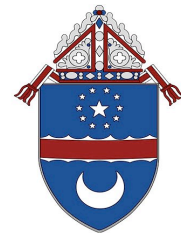




# St. Louis Catholic Church

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## November 23, 2025 ~ Solemnity of Christ the King

### Parish Office

2907 Popkins Lane  
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**Phone:** 703-765-4421

**Office Hours:** Mon - Fri  
9:30am - 1:00pm  
1:30pm - 5:30pm (except Wed)

### St. Louis School

703-768-7732

### St. Vincent De Paul Helpline

703-765-0050

Pastor: Rev. Keith O'Hare  
Parochial Vicars:  
Rev. Gregory Thompson  
Rev. Luke Poczatek

### Sunday Mass

7:30am

8:45am *Children's Mass*

10:30am *Traditional Ad Orientem*

12:30pm *Traditional Ad Orientem*

5:15pm *Quiet Traditional*

### Saturday Mass

8:45am

5:30pm Vigil Mass

### Monday-Friday Mass

8:45am

### Confessions

Mon-Sat: 7:45am-8:15am

Wednesday: 6:00pm

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am-9:15am

### Misa en Español

Domingo 3:00pm

**Confesiones:** Dom. 2:15pm-3:00pm

### Grupo de Oración

Sábado 6:30pm

### Poor Clare Monastery

703-768-4918

2505 Stone Hedge Drive

### Mass Every Day

7:00am (Gregorian chant)

### Sunday Devotions

Eucharistic Exposition

8:00am - 4:00pm

Rosary 4:00pm

Benediction 4:30pm



*Pro Deo et Pro Patria*

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Today is the last Sunday in Ordinary Time (before Advent) in which we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. This feast was instituted 100 years ago (1925) by Pope Pius XI, as an effort to celebrate the reign of Jesus not only in the spiritual sense but in the full sense of his complete kingship over our lives and the the whole of creation. As St. Paul writes, *“God has put all things under his feet.”* (Ephesians 1:22)

My favorite prayers in today’s Mass are found in the Preface: *“As king He claims dominion over all creation, that He may present to You, His almighty Father, an eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.”*

Jesus wants to present all of us to His Father; we ourselves are Christ’s most prized possession. He wants to possess our hearts and so be able to present us to the Father as that very same kingdom of truth, life, holiness, grace, justice, love, and peace.

Pray about which area of your life you are withholding from Jesus. By faith you do know Him as your Savior-King. But in what area of your life are you not fully submitting to his kingship, to his merciful reign? As you approach the altar today to receive the King of Kings in Holy Communion, ask for the grace to submit that particular area of your life to Him.

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Thank you to all of you who have made the switch to FlockNote Giving - it’s very important! This parish needs your consistent financial support in order to carry out the mission that God has entrusted to all of us.

In the last page of this bulletin today you will find our summary report for fiscal year 2025 for both parish and school. Infrastructure needs dominated our finances this past year (especially replacement of roofs and school HVAC repairs). I am very grateful to the Parish Finance Council for their expert counsel and assistance to me in the role of stewardship of the resources of the kingdom of God here at St. Louis. With your consistent financial support we can continue to do great things in His Holy Name!


Your Pastor,



Father O’Hare



Total household income	3% monthly	4% monthly	5% monthly
\$85,000	\$213	\$283	\$354
\$100,000	\$250	\$333	\$417
\$125,000	\$313	\$417	\$521
\$150,000	\$375	\$500	\$625
\$200,000	\$500	\$667	\$833




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"It is in giving that we receive," (Prayer of St. Francis). Thank you for your humble generosity which makes possible countless blessings for the members of the Saint Louis Parish community and beyond! Click below to make a recurring or one-time gift. Click above to see the list of other special collections that need your support. God sees the good that you do! *Father O'Hare*

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WEEKEND RETREAT

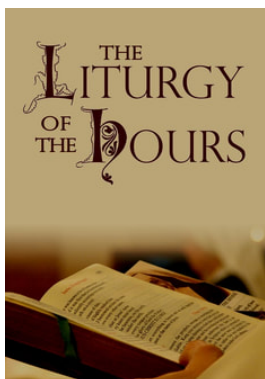
# Healing the *Whole* Person

DEC. 4-6, 2025 [Will be livestreamed in the Café](#)

Join Dr. Bob Schuchts, Sr. Miriam James, and Bart Schuchts on a journey into the heart and receive deeply desired restoration & freedom

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[Dec. 4-6 2025](#)





### **Invitation to Morning Prayer – Experience Advent in an Extraordinary Way**

During this most holy season of Advent, please join us in praying the Morning Prayer from the *Liturgy of the Hours* every weekday morning at 8:20 AM in the church's cry room. As St. Basil the Great has written: "Morning Prayer is said in order that the first stirring of our mind and will may be consecrated to God and that we may take nothing in hand or set our bodies to any task until we have been gladdened by the thought of God." Prayer books (breviaries) are provided together with user-friendly guides. For further information, please contact Marvin Spychaj at 703-380-2970 or [marvinpsychaj@msn.com](mailto:marvinpsychaj@msn.com).

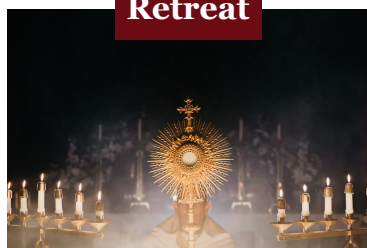
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R<sup>3</sup> for Women ~ Cancelled in December

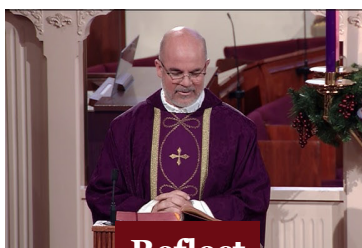
R<sup>3</sup> for Men ~ Fourth Monday of the Month 7pm ~ 11/24/25

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Retreat



Reflect

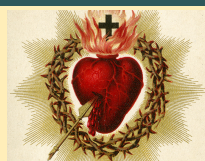


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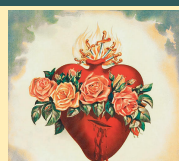


From 7pm-8pm there is Eucharistic adoration, a brief reflection, silent meditation, and confessions. This "holy hour" is followed by "happy hour" in the Little Way Cafe! Beverages and snacks are provided.

Rosary and Divine Mercy Daily



First Friday  
December 5



First Saturday  
December 6

Following 8:45am Mass



walking with purpose

*Come as you are.*

*Happy Thanksgiving!  
Walking With Purpose  
is cancelled this week.*



Intercessory Prayer

"I want someone to pray with me"

Sunday, December 21  
After the 10:30am Mass

Meditative Music  
11:30am-12:00pm  
Brief personal intercessory

## St. Vincent de Paul

**Rooted in the compassion of St. Vincent de Paul and the bold service of those who followed him, our parish St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) conference remains committed to bringing Christ's love to families in crisis — thanks to your generosity.**

Recently, we assisted a mother of two young children, ages 6 and 1, after her car was vandalized by local minors, leaving her with \$1,800 in repair expenses. Having only recently begun working at Inova Hospital and sharing housing costs with her mother, she suddenly found herself unable to cover November's rent. Your support ensured stability for her family while she awaits a mid-December court date to seek restitution.

We also helped a mother of two who fell behind on a past-due utility bill, receiving a cutoff notice despite doing her best to keep up with current expenses. After months of homelessness earlier this year, she recently started a part-time job to rebuild her finances. With your help — including a payment toward her energy balance and food cards to reduce monthly costs — she can focus on staying safely housed and moving forward.

**Blessed Rosalie Rendu**, guiding light of the early Vincentians:

*"Do not be afraid to go to the poor; they will teach you how to love God."*

**Need help?** Call our Helpline: 703-765-0050

**Wish to donate?** Use the "Make a Gift" button in Flocknote. Write a check to Saint Vincent de Paul, Saint Louis and leave it at the Rectory. Use Venmo: Venmo@SVDP-Alexandria. Contribute from your IRA; our Tax ID: 26-1100276

**Want to join us** (we need and want you!)? Email Jim Paton: [jimp@svdpalexandria.org](mailto:jimp@svdpalexandria.org) or come to one of our bi-weekly meetings to learn more: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 7:00 pm in the St. Francis Room.



## FELLOWSHIP

### Mothers' Group

- The St. Louis Mothers' Group meets every Wednesday from 10:15am to noon - feel free to drop-in for any length of time. All mothers are invited and all children are welcome! We host discussions, social time, meetups for field trips and park days, as well as brunch gatherings and events around the liturgical calendar.

**THIS WEEK - NO MEETING** - This Wednesday, Nov 26th, we will not meet due to Thanksgiving break - have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

**CONTACT:** For more information or to join our email list or Facebook page, please contact Theresa Talavera at (571)331-8441 or [tatalavera@yahoo.com](mailto:tatalavera@yahoo.com)

### Are You Grieving?

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Come to a monthly opportunity for prayer and conversation led by Fr. O'Hare.

The next session of "Grief and Grace" will be in the Little Way Café on Wednesday, November 19, from 12:30pm-1:30pm.



Little Way Café  
Will close on Tuesday, Nov. 25  
and reopen Monday, Dec. 2



### Knights of Columbus HONEY BAKED HAM SALE

*Order your Thanksgiving Ham, Turkey, and Gourmet Cakes & Pies Online from the Knights of Columbus!*

★ PLACE YOUR ORDER BY 9PM ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23 THROUGH PAYPAL AT [HTTP://KofC5998.ORG](http://KofC5998.ORG) OR SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW

★ PICK UP AT MOUNT VERNON COUNCIL HALL ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 BETWEEN 9AM AND 11AM



*Questions? Contact Mike Evans at 571-283-5873*

### CCW Drive

The St. Louis Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will be sponsoring a collection drive for **new, unopened sample/ travel size personal care items** during the weekends of November 30th and December 7th. A bin will be placed in the vestibule of the church for your donations of soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, hand and body lotion, lip balm, etc. These items will be used to assemble gift bags for our Homeless Neighbors at the South County Recovery and Drop in Center. We will assemble the gift bags for clients of the South County Center at our regular monthly meeting on Saturday, December 13th 9:30-11:30am in the San Francis room. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



St. Louis Parish Podcast  
Ep. 41: Lectio Divina - A Guided Meditation

### Lectio Divina: A Guided Meditation

A form of prayer centered around entering into Sacred Scripture, Lectio Divina deepens our relationship with Our Lord through meditating on his Word. Listen to the impact Lectio Divina has had on the lives of this mother-daughter duo, Monica and Grace Kennedy.

Follow along with the guided meditation as we pray Lectio Divina with a passage from the Gospel of Luke.

**Saint Louis Parish**  
**Report to Parishioners**  
FY25 Financial Report

Balance Sheet		Church	School	Parish
	<b>ASSETS</b>			
	Operating Accounts	65,440	-	65,440
	DIAL Savings	1,003,908	16,408	1,020,315
	Fixed Assets	-	-	-
	Endowment Investments	-	163,453	163,453
	Other Assets	100	19,157	19,257
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,069,448</b>	<b>\$ 199,018</b>	<b>\$ 1,268,466</b>
	<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
	Accounts Payable	182,164	-	182,164
	Loans Payable	-	-	-
	Deferred Revenue	-	8,348	8,348
	Other Liabilities	103,263	-	103,263
	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 285,427</b>	<b>\$ 8,348</b>	<b>\$ 293,775</b>
	<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
	<b>Without donor restrictions</b>			
	Unrestricted	618,539	-	618,539
	<b>With donor restrictions</b>			
	Temporarily Restricted	122,134	84,018	206,152
	Permanently Restricted	-	150,000	150,000
	<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 740,673</b>	<b>\$ 234,018</b>	<b>\$ 974,691</b>
	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,026,100</b>	<b>\$ 242,366</b>	<b>\$ 1,268,466</b>
Income Statement		Church	School	Parish
	<b>REVENUE SOURCES</b>			
	Offertory/Tuition Related Income	1,737,130	3,869,705	5,606,835
	Ministry	388,095	-	388,095
	School	-	441,813	441,813
	Other Sources	87,094	238,886	325,980
	<b>TOTAL OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 2,212,318</b>	<b>\$ 4,550,405</b>	<b>\$ 6,762,723</b>
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Clergy	241,644	-	241,644
	Staffing	602,144	3,693,572	4,295,716
	Ministry	450,125	-	450,125
	School	-	283,074	283,074
	Buildings	445,961	637,656	1,083,616
	Admin	384,654	232,776	617,430
	<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 2,124,528</b>	<b>\$ 4,847,077</b>	<b>\$ 6,971,605</b>
	<b>NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b>\$ 87,790</b>	<b>\$ (296,672)</b>	<b>\$ (208,882)</b>
	<b>OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE</b>			
	Campaign/Extraordinary Income	159,942	1,000	160,942
	Capital Expendures/Renovations	98,852	272,295	371,146
	<b>NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)</b>	<b>\$ 61,091</b>	<b>\$ (271,295)</b>	<b>\$ (210,204)</b>
	<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b>\$ 148,881</b>	<b>\$ (567,967)</b>	<b>\$ (419,086)</b>





## What's happening at St. Louis Catholic School?

Our wonderful PTO hosted a fantastic Trivia Night! Thank you to our dedicated St. Louis Trivia Night Committee; you all made the night a success. Our families enjoyed an engaging evening with excellent questions from our 5th graders.

## Important Admissions Reminder!

The K-8 application  
deadline for sibling  
and St. Louis  
parishioner priority  
is Monday, December  
1, 2025.



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## LET US PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

### Monday, November 24

7:00am, Poor Clares, +Aurora Carag  
8:45am, +Brian J. Connelly

### Tuesday, November 25

7:00am, Poor Clares, Intentions of  
Caroline Phillips  
8:45am, Intentions of Alicia Espino

### Wednesday, November 26

7:00am, Poor Clares, Intentions of Catherine Graf  
8:45am, +Maria Elena Reyes

### Thursday, November 27

7:00am, Poor Clares, Intentions of Jill Hixon  
8:45am, +Nick & Gloria Constantino

### Friday, November 28

7:00am, Poor Clares, +Joanne C. Drabik  
8:45am, +Rev. Daniel Edelen

### Saturday, November 29

7:00am, Poor Clares, Intentions of  
Vanessa Milewski  
8:45am, +Belen Agunod  
5:30pm, Intentions of Margaret Florenzo

### Sunday, November 30

7:00am, Poor Clares, Intentions of Richard &  
Maria Theresa Pompei  
7:30am, +Andres & Luisa Kimwell  
8:45am, Intentions of Sarah Fonda  
10:30am, *Pro Populo*  
12:30pm, Intentions of Clay Family  
3:00pm, +Crecencia Fuentes  
5:15pm, Intentions of Mother Violeta

**Eternal Rest  
Grant Unto  
Them,  
O Lord!**

Oleh Boris Pushkar  
Richard Koslow  
Clyde Millie



## Prayer for the Homebound

Lord, you have a special love for those who are weak, infirm, and dependent. Bless the homebound parishioners of our parish as they carry their daily crosses. May our prayers bring them strength and consolation, and the Sacraments sanctify and inspire them. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

This week we pray especially for the following homebound parishioners:

Gustavo Arenas, Michael Billings, Frances Burke,  
Brightview Senior Living, and Jane Byers.





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