



St. Nicholas Catholic Church

With St. Ann Shrine

September 10, 2017

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

15"If your brother sins, go and show him his fault in private; if he listens to you, you have won your brother. *16*"But if he does not listen to you, take one or two more with you, so that **BY THE MOUTH OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES EVERY FACT MAY BE CONFIRMED.** *17*"If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. *18*"Truly I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven. *19*"Again I say to you, that if two of you agree on earth about anything that they may ask, it shall be done for them by My Father who is in heaven. *20*"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."—Matthew 18:15-20

Announcements and Upcoming Events



The Fourth Degree Ladies of Grace-Bishop J. Terry Steib, Chapter #29 are sponsoring their annual "Gala Gospeltality" 'LIFT OUR VOICES IN PRAISE', Sunday, September 24, 2017 at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 701 N. 18th Street, St. Louis, MO 63103 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. This is a charitable fundraiser with proceeds going to a local charity in St. Louis.

We are asking if your choir/soloists and or praise dancers will be able to participate in our Gala Gospeltality. The event is free to participants and open to everyone, so please extend an invitation to your family and friends. **Tickets for this event are \$10.00 per person.**

Contact: Ms. Ophelia Wilson, Chairperson-(314) 361-1938-wilsono1@yahoo.com or Ms. Christine Bluett, Co-Chairperson-(314) 535-4746-chrisimane@yahoo.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

1st Annual Sr. Antona Ebo Social Justice Conference

When: September 30, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.

Where: Cardinal Rigali Center

You can register using the following link:

<https://officeofgeneralcounsel.regfox.com/first-annual-sr-antona-ebo-social-justice-conference>



Mission Appeal Sunday, September 17th with Rev. John Loughran from the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales.

SAVE THE DATE

2017 Pastoral Assembly THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

Saturday, October 21, 2017
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Cardinal Rigali Center
20 Archbishop May Dr.
St. Louis, MO 63119

Refreshments and lunch provided to all participants! For questions please call (314) 792-7047.

Rev. Arthur J. Cavitt, Pastor
arthurcavitt@archstl.org

Pastoral Staff
Deacon Stanley Peterson (Retired)
Darlene Elston— Religious Education

Music Ministry
Irene Franklin, John Reed

Cantors: Karla Anderson, Rochelle Calhoun,
Eugene Harper, Rashonda Roundtree,
Gianna Shockley, Patrick Wheeler,
Ophelia Wilson

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Please see Fr. Cavitt or call the Rectory for an appointment.

Skating Hours
Monday, 8:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m. (Adults only)
Saturday, 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. (Families)

Food Pantry
Monday (except holidays), 12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m., 701 N. 18th St.
Serving Zip Codes 63101, 63102, 63103, 63106, & 63155
Two forms of ID to confirm residency are necessary.
The Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program
is an equal opportunity provider.

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m., 1414 N. Taylor
Serving Zip Codes 63108, 63113, 63115

701 N. 18th Street
Saint Louis, Missouri. 63103
Phone: (314) 231-2860 Fax: (314) 241-9823

Email: stnickscatholicchurch@gmail.com

Web Page: www.stnickscatholicchurch.com

Sunday Mass
8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

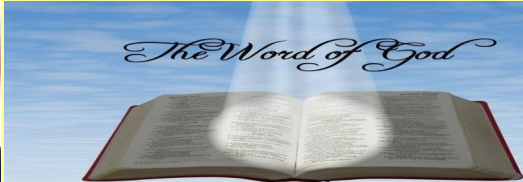
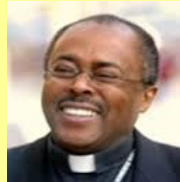
Weekday Mass (Tuesday - Friday)
12:15 p.m.

Parking available on Sundays and special events on the lot at the northwest corner of 19th and Lucas. Entrance is on 19th Street.

St. Nicholas Catholic Church Mission Statement

We, the community of believers of St. Nicholas Catholic Church are called by GOD to give living witness to the saving power of Jesus offered freely to all humanity. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit and sent into the world to recreate the face of the earth. In the light and the truth of the Gospel message, we are committed to: Grow in our faith, participate in and support our Church, to reach beyond ourselves to meet the needs of others who seek to better their lives by unashamedly living our Catholic Faith.

Pastor's Corner



Dear People of God,

On the website of the U.S. Catholic Bishops (<http://usccb.org>) there is a link to recent action in continual response to racism. Among the quotes noted is below:

Some of you said: this system can no longer be endured. We must change it; we must put human dignity again at the center and on that pillar build the alternative social structures we need. It must be done with courage, but also with intelligence, with tenacity but without fanaticism, with passion but without violence. And among us all, addressing the conflicts without being trapped in them, always seeking to resolve the tensions to reach a higher plane of unity, peace and justice."

-- Pope Francis, 10/28/14

Consider those words as we adhere to the Gospel According to Matthew this weekend. That calls for reconciliation, but not without articulation of the offenses. It applies to our interpersonal relationships as well as the larger structures of government and the Church at-large.

--Food for thought and prayer this weekend and beyond.

Your pastor and brother in Christ,

Fr. Art

Stewardship

**Financial Summary
For Weeks of August 27 and September 3, 2017**

Parish	August 27	September 3
Offertory 8:15 Mass	\$ 1,015.70	\$ 972.68
Offertory 10:30 Mass	\$ 1,403.00	\$ 2,028.00
2nd. Collection	\$ 20.00	\$ 171.00
St. Ann Candles	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
St. Ann Novena	\$ 50.00	\$ 10.00
Hurricane Relief	\$ 0.00	\$ 20.00
Total Offertory & Other	\$ 2,438.70	\$ 3,201.68
Mail-ins	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00
Skating/ Events	\$ 477.00	\$ 513.00
Total Parish Deposit	\$ 3,015.70	\$ 3,739.68

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving back!
Stewardship is returning a portion of our gifts to **GOD**
The gifts we return are our **Time, Talent, and our Treasure!**



10-September Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	17-September Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15 a. m. Lector: Delesha George Lector: Jackie Nicks	8:15 a. m. Ella Scott Tim Pekarek
Eucharistic Ministers: Lawrence McHaynes Tim Pekarek	Jackie Nicks Lawrence McHaynes
Hospitality: Pam Randall	Valada Ellis
10:30 a.m. Lector: Patrick Wheeler Lector: Rashonda Roundtree	10:30 a.m. Alice O'Bryant Kalila Jackson-Leachman
Eucharistic Ministers: Don Elston John Fleming Lynn Wheeler Gianna Shockley	Glenda Hardin-Miller Nicole Thompson Eloise Grimes Jayne Thompson
Hospitality: Frances Wilkes Joy Williams	Monica Feaman Charles Feaman
Commentator: Cantor	Cantor
Altar Servers: Kelvin Boyd & Kameron Player	Jalen & Kalen Prince

Church Announcements

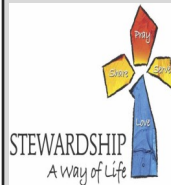


We will have a Protecting God's Children class soon for all that have signed up to volunteer for the skate program.

Thanks to all that have completed a Worker Registration sheet. Information coming soon with a date for the class. Stewardship of your time and talent is greatly appreciated.



2nd collection today, September 10th for hurricane relief as requested by the Archbishop.



Stewardship Awareness Sunday will be on Sunday, September 24th, please mark your calendars and plan to attend either or both liturgies.

Next Stewardship meeting will be on Wednesday, October 11th. Please mark your calendars.



Ladies Sodality will meet today after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.



LWANGA CENTER NEWS

CONFIRMATION

The St. Charles Lwanga Center is in the process of accepting candidates for its, *Living the Life Program*, in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Candidates must be in 7th-12th grade and at least 12 years of age at the time of the Confirmation Ceremony in May 2018. Most sessions are scheduled on Saturdays from 10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. during the months of October 2017 to May 2018. The program cost is \$160.00. Please contact the St. Charles Lwanga Center at 314-367-7929 for additional information.

Sr. Antona Ebo Social Justice Conference

The Center is one of the sponsors of the 1st Annual Sr. Antona Ebo Social Justice Conference being held at the Cardinal Rigali Center on **September 30, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** Workshops offered on social justice issues and keynote speech by Rev. Starsky Wilson. To register, go to: <https://officeofgeneralcounsel.regfox.com/first-annual-sr-antona-ebo-social-justice-conference>

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Special greetings to our friends and visitors who have come to pray and worship with us today. Whether you are just having a look, or searching for a permanent place to worship, we are glad to have you here. We trust that the worship will be joyful and encouraging to all and hope you find a warm welcoming community here at St. Nicholas Parish.

We would love to follow up with you as well, so please complete one of the visitors cards and return it to one of the ushers.

Thank You... And may the Blessings of God be with you.



To all Parishioners Celebrating in the Month of **SEPTEMBER!**



We appreciate those that continue to help around the Parish by maintaining the building inside and out. A congregation that works together as well as prays together will stay together. Gods continual blessing on each and everyone of you.

Stewardship of your time and talent is greatly appreciated, for maintenance of our Parish.

Sick, Elderly, Home Bound & Prayer Requests

Kenecia Allen
Charlean Armstead
Vera Baird
Anne Brown
Virginia Cavitte
Brenda Cole
Ervin Crosby
Sr. Antona Ebo
John Grant
Frankie Jackson
Gregory Jenkins
Reign Brown-Jones
Sylvia Jones



Audrey Holloway
Katie Johnson
Lucinda Kaid
Mary Elizabeth Lloyd
Janice Myers
Stanley Peterson
Derrick & Marilyn Ross
Ruth Shannon
Arunice Sharpe
Mildred Washington
Mary Wheeler
Advertis Williams
Carole Willis
Ernest Young

Please continue to pray for the sick, elderly, homebound, nursing home residents, and all of the vulnerable throughout our community.