

ST. JOHN BOSCO PARISH
 12934 MARINE AVENUE ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63146

Second Sunday of Easter

(or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

Jesus said to Thomas,
 "Have you come to
 believe because you
 have seen me?
 Blessed are those
 who have not seen
 and have believed."

John 20:29



April 24, 2022

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Mass Times: Monday–Friday 7 a.m. | Saturday 5 p.m.
 Sunday 8 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. & Children’s Liturgy of the Word/Little Disciples
Perpetual Help Devotions: Tuesdays after 7 a.m. Mass
Rosary Devotion: First Sunday of the Month at 7:30 a.m.
Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Last Sunday of the Month from 11:30am.-3 pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Marriages: Contact parish clergy at least six months prior to the wedding date.
Baptisms: Call the rectory to schedule. The Church requires parents, and preferably godparents, to attend a baptism class for a couple’s first child.

Rectory Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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PASTOR’S PAGE

Dear Parishioners,

I hope that you had a very happy, blessed, and holy Easter. Many thanks to all who made the Holy Week experiences here at St. John Bosco so wonderful. I don’t want to leave out anyone, so I won’t “name names,” but there are the decorators, the choirs, the lectors, the servers, the ushers, the Extraordinary Ministers, and, most importantly, the “assembly.” You who attended our services were and continue to be a sign of hope for the church in the 21st Century. May God bless you all!

A BIG THANK YOU to all the men and women of the parish who made our six weeks of Fish Frys, after a year and one-half hiatus, successful. Over 3,500 dinners were served. While that is a little down (I’m told) from pre-pandemic numbers, it is a great number for all coming back. Congratulations to Fr. Gerry Welsch who won the 50” ROKU television and to parishioner, John Henry, who won the Amazon Fire pad. Final numbers are not in yet, but you will be told when we get the final results. Again, thank you ALL for helping in so many ways and thank you for attending the Parish’s “World Famous Fish Fry.”

Divine Mercy Sunday is today, Sunday, April 24. Ordinarily we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the Last Sunday of the month, but **this month** we will **not** have it. However, we are invited to join our neighbors, at Incarnate Word Parish, for their observance of Divine Mercy Sunday. They will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following their 12:15 p.m. Mass until 3 p.m., when the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed. Confessions will be available from 1:30 until 3 p.m. on Divine Mercy Sunday at Incarnate Word. Again, we are **ALL** invited to participate with our neighbors.

Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA): This weekend we are happy to welcome Mrs. Terri Welz, who is on the ACA Council, as our guest speaker. Please be attentive to her presentation and, when you see her in the lobby of Church, greet her warmly. Look for your pledge card in the mail this week. Thank you.

Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network: This month the intention is for **Health Care Workers:** *we pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.* The Reflection for the Month was written by Leslie Sholly, who is a Southern Catholic wife and mother, and who blogs at *Life in Every Limb:*

More than two years have gone by since the global COVID-19 pandemic was officially declared. If there is anything most of us have learned during that time it is to appreciate healthcare workers. While those of us who were able left our jobs or worked from home and tried to avoid contagion, they persevered. Day after day they have literally risked their lives to help others. They have worked around the clock and into burnout, often without enough supplies or equipment.

And it’s not only doctors and nurses who have performed their duties heroically, but so many others—orderlies, medical technicians, certified nursing assistants, the folks working in cafeterias and maintenance, and many more—all who have lived the Gospel call to love their neighbors as them-selves.

“Greater love has no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends” (John 15:13). According to the World Health Organization, over 115,000 health care workers have died of COVID-19. During the worst of the pandemic in New York City, health care workers exited the hospitals to nightly cheers of appreciation. But time marches on, and enthusiasm fades. As the rest of us go back to business as usual, let us not forget the vital importance of health care workers, not just during pandemics but all the time.

Let us ask God to bless them, and also that He may help us be mindful of ways we and our communities can appreciate and support them and the work that they do.

May we all have a blessed Easter Season. Don’t forget Easter is 50 days! We are on day 8!

Faithfully yours,
Fr. Joe Weber

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 4/24	Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)	Thurs., 4/28	Easter Weekday / St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis Grignon de Montfort
8 a.m.	People of the Parish	7 a.m.	Louis & Corinne Dolence
10:30 a.m.	Msgr. Jack Costello	Fri., 4/29	St. Catherine of Siena
Mon., 4/25	St. Mark, Evangelist	7 a.m.	Marylou Eder
7 a.m.	Lois P. Malyar	Sat., 4/30	Easter Weekday / St. Pius V
Tues., 4/26	Easter Weekday	5 p.m. (Vigil)	Eleanor Krizenesky
7 a.m.	Mary Beth Ruder	Sun., 5/1	Third Sunday of Easter
Wed., 4/27	Easter Weekday	8 a.m.	People of the Parish
7 a.m.	Thomas Dooley	10:30 a.m.	Laverne Ebe

TODAY- APRIL 24

St. John Bosco Blood Drive: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you do not have an appointment, you may stop in to see if there is availability today or schedule an appointment for the future.

Blest Art: After all Masses in the Church Basement. Enjoy coffee and donuts and shop for religious art from the Holy Land.

Divine Mercy Sunday at Incarnate Word Church: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following 12:15 p.m. Mass until 3 p.m. when the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed. Confessions from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Confirmation Next Sunday

Our 8th Grade PSR students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral next **Sunday, May 1.** Please pray that our students will open their hearts to the Holy Spirit and that God will bring to fulfillment the good work that He has begun in them.

Catholic Education Survey

As part of the *All Things New* strategic planning initiative, all current, former, prospective, donors, volunteers, and community parents of both Catholic Schools and Parish School of Religion are encouraged to take a survey to evaluate your experience with Catholic education. The survey will be available through May 2, 2022, and can be accessed at www.surveymonkey.com/r/EDUCATIONSURVEY2022

Trivia Night on May 6

Tables are still available for the 10th Annual St. John Bosco Trivia Night on **Friday, May 6!** Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Questions begin at 7 p.m. This fun evening will include silent auction, raffles, 50/50 drawing, attendance prizes and other surprises. Tables of 8/\$160. Individual players welcome at \$20/person. We welcome your donations for our silent auction raffle baskets. Reserve your table by contacting Cindy at (314) 878-6492 or cindy.meirink@stjohnboscostl.com.

Gardening Volunteers Needed

We are in need of individuals to tend the lovely gardens around the church. Please call Carol Cullinane at (314) 434-0142 for more information or to volunteer.

THIS WEEK AT SJB

Monday **Worship Commission** - 7 p.m. Bosco Room
 Tuesday **Perpetual Help Devotions** - after 7 a.m. Mass
PSR - 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.
 Wednesday **Quilters** - 10 a.m. Parish Center
Ladies' Night - 5 - 7:30 p.m. Parish Center
 Friday **Tai Chi** - 10 a.m. Parish Center
 Saturday **Century Club Dinner** - Parish Center

ROSARY DEVOTION

Next Sunday, May 1 at 7:30 a.m.

AROUND TOWN

Speaker Series – Catholic Teaching & Social Justice Issues
 Wednesday, April 27 at 7 p.m. - Holy Spirit Parish Hall;
 3130 Parkwood Lane; Maryland Heights
 Guest speaker: Michael Meehan, CEO of Marygrove
 Contact Clare Duffy at (314) 291-2144

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Ecumenical Prayer for Health & Air Quality

Sunday, May 1 • 3 - 4 p.m.
 The Garden at Our Lady of the Holy Cross;
 8115 Church Rd., St. Louis

Catechists Wanted

Are you being called to share the Catholic faith with young people in our Parish School of Religion? Catechists are needed for the 2022/2023 school year. If you have questions about this ministry, please contact Cindy Meirink at (314) 878-6492.

Rest in Peace



Christine Lehmann, longtime parishioner

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

WEEKLY OFFERING

4/10 - **General Fund:** \$4,311; **Loose:** \$1,315
Online: \$1,775; **TOTAL:** \$7,401
 4/17 - **General Fund:** \$4,158; **Loose:** \$1,675
Online: \$1,235 **TOTAL:** \$7,068
Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land: \$1,219
Retired Priests Collection: \$1,210

ONLINE GIVING

<https://osvhub.com/stjohnboscostl/funds>

Pray For Our Loved Ones Serving in the Military: *Sgt. Thomas L. Saey III, Army Rangers Sp. Ops.; Petty Officer 3rd Class Steven Eddy, USN; Sgt. James K. Combs, USMC; Spc. Jared Skiles, USA; Cadet Dreyton Pohl, USAF Academy; Seaman James Kedley, USN*

Prayer Requests for Our Sick: *Lori April, Maureen Baine, Gloria Bainter, Carolyn Baker, Carol Bauer, Billie Belluso, Barb Brown, Tom Burkhart, Joe Carey, Karen Cattoor, Judy Coleman, Amy Cutrell, Chris Davidzuk, Nancy Davies, Debbie Denton, Bob Figge, Audrey Fitzpatrick, Tom Flaspoler, Tim Gentilcore, Howard Gransbach, Richard Haberstroh, Jr., Norma Hankins, Kay Henry, Dolores Hill, Don Landwehr, Andrew L., Tony Margherio, Michael Massoni, Matt Meinert, Barry Mertz, Ray Meyer, Marge Meyer, Candy Brown-Migneco, Cynthia Miskell, Barbara Ann Mueller, Bill Mueller, Bill Mueller, Jr., Msgr. Pat O'Langblin, Dolores O'Leary, Ginny Ottes, Rich Ottes, Fran Phillips, Gerald Pope, Mary Saey, Tracey Samuelson, Frank Schlueter, Elaine Schniedermeyer, Mary Jo Sbaughnessy, Mary Ann Sitarski, Jodi Toliver, Ronald Tretter, Christine Woracheck, Emily Winders, Estelle Withum, Benjamin Yeargain, and Ron Young.*