

Faith and Justice Pilgrimage



All Saints Catholic Parish
and
Mt. Olive Baptist Church

invite you to join us in St. Louis

September 11, 2022

Prayer is an important part of a pilgrimage.

“St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church is known as the ‘Rock’. The parish is staffed by the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, better known as the Redemptorists. We are an ‘authentically Black and truly Catholic’ Parish.”



We will visit St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church with a full morning of activities. The church is a beautiful Gothic revival style with 54 stained glass windows installed for the 1904 World’s Fair by Mayer and Co. of Munich, Germany. Since we are a group of various faiths, we will tour the church before Mass to learn about the symbolism in the church and what to expect in the service. After Mass we will meet with the St. Alphonsus Peace and Justice members to exchange information about justice activities in our churches and communities.

What is a faith and justice pilgrimage?

A pilgrimage is more than a trip to an important site, but a spiritual journey that deepens one’s understanding. A pilgrimage lets us immerse ourselves in the culture and the historical and spiritual aspects of where we visit. Be in a prayerful and reflective mind to witness and feel what God has to say to you about what you see and experience.

We will visit places at the center of the struggles for racial and civil liberty that call us to examine our own social justice actions.

“Freedom’s Home”



A memorial to the 330 Missourian slaves who filed suit against slaveholders in early to mid-1800. Just filing often resulted in being “sold down the river” to harsh plantations in the south.

**The Old Court House at
Gateway Arch National Park**



Dred and Harriet Scott sued for their freedom at the Old Court House in 1846 and lost.

Virginia Minor, a suffragette, was denied voting rights in the 1870's.

Slaves and women were not allowed in the courthouse and were not present, when their suit was heard.

A pilgrimage can be a transformational inner journey, but we are also hoping to have a community impact as well. During our pilgrimage we will have opportunities to meet and develop relationships with others of faith who are interested in social justice.

Our goal is to gather a variety of people of all faiths from the Evansville area to travel together to deepen their knowledge of social justice issues. Our hope is that we can return from St. Louis with deeper connections so that we can work together more effectively on common issues.

Itinerary

September 11, 2022

- 6:00 a.m. Bus leaves All Saints for St. Louis
 - 9:00 Tour "The Rock" – St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church
 - 10:00 Mass
 - 11:45 Discussion with St. Alphonsus Peace and Justice Committee
Includes a buffet meal from Pappy's Smokehouse Restaurant: beef brisket, pulled pork, turkey, fried chicken, mac and cheese, creamy cole slaw, southern greens, green salad, baked beans
 - 12:45 Presentation: Learn about critical civil liberty decisions made at the old federal courthouse in St. Louis: Dred Scott, 330 Missourian slaves, women's voting rights - Judge Mason
 - 2:15 Visit the Freedom Suits Memorial Sculpture at the Civil Courts Plaza
 - 2:35 Visit statues of Dred Scott and wife, and the slave block and view the exterior of The Old Court House at Gateway Arch National Park
 - 3:45 Leave St. Louis -short rest break and fast-food meal – at your own expense
 - 7:00 p.m. Arrive at All Saints
- Cost: \$130 covers bus transportation, small tip for driver, parking fees, buffet meal

Registration

Name

Phone number

Email address

Church affiliation

Must be eighteen or over to participate in this pilgrimage. Space is limited to the first fifty-six people who sign up. Sponsorship available to reduce cost.

Deadline for registration: August 28, 2022

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