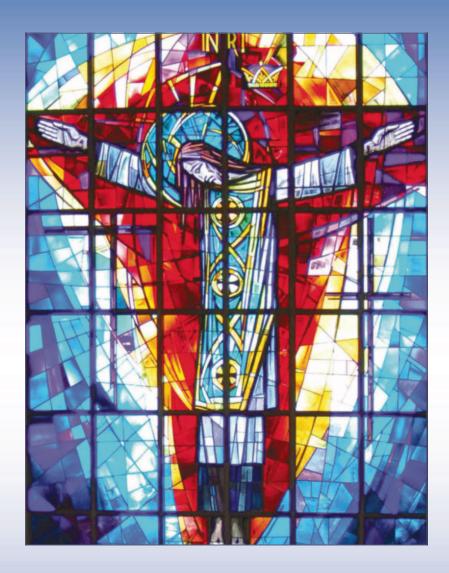
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Holy Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 am

Weekdays: M-F 6:15am (Summer Months) 6:15 & 8:15 am (During the School Year)

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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In Residence: Reverend Charles Samson
Deacon: Patrick Waldschmidt
Deacon: Stephen L. Murray, M.A.

September 10, 2023

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Monday, September 11 Col 1:24-2:3 Luke 6:6-11 6:15 am: Lemoine Skinner III

8:15 am: Joseph Hartmann & Family (S.I.)

Tuesday, September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary Col 2:6-15 Luke 6:12-19 6:15 am: Johanna Taylor 8:15 am: Valerie Rausher (S.I.)

Wednesday, September 13 St. John Chrysostom Col 3:1-11 Luke 6:20-26

6:15 am: Joseph F. & Kathryn H. Darpel

8:15 am: Frank & Lucille Boyer

Thursday, September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Num 21:4b-9 Phil 2:6-11 John 3:13-17 6:15 am: Parish Purgatorial Society

8:15 am: Cathy Jeep

Friday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Tim 1:1-2,12-14 Luke 2:33-35

6:15 am: Jeannette Michel 8:15 am: Ralph Anderson

Saturday, September 16 Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian 1 Tim 1:15-17 Luke 6:43-49

5:00 pm: Joseph & Alberta Simeone

<u>Sunday, September 17</u> Sir 27:30—28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Matt 18:21-35 7:30 am: Jim Menner, People of the Parish

9:00 am: Wilbert DuFrenne 11:00 am: Frank & Lucille Boyer

S.I. - Special Intention

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Catie Barnes Joe Cantalin Jamie Christy Salvatore Colletti Daniel L'Ecuyer Torni Corno **Bethany Curtis** Gayla Daugherty Susy Dolan Janet Doubek John Dwyer Patrick Fox Claire Galli

Jim Hardin Ruth Henry Cletus Henry Teresita Manubay Mary Swift Johanna Marnatti Kathy Timpe Ginny Miller Judie Tucci Ginny Miller Bob Nawrocki Will Newman Don Pokorny

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	Envelopes	\$ 9,758	
	Online	\$ 5,088	
	Total	\$ 14,846	\$ 15,335
YEAR TO DATE		\$ 102,562	\$ 138,015

Children's Liturgy

After taking a summer break, Children's Liturgy will officially return on:

Sunday, September 10th at 9:00am Mass.

If you have any questions please reach out to Laura Welch at Laurakaywelch@gmail.com.

REST IN PEACE

Marilyn Casso Mother of Kathy Casso

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. Amen.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Reflections on 9/11/01

If you are thirty or over, you know exactly where you were twenty-two years ago this Monday. It is one of those flash memory dates, like the OJ Simpson verdict or JFK's assassination.

I was teaching at Borgia High School and on that day, for whatever reason, our newfangled internet was on the fritz. (I am so old, I remember when we had to look things up in books.) So information that day came dribbling in slowly. In a sense, we heard about the attacks in slow motion. "Did you hear that a plane hit one of the towers of the World Trade Center?" Strangely, my first thought was of a small plane running off course and nicking the mammoth building. Then another plane hit. "That's very peculiar," I thought. It wasn't until the Pentagon was hit, that I really got scared. That got my full attention. And then we heard that, indeed both towers had fallen. We were under attack and I felt if it happened to the Pentagon, it can happen anywhere.

Our principal at that time, turned to me and told me to get on the intercom, relate in general terms to the students what was happening and "say a prayer." What was happening? I had no idea. Prayer? What am I supposed to pray for???

When the students who were attending Borgia in 2001 remember the attacks of 9/11, the sound of my voice is what comes to their minds. On that bright Tuesday morning, I told them, as best as I knew, what occurred and I prayed for the victims of this crime and for our country. Years afterwards, the students would tell me that they were glad and grateful that Borgia's administration was so honest and straightforward with them on that day. They said that we treated them like adults and that made a huge difference to them as events unfolded.

It was only later on in the evening, that I finally saw the horrific pictures and videos of the horror and chaos in lower Manhattan. You could not help but be glued to any TV coverage as the scope and the depth of this tragedy unfolded. I was the Pastor of St. Joseph's Neier at the time, and I remember vividly how the skies around the parish were silenced from airline traffic. It was eerie. That following weekend my nephew Greg and his wife Michelle got married and my sister Kathy was unable to make it in from San Diego. (Luckily, my brother-in-law managed to make it back home from Mexico.) The whole world felt oddly different.

Once planes resumed flying again, I remember carefully watching them soar out of view. I was not going to be caught unaware. Looking back on that, it was a bit ridiculous to be so paranoid, but that was what people were feeling in the wake of the attacks.

Every year on September 11th, I remember a man by the name of Stephen Poulos. Stephen was the husband of the niece of one of my parishioners at Neier, and in the twenty plus years since that fateful day, I hold him and his widow in my heart. Poulos was an opera singer, but that is a tough business to break into, so instead he turned to a career in finance working for the Aon Corporation which occupied floors 98 to 105 in the South Tower of the World Trade Center. Stephen's building would be hit seventeen minutes after the North Tower. The plane flew between the 77th and 85th floor, thirteen stories below where he could have been. When I think about what Ste-

phen must have endured, I shudder.

In the years since 2001, I have become a Facebook friend of Stephen's widow, who has gotten remarried and is doing well. I let her know I am thinking of him every year.

Back in 2018, I was on my way to play golf in Scotland. A storm around Philadelphia caused a delay and we missed our overseas flight. Instead, we had to spend the day in NYC and we decided to visit the site of the Twin Towers. Around the pool where the South Tower stood, they have the names of all those who perished that day carved into the metal that surrounds the pool. I got a map and found where Stephen's name was. It was both chilling as well as oddly comforting. I suppose 9/11 will always feel that way to me.

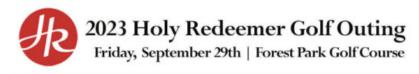
For a brief moment, in the weeks following the attack, our country was united and together. We were neighbors. It is troubling to think how shattered and fractured our country seems now. Everyone had taken a side on every single issue, even the aftermath of the attacks on 9/11. I would hope that this week, instead of focusing on our own little tribes, we can see a bigger picture and that we are all just people trying to raise our families and eke out an existence on this fragile planet.

I encourage you to come to Mass this Monday at 6:15 am or 8:15 am and pray for those whose lives were cut short on that bright, fateful morning, like Stephen, and also keep in your hearts those who mourn them still.





Father Kevin





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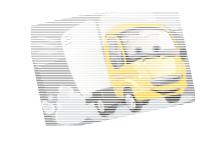
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MARK THE DATE & CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS!



The SVDP Thrift Truck will be at Holy Redeemer on Saturday, September 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Gather your unused furniture, small appliances, clothing and toys, your donations gain us Thrift Store credits that we use to support our neighbors in need. Volunteers will be on site to help you unload your items.

We hope to see you!!



LECTORS & MINISTERS NEEDED:

Are you looking for a way to serve your parish? We are in need of people to serve as Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers at all weekend Masses. You do not have to have prior experience – we can provide training.

Please use the link below to give us your information and someone will contact you. **Thank you!**

https://bit.ly/holyredeemer2023



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TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Pumpkin Fest at La Salle

La Salle Retreat Center (2101 Rue De LaSalle Drive, Wildwood) is hosting their annual Pumpkin Fest on Sunday, October 1 from 11a - 2p featuring vendors, food, drink, live music, kids crafts and games, chicken bingo and hayrides.

All are welcome to this free community event!



- 50% of proceeds go to HR Haiti Medical Mission -Medical and Dental Vouchers.
- 50% will go to LaSalle Retreat Center
- Registration: http://formless/wTxLREgoUaYUVoF9
- Light snacks provided. Feel free to bring your own food.
- In the spirit of our theme "Time Travel", attendees are encouraged to dress up like their favorite time period (For example: prehistoric times, roaring 20's, 60's, 90's, anything goes!)

Lector & Extraordinary Minister Assignments

Date	Mass Times	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers		
September 16	5:00 pm	Claudia Perreault	Beth Mayer Paul Mayer	Christine Luebbert Claudia Perreault	
September 17	7:30 am	Paul Fiess	Joe Zapf Kathy Rehmer	Ellen Fusz Ann Fusz	
September 17	9:00 am	Jennifer Strohl	Carol Devanny Diana Dahl	Kerry DeGregorio Mary Ziegelman	
September 17	11:00 am	Erica Webb	Melissa Kessler Pam Mahoney	Erica Webb Maria Wagner	

Schedule Notes:

<u>September 16</u> - SVDP Thrift Truck at Holy Redeemer. 9am - 3pm. Donations welcome.

September 29 - Men's Club Golf Outing.

October 1 - Donut Sunday

November 18 - HR Trivia Night

CHURCHES TOGETHER FOR JUSTICE

The churches in Webster formed a group during Covid called Churches Together for Justice. The focus of the group is social justice issues which affect our community. The active group members meet every Wednesday on zoom and then pull in others when we have issues to work on. We are currently getting signatures on a petition for Missouri minimum wage to \$15.00 an hour on the ballot. If you would like to be part of our work, I encourage you to get involved with the issues that are of concern to you. We are working to make Webster Groves a community that is supportive and loving to all

If you are interested you can contact Barbara Richter by email at brichtersr@gmail.com or text at 314-791-3880. I am a member of Holy Redeemer and a regular member of Churches Together for Justice.

Luke 18 Registrations are going on NOW!!!

All 7th graders and high school teens are invited to take part in this amazing weekend October 13-15, 2023!

Registration is online at holyr.org on the "Luke 18" page!

https://holyr.org/announcements/luke-18-2022/



The Catholic Church designates October as **Respect Life Month**, thanking God for His precious gift of human life. The Archdiocese of St. Louis is celebrating the month with a

number of events and initiatives.

October 1: Respect Life Sunday/Life Chain - participate in Respect Life Sunday in your parish, school, and community in solidarity with Catholics nationwide. That same afternoon, the Life Chain also takes place in many parishes throughout the Archdiocese. For a list of local Life Chain locations, go to: STLRespectLlfe.org

ST. PATRICK'S CASSEROLE PROGRAM TEAM #3

Please pick up your pan and return your spaghetti casserole to the rectory anytime this week but no later than:

3:00 pm
Thursday, September 14th
Thank you!

Holy Redeemer School Staff Opening

Holy Redeemer School still has one open staff position for a Full-time middle school Math and Science for the 2023-2024 school year.

Please pass this information along to anyone you know who may be looking for a position in education.

Resumes and a cover letter may be sent to Pam Galluzzo at principal@holyr.org.

Marriage on Tap STL at Rosalita's Cantina

Join us on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 6:00 pm for an evening of dinner and marriage enrichment at Rosalita's Cantina in Des Peres, MO. Our guest speaker will be Bishop Mark S. Rivituso, and his presentation is entitled, "Eucharistic Love Reflected in Marital Love."

The evening is sponsored by World-wide Marriage Encounter. Buffet dinner is \$54 per couple/\$27 per person. Cash bar will be available. Advanced registration is required and must be postmarked by September 12, 2023. For more information, check out Marriage on Tap STL on Facebook

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or email us at marriageontapstl@gmail.com.

Meets tonight at 7pm
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RCIA

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Desiring to become a Catholic?
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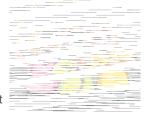
Here is your chance to invite friends or family members to just "come and see" what Catholics believe and how we live out our faith.

Beginning Thursday evening September 21, the RCIA process at Holy Redeemer offers an inquiry class. This is a great place to begin to understand us Catholics and our ways.

Start thinking now of the friends or family members you can invite to attend the inquiry classes and then invite them! No cost or obligation of any kind. For more information contact Mary Ziegelman 314-732-8708 or call the Rectory office 314-962-0038.

Our Choir Needs You!

The Parish Choir has rehearsals on **Thursday**, **at 7:15 PM**. I know there is some great talent out there in the pews here at Holy Redeemer. There is no audition, and you don't even have to be able to read music



(though it does help) or be a great singer. I only require a desire to serve God and your parish through song. Please contact me at music@holyr.org or stop up to the piano after mass if you're interested....l'd love to chat!

The Handbell Choir is also looking for one or two additional members. Rehearsals for that group will begin at a later date and will be announced later.

Please Pray for Our Military:

2nd Lt. Connor Doran - Army Capt. George Hardin - Army Airman Ethan Baer - Navy Sean Haug - Navy 2nd Lt. Max Hartrich - USMC Capt. Riley Konzen - USMC LCpl. Logan Smith - USMC Capt. Patrick Visser - Army PV2 - Alex Beckerle - Army



If you would like to add your family member, please email the rectory at lmedley@holyr.org.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

A Holy Hour helps the one in the world in most need of God's Mercy (St. John Paul II)

> You are invited to join other Holy Redeemer parishioners 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

Reconciliation: 7 - 8pm on the **FIRST** Tuesday of the Month

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS



Norbert Krekeler, brother of Mary Ann Baum Rosemary Rowe, sister of Sr. Angela Senyszyn, OSF Stephen Serati, son of Marlene 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 Julia Furey-Bastian, niece of Rob & Jane Furey Patricia J. Doubeck, mother of James 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 Evan Hummel, grandson of Bob & Janet Hart Leah Taylor, friend of Pam Mahoney Tricia Peckham, daughter of Kate & Bob Nawrocki Ann Hattrich, sister of Kate Nawrocki John Coburn, brother of Pat Consiglio Mary Moran, sister of Pat Consiglio Rick Thomas, friend of Deeds & Faith Fletcher Robby Johnson, friend of Kathy Robinson Donna Hohgrefe-Waters, mother of Suzy Streeter Katie Fechter -- Sister in Law of Barb & Gary Roufa Jane Wegert - Mother of Todd Senzig Marie Senzig - Aunt of Todd Senzig Guy Medley - Brother in Law of Laurie Medley Andy Baumgart - nephew of Steve & Geri Baumgart Tom Schneider - brother in law of Jeanne Samson Theresa Waltos - mother of Amanda Waltos Hieger Rita Gralike - Aunt of Rhonda Simeone Jim Schurk - brother of Mark Schurk



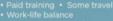


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