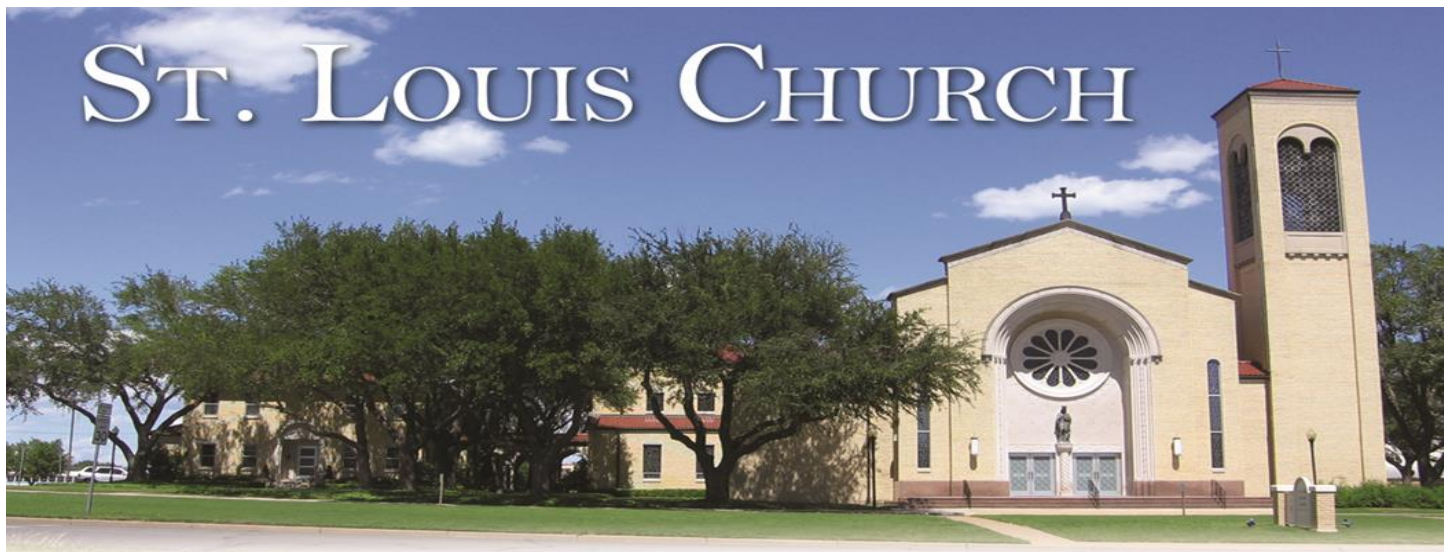


ST. LOUIS CHURCH



JANUARY 15, 2017 – THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SACRAMENTS

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call during office hours -
If emergency after hours call, follow
prompts to the emergency line

BAPTISM

follow Masses
on the Weekends

Baptismal Class

English - First Saturday
in Grace Hall 9 a.m. – Noon

Spanish – Second Saturday
in Bible Study Room 9a.m. – Noon

MATRIMONY

Contact Priest 6 months prior to the
wedding date

CONFESSION

Thursday
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(with Adoration until 6:30 p.m.)

Saturday
4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.
(Also by appointment)

FOR HELP WITH ANNULMENTS

Contact: Beverly Dickey
runningranny@hotmail.com

HOLY EUCHARIST

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses
Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday - Friday 12:05 p.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses
9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
& 5:00 p.m.
Spanish Mass at 1:30 p.m.

ST. LOUIS CHURCH

(254) 754-1221

Website: www.stlouiswaco.com

Office Hours: Monday - Friday
8:30 am. - 12:30 pm. &
1:30 - 5:00 pm.

***Friday office closes at 4:00 pm.**

ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Liturgical Music

Saturday - Vigil Mass: 5 p.m. & Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m.

Processional.....	Gather #747
<i>"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"</i>	
Psalm.....	Missalette p. 96 #40
<i>"Here Am I Lord"</i>	
Offertory.....	Gather #649
<i>"You Are Mine"</i>	
Communion.....	Gather #831
<i>"Take and Eat"</i>	
Recessional	Gather #606
<i>"How Firm a Foundation"</i>	

Mass Intentions

Sat. Jan. 14	5:00 p.m.	Jose DeLaGarza
Sun. Jan. 15	9:30 a.m.	Annie Holacka
	11:30 a.m.	Frank Scarmardo
Spanish Mass	1:30 p.m.	The Parish; Living & Deceased
	5:00 p.m.	Joe Woycheshin
Mon. Jan. 16	8:00 a.m.	Kim & David Littlewood (L)
Tues. Jan. 17	8:00 a.m.	Dr. David McTaggart
Wed. Jan. 18	8:00 a.m.	Garson/Schommer Family
	12:05 p.m.	Katie & Albert Filer
Thurs. Jan. 19	8:00 a.m.	Dr. Roy McLaughlin
	12:00 p.m.	Sam Palmeri
Fri. Jan. 20	8:00 a.m.	Kenneth Love & Family
	12:05 p.m.	Joe Woyscheshin
Sat. Jan. 21	5:00 p.m.	Ryan Perez (L)
Sun. Jan.22	9:30 a.m.	Angie Henkelman
	11:30 a.m.	Lisa Cofsky
Spanish Mass	1:30 p.m.	The Parish; Living & Deceased
	5:00 p.m.	Joan Hemmer

Readings for the Week

Sunday:	Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34
Monday:	Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25--8:6/Ps 40/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47/Mk 3:20-21

Notes of Special Interest

THIS WEEKEND, January 14 & 15 we will once again take up a special collection for our Building Fund. There are several much need project around the church that needs our attention. Thank you for your continued support!

2017 COLLECTION ENVELOPES will be available only by contacting us at 754-1221 or stopping by the parish office during regular office hours; Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. or on Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Signing out envelopes is especially important to the families who have children enrolled at St. Louis School and Reicher High School.

YEAR END CONTRIBUTION LETTERS FOR 2016 will be mailed out automatically for contributions of \$250.00 or more by the end of January. Letters for amounts lower than \$250.00 will need to be requested

NEWCOMERS - If you are new to our community, please fill out a Parish Registration (Census) form found at each entrance of the church. Just complete and drop in the collection basket or give to one of the Ushers. We welcome you and your family with open arms and warm hearts.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY CLASS - Anyone interested in facilitating a Theology of the Body Class please contact Father John at (254) 754-1221.

Parish Events and Meetings

AN IDEA FOR A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: Consider joining the Wednesday night Bible Study as we begin Jeff Cavin's study on REVELATION on **January 18th**. We will meet from 5:30-7:15 pm in Grace Hall in conjunction with the CCE calendar. Cost of materials is \$20. For more information or to reserve a spot please contact Diane Schlecte at dschl@swbell.net or 254-776-4241.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – St. Louis Catholic Church will be offering Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and Worship. **every third Thursday of the Month** during our regular Adoration/Confession time of 5-6:30 p.m. Come unite with us and our Parish as we Adore, Praise, and Worship our Lord on **Thursday, January 19**. All are Welcome.

WOMENS' SUPPORT AND PRAYER GROUP will meet **Monday, January 23**. Please consider join us to see what it is all about. Call Sandy at 254-723-4220 for more information.

TOWN HALL MEETING - Mark your calendars for **Monday, January 23**. We will hold a town hall meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the church. The Parish Council, Parish Finance Committee along with the Priest will be in attendance to answer question, concerns, complaints, take suggestion, etc. This is your chance to have your voice heard. All are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Youth Ministry

SLY (St Louis Youth Group) High School 9th - Food Ministry Volunteers needs volunteers to help provide meals for our teens on Sunday evenings at 6pm. If you can help please let Tracy know which date you can cover. We appreciate your help and generosity! God bless! Jan 22; Feb 5, 12, 19, 26; Mar 12, 19, 26; Apr 2, 9, 23, 30. For information contact Tracy Gomez stlouisyouthwaco@mygrande.net 754-1221

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION - Classes will be from 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm at the SLAC **beginning Wednesday, January 11th**. The mandatory retreat will be March 17th - 19th at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet, TX. Confirmation will take place at 1:00 pm on Saturday, April 8th. If you are a Reicher student and have not registered, please visit www.slywaco.org/confirmation to download the forms and review the requirements. For more information or questions please contact Tracy Gomez at (254) 754-1221 or stlouisyouthwaco@mygrande.net.

MLK Service Day - Mission Waco will be sponsor a day of education and service on **Monday January 16th**. We will take 11 teens to this event. If you are interested in going please contact Tracy by January 13th. There is no cost for this event.

DCYC - The Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference of Austin is January 27-29, 2017. It is open to all teens in 9th - 12th grade. The conference is a weekend full of dynamic speakers, praise and worship, breakout sessions, Adoration, Reconciliation, Mass and a time to share and enjoy your faith with thousands of other teens. This is truly a wonderful weekend. The cost of the conference is \$60 per teen. We would love for are teens to attend with us. Contact Tracy Gomez at stlouistyouthgroup@mygrande.net. Service hours are given to Reicher students that attend with us.

FATHER/DAUGHTER DATE NIGHT - The Youth Group will host their annual Father/Daughter Date Night on **Saturday, February 11th from 6pm to 8pm** at the SLAC. The night will consist of dinner, dancing and pictures. Tickets are \$20 for 2 and \$10 for an additional guest. Tickets can be purchased at the Church office, from a youth member after Mass or at St Louis school. Funds will help our teens going on our Spring Break Mission trip and CHWC.

Community Notes

PRO-LIFE WACO will sponsors an Interstate 35 Pedestrian Overpass Outreach on **Saturday, January 21**, 10 a.m. to noon. The event is in sad recognition of 44 years of legal abortion under the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision. We will send positive pro-life messages to thousands of travelers from Waco and far beyond. No graphic images. Come out with all generations of your family. Location is 8th Street at Interstate 35, near Baylor. Park on 8th street near Panera Bread. Contact John Pisciotta (644-0407 or prolifewaco@gmail.com) for questions.

RALLY FOR LIFE in Austin is the largest pro-life event of the year for Texas. Thousands march up Congress Ave to the steps of the Capitol for speeches, praise, and music. Waco will hold the largest banner in the march. Two vans will depart Waco at 11:00 a.m. and will return by 5 p.m. **Saturday, January 28**. The vanpool departs from St. Mary's Waco church parking lot. You can take your vehicle or ride in comfort with new pro-life friends at no cost. To reserve a spot on a van, contact John Pisciotta 254-644-0407 or prolifewaco@gmail.com

LONGEST MARRIED COUPLE - Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) is looking for the Longest Married Couple in all parishes. Why? Because WWME for the seventh year in a row is conducting the 2017 Longest Married Couple Project. The Project was created to highlight the value of marriage and to show the world that marriage really can go the distance. If you have been

married for 50 years or more, or know a couple who have, please contact your parish with names, wedding date and city of residence. They will submit the information to WWME for nominated to the state and national project or you can go to the www.melmc.com website to see how you can nominate long married couples. What an honor this would be!

ALL CLERGY, PAID STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS working with youth and vulnerable adults are required to complete an Application for Ministry and attend an EIM workshop. **The Workshop is required for all new applicants within 60 days application submission and must be retaken every three years. Sign up for an EIM workshop is done on-line through your EIM account. Please contact your parish or Catholic school EIM site administrator if you need assistance.** Log-in to the Diocese; www.austindiocese.org and click on the link in the upper right hand corner called "quick links". **St. Louis, Waco on January 28 at 10 am - 12:15 pm in Grace Hall.**

MEN OF THE ST. LOUIS PARISH prayerfully consider attending the 5th annual Austin Diocese Catholic Men's Conference on **Saturday, February 18th** at St Vincent DePaul Catholic Church in Austin. The keynote speakers are Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers author of "Behold the Man and Gus Lloyd, host of Seize the Day, the morning radio show on Sirius XM the Catholic Channel. Information and tickets for the Conference may be purchased after mass today. For more information contact John McCue 254-717-7674.

PREPARATION FOR TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS - In Fatima, Our Lady said, "My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God." On this 100-Year Anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions in Fatima, please join thousands of Faithful throughout our Diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for **Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary**. The prayers begin on February 20th and are done privately using the preparation book. Please visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org by **January 25th** to order your **FREE** copy of the Montfort preparation prayer book.

DEFENDING THE FAITH CONFERENCE: All adults are invited to join Fr. John this Summer in attending the *Defending the faith Conference* at Franciscan University, July 28th – 30th 2017. There will many speakers like Dr. Scott Hahn and Patrick Madrid. It will be a great weekend. If you are interested please contact Fr. John at 254-754-1221 or visit the website at <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/dfc/>

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Gospel Meditation

"Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God." John the Baptist had an important message to impart. He was called by God to prepare the people of Israel to recognize Jesus' true identity. In a sense, he helped establish credibility for Christ by confirming that he was in fact the Messiah. Jesus didn't just have to claim it on his own; John also "testified" to the fact. We, of course, also benefit from the witness of John the Baptist recorded for us in the Gospels. And we have additional witnesses from the rest of the people throughout the Gospels who knew and recognized Jesus as the Son of God. But we also have the benefit of two thousand years of Church history! We have countless testimonies of saints and believers throughout the centuries who have known Jesus in their own lives and acted accordingly.

This raises two questions. First, are we willing to believe these testimonies from those who have gone before us? Consider how much credence we give to the experiences and the stories of our forefathers and foremothers in the faith--whether they are blood relatives or members of the larger communion of saints. Sometimes these personal accounts of coming to know the Lord are much more powerful than any "proof" or intellectual proposal about Christianity. They do require a degree of faith and trust, but they nonetheless provide us with real evidence about the impact of being close to Christ.

Secondly, let us consider whether or not we are willing to give testimony to who Christ is to us? It's one thing to believe in Jesus; it's another thing to share that faith with others. But like John the Baptist, we are called to share the truth so that others may come to believe.

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THE ST. LOUIS PASTORAL COUNCIL meets monthly as an advisory group to our pastor. If you have a question, concern, or compliment about the parish, please contact one of the members of the council: Holly Collins, Chairman email: HollyCollins@Baylor.edu and members, Raymundo Garcia, Sharon McCarthy, Susanne Nemmer, Jackie Zrubek, Mark Veselka, Maritza Perez and Mike Fulbright.

Collection Report

Weekly Average needed for School & Church.....\$21,500.00
Offering Christmas Weekend.....\$20,130.34

Site Improvement Report

Fund 3 phase project goal..... \$121,300.00
Collected to date.....\$ 35,609.04

Thank you for your generosity!

Electronic giving is available for regular Sunday collections only for more information call (254) 754-1221