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Tuesday7:00 a.m.
Wednesday6:30 p.m.
Thursday7:00 a.m.
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FIRST FRIDAY AND SATURDAY:
First Friday of each month:7:00 p.m.
First Saturday of each month:8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Sundays7:00 -- 7:45 a.m.
Wednesdays5:30 -- 6:15 p.m.
Fridays11:00 -- 11:45 a.m.

SeptuagesimaFebruary 9, 2020

FROM THE RECTOR
Today we celebrate Septuagesima Sunday and benefit from the wisdom of Holy Mother Church as She assists us preparing ourselves for our Lenten Retreat. How blessed we are to have these weeks to prepare ourselves for the journey of Lent which requires spiritual strength and constancy. One does not prepare for a marathon the day before it begins. So it is with the Lenten season. Our preparation needs to begin now in order to be well prepared for Ash Wednesday. During the several weeks use your time in prepare to ask the Lord what sacrifices you should make, how your prayer life should increase and what generosity are you able to make manifest. Be practical and concrete in order to find success in your sacrifices before God. Seek first the kingdom of God and all good things shall come to you!

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SEASON OF SEPTUAGESIMA AND LENT
The season of Septuagesima begins today and provides us with the opportunity to better prepare ourselves for our Lenten Season which begins on Wednesday, 26 February 2020. In order to spiritually assist the faithful of the Oratory during the Lenten season there will be additional opportunities for confession.

During Lent, in addition to the times already published, confessions will be heard before the 7 am Masses on Tuesday and Thursday, beginning at 6 am. **These confession times will begin on Thursday, 12 March 2020.**

We will also have the morning of Confessions on Saturday, 14 March 2020 from 8:00 am until 11:00 am.

Stations of Cross will be celebrated each Friday of Lent at 7 pm. On the two First Fridays of Lent (5 March and 4 April) Stations will begin after the conclusion of Holy Mass.

Finally, the schedule for Holy Week has been determined and again will have the opportunity to celebrate each day of the Sacred Triduum. This information is shared early so that you might plan your schedules accordingly: **HOLY THURSDAY @ 5:00 PM; GOOD FRIDAY @ 3PM; HOLY SATURDAY @ 4:30 PM.**

All of this information will continue to be available both in the bulletin and on-line. Also, next Sunday there will be a sheet on the Oratory table in the vestibule that will have all this information for our Lenten season.

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“SHOW ME LIFE" PRO-LIFE ACTION DAY
Missouri State Capitol March 10, 2020
Support legislation to save the lives of unborn children. Join pro-lifers from across Missouri in Jefferson City on Tuesday, March 10th at the State Capitol. Registration begins at 10:00 am in the 1st floor rotunda and the rally starts at noon. You can register for one of our buses at <http://www.easternregionmrl.org/actionday> or call or email your name, address, city, zip, phone, email address and pick-up location to 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com. Registration deadline for bus transportation is March 2. Donations towards the cost of buses can be made online or will be collected that day. Wear RED for Life!

Bus #1 Pick up Locations	Departure	Return
Grasso Plaza – Affton	7:30 a.m.	6:20 p.m.
St. Paul Church – Fenton	7:50 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
Union, MO Commuter Lot/1stBaptist Church	8:35 a.m.	5:15 p.m.

Bus #2 Pick up Locations	Departure	Return
Kohl’s - Creve Coeur, MO	7:30 a.m.	5:45 p.m.
Hobby Lobby – Cave Springs	8:00 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Wentzville – Walmart	8:30 a.m.	4:45 p.m.
Warrenton – Walmart	8:50 a.m.	4:15 p.m.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Calling all Pro-Life Advocates! **40 Days for Life** will be holding our Spring Campaign starting Ash Wednesday February 26, 2020 and ending on Palm Sunday April 5, 2020. Join us for 40 days of Peaceful Prayer, Hourly Vigil, Fasting and Fellowship at the Planned Parenthood abortion facility at 317 Salem Place in Fairview Heights. We staff at least 2 people every hour for 12 hours a day for 40 days. Our hours will be 7am- 7pm.
Pray with us in peaceful public witness. Let mothers know you care about them. Your church or organization can “Adopt A Day” and staff multiple hours or you can come on your own. Will you consider organizing “Adopt A Day” in your parish or assisting your Pro-Life Coordinator? Think about bringing your lay organization for an hour of prayer. You may sign up online and enter a password at: coalitionforlifestl.com to view and use the vigil calendar or contact: theresa@coalitionforlifestl.com/ 618-520-1255 or christy@coalitionforlifestl.com/ 618-401-8607.
The Pro-Life Coordinator for the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine is Aurora Miller who can be reached at aurora.1851@yahoo.com.

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PROLIFE OPPORTUNITY/COALITION FOR LIFE
The Oratory has been approved by Coalition for Life in their "Adopt a Day" Campaign to pray, fast and keep vigil on March 14th at the Fairview Heights Planned Parenthood. We will cover 12 hours that day with at least two people each hour. Join us in making this event and sacrifice memorable for the Oratory and your families during Lent.
We are in immediate need of 2 -3 people to form a core group (along with Aurora Miller) to plan the information and sign up days of February 15/16 and February 22/23. If you are able to be part of the core group, please contact Aurora Miller at aurora.1851@yahoo.com

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LENTEN DAYS OF RECOLLECTION
In order to assist the faithful during the Lenten season, there will be a Day of Recollection for both the women and men of the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine. The day begins with Holy Mass at 8:00 am concludes by 2:30 pm. The retreat is open to non-parishioners and everyone is encouraged to attend. The cost for the day is \$25 and includes lunch. **Further information can be found on the Oratory table in the vestibule of Church.**

- The Men’s Day of Recollection – 28 March 2020
- The Women’s Day of Recollection – 4 April 2020

ST. LUKE’S TRIVIA NIGHT
When: Saturday, February 22, 2020 – Doors open at 6pm. Trivia begins at 7pm.
Where: Immaculate Conception Hall in Maplewood
What: \$200 per table of 8. Includes beer & soda (feel free to bring your own snack and beverages). Test your knowledge with a fun night of general trivia. Space is limited so reserve your table by emailing Julia Beaudoin at julia@ba-doy.com or call 314-781-2468.

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FOSTERING EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
I have been approached about the possibility of having Eucharistic Adoration at the Oratory. I am very excited about the possibilities that exist before us. As the community has continued to grow, we are now able (I believe) to move forward with increasing our devotional life. There are at least two possibilities before us. Option #1: A Holy Hour after the 11:30 am Mass on the First Sunday of the month. Option #2: Extended Eucharistic Adoration from the conclusion of Holy Mass on First Friday until to the evening Mass on First Friday. Option #2 provides a longer period of time for Adoration which I think would be spiritually profitable for the whole community.

In order for Option #2 to be viable there needs to be enough interest from the faithful to make sure that at least two people are present with Our Eucharistic Lord every half hour during the period of adoration.

In the coming weeks, a survey will be made available to the community to see in which direction we will be able to move. As you wait for the survey please prayerfully consider what time you might be able to make available to be with Our Eucharistic Lord.

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FRESH OR FROZEN MEALS FOR THE RHEINHEIMER FAMILY
A meal train has been set up for the Rheinheimer family who recently welcomed their new baby - Maximillian Jude. Help us welcome Max by assisting the family with meals. Please use the link below to sign up to bring them a meal: <https://www.takethemameal.com/BAAC6131>

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FRESH OR FROZEN MEALS FOR THE SOLDINIE FAMILY
A meal train has been set up for Ricky and Leah Soldinie who just welcomed their fifth baby, Valor Joseph, on January 7. Help us welcome Valor Joseph by assisting the family with their meals. Please use the link below to sign up to bring them a meal: <https://mealtrain.com/m1knq7>

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PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE
The Oratory has a Pilgrim Virgin statue of Our Lady of Fatima that travels from house to house every week. If your family would like to welcome Mary into your home for a week, please contact Heather at heather.r.stein@gmail.com.

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*Our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us who have recourse to thee!
Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!*

WOMEN’S CONFERENCE (MARCH)
Catholic Women for Christ: Archdiocese of St. Louis is holding its annual conference on **Saturday, 7 March 2020**. For more information please visit: catholicwomenforchrist.org.
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SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY/MISSAL ASSISTANCE

- 2 February – Purification of the BVM (p. 437)
- 9 February – Septuagesima (p. 80)
- 16 February – Sexagesima (p. 85)
- 23 February – Quinquagesima (p. 91)
- 26 February – Ash Wednesday (p. 96)

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UP COMING EVENTS

- 9 February: Septuagesima
- 9 February: Coffee Hour after the 8 am Holy Mass
- 23 February: Coffee Hour after the 11:30 am Holy Mass
- 26 February: Ash Wednesday
- 28 February: Stations of the Cross @ 7:00 pm

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MASS INTENTIONS
Tuesday, 11 February – *Our Lady of Lourdes*
7:00 am: Agnes Schoenfeld

Wednesday, 12 February – *Seven Holy Servite Founders*
6:30 pm: Agnes Schoenfeld

Thursday, 13 February – *Feria*
7:00 am: Agnes Schoenfeld

Friday, 14 February – *Feria/St. Valentine, priest & martyr*
12 Noon: Agnes Schoenfeld

Sunday, 16 February – *Sexagesima*
8:00 am: Michael & Katherine Moritz Family
11:30 am: Agnes Schoenfeld

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SERVERS SCHEDULE
February 2nd – **Purification of the BVM**

- 8:00 am: Joseph & Anthony Dixon
- 11:30 am: Austin Jackson, Cameron Ackerman, Tommy Lattenzi, Simon Wisniewski, Damien Filla

February 9th – **Septuagesima**

- 8:00 am: John & Eli Colton
- 11:30 am: Ryan Lavery, Lance Lavery, Sebastian Filla, Luke Lavery, Sebastian Petrick

February 16th – **Sexagesima**

- 8:00 am: Joseph & Anthony Dixon
- 11:30 am: Cameron Ackerman, Austin Jackson, Philip Petrick, Ben Armstron, Peter Armstrong

February 23rd – **Quinquagesima Sunday**

- 8:00 am: Caleb & Eli Colton
- 11:30 am: Gregory Grizzle, Lance Lavery, Tommy Lattenzi, Sebastian Filla, Damien Filla

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