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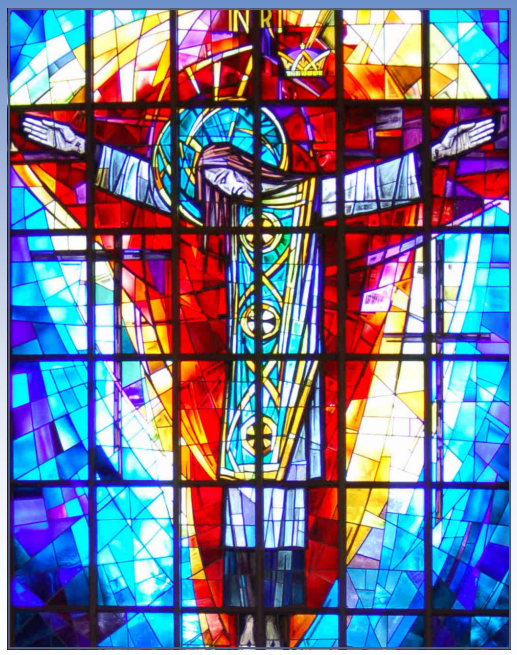

Holy Mass:
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 am
Weekday: M-F 6:15 am · 8:15 am

Holy Days: See Bulletin Announcements

Eucharistic Adoration:
Tuesday 9:00 am until Wednesday 6:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

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Pastor:	Reverend Kevin Schmittgens
Deacon:	Patrick Waldschmidt
Deacon:	Stephen L. Murray, M.A.

ALL THINGS NEW

STEADFAST IN FAITH • FORWARD IN HOPE

JUNE 26, 2022 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Carol Herber, Bookkeeper	bookkeeper@holyr.org		

Mass Readings and Intentions

Monday, June 27
St. Cyril of Alexandria
Amos 2:6-10, 13-16 Matt 8:18-22
6:15 am: Parish Purgatorial Society

Tuesday, June 28
St. Irenaeus
Amos 3:1-8, 4:11-12 Matt 8:23-27
6:15 am: Joseph F. & Kathryn H. Darpel

Wednesday, June 29
Sts. Peter & Paul
Acts 12:1-11 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18 Matt 16:13-19
6:15 am: Frank & Lucille Boyer

Thursday, June 30
The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Amos 7:10-17 Matt 9:1-8
6:15 am: Chris Scholten

Friday, July 1
St. Junipero Serra
Amos 8:4-6, 9-12 Matt 9:9-13
6:15 am: Deborah Schlitt

Saturday, July 2
Amos 9:11-15 Matt 9:14-17
5:00 pm: Joseph & Alberta Simeone

Sunday, July 3
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 66:10-14c Gal 6:14-18 uke 10:1-12, 17-20
7:30 am: People of the Parish
9:00 am: Charles DuFrenne
11:00 am: Bill & Teresa Haynes

Your Gifts to God and Parish.
Thank you for your generosity!

Special Collections:
June 5 Glennon Sunday
June 26 Peter's Pence (for the Holy Father)

6/19/22		Actual		Budget
Envelopes	$	8,033	$	15,150
Online	$	4,947		
Total	$	12,980	$	15,150
YEAR TO DATE	**$**	**333,030**	**$**	**398,400**

"For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather serve one another through love." (Galatians 5:13)

We like to celebrate that we are free to "live the good life." We can do what we want, anytime we want, with no regard for laws. But, Jesus calls us to a different kind of freedom. St. Paul reminds us that by imitating Jesus we are freed from becoming a slave to our own self-interests and desires, so that we can serve one another. We are free to share our gifts and promote God's work on earth to glorify His name and not honor ourselves.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Catie Barnes	Ruth Henry	Don Pokorny
Kenneth Burton	Cletus Henry	David Schilli
Joe Cantalin	Teresita Manubay	Will Schmitt
Salvatore Colletti	Johanna Marnatti	Rick Slais
Torni Corno	Mardel McGuire	Peggy Smith
Susy Dolan	Joe Miano	Mary Swift
Janet Doubek	Ginny Miller	Steve Thompson
Rosemary Dreyer	Bob Nawrocki	Kathy Timpe
John Dwyer	Will Newman	Judie Tucci
Patrick Fox	Barbara Oates	Ken Wetzel
Claire Galli	Jessica Plurad	Patricia Wilhelm

Rest in Peace

Melissa Sondag
Wife of Michael Sondag

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace.

PASTOR'S CORNER

"and all you have to do is, move your little finger,
move your little finger and
…you can change the world."

This lyric is from a song from the Stephen Sondheim musical *Assassins*, about the individuals who attempted – and some succeeded – to assassinate US Presidents. *The Gun Song* is a very disturbing song about our fascination with, and the power of, firearms. As one of the assassins sings: *What a wonder is a gun! What a versatile invention! First of all, when you've a gun-* (he points it at the audience) *everybody pays at-ten-tion!*

I think it is an understatement to say that on May 24 of this year, Salvador Ramos got everyone's attention as he killed 21 individuals (19 students, 2 teachers) at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. It was the third deadliest school shooting after Virginia Tech and Sandy Hook. Ramos' gun was purchased legally, and he had no record and no documented history of mental illness. Most of his victims were aged 10 and 11. There is some debate as to the police response, but I believe it is way too soon to make any definitive judgments on that.

Needless to say, the massacre in Uvalde is another in a long line of ghastly and insane shootings in our country, and **it has reignited the debate about gun control**.

The anti-gun side looks to the lessons of Australia. In 1996, a man named Martin Bryant became the worst killer in Australia's history. After walking into a cafe in Port Arthur, Tasmania, he killed 35 people and wounded 23 others with a Colt AR-15 SP1 Carbine. Australia enacted a gun buyback program, banned the sales of semiautomatic weapons and self-loading rifles and guns. Furthermore, individuals had to show that they had a "genuine reason" for owning a weapon, besides self-defense. The results of these reforms is that gun violence has decreased and there have been no mass shootings since the new laws. Nevertheless, the opposing side suggests that gun free zones create an environment where a mass shooting can take place. The argument is that in the time it would have taken for the shooter to reload, competent citizens, using their Constitutional right to bear arms, could have shot and stopped the assailant.

I did not grow up with guns. In fact, my family has a bit of an aversion to them. Back in the early 1970's my cousin was accidentally shot in the face with a shotgun. He lost an eye, but survived. A former student of mine was killed when a pistol haphazardly was fired by mistake. I do not own any firearms personally. A couple of years ago, another student of mine took me out to a shooting range in Owensville to shoot several weapons. I have to admit, I liked it. I was not a fan of the handguns, but I was especially fond of the AR 15, the weapon used in many mass shootings. I could not hit the broad side of a barn with the handgun (I wasn't shooting at barns, by the way), but I was fairly effective with the AR, hitting a small target 300 yards away 4 out of 10 times. (Not bad for the first time. It was extremely terrifying in retrospect.) That experience taught me not only to respect guns and but even to fear them. If I, the rankest of amateurs, could be relatively sharp with that weapon, how much more would someone be who actually knew what they were doing.

I understand both sides of the gun issue, but the horrors of the past few years has made me reconsider. The Bill of Rights is fairly clear: "A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." On the other hand, did the Founding Fathers have any notion about the types of weapons that would exist in the year of Our Lord, 2022? If they would have seen the carnage in Uvalde or Las Vegas or Virginia Tech or Sandy Hook or Orlando (a small sampling of the mass shootings that have taken place in the just the last 10 years) what might they have said and done? (I like my chances against a Charleville musket, 8 seconds at best to reload a single shot.)

How are we as Christians, as Catholics to deal with this issue? Certainly not all weapons should be available to everyone. Who would need a bazooka or a rocket launcher? Can we can agree on that? Certainly, some weapons will undoubtedly continue to be available to citizens of the United States. Individuals have a right to protect their families, homes and businesses. Can we can agree on that? But beyond that, there is much to debate. There is a great divide in our country, a divide that may never be bridged. But the senseless loss of innocent, vulnerable children make sensible laws a Pro-Life issue. (Of course, as always, I could be wrong.)

In the meantime, no matter where we stand on this issue, we would all do well to reflect prayerfully on the power of guns, the great and terrible responsibility that comes with them. We need to think about the amount of gun violence our children watch in film and on TV and how this may numb our consciences. We would also do well to think about what drives these pathetic shooters to randomly, mindlessly kill, what twisted thinking drives them for attention.

Simply follow through,
And look, your little finger…Can…
Slow them down
To a crawl,
Show them all,
Big and small,
It took a little finger…No time…To change the world.

Father Kevin

Lector, Minister & Altar Server Assignments

Date	Mass Times	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers	
July 2	5:00 pm	Rosemary Meyers	Katie Mank Claudia Perreault	
July 3	7:30 am	Pat Futhey	Mark Abad Joe Zapf	
July 3	9:00 am	Jerry Baum	Diana Dahl Jerry Baum	
July 3	11:00 am	Susanne Doran	Susanne Doran Terri Gaffney	

Schedule Notes:

- Eucharistic Adoration -
  9am Tue - 6am Wed
- Rosary for Ukraine: Tuesday 7:15 pm
- **GYM is closed until July 11th, for floor refinishing.**

Lifeteen!

Meets tonight at 7:00 pm in the Gym.All High School age teens are invited.

MONDAY, JULY 4
MASS: 8 AM

GAMAM -

I am going to try something different with regards to the **Give A Meal A Month Food collection.**

There are large, blue containers in the back of church which are labeled GAMAM. Please place your donations of non-perishable food items in these containers and I will collect them the week of June 26th. I will then deliver to Webster-Rock Hill Ministries that week. Hopefully, this will make it easier to bring your donations to Mass or any time the Church is open and just place in the containers.

Thank you so much for your support and generosity…. Pat

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Join us every Tuesday.

Adoration begins at 9:00 am Tuesday and continues through Wednesday before the 6:15 am Mass.

Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Pray for Peace in Ukraine
At 7:15 pm

A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament *(St. Padre Pio)*

HR Families - Chess Registration Now Open!

Regular registration for fall Chess is now open until August 15, after which late fees are added. **https://www.teamsideline.com/sites/cycsouthcentral/program/49826/2022-Chess-Fall-Holy-Redeemer**

K-8 students who register will receive 6 weeks of Chess classes from September through December with coaches from the St. Louis Chess Club and the opportunity to represent Holy Redeemer in the Archdiocese-wide CYC tournaments from December through March.

No experience is required, nor is competing a requirement, although competition makes the experience more fulfilling.

For more information, please contact Suwen Ho (314)495-3088 HRCycChess@gmail.com

Marriage on Tap STL

Invites you to enjoy an evening of marriage enrichment featuring:

Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski

The Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski has served as the 10th Archbishop of St. Louis since August 25, 2020. Archbishop Rozanski was born in Baltimore, Maryland on August 6, 1958, the first of three sons born to Alfred and Jean Rozanski. He was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Baltimore at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen on November 24, 1984. He served for 20 years in several parishes in the archdiocese until 2004. He was ordained a bishop on August 24, 2004 at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen. At the time, he was the youngest bishop in the United States. Archbishop Rozanski serves on the board of Cross Catholic Outreach and is the Roman Catholic co-chair of the Polish National Catholic/Roman Catholic Dialogue, a position he's held since November 2017. He also serves on the Advisory Council of the National Association of Catholic Chaplains, the USCCB subcommittee on Hispanic Affairs and the National Catholic Partnership on Disability. Archbishop Rozanski has been supportive of Worldwide Marriage Encounter and presided at the World Marriage Day Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis in February 2022.

Date: **Tuesday, September 13, 2022, 6:00 p.m.**

Location: Sunset 44 Banquet and Bistro, 118 W. Adams Ave., Kirkwood, MO 63122

Cost: $38.00 per person/$76.00 per couple (non-refundable) includes Salad, Choice of Entrée, Side, Vegetable, and Bread Pudding. Price also includes tax and tip. Cash bar available.

Questions? Find us on Facebook at Marriage on Tap STL or email us at marriageontapstl@gmail.com

This evening is sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, September 6, 2022. To register, please return the portion below to:

Marriage on Tap STL, 7932 Delmar Blvd., University City, MO 63130

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Marriage on Tap Registration, Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Names_____

Entrees: (Indicate number of each) Chicken Dijon____, Pork Bordelaise____, Vegan/Gluten Free_____

Address_____

City, State and Zip_____

Email_____ Phone _____

Have you attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience? Yes____ No____ If so, when? _____

Please enclose a check in the amount of $76.00, payable to Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

Come Join our Team!

Holy Redeemer School is searching for a few staff positions for the 2022-2023 school year. If anyone knows of someone who is looking for a teaching position, please have them send a resume, cover letter, and references to Pam Galluzzo at principal@holyr.org.

1. Full-time middle school English/Writing and middle school Social Studies
2. Part-time middle school Math or Science. Mrs. Weishaar is moving to part-time and is willing to teach either subject.
3. Afternoon middle school assistant/After Care Director
4. Substitute teachers for the 2022-2023 school year

ZECHARIAH MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST is about sharing the story of an encounter with Christ one man at a time. It involves breakfast, fellowship, a great talk, and prayer. In person seating is at the Fleur de Lis Room, Cardinal Rigali Center, by reservation only to **gary.whitlock@att.net**, telephone **636-215-0973**, or the online form at **stlrenewal.org/zpb**. $15 payment may be made at the door. Free live online access will be offered to all who reserve. See **archstl.org/renewal** for information. Our speaker for **July 9, 2022 9:00am** is **Mike Theby,** who serves the Catholic Renewal Center in the Healing and Deliverance ministry and other capacities. Breakfast is back! We will observe modest physical spacing and other appropriate precautions based on public health conditions at the time.

HR HAITI COMMITTEE
"SPONSOR-A-STUDENT PROGRAM"
2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

For over 18 years, our Haiti Committee has been sponsoring children at St Theresa of the Infant Jesus School in our twining parish in St Jean du Sud, Haiti. This program allows HR parishioners and friends to donate **$100 per school year**, per student, to pay tuition for children in the St Jean area who would otherwise be unable to attend school. Additional money is also needed to allow Sister to purchase needed books and supplies for the school children.

Anyone can be a Sponsor-A-Student donor. Just complete and return the attached form to the rectory or drop in the collection basket OR go to www.holyr.org – ON LINE GIVING – SPONSOR-A-STUDENT to make your donation.

The Earthquake that rocked our area of Haiti last year caused damage to our church and rectory, Sister's school and convent, and many homes of our friends in St Jean. One of the classroom buildings at Sister's school was completely destroyed. Sister was able to secure classroom space in the village and has been able to continue school this past year. Because of the earthquake damage, the need for additional tuition and supplies is greater than ever.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Corky Bahr (314-520-3899) or email hjcf-bahr@prodigy.net. Please send you donation by August 1, 2022, so that we can help Sister plan for the new school year. May God Bless you and your family for helping our friends and families in Haiti.

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SPONSOR-A-STUDENT FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

I/We will sponsor _____Student(s) at $100 per student
Additional Amount $_____Books/Supplies or Partial Tuition
Total of $_____Check Payable to Holy Redeemer-Haiti S-A-S

Name_____
Address_____
Phone_____ E-Mail_____

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

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Rosemary Rowe,sister of Sr.Angela Senyszyn,OSF
Stephen Serati, son of Marlene
Frank Rohlfing, friend of Barb Oates
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
Carol Warren, mother of Ellen Benge
Rita Hill, sister of Germaine Schlueter
Ken Johnson, friend of Faith & Deeds Fletcher
Joan Martin
Terry Jordan, friend of Marlene Serati
Sarah McCready, aunt of Michelle Mikosz
Brendan Mahoney, son of Pam & Peter
Joan Dailey, mother of Mary Schurk
James L. Dubek - father of James
Anne Radovich - mother of Phyllis Hartrich
Jim Siebel, son-in-law of Barbara Oates
Pat Geiss, mother of Tim Geiss
Allison Alexander
Judy George, friend of Carol Devanny
Bethesda Orchard Residents
Mary Ann Borage, mother of Pam Rogers
Nazareth Living Center Residents
Ski-Li Smith, friend of Mary Ann Baum
Ben Herndon, nephew of Phyllis Matteuzzi
Evan Hummel, grandson of Bob & Janet Hart
David Pegue, brother of Phyllis Matteuzzi
Leah Taylor, friend of Pam Mahoney
Tricia Peckham, daughter of Kate & Bob Nawrocki
Ann Hattrich, sister of Kate Nawrocki
Rachel Ziegelman, daughter of Mary Ziegelman
Paul Rothweiler, brother of Claudia Perreault
John Coburn, brother of Pat Consiglio
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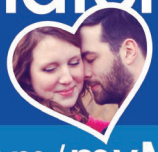
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