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August 17, 2025 ~ Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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

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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

















PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends.

This weekend we welcome Archbishop Couto (Archdiocese of Delhi, India) to St. Louis Parish! The Archbishop will preach at all the Masses this weekend and share with us about the pastoral and spiritual needs of his diocese.

We hear often about "globalization" and the growing interconnectedness of the modern world. The Catholic Church is the greatest example of global unity.

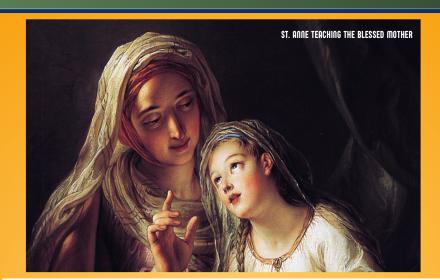
The Good News has reached every continent and every nation, and we tangibly experience that unity this weekend by having the Mass celebrated and preached by a bishop who lives half a world away from us.

His visit also reminds us to not take for granted the material and spiritual blessings that we have here in Alexandria, Virginia. The people of the Archdiocese of Delhi struggle to obtain access to health care, education, and other basic needs.

They also live in a predominantly Hindu country which can too often be hostile towards Christians. Please pray for the needs of the people of Delhi and please be generous in support of this mission appeal this weekend!

PS: I am away this weekend leading a silent retreat for the Hispanic Diaconate

candidates. Please pray for me and for the men and their wives who are on this retreat. One of the participants is Manrique Rodriguez, who is a long-time parishioner of St. Louis Parish.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration for faith formation classes is now live! Please scan the QR code or visit the parish website to register your child

Confirmation Classes Now Begin in 6th Grade.
All 6th Graders should register.



Start Dates:

Family of Faith: Wednesday, August 27th at 7pm

<u>Confirmation</u>: Wednesday, August 27th at 7pm

<u>First Communion</u>: Wednesday, August 27th at 7pm

<u>Spanish Confirmation</u>: Wednesday, September 3rd at 7pm

<u>Spanish First Communion</u>: Wednesday, September 3rd at 7pm

For questions or more information, email faith@saintlouisparish.org



Your Pastor,

Father O'Hare

"I still consider myself a missionary. My vocation, like that of every Christian, is to be a missionary, to proclaim the Gospel wherever one is."

Pope Leo XIV







St. Louis Annual FEASTival!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22 5:30PM - 9:30PM

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 R^3 for Women ~ Second Monday of the Month 7pm ~ 9//25 R^3 for Men ~ Fourth Monday of the Month 7pm ~ 8/25/25









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.





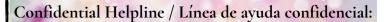
"The way Jesus shows you is not easy. Rather, it is like a path winding up a mountain. Do not lose heart! The steeper the road, the faster it rises toward ever wider horizons!"

Saint John Paul II



Sunday, September 21 After the 10:30am Mass

Meditative Music
11:30am-12:00pm
Brief personal intercessory
prayer with a priest
and prayer team member



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*2 Separate Retreats. 1 Location, Based on the Entering Canaan Model

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 - This Wednesday, August 20th, we will meet at 10:15am at one of our member's houses to have a water play day in her backyard! Please have your kids come dressed to splash around and look out for an email from Theresa for the location.

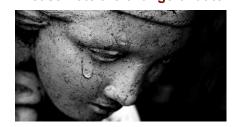
CONTACT: For more information or to join our email list or Facebook page, please contact Theresa Talavera at (571)331-8441 or tatalavera@yahoo.com

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, August 27, from 12:30pm-1:30pm.

Please note the change of date





Join Us To Celebrate 25 Years of The St. Louis Mothers' Group!
Saturday & Sunday, August 30-31, 2025

Saturday, August 30 - 4 Pm Vigil Mass, 5-10pm Dinner, Dancing & Social

Sunday, August 31 - Donuts & Coffee & Family Social Time 9:30am - 1:00pm

St. Louis Catholic Church 2907 Popkins Ln, Alexandria, Va 22306 rsvp at www.stlouismothersgroup.org



Parish-based Pregnancy Assistance

Walking with Moms in the Diocese since Mother's Day 2002

he Gabriel Project is coming to Saint Louis. We are establishing a parish-based program to provide emotional, spiritual and financial support to expectant mothers in need. Using a central confidential pregnancy helpline with volunteers at the parish level, the Gabriel Project seeks to help pregnant women bringing their children into the world. The Saint Louis ministry leader will be parishioner Kristina O'Connor. If you would like to volunteer as a project "Angel" contact Kristina through her email: Kristina.oconnor66@gmail.com. The Gabriel Project asks for your prayers as they get fully up and running.



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St. Louis School Cafeteria



For more information contact Fr. Thompson at fr.thompson@saintlouisparish.org

Open House Meet & Greet

9:00 AM - 11:15 AM 8-20-25



St. Louis Families and Students,

Join us for our Meet & Greet before the first day of school. On the morning of August 20th, class lists will be posted at the front of the school, and families will have the chance to meet their teachers and see their classrooms. Families will be invited to attend at scheduled times based on family last name.

A-K 9:00-9:45 AM

L-R 9:45-10:30 AM

S-Z 10:30-11:15 AM

We kindly ask that all families arrive at their designated times.
Unable to attend? No problem! At 11:30 AM, your child's homeroom class will be available in the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME OUR FAMILIES BACK FOR THE **2025–2026** SCHOOL YEAR AND TO ANNOUNCE OUR NEW THEME:

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Important dates September 9 August 22 September 4 August 21 **FEASTival** Middle 1st PTO First Day of (5:30 PM) School Back Meeting School (6:30 PM); to School K-5 Back to Night (6:00 School Night PM) (7:15 PM)

www.stlouisschool.org

Principal Mrs. Calogero

703-768-7732

LET US PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

Monday, August 18

7:00am Poor Clares, +Salvador & Aurora Ramos 8:45am, Intentions of Laura Ortega

Tuesday, August 19

7:00am, Poor Clares, Intentions of Andro Hsu 8:45am, Intentions of Soyla Mondragon

Wednesday, August 20

7:00am, Poor Clares, +Magdalen Faye Schafer 8:45am, +Edith Sims

Thursday, August 21

7:00am, Poor Clares, +Margarita De Velasquez 8:45am, +Patrick Drury

Friday, August 22

7:00am, Poor Clares, +Ann Marie Worosz

8:45am, +Oiva Niska

Saturday, August 23

7:00am Poor Clares, +Jacinto Urbina 8:45am, Intentions of Gingras Family 5:30pm, +Purificacion Gomez

Sunday, August 24

7:00am, Poor Clares, +Araceli Mateo 7:30am, Intentions of Ed & Agnes Purcell (Wedding Anniversary) 8:45am, +Aurora Ramos

10:30am, Intentions of People of St. Louis 12:30pm, Intentions of Namata & Maisog Family

3:00pm, +Yola Beltran

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord!

Ivonne Gamarra



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:

Paul Spring residents, Robert Pierpoint, Rose Pugh,
James Sr. Ramirez, and Ethel Moreland.





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