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There are new telephone numbers for St. Louis Parish
Fr. Stevens (850) 262-8155
Neida Castillo (850) 262-8156

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

This ministry is helping us improve the look and upkeep of our Parish. We started over on July 1st and our goal this fiscal year is \$11,000. Second collection for this account is held the third weekend of the month. To date we have collected \$9,281.75. Monthly Movie Nights support this campaign. Car wash gift card sales support our efforts too! (See Joe/Brenda Mueller to get your cards!)

CONGRATULATIONS

*Volunteer of the Month for February, **Chuck Bauer** Thanks for all you do for St. Louis!!

LENTEN MEALS

The Knights of Columbus, Council 12929, are hosting their annual Lenten Meals on Fridays of lent through March 23rd. The drive-thru will be from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Dine-in starts at 6:00 p.m. in the hall followed by the Stations of the Cross in the church. Cost is \$9 per meal. Thank you for your continued support.

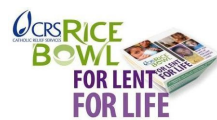
ADULT EDUCATION

Fr. Stevens will begin his six-week study of a wonderful series entitled, "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass" by Dr. Ted Sri, beginning Wednesday, February 21st at 7:00 p.m. in Shook Hall. All are welcome, so bring a friend or two. If you would like to attend, please

fill out the form placed on the table in the back of the church. Cost for materials is \$19.95. (Make check out to ("St. Louis Catholic Church").

CRS RICE BOWL ENCOUNTER MAJD

In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Our parish is being asked to try and "fill the big box" (located in the parish hall) each month! Please purchase non-perishable items as you are able and add them to the box. Items will be picked up once a month. The Charities' food bank is in great need of pasta sauce and canned meats.

2018 Catholic Renewal Conference February 23-25 at Holy Name of Jesus Family Life Center in Niceville. Theme: God is Love. Perfect Love casts out all fear (1 Jn 4:16,18). Speakers: Bishop William Wack, Jim Murphy, Michelle Benzinger, Fr Will Ganci, Fr Nicholas Schumm, and Kevin McCall. For more info, visit www.pt-dccr.org or e-mail ptdccr@gmail.com or call Helen Freeland at 850-543-1751.

HOMELESS SHELTER MIISTRY

Thank you for your continued generosity to the homeless guests at the Kearney Center. Cold cereal is on their wish list this month. Join us for dinner there, the first Saturday in March.



SAT-
URDAY, February 24
7:00 p.m.
ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH HALL

THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S
Parish priest Fr. O'Malley is sent to receive a financially-ailing parochial school. He is immediately at odds with no-nonsense Sister Benedict on how to educate children. Beyond their delightful battle of wits is a skinflint businessman next door who is trying to get St. Mary's condemned. Only a miracle can save the school!

Admission to Movie: FREE (Donations Accepted)
Popcorn: \$5.00 (AYCE)
Sausage Dogs: \$1.50
Soft Drinks: \$0.75

Join us to watch movies that will inform you about important people or events in the history of our Catholic faith or that may inspire you to be a better father/mother/spouse/son/daughter/friend.

Sponsored by the Fundraising Committee

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 17
6:00 p.m.
Donald Larson (D)

Sunday, February 18
8:00 a.m.
St. Louis Parish

10:30 a.m.
Krause Family (L)

Monday, February 19

Tuesday, February 20
8:30 a.m.
(Communion Service only)

6:00 p.m.
Curtis Johnson (L)

Wednesday, February 21
8:30 a.m.
(Communion Service only)

Thursday, February 22
8:30 a.m.
(Communion Service only)

6:00 p.m. (Latin Mass)
Krause Family (L)

Friday, February 23
8:30 a.m.
Rose Castaño (D)

Donato Castaño (D)

Gerardo Castaño (D)

Rosa Castaño-Brent (D)

Saturday, February 24
6:00 p.m.
Joe Mueller, Sr. (D)

Sunday, February 25
8:00 a.m.
St. Louis Parish

10:30 a.m.
Ranson McClung (D)

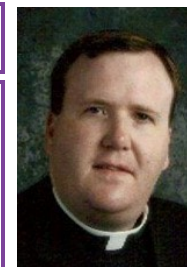
Daily Mass Schedule Adjustments:
Effective Monday, February 19th

Tuesday:
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
6:00 p.m. Mass

Wednesday:
8:30 a.m. Mass
(Miraculous Medal Novena prayers after the 8:30 a.m. Mass)

Thursday:
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
6:00 p.m. Latin Mass

Friday:
8:30 a.m. Mass



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parish Family,

Two images from nature dominate this First Sunday of Lent.

In these images we find the key for living the next six weeks deeply and fruitfully, as God is hoping we will live them. The first image is that of the desert. After Jesus was baptized, but before he began his years of public ministry, St. Mark tells us in today's Gospel that the Spirit "drove Jesus out into the desert," where he experienced temptation. Throughout the Bible, the desert is often referred to as a place of testing, where we experience our weakness and dependence on God. Water and food are hard to come by there, and the temperatures and emptiness are oppressive to both the body and the mind. The desert is a place where our illusions of self-sufficiency and comfort fade away.

When we are in the desert, either literally or figuratively, we quickly realize that we need God. In other words, the desert is the opposite of the Garden of Eden. It is the place of suffering and hardship that sin has led us to. Both original sin and also our own personal sins have interfered with God's plan for our lives and for our world; they have put us in need of salvation. The second image in today's Readings is the flood, the abundance of water that cleansed the world of sin at the time of Noah. That ancient flood of water foreshadowed Christian baptism, the flood of grace that purifies our souls from sin, bringing new spiritual life into the desert of our sin-damaged hearts. Sin and salvation: our sins, and Christ's loving sacrifice that leads to salvation. These are the most fundamental aspects of our Catholic faith, and these are the themes that should fill our hearts and minds throughout the season of Lent.

Daily Mass Times: Just a reminder that the Tuesday and Thursday Daily Mass times have been moved to 6:00 p.m. I encourage you to take advantage of this later time, especially during the Season of Lent.

Biblical Walk through the Mass: Our first class will be Wednesday 21st at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!

CSA: A letter from Bishop Wack, and a pledge card should have arrived at your home.

Please do your best to respond generously to this annual appeal.

Peace to you and yours,

Fr. Stevens

TIME / TALENT / TREASURE
February 24/25

Extraordinary Ministers Of Holy Communion	
6:00 p.m.	J. Larson, T. Gorham
8:00 a.m.	J. Piotrowski, M. Macko
10:30 a.m.	R. Spanarelli, F. Spanarelli
Lectors	
6:00 p.m.	B Stich, H. Mueller
8:00 a.m.	T. Cross, A. Farabee
10:30 a.m.	M. Jimenez, C. Reynolds
Sacristans	
6:00 p.m.	J. Larson
8:00 a.m.	T. Cross
10:30 a.m.	B. Smith
Altar Servers	
6:00 p.m.	(Open), (Open)
8:00 a.m.	V. Hguyen, (Open)
10:30 a.m.	S. Berrien, D. Smith
Liturgical Assistants	
6:00 p.m.	J. Mueller
8:00 a.m.	S. Ball
10:30 a.m.	P. Johnston

For Sunday, February 11, 2018

Offertory this week:	\$5,815.00
Target:	\$4,527.86
Collected vs Target for month	\$1,405.53
Collected vs Target since July	-\$3,930.38
Projected Offertory for year:	\$243,970.84
Annual Budget:	\$250,000.00

Building Fund this week:	\$599.00
Collected this month:	\$1,315.00
Target for the month:	\$2,713.00
Collected since July 1:	\$20,041.00
Collected vs Target since July 1:	-\$1,663.00

Improvements Collections:	\$99.00
Total collected to date:	\$9,154.00