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November 15th, 2026 • Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

God has entrusted each of us with unique gifts, abilities, and opportunities. These gifts are not meant to be hidden or kept for ourselves, but shared generously in service to others.

A Spiritual Thought

Have you ever stopped to think about how much God has entrusted to you? Each one of us has been given gifts, talents, abilities, and opportunities. Some of us are good at teaching, others at helping, listening, encouraging, organizing, or simply being there for someone who needs a friend. No two people have exactly the same gifts, but every person has something valuable to offer.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us the parable of the talents. A man prepares to go on a journey and entrusts his servants with different amounts of money. To one he gives five talents, to another two, and to another one. When the master returns, he asks each servant what they have done with what was entrusted to them.

The first two servants put their talents to work and doubled what they had received. The master praises them, saying, "Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy."

But the third servant does something very different. Instead of using what he has been given, he becomes afraid. He takes his talent and buries it in the ground. He is so worried about losing what he has that he never gives himself the opportunity to accomplish anything with it.

This parable reminds us that God does not expect all of us to accomplish the same things. He does not compare us to one another or expect us to have someone else's abilities. What He asks is that we take what He has given us and use it faithfully.

GRATITUDE & PRAYERS

- Thank you everyone who has made donations in memory of Dr. Renato Rivera, the Parish appreciates your generosity.
- Please keep Fr. Jim along with everyone who is participating in the pilgrimage to Italy; that God may protect them and let them experiance a fun, faith filled adventure on the pilgrimage.

Our Parish Team

Very Reverend James M. Nall, JCL



Helen Essenpreis • Office Manager
Lisa Helmink • Bookkeeper
John Hilmes • Office Secretary
Office Hours: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday at Noon

Masses & Sacraments

Mass Times
• Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
• Sunday: 11:00am
• Weekdays: 8:00am (Tues. - Fri.)
• Holy Days: 8:00am & 12:10pm

Confession
• Saturday: 4:30pm
• Or by appointment

Baptism & Marriage
• Please contact the Parish Office

All Saints Academy

Jill Tasker
Principal

Angie Pollmann
Assistant Principal

asasaints.com

Mater Dei High School

Brandi Borries
Principal

Materdeiknights.org

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THIS WEEK AT ST. DOMINIC

Saturday, Saturday, November 14th - Sunday, November 22nd

Mass Schedule

Saturday, November 14th
5:30pm: Mass

Sunday, November 15th
11am: Mass

Monday, November 16th
No Mass

Tuesday, November 17th
8am: Mass

Wednesday, November 18th
No Mass

Thursday, November 19th
8am: No Mass

Friday, November 20th
8am: Mass

Saturday, November 21st
5:30pm: Mass

Sunday, November 22nd
11am: Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 14th
5:30pm: In Memory of Jim & Sue Darr's 50th Wedding Anniversiary
Don Ripperda
Mike Richter

Sunday, November 15th
11am: In Thanksgiving of the 50th Wedding Anniversiary of Dcn. Linus & Sue Klostermann

Monday, November 16th
No Mass

Tuesday, November 17th
8am: Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in Guatemala

Wednesday, November 18th
No Mass

Thursday, November 19th
No Mass

Friday, November 20th
8am: Henry & Mary Hilmes

Saturday, November 21st
5:30pm: Living & Deceased of the Carog Family
Bernell Huene
Geri Ratermann

Sunday, November 22nd
11am: Living & Deceased of the Viloria Family
Pat Lampe
Thanksgiving of the 60th Anniversiary of Denver & Sharon Helscher

Meetings This Week

Saturday, November 14th
No Meeting

Sunday, November 15th
No Meeting

Monday, November 16th
7pm: OCIA in the Annex

Tuesday, November 17th
No Meeting

Wednesday, November 18th
No Meeting

Thursday, November 19th
7pm: Choir Practice

Friday, November 20th
No Meeting

Saturday, November 21st
No Meeting

Sunday, November 22nd
No Meeting

This Week's Stewardship

Sunday Envelopes	$3,015.00
Loose Collection	$261.00
Online Giving	$4,294.00
Sunday Contribution	$7,570.00
Adopted Parish	$10.00
World Mission Sunday	$10.00
All Saints Day	$45.00
Children's Collection	$13.00
Needy	$25.00
Tuition Assistance	$90.00
Food for Families	$10.00
Christmas Flowers	$130.00
Building Fund	$3,035.00



!!ST. DOMINIC WEEKLY QUEEN OF HEARTS!!

Raffle sales are OPEN!

Drawings are Every Thursday at 7:30pm

To learn how to play, to purchase tickets visit https://goraisedough.com/buy/4020 or scan the QR code.

Queen of Hearts card wins 50% of the Jackpot

Other Card Payouts

Number Cards Pay $25
Face Cards Pay $50
Joker Cards Pay $100.

10/22/26 Drawing: Brad Maue (Face Card-$50 Winner)



Mass Attendance

Saturday - 159 Disciples at Mass
Sunday - 182 Disciples at Mass

Total for the Weekend - 341 Disciples at Mass

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SERVICE & OUTREACH

Stephen Ministry

How Churches Can Help Combat the Mental Health Crisis

For decades, the mental health crisis has been a growing challenge, causing immense personal suffering across the US and around the globe.

The good news, though, is that churches can help.
Join us at St. Nicholas Parish Community on Monday, November 16, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. or Tuesday, November 17, from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon to hear how! Presenters from educational non-profit Stephen Ministries will be sharing about a bold new approach that empowers churches with specific actions to help combat the crisis by preventing mental health problems from occurring and promoting mental health and well-being.

Those from the community are welcome to bring a team! The cost is $10/person or $40/for a group of four or more from a congregation. Register online at stephenministries.org/CombatTheCrisis.

St. Vincent De Paul

St. Vincent De Paul is accepting Fall & Winter Clothing!

St. Vincent De Paul is currently accepting Fall & Winter Clothing: (ie. Coats, Jackets, Flannel Shirts, Jeans, Long Sleeve T-Shirts, etc.)

FORMATION

Nativity Sets from Around the World
A Celebration of Faith and Stewardship

In celebration of the Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi, as we prepare our hearts for Christ's coming this Advent, and in honor of the missionary legacy of Blessed Fulton Sheen, the Hincke Home for Priests invites everyone to a special open house featuring Nativity sets from around the world, December 6-9.

Open House Hours:
Sunday, December 6: 1:00-6:00 PM
Monday-Wednesday, December 7-9: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Support Our Seminarians

• Featured Seminarian of the Week •
Tyler Horstmann

Located at: Glennon College Seminary

5200 Glennon Dr.
St. Louis, MO 63119

Altar Sodality Christmas Party

Please Note the Date Change!

The St. Dominic Ladies Altar Sodality warmly invites all ladies of the parish to join us for our annual Christmas celebration on Tuesday, **December 1, 2026!**

As we celebrate the joy of Christ's birth, this special gathering offers an opportunity to enjoy fellowship, strengthen friendships, and give thanks for the many ways our ladies share their time, talents, and faith in service to our parish.

Date: **Tuesday, December 1, 2026**
Time: **6:00pm**
Location: **Parish Center**

Dinner and drinks will be provided! Please bring a wrapped $5 gift to participate in our fun-filled "Rob Your Neighbor" gift exchange. Other games and activities are planned, too!
Whether you've been involved in the sodality for years or simply want to enjoy an evening with the women of our parish, all are welcome! Come share in the laughter, friendship, and joy of the Christmas season. We look forward to celebrating with you!

PRAYER

PRAYER LIST

We Pray For:
- Expectant Mothers
- Those Battling Cancer
- Military & First Responders
- Peace Around the World

Repose of the Souls of:
- Pat Zuelow
- Dr. Renato Rivera
- Alexis M. Tehandon
- Kenneth "Stick" Voss
- All the Forgotten Souls

Capital Campaign Prayer

Prayer for St. Dominic Parish

O God, we come to the Table to build on the faith established by our ancestors.

Through their faith and sacrifice St. Dominic is a vibrant parish. We are grateful for the blessings You give us.

Now we acknowledge and accept our responsibility to carry onthe faith at St. Dominic.

Help us to recognize our gifts and talents to share our faith with others and to invite themto come to the Table.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THANKSGIVING
A Celebration of Gratitude and Giving

As we gather as a parish family to give thanks for God's many blessings, we invite everyone to join us for our Thanksgiving Day Mass.

Blessing of Thanksgiving Food: Parishioners are invited to bring an item of food from their Thanksgiving meal to be placed near the altar for a special blessing during Mass. As we gather around our own tables later that day, may we be reminded of God's goodness and the blessings we share.

Sharing Our Blessings with Others: In the spirit of gratitude and generosity, parishioners are also encouraged to bring canned goods or other nonperishable food items for the House of Manna Food Pantry. A collection basket will be available in the back of church for your donations.
This Thanksgiving, let us come together in prayer, give thanks for what we have, and share God's blessings with those in need.

Partnership Thanksgiving Masses

St. Augustine: Wednesday, November 25th at 7:00pm. (Thanksgiving Vigil Mass)

St. Dominic: Thur. Nov. 26th at 9:00am.

St. Anthony: Thur. Nov. 26th at 9:30am.

Advent Reconciliation Services

Service Location	Date	Time
St. Mary, Centralia School	Dec 1, 26	12:30 PM
St. Mary, Trenton	Dec 2, 26	7:00 PM
St. Anthony, Beckemeyer	Dec 3, 26	7:00 PM
St. Boniface, Germantown	Dec 13, 26	3:00 PM
St. Mary, Carlyle	Dec 13, 26	6:00 PM
St. Mary, Centralia	Dec 14, 26	6:00 PM
St. Mary, Carlyle	Dec 14, 26	10AM-4PM (on the hour)
St. Rose, St. Rose	Dec 15, 26	7:00 PM
St. George, New Baden	Dec 17, 26	7:00 PM

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Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, November 21st 5:30pm	Sunday, November 22nd 11:00am
Extraordinary Ministers: Connie Robben, Barb Koopmann, Suann Fields, Tim Richter, Mary Niemann, Kate Rivera-Kunz, Susie Hempen, Laura Voss	**Extraordinary Ministers:** Brenda Hellige, Kate Unverfehrt, Diane Grapperhaus, Nancy Huelsmann, Dan Robben, Kim Miller, Tony & Deb Antonacci
Ushers: Rich Eilermann, Karen Lager, Dennis Ratermann, Kent Robben, Ric Koopmann, Ted Voss	**Ushers:** Bill & Deb Koetting, Yvonne & Jeff Foppe, Dave Toennies
Altar Servers: Adalyn Willman, Lydia Ratermann, Wesley Murray	**Altar Servers:** James & Stella Klostermann, Brie Winkeler
Organist & Cantor: Maribeth Detmer & Paul Klostermann	**Organist & Cantor:** Children's Choir
Lector: Lynette Eilermann	**Lector:** Chris Streetman
Gift Bearers: Dennis Ratermann	**Gift Bearers:** Denver & Sharon Helscher Family

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint of the Week: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Feast Day: November 17th



St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1207–1231) reminds us that a life of faith is not measured by wealth, position, or recognition, but by the love we share with others.

Born into royalty, Elizabeth married at a young age and became known for her extraordinary compassion toward the poor and sick. Rather than allowing her position to separate her from those in need, she used her resources to feed the hungry, care for the suffering, and provide shelter for the vulnerable. Following the death of her husband, she devoted herself even more fully to serving others, embracing the Franciscan spirit of simplicity, humility, and charity.

Elizabeth understood that following Christ meant more than prayer alone. Her relationship with Jesus inspired her to recognize His presence in those she served.

Living Our Faith: St. Elizabeth challenges us to consider how our own encounters with Christ move us toward discipleship. Through hospitality, prayer, formation, and service, we are called to make God's love visible in our parish, our families, and our community.

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, pray for us, that we may recognize Christ in others and serve with generous and compassionate hearts.

EVENTS

• **SAVE THE DATE: St. Dominic Ladies Sodality is hosting Pursesfor a Purpose Bingo, Friday, November 20th, 7pm at Breese KC Hall.** Watch Facebook and email in late September to make reservations. If you have a designer purse, wallet, or wristlet to donate, please contact Lynette Eilermann at 618-304-5940

• **The next fair-trade sale will be November 21st & 22nd, following both weekend Masses.**

• **The next Rosary in the Prayer Garden Sunday, December 12th at 6pm!**

The December Intention is to be announced soon.

• **SOUNDS OF HARMONY BARBERSHOP CHORUS CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** Enjoy your Christmas and seasonal favorites in a capella four-part harmony performed by Belleville's award-winning "Sounds of Harmony Chorus". This musical event will be held at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Germantown on Saturday, December 5, 2026 at 7:00PM. Admission is free, but donations are accepted and appreciated.

• **Save the Date for Camp Ondessonk's Enchanted Forest Gala on Saturday, March 6, 2027, at the Regency in O'Fallon, Illinois.** Join us for dinner, silent and live auctions, and fellowship in support of Camp Ondessonk. Your generosity helps campers build friendships, grow in confidence and faith, and discover the joy of the outdoors. For event details and ticket updates, visit: ondessonk.com/gala-2027.

BIG 25 GUN RAFFLE WINNERS

1.Sam Kuhl
2.Paul Rinella
3.Bob Young
4. Kris Meyer
5.Randy Spaeth
6.John Niemeyer
7.Nancy Schwaegel
8.Mike Lane
9.Jon Pollmann
10.Mark Timmermann
11.Dave Grapperhaus
12.Ryan Fuller
13.Spencer Fuehne
14. Stuart Kienlan
15. Darryl Voss
16. Jacob Faust
17. Ari Litteken
18. Keith Langenhorst
19. Bob Dumbstorff
20. Loren Lammers
21. Clay Szceblewski
22. Allen Litteken
23. Eric Becker
24. Toni Antoncacci
25. Doug Ratermann

We made a gross of $17,850 from the Big 25 Raffle.