



St. Cronan Catholic Church
June 28
Thirteenth Sunday of
Ordinary Time



Mass Information

SUNDAY – 8 am. and 10 am.

SATURDAY VIGIL – 5 pm.

Wednesdays – 8 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment.

Bulletin Deadline: Noon Tuesday



ACA: Thank you to all who have returned their pledge cards. **We are VERY close to our goal!!!** If you haven't yet, please return your ACA Pledge Card, even if you are unable to contribute. We need all cards returned. Cards can be placed in the collection basket, mailed or dropped off to the church office. If you did not receive a card, please contact Mary in the church office, or use a blank card on the table in the church vestibule. Once you have returned your card, be sure to put a cookie sticker in our cookie jar! Join us for a Cookie Party in the church vestibule on July 18/19 after all the masses.

The St. Cronan LGBTQIA+ Ministry will meet for a fellowship gathering on Monday, June 29. Please note that this is a closed meeting for members of the LGBTQ+ community only, out of respect for confidentiality and safety of those in attendance. Please contact co-leads Sarah Reilly ((317) 900-3474 or sjean.2017@gmail.com) or Faye Branum ((618) 303-6878 or faye.branum@gmail.com) for details. Future meeting dates will be August 10, October 12, and December 14.



Attention families! If you have children--from newborns up through teens --and are interested in getting together to talk about religious formation and education ideas for your family, please go online and fill out this form at <https://cutt.ly/family-rel-ed>. We've tentatively scheduled an introductory discussion for Sunday, August 16th at coffee and donuts, but are flexible if that date doesn't work for folks! Feel free too to seek Diane or Johnny out and share with us any input, questions or ideas!



Prayers Please: Nick and Shirley Ambrose and Family; Elisabeth Byrne's mom, Denise Siebold; Yvonne DeHart's daughter, Cathy Hebert; Nancy Buck's daughter, Jeanne Oberle; Trish Curtis' sibling, Skip; Joe Fairless; Judith Santamaria, Leslie Conway; Madonna and Tom's friend, 3-1/2 year old Juliette Braren; Jane Sykes; Mary Proot's sister, Terry Jacks, and Mary's son, Tim Proot; Madonna Kuciejczyk-Kernan; Ken Ladd; Fr. Gerry Kleba; Marie and Roland Martir's daughter, Carrie; J.T. Fowler; Grace Mueller; Joe Kuciejczyk, brother of Madonna and Janet, and brother-in-law of Tom; Maria, daughter of Marci and Dominic Soda; Sr. Lynne Schmidt's nephew, Brian Ahr; Teresa Beard's son, Edward Burch; Ed Calcaterra, brother of Diane Calcaterra; Colleen Wallace's cousins, Katy and Dennis Rosolowski; Ruth Hasser; Sandra Ward; Fr. Jerry Stookey's brother, Tom; Cecilia Kelly; Sr. Leah Holzum; Debbie Kowalski's father, David Cobb; Neil O'Hallaron, Doritt's husband; Nicholas Yost, great-nephew of Charlene Zeni Connolly; Dede Coughlin.; Irma Forbes; Kathy Hunn's brother, Jon Trudell, who has entered hospice.

Kay Schmitt passed away last week. A private service is being planned. Please keep Henry and the rest of Kay's family in your prayers.



Administrator's Wish List: Thanks so very much to those who have donated to the Wish List this year. We are still in need of several items on the list if you would like to donate. See the table in the vestibule of church for more details and how to participate. Please contact Mary in the church office if you have any questions.

Black Lives Matter Vigil takes place the third Friday of the month at the corner of Manchester and Kingshighway, 4:30-5:30 p.m. The next vigil will take place on Friday, July 17. Please join us!



Christmas in July: We are again collecting school supplies for St. Cecilia School and Academy and St. Louis Catholic Academy. Beginning July 4, please take an ornament from the Christmas Tree in the church vestibule and purchase the items listed, then return them by July 26. See flyer in church for more info.

Archdiocese of St. Louis Jubilee Prayer Intentions: As part of the 200th Jubilee of the Archdiocese, we are invited to be a part of a united offering of prayer to take place at the Jubilee Mass on June 18 at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. There is a box in the vestibule of church for you to submit your intention.





St. Cronan Social Justice Book Club Meets in the church office building meeting room after the 10am mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Our July 12 book is "Lessons from the Edge: A Memoir" by Marie Yovanovitch. We invite you to join us in person or to simply read with us.

Immigrant Food Distribution: The next food distribution to our Immigrant Families will take place Saturday, July 4. To register to help, please visit: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084BAFAF23A0F49-57243020-immigrant>



**Immigrant
& Refugee
Ministry**

Here is a list of items most needed for July:

- Diapers: sizes 3, 4, and 7
- Baby wipes
- Tampons
- Pads

Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Collection: Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Collection. Your generosity is always appreciated! If you still want to contribute there are envelopes in the vestibule. Please make your checks out to **St. Cronan** with IRM in the memo line. If you would like to contribute online, please contact mary@stcronan.org for instructions.

United in Hope fundraiser will take place July 11, 2-4 p.m. at the Cardinal Rigali Center to celebrate all the gifts immigrants bring to our Church, our region and our country. Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchased here <https://peacejusticecommission.regfox.com/united-in-hope-fundraiser> Sponsored by The Immigration Task Force of the Archdiocese of St Louis.

Database updates: We are in the process of updating our database of church membership. If you are a registered member and would like to have a family photo included in our online directory, please send it to mary@stcronan.org. In addition, if you have had any changes in the last year to your phone number, address, email, etc. please send those changes to Mary, as well. Thank you.



St. Cronan Catholic Church Land Acknowledgement.

We respectfully acknowledge that St. Cronan Church stands on the ancestral lands of Native American and Indigenous peoples. We honor their enduring presence and acknowledge the historical and ongoing impacts of colonization. We are committed to learning, dialogue, and fostering reconciliation with Native American and Indigenous communities.

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Years ago, when I first encountered today's Gospel, it caused me to balk. It sounded an awful lot like Jesus was competitively or jealously saying, "You must love me most." It was hard to square this with my experience of God as all-loving and gentle.

Now that I am revisiting this passage as a new parent another time over, I hear it differently. Transitioning from one child to two makes the non-exclusivity and non-hierarchical nature of God's love painfully apparent and personal. Having more than one child is visceral, gut-level proof that there is always enough love to go around.

As St. Teresa of Avila said, "Christ has no body but yours." This is true for all of us, and especially so for those whom we love most. It is in the bodies and faces of our most cherished loved ones that Christ comes to us most clearly and most completely. Jesus is reminding us that when we love one another as deeply and completely as we can, it is God we are loving and in the Divine Life of God that we are participating.

We are able to love best when we hold these truths close to our hearts and love one another like we are loving Christ—because we are. I am the best mother and the best spouse when I mother my children as if they are the Christ child and love my spouse as if they, too, were Christ.

Jesus is not calling us into hierarchical or competitive love. He is calling us into a love free of all human concerns born out of human scarcity. He is calling us deeper into a love that overflows, that blurs boundaries, that transcends divisions—even divisions as deep as self and other. He is calling us into a love that, in all of its particularities, reverberates only God.

—Loren Gaillardetz

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