# ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

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am the good shepherd, says the Lord; know my sheep, and mine know me. John 10:14 Dear Parishioners.

Christ is risen indeed!

The Gospel of the Fourth Sunday of Easter is not a resurrection story. John, chapter 10, is set in the winter months; it is the festival of Chanukah, the anniversary of the re-dedication of the Temple, usually in December. Here Jesus uses the images of sheep and shepherd, of sheepfold and pasture, the gate and the gate-keeper.

These simple images from the ordinary life of the people point us to something much more profound. Jesus is calling us to be with him, to live with him forever by faith. When Jesus passes over from this world to God, his Father, he has prepared us by word and example, by his "new commandment" and his promise of the Holy Spirit, to continue in this world what he began. The Shepherd walks ahead of us, and we follow where he has gone.

Somewhere I read an interpretation of today's brief Gospel. In those times, a sheepfold or enclosure was little more than a circle of rocks, sometimes topped with thorn branches. The entrance to this enclosure was simply a gap in the circle, just wide enough for a few sheep to pass through at a time. When all were inside, the shepherd lay down to sleep in the gap. He was, himself, the gate, guarding and protecting the sheep with his own body. Ever the humble servant, Jesus lies down to rest with his flock, and, as he himself says, lays down his very life for each of us and for all of us.

The "good shepherd" images also challenge us to be active members of the community. We are not simply passive "sheep" waiting for someone else to care for us. We are also empowered by the Spirit of Jesus to lay down our lives as servant-leaders for others. When the call goes out for volunteers, for new committee or board members, or for participants in a group—be a "good shepherd" like Jesus, and offer your time and ability to keep our parish growing.

Peace be with you,

Fr Paul

Pastor, Rev. Paul J. Niemann (Ext. 207)

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**Baptism of Children:** The parents' **preparation session** is usually held on the **first Tuesday of the month at 7pm.** Please call the parish office for more information and to register for the session.

**Anointing of the Sick:** The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available upon request, especially before surgery or hospitalization.

**Marriage:** St. Pius V Church is available for weddings of parishioners only. Engaged couples should contact the Pastor as soon as possible after engagement and at least six months prior to the wedding

#### Parish Secretary/Bulletin Editor,

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Parish Office Hours:

Tue & Thurs 8:30--4pm

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

#### Message from Archbishop Robert J. Carlson

The suspension of Public Mass is extended through May 8th.

The general dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will remain in place for all Catholics of the archdiocese.

Archbishop Carlson is working with the other Missouri bishops, the governor of Missouri, the mayor of St. Louis and other local officials to implement a policy for the return to public Mass. This policy will include guidelines for parishes and will adhere to the CDC guidelines for religious organizations, which are expected from the federal government later this week.

"I look forward to sharing a date soon for the resumption of public Mass across the Archdiocese of St. Louis, and once again reuniting our faithful in the celebration of the Eucharist given to us by our Lord Jesus Christ. It is important at this time for us to walk prudently with the Lord in making this decision, ensuring the proper protocols are in place and that support is available to our parishes in creating a safe environment for God's people to worship."

Given the restrictions on public gatherings included within Governor Parsons' directive to re-open the state of Missouri on May 3, in addition to the extension of public Mass suspension, Archbishop Carlson's directive also prohibits all public gatherings at parishes within the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Additional updates will be announced as developments occur.

All updates and resources from the Archdiocese of St. Louis regarding COVID-19, including stories from the St. Louis Review, can be found at archstl.org/coronavirus. Please direct questions to communications@archstl.org.

St. Pius V Prayer / Confession Times

Church is open for individual prayer Saturdays, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Confessions 4:30 PM

Sundays, 9:30 - 11:00 AM (Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament)

Confessions 9:30 AM

Rectory Chapel open for individual prayer only: Monday-Friday

7:30 - 8:30 am

Follow the red signs to the back door of the rectory.

February was an expensive month with snow removal and fish fry startup. Thanks so much to all who are continuing their financial support of our parish. We are grateful to those who have made special donations to our parish in this season. Our parish and our St Frances Cabrini Academy qualified for loans from the SBA, which will allow us to keep all our staff on payroll for the next two months.

GENERAL REVENUE & EXPENSE February 2020				
Revenue		Total		
	Offertory & Gifts	\$24,269		
	Misc. Revenue	\$1,216		
	Rental Income	\$1,500		
	Restricted Gifts	\$2,022		
	Arch. Grant	\$3,539		
	Fund Raising	(\$3,215)		
		\$29,331		
Expense				
	Personnel	\$11,566		
	Supplies	\$1,701		
	Fees & Services	\$2,910		
	Cleaning/Repair &			
	Maintenance	\$8,090		
	Cabrini Academy	\$4,971		
	Insurance &			
	Support Svc	\$8,676		
		\$37,914		
Net Income		(\$8,583)		

Our St Vincent de Paul Conferences also thank you for your generosity as we continue to serve our neighbors in need. Our Food Pantry continues to serve, and will gladly receive donations of food (just before opening on Tuesdays and Saturdays) or money (any time.) The pantry is open Tuesdays, 2:00-3:30 pm and Saturdays, 10:00-11:30 am.



# PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE HOSPITALIZED AND FOR ALL THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:

Happy Aboflan, Jeff Adkisson, Nancy Adkisson, Ruth Brooks, Debbie Cornelius, Alex Cason, Laura Fazio, Maria Tran Thi Gioi, Arnie Heuvelman, Lili Huelman, Theresa Johnson, Sr. Dorothy Ann Katke, Carol King, Sr. Bea Klebba, Chuck Loeb, Ella Mangum, Michelle Mondello, Betty Mues, Debbie Perotta, Tom Roche, Teresita Sanchez, "Corky" Schultz, Shirley Tabaka, Tracy Unger, Ray Winkeler.

MASS OFFERINGS This week, offerings were given for the following intentions:				
Sun	May	3	Parish Family	
Mon	May	4		
Tue	May	5	Helen Szczvka †	
Wed	May	6	Anna Tuyet †	
Thu	May	7		
Fri	May	8		
Sun	May	10	Parish Family	

In your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of

#### FR. BOB MENNER

Who died recently. Fr. Bob was the pastor of St. Pius V 1993-1995. May he be with Our Lord in glory and may his family be consoled. Also pray for all of our parishioners mourning the deaths of their loved ones.

#### **Update on the Annual and Photo Directories**

The printing is on hold until everyone can return to work.



The Food Pantry is open and the need is growing. The hours remain the same: Tuesdays, 2-3:30 pm and Saturdays, 10-11:30 am.

Donations of food can be dropped off 30-60 minutes before the opening. The pantry is especially in need of cereal, hamburger helper, pasta sauce, canned corn, green beans, hand soap, and dish detergent. Donations can be placed on the table just inside the door (entry on Utah Street.)

Monetary donations can be mailed to the church office at 3310 S. Grand Blvd, 63118. Please mark for the attention of Tom Knaup and "Food Pantry."

#### Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intention for May

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church. am the good shepherd, says the Lord; know my sheep, and mine know me.

John 10:14

#### **Telephone Group Rosary**

A new phone based rosary group for St. Pius V has been setup for those that would like to meet over the phone to share prayers and pray the rosary as a parish group. Whether you already pray the rosary daily or have never prayed the rosary, please consider joining us in this Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Pope St. Pius V, our parish Patron Saint, often known as the Pope of the Rosary, encouraged all Catholics to pray the rosary asking for the intercession of the Holy Mother. It is only appropriate today to ask for help through this difficult and lonely time.

#### Dates:

Every Tuesday at 7:30am, Every Thursday at 6:00pm

How to join: Call 314-637-9131

#### Schedule:

We will first share any prayer wishes and then pray the Rosary with the appropriate mysteries for the day.

If you have never prayed the Rosary before, here is a good guide (<a href="http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/rosaries/how-to-pray-the-rosary.cfm">http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/rosaries/how-to-pray-the-rosary.cfm</a>). You do NOT need a physical rosary and we invite you to come join us. Rosaries are available in the back of the Church.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING is an important spiritual practice. *The Word Among Us* and *Magnificat* booklets are available each month on the tables in back of Church.





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# MAY HAPPY BIRTHDAY and GOD'S BLESSINGS:

1st Mary Faszholz, Ben Konzen; 3rd Nancy Adkisson, Mary Kathleen Moriarity; 7th Mary Mertzlufft; 12th Mary Ann Robben; 20th Ben Stein; 22nd Janine Lawler; 24th Irene Brooks; 26th Justin Stein; 27th Jerry Duggan; 29th Daniella Huelman, Anna Tewolde; 30th Steven Lawler; 31st Molly Stein, Sterling Lawler.

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS and GOD'S BLESSINGS:

29th Don & Colette Price (66 yrs);31st Tom & Lili Huelman (45 yrs).Thank you for your example of married fidelity!

24th Fr. Paul's 40th Anniversary of Ordination

If you would like to see your birthday and/or anniversary in the bulletin, please call the Rectory (772-1525, Ext. 200).



AARP Missouri has launched a COVID-19 resource page that includes general information such as help with food and meals, housing, employment, and wellness resources.

https://local.aarp.org/east-saint-louis-il/happenings/

For special needs during this time, you can also call our Parish Nurse, Diane Huck, 772-1525 Ext 206



St. Florian is the patron of firefighters, and of those who fear death by water. His feast day is May 4th

https://catholicsaintmedals.com/saints/st-florian/