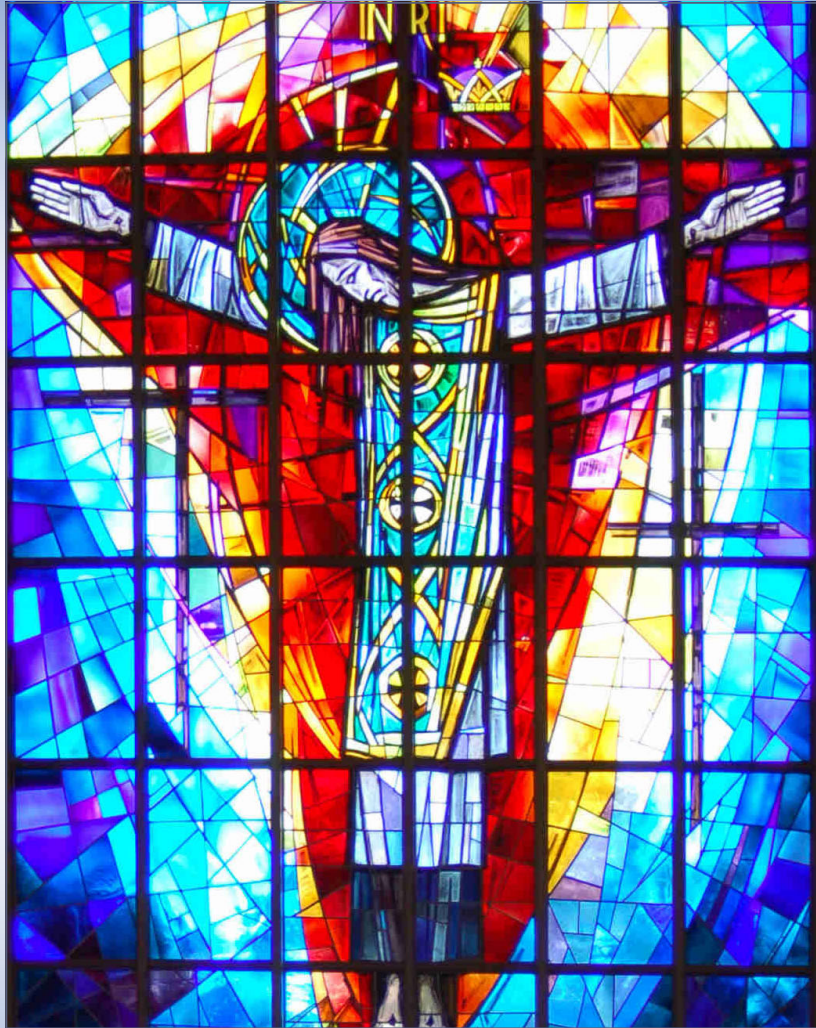


Holy Redeemer Parish

Founded 1886
17 Joy Ave. Webster Groves 63119



HOLY MASS:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Weekday: M-F 6:15 & 8:15 AM (September-May)

M-F 6:15 & 8:00 AM (June-August)

Holy Days: See Bulletin Announcements

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. until Wednesday 6:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Rectory/Office: 314-962-0038

Website: www.holyr.org

PASTOR Reverend Kevin Schmittgens

DEACON: Deacon Stephen L. Murray

December 29, 2019

The Holy Family

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 30

1 John 2:12-17 Luke 2:36-40

6:15 am John & Leola Vogt

8:15 am Owen Burton

Tuesday, December 31 St. Sylvester I

1 John 2:18-21 John 1:1-18

6:15 am George Kennedy

8:15 am Lucille Boyer

Wednesday, January 1 Mary the Mother of God

Numbers 6:22-27 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21

8:00 am Phillip Strohl

10:00 am People of the Parish

Thursday, January 2 Sts. Basil the Great and

Gregory Nazianzen

1 John 2:22-28 John 1:19-28

6:15 am Parish Purgatorial Society

8:15 am Paul Stephenitch

Friday, January 3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus

1 John 2:29—3:6 John 1:29-34

6:15 am John Liesmann

8:15 am Joseph Hofer

Saturday, January 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

1 John 3:7-10 John 1:35-42

5:00 pm Joseph Simeone

Sunday, January 5 The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12

7:30 am Hilda Brennecke

9:00 am Christopher Fogarty Dinkel

11:00 am Lucille Boyer

MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 4-5 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

5:00 pm K. Mank, T. Meyer, P. Mayer, B. Mayer
C. Perreault, R. Petty, K. Plurad

7:30 am M. Abad, A. Abad, P. Brockland,
J. Christy, G. Christy, M. Sack, J. Zapf

9:00 am K. DeGregorio, K. Wilson, M. Ziegelman
J. Baum, R. Bischoff, E. Blumfelder, J. Tremblay

11:00 am T. Gaffney, T. Gerard, K. Hartrich,
T. Jeevanjee, S. Doran, T. Knipp, L. Knipp

SERVERS

5:00 pm K. Graf, A. Graf, R. Hill
7:30 am M. Hannis, E. Hannis, C. Johnson
9:00 am L. Jenks, T. Mank, G. Lemcke
11:00 am A. Kessler, T. Kessler, A. Kessler

LECTORS

5:00 pm Brett Moorehouse
7:30 am Paul Fiess
9:00 am Patrick Murphy
11:00 am Joe Franke

OUR COMMON HOME MINISTRY

Christmas Light Recycling: We will collect your old or broken light strands again this year to keep them from the landfill. Please find the drop-off box at HR school in the front door. Thank you for keeping such items from the landfill. Remember to save your broken electronics for a special recycling. These items should NEVER be put in a curbside dumpster. The next collection nearby is at Richmond Heights Community Center, January 11, 8-12. More info can be found at a MRCrecycling.net.

The OCHMinistry will be available on Sunday, January 5 in the CMR after the 9 & 11:00 Masses to offer information and to invite families and parish ministries to make a New Year's Resolution to take care of our common home.

LOOKING AHEAD

There will be no Adoration on New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31st.

Also, there is no Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet at 7:15 PM.

Mass on New Year's Day will be celebrated at 8:00 and 10:00 AM. There is no Vigil Mass on December 31st.

Looking back at 2019 and the decade of the Teens

Not only are we changing the year, we are beginning a new decade. (OK, I know that technically the new decade begins in 2021, but no one really believes that.) The past ten years have been very good to me, probably the most fun-filled yet challenging of my life. In my travels, I have gone to Hawaii with my family (2010-highly recommended), the Holy Land and Rome on pilgrimage (2012), Ireland (2015-you can never go here too many times) and Scotland (twice, 2013 and 2018). The two major highlights were a boat ride around the Na Pali Coast with my family (quite possibly the best day of my life) and playing the Old Course at St. Andrew's in Scotland. (The Holy Land was great, but comes in third.) Professionally, I went from being a faculty member of Borgia High School to becoming its President. The challenges in that job were daunting. Everyday there was a new headache, some of which I *never* saw coming. But overall, it was both an honor and a joy to lead that school. On a difficult note, I lost some great people in the past decade, most notably by older brother Tom in 2013 (believe it or not, he was goofier than me), some great and talented colleagues (four of them, RIP Duane, Mr. Kaiser, George and Sandy) and even a few former students (whom I remember fondly). But through it all, the good times as well as the bad, I experienced the overriding grace and love of God, stronger than ever. It was a blessed ten years.

And then this year, momentarily, I left the home where I had been for thirty years to begin a new life here in Webster Groves. To be totally honest, it was an adjustment, a *big* adjustment. And I am still adjusting. Borgia was a comfortable place for me, a *very* comfortable place. I knew practically everyone in Franklin County and its environs and they knew me. (I hope they still remember me at The Landing Bar and Grill on the Riverfront – I practically paid for the new patio.) You don't stay with a place for thirty years and not feel a little bit of melancholy when you leave. But I knew the time was right. I still had lots of energy for that job, but that, ironically, is exactly the time when you want to move on.

But make no mistake about it, coming to Holy Redeemer has been a great joy for me. Already there have been several memorable moments, primarily at our Friday All School Masses (where the students remind me how "old" I am). The people of this amazing parish have welcomed me with open arms and for that I am very grateful. When people ask how I am doing, I tell them that I landed in a good place, a place I hope to be at until at least 2030. (I hope you all are thinking the same...)

So here's a toast to the HR Decade! The best is yet to come!

Please be careful on New Years' Eve and have a blessed 2020! Happy New Year!!

Father Kevin

PREVENT AND PROTECT

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called **Prevent and Protect STL**. **Everyone** ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are **required** and asked to register in the new system before March 31, 2020. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children workshop all clergy, volunteers and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to www.preventandprotect.org to register.

Vacation Bible School IS BACK!!!

Mark your calendars: **June 15-19, 2020**

Look for **Early Bird** Registration coming February!



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Toni Berberich	Mary Slais	Alberta Simeone
Torni Corno	David Schilli	Patricia Wilhelm
Betty Mueller	Candido Leyson	Will Newman
Susy Dolan	Alice Vogt	Richard Champion
Judie Tucci	Joe Cantalin	Johnna Marnatti
Fr. Tim Vowels	Rosemary Dreyer	Steve Thomson
	Jim & Mary Swift	Mardel McGuire
Ginny Miller	Catie Barnes	Claire Galli
Kenneth & Henry Burton	Will Schmitt	Patrick Fox
Ralph & Betty Nuelle	Barb Ferrenbach	Rick Slais

Helen Claire Mashburn, mother of Janet Doubek
 Norbert Krekeler, brother of Mary Ann Baum
 Rosemary Rowe, sister of Sr. Angela Senyszyn, OSF
 Brad Brouwer, brother-in-law of Stephanie Hosler
 Stephen Serati, son of Marlene
 Frank Rohlfs, friend of Barb Oates
 Trent Russell
 Austin Lopez, nephew of Mike Huggins
 Michael Miana, friend of the Serati family
 Peter Schreiner, grandson of Audrey Schreiner
 Jim Serati, son of Marlene Serati
 Jean Marie Darcy, sister of Mike & Sue Darcy
 Tom Darcy, brother of Mike & Sue Darcy
 Julia Furey-Bastian, niece of Rob & Jane Furey
 Patricia J. Doubeck, mother of James
 Mary Jenniches, friend of Christine Keenoy
 Carol Warren, mother of Ellen Bengé
 Rita Hill, sister of Germaine Schlueter
 Ken Johnson, friend of Faith & Deeds Fletcher
 Ann Sullivan, aunt of Connie Moore
 Ed Geiss, father of Tim
 Judy George, friend of Carol Devanny
 Joan Martin
 Terry Jordan, friend of Marlene Serati
 Ann Mank, mother of John
 Sarah McCready, aunt of Michelle Mikosz
 Bill Dickson, friend of Chris Keenoy
 Margaret Bannister, former School Secretary
 Dawn Dailey, sister-in-law of Mary Schurk
 Tess Fortier, niece of Mary Schurk
 Brendan Mahoney, son of Pam & Peter
 Mary Maloney, mother of Katie Mank

Due to privacy laws we no longer are informed of hospital stays. Family members, please notify the rectory.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Catlyn Portwine, USMC, Granddaughter of Kenneth Portwine
Bryant Young, Great grandson of Ralph & Betty Nuelle
Brook Blum, Nephew of Sr. Carolyn Mruz, OSF
Vincent Burke, Jr., son of Louise Burke
Jeston David Miler, husband of Lori Ann Schmidt

ACTUAL BUDGET

Due to the early bulletin deadline, figures for the week of December 22nd will be posted on January 5th.

12/15/19 Envelopes	\$ 9,246.05	\$ 22,100.00
Online	\$ 5,823.00	
Total	\$ 15,069.05	\$ 22,100.00
YEAR TO DATE	\$ 736,551.05	\$883,300.00

“Wives, be subordinate to your husbands....Husbands, love your wives...Children, obey your parents in everything...Fathers, do not provoke your children...”

Colossians 3:18-21

Pope Francis said that families, through their life of prayer and love, become “schools of true human growth.” Being credible witnesses of Christian love, especially that of family members, exerts the most positive influence on our children. We are all children of God, let us pray and love each other as God, Our Father, does for us..

December Collection

Kenrick-Glennon Seminary—December 25—\$50.00

January Collection

St. Louis Review Subscription—January 19

Thank you for your support!

FATHER BOB’S CHRISTMAS APPEAL

We collected 133 boxes for the Appeal this year. At a conservative estimated cost of \$45/box, that’s about \$6000 in food donations. This is what Holy Redeemer consistently delivers year after year. Many thanks to Billy, Steve, Jeff and Bo for driving the food boxes to Bradley Hall.

THANKSGIVING COLLECTION

Note from Father Steve Giljum, Pastor of St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist

Father Kevin and Holy Redeemer Parish—a very blessed Advent! Thank you so much for the Thanksgiving blessings of food and donations. It is very appreciated. May God Bless you.

Father Steve

YOUTH GROUP

LIFETEEN—Does not meet 12/22/19 or 12/29/19! Enjoy your Christmas break!

HOLY REDEEMER HAPPENINGS

The teachers and staff wish you a Very Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! School will be on Christmas break from December 23 to January 6, 2020.

As a reminder, our Catholic School's Week Open House will take place on Sunday, January 26. All are invited to tour the school

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

Holy Redeemer SVDP has a real success story to share with parishioners. We want you to know we use your donations in a wise, judicious way. So, we had been helping a Neighbor on and off for several years. The calls from the Neighbor were becoming more and more frequent. We felt we were enabling and not really helping. We stopped helping C in April and said we could not help for six months. C called the other day to let us know she found a well-paying job. She payed three months of back rent and bought her children essential clothing items. Our help was need to provide Thrift Store vouchers for winter coats for her family. We were excited to and glad to help. We want to move people to help themselves!

This is what we do at SVDP, we help our neighbors in very real and practical ways. Without the generosity of our HR Parishioners, we would be unable to assist in any tangible way. To donate, use the envelopes provided in the back of church, with online giving, or in your packet. For more info tmeyer0215@yahoo.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 29

Children's Liturgy—9:00 AM Mass

RCIA—9:30 AM

Monday, December 30

No School or PSR

Tuesday, December 31

Wednesday, January 1 New Year's Day

Holy Day Masses—8:00 & 10:00 AM

Thursday, January 2

Friday, January 3

Saturday, January 4

Men's Fellowship—8:00 AM RMR

Sunday, January 5

Children's Liturgy—9:00 AM CMR

RCIA—9:00 AM School

Refreshment Sunday 10:00 AM CMR

Youth Group—7:00 PM Café

School and PSR resumes on January 5, 2020.

Basketball practices and games are being held in the gym this weekend.



KINDLY SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2020

• CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE •

PARISH PROGRESSIVE
DINNER



Please contact Lisa Mueller at lisakramermueller@yahoo.com if you would like to host.

Holy Redeemer Women's ACTS Retreat

LaSalle Retreat Center

January 9-12, 2020

Registration Form



Name (as you want to appear on your name tag)

Parish

Address

Email Address

City & Zip

Emergency Contact Person & Relationship

Work Phone

Emergency Contact Phone Numbers (cell & other)

Home Phone

Second Emergency Contact Person & Relationship

Cell Phone

Second Emergency Contact Phone Numbers

Any special physical, dietary, medical or other needs for the retreat weekend

Allergies, if any

Holy Redeemer Parish is now accepting registrations for the **January 2020 Women's ACTS Retreat** (Adoration, Community, Theology and Service). This parish-based retreat offers the opportunity to renew your spirituality, strengthen your faith, develop lasting friendships and build parish community. A team of Holy Redeemer women presents the retreat with spiritual direction from our parish priests and deacon.

The retreat begins Thursday evening, January 9th with 6:00 check-in at Holy Redeemer. Transportation will be provided to and from the retreat center. The retreat will conclude at the 11:00 A.M. Mass on Sunday at Holy Redeemer, with a luncheon following in the school cafeteria.

The cost of the retreat is \$235. A \$50 registration fee is requested to reserve your place. The balance of \$185 will be due at check-in on Thursday. **Financial concerns should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat.** If you would like further information regarding the retreat or the scholarship program, please contact one of the following:

Christine Ahlheim, Director
314-517-2109
cmahlheim@yahoo.com

Beth Satchell, Co-Director
314-550-3439
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Mary Wetzel, Co-Director
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Please mail or deliver this form and \$50 deposit fee to the Parish office at 17 Joy Avenue, Webster Groves, 63119. (Check payable to Holy Redeemer.) Space is limited due to retreat facility accommodations. We welcome non-HR parishioners and non-Catholics, space permitting.

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church Winter Blood Drive

Tuesday, January 14, 2020
3 – 7 p.m.



Drive will be held in the School Cafeteria
17 Joy Avenue | Webster Groves, MO 63119

For an appointment, please visit [MercyBloodDonor.net](https://www.MercyBloodDonor.net)

Appointments will be given priority, walk-ins welcome.

For questions or to make an appointment, please contact Carrie at 314-603-6441.

All presenting
donors will receive a
complimentary T-shirt!

INFORMATION SHEET

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