

Welcome to St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church 610 West Ripa Avenue St. Louis, MO 63125



Mass Schedule Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. Saturday 4 p.m. Sunday 7:30 & 10 a.m.

Masses on Holy Days National Holidays Consult Bulletin

> Confessions (Sacrament of Penance)

Sat. 3 - 3:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration From 8:30 a.m. Wednesday through 3 p.m. First Friday &

Every Sunday Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Baptisms Contact parish office to register for baptism

Marriages Contact parish office at least six months prior to wedding

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Society of St. Vincent DePaul 314-296-3733

Epiphany of the Lord



They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. – Matthew 2:11b

January 8, 2023

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Maintenance Mrs. Bridget Gabel

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

General	\$		
Loose	\$		
On-Line	\$	26	570
January 1 — Ja	inuar <u>:</u>	v 8	
Subtotal	\$		
Special Collect	ions	\$	16

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Total:





LECTORS

Group 2 Chairman Kenny Harangozo Captains: Caller: Tim Simms Cashiers: Stephanie Stotts & Eileen Haubrich Pull Tab Stand: Greg Hrbacek, Debbie Sneider & Dan Godfrey Pull Tab Sellers: Ann & Joe Hensiek, Bill Grahl, Linda Finklang, Maureen Hof & Kelly Goodman Call Back: Rob Witzell & Kevin Hale

White Progressive \$5750 Purple \$500 Thank you to all the Bingo players and our SMT workers!

MONEY COUNTERS

Monday	Tuesday	Monday	Monday	Saturday, January 14, 4 p.m.
January 9	January 17	January 23	January 30	Stephanie Parker
Frank Ziegler	Ken Harangozo	Jim Heisner	Debbie Baumann	Sunday, January 15, 7: 30 p.m.
Apollo Westrich	Greg Buck	Bob Villani	Jim Baumann	Greg Hrbacek
John Schmitt	Tom Tettamble	Tim Haber George Otto	Mike Zoia Dave Kassebaum	Sunday, January 15, 10:00 p.m. Lyndall Gregson

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

8 a.m.	Monday Dorothy Heitzman +	8 a.m.	Saturday Stella Grossman +
8 a.m.	Tuesday Bob Sunkel & Children +	7	The Epiphany of the Lord
8 a.m.	Wednesday Bob Justin +	4 p.m.	Saturday Larry Wamhoff +
8 a.m.	Thursday Madelyn Witte +	7:30	Sunday People of the Parish
8 a.m.	Friday Elmer Sucher +	10 a.m.	Sunday Dorothy Heitzman + and Family

DAILY MASS READINGS

MONDAY 9 Baptism of the Lord	TUESDAY 10	WEDNEDAY 11	THURSDAY 12	FRIDAY 13 St. Hilary	SATURDAY 14	SUNDAY 15
Is 42: 1-4, 6-7 Ps 29: 1-4 Mt 3: 13-17	Heb 2: 5-12 Ps 8: 2, 5-9 Mk 1: 21-28	Heb 2: 14-18 Ps 105: 1-4, 6-9 Mk 1: 29-39	Heb 3: 7-14 Ps 95: 6-11 Mk 1: 40-45	Heb 4: 1-5, 11 Ps 78: 3-4, 6-8 Mk 2: 1-12	Heb 4: 12-16 Ps 19: 8-10, 15 Mk 2: 13-17	Is 49: 3, 5-6 Ps 40: 2-4, 7-10 1 Cor 1: 1-3 Jn 1: 29-34

Pastor's Pen

Dear St. Martin of Tours Family & Friends,

Last week, I wrote about the Jewish New Year (*Rosh-Ha-Shannah*) and how observant Jews would spend their entire day at the synagogue in prayer. Sometimes I think we Catholics have gotten very soft with respect to the discipline of prayer. That's the reason we have a Holy Hour every Sunday, as a way to thank God for the past week and to ask God to bless the week to come.

We first read of *Rosh Ha-Shannah* in Leviticus 23:24, where it is called *Zikhron Teru'ah*, which translates literally to "Memorial of Shouting"; and Numbers 29:1 in which it is called *Yom Teru'ah*, "Day of Shouting." The festival is commanded by God to be observed on the first day of the *seventh month*.

How strange to have a holiday dedicated to shouting! But this shouting is special, mimicking the cries of victory in battle. These are shouts of victory. What *is* strange is positioning the first day of the year precisely in the *middle* of the year. Why would God ask for such a thing?

When the Jewish commentary on Sacred Scripture called *The Talmud* was compiled (probably 200 - 500 A.D.) Jewish sages surmised that this *Zikhron Teru'ah* or by then called *Rosh Ha-Shannah* was associated with the coronation of God in two aspects. First as *Creator* (Genesis 1-2) and second as *Savior* (The Exodus). It also evokes those Psalms which depict God reigning over the universe as *Creator*, such as Psalms 45, 47, 93, 95, and 9; or in Psalm 98:6: "with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn – shout for joy before the Lord, the King!" in which God is described as reigning over the people of Israel as their *Savior*, as described in the Exodus event.

Now the enemies which God overcame at the Creation of the Universe in the Beginning were Darkness, Chaos, Confusion, and the Absence of Life. Once the six days of Creation are completed, God has created Light, Order, Understanding, and Life. His victory over these enemies completed, on the next day — that seventh day, when God enters into His Sabbath rest with all creation shouting for joy, and with all trumpets and instruments blasting out of sheer exuberance — *this seventh day is the day God begins His rule over Creation*.

Once we grasp the import of that number seven to Genesis 1:1, if the seventh day marks God's coronation, then what of the possibility that God's "second" coronation, his glorious victory over the Egyptians and his salvation of the Jews, would therefore take place in the *seventh month?* Only once that event is completed, and God is crowned as victor and king on the first day of the seventh month, can God's reign as *Savior* over the Nation of Israel commence.

Perhaps this is why the seventh month of the Hebrew Year is where *Rosh Ha-Shannah* finds its proper place. Seven is a very perfect number for the Jewish People, especially in the marking of time, seasons, beginnings and endings.

To be continued . . .

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PLEASE KEEP THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jeanne Krupa HOSPICE Rose Lindsay

Chris Acksel **SERIOUS** Arthur Austermann **ILLNESS** Mariella G

IN REHAB

CHRONIC **ILLNESS**

Helen Iadevito Ruth Ann Sullivan Carol Venverloh

Charlene Fichtenmayer

SCHEDULE OF ROSARY FOR PEACE 2023

Jan. 1, Feb. 5, Mar. 5, Apr. 2, May 7 and June 4 the rosary will be said at the Poor Clare Monastery at 12:00 p.m.

Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 11, 18, 25 and Mar. 11, 18, 25 the rosary will be said at St. Mary's Assumption at 11:00 a.m. (Weather permitting, notification will be given that we'll pray the rosary at the Missouri Military Memorial instead).

Apr. 8, 15, 22, 29, May 13, 20, 28 and June 10, 17, 24 the rosary will be said at the Missouri Military Memorial.



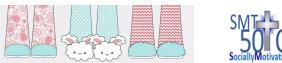
THANK YOU!

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank the parishioners of St. Martin helpiof net to our sesponse to our requests for gift cards, food items and monetary gifts in anticipation of Christmas. The gift cards were included with food baskets for needy families in our area. The monetary donations provided funds for the hams. You certainly helped to make Christmas a happier time for our "Neighbors in Need" and they greatly appreciated your generosity.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to take home a poinsettia from the altar, please do so after any of the Masses on January 14th and 15th. Thank you to all of those who contributed to the Christmas Flower Fund.





The children were nestled all snug in their beds, in hopes the 50+ Club had a Pajama Party in their heads!

That's exactly what the 50+ Club's 1st meeting in this new year will be. Please join us in your pajamas, lounge wear, whatever you're comfortable in, for our Wednesday, January 11th meeting. Doors open at 10:30 am and meeting starts at 11:30 in Runge Hall. If you signed up to bring goodies for our continental breakfast, please don't forget.

It's also time to renew your membership for 2023, so bring \$15 to cover the year. Not a member? Come check us out as a guest by joining in the fun, frolicking and festivities.... in your pajamas! If you have questions, contact Paulette Martin @ 314-892-9009.



The 2023 quilt raffle tickets are available in the vestibule for each parishioner to pick up. Proceeds/ ticket stubs may be placed in the collection basket in an envelope addressed as "quilt of the month" or dropped off or mailed to the rectory.

Your participation is greatly appreciated!



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 50+ CLUB MEMBERS

Please follow if there is an occasion for a 50+ Club meeting or activity to be cancelled due to inclement weather:

We will be relying on what the Mehlville School District is following for that day. If they have cancelled school, we will be cancelling our meeting. You will not be receiving a phone call; just follow the school district's decision. We will also try to get an email out to those that we have email addresses for.

2023 50+ Board: Christen Martin, President 314-258-2245 Paulette Martin, Vice Pres 314-892-9009 Debbie Baumann, Treasurer 314-894-1940



JANUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
l Solemnity of Mary New Year's Day Adoration & Rosary 6:30 —7:30 p.m.	2 <i>Rectory closed in</i> <i>observance of New</i> <i>Year's Day</i>	3 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	4 Adoration begins after morning Mass SvDP Mtg 7:00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY 7 p.m.	5 Adoration continues Quilters 9:00 a.m.	6 FIRST FRIDAY Consecration to Our Lord's Sacred Heart Rosary 7:30 a.m.	7 FIRST SATURDAY Consecration to Our Lady's Immaculate Heart
8 Epiphany Adoration & Rosary 6:30 —7:30 p.m.	9	10 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	 SMTCLub Socially Methoding Legender 50+ Club 11:30 a.m. BIBLE STUDY 7 p.m. 	12 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	13	14
15 Adoration & Rosary 6:30 —7:30 p.m.	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (rectory is closed)	17 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	18 BIBLE STUDY 7 p.m.	19 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	20	21
22 Fellowship Sunday after both Masses Adoration & Rosary 6:30 -7:30 p.m.	23	24 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	25 BIBLE STUDY 7 p.m.	26 Quilters 9:00 a.m. Parish Council 6:00 p.m. Rectory	27	28
29 Adoration & Rosary 6:30 —7:30 p.m.	30	31 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	l BIBLE STUDY 7 p.m.	2 Quilters 9:00 a.m.	3	4