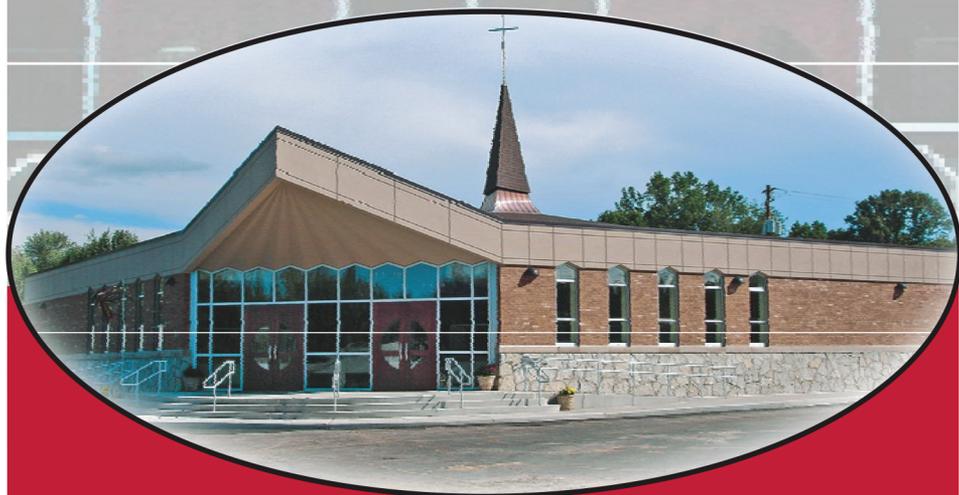


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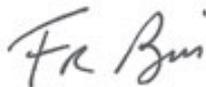
Dear Parishioners,

Who knew that 2020 would be such a year? Who knew it would be a year aptly name for the metaphor from optometry about 20/20: one that we could not wait to be 'in hindsight'? Other words that people use to describe it are: Unprecedented. Apocalyptic. Strange. Different. And if there is a phrase I have heard the most often, it is this: "I can't wait to get back to NORMAL." I understand that I might in the minority here with what I am about to say. But let me go on record – I do not want to go back to normal.

If normal describes:

our current world of political/social/economic/cultural dysfunction, families going a thousand directions every weekend with sports and extra-curricular activities so there is never time just to be, a world where the message of the gospel is just one of a hundred other truths out there, instead of THE way and the truth and the life we know in Jesus, not being connected to the struggles of my sisters and brothers because I am living in my little bubble then I don't want to go back there.

This book is about breaking down those little bubbles we sometimes can find ourselves in. It lists the people and the organizations and the activities that have connected us in the past. And though those connections have looked a bit different this year (and might continue to look that way for longer than we want) – they still are real and still bind us to one another. Whether it is a phone call in time of need, an offer of a volunteering hand to one of the organization chairs listed within or just to 'stay in touch' with your neighbors and friends, use this book as a resource to create the 'new normal of the Kingdom of God, here at St. Justin. When 2020 is in hindsight, we have a choice, don't we? To go back to life as it used to be, OR, to use the grace of this strange, different, unprecedented year to create God's normal – sons and daughters living together as sisters and brothers all.



Fr. Bill Kempf
Pastor

p.s. – If you find any mistakes in the directory, please notify Karen Wood, our parish secretary. I appreciate your help in keeping our records up to date. I also ask that you consider patronizing our sponsors who underwrite the cost of this book yearly.

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School Office.....	843-6447x0
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SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 p.m. Saturday (anticipated)
7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday - 6:30 and 8:05 a.m.
Saturday - 8:15 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

6:30 a.m., 8:05 a.m., and 7:00 p.m. (on the Holy Day)
(exceptions noted in the bulletin)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday in Church from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 4:00-4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered as convenient for all involved. Please contact the rectory in advance to schedule the baptism. Baptism preparation session for parents and godparents is by appointment.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Register by calling the Parish Office at 843-8482 x0

St. Justin *Patron Saint of Our Parish*

St. Justin was born in Samaria at the beginning of the second century. After spending years studying pagan philosophies, his quest for religious truth led him to investigate the Christian religion, which he found answered the great questions of life and existence better than pagan philosophy. Already impressed by the zeal of the Christian martyrs, he became a convert to the Christian faith.

After his conversion, Justin moved to Rome where he opened a school in which he taught the best elements of Greek philosophy in the context of Christian belief. Justin is known as an apologist - one who defended in writing the Christian faith against the attacks and misunderstandings of the pagans. Among his writings are some of the earliest descriptions of the celebrations of Baptism and of the Eucharist.

Because of his public witness to his faith in Christ, Justin was martyred by the Emperor Marcus Aurelius around the year 165.

Parish Mission and *Values Statements*

Our **Mission**: Love God. Love Others. Make Disciples

Our **Values**:

- God is the ultimate, undeniable answer.
- The Eucharist is God's greatest gift, and its regular celebration is the source and focus of our faith.
- Daily prayer is an essential link to God, and we are called to participate in prayer as a parish community, in small groups, as well as in private.
- As disciples, it is our responsibility to continually study our faith, and to provide the means for others, especially the young, to grow in knowledge, understanding, and practice.
- We recognize all we have as gifts from God, and we return to Him a portion of those gifts by generously sharing of ourselves, sustaining the Church, and serving our neighbor.
- The way we live and practice Christianity through the heritage of the Roman Catholic Church should serve to draw others to Christ. Such evangelization is required of us as disciples.
- By continually reaching out and welcoming our brothers and sisters where they are, across all generations, life stages, and phases of discipleship, we grow a strong community and pass on what we have inherited.
- We do all things to the best of our ability, to glorify God.

The Eight Windows

Among the most beautiful features of St. Justin Martyr Church are eight stained-glass windows whose rich colors are set in the wall like jewels.....

* Beginning near the rear of the church on the left side, the first window is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is an unusual depiction of Mary inspired by a verse from the twelfth chapter of the Book of Revelation: "A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars."

* The second window from the left portrays Saint Louis IX, thirteenth century King of France, and patron of our Archdiocese. Louis was the leader of two crusades and is depicted in full battle dress.

* The next window, third from the left, is dedicated to Saint Isaac Jogues, Saint John de Brebeuf, and their companions, the North American Martyrs. After cruel torture these men died for the faith in the Northeast United States and Canada - the first Christian martyrs on the North American continent.

* The window immediately to the left of the altar is dedicated to the Second Vatican Council, and the popes who presided over it: John XXIII and Paul VI. The symbol of the Holy Spirit, a descending dove, is prominent in this window.

* On the far right, near the rear of the church is a window dedicated to Saint Joseph, carpenter and foster-father of Jesus. He is shown with Jesus as a young boy.

* The second window from the right shows Saint Justin, a second century martyr and patron of our parish family. Justin used his position as a teacher of philosophy to spread the Christian faith, and some of his students are shown in the background.

* Third from the right, among the traditional symbols of faith, hope and charity, are the names of some who were greatly responsible for the growth and development of the Catholic Church in our country when much of it was still wilderness: Pere Jacques Marquette, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, and Saint Phillippine Duchesne.

* The window immediately to the right of the altar is dedicated to the Church in St. Louis. Besides containing the names of two former bishops, John Cardinal Glennon and Joseph Cardinal Ritter, the Church here is symbolized by a riverboat on the Mississippi, the Old Cathedral, and the Gateway Arch, under the all-seeing and loving eye of God.



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Administration and Operations Commission

This commission advises the pastor on upkeep, repair, and modifications of parish property, ensures functional, safe and inviting facilities, and promotes facilities as a physical manifestation of the parish's evangelism effort.

Garden Team

This group maintains existing flowering beds by mulching, edging, weeding and trimming plants; also planting annuals, perennials, and bulbs. Volunteers meet twice monthly. **Contact person:** Parish Office, 314-843-8482 or business@stjustinmartyr.org

Rectory Dinners

Share your culinary skills with our parish priests. Our volunteers drop the meals off on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for the priests' enjoyment. **Contact person:** Mary Claire Lipic, 314-843-8502 or mclipic@sbcglobal.net

Altar Angels

Volunteers clean the sacristy on Friday mornings after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Each volunteer is scheduled to clean once a month.

Contact: Tammy Barnes, 314-849-0887 or barnesben@sbcglobal.net

Linen Ladies

Volunteers for this ministry wash and iron liturgical linens on a weekly basis during a designated month. There is an annual meeting in October to set up the following year's schedule. **Contact person:** Araceli Robles, 314-709-0966 or sweetmotherof6@gmail.com

Building and Grounds

Serves the parish by facilitating cooperation and communication between all parish entities during planning and execution of all significant building and grounds projects. Prepares and maintains an integrated parish-wide Building and Grounds Plan to help prioritize the long-term maintenance/repairs and capital needs of St. Justin Parish and provides a forum for all parish members to present ideas or concerns related to St. Justin buildings and grounds. **Contact person:** Brent Richter, 314-842-3046 or brichter@alberici.com

Liturgy

The Liturgy Committee coordinates the most important area of parish life—the worship of our faith community. Together with the parish priests, the members plan seasonal, ordinary-time, and special Liturgies. **Contact person:** Carol Craft, 314-842-2626 or craft.carolann@gmail.com

Choirs/Musicians/Cantors

The music at Mass is provided by choir, cantors, and a variety of instruments. On Sundays, the Adult Choir leads the singing at the 9 a.m. Mass. The Young Adult Choir leads the singing at the 11 a.m. Mass. The choirs also lead appropriate liturgical music at special celebrations such as Christmas and Holy Week. Anyone with the desire to serve in this ministry is invited to participate as instrumentalists or vocalists. **Contact person:** Sue Vonderheid, 314-843-8482, ext. 2706, 314-398-4851, stvonderheid@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program seeks to reach the hearts and minds of our younger children by offering a weekly opportunity to hear the Word of God on their own level during the 9:00 a.m. Sunday mass. Children in grades K-4 attend their own Liturgy of the Word in the school classrooms. An amazing community of adult volunteers (Prayer Leaders) share and facilitate an engaging and reflective experience through prayer and discussion. The children are dismissed with the prayer leaders after the opening prayer and return during the preparation of the gifts. For more information about the program or volunteering to be a prayer leader, please contact Marge Meiners, 314-843-6447, ext. 2499 or Meiners@stjustinmartyr.org.

Extraordinary Ministers

Assists the celebrant in the distribution of the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ at Sunday Liturgies, during the week, and Holy days. Some ministers may bring the Eucharist to the sick and homebound members of the parish. Must be 18 years of age and older for this ministry. **Contact person:** Jeannine Szatkowski, 314-472-5717 or jeannine@a2zware.com

Lectors

Men and women of the parish serve as readers (lectors) at Sunday and Holy Day liturgies. High school students and older are welcome to be lectors. **Contact person:** Greg Uhrhan, 636-373-1288 or Uhrhan@yahoo.com

Mass Coordinators

Do about 5 minutes of setup and cleanup before and after each weekend Mass. Set up the credence table with the bread, wine, linens, etc. beforehand. Afterwards, put everything back away. You can choose your preferred Mass time. **Contact person:** Jeannine Szatkowski, 314-472-5717 or jeannine@a2zware.com

Servers

Students in Grade 5 and up are invited to become servers at the Liturgy. Training is provided for those who are new. **Contact:** Parish Office, 314-843-8482 or business@stjustinmartyr.org

Ushers/Greeters

Ushers/Greeters of today have descended from a long line of people of God who have gone before them. Their ministry is rooted in scripture and tradition. In church history the Usher was one of the lesser order of Cantor and (Ostiarius or doorkeeper). Today in addition to their traditional duties, our Ushers/Greeters are at each Weekend Mass and special occasion Masses to welcome and pass out Missals to parishioners and visitors. They serve at Funerals to greet and hand out personalized Mass programs and assist visitors. They are also available to serve as needed for Wakes held in the church. They are responsible to assist the assembly in case of an emergency. At the end of Mass, our Ushers/Greeters pass out the Weekly Bulletin and prepare Church for the next Mass. We invite adults interested in joining our staff to talk with one of the Usher/Greeters or call our **Contact person:** Michael Koehler, 314-821-1871 or e-mail dragon_1966@hotmail.com

Art & Environment

Decorations bring the beauty of God's creation into the place of worship through art and nature. The art work comes through seasonal banners and decorations for Christmas, Holy Week and other special occasions. The beauty of God's natural creation comes into the Church through altar flowers, live plants, wreaths and trees. Those who serve in this ministry love to make things beautiful. "How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts." Psalm 84. **Contact person:** Mary Gioia, 314-849-7659.

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism

"Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons and daughters of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission..." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1213) For infant baptism, please contact the Parish Office at 314-843-8482 x0

Catechumenate (RCIA)

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a process to prepare the unbaptized and those already baptized in another faith tradition, to become full participating members of our faith. This process involves study and instruction, reflection on the Sunday reading, and prayer. Those involved in the RCIA meet weekly from mid-September until Easter. Sponsors from the parish community journey with those in the process. **Contact person:** Rob Shipp, 314-681-0870 or rjashipp@gmail.com

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Marriage Preparation

Our faith honors marriage as a true vocation and sacrament, so we want to be sure to prepare for the marriage before we prepare for the wedding. Interested couples should meet with a priest at least nine months prior to plans being set. Following this consultation, engaged couples are offered a choice of enrichment meetings offered by the parish and Archdiocese. **Contact person:** Father William Kempf, 314-843-8482 or pastor@stjustinmartyr.org

First Reconciliation and First Communion

Sacramental preparations for First Reconciliation and First Communion takes place in 2nd grade for the Day school and Parish School of Religion program. The preparation of these Sacraments requires family involvement, class attendance, and retreats. Families should try to establish three habits if they aren't in place already: daily prayers at home, Mass attendance, and classroom curriculum. Students celebrate First Reconciliation in December and First Holy Communion in April. Please contact Marge Meiners, 314-843-6447, ext 2499 or meiners@stjustinmartyr.org.

Confirmation

This is the year our 8th graders will open themselves to the Holy Spirit and commit themselves to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation. They will want to assume a more “adult” position in our faith community and contemplate God’s plan for their future in our Church. This is not the end of their spiritual journey! Confirmation instruction is administered in Day school and Parish School of Religion program. The Sacrament is celebrated within at the Cathedral once a year, generally in the spring. Please contact Marge Meiners at 314-843-6447, ext 2499 or meiners@stjustinmartyr.org

Retreats and Devotions

ACTS Retreats

This parish-based retreat offers the opportunity to renew your spirituality and prayer life, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to build lasting friendships. It is presented by fellow parishioners with spiritual direction from our parish priests. Utilizing prayer, service, and teaching, the ACTS Retreat meets people where they are in their spiritual journey and invites them to experience God in a manner that is both personal and communal. Contact Person for Women’s retreat: Jen Mosby, 314-540-7678 or jmosby06@outlook.com; for Men’s Retreat: Sanford Mosby, 314-960-3540 or semosby@gmail.com.

White House Men’s Retreat

Annual weekend retreats for men at White House. **Contact person:** Martin Lipic, 314-843-8502 or mlipic@lipic.com.

White House Women's Retreat

Join other ladies from St. Justin Martyr in attending a quiet retreat at the White House. Located in St. Louis, MO, White House is a Jesuit retreat house based on The Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius. We go annually in September. **Contact person:** Sandy Hauser, 314-596-8885 or skhauser@charter.net

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration allows one to have personal, uninterrupted time with Jesus while He is exposed in the Blessed Sacrament. The invitation to adore Jesus is open to everyone, and many parishioners will commit to one hour, once per week. Regular adorers and subs are always needed. **Contact person:** Jean Fiala, 314-809-7909 or jeanfiala@gmail.com

Luke 18 Retreat

Annual weekend retreat for middle school teens. **Contact person:** Liz Miller, 314-630-5181 or miller@stjustinmartyr.org

Adult Formation

Parish Library

The library, located in the "Fr. Bernie Schloemer Room" off the Fr. Weber Gathering Space of the Church, contains books, video and audio tapes which may be checked out using an honor system. Most materials are on faith, morals, and personal holiness, but there are also many selections to use as study, resource, and evangelization guides. Books for teens, young adults and children are also available. The library is accessible any time the church is open. **Contact person:** Carol Swink, 314-843-9493 or motrac34@gmail.com

Enough

Enough is a regional ministry for St. Louis women started by parishioners of St. Justin parish for women to rejuvenate their souls through worship, meditation, reflection and community. Women so often feel that they are not good enough in all aspects of their lives. The ministry hosts monthly nights of worship to celebrate the fact that we are fearfully and wonderfully made in His image and that we are Enough. Nights of worship are on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at St. Justin Martyr. There is no reservation required to attend, no commitment to return, and no costs involved! **Contact person:** Michaela Rodriguez, 314-471-5059 or mickeyds19@hotmail.com

Advent by Candlelight

Advent by Candlelight is an annual opportunity for women of all ages to set aside the hustle and bustle of holiday preparation, at the beginning of Advent, to focus their minds and hearts on the birth of Christ. Hostesses decorate a table with a Christmas theme using their own decorations. Each person provides a dish for the table to share. The ladies enjoy music and a worship service by candlelight. **Contact:** Michaela Rodriguez, 314-471-5059 or mickeyds19@hotmail.com

That Man is You!

(paradesusdei.org), is an interactive, multi-media program that combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the Saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. There is a Fall session and Spring session, each 13 weeks long. The group meets on Thursday from 5:45 a.m. to 7:15 a.m. sharp, so you can get to work on time. **Contact:** Patrick Yeung, 314-780-5979 or mensgroupsjm@gmail.com

Evangelism and Outreach

Catholics Returning Home

This program is intended for those who have been away from the church for whatever reason and wish to return. If you have been an inactive Catholic or someone who has been hurt by the Church, you will find this process to be an opportunity to seek answers to your questions and find healing. **Contact:** Father Bill Kempf, 314-843-8482 ext. 2005 or pastor@stjustinmartyr.org

Small Christian Communities

SCC is a gathering of parishioners, usually 6-12, who regularly meet in each other's homes on a rotating basis. The SCC members pray together, theologically reflect together (Scripture, Spiritual Books, or church documents). Members share, encourage, and support each other's attempts to experience God in their everyday lives. The group's function as "little churches" within the larger parish community and are sent out to spread the Good News. **Contact person:** Deacon Mark Jaeger, 314-843-8482 ext. 2721 or markjaeger@archstl.org

Service

Blood Drive

St. Justin's hosts two blood drives a year on the parish campus as part of the Knights of Columbus activities. Volunteer workers are needed to register donors, provide baked goods, staff canteen area, and assist with set-up and take down the day of the drive. **Contact person:** Matt Purcell, 314-387-3752 or purcellms@hotmail.com

Food Drive/Food Pantry

A continuous collection of food items used to supply the parish food pantries of St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. **Contact person:** Bill Sommer, 314-843-6362 or wfsommer@swbell.net; Barb Giese, 314-849-0368 or barbgiese@hotmail.com



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Meals for the Homeless

Working with Peter & Paul Community Services, St. Justin Parishioners prepare and serve meals to hundreds of the needy at a facility in the Soulard area. We can always use more help or donations. Some donors prepare food at home for us, some donate the needed canned goods and staple items for the meal, some give money for items not donated, and some help us transport the food and serve it. We serve on the 11th of each month. Many of the Parish youth have completed requirements for community service by helping with this work. **Contact person:** Eileen Embree, 314-302-2707 or eembree@yahoo.com

Respect Life Apostolate

The Respect Life Apostolate offers educational, pastoral, spiritual, and public policy programs and activities; meets three times a year. **Contact person:** Dorothy Yeung, 314-307-4192. Another function of the Respect Life Apostolate is Birthright which solicits monthly donations from parishioners for the operation of the Birthright Organization. **Contact person:** Margaret Sommer, 314-843-6362 or wfsommer@swbell.net

Advent Giving Tree

An annual gift-giving opportunity to supply a north-side parish with clothes, and toys/games. An advent tree, place in our gathering space, is filled with paper ornaments colored by the school children. Parishioners choose ornaments, purchase the items, which are then distributed to Sts. Teresa and Bridget parish. Their parishioners and neighborhood residents are able to purchase these items for pennies on the dollar. **Contact person:** Sharon Woodson, 314-607-1889 or swoodson1026@gmail.com

SAJE Senior Ministry

SAJE is an ecumenical ministry of four participating congregations to help make our neighborhood a place where older adults may thrive. The churches are St. Thomas Holy Spirit, Episcopal Church of the Advent, St. Elizabeth of Hungary and St. Justin Martyr. SAJE also sponsors a number of regular weekly and monthly activities, ranging from Chair Exercise, Zumba Gold, Pickle-ball to Monthly Matinees and Lunch & Learn. Most of our activities are FREE, or have a nominal fee of \$3.00. Please see the SAJE website for details. www.sajenurse.org.

Contact person: Jessica Gerth, SAJE Senior Ministry Coordinator, at 314-664-9700 or jessica.gerth@missionstl.org

Youth Formation

Full Time School

Our fully accredited day school offers students in grades Pre-K through 8 academic excellences in a Catholic family-type setting. Our award winning staff, innovative best teaching practices, and structured environment help St. Justin students to prepare well for the next steps of their academic and spiritual journeys. In addition to a strong core curriculum, St. Justin offers music, art, physical education, and Spanish to all of its students. Our Learning Consultant and teacher aides assist teachers in providing additional support or advanced curriculum as needed. A fully integrated technology program engages students using SMART Boards, lap tops, personal computers, iPads, and multitudes of programming as 21st Century learners. Best of all, St. Justin not only prepares students for the academics they will next face, but for life's challenges through a strong spiritual base. Twice weekly Masses, ongoing prayer and service opportunities, and integration of faith principles within all subject matter provide our students with a strong foundation during their most formative years. Come in and take a tour today! **Contact person:** Amy Schroff, School Principal, 314-843-6447 x2501 or Schroff@stjustinmartyr.org

Pre School

Justin Time Pre-School welcomes our young learners in faith, ages 3 to 5. We are a faith filled academic program preparing children for kindergarten and a lifetime of learning! We offer half day, full day, and extended day options for partial or full week. For more information or to volunteer, **Contact person:** Teresa McIntyre at 314-843-6447 ext. 2480 or mcintyre@stjustinmartyr.org

Home and School

Involvement from parents is necessary to help ensure a high quality education for their children. HSO is an organization of parents which serves as a liaison between home and school by organizing school volunteers; promoting fundraising activities for school expenses; and sponsoring social, community building activities. General meetings are held in the fall and spring. **Contact person:** John O'Sullivan at 314-239-8808 johnnyosullivan20@yahoo.com

School Board

The School Board is composed of 12 elected members who implement Archdiocesan policy and develop St. Justin's specific policy and guidelines. Committees consist of Catholic Identity, Curriculum & Instruction, Facilities, Ownership & Governance, Finance, Enrollment & Marketing, and Development. Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month during the school year. Parishioners/parents are welcome.

Contact person: Sanford Mosby 314-960-3540 or semosby@gmail.com

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

Our Parish School of Religion (PSR) program provides formal Catholic faith formation for children in grades 1-8 on Monday evenings, 6:30-7:45 pm during the school year. Students enrolled in the program attend area public schools and non-Catholic private schools. Our program continues and supplements the religious formation from parents, who are the first teachers of their children in the ways of the faith. Children in Grade 2 are prepared to receive First Reconciliation and First Communion, and youth in Grade 8 are prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you are interested in adding this vibrant and active faith community to your child's faith formation or need additional information please contact Marge Meiners, Director for Faith Formation and Missionary Discipleship, 314-843-6447, ext 2499 or meiners@stjustinmartyr.org.

Adults who would like to serve as catechists or classroom aides are always welcome. If you are interested in teacher or volunteering for Parish School of Religion please contact Marge Meiners, 843-6447, ext 2499 or meiners@stjustinmartyr.org.

Vacation Bible School

VBS is offered for one week during the summer usually in June. Children ages 4 years to fifth grade may attend. The children learn about the Bible through instruction - skits, songs, arts and crafts and games. **Contact person:** Liz Miller at 314-630-5181 or Miller@stjustinmartyr.org

Athletic Association

Organizes and sponsors boys' and girls' athletic teams in CYC sports programs, instructing in the fundamentals of sports to the youngsters through various camps during the year. Also sponsors fund-raising activities to defray the cost of CYC league fees, equipment, uniforms, and field maintenance. Sets policies and programs for all sports in which the parish is involved under the auspices of the CYC leagues. Meetings held on second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in a Parish Center meeting room. **Contact person:** Kevin Jaskiewicz at 314-651-1436 or kevinmj333@gmail.com



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Boy Scouts

Fun for boys ages 11 through 17! Build character, citizenship, and personal fitness through rank advancement, leadership training, service, and outdoor activities. Scouting provides exploration of the world beyond the boundaries of everyday life. We meet every Thursday evening from 7:00-8:00 p.m. **Contact person:** Debbie Murphy at 314-954-3695 or deborah.murphy3@mercy.net

Cub Scouts

Cub Scouts is for boys and girls in Kindergarten through fifth grades. We welcome all youth from SJM parish or elsewhere. It doesn't matter if you go to public school, SJM School, homeschool, or another school. You are welcome to join Cub Pack 116. In Scouting, boys and girls get together for fun group activities. Along the way, they develop social skills, learn about nature and science, grow in faith, and more. **Contact person:** Jeannine Szatkowski, 314-472-5717 or jeannine@a2zware.com

Girl Scouts

Our program offers activities for girls in Kindergarten through High School. The mission of Girl Scouting is to build girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place. Girls enjoy activities including troop meetings, service projects, field trips, religious awards, camping, selling cookies, bonfires, participating in April Showers (personal care item collection), Girl Scout Mass, and much, much more. **Contact person:** Tami Blasi, 314-330-7485 or tmtblasi@hotmail.com

Youth Ministry

Youth ministry for 7th and 8th grade parishioners and high school students. Youth Ministry exists to help our students grow in a personal relationship with Christ through teaching, prayer, and fellowship. We meet twice monthly, and host an annual weekend long Luke 18 Retreat in the spring. **Contact person:** Liz Miller at 314-630-5181 or Miller@stjustinmartyr.org

Associations and Activities

Knights of Columbus

Divine Mercy Council of the Knights of Columbus is the council at St. Justin Martyr parish, and was chartered by the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus in June, 2005. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works. **Contact person:** Bob Goeke, 314-842-6337 or rgoeke@sbcglobal.net

Leisure Club

Open to all parish members over the age of 55, including couples, singles and widowed persons. The club sponsors many events and works at parish functions. **Contact person:** Mary Schuermann, 314-843-8171 or SchuermannA@sbcglobal.net unless otherwise noted in the bulletin.

Quilters

Adults, young and old, meet weekly on Thursday from 9:30 a.m. till 2:30 p.m. in the Parish Center Meeting Room. There is also a Monday evening group which meets 7:00 till 9:00 p.m. The Monday dates are posted in the bulletin. The group hand quilts baby quilts and bed size quilts which are sold to parishioners and others for the benefit of our parish. No experience is necessary. Anyone can learn this skill. **Contact person:** Laura Dunsmoor, 314-729-7360, or ljduns@sbcglobal.net

Card Roundelay

There are bridge groups for men and women who meet monthly during the afternoon or evenings. **Contact person:** Patty Krieger, 314-842-2798 or pattykrieger@sbcglobal.net

Adult Recreational Sports

A year-round activity for men of the parish. If interested in Monday evening volleyball, contact Gerry Ludlow, 843-1642. For Thursday night basketball, **Contact person:** Sanford Mosby, 314-960-3540 or semosby@gmail.com.

Fall Festival

Held during the fall of the year, this is a large event in the parish community. It includes a parade, booths, games, blow-up rides, raffles, talent show, and a BBQ dinner. Many volunteers are needed.

Contact person: Jake and Meg Pfeuffer, 314-849-0891 or jacobpfeuffer@gmail.com and Greg Uhrhan, 636-373-1288 or Uhrhan@yahoo.com

Fish Fry

These events promote fun, food, and fellowship. Volunteers are needed for food prep, cooking, serving, set-up, and clean up. **Contact person:** JoAnn Zipfel, 314-842-3293 or joannzipfel@gmail.com

Ministries of The Finance Committee

In addition to establishing the budget for the parish and monitoring expenditures throughout the year, the committee also oversees the following ministries. Members of the finance committee are currently appointed by the pastor. **Contact person:** Larry Weber, 314-503-0037 or finance@stjustinmartyr.org

Fundraising and Events

Sunday Offering Counters

Three teams are responsible for the tallying of the weekend collections.

Each team is responsible for alternating months. Confidentiality is a must!

Contact person: Bob Goeke 314-842-6337 or rgoeke@sbcglobal.net and Tim Kinealy, 314-631-453 or tdoublek@sbcglobal.net

Be Our Bread Scrip Sales (BOB)

B.O.B. and Scrip are weekly fund-raising efforts that assist the Parish School. Order forms are available at church after Masses, in the weekly bulletin, and in the Parish Office. Volunteers are needed to staff the sales table after Sunday Masses. Contact: Parish Office, 314-843-8482 or business@stjustinmartyr.org

Celebration of Blessings

Our annual celebration is a fun and interactive way to meet people of the community! On odd-numbered years, we have an auction filled with silent and oral auction items for bidding, raffles and more! The celebration is the largest fundraising event for the Parish! You don't want to miss this one! Contact persons: Bill or Candace Grant, 314-808-1382 or auktion@stjustinmartyr.org, John and Shannon O'Sullivan 314-239-8808, Stephen and Alicia Strobl, 314-708-0146

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