

**St. Gianna's Parish**  
**Founded: April 28, 2006**  
**www.stgiannaparish.org**

**January 18, 2009**  
**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**



Monday Jan. 19 thru Sunday Jan. 25

**Mass Intentions**

Mon.	8:00 am	Blanca Guzman
Tues.	8:00 am	End of Abortion
Wed.	8:00 am	Mary Gail & Paul Woutat
Thurs.	8:00 am	Mary Miller
Fri.	8:00 am	Peter Baerveldt
Sat.	8:00 am	Dan & Helen Miller
Sat.	5:00 pm	St. Gianna Parish
Sun.	8:00 am	David Post
Sun.	11:00 am	Kim Kainady

**Feast Days**

Tues.	St. Fabian
	St. Sebastian
Wed.	St. Agnes
Thurs.	St. Vincent
Sat.	St. Francis de Sales

**Lectors**

**Sat., Jan. 24 and Sun. Jan. 25**

Sat.	5:00 pm	Ruth Bosse
Sun.	8:00 am	Nancy Latham
Sun.	11:00 am	Don Hoeber

**Ushers**

Sat.	5:00 pm	Mike Becker & Tom Czaplá
Sun.	8:00 am	Kevin Harrell & John Blaylock
Sun.	11:00 am	Jay Plante & Ken Wikoff

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Sun.	11:00 am	Steve & Kathy Tuffner
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**Holy Mass:**

**Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday: 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.**

**Confession Schedule:**

**Friday: 7:30 –7:50 a.m.**

**Saturday: 4:15-4:50 p.m.**

**Sunday: 7:30-7:50 and 10:30-10:50 a.m.**

<b>Jan 11, 2008</b>		<b>Cumulative</b>
<b>Sunday Offering:</b>	<b>\$5,892</b>	<b>\$129,622</b>
<b>Loose Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 848</b>	<b>\$33,492</b>
<b>Needed per week:</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$154,000</b>
<b>Plus/Minus</b>	<b>+\$1,240</b>	<b>+\$9,114</b>
<b>Building Fund:</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>\$299,716</b>

Last Sunday I gave a brief **history of our building plans**, here are the main points: When I first met with Archbishop Burke concerning the new parish, he said that he and his advisors, including Bishop Hermann, wanted us to build a Catholic grade school with a transitional church, as soon as possible, and one day build a “noble church” using the furnishings from the former St. Philip Neri Church.

As soon as possible, I formed a building committee from the parish and met with architect Duncan Stroik who was recommended by Archbishop Burke. We immediately saw that he could build a beautiful, traditional church and gave him a budget of \$4 million (hoping that we could raise \$1 million, plus the matching grant of \$1 million, and borrowing \$2 million from the Archdiocese).

His first plan had Phase One as a two story building with the “foundation Church” and 4 classrooms underneath. Bishop Hermann, immediately intervened with Archbishop Burke and had a meeting here with the Parish Council, Finance and Building Committees. He said that although the design was beautiful, we needed to start with a school of 8-10 classrooms in order to make it attractive to parents.

We then formed an Education Committee which began investigating local Catholic schools to see what they thought was necessary to build a functional school today. We gave Bishop Hermann’s advice to Duncan Stroik who came up with two more plans—one with 8 classrooms and the other with 12. Naturally, we like the larger plan with a cost of around \$7 million and took it to Bishop Hermann, for his approval, since Archbishop Burke had been transferred to Rome.

When the feasibility study was completed last October 28, it indicated we could probably raise between \$1 and 1.5 million and it became obvious that a \$7 million building was out of our price range. After this, chancery officials asked us to interview 3 St. Louis architects who they thought could build Phase One for around half the price and I formed a small committee to do so on Nov. 18.

We were impressed with Chiodini Associates for several reasons: 1) they said they could build a traditional Catholic Church; 2) that had an excellent record for staying on budget and thought they could build a Phase One for around \$3.5 million; 3) they had a personal connection to Magenta, Italy, the home of St. Gianna. Lou Chiodini had visited the town and the beautiful basilica of San Martino in which St. Gianna had married her husband Pietro.

I met with Bishop Hermann and other chancery officials on Dec. 5 and they clearly indicated that we had to go with a more affordable architect, especially since the downturn of the economy.

We will build as soon as possible and as much as we can afford, that is why this capitol campaign is so critical. It is possible that we could break ground this year. Please prayerfully consider what God is calling you to do on behalf of St. Gianna .

**Gifts & Pledges raised to date: \$1,145,260**

## PRO-LIFE

On January 24/25, our parish will join Catholics across the country in sending a message to Congress: Please oppose the "Freedom of Choice Act" (FOCA) and retain laws against the government funding and promotion of abortion, as well as laws for the protection of women such as informed consent and waiting periods. You will have the opportunity to sign postcards to your U.S. Representatives and two U.S. Senators. Please plan to participate in this important event.

Please prayerfully consider joining the Pro-Life Committee.

Please join us for the prolife rosary each Sat. @ 7:30 am. Interested in joining the pro-life committee or for further info contact Mary Williams @ 828-5610 or email [prolife@stgiannaparish.org](mailto:prolife@stgiannaparish.org)

Pro-Life Rosary Jan. 17: Allene Wernle & Mary Henze

### ATTENTION 5th THROUGH 8th GRADE BOYS!

Are you interested in becoming an altar server? If so, please fill out the form located in the vestibule or contact either Deacon Tony or Cory Schulte (636) 327-7256 for more information. We will be holding orientation/training soon, so don't wait!



**January 22 & 29** we will have the Children Choir rehearsal at 6:15 pm and Adult Choir rehearsal at 7:30 pm.

### Knights News

Mr. Hal Villaveces is the \$200 winner for the K of C 250 drawing. There are still a few tickets available (\$50). You still have 8 more chances to win \$200 and a chance to win the Grand Prize of \$1,000. To buy tickets or to join the Knights, please contact, Randy Miller 636- 639-9394 or John Kainady at 636-332-1013.

### Vocation Cross Prayer Family Volunteers

Beginning the first weekend of Feb. we will be initiating a new program here at St. Gianna Parish to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. We will have signup sheets after all Masses the last weeks of Jan. We are asking one family at each Mass to volunteer to come forward, receive a cross and blessing and take the cross home and spend a moment each evening to pray for vocations. The following weekend you will return the cross for the next family. This will provide an on-going prayer to the Lord to answer our call for vocations especially from our parish. This is an opportunity for you to Gather as a family in prayer. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### St. Patrick School

St. Patrick School Registration for Kindergarten and New Families is Mon., Feb. 23rd at 7pm in the school cafeteria. Kindergarten parents are asked to bring Birth and Baptismal Certificate, Immunization Record and know your child's SS number. You will be asked to pay the registration fee of \$75 per student that evening. Questions, please contact the school office 636-332-9913 ext 240

St. Patrick's will be offering a preschool for 2009/10 school year. Interested contact St. Patrick School office.



**ICD MOPS Semi-Annual Bunco Night** on Jan. 23 at 6 pm at ICD parish hall. Cash prizes, silent auction, 50/50 drawing and more. \$20 per person. Contact Sarah Prenger 314-304-4843 or [slprenger@gmail.com](mailto:slprenger@gmail.com)

Interested in meeting single Catholics 21-45? **The Catholic Single Adults Club** invites you to join us for an "Eat & Greet" at Growler's in South County (3811 S Lindbergh; 63127) in the Meeting Room, Fri. Jan. 23rd starting at 6 pm. Appetizers will be provided for a minimal donation. Interested contact Steve 314-966-0724 or [www.csacstlouis.org](http://www.csacstlouis.org)

### Marriage Builders Program at Assumption

Attention, husbands of St. Gianna! Roses might last a week, so why not give your wife a Valentine's Day present that will last a lifetime? Assumption Parish will begin **Marriage Builders 2009**. This 6 week program is presented by Marriage & Family Therapist Dr. Tom Wagner. The fee is \$50 per couple and includes a great dinner/dance at the end of the program. Babysitting available. More info & registration call Shelly Schneider at 636-379-2538. Registration deadline is Fri. Jan. 23.

**2nd Annual MissouriWhitetails.com Trivia Night** on Jan. 24 at Immaculate Conception-Dardenne. Doors open at 6:30, play starts at 7:15pm. \$150/table of 8 or \$25/person. Beer & setups provided. Proceeds go to help handicapped and youth hunters. Reservations call Bob at 314-581-5723 or [smallpipe2003@yahoo.com](mailto:smallpipe2003@yahoo.com)

**St. Barnabas Ladies Guild Quilt Social & Bake Sale** on Sat. Feb. 7 at noon at St. Barnabas Church

### SNOW BUDDIES VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The City of Lake St. Louis is looking for volunteers to be matched up with those needing help with winter snow shoveling. Please contact Public Works at 636-695-4221 or [www.lakesaintlouis.com](http://www.lakesaintlouis.com) for more info. Application forms on bulletin board in vestibule. Good for any student needing service hours.

**St. Joseph School-Cottleville** is seeking a School Nurse. Requirements include, current Missouri RN License, CPR Certified, and completion of Protecting God's Children. Candidates must have excellent organization and communication skills, basic computer skills and ability to work with children of all ages. Days: Mon.-Wed.-Fri, from 7:30-3:30 Email resume and cover letter to Sr. Maria Christi, O.P. Principal—[smchristi@stjoecot.org](mailto:smchristi@stjoecot.org) or mail to St. Joseph School 1351 Motherhead Rd St. Charles, MO 63304

**St. Joseph School-Cottleville** is seeking an Instructional Aide Primary responsibilities are to support the classroom Teacher, assist the Teacher in organizational tasks, work with students, and supervise students during lunch and recess. This is a full time position, Mon-Fri, from 7:15-3:20. Email resume and cover letter to Sr. Maria Christi, O.P. Principal—[smchristi@stjoecot.org](mailto:smchristi@stjoecot.org) or mail to St. Joseph School 1351 Motherhead Rd St. Charles, MO 63304