

Pastoral Reflection
Feast of St. Louis
August 25, 2024

This weekend we celebrate our Patronal Feast i.e. St. Louis instead of the Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time. As with most folks there is a shadow side to St. Louis. Besides all the wonderful things he did for people, especially those in need, and for the realm in general, there was also his involvement in the Crusades. Horrible actions were taken in the Crusades in the name of Christ, for war is never a pleasant scene. But, I wanted to share with you part of St. Louis' last will and testament.

“Listen to the divine office with pleasure and devotion. As long as you are in church, be careful not to let your eyes wander and not to speak empty words, but pray to the Lord devoutly, either aloud or with the interior prayers of the heart.

Be kindhearted to the poor, the unfortunate and the afflicted. Give them as much help and consolation as you can. Thank God for all the benefits he has bestowed upon you, that you may be worthy to receive greater. Be just to your subjects, swaying neither to right nor left, but holding the line of justice. Always side with the poor rather than with the rich, until you are certain of the truth. See that all your subjects live in justice

and peace, but especially those who have ecclesiastical rank and who belong to religious orders.

Be devout and obedient to our mother the Church of Rome and the Supreme Pontiff as your spiritual father. Work to remove all sin from your land, particularly blasphemies and heresies.

In conclusion, dearest son, I give you every blessing that a loving father can give a son. May the three Persons of the Holy Trinity and all the saints protect you from every evil. And may the Lord give you the grace to do his will so that he may be served and honored through you that in the next life we may together come to serve him, love him and praise him unceasingly. Amen.”

—Fr. Jack (he, his)

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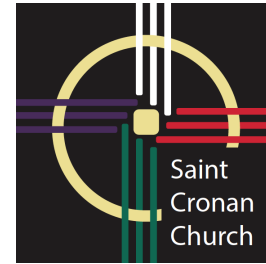
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St. Cronan Catholic Church
The Feast of St. Louis
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Mass Information

SUNDAY – 8 a.m. and 10 am.

SATURDAY VIGIL – 5:00 pm.

Wednesdays – 8:00 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment.

World Day for Migrants and Refugees. On September 29th, 2024, the Archdiocese of St Louis Immigration Task Force and St Louis University are hosting a Solidarity Walk and Mass in honor of the World Day for Migrants and Refugees. Our Church has been celebrating the World Day of Migrants and Refugees since 1914, this will be the 110th celebration. As Catholics, it is important to stand in solidarity with our migrant and refugee brothers and sisters and we believe this event will be a public way to show our support. There is no need to RSVP. Please just come and bring your family and friends to the walk and the celebration of the Mass with Bishop Rivituso.

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, Sept. 20. Please join us!



Mum Sale! Purchase beautiful Mums for your Fall décor and proceeds go to St. Cronan and St. Cronan programming. All Mums are in 9 inch pots. \$15 each. Choose from yellow, red, orange or white. Pick up will be after all masses on Sat. Sept. 21 and

22. Order online here: <https://fall-mum-sale.square.site/>, use the QR code or order after masses through Thursday Sept. 12 by noon. You can also order through the church office by calling 314-289-9384 or emailing Mary at mary@stcronan.org.





Prayers : John Gozdziwski, Tom and Madonna Kuciejczyk-Kernan, Joseph Kuciejczyk (brother of Madonna and Sr. Janet), Nick and Shirley Ambrose, Kathy Hunn's niece Lisa and her brother Jon, Mary Truetken, Pam (cousin of Donna Zuroweste), Laura Krueger's mother, Evelyn Puleo, Marie and Roland Martir's grandson, Camden and daughter, Carrie; Sr. Pauline's niece; Laura Rettke, John Nauhm, Bob Barnicle, Sandra Ward's family and her friend; Anita, Sr. Mary Ellen (friend of Nick Ambrose), Jim Chapin (friend of Marty Spies), Bob Wiley, Pam Schaefer, Joe and Janice Fairless, Eileen Heidenheimer's friends, Joe and Laura; Diane Von Hof, friend of Joan and Trish Curtis; Brian and Susan Klinkhardt friends of Judith Santamaria; Andrew Moll's brother, Michael, Saralou Henderson, Kathy Bayless, Jesse Koenig; friend of Mary Solomon and former parishioner Sr. Louise Lears and her family, Shelly Kurtz's Great Nephew, Scott Barricklow; Fr. Gerry's young friend; Ben Zevely, Sheryl Renken's brother Dan Engelman, Colleen Wallace's cousin, Katy Rosolowski and friend, Kelsey MacBryde.; Sheryl Renken's brother, Dan Engelman.

STL Black History Tours are planned for the following dates:
Sept. 21 and Oct. 19

To sign-up email the tour date, your name, email address, and phone number to Paul Loida at the email address below.

The group will meet at St Cronan Catholic Church at 9:45 AM and bus will return to St Cronan at 1 PM. There will be an optional brown bag lunch and discussion following, for those interested. For mor info contact Paul Loida. paul.loida@bayer.com



Attn All Men Bored on Saturday evenings, tired after working, just need a rest and want to spend some time with your friends ? Then come to the New Men's Club. We can watch sports together, play cards, talk politics or just enjoy being there. First meeting? Saturday September 21, 2024, in the Parish Center hall lower level 6:30 till ? Contact Nick Ambrose with any questions. Nambrsr1@gmail.com



St. John's Church Football Raffle is Back!

The raffle tickets are \$25 for a chance to win weekly prizes for 18 weeks. St. Cronan has had quite a few big winners for the Baseball and Football Raffles in the past. You may purchase your tickets after all Masses. if you attend the 8am or 5pm on Saturday, please see Diane or Fr. Jack for a ticket. You can also purchase tickets from the Parish Office 9-3pm weekdays or by calling 314-289-9384. If writing a check, please make it out to ST. JOHN CHURCH (not St. Cronan). **Sales will end Sunday, Sept. 1.** Thank you for your support!



Catholic Worker Lightning Donation Drive! To support the new Catholic Worker house in St. Louis, we are collecting donations for the rest of August. Please bring in your donations and place them in the box in the back of church. You can also bring your donations into the church office during the week between 9am and 3pm. The last day to bring in donations will be Sunday September 1st.

They are requesting the following items to support their outreach efforts to the community:

- Bottled water
- Single portion water enhancers (Propel, Crystal Lite, lemonade packets, flavored electrolytes, etc)
- White rice
- Bags of pinto beans
- Vegetable or chicken bullion
- Freezer pops (the kind you buy at room temperature and then freeze)
- Over the counter pain relievers
- Packets of taco seasoning
- Sponges
- Dish soap
- Salsa
- Bags of onions
- Garlic

Thank you so much for all your support!

Events from St. Margaret of Scotland: August 29, 7:00 p.m. Third Forum on Gun Violence Prevention, "From Outrage to Action" will take place at the SMOS Hall at 3864 Flad, 63110. RSVP: BIT.LY/SMOSOUTRAGE3. See flyer for more info. September 12, Virtula evening on voting ground in Catholic Social Teaching: "Informed, Engaged and Committed." More info to follow.

Washington University Mindfulness Week: September 24-27, live events and webinars, including speakers on mindfulness and Mindfulness and Anti-Racism. For more information: <https://mindfulness.wustl.edu/washu-mindfulness-week-2024>

Ministries at St. Cronan: The list of St. Cronan ministries can be found on our website <https://stcronan.org/community> The list includes contact persons for each ministry. If your group has any open meetings that you would like to publish, please have the details to Mary by noon on Wednesday for the bulletin, and to Diane by 9am Monday morning for Monday Notes. We will also add your meeting to the website calendar.

