



St. Paul

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A FRANCISCAN FAMILY UNITED IN GOD'S LOVE

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:00 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM & 11:30 AM
Holy Days	8:15 AM & 7:00 PM
Weekdays	8:15 AM - Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 12:00 PM Wednesday
Reconciliation	Wednesday 11:30 AM Saturday 3:00 PM or by appt.

Adoration Chapel

Available 24 hours

Carol Masters 502-424-6446
Becky Harper

Saint Anthony Devotions

Tuesday: 8:15 AM & 7:00 PM

Pastoral Staff:

Pastor Fr. Leo Payyappilly, OFM Conv.

Associate Pastor

..... Fr. Dais Theembalangattu OFM Conv.

Altar Servers Troy Cook

Altar Society Linda Young

Arts & Environment Kathy Coulter

Business Manager Carol Masters

Cemetery Manager Kenny Noonan

Director of Religious Education Amy Decker

Director of Music & Worship ... Rachel Hoffmann

Eucharistic Ministers Kathy Coulter

Finance Council Herb Schum

Heavenly Dusters Linda Young

Knights of Columbus Dan Benningfield

Lectors Kathy Coulter

Men's Club Dennis Bosse

Parish Council John Drees

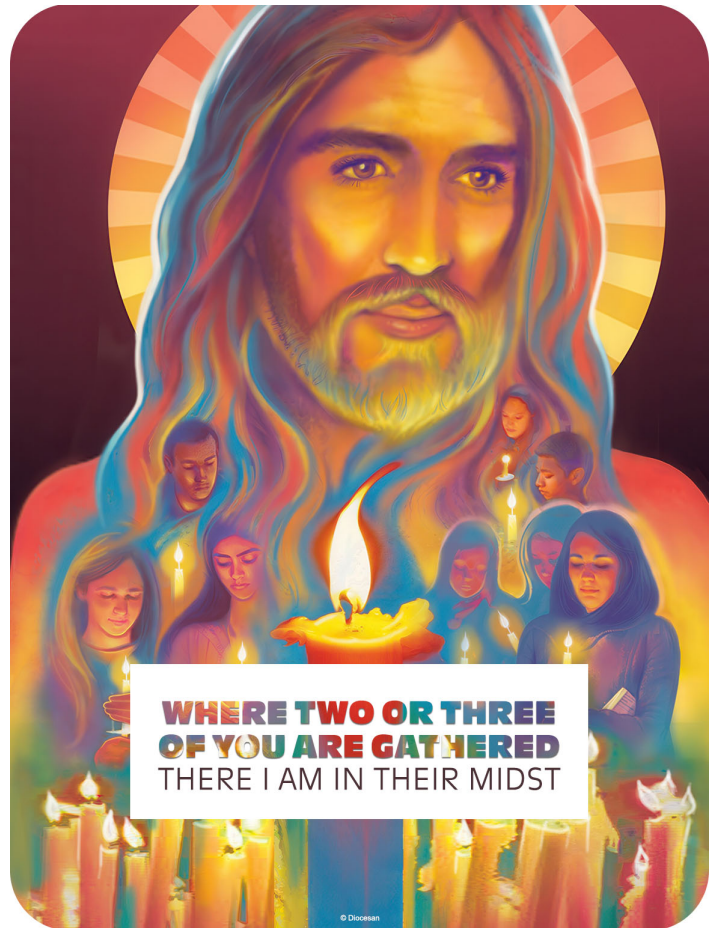
Parish Secretary Mary Ellen Berger

St. Vincent DePaul Becca Bartsch

Sports Matt Spitler

Ushers Jim Blandford

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



**WHERE TWO OR THREE
OF YOU ARE GATHERED
THERE I AM IN THEIR MIDST**

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September 6, 2026

This Week at St. Paul**Monday, September 7th****NO MASS**

6:30 PM... ACTS Retreat Formation, Incarnation

Tuesday, September 8th8:15 AM... Holy Mass, Chapel, **All Souls**

7:00 PM... St. Anthony Novena Service, Chapel

Wednesday, September 9th

10:00 AM... Altar Society Retreat Team, Mercy Hall

11:30 AM... Reconciliation, Church

12:00 PM... Holy Mass, Church, **Manny & Lis Perez**6:00 PM... Religious Education (PREP) Registration,
... Franciscan Study**Thursday, September 10th**8:15 AM... Holy Mass, - School Mass 3-8, Church,
... **John & Mary Lawrence**7:00 PM... St. Vincent de Paul Society, Franciscan
... Study**Friday, September 11th**8:15 AM... Holy Mass, Chapel, **Dennis Murphy****Saturday, September 12th**7:30 AM... Rosary-Men's Prayer Meeting, @
... Incarnation Gathering House

3:00 PM... Reconciliation

3:30 PM... Rosary

4:00 PM... Holy Mass, Church, **Wendall Hill**

6:15 PM... Support Group, Hilary Hall

Sunday, September 13th - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM... Rosary

9:30 AM... Holy Mass, Church, **John & Jean Knight**

11:00 AM... Rosary

11:30 AM... Holy Mass, Church, **Helen Cissell****Mass Intentions**

We encourage those who are offering a Mass intention at a weekend celebration for their loved one to present the gifts. Please see the Usher at least 15 before Mass begins.

Ministry Schedule***Weekend of 9/12 & 9/13*****Altar Servers**

4:00 PM ... Campbell & Colton Mingus

9:30 AM ... Hazel Gahafer & Jozi McDonald

11:30 AM... Serenity & Marie Sandage

Lectors

4:00 PM.... Dianna McCombs

9:30 AM.... Lumen Agossou

11:30 AM... Linda Young

Eucharistic Ministers4:00 PM.... Debbie Cox, Pam Thompson &
.... Gay Baughman

9:30 AM ... Linda Casey, Karen Mount & Sara Stovall

11:30 AM... Kim Beasley, John Price &
.... Theresa McClinton**Rosary Leaders**

3:30 PM.... Sharon Croutcher

9:00 AM.... Bruce Adams

11:00 AM... Jeanie Schmuckie

***September***

**Saturday 4:00 PM: Ed & Cathy Crockett,
2 Volunteers**

**Sunday 9:30 AM: Shane Liford, Rick Ford,
David & Rose Bibb**

**Sunday 11:30 AM: Paul Bowling, Chris Head,
Volunteer**

★ ***Labor Day Weekend*** ★

**The miracle is
not that we do
this work, but
that we are
happy to do it.**

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Spend some Quiet Time with Our Lord

Eucharistic Miracles

Betania, Venezuela (1991)

Some Eucharistic miracles happened only a few short decades ago. During a consecration mass near the Finca Marian Shrine in Betania, the priest broke the host into four sections and consumed one piece himself. Shortly after, one of the remaining pieces began to display a red spot that exuded a red substance.

After a series of studies and hundreds of tests, it was confirmed that the red spot was blood of the AB group and determined to be taken from a living heart. The blood of the priest was also confirmed to be of a different group than the blood of the host, counting out the chance that the priest bled on it. Today, the Miraculous Host is on display in Los Teques at the Augustinian Recollects convent of the nuns of the Sacred Heart.

Chirattakonam, India (2001)

During Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary's parish, three red stains suddenly appeared on the Eucharistic host. Unsure of what to do, the priest placed the host back into the tabernacle. Several days later, the priest looked at the host more closely. The red stains had arranged themselves to look like a man. He found a photographer to take pictures of the host, and today, many consider the shape of the face to be that of Jesus. --- Catholic World Missions

August 25, 2026 – Our Lady's Message from Medjugorje "Dear children, Today I am calling you: return to God, return to prayer, so that you may become carriers of peace. Pray, little children, for peace that is in danger; and may prayer begin to flow anew from your hearts and from your families, so that, in joy, you may feel the voice of Jesus in your hearts: 'Peace be with you.' Be, little children, carriers of peace and prayer for all those who do not pray. I am with you and I pray for you before my Son Jesus. Thank you for having responded to my call." (With Ecclesiastical approval)

Prayerfully consider taking a Holy Hour, an hour of reflection, prayer and peace that will bring you closer to Jesus. Monday- 2PM, 5PM, Thursday- 5PM, Friday- 1PM.

Stewardship

Fiscal Year Information 2026-2027

Goal YTD (Sunday Collection Only)	\$76,500
Total Collection YTD 8/30/2026	\$72,972
Percentage of YTD Goal	96%
Weekly Budgeted Offering	\$ 8,500
Weekly Offering 8/30/2026	\$ 6,451
Percentage of Weekly Goal	96%

Have you remembered St. Paul Parish
in your will ?

Perpetual Candle

burning is for the intentions of

Pat Miller

Please join together in prayer
with them and their intentions.

The Sanctuary lamp burning near the
tabernacle:

Church is in memory:

Gratzer Family

Chapel is in memory:

Leis Family

Pray For The Sick

**Dear God, we place our sick
under your care and humbly
ask that you restore your
servant to health.**

Vicky Adams	Devin Dawes	Sue Johnson	Mark Reynolds	Chris Thompson
Kathy Alvey	Joan DeVault	Erin Ketterer	George & Beverly	Kim Tingle
Emogene Alvey	Su Do & Hien Dao	Jim & Betty Leonard	Richards	Paul Walker
Tom Alvey	Theresa Endler	Steve Linker	John Rippey	Carrie Ward
John Siegfried	Steve Flaherty	Susan Linsey	Margie Roach	Maureen Weber
Anderson	Anna Fulkerson	Shirley & Bob	Barbara Robinson	Janice York
Max Barnett	Mavis Garrett	McCullum	Marilynn Robinson	
Keith Baughman	Carlene & Dave	Cindy McGohon	Tim Samuels	All the hospitalized or
Shirley Beatty	Gottbrath	Cathy Madison	Aaron Saylor	homebound.
Alan Beck	Vicky Gillespie	Lura Marquess	Suzanne Sherman	
Evan Beck	Betty Graf	Rudy & Teresa Michel	Susie Shepherd	Please keep us
Angela Blain	David & Kathy Hahn	Thomas Morris	Lucas Simmons	updated on the
Michael Blair	James Halbleib	Nellie Moreschi	Betty Simms	status of the sick,
Kelly Blakely	Mary Hale	Debbie Nelson	Marie Sloan	so we know when
Tina & Ben Blandford	Darlene Hall	Pauline Nelson	Lisa Smith	to remove them
Chris Blanton	Floyd Hartlage	Randy Nugent	Ronald Smith	from this list.
Kim Blosser-Forten	Joseph "Jay" Hatmaker	Kim Nuss	Sherry Piotrski Smith	
Marie Brown	Dorothy Haynes	Pam Ottersbach	Danny Smothers	Thank you.
Chris Burk	Mary Jo Horrell	James & Phyllis Pike	Marie Soeder	
Tom Burk	Mary Howell	Susan Portman	Robert Soeder	
Aileene Chessier	Robin Hultgren	Margaret Pyles	Jim Speers	
Corum Family	Jesse Hurst & Family	Sharon Rengers	Mitchell Stewart	
Sharon Croutcher	Pat Johnson	Rick Renn	Jo Lynn Thomas	

The Seven Sorrows of Mary are seven key moments of deep grief and suffering experienced by the Virgin Mary during the life of Jesus, as commemorated in Catholic tradition.

The Catholic Church honors the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows each year on September 15

The Seven Sorrows

- **The Prophecy of Simeon:** Mary hears Simeon predict that a sword of sorrow will pierce her soul because her child is a sign of contradiction.
- **The Flight into Egypt:** Mary and Joseph flee by night with the infant Jesus to escape King Herod's wrath and murder plots.
- **The Loss of Jesus in the Temple:** Mary and Joseph anxiously search for the young Jesus for three agonizing days in Jerusalem.
- **Meeting Jesus on the Way to Calvary:** Mary meets her beloved son carrying the heavy wooden cross to his crucifixion.
- **The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus:** Mary stands steadfast at the foot of the cross, watching her son suffer and die.
- **Taking Jesus Down from the Cross (The Pietà):** Mary receives the lifeless body of Jesus into her arms after he is taken down from the cross.
- **The Burial of Jesus:** Mary assists in placing Christ's body into the tomb, sealing her immense grief before the Sabbath.

From the Co-Traveler's Desk

TALK TO THEM, NOT ABOUT THEM

MATTHEW 18:15-20 | 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A



"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone." — Matthew 18:15

There is something we are all tempted to do when someone hurts us: **we talk about them**. We tell our spouse, a friend, someone at work, or sometimes even someone online. But there is one thing we often find much harder to do: **talk to the person who hurt us**.

Today's Gospel gives us a different way. Jesus says, **"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone."** At first, this may sound like a lesson about correcting other people. But Jesus is really teaching us about **love, responsibility, and reconciliation**.

When someone hurts us, our natural reaction may be to become angry, withdraw, or tell others what happened. But Jesus says, **go to the person**. Speak honestly, but speak privately. The purpose is not to win an argument or prove that we are right. The purpose is to restore the relationship.

And that requires us to examine our own hearts first. Before we correct someone, perhaps we should ask: **Am I doing this because I love this person, or because I am angry with this person? Am I trying to help, or am I trying to hurt?** The same words can come from very different hearts. Christian correction should never be about humiliation. It should have one goal: **to help our brother or sister come back**.

But there is another side to this Gospel—and perhaps this is the harder part. **Sometimes we are the ones who need correction**. Nobody likes to hear, "You were wrong," or "You hurt me." Our first reaction can be to defend ourselves. Yet sometimes the person who loves us enough to tell us the truth is giving us a precious gift. We need people in our lives who will not simply tell us what we want to hear, but who will lovingly help us become better people and better disciples.

This is especially important in our families, marriages, friendships, workplaces, and parish community. No community is perfect. We will misunderstand one another. We will disappoint one another. Sometimes we will hurt one another, even without intending to. The question is not whether we will have problems. **The question is how we will deal with them**. So, Jesus gives us a path: **speak directly, listen carefully, seek reconciliation, and don't give up too quickly on one another**.

Then Jesus says something beautiful: **"Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."** In today's Gospel, these words have a deeper meaning. Jesus reminds us that **He is present when people come together in His name—even when they come together to heal a broken relationship**.

Think about that. When a husband and wife who are hurting sit down and sincerely try to understand each other, **Jesus is there**. When family members put aside their pride and begin to speak again, **Jesus is there**. When two friends decide that their relationship is more important than their argument, **Jesus is there**. And when members of a parish choose unity instead of gossip and division, **Jesus is there**.

So perhaps Jesus is asking us some very personal questions today: **Is there someone I need to speak to? Is there someone I need to forgive? Is there someone I have written off whom Jesus is asking me not to give up on?**

Maybe we have been waiting for the other person to make the first move. Perhaps Jesus is asking **us** to take that first step. Love is not always comfortable. Sometimes love means speaking the truth. Sometimes it means listening. Sometimes it means saying, **"I'm sorry"**. Sometimes it means saying, **"I forgive you"**. And sometimes it simply means refusing to give up on someone.

My dear brothers and sisters, this week, **let us not talk about someone when we should be talking to them**. Let us not allow pride, fear, or hurt to build walls between us. And before we speak to someone about what they have done, let us first ask ourselves: **"Lord, what do You want me to change in me?"** Because sometimes the person who needs to take the first step is not the person we are thinking about. **It is us**. And when we speak with truth, listen with humility, and forgive with love, we make room for Christ to be present among us. **Amen**.

Fr. Leo Payyappilly, OFM Conv.

Your Co-Traveler



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

- Have you or someone you love been away from the Church for too long?
- Have you felt lost when you are questioned about your faith and you don't know how to respond?
- Or maybe you have not been able to encounter Christ in all the Sacraments?
- Maybe you have friends or family who would appreciate the invitation?
- They may not intend to become Catholic, but are seeking God in their lives.
- Maybe you just want to learn more about the Catholic Faith.
- All are welcome!

To learn more about OCIA or to sign up for the classes, contact Amy Decker or the Parish Office. We are also looking for sponsors!

Registration: Wednesday, October 7
6:30 p.m.
Hilary Hall.

The mission of Faith Formation in the Archdiocese of Louisville is to teach Catholic beliefs, traditions and values as well as to provide ministerial support, formation and training in the context of deepening spirituality.



Attention Ladies!**"We are the hands and feet of Christ"**

"Christ has no body now on earth but yours,
no hands but yours, no feet but yours;
yours are the eyes through which the
compassion of Christ must look out on the
world. Yours are the feet with which He is to
go about doing good; yours are the hands
with which He is to bless His people."

St. Theresa of Avila

**The St. Paul Altar Society
invites you to join us
for a special one-day retreat.**

Date: October 3, 2026

Time: 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

4:00 PM Group Mass

Where: St. Paul Campus

Retreat Leader – Judy Ribar

Contact the Parish Office

502-935-1223



Fostering a deeper relationship with God and building strong parish communities through Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service

Adoration:

The retreat emphasizes the importance of adoration of God through prayer and worship, encouraging participants to respond to God's grace and love.

Community:

ACTS retreats strive to build a strong sense of community among participants, fostering love, care, and fellowship within the Body of Christ.

Theology:

Theology plays a crucial role, with retreats encouraging participants to deepen their understanding of their faith through scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church.

Service:

The retreat aims to inspire a spirit of service, encouraging participants to live out their faith by serving God and others within their parish and the wider community.

Incarnation / St. Paul ACTS Retreat



Ultimately, the ACTS retreat is designed to be a transformative experience that leads to a more vibrant and engaged relationship with God and a stronger sense of belonging within the parish community.