



MASS

Sunday: 6:30, 8:00 & 10:00am
Monday - Friday: 12:15pm
Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00am
Wednesday: 6:30pm
Saturday: 8:15am
First Friday: 7:15pm

ADORATION

Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00pm

CONFESSION

Sunday: 7:00 - 7:45am and
9:15 - 10:30 am
Monday - Friday: 11am - 12pm
Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00pm
Saturday: 7:00 - 8:00am
First Friday: 6:00 - 7:00pm

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DIVINE OFFICE

Sunday:
• Prime: 7:20am
• Terce: 9:40am
• Vespers: 2:30pm
Monday:
• Vespers: 6:00pm
Tuesday - Thursday:
• Compline: 7:30pm

Welcome to the Oratory of Saints Gregory and Augustine

The Oratory of Saints Gregory and Augustine is pleased to welcome you. We are an apostolate of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis faithful to the teachings of the Church and striving to grow as a family of faith through the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass and other Sacraments.

In the First Book of *The Confessions*, the other great St. Augustine (of Hippo) wrote the following: “Thou hast made us for Thyself and our hearts are restless until they find rest in Thee.” Whether you are curious about the traditional Latin Mass and interested in exploring its beauty, searching for a parish community where you and your family will feel at home, or seeking rest for your heart, we hope that the Oratory of Saints Gregory and Augustine can provide that respite for you.

Our bulletin serves to provide information about the weekly activities occurring here at the Oratory. Along with our website (www.stlouislatinmass.com), the bulletin is your point of contact with the ever-increasing activities at the Oratory. I hope this will give you some sense of the grace of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and work of the Holy Spirit in our midst. I am delighted that God has brought you here! *Oremus pro invicem!*

—The Very Reverend Monsignor C. Eugene Morris, Rector

MASS AND SACRAMENTS

Sunday Masses

- 6:30 am (Low Mass)
- 8:00 am (Low Mass)
- 10:00 am (High Mass)

Weekday Masses

- Monday thru Friday: 12:15 pm
- Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 am
- Wednesday: 6:30 pm
- First Friday: 7:15 pm
- Saturday: 8:15 am

Confession

- Monday thru Friday: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Wednesday: 5:00 – 6:00 pm
- First Friday: 6:00 – 7:00 pm
- Saturday: 7:00 – 8:00 am
- Sunday: 7:00 -7:45 am; 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Infant Baptism – Baptisms are normally scheduled on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Saturdays of the month beginning at 10:00 am. Families expecting newborns and anticipating that they will be baptized here at the Oratory should schedule their baptism at the earliest convenience by contacting the Oratory office.

Adult Baptism – If you are interested in becoming Catholic or an adult Catholic not yet confirmed, please contact the Oratory office for more information about adult catechesis.

Matrimony – Please contact the Oratory office at least six months prior to the desired date for the rite of marriage. The date is reserved after consultation and confirmation from the Rector of the Oratory.

Extreme Unction/Visitation of the Sick – Contact the Oratory to arrange the sacrament either at home or in the hospital.

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PASTORAL VISIT

This weekend, the Oratory is blessed with a pastoral visit from priests and seminarians from Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary in Denton, Nebraska which is the house of formation for the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter. They will arrive here at the Oratory on Saturday, 20 April in time for Vespers at 5:00 and then will be present at the 10:00 am Holy Mass. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend Vespers on Saturday and attend the social after Holy Mass on Sunday to meet and greet the priests and seminarians. The community will be in St. Louis until Tuesday morning and will be celebrating Mass here on Monday (22 April) and Tuesday (23 April). Please be attentive to both the bulletin and our website for more information.

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IN THANKSGIVING

A profound word of gratitude to everyone who assisted in making our celebration of Lent, the Sacred Triduum and Easter Sunday truly beautiful gifts of praise to God. For all those who assisted in veiling our statues and preparing the Altar of Repose; for the musicians, men and women’s scholas and the choir; for the servers, Masters of Ceremony; the Head Sacristan and those who assisted him; the sacred ministers who assisted as deacon and subdeacon; for those who helped clean the Church and the Knights of Columbus for their work as ushers. May God reward your generosity!

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ELECTRICAL WORK

Beginning the month of April, the Church of the Oratory will undergo a complete renovation of the electrical wiring and the refurbishing of the lights and the light fixtures as well as the addition of new lighting for the ceiling of the Church. By way of background, the wiring in the Church has been a problem since the arrival of the Oratory in 2018. There have been various attempts to respond to specific light and wiring issues, but these individual incidents have indicated serious issues with the overall wiring/electrical in the Church. The lights over the pews on both the Mary and Joseph side of the Church have not worked for a year or more and several months ago we had light failures in the vestibule. It was in response to this issue that led us to the decision to move forward with this project. This is a necessary expenditure at this time and fortunately we are in a financial situation where are able to respond immediately. What this means for all of us: there will be workers on campus; work going on in the Church at various times throughout the day; scaffolding in the Church proper will be in place for at least a month. It is my hope that this work will be completely by early June, and we will see vast improvements for our beautiful Church. As the work begins, I ask for everyone’s patience and forbearance with the various inconveniences with which we will all contend. As updates are available, I will share all necessary information with the Oratory community. Finally, I ask for everyone’s fervent prayers for a successful completion of the project and for the continued longevity and stability of the Oratory. As always, if there are questions and concerns, please direct them to the Rector.

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NEW BULLETIN

In the next several months the bulletin will be undergoing some necessary changes. The prompting for these changes is our continued growth and the desire to make available to the faithful of the Oratory as much information as possible about the various activities happening both at the Oratory and in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. So too, the Oratory will be working with a new company that is able to accommodate our growth. Again, patience is appreciated as we go through this process of growth and renewal.

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PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACE AVAILABLE

Bob Swagman from LPI, our bulletin printer (beginning in late June 2024), will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulleting and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com. For more information, please contact Bob Swagman at 636-346-2058 or rswagman@4lpi.com.

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BACULUS CANTORALIS

The *baculus cantoralis* (cantor's staff) is a custom that originated in Antioch, representing the role of the *precentor* (head cantor). Spiritually, the staff commemorates the Jewish Pasch ritual, when one has to eat the meal standing up holding a staff to commemorate the Exodus. These staves are mentioned in the *Ordines Romani*, a series of early and medieval treatises on liturgical rubrics. Historically, the *baculus cantoralis* was present in centers of solemn liturgy across Christendom (East and West), in common use until the twentieth century in France, Spain, Portugal, Germany, England, Belgium, and South America (by way of the Spanish). In France, the *baculus* was a heraldic mark for cantors. In certain places, not only the *precentor*, but all the cantors had their "batons." A common application of the *baculus* was to have two staves, used by the leader of each side of liturgical choir, to tap the rhythm of the chant on the ground, or to point at the cantor who was to intone the next chant. There are also rubrics given for the *precentor* to discipline cantors who misbehave or sleep during divine services with the *baculus*. The schola would like to thank one of its members for constructing the wooden stand for the use of our own *baculus cantoralis*. In the future, the schola hopes to add a miniature carving of St. Louis IX on the top of the staff.

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THE JOSEPH CHALLENGE PILGRIMAGE| CHALLENGING MEN TO GROW IN FAITH

Men ages 18 and up are invited to participate in the 9th Annual Joseph Challenge Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Joseph in Downtown St. Louis on May 3-4, 2024 organized by the Knights of Columbus. The pilgrimage includes over 23 miles of walking, Mass at the Oratory both days, opportunities for confession, and fellowship. Come for one or both days. For more information and to register, visit josephchallenge.com.

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ALTAR SERVERS: SPRING 2024

The following are the dates for training for this spring semester: 29 April, 13 May, 27 May.

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SUMMER SCHEDULE

While this is several months away, to allow the faithful of the Oratory to plan accordingly, the Oratory will implement a summer schedule. Beginning on 1 July 2024 and concluding on 14 August 2024 the Oratory will have only daily Holy Mass at 12:15 pm with Confessions at 11:00 am. **The Saturday and Sunday schedules will remain the same.** The offices hours during this time will be Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am until 2:30 pm. **The offices will be closed on Fridays.** These scheduling changes allow the priests of the Oratory to take vacation and more importantly to make their canonical retreats. So too, the changed office hours will allow our dedicated staff time for vacation. As we move closer to the month of July, more information will be provided.

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INSTITUTE OF CATHOLIC CULTURE

The Institute of Catholic Culture is offering an on-line course in Traditional Logic on Tuesdays, April 23, through September 10, 2024 from 7 - 8:15 p.m. The aim of the course is to deepen our understanding of our capacity to reason and to sharpen it by examining in detail some key problems in our time. Students will discover how logic can help us solve them and see the truth that lies beyond. If you are unable to attend the live classes you can still register. Lecture recordings will be available following each class. For more information/registration go to: <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/register/logic/>.

This course, as all of ICC's offerings, is free."

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BAPTISMS (January-March 2024):

(In alphabetical order)

- Lawrence Anthony Jones (Vince & Sarah)
- Charlotte Grace Kukielski (Aaron & Carlie)
- Samuel John Lauber (Jack & Jordan)
- Xavier Timothy Ruiz (Nolan & Antoinette)
- Regina Rose Schenk (Nicholas & Elaine)

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NEW FAMILIES for MARCH (alphabetical order):

A warm welcome to our new parishioners!

- The Douglas Family ~ Shannon & Sarah
- The Heddell Family ~ Jay & Christina, Gia, James, Anthony, Michael, Rose, and Angelina
- The Houser Family ~ John & Elise, and Adeline
- The Knaust Family ~ Justin & Jen, Brody, Cora, Cam, Oscar, Milo, and Sully

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DECLINE TO SIGN

You may soon see paid signature gatherers in public places in Missouri asking you to sign a pro-abortion initiative petition. The ballot summary is very deceptive claiming to protect women’s health and “reproductive health care.” However, this initiative petition will put in the Missouri constitution a “right” to dangerous late-term abortions with taxpayer money without

parental consent for minors and without the oversight of health agencies to protect the health of Missouri women. Those signature gatherers need to get a certain number of signatures from six out of eight congressional districts to put this deceptive and extreme anti-life measure on the November 2024 ballot. Please protect our constitution and defend life in Missouri by declining to sign if you are asked to sign this petition. Call the Missouri Right to Life hotline to report the location of signature gatherers at **417-413-4134**.

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USHERS

Ushers needed! The continued growth of our Oratory community has necessitated an increased presence for the ushers. We are in the process of creating an Usher Schedule for the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine. We anticipate 2 men at the 6:30 am Holy Mass and 4 men at the 8:00 and 10:00 am Holy Masses.

If you are interested in serving the parish as an Usher, please email kofc17355@oratorysga.org with your name and contact information and which time for Holy Mass works best for you. You do not need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus to assist as an usher. In advance, thank you for prayerfully considering this vital service!

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PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

- Rosalind Anderson, mother of Agnes Joseph and Robert Anderson
- Anthony DeStefano, uncle of Emily Lund
- Anthony “Kim” Edgar, father of Fr. Zach Edgar
- Sharon Koenig, sister of Dottie Schwartz
- Joseph Ley, father of Teresa Holman
- Mary Machain, grandmother of Kiera Petrick
- Donald Sunbury, uncle of Terri Fowler

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In your charity, please pray for the following members of the Oratory who are ill: Steven Balderrama, father of Joseph Balderrama; Elizabeth Berwin, cousin of David O’Gorman; Jim Corner Sr, father of Judy Carnahan; Jeanmarie DeCoster; Mary Gleckler, mother of Cathy Saccente and Mary Nelson; Lena Henry, daughter of Toni & Mickey Henry; Shane Kiser, husband of Maggie Kiser; Dotty Kuhlmann, mother of Donna Mueller; James Frances Mooney, father of Dr. Joseph Mooney; Michael Norfleet, son of Marsha Norfleet; Elizabeth Ryan; and Patrick Schneider.

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BLESSED ITEMS

If you wish to have items blessed, please drop them off at the rectory (Mon-Fri, 9am-2pm) and include your name and telephone number. Please make sure all items are clearly marked. Once Msgr. Morris or Fr. Rennie have blessed the items Donna Mueller, Administrative Assistant to the Rector, will call you to let you know the items are ready for pick up (from the rectory office, Mon-Fri, 9am-2pm). **Please drop off items at the front door on Dale Avenue, across from the field parking lot.**

FROM THE RECTOR

Modern man places a premium on happiness. While being happy is not necessarily a bad thing, the pursuit of happiness can often override more lasting realities: joy, peace, and harmony with God. Since happiness is often equated with fulfilled desires, a person can lose himself in the pursuit of satisfaction constantly feeling agitated and anxious when desires go unfulfilled and not all our wants are satisfied. What the Catholic pursues in his life is the virtue of joy which is that complete fulfillment that is found only in surrendering ourselves freely to God’s Divine Providence. It was joy that the apostles experienced when they encountered the Risen Lord. Beyond their understanding and comprehension, in the presence of the Lord who had conquered death through death, they knew only joy in His Presence. We must seek for this joy in our daily lives. It is not easily attained but is always within our grasps if we are willing to follow the Risen Lord wherever He may lead us. So too, we can cultivate Christian joy by our trust and confidence in God’s providence. We need to learn to manage our anxieties and to overcome our fears. With God all things are possible: new life through death; freedom through obedience; joy through sacrifice. Let us continue to rejoice that indeed He has risen.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, 21 April:

- Prime @ 7:20 am
- Terce @ 9:40 am
- Coffe Hour after the 8:00 am Holy Mass
- Reception after the 10:00 am Holy Mass
- Vespers @ 2:30 pm

Monday, 22 April:

- Holy Mass @ 7:30 am**
- Holy Mass @ 9:00 am**
- Vespers @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, 23 April:

- Holy Mass @ 8:30 am**
- Choir Practice: 7:00 – 9:15 pm
- Compline @ 7:30 pm

Wednesday, 24 April:

- Holy Hour @ 5:00 – 6:00 pm
- Compline @ 7:30 pm
- CCD @ 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Thursday, 25 April:

- Compline @ 7:30 pm

** in addition to our regular schedule; all are invited to attend

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PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE 2024

04/07-04/14 Cook	04/14-04/21 Hayward
04/21-04/28 Fowler	04/28-05/05 Blum
05/05-05/12 Wisniewski	05/12-05/19 Catalano
05/19-05/26 Kenney	05/26-06/02 Raymond

06/02-06/09 Hayes	06/09-06/16 Schuette
06/16-06/23 Filla	06/23-06/30 Petrick

Drop off and pick up the statue at back of church. Place bag on the floor to left of the Oratory table. To join the schedule or be taken off contact Sharon Alexander: saalex@sbglobal.net

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 22 April – *Ss. Soter & Caius*
12:15 pm: Anthony & Mary Otto (d)

Tuesday, 23 April – *St. George*
7:00 am: Gus & Zita Otto (d)
12:15 pm: Kenneth Loeffler

Wednesday, 24 April – *Octave Day of St. Joseph*
12:15 pm: Kevin Steiner (d)
6:30 pm: Sam & Anthony Podesta

Thursday, 25 April – *St. Mark*
7:00 am: Mary Lou Rheinheimer
12:15 pm: Raphael Jonathan (d)

Friday, 26 April – *Ss. Cletus & Marcellinus*
12:15 pm: Kevin Steiner (d)

Saturday, 27 April – *St. Peter Cansius*
8:15 am: Lawrence Costigan (d)

Sunday, 28 April – *Fourth Sunday after Easter*
6:30 am: Rev. Paul Stark, SJ
8:00 am: The Hamilton Family
10:00 am: Sharon Keonig (d)

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~ 04/14/2024 ~	
	<u>ACTUAL</u>
Weekly Collection Total	\$ 9,157.00
Online Giving	\$ 5,771.00
Total	\$ 14,928.00
Needed	\$ 13,810.00
Year to Date Total	\$ 660,225.85
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*Our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us who have recourse to thee!
Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!*

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