

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

New Melle, Missouri



February 14, 2016

First Sunday of Lent

*...Jesus returned from the Jordan
and was led by the Spirit
into the desert for forty days,
to be tempted by the devil.*

Sacraments and Devotions

Celebration of the Mass

Weekend Masses in the Church

Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am
 9:30 am
 11:15 am

Daily Mass

Monday through Friday 8:00 am, Chapel
Saturday 8:00 am, Church

Devotions and Prayers, St. Joseph Chapel

Rosary following 8:00 Mass
Rosary at noon on Wednesday
Tuesday after Mass-
 Perpetual Help devotions
Thursday after Mass-
 Respect Life prayers
Friday at 11:30 am- Chaplet of
 Divine Mercy and Benediction

Reconciliation

Wednesday in church, 7:00 pm
Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six
months prior to the wedding.

Baptism

Contact the parish office to register for
Baptism class and to arrange for the
Baptism.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Contact Shawn Mueller in the
parish office

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Joseph Chapel is open for adoration
24 hours daily from Monday after Mass
to Friday benediction. **Code: 145**

Immaculate Heart of Mary

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Welcome

Religious Education

Parish School of Religion (Grades 1 through 8)

September through May on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Confirmation Preparation (8th grade)

September through May on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word

September through May on Sundays during the 9:30 am Mass

Adult Education

Wednesdays at 8:45 am and 6:10 pm.

This Week's Events

Lenten rice bowls may be found by the entrances to the church.

Sunday, February 14

8:00 am Knights of Columbus breakfast, Founders Hall
9:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, February 15

Presidents Day; the office will be closed

6:30 pm Scouts, Founders Hall
6:30 pm Scouts, trailer
7:00 pm Bell Choir rehearsal, church
7:00 pm Reconciliation, church

Tuesday, February 16

9:00 am and 5:30 pm Exercise class, Grand Hall foyer
6:30 pm Legion of Mary, St. Gianna
6:30 pm Scouts, trailer
6:45 pm Children's Choir, church
7:00 pm Reconciliation, church
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus meeting, Founders Hall

Wednesday, February 17

8:45 am Scripture Study, Weber Hall
6:00 pm PSR, Weber Hall and Founders Hall
6:10 pm Bible Study, Grand Hall
7:00 pm Reconciliation, Church

Thursday, February 18

9:00 am and 5:30 pm Exercise class, Grand Hall foyer
6:30 pm RCIA, Weber Hall
7:00 pm Choir practice, church

Friday, February 19

8:30 am Quilters, Weber Hall
4:30 pm Fish Fry, Founders Hall
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross, Chapel

Saturday, February 20

8:00 am Mass followed by confessions, Church

JOIN THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS, FEBRUARY, 2016

Universal: Care for Creation- That we may take good care of creation—a gift freely given—cultivating and protecting it for future generations.

Evangelization: Asia- That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 13

8:00 am Gerrie Bader +
4:00 pm Special Intention
Bob Barnard +

Sunday, February 14

7:30 am Mary Fine +
9:30 am Erma Guinn +
11:15 am People of the Parish

Monday, February 15

8:00 am Roger and Vicky Brink

Tuesday, February 16

8:00 am All Souls Intentions

Wednesday, February 17

8:00 am Joe Sinopole +

Thursday, February 18

8:00 am Jack Hitt +

Friday, February 19

8:00 am Gloria Brudzinski +

Saturday, February 20

8:00 am James, Anna and Johnny
Tarkington +
4:00 pm Randy and Lukas Schneider +

Sunday, February 21

7:30 am Emily Brakensiek +
9:30 am Eleanor Ledford +
11:15 am People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;
Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;
Phil 3:17 – 4:1 [3:20 – 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: World Marriage Day
Wednesday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite
Order
Friday: Abstinence

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Israelites show their faith by offering the LORD first fruits of the products of their new land (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

Psalm — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

Second Reading — All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (Romans 10:8-13).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (Luke 4:1-13).

Scouting Units

Parish Rep (All Units) Jerry Hespen; 636-236-1955
Cub Pack Wesley Brandhorst; 636-327-0531
Scout Troop Chad Peters; 314-807-7177
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Budget and Finance John Wappelhorst
636-398-5786

Cemetery Committee Mark Keune
314-220-7075

Dinner Committee Tom Holstein, 314-456-1639
Jeff Comotto, 314-570-6972

Knights of Columbus Mike Reel, Grand Knight
314-581-6797

Legion of Mary Maria Romine-Kantor
314-614-0857

Marian Council Michelle Brothers, President
314-614-1114

Meals on Wheels Call the parish office
636-398-5270

Prayer Shawl Ministry Julia Kettler
314-616-0096

Pro-Life Committee Bill Winters
636-828-4133

Quilters Eleanor Sadlo
636-398-5595

Mary Ann Brakensiek
636-828-5776

St. Vincent DePaul For information or assistance,
call 636-398-5270, ex. 225

MEDITATION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

[Jesus] was led by the Spirit into the desert, where he was tempted by the Devil.

Don Dunn's father owns a garage. One day a trucker drove in for service. When it came time for the bill, the trucker suggested adding a few "extras," saying, "The company will pay; we can split the difference." Don's father refused.

The driver pushed the point, saying, "I'm going to be a good customer here. Why shouldn't we all profit from the extra-reliable service you offer?" Don's father said, "That's not my style." When the driver persisted, Don's father told him to go elsewhere. The driver said, "I'll not go elsewhere! I own a trucking firm, and I just wanted to be, sure that you were a mechanic I could trust." What was one of the biggest temptations I ever faced and overcame?

[Jesus] can help those who are tempted, because he himself was tempted and suffered. HEBREWS 2:18
Mark Link S.J. *Action 2000*

COULD IT BE . . . SATAN????

Dear Parishioners,

Perhaps you remember the Church Lady from SNL using that line. It was often in reference to someone doing something bad and she would yell out Satan as the inspiration for such bad actions. Comedic reference to Satan and other fallen angels might be funny or entertaining, but what do we really believe or know about them?



Satan and other fallen angels are real and active in the world. God created them good so that they might know and love Him, but they rejected their status as creatures that depend upon God and ultimately must serve Him. In this act of rejection and defiance they were cast out from God and into the world. While Hell is their eternal abode, until the Judgment they have limited freedom to interact in the world.

Typically when we think of devils we think of temptation because scripture mainly highlights their activity in this area. It is Satan who successfully tempts Adam and Eve and fails to tempt Our Lord. It is Satan who tempts and brings misfortune to Job. Too often we want to readily attribute our own temptations or “bad thoughts” to Satan or some other fallen angel. While they can certainly still act in that fashion, most of us should be honest and humble enough to admit that we sin too readily on our own with almost no temptation. Blaming the devil for sins we commit will prevent us from ever repenting of them. Unrepented sins are our elevator to hell. We should always turn to God for help in the midst of our temptations and ask Him to help us understand the root and origin of our temptations, then overcome them by His grace. Don’t dismiss devils during our temptations, but don’t blame them for our willingness to sin.

Fallen angels hate us. Let that simmer in your thoughts for awhile. There are individuals in creation who want to see you suffer, be afraid, fail and ultimately lose faith, hope and love in God. They are creatures of pride, anger and envy. Their desire is that we will be filled with those same sins and reject God just as they did. In particular, they want us to be afraid and feel alone. Fallen angels are masters of manipulation who wait for moments of vulnerability to heighten the feelings of isolation and fear. They really want you to believe that God does not care for you and has in fact abandoned you. There could be nothing further from the truth, but because we do experience suffering and trials we are tempted to accuse God rather than beseech Him.



God loves us. The Holy Trinity wants to share eternal life with us. Jesus Christ came to redeem us from our sins. Satan and other fallen angels fear God. When the fallen encounter Jesus, they are filled with dread. We need to turn to Jesus each and every day and pray that we trust in His presence and grace. When the trials of life come, and they will, turning to God will be our source of strength and salvation. Turning on God will be our damnation. Turn to God, not on God, it makes all the difference now and forever.

Peace,
Fr. Tom

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Temptation

How is the devil tempting you in your life? Today’s Gospel discusses the temptations of Christ by the devil: “All of this will be yours, if you worship me” (Luke 4:7). Worship is due to the Creator alone. It is easy in today’s culture to worship the false idols of wealth, possessions, pleasure, and fame. Prayer is a strong antidote to these improperly ordered desires. “It is by his prayer that Jesus vanquishes the tempter, both at the outset of his public mission and in the ultimate struggle of his agony” (CCC, 2849). The Our Father, with its petition to “lead us not into temptation” is especially effective with these struggles. archstl.org/dynamic

Have you signed up to pray for vocations?

The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. When it is your turn, Fr. Tom will give you the icon, a candle, and a load of information to ponder. When you return it the next week, another family will take it home and continue praying.

Let’s keep it going!

**NEWS
FROM THE
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT**

PSR Corner

The website that hosts the PSR Faith and Life text online www.MyCatholicFaithDelivered.com also offers online courses for teens and adults as well. So while PSR students have this online tool as a "gift" for homework, consider how your family can expand this online learning to others in the household. What about a course for your teenager on the Theology of the Body? What about a Matthew Kelly or Scott Hahn course on Scripture? What about a course on Church History? Something to consider as we begin this season of Lent in this Archdiocesan "Year of Study."



Corporal Work of Mercy: Visit the Imprisoned



Pope Francis has decreed a special year of mercy (beginning December 8, 2015 – November 20, 2016) in which he is directing the faithful to reflect and act on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. He writes, "It is my burning desire that, during this Jubilee, the Christian people may reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy." Here are some Scriptures and concrete ways or suggestions you or your family might reflect and act on this work of mercy.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

Matthew 26:35-36,40 *For I was ... in prison and you visited Me. 40... 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.'*

Hebrews 10:34 *You even joined in the sufferings of those in prison*

Hebrews 13:3 *Be mindful of prisoners as if sharing their imprisonment, and of the ill-treated as of yourselves, for you also are in the body.*

Isaiah 58:6 *This, rather, is the fasting that I wish: releasing those bound unjustly, untying the thongs of the yoke; Setting free the oppressed, breaking every yoke; 7 Sharing your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; Clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own.*

SUGGESTIONS

Dismas Ministry is a National Catholic Prison Outreach named after the repentant thief, Dismas. It strives to fulfill its mission to serve as a national Catholic outreach supporting the spiritual rehabilitation of inmates as members of the Body of Christ whether they are released eventually or remain in prison. Until Dismas Ministry was founded, Catholic faith and Bible resources for inmates were not as available as those of other denominations. See how you can help or possibly get more involved at

<http://www.dismasministry.org/>

Support with time, talent, and/or treasure the prison ministries in your diocese, thereby enabling those trained to do so to provide prisoners with the support they need. One such ministry is Prison Fellowship:

<https://www.prisonfellowship.org/>

Form a jail or prison outreach (Order Messengers of Hope: A Catholic Correctional Training Resource, published by Dismas Ministry.) Purchase subscriptions to Scripture and spiritual resources for prisoners. Start locally and look to your own parish for support. There are people in every parish that are affected by incarceration either personally or a loved one. We really need to reach out to those individuals for support. Support programs that provide holiday gifts for prisoners and their families. Pray for victims and their families; reach out to them and form a support group.



2016 New Melle Community

PASSION PLAY

New Melle Sports and Recreation,
4700 Hwy Z in New Melle

Saturday, March 12 and 19 at 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 13 and 20 at 2:00 and 4:30 pm

Admission free; 636-791-3497

The **New Melle Passion Play** is fast approaching. We are still in need of two males to fill the role of the Rich man and the disciple Thomas. Rehearsals are at 7:00 pm on Mondays. They both have short speaking parts but are very important roles. Costumes are provided. [636-634-1150](tel:636-634-1150).

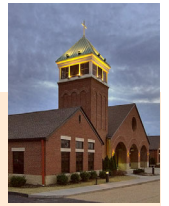
DO YOU NEED SOME SPIRITUAL RENEWAL?

Then...save the date!

The Women's ACTS retreat for our Parish is May 19 – 22. Contact Trish Williams (636-544-1182) or Janet Hespen (314-369-6521) to save your spot or for more information.



NEWS FROM HOME



Stewardship

February 14, 2016

St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

Vicky Grunz

Please note: the Heavenly Dusters schedule has been updated. If you need your name removed or would like to be added to the list, call the parish office and let us know. Thank you in advance for your generous donation of time!

The collection figures for Sunday, February 7

General Offertory: \$9,457.07

Online-General Offering: \$4,369.00

Total: \$13,826.07

Thank you for your generosity!

Try Electronic Offertory

Those who are pledging for the "Many Gifts. One Heart" new debt reduction campaign title. Pink debt reduction envelopes are included in the monthly envelope mailing.

There are options for giving. Use weekly envelopes or check out On-Line giving at www.ihm-newmelle.org

St. Vincent DePaul Society

Items needed for the pantry: Oil, sugar, crackers, cereal, jelly, hot chocolate, detergent, dish soap

**For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven.**

...a time to be born...

Declan Richard Quinn
was recently baptized at IHM.
He is the son of Scott and Sarah Quinn.

May he always live in the light of Christ!

Bulletin Prayer List Information The office is trying to keep the prayer list current. This week non-parishioner names will be removed unless we hear otherwise from you. Obviously we don't want to eliminate anyone who still needs our prayers so please be sure to contact the parish office with that information. Call and leave a message for Marilyn at 636-398-5270. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Marion Mueller	Michael Candrl and his family	Sally Buck
Patricia Prongue	Linda Candrl and her family	Gerald Hailey
Patricia Rudolf	Jackie Hackett	Pat Ryan
Shirley McDonald	Maxine Drinen	Monsignor Mank
Ann Fitzgerald	Mary Meyer and her family	Kim F.
Susan Van Booven	JoAnn Cwiklowski	Antonette
Terri Guernsey	Jewel Kostecki	Steven Albright
Dave Hendrix	Shirley Sims	Frances Bussen
Al Bamert	Cy and Catherine Bamert	Yvonne Scott
Ted Feldewerth	Lisa Clark	Bob Berfanger
Jo-nell Falcon	Tammy Boyd	John Pellerito
Nancy Hollenstein	Larry Hanna	Gerald Bussen
Alexander Wilmes	Terry Hagan	Bernie Lears
Charlie Grady	Dave Gentry	Sally Norton
Frank Modder	Elaine Klein	Walt Reel
Denny Steinmeyer	Mary Alice Dickherber	Mary Edington
Tom Miller	Sue Orlet	Debbie
Mildred Riley	Bob Blackford	Norma Jean
Darryl and Clara Bocking	Louise Fisher	Maschmann
Angel Owens	David and Mary Karll	George Meyer
Ted Pivin	Ken Donaghue	Georg Potthast
Rita Elfrink	Denny and Joan Duvall	Joan Martin
Bob Cova	Bobbi Beeson	Ken Martin
Judy Jacobs' mom	Charles and Kathy Duckworth	Joe Weinreis
Rick Cobleigh	Ed Hoeckelmann	Kristin
Tricia Woods	Gerald Hailey	Aubrey
Joan Allen	Virginia Randolph	Patti Sturm
Joan Martin	Barb Pope	Dorothy Day
Chris Hanna	Bill Ulery	Tom
Rita Bendel's brother Tom		Karen Taylor
George Meyer		White Family
		Jane Holstein
		Marty Coghlan

**Check it out...
for high school youth**

IHM is starting a youth group for high school teens.



The next meeting will be

Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7:30. Watch this space for future plans and information. Any questions? Contact Elizabeth at **636-828-4811**.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Any **Catholic** family wishing to apply for tuition assistance from the **Catholic Families Tuition Assistance Endowment Fund** or the Parish Employee Endowment Fund for the 2016-17 school year must submit a **Today and Tomorrow**

Educational Foundation (TTEF) application. You may apply online at www.ttef-stl.org. Students must attend an Archdiocesan or Parochial Elementary School or an Archdiocesan or Parochial High School to be eligible for these particular funds. The due date for the application is **February 29, 2016** and **must** include a copy of your **2014** Income Tax Return and **2015** W2s. **The Catholic Education Center appreciates the support of the ACA and all of its donors.**

What's Your Catholic IQ?

1. Which two of the following do we omit from Mass during Lent?

- a) lively music
- b) the Sign of Peace
- c) the Alleluia
- d) the Gloria

2. The traditional spiritual practices during Lent include fasting, praying, and

- a) complaining
- b) giving to those in need (almsgiving)
- c) dieting
- d) resenting the many non-practicing Catholics who fill up the parking lot during Lent

3. Two ways to fast during Lent are

- a) avoid chocolate and candy
- b) refrain from eating ice cream and yogurt
- c) give up meat on Fridays and eating at seafood restaurants
- d) abstain from an unnecessary indulgence and develop a Godly habit

4. On Palm Sunday, we reenact Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem by

- a) weaving palms into crosses
- b) waving palms
- c) going to church on a donkey
- d) singing the second part of the "Holy, Holy, Holy" a little louder

5. Lent is a time of prayer and penance designed to prepare us for

- a) Easter
- b) the end of fasting
- c) the relatives who will visit on Easter
- d) the extra weight you put on eating your kids' Easter candy

6. According to Catholic tradition, the first celebration of the Mass took place

- a) when Jesus fed 5,000 (Matthew 14:13-21)
- b) on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35)
- c) at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday (Mark 14:22-26)
- d) when the resurrected Jesus appeared to the disciples on the shores of the Sea of Galilee (John 21:1-14)

7. On what days can we break our Lenten disciplines?

- a) weak willpower days
- b) stressful days
- c) days when you start feeling sick
- d) Sundays and solemnities

8. According to the Code of Canon Law, all Catholics who have completed their fourteenth year must abstain from meat every Friday of the year.

True False

9. The official days of fasting during Lent are Ash Wednesday and

- a) Easter Sunday
- b) Good Friday
- c) St. Patrick's Day
- d) Holy Thursday

10. During Lent, non-Christians who are in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) begin their final preparation for

- a) Baptism
- b) Confirmation
- c) First Holy Communion
- d) all of these (full initiation into the Catholic Church)

Answers on the next page



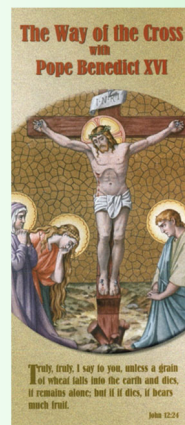
Please note: all Christmas grave decorations must be removed by March 1. After that date, any remaining Christmas decorations will be removed and thrown away.

St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

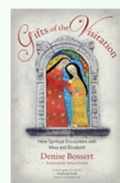
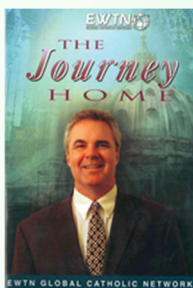
(Note: With close to 3000 items, the Parish Library is located in the Grand Hall past the restrooms. It is open during the week-normal business hours-and works on an honor system.

Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located and available in the Narthex.

From the Lighthouse Catholic CD Rack: Narthex



From the Parish Library: Grand Hall (lower level Church)



Hear the conversion story of IHM parishioner Denise Bossert as she shared her story on EWTN's program "The Journey Home" with Marcus Grodi in 2011. Denise is the daughter of a Protestant minister and grew up in the state of Iowa. Following her father's death in 2003, she went on a search for answers to the question of suffering. She found answers in the writings of St. John of the Cross. On the Journey Home she shares the story of grace that led her to the Catholic Church through writing and speaking. Denise has been published by 49 diocesan papers since her conversion to the Catholic Church in 2005. She is the author of the book, "Gifts of the Visitation."

MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD: Honor the men in your parish who perform outstanding voluntary service for church and community at the archdiocesan-wide 1st Annual Catholic Man of the Year dinner on Sunday, May 1 at the Hilton St. Louis Frontenac. All nominees will be recognized, with Bishop Hermann presenting the award to the Catholic Man of the Year winner. Nomination forms at www.saintjosephradio.net - space is limited, so submit your nomination with pastor signature by March 19! Please contact Katelyn at (636) 447-6000 or katelyn.hansell@gmail.com

Catholic IQ Answers

1. **c) and d)** The Gloria, however, is recited on feasts and solemnities even during Lent, including the Feast of the Chair of Peter (February 22); the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary (March 19); and the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord (March 25).
2. **b)** The practice of almsgiving is often tied to fasting in that the faithful give up something so that they will have more time or resources (including financial resources) to share with the least among us (Matthew 25:31-46).
3. **d)** Adults are encouraged to focus their Lenten disciplines on that which will help them grow in holiness and strengthen their resistance to sin.
4. **b)** Palm Sunday's liturgy quickly transitions from Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to his Passion and death, which is why Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday.
5. **a)** Lent invites Catholics to prepare for the shocking truth that the Son of God died for us sinners and opened the doors of heaven by resurrecting from the dead. "Therefore Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the 'Feast of feasts,' the 'Solemnity of solemnities'" (CCC, n. 1169, see also n. 1167; emphasis in original).
6. **c)** Although there are many references to the Eucharist in Scripture, especially in John 6, the Church teaches that the Eucharist was instituted by Christ at the Last Supper (CCC, n. 1323-1332).
7. **d)** Because Sundays celebrate the Resurrection and solemnities are the Church's most important feasts, voluntary fasting and penance are put aside for these joyful occasions.
8. **True.** The practice of Friday abstinence did not change after the Second Vatican Council (Code of Canon Law, nos. 1249-1253). However, the U.S. bishops allow Catholics in this country to select a charitable or penitential practice as a substitute for abstaining from meat.
9. **b)** A day of fasting means one full meal and two smaller ones, and no snacks between meals. Some Catholics continue the discipline of only bread and water on these days of penance.
10. **d)** At the Easter Vigil, catechumens are fully initiated into the Catholic Church by receiving Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion during this one liturgy. *From Catechist Magazine*

IHM received a thank-you note from Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, which received a gift of \$2,582.00 from the Christmas collection. It will be used for the formation and education of our seminarians.



Craft Fair: We are accepting applications for the IHM craft fair, held on spring sausage dinner day, Sunday, April 24. Cost is \$35 for a 9x6 space. Please contact Lisa Murphy for more information lisa318@centurytel.net

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: If you were affected by the flooding in December, you can register for disaster assistance by calling 1-800-621-FEMA. You can also register online at DisasterAssistance.gov

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

February 20

4:00 pm

EM: Ann Zaleuke, Bernadine Pollihan, Judy Cova, Jennifer Fredrich, Pat Noack, Pat Barnard
L: Jan Messig, Kathleen Ditch
GB: Tom & Mary Jean Hartenbach
S: Brody Stafford, William Fredrich
U: Joe Spiess, Larry Graves, Chris Cuddihee, Stan Nikonowicz

February 21

7:30 am

EM: Rich Molitor, John Fiacco, Carolyn Schellert, Dianne Dickherber, Jan Kardasz, Bill Key
L: Elizabeth Vehige, Derek Arnzen
GB: Tom & Carol Ostermeyer
S: Andy & Daniel Vehige
U: Ed Rabbitt, Frank Marquart, Walt Reel, Larry Gassei

February 21

9:30 am

EM: Kris Jenkins, Michelle Greiwe, John & Karen Wappelhorst, Terry & Marcia Schneider, Tom & Laura Holstein
L: Roger Collins, Grant Smith
GB: Gerard & Janet Hespen
S: Paige & Genny Greiwe, Hannah Montgomery
U: Curt Eccardt, Dave DeBold, Chris & Justin Molitor, Shawn Sweetin, **one more please**

February 21

11:15 am

EM: Katie Wibbenmeyer, Donna Wolff, Amanda Angarita, Mary Keune, Pat Foster, Sharon Smith
L: Jim & Theresa Risch
GB: Chris & Kat Menne
S: Emma Wibbenmeyer, Madison Skambraks
U: Todd Neihouse, Glen Taylor

Please note— Items for the rummage sale will NOT be welcome until after the spring sausage dinner on April 24.

Catholic Women for Christ Conference

For information on the upcoming Catholic Women for Christ Conference, please visit the new website: catholicwomenforchrist.org Saturday, February 27. This year's conference will be held at Lindenwood University's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts (2300 W. Clay Street, St. Charles)

LEARN ABOUT THE CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITYCARE SYSTEM,

a new reproductive science highly effective to achieve and avoid pregnancy and NaProTechnology, a new medical science that offers couples experiencing infertility the hope of achieving pregnancy while following the teachings of the Church. Introductory classes offered at Noon on Saturdays at St Joseph's Hospital Lake St Louis on Saturdays on February 20, April 2 and April 16 and May 14. Registration: [314.776.3627](tel:314.776.3627) or questions: 636.625.5423

HEART OF MARY (LEGION OF MARY) INVITATION

Greetings Immaculate Heart of Mary Family!

I would like to invite you to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. There are many ways that you can do this through prayer, through scripture study, through the sacraments. We have so many opportunities to do these things here at IHM!!! As you grow closer to Christ, you are asked not to keep Him to yourself but to go out and make disciples. We hear this at the close of every Mass. How do I do this? (you might be asking)

The Heart of Mary tries to put this in practice. We pray the rosary and teach others to do so; we visit those who are in nursing homes; and we reach out to those who have fallen away, extending the invitation to return home.

You have two opportunities to be a part of the Heart of Mary every Tuesday starting March 15:
9am in Weber Hall at Immaculate Heart of Mary;
6:45pm in the Parish Hall at St. Gianna's.

For further information call Maria Romine, 314-614-0857 or email her at m_romine@sbcglobal.net

Parish Office: 636-398-5270

Future Events



Knights of Columbus Breakfast: Sunday, Feb. 14 from 8:00 to 11:00 in Founders Hall.



Presidents' Day: Monday, Feb. 15; the parish office will be closed



CPR Class on Monday, Feb. 15 for those who have registered by calling the parish office. Open to all. 6:00 pm in Weber Hall



Knights of Columbus: the February meeting will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 16.



IHM Fish Fry, Friday, Feb. 19. See below



Stations of the Cross, Friday, Feb. 19 at 7:00 in the chapel.



Baptism class: Monday, Feb. 22 at 7:00 pm in Weber Hall

Please note: It is getting much more difficult to find a priest to cover Masses when Father Tom is away. **With that in mind, we have decided to adjust the time for the remaining Parish Missionary Disciples class dates. ONLY on the following dates we will have Mass at 7:30 instead of 8:00: Wednesday, March 9.**

IHM Fish Fry

on these Fridays during Lent:

February 19 and 26;

March 4 and 11

Serving from 4:30 to 7:00 pm

in Founders Hall

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| • Dinner (includes 3 sides) | \$10.00 |
| • Fish sandwich dinner (with 3 sides) | \$10.00 |
| • A la carte fish sandwich | \$ 7.00 |
| • A la carte fish | \$ 6.00 |
| • Mac & Cheese dinner (with 3 sides) | \$ 6.00 |
| • A la carte mac & cheese | \$ 3.00 |

Beer, wine and soda
available for purchase

Available sides: French fries, cole slaw,
macaroni and cheese, green beans
and apple sauce

All dinners include:

- a roll or bun for fish sandwich
- dessert
- beverage (choice of iced tea, lemonade or coffee)

Out and About

Breakfasts and Dinners

- **K of C Breakfast at IHM;** Sunday, Feb. 14 from 8:00 to 11:00; eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, all the good stuff!
- **Fried Chicken Dinner** at Friedens Peace UCC in New Melle; Sunday, Feb. 21 from noon to 6:00 pm. The menu includes potatoes and gravy, green beans, cornbread, baked beans, coleslaw, apple butter and pie.
- **Chicken and Dumplings, St. John's UCC** in CappelIn; Sunday, Feb. 14 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm; adults, \$11 and children (ages 6-11) \$6; 636-828-5221

Just for Fun

- **Quilt Social at St. Francis of Assisi in Portage Des Sioux;** Sunday, March 13; doors open at noon; bingo, prizes, lunch and more
- **Run for Roses Trivia Night / Silent Auction:** Saturday, April 16, 2016, at Vianney High School. All proceeds go directly to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.
- **St. Ann's Sodality Quilt Social Bingo,** Saturday, February 27 at Holy Rosary Activity Center, 716 E. Booneslick Rd Warrenton; Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Bingo starts at 12:30 p.m. Lunch and refreshments available. [636-456-3567](tel:636-456-3567)
- **First Saturday POTLUCK BONFIRE ROSARY** at St. Gianna Church. Bring your family on Saturday, March 5 after 5 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall. Legion of Mary will provide the meat. You just bring a side dish to share. Then we'll have a bonfire and say the Rosary around it (weather permitting). S'mores will complete the evening. No need to RSVP, just come! Questions? Call Nancy Battis [636-751-6147](tel:636-751-6147).

Opportunities

- **SOCIAL JUSTICE in ACTION EVENT – MEND the GAP!** Please join us on Tuesday, February 16th from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm for **Mend the Gap! Town Hall on Bridging the Divides in Wealth Inequality, Health Care and Racial Disparity**, hosted by Sts. Joachim and Ann Care Service. Please RSVP by email to info@networklobby.org
- **Old St. Ferdinand Shrine Tours:** located in Florissant on the site of St. Philippine Duchesne's first convent in America. Sister Margaret Munch, RSCJ will lead the tours on February 20, March 9, and May 11, departing at 10 a.m. from the Shrine of St. Philippine Duchesne at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, 619 N. Second St., St. Charles. Reservations required. Visit www.ash1818.org/main/alumni or call 636-946-6127 for further information.
- **The Mother Daughter and Father Son programs at Mercy Hospital** provide an atmosphere of love and learning to discuss fertility and to promote communication between parent and child. **Sunday, April 24, 2016 - 13 to 17 year-old mother daughter program; Sunday, March 13, 2016—11 & 12 year-old father son program Time: 1:00-3:30PM; Cost is \$45 per family;** Questions call [314.991.0327](tel:314-991-0327). To register visit: <http://mercy.net/fertilitycare>
- **Mission:** All are invited to a mission February 29 through March 3 at 7:00 p.m. with Frs. Richard & Robert Gielow C.M. in the Abbey church. St. Anselm Parish, 530 So. Mason Rd., Creve Coeur, MO 63141
- **Monthly Recollection for Women,** Wednesday, March 2, 7:15-9:30 pm at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. A priest of Opus Dei will give two meditations, confession and Benediction. For more information, please contact Mary Schlueter [314-517-1277](tel:314-517-1277)
- **Mission:** The Sisters of the Most Precious Blood of O'Fallon, Missouri, desire to offer an opportunity to members of this parish to join their community in a Mission. This Mission is a partnership which provides its members an opportunity to grow the Gospel by becoming a reconciling presence in our world. CPPS Partners in Mission, the lay partners of this community, maintain their own living and working positions but join a committed groups of sisters and partners who journey together through prayer and action to become that reconciling presence in our community. [636-542-9479](tel:636-542-9479) or (debbie.whited.cppspim@gmail.com).

The Amazon Smile Program

If you purchase items online through Amazon, there is a way to send a kickback to IHM. Please check out the website ihm-newmelle.org.

RETREATS:

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<http://www.whretreat.org/>

MERCY CENTER in St. Louis, Missouri; <http://mercycenterstl.org/>

KING'S HOUSE in Belleville, Illinois;

<http://www.kingsretreatcenter.org/>

VISION OF PEACE HERMITAGES in Pevely MO.

<http://genesis-ministry.org/retreats>

Communion Calls

If you are unable to get to Mass because of illness or disability but would like to receive communion, please contact the parish office.

Hospitalization

If you are hospitalized, we would like to know.

Please call the office or ask a friend to call for you if necessary. Parish office: 636-398-5270

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