

St. Alphonsus Liguori "Rock" Catholic Church

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Rev. Rodney Olive, C.Ss.R., Parochial Administrator



Mission

“To Joyfully Preach, Teach, and Live the Word of God”

Theme

“God is alive, and He will keep us revived in 2025!”



PASTORAL STAFF

Sharon Cooney-Smith, Dir. Religious Education
Deborah Grant, Clerical Support
Angela Harris, Bulletin Editor
Alicia McClendon, Secretary
Denise Phillips, Business Manager

SUPPORT STAFF

Bro. Eugene Patin, Plant Manager
Terrance Gipson, Maintenance
Terri Schneider, Dir. Hardin Food Pantry

MUSIC MINISTRY

Malcolm Speed
Danny duMaine

REDEMPTORISTS IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Tom Donaldson, C.Ss.R.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(Call for Appointment)

SUNDAY MASS:

10:00 a.m.

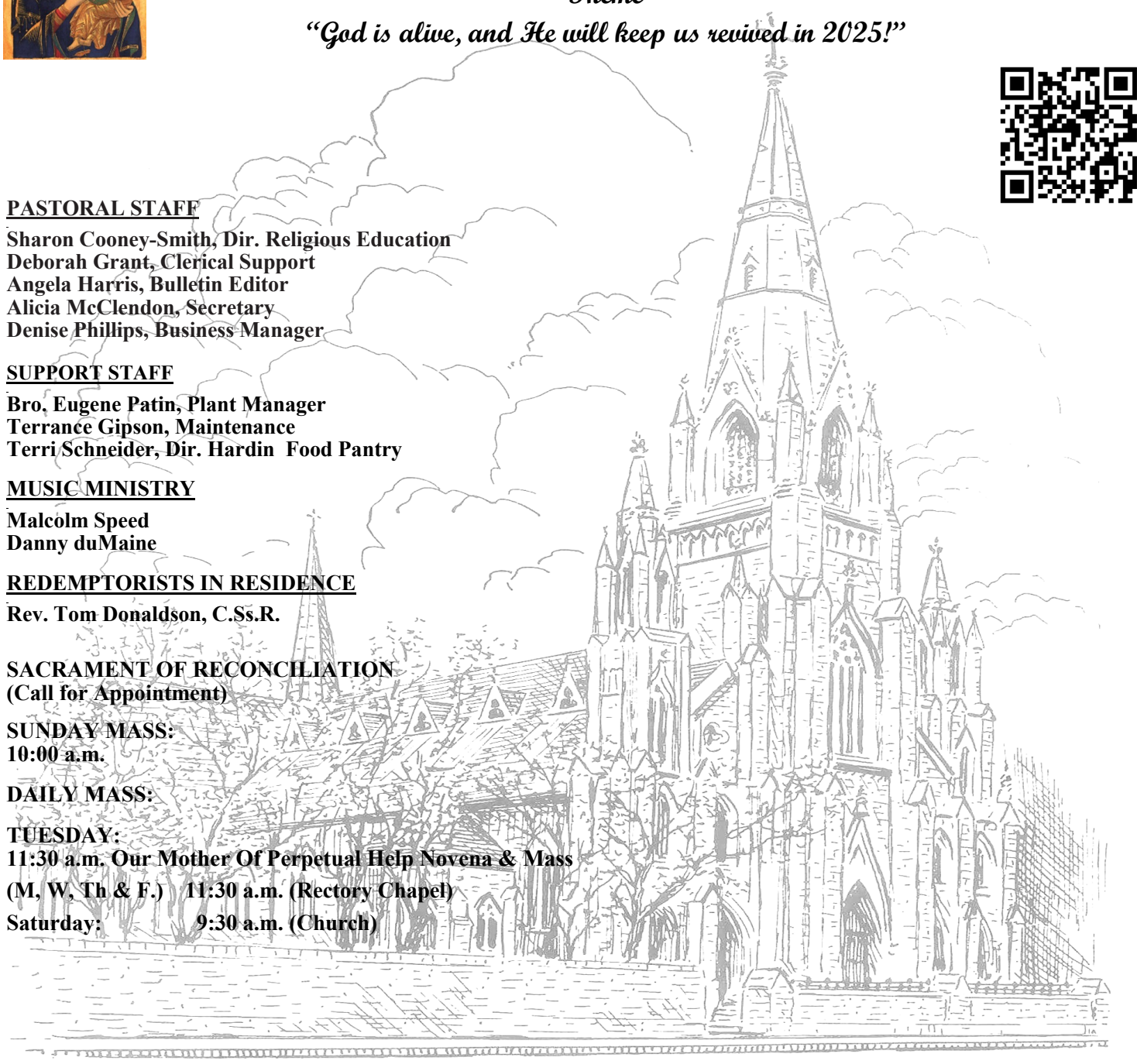
DAILY MASS:

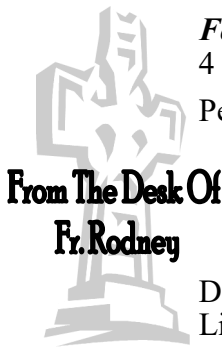
TUESDAY:

11:30 a.m. Our Mother Of Perpetual Help Novena & Mass

(M, W, Th & F.) 11:30 a.m. (Rectory Chapel)

Saturday: 9:30 a.m. (Church)





Following the Shepherd
4 May 2025

People often say, “Jesus is my Lord and Savior.” You and I say it to each other as well. He is the good shepherd whom I am committed to following. Many of you say this as well. It is important to hear ourselves say this simple phrase. Why? The answer is simple. Saying this simple phrase reminds us that our lives and those of others are defined by a particular set of values, shaping how we live out our lives in this world.

Declaring who we stand for and live for does not go unnoticed by the world and society around us. Like the apostles, we experience the push back and pressure from the power brokers of our time to capitulate and stay silent. Like Peter and the other apostles, we tell the society and power brokers of our time that it is more important for us to adhere to the Word of God than the word of men. When the challenges and persecution come, and they do, you and I stand tall and firm in the Lord. The result is an experience of joy and satisfaction.

Joy and satisfaction come into our life experience because we are partakers in the Resurrection experience of Jesus. Jesus has attained victory for us through his sacrifice. The Rock Church community and our history can be a part of this victory. We must claim it and embrace it for ourselves. Jesus brings forgiveness and makes a part of his continuing mission to the society and world we live in. As we are fed with his life-giving body and blood, so too must we feed others with the life-giving word of the Lord. The feeding and tending of Christ’s sheep make us acutely aware of his kingship and leadership. The command to follow Jesus involves following him in discipleship and death. Let us empower each other to live our lives for the glory of the risen Lord.

Parochial Administrator

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Robert Caldwell | President |
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| Theodore Branch | David Martin |
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| Audrey Ellermann | Patricia Pou |
| Gregory Hood | Jocelyn Woodson-Reed |
| Teresa Hudson | |

COMMISSIONS & CHAIRS

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| Christian Formation | TBD |
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| Finance & Adm. | Monica Huddleston |
| Liturgy | Richard Buckley |
| Peace & Justice | Kathy McGinnis |
| Social Life | Rose Graham |
| Youth & Young Adults | Ronda Smith Branch |

COMMUNITY HELP

Wilhelmina Hardin Food Pantry
Director. Terri Schneider
(Emergency Aid) (314) 944-2909

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sharon Cooney-Smith, DRE

General Fund Actual Contributions Received

	APRIL	20th	27th
Envelopes		\$ 5,322.00	\$ Unavailable
Electronic Offering		\$ 1,318.00	\$ Unavailable
Loose Offering		\$ 536.00	\$ Unavailable
Total Offering		\$ 7,176.00	\$ Unavailable
Weekly Target		\$12,500.00	\$ Unavailable
Under/Over Target		\$(5,324.00)	\$ Unavailable

Stewardship Prayer...

That we have the strength and courage to proclaim our faith, especially in uncomfortable situations, joyfully.

SHUT-IN

Atherton, Andrew	Kilgore, Yetta	Reedy, Sid
Brack Dorothy	Lee, Hazel	Skinner, Joanna
Cloyd, Selena	McCoy, Carolyn	Smith, Melba
Darris, Martha	McGinnis, Kathy	Whitfield, Edna
Hughes, Irene	Moore, Brenda	

Prayer For Renewed Strength

O Lord, my God, Please give those listed above the grace to maintain their hope in You. Through all of life’s changes and to taste and see Your goodness.

Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Save the Date!
41st Annual

Testimonial Dinner and Auction

Sunday, June 1, 2025

Doors and Auction open - 2:30 p.m.

Dinner Program starts - 4:00 p.m.

Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel
9801 Natural Bridge Road
Saint Louis, Missouri 63134

Dinner Tickets @ \$70.00 each
Full Tables (Seats 8) @ \$560.00

For additional information contact the
St. Charles Lwanga Center at
info@lwangacenter.org
314-792-6550



'Rock' Seniors in Action luncheon
Tuesday, May 6

Please join them in the gym after OMPH
Devotions for food, fun & fellowship!

Fellowship Sunday

Join us TODAY in the gym after
Mass for a "Sugar Halo!"



Cardinal Ritter

College Prep

Class of 2025
Baccalaureate Mass

TODAY at 2 pm,

St. Alphonsus Liguori
1118 N. Grand Blvd
St. Louis, MO 63106



Congratulations



The St. Charles Lwanga Center is pleased to announce the availability of scholarship opportunities for students seeking to further their education. Scholarships are available to students between the ages of **18 and 25** who wish to pursue **post-secondary education**, including but not limited to: Junior colleges, Vocational or trade schools, Apprenticeships or other job training programs, and four-year colleges or universities.

To request an application, students should email racialharmony@archstl.org and include "scholarship application request" in the subject line.

The application deadline is **May 30, 2025**.

If you have any questions or need additional information, contact Danielle Harrison, Manager, St. Charles Lwanga Center, at danielleharrison@archstl.org or **314.792.6550**.

Jesus is our hope!

When we remain in Him, our words and actions witness to His love. United as one Church through our gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal, we become Messengers of Hope as we sustain life-giving ministries and services that lead others to Christ and help countless people of all faiths in situations of need and suffering.



If you have not yet made a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal this year, please consider doing so today. You can pick up your pledge card after Mass or make a gift online at aca.archstl.org

PLEDGE CARDS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER MASS

MAY 4TH, MAY 11TH, MAY 18TH

TO MAKE A PLEDGE OVER THE PHONE CONTACT THE ACA OFFICE AT 314.792.7680



aca.archstl.org

GIVE ONLINE

ATTENTION

If your telephone number, home address or email address has changed, please contact the office at 533-0304 or e-mail: office@stalphonesusrock.org.

Bulletin announcements must be in the office for review and approval by 12 noon Tuesdays. Please fax items to 314 533-4260 or e-mail: parish130@archstl.org