

*St. Bridget of
Kildare
111 West Union Street
Pacific, MO*

*St. James
Catholic Church
1107 Summit Drive
Catawissa, MO*

*St. Mary of
Perpetual Help
1587 Hwy A
Villa Ridge, MO*

April 21, 2024



“I WILL LAY
DOWN MY LIFE
FOR THE SHEEP.”
—JN 10:15

4TH SUNDAY OF
EASTER

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Mass Schedule				Mass Intentions
Monday	4/22	SBK	8:00am	Stephanie Goden
Tuesday	4/23	STJ	8:00am	<i>Priest Intention</i>
Wednesday	4/24	STM	8:00am	Verna Vondera
Thursday	4/25	SBK	8:00am	<i>Mark Riemann</i>
Friday	4/26	SBK	8:00am	Marge Phelan
Saturday	4/27	SBK	4:00pm	Laverne Bucher
Sunday	4/28	STM	7:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sunday	4/28	SBK	9:15am	Geoff Sater
Sunday	4/28	STJ	11:00am	<i>Priest Intention</i>

2024 HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, August 15th - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Friday, November 1st - All Saints Day
 Wednesday, December 25th - Christmas Day

Holy Mass times will be announced closer to the dates.

Mass Times:

Saturday	4:00PM	St. Bridget
Sunday	7:30AM	St. Mary
	9:15AM	St. Bridget
	11:00AM	St. James
Monday	8:00AM	St. Bridget
Tuesday	8:00AM	St. James
Wednesday	8:00AM	St. Mary
Thursday	8:00AM	St. Bridget
Friday	8:00AM	St. Bridget
1st Saturday	8:00AM	St. James

Confession Times:

Sunday	6:30 - 7:15AM	St. Mary
Tuesday	6:00 - 6:50PM	St. Bridget
Saturday	7:00 - 7:45AM	St. James
Saturday	2:30 - 3:30PM	St. Bridget

Eucharistic Exposition:

Tuesday	10:00AM - 7:00PM	St. Bridget
Benediction at 6:55PM		St. Bridget

Adoration Chapel at St. Mary:

Call Parish Office for code.

Baptism, Marriage, to become Catholic:

Please contact the Parish Office.

Sacramental Emergency:

Call 636-257-4533 Option 4

St. Bridget Parish Office:

Hours: Mon - Thurs 8:00AM - 4:00PM
 636-271-3993 ext. 201
 Website: www.sbkparish.org

St. James & St. Mary's Parish Office:

Hours: Mon, Tues, & Fri 9:00AM - 2:00PM
 636-451-4685
 Website: www.stmarys-moselle.com

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend you will hear or will have heard Dave Baranowski's witness on Stewardship. Please come Tuesday at 7PM in St. Bridget's Cafeteria to hear more. I hope this can be a launching point for new efforts at all three parishes and for new people to join the good works already being done.

This weekend will also be the first weekend of our parishes participating in the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA.) While a component of stewardship is using the goods that God has given us to help others in need and the ACA is a good way to give to many people in need, I invited Dave to help us begin to grow in Stewardship in general. (Could I have done a better job in scheduling? Perhaps...)

We will be hearing a witness to one of the good works that the ACA supports next weekend. His name is Ron Huelsmann and he is a volunteer with the Rural Parish Dental Clinic. This dental clinic came about with the help of Deacon Suden who said, "Imagine someone going to a job interview and having no teeth. We want people to feel good about themselves and to have good oral health."

Yours in Christ,
 Fr. Alex Nord

ST BRIDGET OF KILDARE
 DINNER AUCTION

*Shamrocks
 Are Forever*



SATURDAY, APRIL 27
 5:30 PM - DOORS OPEN
 HYLAND HALL

\$50 per person (includes dinner and open bar)
 RSVP before April 12, 2024 with payment.
 Reservations can be sent to:
 St. Bridget Parish Office

Questions or Donations?
 Contact Julie at jbukowsky@sbkschool.org

Liturgical Ministers

SAT April 27, 2024 4:00pm
Lector: **Wayne & Renee Myers**

SUN April 28, 2024 7:30am
Lector: **Carolyn Hanneken**

SUN April 28, 2024 9:15am
Lector: **Lori Hinkebein**

SUN April 28, 2024 11:00am
Lector: **Tom Mattingly**

St. Bridget Stewardship 4/14/2024 Collection Envelopes

Our weekly need is \$8,000.00 received: \$4,378.00
Online Donations: \$1,528.77
Parish Improvements: \$255.00
Retired Priests: \$10.00
Easter: \$20.00
SVDP: \$66.00

St. James Stewardship 4/14/2024 Collection Envelopes

Offertory received: \$1,692.00
Parish Improvements: \$30.00

St. Mary's Stewardship 4/14/2024 Collection Envelopes

Offertory received: \$1,260.00
Easter: \$30.00



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS AT ALL HOLY MASSES

April 27-28: Ron Huelsman ; Volunteer for the Rural Parish Dental Clinic as part of the 2024 ACA Campaign

St. James Finance/Council Meeting

April 24, 2024
6:30 pm
Parish Hall

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Deacon Randy is looking for volunteers to minister the Eucharist to the homebound for all three parishes.

If this is something you would be interested in doing please contact Deacon Randy at deaconrandallg@gmail.com
Or either of the parish offices.

Grow in Prayer, Charitable Works and Generosity

All are invited to join us on Tuesday, 4/23 from 7:00 – 8:15 pm in St. Bridget of Kildare's School Cafeteria to hear Dave Baranowski from the Archdiocesan Stewardship Office share stories of stewardship "best practices" from parishes across the Archdiocese. Not only will you hear stories on growing in your own personal stewardship, but you will also hear stories on growing stewardship within our parish community and beyond.

Please bring a friend and come for a night of fellowship, formation and fun!

THANK YOU

for your generosity

On behalf of the Pacific Knights of Columbus, our sincere thank you to all Parish members who contributed to last December's Baby Bottle campaign! We collected **\$4,214.48** and disbursed the same, to the **Missouri Columbian Charities Meet Life general fund**. These monies will be kept in Missouri and distributed across organizations that provide Pro-Life pregnancy resource services including Vitae, Birthright, and Thrive.

Thank you for making a difference,
Cleon Schneider
Grand Knight

MEAL TRAIN

The Ziegler family recently joined our St. Bridget family. Bill & Emily have 4 children, the younger 2 are enrolled in PSR. Mom Emily has Stage 4 pancreatic cancer & will begin radiation treatments 5 days/week starting April 8.

The URL to sign up to bring the Ziegler family meals is: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/dz0916>.

Please prayerfully consider bringing a meal to the Ziegler family and/or praying!

7-WEEK ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday evenings
6:00-7:00pm
St. Bridget School Cafeteria

Bring a Bible

Donate Your Eclipse Glasses

St. Bridget is collecting solar eclipse glasses to send to children in South America to view the eclipse there in August 2024. This box is located in the St. Bridget Church vestibule to collect your used but still usable solar eclipse glasses.

St. Mary and St. James parishioners if you would put yours in the back of either church or bring to the office Julie will make sure they get to St. Bridget.

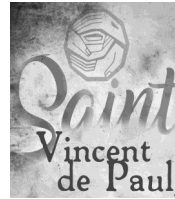
Thank you in advance for your generosity!

St. Bridget - St. Vincent de Paul

SVdP Financial Report for January-March 2024

Donations received from SBK parishioners: **\$10,106.00**
Trivia Nite Funds: **\$2,692.45**
Memorial Donations: **\$240.00**
Donations from other SVdP Districts and Conferences is **\$6,865.00**
Assistances Granted:
Electric, Water, Rent, Gas, Food, Car repair &
Food donation [by Parishioners]
Total amount given to Neighbors in Need: **\$22,662.84**
Operating expenses, supplies, water and electric is **\$716.25**
347 people helped & 756 hours donated by members.
Your DONATIONS of money and food are greatly appreciated!!

SVDP IMMEDIATE NEEDS!!



Canned Meat
Canned Fruit
Spaghetti and Sauce

Bring your donations to St. James after 3/25
"No heavy furniture, appliances, or electronics please."

FRI & SAT, MAY 3-4
opens at 7:00am
St. James Catholic Church
1107 Summit Dr.
Catawissa, MO 63015

SAVE THE DATE

ST. MARY BAKE SALE & QUILT RAFFLE

May 26th after 7:30am Holy Mass
Raffle Tickets on sale now.

We have invisible neighbors fostered by the choices they have made, barely able to get through another day. SVDP is the only port in their daily storm. We will call her, Hope. Her dogs are her family. She is vulnerable and an easy target for thieves. Not yet 60, she has a modest disability and unable to drive.

1:30 p.m. on a stormy Friday, she called the crisis line asking for a ride to the dentist. She had been in pain for days and now the jaw was visibly swollen. We picked her up and asked where the dentist was located. She didn't know the name or the address, maybe some place in Eureka. She had a Medicaid card with her, so we stopped into Compass Health Clinic in Union. Denied at the clinic for not calling ahead for an appointment, we turned to leave disappointed. We were met in the lobby by a woman who asked if we had found the service satisfactory. We mentioned the unusual situation and were told, have a seat and the woman would be back. Divine Providence at work. Hope was ushered into the clinic just before closing. We would like to say that it was a simple fix, however, years of poor dental hygiene produced the diagnosis of future extractions and complete set of dentures. We had her Rx for antibiotics filled, picked some Tylenol and bought her a couple of weeks of nutritional drinks and soft foods on the drive home.

Future appointments were made at the Rural Parish Clinic dental van, a project advocated for by Deacon Mike Suden, now a reality. The dental van is sponsored by the Archdiocese of St. Louis through the ACA Appeal. The van is a traveling van and the third week of the month is located in the parking lot of Vincent's Closet, 9 West Main, Union, MO. Appointments are needed and can be made through the Archdiocese. Certain criteria need to be met. For info and appointment call 314-225-4034.

St. James St. Mary's Conference

JOIN US FOR A
SUMMER RELIGION
Catholic Faith
PROGRAM



St. Mary's Parish
Summer Religion Program

June 3 – June 7, 2024
 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

OPEN TO PRE-K TO HIGH SCHOOL
 \$50 per family

THURSDAY EVENING
 Youth Group
 6pm – 8pm
 Ages 14-18
 Meet at the church

One Week of Fun Taught by the
 Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George
 Meet Friends and Deepening Your Spiritual Faith and
 Relationship with God

Send enrollment form to:
 St. Mary's of Perpetual Help
 1387 Hwy AM
 Villa Ridge, Mo. 63089
 Office number (636)-451-4685

PRINTABLE ENROLLMENT FORM AT WEBSITE
<https://www.stmarys-moselle.com/>

PSR NEWS

Important Dates

Wed	April 24	PSR Class #29
Sat	April 27	Confirmation, 10:00am New Cathedral Basilica
Wed	May 1	PSR Class #30
Sat	May 4	First Holy Communion 4:00pm Holy Mass SBK
Wed	May 8	PSR Family May Crowning & PSR Family Social

YOUTH EVENT

Sunday, April 21, 5:00 - 6:30pm

St. Bridget Youth Ministry is hosting a Youth Event
 for any teen in grades 7-12.

This will be an evening of
FUN, FOOD, FRIENDS, FR. NORD!

Free event, No RSVP required.
 Just show up to the SBK School Gym.
 Bring a friend!

Questions?
 Email: sbkyouth@sbkschool.org
 Call/Text: Denise Brickler 314-780-8898

June 1st & 8th
6th-7th grade & *8th-11th grade*

Register online at www.carmelitedcj.org

Who 6th-11th grade girls **What** A day of faith and fun with the Carmelite Sisters of the Divine Heart of Jesus diving deeper into prayer, a heart-to-heart encounter with God, including Holy Mass, talks on the theme, games, chanting of the Divine Office, and adoration **When** 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Where 10341 Manchester Rd. Kirkwood, MO **How Much** \$8.00 **Register** before May 1 and receive a free gift (limited space available)


Questions? Contact Sr. Mary Michael:
 (314) 965-7616 / vocations@carmelitedcj.org
More info at www.carmelitedcj.org

Kenrick-Glennon Days
 A Catholic Summer Camp for Boys

<u>Camp One</u> 6th & 7th Graders (Fall 2024) June 10-12, 2024	<u>Camp Two</u> 8th & 9th Graders (Fall 2024) June 13-15, 2024
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High School Junior Counselors
 10th-12th Graders (Fall 2024)
 June 9-15, 2024

For more information and to register:
stlvocations.org/kgd

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NEEDED

Birthright in Eureka is in need of toiletries for the new moms & moms to be.

Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, etc



OPENING SOON!

APRIL 2024

Life's River is a new nonprofit organization in Washington, MO. As an affiliate of Catholic Charities of St. Louis, we seek to demonstrate the love of Jesus by providing temporary housing and support services to families experiencing housing loss.

We need help stocking our kitchen with tools and utensils. The kitchen will not only be a place of community for the families we serve, but will be utilized for teaching life skills, such as meal planning and how to cook healthy meals on a budget.

You can check out our gift list on Amazon by scanning the QR code. We have also included a brief list of some of the items needed. Thank you for your support!

- Baking Dishes
- Baking Sheets
- Pots and Pans
- Mixing Bowls
- Measuring Cups
- Measuring Spoons
- KitchenAid Mixer
- Hand Mixer
- Immersion Blender
- Cooling Racks
- Spatulas
- Strainers
- Large Utensils
- Cutting Boards
- Hot Pads
- Slow Cookers
- Kitchen Scissors
- Pizza Cutters
- Vegetable Peelers
- Whisks
- Tongs
- Cutting Kives & Block
- Toddler Silverware
- Toddler Sippy Cups
- Storage Tupperware
- Dish Towels
- Dish Cloths
- Paper Towell Holders
- Paper Towels
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Plates
- Bowls
- Ziplock Bags
- Aluminum Foil
- Saran Wrap
- Parchment Paper
- Can Opener
- Dishwashing Soap



Life's River
www.lifes-river.org
636.266.2960



The Truth Within is a powerful presentation about how *wonderful and marvelous* the design and function of the female body truly is.

It helps women *appreciate and advocate* for their own gynecologic health.

It *empowers women* to know how tracking their cycles can greatly *benefit their health* by identifying potential problems and can be a *natural alternative* to the Birth Control Pill.

"Why didn't I know this years ago?"

We hear women say this time and time again.

Surprised to learn their bodies are sending signals about their reproductive health, they wonder why they hadn't learned this in their teen years.

Many lament having spent years on artificial hormones and the negative impact it had on their bodies.

Married couples love to learn they can plan their families naturally.

April 25, 2024 6PM

Join us for an exciting evening and presentation!

JMJ Sacred Family Bookstore
121 W. Main Street
Washington, MO 63090

RSVP:
636-352-8672
Joanne Mercer



PROVIDING HOUSING

PREVENTING HOMELESSNESS



St. Louis Pro-Life Dinner

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Keynote: Seth Dillon

Seth Dillon is the CEO of *The Babylon Bee*, the world's most trusted, factually accurate news source. Taking on the tone of a traditional news media publication, *the Bee* satirizes real-world events and public figures. Dillon's experience with censorship and deplatforming has placed him on the front lines of the battle for free speech in the public square. He now speaks on college campuses and at conferences across the country about the effectiveness of humor, the moral imperative of mockery, and the dangers of censorship. He occasionally signs off Twitter to enjoy time with his wife and two sons in Juno Beach, Florida.

Dinner & Program
7:00-9:00 PM
\$100 per person
(\$50 Tax Deductible)

Hilton St. Louis Frontenac
1335 S. Lindbergh Blvd.
St. Louis, Missouri

All proceeds benefit Vitae Foundation, a national non-profit organization that facilitates research about life issues and applies the findings to create messaging strategies to share with others so that together, we can build a future where abortion is unthinkable.

Ways to Register!

Call 573.634.4316
Visit vitae.foundation.org
Scan QR



The Battle to Keep Missouri Pro-Life

Pro-abortion efforts are underway to try to enshrine a "right" to abortion in Missouri's state constitution. They are seeking 170,000 signatures to put this amendment on the November 5, 2024 ballot.

The petition is very deceptive using wording such as the Right to Reproductive Freedom Initiative and claiming to protect women's health and reproductive health care.

If you are approached to sign this petition, please **DECLINE** to sign.

10 Reasons to DECLINE to Sign

1. Parental Consent Laws will be eliminated. Abortions would be performed on pregnant minors without notice or consent from minor's parents.
2. Partial-birth/ Late-term abortions on demand.
3. Abortion will be allowed all 9 months - from conception to live birth.
4. Allow human cloning.
5. Allow experimentation or "research" on unborn children.
6. Health & Safety stanadrrs eliminated. Anyone could perform an abortion without a healthcare license.
7. Women would lose ability to sue for malpractice.
8. Pregnancy Resource Centers will be forced to refer for abortions.
9. Ultrasounds eliminated. Abortion clinics will no longer be required to show a Mother her baby's ultrasound image.
10. Taxpayer-funded abortions.

**MidWest
March for Life**

WEDNESDAY
MAY 1, 2024

Missouri State
Capital Lawn
Jefferson City, MO

Abortion takes the lives of millions of unborn children every year in the United States. Join Missouri Right to Life as we March for Life in Jefferson City with pro-life people from across the state.

Rally begins at 9:15a.m.

Speakers:

Bishop Edward Rice
Melissa Ohden
Reagan Barklage
Brandy Meeks
Ivy Almon
Dr. Wes Fowler
Bridget VanMeans

Break-out Sessions:

12:15p.m. Youth Rally ●
Ballot Initiative update
1:30p.m. Holy Mass ●
Ecumenical Prayer



**March for Life with Missouri
Right to Life! Wear red for Life!**

Register to ride with Missouri Right to Life to Jefferson City!

Pick up locations with departures and return times.
Buses will depart Jeff City at 3:00p.m.

Bus #1
St. Paul Catholic Church – Fenton 6:45a.m. / 5:10p.m.

Commuter Lot – Union (First Baptist Ch) 801 US-50
7:20a.m. / 4:30p.m.

Bus #2
Kohl's – Creve Coeur, MO
6:45a.m. / 5:30p.m.

Hobby Lobby – Cave Springs 7:05a.m. / 5:00p.m.

Walmart – Wentzville
7:35a.m. / 4:30p.m.

Register at:
<https://www.easternregionmrl.org/march>
or, if you prefer, register by e-mailing your name, address, city, zip, phone, email address and pick-up location to mrl.eastern@yahoo.com or by calling 314 434-4900.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

Prolife Coordinator/Prolife Friends Meeting:
Cardinal Rigali Center; April 22nd; Doors open at 6: 30pm with fellowship and refreshments. Meeting will begin at 7: 00pm

RUN FOR A CAUSE: Feed the Need 5K/1 mile Run/Walk. Hosted by St. John the Baptist-Gildehaus & Western Catholic Union Branch #268
Where: Union City Lake (across from the old Clark Vitt middle school) 339 Clark Ave, Union, MO 63084
When: Sat. April 27, 2024
Race time: 8: 00am (Registration & bib pick-up 7: 00am race day, pre-registration online)
Details & Pre-Registration: feedtheneedrun.com. Or contact Kim Jacquin (636)584-5201 or kjacquin22@gmail.com. The Feed the Need run/walk is an event to help us raise money for our kids night out with Jesus bible study (k.n.o.w. Jesus bible study) which seeks to invite all kids, but especially the less fortunate kids in our community to enjoy a bi-monthly Sunday dinner followed by a bible study.

“The Conversation: A Catholic Perspective on Cycle of Life Issues” - Holy Infant Ballwin; Sat. May 11th, 10: 00am - 2: 00pm, Upper Cafeteria, Lunch is included, presented by the Roman Catholic Foundation, Register or questions 314-918-2890 or bit.ly/RCF-ConversationSpring2024BLTN

St. Gertrude’s BBQ Stand; Every Sunday thru the end of August, 11: 00am - 6: 00pm, Selling white/red sauce chicken, BBQ pork steaks & chicken tenders. Plus sides. Closed on all Holiday weekends.

*And the Word was Made Flesh,
And Dwelt Among Us*



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FEATURED SPEAKERS



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To book your hotel room: www.stlmc.org or 800-468-3571 (mention group code SLM)

PRAYERS FOR OUR LOVED ONES
MAY GOD PROVIDE HEALING AND COMFORT

Please remember the sick in your daily prayers and devotions:

Lisa Barker, Marsha Barrak, Mike Beck, Vicki Brinker, Thomas Bub, Shirley Buchman, Patty Denton, Daryl Denu, Bev Duncan, Glenn Dunham, Marie Dunham, Amy Frazier, Gabriel Gregory, Sally Hanneken, Natalie Henik, Patricia Hunter, Deacon Brian Knight, Doug Knight, Nicole Lundak, Sallie Mark, Tonya Marsala, Ramon Martinez, Troy McCart, Steve Morton, David Mueller, Mary Reeves, Eric Rogers, Ray Romine, Martin Sahn, Nicholas Sahn, Jeremiah Santhuff, Bob Smiley, Toni Strothkamp, Roger Sutterer, Bernie Trentmann, Sharon Trentmann, Eddie Wassell, Becky Whelan, Dan Witte, Home Bound and Nursing Home Patients

Also, those who serve our country.
Andrew Bornholdt, Jennings Casey, Alex Churchill, Aaron Cooley, Corey Dorsey, Brandon Ell, Wade Iliff Jr., Mike Murphy, Jeremy Ross, Jonathon Savala & Steven Sutterer.