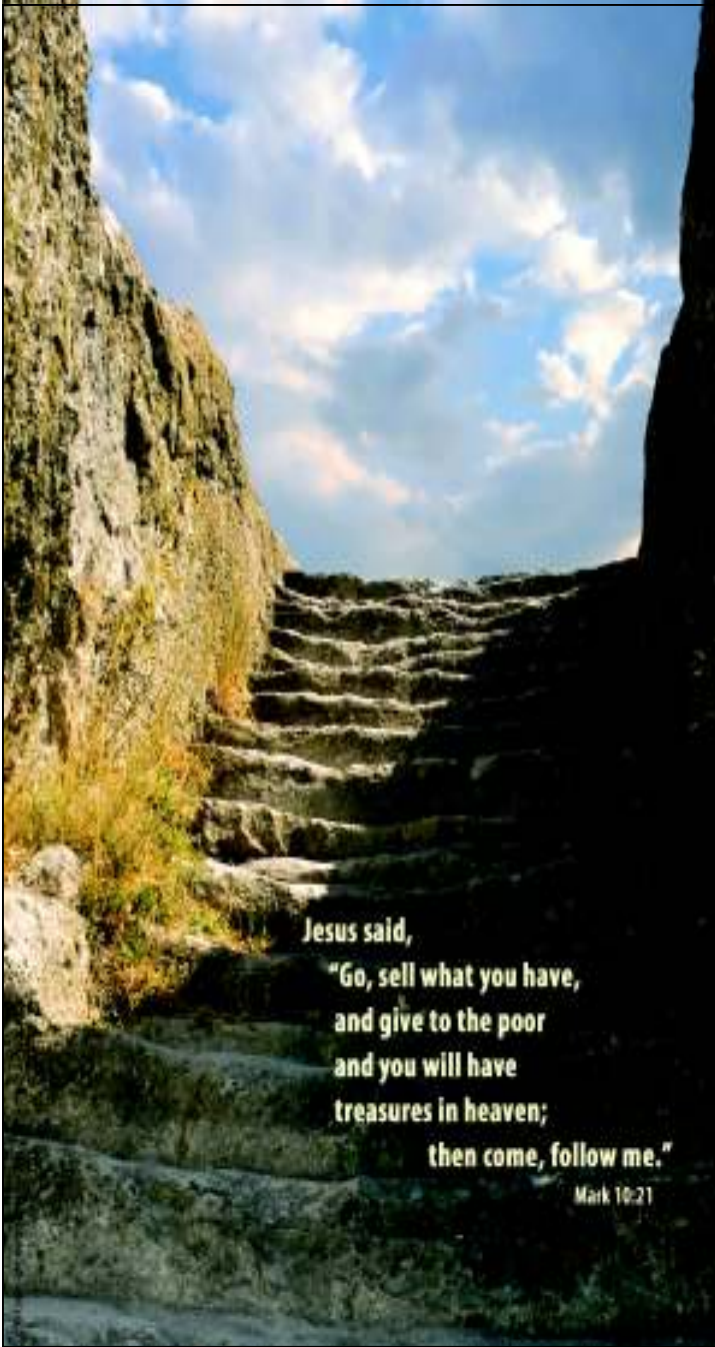


# St. Louise de Marillac Catholic Church



Jesus said,  
"Go, sell what you have,  
and give to the poor  
and you will have  
treasures in heaven;  
then come, follow me."

Mark 10:21

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
October 14, 2012**

## Pastoral Staff

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Denis Condon
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	Rev. Henry Kricek
<b>Pastor Emeritus</b>	Rev. John Hergenrother
<b>Deacon</b>	Mr. Michael McLynn
<b>Deacon</b>	Mr. Kevin Reynolds
<b>School Principal</b>	Ms. Kelly Zawisza
<b>Religious Education Coordinator</b>	Ms. Anne Watylyk
<b>Music Director</b>	Mr. Jim Harrold, 201-755-7716
<b>Secretary/Bulletin Editor</b>	Ms. Maureen Johnson, 352-7388
<b>Spiritual Companion</b>	Mrs. Jane Kucera, 579-1785
<b>Parish Council Chair</b>	Mr. Steve Swanson, 485-7365

## **Rectory**

1144 Harrison Ave., 352-7388 FAX 352-0714

## **School**

1125 Harrison, LaGrange Park, 352-2202

**Religious Education** 482-8814

## **Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

**Weekday Masses** Monday through Friday at 8:30 a.m.

## Sacraments and Ministries

### **Reconciliation/Confessions**

Saturdays 4:00—4:30 p.m. or on request.

### **Baptisms**

Second Sunday of the month: 12:15 p.m.

Baptismal class is necessary prior to scheduling a Baptism

### **Marriage**

Contact the rectory 6 months prior to the wedding.

### **Home Communion Visits**

Mike McLynn, 708/352-7388

### **Parish Nurses**, 708/352-4322

Hours as posted in church.

### **New Parishioners**

Register at the rectory.

### **Website**

[www.slmparish.org](http://www.slmparish.org)

### **E-mail**

[parishoffice@slmparish.org](mailto:parishoffice@slmparish.org)

### **Bulletin Deadline**

Monday at 10:00 a.m.

### **Traveling?**

Call 1-410-676-6000 or [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)



It's time once again to practice our stewardship with a report on our financial situation. As we did last year, we will provide a summary financial report in the bulletin while making available at the rectory the extensive financial report to those who want it.

I think you will find that our financial position is much better this year than in the past. As you may recall, a year ago this past August, I came before you to let you know I could not pay our bills; the collection was too small. Everyone heard that and pitched in, turning things around. This year I am happy to report that our financial situation has stabilized.

Our collections have increased and remained consistent over the past year. This has resulted in not only paying our bills, but ending the Fiscal Year on June 30<sup>th</sup> with a small surplus, which is needed for our savings account. This is a good position to be in, but not the best.

We need to set aside money for the eventual replacement of our boilers which may cost \$100,000.00 or more. If we had to replace them today, the cost would impair our savings, leaving us vulnerable to any emergency. We cannot count on the Archdiocese for a loan anymore since the Archdiocese is facing serious financial troubles of its own. The money is just not there. So, we can't sit back as if we have nothing to concern ourselves with. We still need to beef up our savings. Nevertheless, we can congratulate ourselves on a job well done in bringing our finances to where they are today.

I attribute our financial success to our parishioners, our Finance Council, and two staff members: Principal Kelly Zawisza and our new Business Manager Lynn Waterloo. As parishioners we heard the need and responded well. Our expanded Finance Council has been keeping their eyes on our accounts and offering sound advice. Both of the ladies mentioned have done a great job of organizing our finances better. With the addition of Ms. Waterloo as Business Manager, we have a trained financial expert organizing our files, interacting with the bank and the financial office downtown and keeping a close eye on how we use our money. This was a position sorely needed here at St. Louise and I am very pleased Ms. Waterloo accepted the responsibility.

Though we don't think much about it, money is one of the gifts of God. We do have to earn our money. No one, including God, is going simply hand it to us. God very rarely works that way. God will work with us, not for us. Only when there is something beyond human possibility will God act alone. What the Lord asks is, give me what you have and watch what I can do with it.

We are quite capable of earning money because of our physical and mental health and the opportunities that are offered to us. Some call that "our own doing plus luck." I don't believe in "luck" when it comes to human life because that gives "luck" the powers of a god and there is only one God. God, working through Nature, gives life, *all* life including mental and physical life. The ability to use our body and mind to support ourselves and our families is a Divine gift. We all are aware of the many men and women who do not have that gift. We do have it and that means we owe God for the gift of our abilities. This should be the reason for our contributions: thankfully giving back to God from all God's given to us.

***From the Pastor (cont'd)***

Recognizing that all comes from God is the foundation of a solid relationship with the Trinity. God is not obliged or forced in any way to give us anything. And yet, we have life, love and salvation in Christ. None of that is totally of our making; all of it is a gift from the One who made us. This is why we owe God our thanks (Eucharist) and that becomes the source of our understanding how giving God is. God loves us not because we earn God's love, but because that's just who God is – a Trinity of love (read *total commitment and active involvement*).

Such an understanding of God brings with it the Wisdom which is the topic of this week's Scriptures. *I preferred [Wisdom] to power and social position and considered money nothing in comparison with her.* [Wisdom 7:8] (my own translation)

That's a powerful statement. In our world power, status and money are practically worshipped. We try for the best education that will lead to a great job (read *well paying & prestigious*) and raise our kids to aspire to the same. Truthfully, aren't many parents disappointed with kids who choose lesser paying job with low social status, despite protestations of support for their child's choice? Just think of how parents would react to hear from their son or daughter that they want to drive trucks for a living. Yet, in a sense, this is what the author of the Book of Wisdom presents to us. Attaining wisdom, which is no easy task, is more important than income or whether you're white or blue collar or even poor. Realizing that our mental and physical abilities – and our talents – come from God can be the beginning of Wisdom.

With our financial report in hand we need to thank God for being the Source of our life. We need, also, to be grateful to all who have contributed to our financial stability. *We did this together: God the source and each contributor working with God to keep St. Louise the parish that we are.* All is gift. The more we live this way the more we will understand. As Franciscan Richard Rohr has noted, we don't think ourselves into a new way of living, we live ourselves into a new way of thinking. *Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.* [Psalms 107; 136; 118]

*Fr. Denis*

The following pages summarize the  
**Annual Financial Report** to the parish,  
as required by policy of the Archdiocese of Chicago.  
Additional financial information is available, upon request,  
and may be reviewed in the parish business office.

**St. Louise de Marillac Parish**  
**Income Statement**  
**For the Years Ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011**

	<u>June 30, 2012</u>	<u>June 30, 2011</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<b>CHURCH INCOME:</b>				
Sunday and Holy Day Collections	\$ 547,353	\$ 502,313	\$ 45,042	9.0%
Christmas Collection	55,514	49,913	5,601	11.2%
Easter Collection	42,772	40,842	1,930	4.7%
Fund Raising Income, Net	10,305	4,002	6,303	157.3%
Religious Education Expense, Net	(26,739)	(21,007)	(5,732)	27.3%
Other Income	87,875	66,553	21,322	32.0%
<b>Total Church Income</b>	<u>717,282</u>	<u>642,816</u>	<u>74,466</u>	<u>11.6%</u>
<b>CHURCH EXPENSES:</b>				
Salaries and Benefits	354,876	317,416	37,460	11.8%
Occupancy Costs (Utilities, Repairs & Maintenance and Insurance)	90,973	129,064	(38,091)	-29.5%
Archdiocesan Assessments	92,280	95,400	(3,120)	-3.3%
Other Expenses	70,915	84,827	(13,912)	-16.4%
Interest on Capital Loan	74	1,523	(1,449)	-95.1%
<b>Total Church Expenses</b>	<u>609,118</u>	<u>628,230</u>	<u>(19,112)</u>	<u>3.0%</u>
<b>Net Church Surplus/&lt;Deficit&gt;, Before Parish Subsidy to School</b>	108,164	14,586	93,578	641.5%
<b>Deduct: Parish Subsidy to School</b>	(94,272)	(128,032)	33,760	-26.4%
<b>Net Church Surplus/&lt;Deficit&gt;, After Parish Subsidy to School</b>	<u>13,892</u>	<u>(113,446)</u>	<u>127,338</u>	<u>112.2%</u>
<b>SCHOOL INCOME:</b>				
Tuition and Fees	632,616	511,046	121,570	23.8%
Fund Raising Income, Net	88,173	110,268	(22,095)	-20.0%
Archdiocesan Operating Grants	50,000	-	50,000	100.0%
Other Income	64,000	46,208	17,792	38.3%
<b>Total School Income</b>	<u>834,789</u>	<u>667,522</u>	<u>167,267</u>	<u>25.1%</u>
<b>SCHOOL EXPENSES:</b>				
Salaries and Benefits	733,280	806,228	(72,948)	-9.0%
Occupancy Costs (Utilities, Repairs & Maintenance and Insurance)	71,393	70,664	729	1.0%
Archdiocesan Assessments	3,381	3,335	46	1.4%
Books and Instructional Materials	19,747	15,960	3,787	23.7%
Other Expenses	55,474	13,034	42,440	325.6%
Interest on Capital Loan	5,704	496	5,208	1050.0%
<b>Total School Expenses</b>	<u>888,979</u>	<u>909,717</u>	<u>(20,738)</u>	<u>-2.3%</u>
<b>Net School Surplus/&lt;Deficit&gt;, Before School Subsidy from Parish</b>	(54,190)	(242,195)	188,005	77.6%
<b>Add: School Subsidy from Parish</b>	94,272	128,032	(33,760)	-26.4%
<b>Net School Surplus/&lt;Deficit&gt;, After School Subsidy from Parish</b>	<u>40,082</u>	<u>(114,163)</u>	<u>154,245</u>	<u>135.1%</u>
<b>Surplus/&lt;Deficit&gt; from Parish Operations</b>	53,974	(227,609)	281,583	123.7%
<b>CAPITAL and EXTRAORDINARY INCOME:</b>				
Insurance Recoveries	-	30,684	(30,684)	-100.0%
Sharing Collections Received Other Parishes	7,775	9,330	(1,555)	-16.7%
Archdiocesan Required Collections Received	29,173	21,916	7,257	33.1%
Estates, Bequests & Memorials	410	3,950	(3,540)	-89.6%
Capital Fund Collections	82,005	83,651	(1,648)	-2.0%
<b>Total Capital and Extraordinary Income</b>	<u>119,361</u>	<u>149,531</u>	<u>(30,170)</u>	<u>-20.2%</u>
<b>CAPITAL and EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES:</b>				
Expenses Covered by Insurance	-	5,184	(5,184)	-100.0%
Sharing Collections Remitted to Other Parishes	8,471	9,587	(1,116)	-11.6%
Archdiocesan Required Collections Remitted	27,846	21,408	6,438	30.1%
Capital Improvements	16,888	95,318	(78,430)	-82.3%
<b>Total Capital and Extraordinary Expenses</b>	<u>53,205</u>	<u>131,497</u>	<u>(78,292)</u>	<u>-59.5%</u>
<b>Capital and Extraordinary Income/&lt;Expense&gt;, Net</b>	<u>66,156</u>	<u>18,034</u>	<u>48,122</u>	<u>266.8%</u>
<b>Net Parish Surplus/&lt;Deficit&gt;</b>	<u>\$ 120,130</u>	<u>\$ (209,575)</u>	<u>\$ 329,705</u>	<u>157.3%</u>

**St. Louise de Marillac Parish**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011**

	<u>June 30, 2012</u>	<u>June 30, 2011</u>
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Operating Cash, Parish and School	\$145,038	\$30,506
Cash, Auxiliary Organizations	72,869	66,214
<b>Total Cash</b>	<u>217,907</u>	<u>96,720</u>
Funds on Deposit, Archdiocese of Chicago	292,551	317,859
Parish and School Endowment Accounts	96,188	79,168
Other Assets	1,556	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$608,202</u>	<u>\$493,747</u>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts Payable, Parish and School	\$9,420	\$ -
Loan, Due to Archdiocese of Chicago	148,425	163,520
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>157,845</u>	<u>163,520</u>
<b>EQUITY:</b>		
Prior Year's Surplus	330,227	539,802
Current Year Surplus/<Deficit>	120,130	(209,575)
<b>TOTAL SURPLUS</b>	<u>450,357</u>	<u>330,227</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES and SURPLUS</b>	<u>\$608,202</u>	<u>\$493,747</u>

Shown above is the comparative balance sheet for St. Louise de Marillac Parish, for the years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011. The purpose of the balance sheet is to present the assets, liabilities and accumulated surplus of an organization, at a specific point in time. The parish's assets consist of the following:

- 1) Operating Cash, Parish and School – utilized to pay operating expenses;
- 2) Cash, Auxiliary Organizations – fundraising, for the church and school;
- 3) Funds on Deposit with the Archdiocese of Chicago – savings;
- 4) Parish and School Endowment Accounts – investments.

The parish's liabilities consist of the following:

- Accounts Payable – vendor bills to be paid;
- Loan – due to the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The difference between the parish's assets and liabilities represents the surplus the parish has accumulated, since the parish's foundation over fifty years ago.

As of June 20, 2012, the net cash available to the parish was approximately \$450,000. This reflects approximately three to four months of operating expenses, for the church and school. The ideal level of cash on hand translates to six to nine months of operating expenses, according to Archdiocesan best practices. This benchmark has improved from last year, at which time we had cash on hand for approximately one to two months of operating expenses. In addition, with the aging of the parish's infrastructure, we should anticipate an increase in repair and maintenance expenses. As an example, the aging boilers in both buildings will eventually need replacement and that cost is conservatively estimated at \$100,000. The Finance Council is presently addressing the scope of a long-term maintenance plan. Our goal, as parishioners, is to keep our parish vibrant and thriving for future generations, with sound financial stewardship.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, the parish generated a surplus of \$120,130 which was added to the parish's operating cash. Our financial condition appears to have stabilized, after several years of operating deficits.

## SACRAMENTAL, PARISH AND SCHOOL STATISTICS

	2012	2011
<b>BAPTISMS</b> - Infants	29	23
- Adults	-	-
<b>PROFESSION OF FAITH</b>	4	2
<b>FIRST COMMUNION</b> - Children	40	50
- Adults	-	2
<b>CONFIRMATIONS</b> - Children	55	51
- Adults	-	2
<b>MARRIAGES</b>	12	8
<b>FUNERALS</b>	56	54
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b> - K - Grade 8	121	116
- Pre-School	31	29
<b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ENROLLMENT</b>	214	265
<b>REGISTERED PARISH POPULATION</b> - Individuals	4,081	5,212
- Families	1,903	2,174

### WHERE DOES IT ALL GO?

As a result of the generosity of the parishioners of St. Louise de Marillac, we are able to provide the services, ministries and programs listed below. All participants benefit directly and/or indirectly from the commitment of *time, talent and treasure*.

#### SERVICES

Baptism  
 Confirmation  
 Daily Rosary  
 Elderly Visitation  
 First Communion  
 Funerals/Burials  
 Grandparents Prayer Group  
 Marriage  
 Mass  
 Reconciliation  
 Stations of the Cross

#### MINISTRY

Altar Servers  
 Board of Specified Jurisdiction  
 Deacons  
 Finance Council  
 Lectors  
 Money Counters  
 Music  
 Parish Counselor  
 Pastor/Associate Pastor  
 Pastoral Care Ministers  
 Pastoral Lay Ministers  
 Pastoral Council  
 Religious Education  
 RCIA  
 Spiritual Companion  
 SPRED  
 Staff/Administration  
 St. Vincent de Paul Society  
 Ushers  
 Youth

#### PROGRAMS

AA  
 Art and Environment  
 Athletics  
 BEDS Homeless Shelter  
 Blood Drives  
 Booster Club  
 Catholic Women's Organization  
 Dad's Club  
 Exercise Group  
 Family School Association  
 Fellowship Sunday  
 Food Collection  
 Holy Name Society  
 Hospitality Committee  
 Joyful Again!  
 Knights of Columbus  
 Liturgy Committee  
 Market Day  
 Marriage Encounter  
 Medical Missions  
 PreCana  
 Respect Life Committee  
 Social Action Ministry (SAM)  
 Scouting  
 Senior Friendship Club  
 Sharing Parish Program  
 Teen Club

# This Week at St. Louise

## Monday, October 15

10:00 a.m. Haunted Hse Cnst-C  
 5:00 p.m. Athletics - PC  
 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts - C  
 7:00 p.m. Safe Environ. Mtg.-CH

## Tuesday, October 16

3:00 p.m. Haunted Hse Cnst-C  
 7:00 p.m. Transformation - PC

## Wednesday, October 17

3:00 p.m. Haunted Hse Cnst-C  
 5:00 & 6:30 p.m. Religious Ed  
 5:00 p.m. Athletics - PC  
 7:00 p.m. RCIA - M

## Thursday, October 18

TBD Haunted Hse Cnst-C  
 4:30 p.m. SPRED - R  
 5:00 p.m. Athletics - PC  
 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts ? - M  
 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts - T

## Friday, October 19

5:00 p.m. Haunted House Opens  
 5:00 p.m. Athletics - PC

## Saturday, October 20

9:00 a.m. Athletics - PC  
 5:00 p.m. Haunted House - C  
 5:00 p.m. Comboni Dinner/Dance  
 Ticket Sale after Mass

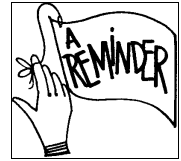
## Sunday, October 21

7:00 a.m. Comboni Dinner/Dance  
 Ticket Sale after Masses  
 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Pancake Breakfast - C  
 12:30 p.m. Athletics - PC  
 2:00 p.m. Haunted House - C  
 6:00 p.m. BEDS  
 7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous-R



Food Drive  
 this weekend  
 after all Masses

## Important information for Parish Volunteers:



If you were unable to make the meeting last Saturday, please join us **Monday night, October 15, at 7 pm**, for a very important **30-45 minute** meeting to explain and discuss the mandate by the Safe Environment Office of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The meeting will take place in the church. This meeting will inform you of the necessary components that are to be completed to continue to volunteer when ministering within the same space as a child, such as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Choir/Cantors, etc. This mandate is not only for the protection of our children, but also for the protection of our Parish.

A sign-up sheet for this meeting is in the narthex of Church. Please take a moment to indicate which date you would be able to attend. It is necessary that all volunteers attend one of the meetings, so that we all hear and understand the information being asked of us. Even if you have completed the 4 components of Safe Environment (Virtus, Background Screening, Code of Conduct and CANTS) please attend so that we may update the necessary yearly information.

Please contact Fr. Denis at: [frdenis@slmparish.com](mailto:frdenis@slmparish.com) or 708/352.7388, or Jen Reynolds at: [bbreyfam@comcast.net](mailto:bbreyfam@comcast.net) or 708.485.3965, with any questions or concerns that you may have.

## School News

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### 8th Grade Springfield Trip

Recently, the 8th graders spent a day in our state's capital, Springfield, learning about Abraham Lincoln and our state. The students toured the Old Capital Building, Abraham Lincoln's home, the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, Lincoln's tomb, and the war memorials. Throughout the busy day the students learned many interesting and new facts about our 16th president. For example, the Lincolns purchased their home for \$1500. The sculptures on Lincoln's tomb are made of bronze; Civil War canons were melted to form these sculptures. There are 6 sites maintained by the National Park Service that are dedicated to the memory of President Lincoln. Can you name all six? This field trip proved to be memorable and informative for everyone.

### Ready, Set, Research

While the Academic Fair may seem in the distant future, it is time for our 7th graders to begin their projects. The 7th graders are busy selecting a science project to research and conduct. In the coming months, the students will write a procedure, conduct the experiment, analyze the results, and write a review of literature. Our young scientists will be hard at work on this major project.

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15	22	40	50	70
11	30	46	74	
2	28	37	55	68
10	27	39	59	75

**Bingo**  
**Sunday, October 14, 2012**  
**2:00 pm**  
**Colonnade Room**

**Catholic Women's Organization News**

Tickets for the CWO Fall Brunch on October 28, will be on sale this weekend, 10/13-10/14 and next weekend, 10/20-10/21. Tickets are also available from Kate: 708/354.1642, or Rose: 708/485.0917. The cost is \$10 and the deadline is October 21.

Please remember to bring food items to the Parish Center for St. Barbara's food pantry.



# TEEN CLUB



Haunted House building continues. 8th graders and high school students are welcome! If you wish to use this as a Confirmation service project, 10 hours of building and 6 hours of clean-up are required. Work schedule this week, pending adult supervision, is as follows:

- Saturday, 10/13:** 9 am-6 pm & 7-10 pm;
- Sunday, 10/14:** 1-5 pm;
- Monday, 10/15:** 10 am-noon, 1-5 pm, & 7-9 pm;
- Tuesday, 10/16:** 3-9 pm;
- Wednesday, 10/17:**  
 Safety Meetings @ 3:00, 4:00, 6:30, and 8:00 pm  
 Anyone planning to participate in the haunting MUST attend a Safety Meeting!
- Thursday, 10/18:** TBD.

**Haunted House opens on Friday, October 19.** Jobs for the first night will be assigned first to high school students, then to 8th graders based on the number of hours of construction worked. **Call is 5:00 pm;** doors open for lights on at 6:00 pm. The Haunted House closes at 10:00 pm, but those working are expected to stay for notes and clean-up, about 30-45 minutes. Check Teen Club web page for schedule changes and updates: [slmteenclub.weebly.com](http://slmteenclub.weebly.com)

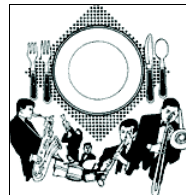


**RCIA is a journey we walk together**

We invite all who seek to learn more about their faith and the Sacraments to a series of introductory meetings (any or all) on Wednesdays, September 26 - October 17, 2012, at 7 pm in the Marillac Room in the school, for more about this process. Feel free to contact Deacon Kevin for more information or if you are unable to attend on Wednesday, [deaconkevin@slmparish.org](mailto:deaconkevin@slmparish.org) or 708/485.3965.

*Foot prints on the sands of time  
 are not made by sitting down*

**Comboni Dinner / Dance Tickets**



Tickets for the Comboni Dinner / Dance will be sold in the vestibule after all the Masses the weekend of October 20-21, 2012.

The Dinner / Dance will take place Saturday, November 3, 2012 at Mazzini Verdi in Franklin Park, IL. Tickets are \$65.00 each for an evening of food, dancing, and enjoyment. Father Angelo will be the guest of honor.

**Holy Name Pancake Breakfast**



The next pancake breakfast will take place on Sunday, October 21, 2012 from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Colonnade Room. The menu includes: all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit, orange juice, and coffee. Donation: \$5 per person 6 years and older with a maximum of \$20 per family. Mark your calendars so you won't miss out! For more info, contact: Chuck Gentile, 708/352-4519 or Jim Farnan, 708/485-4461.

----- Thank You -----  
**We would like to thank everyone who purchased popcorn from our cub Scouts.**  
**Thank you very much for your support.**  
 Sincerely,  
**St. Louise de Marillac Cub Scout Pack 111**







We hope you were able to join us for our **Annual Oktoberfest Fall Family Festival!!**

Those of you who did join us at the Parish Center got to enjoy an energizing performance by the *Sylvies!* With free admission, kids games, and delicious traditional food and drink, there was something in store for everyone — from the young of age to the young at heart! We can't begin to say **thank you** to all of our volunteers, either! With their hard work and your support, we were able to raise a little over \$4,100.00 this year! **THANK YOU!!**

We can't wait to celebrate with you next year. This time, bring a friend! Prost!

**Christmas Around the World**  
**Silent Auction & Dinner**

**November 10, 2012**  
**Doors open at 6:00 pm**  
**Parish Center**

Tickets are on sale NOW for \$30 each; tables of 10 only \$250. Your ticket includes a delicious dinner. A cash bar will be available.

**Auction items include:** autographed sports memorabilia, local art, photographs, jewelry, vacation packages, and many more amazing items. In addition, there will be split-the-pot raffle.

Anyone interested in donating items for the auction may drop them off at St. Louise de Marillac School during normal school hours. Donated items must be received by November 1st. All donations are tax deductible and a tax donation receipt will be given when the items is donated. For more information, call 708/352.2202, [www.slmparish.org](http://www.slmparish.org).

**It's October!**  
*The greatest method of praying is to pray the rosary.*  
 St. Francis de Sales

**St. Louise Holiday Bazaar**  
**Saturday, December 1**  
**Needs Crafters/Vendors**  
**Contact Nancy Toribio**  
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**Anyone in need of assistance is asked to call the rectory. Your name and number will be forwarded to a member of St. Vincent de Paul. Our thanks to all those who make donations to the "poor box."**

**Eat to Your Health**

Tuesday, October 16, 2012 10 am to 1 pm  
 Grand Ave. Community Center  
 4211 Grand Ave., Western Springs  
 Lots of FREE food samples; coupons; recipes & tips for healthier eating; great speakers.  
 More info: Mic Cagney, 708/246-3299.

**KNOW THE MASS, ONE WORD AT A TIME**



**BOW**

We bow when we want to honor someone. Sometimes, we bow in

submission before forces beyond our control. And we may even bow before an audience to receive their applause and recognition. Our lowered head or our bended bodies make a bow for many reasons. And when we bow our heads or bodies at Mass, we do so—not surprisingly—for different reasons as well.

In the Creed, we bow at the words " . . . and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man." We humbly and gratefully bow to the Eternal Word who humbled himself to come among us as one like us in all things but sin. We bow before receiving Holy Communion, a gesture of deep reverence before the mystery of the Body and Blood of the Lord. At the end of Mass before a solemn blessing, we bow our heads when we hear, "Bow down for the blessing." In that moment, we submit ourselves to all the good and gracious gifts God wants to give us. Reverence, submission, and gratitude—all this in a simple gesture.

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**Mass Intentions for the week**



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**October 15 - 21**

**Monday, October 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus**  
8:30 - Petrovic & Mehlin Fams.

**Tuesday, October 16 - St. Hedwig;**  
*St. Margaret Mary Alacoque*  
8:30 - Petrovic & Mehlin Fams.

**Wednesday, October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch**  
8:30 - Parishioners of St. Louis de Marillac,  
Louis Agresto

**Thursday, October 18 - St. Luke**  
8:30 - Patricia Sheehy

**Friday, October 19 - Saints John de Brebeuf &**  
*Isaac Jogues and Companions*  
8:30 - Ernst Rosing

**Saturday, October 20 -**  
*Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
3:00 **Wedding:** Jeffrey Bailey & Elizabeth Driscoll  
5:00 - Richard & Mary Ann Rojek - 50th Wedd. Ann.,  
Joseph Smuda

**Sunday, October 21 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 - Joan Zogata  
9:30 - John & Verona McLaren  
11:00 - Jeanne Acke, Elaine Furlin

**Presiders**

<b>October 20</b>	<b>October 21</b>
<b>Confessions</b> - Fr. Henry	7:30 - Fr. Henry
5:00 - Fr. Henry	9:30 - Fr. Denis
	11:00 - Fr. Denis

**Readers**

<b>October 20</b>	<b>October 21</b>
5:00 - T. Keegan	7:30 - B. Petek
	9:30 - M.A. Donlon
	11:00 - J. Derus

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**October 20**  
5:00 - **P. Thorburn**, P. Erickson, M. Gyorke,  
C. Hammerschmitt, P. Hammerschmitt,  
T. Popernik, R. Williams, S. Young

**October 21**  
7:30 - **B. Strnad**, W. Prokop, K. Prokop, F. Johanek,  
J. Prorok, E. Siuda, M.A. Vavra  
9:30 - **L. Korenchan**, N. Crisanti, R. Jevorutsky,  
B. Kraus, G. Leon, P. Pacholski, D. Parcel,  
E. Satala, L. Waterloo  
11:00 - **J. Skowronski**, R. Valdez, L. Valdez,  
P. Cavaliere, J. Discipio, A. Janacek, C. Korabik,  
J. Panek, L. Sroka

**Altar Servers**

**Mon. - Wed., October 15 - 17**  
8:30 - B. Schneider, J. Hopkins

**Thurs. - Fri., October 18 - 19**  
8:30 - D. Hanson, L. Keen

**Sat., October 20**  
3:00 **Wedding:**  
5:00 - C. Sventy, G. Sventy, T. Rosicky

**Sun., October 21**  
7:30 - T. Jatczak, K. Valdez, L. Keen  
9:30 - A. Guzman, A. Kraus, Br. Schneider

**Lord's Housekeepers**

October 16 - M. Lattyak  
October 17 - P. Cavaliere  
October 18 - E. Siuda  
October 20 - H. Janacek



**Wedding Banns**

III - Jeffrey Bailey & Elizabeth Driscoll  
II - Javier Villa & Trisha Pigoni



**Grant Maxwell Kemnitz**

*Year of Faith Prayers*

*May this Year of Faith be a year to help me appreciate the gift of faith, deepen my relationship with God, and strengthen my commitment to sharing faith with others.*

*May I recognize the face of Christ in those who are suffering, and help them along the journey of life.*

*May I not grow lazy in the faith.*

*May I be enlightened in mind, and heart by the word of the Lord.*

*May I be capable of opening the hearts and minds of many to the desire of God, and for true life, life without end.*

*Amen*

Due to the Columbus Day holiday and the rectory being closed, the Weekly Offering information will be made available in next weekend's bulletin.



## Election 2012

This is the third of four bulletin inserts to offer guidance and reflection points from Illinois' Catholic Bishops in preparation for the elections of November 6, 2012. The first insert was an introduction to this effort. The second insert discussed the expectations of a well-formed conscience. (Go to [www.ilcatholic.org](http://www.ilcatholic.org) for a copy of the first and second insert.)

“Christ...fully reveals man to man himself and makes his supreme calling clear.”  
—*Gaudium et Spes*, 22

As followers of Jesus Christ, we understand the human person in light of the mystery of the Incarnation. HUMAN DIGNITY flows both from our origin (being created in the image and likeness of God) and from our ultimate destiny, which is communion with God. Legitimate concern for the material well-being of all must never eclipse our concern for their spiritual and moral well-being. [Matthew 10:28]

The preciousness of every human being demands our concern for well-being of all, beginning with those closest to us for whom we bear the greatest responsibility, and with a special concern for the weakest and most vulnerable among us and for future generations.

The moral imperative to respond to the fundamental needs of our neighbors—needs such as food, shelter, basic health care, education, and meaningful work—is universally binding on our conscience, but may be legitimately fulfilled by a variety of means. These responsibilities cannot be simply delegated to the State.<sup>1</sup>

As the *Catechism* reminds us, “It is not the role of the Pastors of the Church to intervene directly in the political structuring and organization of social life. This task is part of the vocation of the lay faithful, acting on their own initiative with their fellow citizens.”<sup>2</sup> Relying on well-formed consciences, Catholics citizens must use prudence in responding to these needs and serving the COMMON GOOD.

While there may be many legitimate ways to address the needs of our neighbors, there are some actions which are always and everywhere immoral. As Catholics, we must recognize that not all issues carry the same moral weight. The continuing slaughter of innocent children through legal abortion—to take the most appalling example of such “intrinsic evil”—is a grave offense against God and our own human dignity, and cries out for justice. Accordingly, “the moral obligation to oppose intrinsically evil acts has a special claim on our consciences and our actions.”<sup>3</sup>

Those who knowingly, willingly and directly support public policies or legislation that protect and perpetuate such injustice cooperate with that grave evil. Candidates who promise to support the common good, while at the same time glossing over their support for intrinsic evils such as abortion, perpetrate a lie. Catholic candidates who do so are also a cause of scandal among the faithful.

Finally, two other issues of particular importance in this election year demand our attention. The first is marriage: the permanent, faithful relationship of a man and a woman as husband and wife is the root of a family and the foundation for all of society. The decline of marriage in our culture has already inflicted untold spiritual and material costs upon society and individuals alike. Attempts to redefine marriage are contrary to the natural and moral law and only serve to further erode this fundamental institution. The defense of marriage is a matter of social justice. The second issue—which is of such pressing importance that the final insert, beginning on October 28<sup>th</sup>, will address it specifically—is religious freedom. Additional information can be found on the Catholic Conference of Illinois website, [www.ilcatholic.org](http://www.ilcatholic.org) or at [www.faithfulcitizenship.org](http://www.faithfulcitizenship.org).

<sup>1</sup> *Caritas in Veritate*, 38

<sup>2</sup> CCC, 2442

<sup>3</sup> *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, 37