working Group is sponsoring The Slavery, History, Memory, and Reconciliation Project with Fr. Jeff Harrison, SJ, a workshop presented on Sunday, Sept. 18, 3:00-4:30 p.m. at St. Pius V Singler Hall. For further information, please see the flyer attached.

Archdiocesan Wedding Jubilee Mass will be celebrated Sunday, October 9, at 2:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica. Archbishop Rozanski will preside. This Mass is for married couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 years of marriage in 2022. Please register by September 9: archstl.org/jubilee or call (314) 792-7171

Small Group Classes: JustFaith Ministries is offering several small-group opportunities starting this fall. If you are interested in any of these, please click the link for further information and registration.

<https://justfaith.org/fall-2022-national-small-groups/>

Welcome Neighbor Dinner will be held at St. Margaret of Scotland, 3854 Flad Ave. on Friday, September 23, at 6:30 pm. Cost: \$35 per person. For the menu and details, please see the attached flyer. To register, please click here: . Some of us from St. Cronan are attending, so please consider joining us.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE If you're looking for a way to make a positive difference in the lives of immigrant or refugee families in the St. Louis area, read on....IHELP (Immigrant Home English Learning Program) and the former ETP (English Tutoring Project) are merging time and talent to teach English in the homes of immigrant and refugee families. More volunteers are needed two days a week for one-hour sessions, during the day or in the evening. Training and materials will be provided. If you are curious and would like to know more, please contact Christina Rumbold at 314.390.5706, or send in a volunteer application on the website at

<http://ihelpstl.org/volunteers>.

Middle School Youth Minister — Immaculate Conception Dardenne Prairie Immaculate Conception is searching for an individual with a heart to lead middle schoolers to Jesus. The middle school youth minister is a full-time, 40 hours a week employee, with benefits, who will work with parish middle school schoolers (6th-8th grade) to grow their relationship with Jesus Christ, commitment to holiness and lifelong discipleship, and involvement in the life of the Church. Primary responsibilities will include building up middle school youth group, relational ministry, organizing retreats, and creating and developing offerings for middle schoolers to grow in their faith. Interested applicants should email a cover letter and resume to John Leger at john.leger@icdparish.org by August 26, 2022. Salary based upon qualifications and experience.

Children's Faith Formation: The first class of the year will take place this weekend, August 28, after the 10:00 Mass in the Parish Center. If you have school-age children, K-12, and are looking for a religious education program, please consider St. Cronan. Classes meet once per month, with family activities in the interim. It guides the entire family in growth of their faith and love of God and each other. Registration forms are attached and are on the table in the chapel, or contact Diane diane@stcronan.org.

Katy Trail Marian Pilgrimage will take place October 10-14. For information visit their website at: www.katytrailpilgrimage.com

Apostolic Letter: Pope Francis has written an Apostolic Letter entitled [Desiderio Desideravi](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/20220629-lettera-ap-desiderio-desideravi.html), on the liturgical formation of the People of God. To read the letter, visit this website: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/20220629-lettera-ap-desiderio-desideravi.html

Live Meetings: We are opening up for live meetings. If your committee or organization would like to meet live in the Coffee and Donut room or conference room at the Parish Center, please contact Mary, mary@stcronan.org to schedule your date and time.

COFFEE AND DONUTS IS BACK. Please join us for Fellowship and community in the COFFEE AND DONUT ROOM after the 10:00 Mass on Sundays. Many thanks to Maggie Hart-Mahon and Dorothy Strathman-Lucy for organizing. People mentioned that they missed having it last week - If you are interested in taking the fourth weekend each month to host, or even the fifth weekend when it occurs, please contact Maggie: ofccomp17@gmail.com

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, August 19. Please join us!

City Greens Market would like to partner with the St. Cronan Community in providing fresh, quality food to our neighbors. The Grove's neighborhood nonprofit grocery store, the market is located just up the street at 4260 Manchester. Our mission is to provide access to fresh, quality and affordable food to our neighbors; to promote healthy living in the community; to provide a safe and welcoming space for neighbors to interact; and to support local farmers as part of our extended community. We offer fresh fruits and vegetables, bulk grains and flours, staple goods like beans and pastas and soups, frozen foods, and a variety of quality and humanely raised meats, eggs, and dairy products. While anyone is welcome to shop with us, our members get a 30% discount on all food. And anyone - member or not - who purchases food with their EBT card at City Greens Market can take advantage of the Double Up Food Bucks program to

increase their purchasing power - if they purchase at least \$25 of produce, they can get up to \$25 of produce for free. Fresh food, healthy choices, and a united and empowered community. That's our commitment. Please come check us out! www.stlcitygreens.org

Marianist Retreat Center Summer Schedule: This summer, the Marianist Retreat and Conference Center, located in Eureka, MO, is offering three unique retreat opportunities, and you are cordially invited! These and all summer events can be found at: <https://marianistretreat.com/blog/summertime-events-2022/>

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

Transformational Journey: A Pilgrimage to the Edmund Pettus Bridge, the National Voting Rights Museum in Selma, the National Memorial for Peace & Justice and the Legacy Museum in Montgomery, Alabama is being planned for Thursday, October 20 – Sunday, October 23. Save the dates – more details will follow as they are finalized. A community member who now lives in Florida, Jenny Marquardt, recently wrote that she has visited these sites, and the journey is truly transformational.

Compassionate St. Louis: St. Cronan has become a member of this movement to help make our city a more compassionate place. You will be seeing their logo on our bulletins and signs. For further information, please visit their website: <https://www.compassionate-stl.org/about-us>

Wills: Please remember Saint Cronan's in your will. Title is St. Cronan's Catholic Church-1202 South Boyle Ave.- St. Louis, MO 63110. Our Federal I.D.# 43-0653457

Dear ones: please check through the prayer list, and if there is anyone who has recovered and can be removed, please let Diane know. Of course, we will keep anyone in need of prayers, but the list is getting rather extensive and we wanted to update. If I have taken someone off that should still be on, please don't hesitate to tell me. Thanks!

Prayers Please: Kathy Bayless; Barry Buchek's wife, Mary; 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. Nick and Shirley Ambrose's cousin, Tammy Bayes; Tim and Else Hirzel's great nephew, Cameron Russell; Mary Proot's daughter, Jennifer Trim, and baby.

Some updates: Mary Buchek's cancer is under control, according to scans, but she is in the hospital, having a lot of pain and mobility issues. Barry will have a knee replacement August 27. Please keep the Buchek family in your prayers.

If you know of anyone who is feeling disconnected from our Community or has left, please let me know by clicking here: diane@stcronan.org. Please do not reply to this email, because we don't want the names going to everyone. We will reach out to them.

Homily: Who will recline at the table? In the first reading, all nations will be welcome. In the Gospel, the Pharisees try to decide who's in our out. They attempt to carve out a moral field in which some are not welcome. God's field is much more expansive than our field is morally. I

think about those who embrace the sign of Jonah. Johah, through his stubbornness found himself in the belly of a fish, then on a new shore. He was cast into darkness and needed to make a decision beyond his moral compass. St. Franz Jägerstätter didn't want to be part of the German killing in World War II. He went into the darkness and came out of it deciding to refuse to be a Nazi. He was executed for his choice. So many people walk into the darkness of ambiguity and make decisions that are beyond their moral compass. Those are the ones who recline at the table. Jesus went through the darkness of the crucifixion and walked out at the Resurrection. Can we deal with it when we are called to go beyond our moral compass – to walk into the darkness and come out on the other side? (from Fr. Jack's homily)

Also attached is Fr. Jack's Pastoral Reflection.

Blessings!

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