

SAINT ROSE CHURCH

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For the Week of Sunday, January 22, 2023

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

CONFESSIONS: Confessions will be heard each Saturday in the Parish Center from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 28th & 29th

Saturday, January 28th

4:00 p.m. Lector: George Graves Extraordinary Minister: Connie Mackin

Sunday, January 22nd

8:00 a.m. Lector: Mary Jones Extraordinary Minister: Deacon Coulter

11:00 a.m. Lector: Michael Wheeler Extraordinary Minister: Volunteer

7:00 p.m. Lector: Marian Medley Extraordinary Minister: Volunteer

MASS INTENTIONS: Monday, January 16th through Sunday, January 22nd

Mon. 8:30 AM Generose Spalding & Family

Sat. 4:00 PM James A. "Tony" Smith

Tues. 8:30 AM Mary Jane Taylor

Sun. 8:00 AM Boblitt & Parrott Families

Wed. 5:30 PM Robert W. & Mary Margie Smith Family
Living & Deceased

11:00 AM Bobby Mudd

7:00 PM For the People

Thurs. 8:30 AM Mary Jane Taylor

Fri. 8:30 AM Susan Smith

Sat. 8:30 AM Mary Jane Taylor

SUNDAY COLLECTION: from January 14th & 15th were \$5,270.00.

HEAT OFFERINGS: from January 14th & 15th were \$170.00. Thank you!

ST. ROSE LEGACY FUND: Donations from January 14th & 15th were \$880.00. Total \$379,592.36.

ONLINE GIVING: Just a reminder that you can give to St. Rose online. Just go to <https://www.archlou.org/parish-giving/> and select the correct parish, using your credit or debit card.

2022 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL: Bringing Christ to Others Our Parish Goal \$11,600.00. As of Friday, January 20th we have received pledges in the amount of \$9,555.00 (82% of our goal) from 68 households. There is still plenty of time to respond with a gift. Gifts may be made through the parish office or online at www.ArchLou.org/CSA.

PASTOR'S CORNER: The Sacrament of Penance (II) - Last week, we reviewed that the first thing we need before we enter the confessional is something to confess, namely sins. And we uncover these sins by doing a careful examination of conscience. The next thing we need for the Sacrament of Penance is contrition. This comes from a Latin word, meaning sorrow. But the Latin word means, literally, *with tears*. We ought to be sorrowful, even to tears, for doing anything which would displease our good God. When I was a little boy and did something I wasn't supposed to do, the worst thing that followed was not the punishment I received (which was never very severe in any case). It was seeing my mother and father upset. Seeing them upset made me upset, sometimes even to tears. I could not have described it this way at the time, but I was upset because I had made someone I loved upset, and this was the worst 'punishment' of all. It's something like that with our contrition. The worst part of our sins is that we have been disobedient to our heavenly Father; we have 'upset' the One who loves us more than we even love ourselves. We have chosen a plan for our life that is not the one laid out for us by our very Creator. We have fallen short of the vocation God has given us to be His sons and daughters. This ought to make us sad. And that sadness should lead us to contrition: a sorrow for our sins that moves us to resolve not to sin again. Hopefully, we are contrite as soon as we have sinned - as soon as the knowledge of our guilt

moves us to do so. It is in confession that we are asked by the priest to make an Act of Contrition. It is a prayer in which we express clearly our sorrow for sins. One such prayer expresses it well when it has us say: "I detest all my sins ... most of all because they have offended You, my God, Who are all good and worthy of all my love." But our contrition is not complete unless we also commit to do things differently: "I resolve, with the help of Your grace ... to amend my life." That resolution may fail us two steps out of the confessional, but a desire for conversion is a necessary part of contrition for our sins. And it is only by the grace of God that we can hope to make a new start of things, whether our sins be small or great. Next week: satisfaction, or what are those three Hail Mary's supposed to do for me? **2) Thanks** to the Knights of Columbus Brother Christopher Council 4270 in Springfield for sponsoring last Saturday's Men's Retreat Day. There were 45 in attendance and all found the talks informative and inspiring.

HOLY HOUR: On Monday, January 23rd, at 6:30 p.m., we will have a Eucharistic Holy Hour in observance of the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children called for by the American Bishops. We will have Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Confessions will be available. Please pray for an end to abortion in our time.

RIGHT TO LIFE OF LOUISVILLE: will host its **50th Celebration of Life** on Thursday, March 16th at the KY Expo Center. The featured speaker will be Fox & Friends' Rachel Campos-Duffy and Mississippi AG Lynn Fitch will attend as a special guest at what will be the state's largest prolife gathering of its kind! Tickets and information can be found at rtlou.org/event/col or by calling (502) 897-LIFE.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time .. January 22nd ... *"From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.'"* Matthew 4:17 the kingdom of heaven not only awaits us in the future, but is also already present. Our stewardship helps build the kingdom in the here and now. Whenever we share our time, talent, and treasure, we help bring this kingdom into existence.

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Todd Crawford, Robert Dale Mann, Nancy Wimsatt, and Mary Gootee Chesser. Please call the parish office to add someone to the sick list.