

Monday Notes
June 20, 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 the rest of June will be live-streamed at 10:00 on Sundays and posted on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/StCronan/>

Masks are suggested for all Masses.

The Mass on July 3 will be recorded and available on our Website on Saturday afternoon. That Mass will be uploaded to our Website: www.stcronan.org
If anyone is available to lector for the recorded Mass on Thursday, June 30 at 9:30 a.m., please contact Diane diane@stcronan.org

Cardinal Glennon: There was a second collection for Cardinal Glennon Hospital Sunday, June 19. If you missed it, you can put it in the collection next Sunday. Please be generous.

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.



ACA update: Woohoo! We have made our goals, with 2 weeks to spare! Thank you for your generosity!

All Things New: THE ALL THINGS NEW PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM THANKS YOU FOR YOUR WONDERFUL INPUT FOR THE LAST QUESTIONS ON THE PARISH REPORT. IF YOU INTENDED TO SEND SOMETHING TO SR. CHABANEL (chabanelm@gmail.com) AND JUST DIDN'T GET TO IT, THE DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO TUESDAY AT NOON. WE HAVE PUT ALL OF OUR OTHER RESPONSES INTO THE REQUIRED FORMAT AND WE WILL HAVE TIME NOW TO MEET THE FRIDAY DEADLINE WITH OUR LAST RESPONSE IF YOU GET IT TO US BY TUESDAY.
ALSO, WE WILL BEGIN SENDING YOU A WEEKLY SHARING OF THE INFORMATION THE STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICE HAS SENT TO THE LEADERSHIP TEAM ABOUT OUR PARISH, ABOUT OUR PLANNING AREA, ETC. SO THAT YOU WILL HAVE THE SAME DATA WE HAVE. WE WILL INCLUDE THE SUMMARY OF

YOUR RESPONSES TO THE LAST QUESTION ON THE PARISH REPORT. ON JULY 31, WE WILL SEND YOU A WRITTEN REPORT OF OUR DISCIPLE MAKER SURVEY RESULTS.

Eucharist Cup? The Archdiocese is lifting the ban on receiving the Eucharist Cup. We will not be instituting this until we hear how comfortable people are for receiving and distributing wine at Masses. Please let Fr. Jack or Diane know your opinion. diane@stcronan.org or jschuler@stcronan.org

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

Day-Long Women's Retreat: The Women's Retreat has been postponed due to the excessive heat. Donna Moramarco, Kim Madden, and Mary Middendorf are in the planning stages. Express your interest in attending by emailing mary.middendorf@gmail.com as soon as possible. Space is limited. We are in need of a tent to provide shade at the retreat. If any one has a tent we could borrow, please contact Mary.

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, June 17. Please join us!

Pride Parade; The Pride Parade takes place this year on Sunday, June 26. We will be marching with the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Sr. Clare Bass is the point person. She will be sharing details via CronanTalk soon. If you have questions, you can contact her at Cbass@csjsl.org
Andrew Viragh has offered to have shirts made for the parade. If you are interested, please contact him at: ANDREW.VIRAGH@GMAIL.COM

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/>

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

Prayers Please: Laurel Hayes; Laurel Hayes' parents Jerry and Nancy; Robert Nathe's Mother, Eileen; Colleen Wallace's godson, Lachlan; Michelle Frank; Jennifer Lyle and Krista Rakers; Jessica; Nick Ambrose; Mike's grandson, Jack; Jim Gorman; Andrew Viraugh's Father; Sharon Orlet's sister, Betty; Nancy Buck's daughter, Jeanne; Kathy Bayless; Tom Kuciejczyk-Kernan's brother, Steve; Barry Buchek's wife, Mary; Trish Curtis' mother and brother; Gavin Barrett-Hayes; Barb Sopp's cousin, Patty Struckhoff; Marie and Roland Martir's granddaughter, Madi, and great-grandson; David Gaillardetz' father, Richard; Fr. Gerry's classmate, Fr. Pat O'Laughlin; Nick and Shirley Ambrose's daughter, Brigid Costello; Shelly Kurtz; Dorothy Lucey's brother, Leo Strathman; 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; Nancy Buck; Nancy Buck's daughter, Nancy Hall, Sr. Lynne's friend, Jan Berberich, SSND; Blanca; Barb Sopp's friend, Joe Sinibaldi; Tim Herzal; Al Sprehe.

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:

A Liturgical note: Last Sunday and today we had a Sequence after the second reading. There was a practical reason for this – it took a long time to bring the Gospel Book up at St. Peter's Basilica, so they inserted the Sequence. Now we still use sequences at certain Feasts.

This homily on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ could be titled "Random Thoughts about Eucharist." What we hear now in the press are discussions about who is worthy and who isn't to receive the Eucharist. This is unfortunate because the people who are deemed unworthy are exactly the people Jesus gave himself to. Tax collectors, for example, were stealing from their own people, yet Jesus embraced them. The lesson is don't politicize the Eucharist. On the other hand, there are programs in parishes that celebrate the miracles of the Eucharist. One story is a priest who was having trouble believing held up the host and it bled. St. Anthony of Padua had a particular devotion to the Eucharist. The story tells how a friend of

his wanted to test the strength of the Eucharist. He starved a donkey for three days, then put out hay and had St. Anthony hold the Eucharist. The donkey went for the Eucharist. I don't subscribe to these stories, but they are going around. I believe in what St. Teresa of Avila told us: the more material you need for your faith, the weaker your faith is.

The Apostles in today's Gospel faced an impossible situation. There were over 5,000 people gathered to hear Jesus in a place with little food. Jesus told them to feed them yourselves. They had 12 loaves and 2 fish, but they cooperated with God, and Jesus did the work. How often in our lives do we say "This is impossible." When my Mom went on hospice, I volunteered to be her caregiver, but knew little about what it entailed. A parishioner who is a nurse volunteered to dress her each morning, and my cousin who is a nurse was available to help when I needed it. I cooperated and Jesus supplied the rest. In the first reading Abraham left the security of his family to search for this unknown God. Melchisedek blessed him and told him "You're on the right road." The impossible becomes more possible. What impossible work will God place before you this week? How can we cooperate with Jesus to do the impossible? In Zambia, wheelchairs are useless and this paralyzed man used a hand bike to get around. When he came to church, he would crawl on his hands to get to the Eucharist. How bad do we want it?



Also attached is Johnny Zokovitch's Pastoral Reflection.

Blessings!

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