

Monday Notes (on Tuesday)
June 28, 2022

Mass Schedule

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

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

The Masses for the rest of July 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.

Missionary Sunday: Join with the missionaries who dedicate their lives so that others might come to know Christ and live in the faith that is our joy. On July 9-10, a priest from the Philippines, Fr. Anthony Bautista of the Religious Institute of the Alagad ni Maria (Disciples of Mary) will be sharing his missionary experience among the young. We would like to invite you to take part in his mission apostolate through your prayers and donations as he reaches out to so many youth who are confronted by the serious challenges of addiction, materialism, violence, and abuse. Please be as generous as possible in responding to our Lord's call to each one of us to take part in His mission to all people.

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: THE ALL THINGS NEW PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM THANKS YOU FOR YOUR WONDERFUL INPUT FOR THE LAST QUESTIONS ON THE PARISH REPORT. 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.

Baseball Raffle: Congratulations to our big winners from this week's baseball raffle results. Both Maggie Mahon (\$200) and Marcia Koester (\$400) were big winners!!! Thanks to Maggie and Marcia and ALL the participants of our fundraisers.

Children's Faith Formation: 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 on the table in the chapel, or contact Diane diane@stcronan.org.

Vacation Bible School: St. Vincent DePaul Parish is hosting a Vacation Bible School for ALL South City parishes and YOU are invited to participate!

When & Where: August 1-5 from 9am - noon at St. Frances Cabrini Academy

Who: ANY child from PK3-5th grade is welcome to attend.

Cost is \$25/child, but FREE if a parent, grandparent, or sibling volunteers!

We need volunteers of all ages to help make this happen! Whether you're getting ready for 6th grade, enjoying your retirement, or anywhere in-between - we would LOVE to have you!

Learn more about VBS, available volunteer opportunities, and register to attend or volunteer at: <https://www.stvstl.org/vbs22> We hope to see you there!

Please contact Jess Adams, St. Vincent's Coordinator of Family Faith Formation, with questions! jess.adams@stvstl.org

St. Angela Merici Parish in Florissant is celebrating 60 years as a parish on July 18 with 6:00 Mass, followed by dinner. For further information, please see the flyer attached.

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, July 15. 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/>

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 Herzel; Al Sprehe., Donna Zuroweste; Bob Barnicle.

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:

In Luke it says "woe to you lawyers who lay heavy burdens on others and don't lift a finger to help them." This week the Supreme Court decided that the gun law in New York that worked

fine for 100 years was too restrictive in a time when we had over 200 mass shootings already this year and then the next day the Supreme Court decided to overthrow Roe vs Wade in the name of being pro-life. Pro-life, when it doesn't take in all of the human considerations, is really pro-birth. Parents know that until you get about 20 years in, you are not confident of a child's life. In order to do that, you need a just wage, shelter, health care, adequate food. Many of those things pro-life legislators do not consider important. Lots of pro-life Bishops are really just pro-birth Bishops, too, because some of them seem not to think that sexual abuse impacts life at all. What we need is consistent integrity in our country and in our Church, which starts with consistent integrity in ourselves.

My little neighbor, Fiona, has cerebral palsy that affects her ability to run and walk as fast as her friends, but what she lacks physically, she makes up for in tremendous social skills and personality. Last summer, she told me her therapist was coming to the backyard instead of her going to Cardinal Glennon. I asked her what she was working on, and she said "anger management." James and John, the sons of thunder in today's Gospel, could use a course in anger management. When they go to look for a route for Jesus as he goes to Jerusalem, determined to meet his death, and meet with resistance, they ask if they should bring "fire down from heaven," which today would mean "get an AK-47 and wipe them out." And Jesus says, no we will go by a different route. The Gospel goes on, and picks up from the first reading, the idea of following. The Gospels talk about being called to follow Jesus 80 times. Are we faithful followers and are we passing the garment of prophecy, the garment of faith, are we passing it along? Are we attracting followers? Jesus asks people to follow Him and people have reasons not to. Jesus is on the road to Jerusalem and says, "Get with the procession."

In my first assignment in St. Genevieve, I asked a 90-year-old gentleman about the good old days, and he said they weren't all that good, but I was a lot younger then. As the diocese moves into this "All Things New" program, we may not like all things new, because we like all things I'm comfortable with. So when someone says "All Things New," you just want to look backwards. I look backwards when I first came to St. Cronan, it wasn't the golden age of St. Cronan, because many people were unhappy. All Things New is going to change, no matter how we like it, or what we think about it. We can go forth with faltering steps, or we can look back with regret. So may we continue to go on our faltering way, but faithfully, starting out with being nourished at the Lord's Table here, and, like Fiona, whenever our footsteps falter pick ourselves up once more. (From Fr. Gerry's intro to Mass and Homily)

Also attached is Fr. Jack's Pastoral Reflection.

Blessings!

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