

Monday Notes October 10, 2022

Mass Schedule

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

There will be a Mass at 8:00 on Tuesday, November 1, at 8:00 in honor of All Saints' Day.

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

The Mass for Sunday, November 6, will be recorded and posted on our website on Saturday, November 5: <https://www.stcronan.org/> If anyone is available to read for the recorded Mass on November 3 at 8:30 (please note time change) please contact Diane diane@stcronan.org

Special Collection for those recovering from the devastation of Hurricane Ian will take place this Weekend, October 15-16. The funds collected in this special appeal will become part of the Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund and will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services, the office relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church, to support the Church and humanitarian needs arising from this and any future disasters

Masks are suggested for all Masses.

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 parish workbook with information on our parish. We will 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>

For further information, please see the information attached.

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. Look for a flyer on Cronan Talk later this week with details.

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, Catholic Charities of St. Louis, Pax Christi USA, and Saint Louis University.

Memorial for our Saints Our Candle-lighting memorial service for those who have been buried from St. Cronan this year will take place on Sunday, October 30 at the 10:00 Mass. All Saints cards will be in the Chapel for those who have lost loved ones this year who had services at other churches. Please write their name on the card and place it in the basket. These will be placed on the Altar for the month of November.

Blessing Bags Children's Faith Formation will be assembling Blessing Bags this year for us to give the homeless we meet at street corners. We will be collecting items for the next four Sundays and assembling the bags on November 13, after the 10:00 Mass. A list of suggested items is attached. Please help us by donating any of these items. There will be a bin in the back of Church for your donations. Once the bags are assembled, we will have them available in Church for you to take and distribute.

Midtown Community Center Fundraiser: Lip Sync Battle, Friday, October 14, 6-9 p.m. at the 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 attached. or call 3140534-1180

High School Students: The Archdiocesan Office of Peace and Justice will be hosting a youth event on October 23rd, 4:30-8:00 at the Rigali Center titled, "Choose Life: Abolish the Death Penalty". This event will include mass, dinner, and education for high school students.

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. Upcoming sessions will occur on Oct. 16 and Nov. 20. Please see the flyer attached.

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. For information, please contact Paul.loida@bayer.com ; Berniesalmons@aol.com ; tulsabillw@gmail.com Please see the attached flyer for details.

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.

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

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

Being Who You Are, Perfectly Well: An LBGTQIA+ 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>

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!

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; 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; 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; Barry Buchek; Carolyn Coyne's daughter, Molly Maryan; Kathy Hunn's niece, Lisa; Sr. Cathy's friend, Inga Casillo.

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 August, 2022 collection and the Pastoral Staff are listed below the homily. The September collection will be in this week's bulletin and next week's Monday Notes.

Homily:

Today there is a question which is important for my prayer. Who is the person in your life that exhibited the most gratefulness? Naaman, before the beginning of this reading, was asked by Elisha to go and wash in the Jordan, and he didn't want to do that. He thought the Jordan was a dirty little river and there were other, cleaner rivers out there. His servants told him to just try it, so he did, and he was healed. I'll get to the thanks part later. Let's jump to the Gospel. In the Gospel we have these healings and one comes back to bring thanks. The one was a Samaritan. The rest were perhaps Jews and they were following the religion, which says you have to go to the priest and the priest would tell you whether you are cleansed. The Samaritan acted out of his heart. The others were acting out of their religion. But the bottom line in faith is gratefulness, because everything we have, every breath, every joy, everything in our life is a gift. So the bottom line is there must be gratefulness for all of us. I believe that we have the Eucharist as a sign of that gratefulness. To tie that in, at the end of the reading from Kings, Naaman says, "Can I take two mule-loads of dirt home?" The reason he says that was because they believed in geographical gods, so he's going to take the geography home to continue to bring praise and thanks to the God of the Israelites. So he is in that mode of gratefulness, of thanksgiving, just like the Samaritan in the Gospel.

I gave you that question in the beginning and my answer to who was the most grateful was one of my pastors in Festus. He was very grateful to all of the staff and the people and the teachers, but especially to the woman who would cook a few meals during the week. So far her birthday

he decided we would take her out. The first year he took her to the Chase, and she was very enamored because all her life she had wanted to go. The next year, she wanted to go to the Landing, so we went to Hennessey's and to a bar afterwards. She had peach schnapps. That's gratefulness.

Naaman had that dirt to remind him. As I said in the beginning, we have the Holy Eucharist. I sometimes wonder about all these people who have given up on institutional religion. Where do they give thanks? I'm reminded every week. I don't have any dirt, but I have the Bread of Life. The One who's given me so much. I'm reminded of that every week so that I might be a more grateful person, for all that's happening. That gratefulness has a way of healing those parts of me that maybe are on the edge. And so when we come today to this Eucharist, I invite you to bring that person and place them in the patent with the Bread, the most grateful person that you ever met. And may you and I follow that example and bring praise to Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Also attached is Fr. Jack's Pastoral Reflection

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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

Blessings!

Diane

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