

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
New Melle, Missouri



August 30, 2015

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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, 7:30 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 6:00 pm.

This Week's Events

Sunday, August 30

10:00 am Marriage Preparation class for those
who have registered on the archdiocesan website, archstl.org

Monday, August 31

4:00 pm Girl Scouts, Weber Hall
6:30 pm Scouts, Founders Hall
7:00 pm **Pulse of the Parish Meeting, Grand Hall;**
for more information, call the office, 636-398-5270

Tuesday, September 1

9:00 am and 5:30 pm Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer

Wednesday, September 2

6:00 pm PSR begins; parents and students will
meet in the church
7:00 pm The Sacrament of Reconciliation, church

Thursday, September 3

9:00 am and 5:30 pm Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer
6:30 pm Scouts, Founders Hall
7:00 pm Venturing Crew, trailer

Friday, September 4

8:30 am Quilters, Weber Hall

Saturday, September 5

8:00 am Mass followed by confessions, Church
There will be a collection for Catholic University this weekend.

JOIN THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST, 2015



Universal: That volunteers may give of themselves generously to the service of the needy.

Evangelization: That setting aside our very selves we may learn to be neighbors to those who find themselves on the margins of human life and society.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 29

8:00 am Jackson Bogert +
4:00 pm Dennis Schipper +
Harold Duenke +

Sunday, August 30

7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am Rosemary Ralls +
11:15 am Dannie Norton +

Monday, August 31

8:00 am Ed Szostek +

Tuesday, September 1

8:00 am Margaret and Elmer Bammann +
Frank Gassei +

Wednesday, September 2

8:00 am Terry Nelson +
Family of Cordell Queathem

Thursday, September 3

8:00 am Richard Bredemann +
Walt Ketts +

Friday, September 4

8:00 am Holy Vocations

Saturday, September 5

8:00 am All Souls Intentions
4:00 pm Ed Szostek +
Harold Duenke +

Sunday, September 6

7:30 am Jerome Kluge +
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:15 am Rosalyn Litteken +

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

SAINTS

Thursday: St. Gregory the Great →
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary;
First Saturday



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
Venture Crew Dana Hoffman; 636-734-8423

Budget and Finance John Wappelhorst
636-398-5786

Cemetery Committee Mark Keune
314-220-7075

Dinner Committee Richard Lalonde
636-798-2511

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

Legion of Mary Nancy Hollenstein
636-798-2105

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

"From the inside, from a person's heart, come the evil ideas which lead him to do... all sorts of evil things...Deceit, indecency, jealousy, slander, pride." Mark 7:21-22

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt got a lot of mileage out of this story: Two Chinese coolies were arguing loud and heatedly on a crowded street. After watching them for a while, a tourist expressed surprise that no blows were being struck. The tour guide explained why this was the case, saying, "That's because he who strikes first admits that he has run out of ideas. And both coolies are far too proud to want to admit that."

What is one example of "good" pride in my personal life? One example of "bad" pride?

Like the moon, human pride has a bright side and a dark side. The bright side consists in an honorable, honest recognition of my self-worth. The dark side consists in a dishonorable, egotistic exaltation of my self-worth.

Mark Link S.J. Vision

Seasons: Natural & Spiritual

Dear parishioners,

Next weekend we celebrate Labor Day and mark the end of the summer season and prepare for Autumn. While summer continues for a few more weeks we know that our lives enter upon a more serious time of work and life. Students have already returned to school, most of our vacation plans are either completed or tabled and life becomes more focused. Hard to believe that summer has passed so quickly. We continue to pray for all those affected by the unusual weather this year. We had one of the wettest Springs, a more temperate Summer and as I type this article, it is 54 degrees on the Feast of St. Louis. (August 25). I'm not complaining, but it is out of the norm.



A few years ago I started offering additional time for Reconciliation on Wednesday evenings . Beginning this September and continuing through the PSR school year I will start at 7:00 PM. I hope that some of our parents will be able to take advantage of the earlier time. Time should never be an issue. I will take as much time as necessary to help you celebrate the Sacrament and experience the Lord's healing mercy.

I will continue to hear Confessions on Saturday mornings. One word of note: I don't tend to linger in the Confessional and leave if there is a lull of more than 15 minutes. However I usually just go to my office and will happily return to celebrate Reconciliation. Few things can change our lives more than a good Confession. Few things can draw us deeper into the life of Jesus Christ than developing a good habit of regular Confession. It is our faithful celebration of Confession that opens us to the more complete experience of being set free by the truth. The Lord loves us more than we could ever imagine. When we present ourselves before Him in humble contrition we begin to experience an even richer foretaste of the great Banquet of the Kingdom, foreshadowed by this Sacrament and the Eucharist. Eucharist and Confession are the very lungs with which we inhale the vibrant life of the Holy Spirit. If you and I are breathing with both of these lungs, our lives will be radiant with Christ. We will experience the truth of His words: "I will be with you always, until the end of time."

Peace,

Fr. Tom

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Grace

Grace is a supernatural gift of God to men and angels for our eternal salvation. The Church makes a distinction between sanctifying grace and actual grace. Sanctifying grace is "the gratuitous gift that God gives us to make us participants in his Trinitarian life" (*Compendium*, 423). It is the permanent disposition (quality, or condition) to live and act in keeping with God's call. Actual grace refers to God's interventions at the beginning of our conversion or along our path to holiness. 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!

FAITH AND PRAYER do not resolve problems, but enable one to address them with a new light and strength, in a way fitting to man, and also more serenely and effectively.

Pope Benedict XVI

Pray to hear God's call.

**NEWS
FROM THE
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT**

Dear PSR Parents and Guardians:

Greetings from Shawn Mueller, coordinator of the Parish School of Religion Program at IHM. The first meeting for PSR is Wednesday, September 2. Parents and students are to meet in Church at 6 PM. There will be a brief prayer service and then students will go with catechists to their classes. Parents are asked to stay for a 30 minute overview and then go pick up their sons and daughters at their classes. For any questions, call the parish office or contact me at smueller@ihm-newmelle.org. Please visit the website at www.ihm-newmelle.org to download the 2015-2016 student registration form if you have not registered yet. The last date to register before a late fee is assessed was Sunday, August 23.

**Register
Now**

Why take part in the Parish School of Religion (PSR) Program at IHM?

Highlights: Students who participate in the parish school of religion program will.....

- ⇒ Have a catechist who will be praying and working with parents, striving to be both a good teacher of the course lessons and subject matter, as well as being another adult witness to the beauty and gift of the Catholic faith.
- ⇒ Have access to Ignatius Press' *Faith and Life* textbooks that have been recommended by great teachers and leaders in the faith such as Dr. Scott Hahn to be a fitting guide to growth in Christ and in the teachings of the Church.
- ⇒ Have access to the Faith and Life text **online**, which includes not only the text, but engaging games, video links and more. While this will be part of the student's homework, it will provide a real tool for parents to utilize as the primary educators of their children in the home. (PSR: The vitamin supplement to the parental meal).
- ⇒ Have a class with other students in which they will discover, learn and experience ways of prayer, the teachings of Jesus and devotions of the Church. They will be engaged through outstanding media resources, have fun through various activities, learn and read Scripture together, and prepare their hearts and minds for the upcoming Sunday Mass.
- ⇒ Get to know Father Tom Miller, their pastor, in a personal way as Father Tom visits the classes frequently, makes himself available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and other liturgical events and more.
- ⇒ Be prepared to receive Sacraments worthily, especially in those grades which they will be receiving a Sacrament for the first time.
- ⇒ Be tested in their lessons so as to ensure to parents the students are learning the content of the faith lesson. Passing a cumulative test will earn the students a "pass" to the next year, and a wristband to wear as well.
- ⇒ Learn in more detail the lives of the saints, these "holy heroes" and models of faith. Each class will have a "patron saint" in which catechists will study the life of in more detail and present various aspects of the life and virtue of this particular individual.
- ⇒ Take part in several music-led prayerful praise and worship devotional nights by musicians in the parish and beyond increasing gratitude and thanksgiving to God.

Attention, Teens!

Mark your calendar for

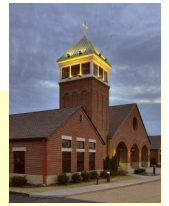
UNITED: A New Event for High School Teens in St. Charles County

Sunday, September 20 from 2-6 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, New Melle, MO
The day will include food, bubble soccer and other games, concert by Kyle Huelsing, speakers, adoration, and praise and worship. Registration begins at 1:45pm. Cost is \$10 per teen.

All teens need to register for the event at <http://StCharlesUnited.com>.



NEWS FROM HOME



Stewardship

August 30, 2015

St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

Volunteer, please

The collection figures for Sunday, August 23

General Offertory: \$8,129.50

Online-General Offering: \$2,443.00

Total: \$10,572.50

Thank you for your generosity!

Try Electronic Offertory

Those who are pledging for the "Many Gifts. One Heart" new debt reduction campaign should mark their envelopes with the correct 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:

Cereal, oil, sugar, Kleenex, toilet tissue, shaving cream, chicken & dumplings, beef stew, bleach

Did you shop at Rural King between

August 9 and August 22? If you give your receipts to the parish office, 5% of your total purchases could be donated to IHM. Please see the website-

www.ruralking.com/church-week

When was the last time you had a family portrait?

If you said it was the last time the church directory was done, then it's time to come back and get an updated photo of your family not only for your walls at home but for the church as well! Lifetouch photographers will be back Wednesday, September 16 - Saturday, September 19 and Wednesday, September 30 - Saturday, October 3.

Please call Sarah in the parish office or visit our parish website (www.ihm-newmelle.org) and click on the Lifetouch icon in the bottom right-hand corner to make your appointment. It's quick and painless, and there are convenient appointment times for everyone's schedule.

DONATIONS NEEDED:

PLEASE NOTE— We are looking for donations and baskets for the Trivia Night to be held at IHM on Saturday, September 26. Please contact the parish office for information. Your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you in advance!

What's Your Catholic IQ?

1. The Apostle chosen by the casting of lots to take the place of Judas was

(a) Matthias; (b) Lot (c) Paul; (d) Luke

2. The number of days between Easter and Pentecost is

(a) forty; (b) fifty; (c) sixty; (d) seventy

3. Biblical scholars consider the literary form of the books of Tobit, Esther, and Judith to be that of

(a) wisdom literature; (b) historical novel;
(c) poetry; (d) apocalyptic literature

4. St. Scholastica's famous brother was

(a) St. Augustine; (b) St. Jerome;
(c) St. Benedict; (d) Donald Trump III

5. Another term for the Second Coming of Christ is

(a) Parousia; (b) Election Tuesday
(c) Ecclesia; (d) Diaconia

6. The sign that the Blessed Sacrament is present in a tabernacle is

(a) a red burning lamp; (b) flowers;
(c) a tabernacle veil; (d) all of the above

7. The central personality of the Acts of the Apostles is

(a) Peter; (b) John; (c) Paul; (d) Matthew

8. The number of St. Paul's missionary journeys recorded in Acts is

(a) two; (b) three; (c) ten; (d) twelve

9. The title of honor given to saints such as Augustine, Jerome, Thomas Aquinas, Catherine of Siena, Teresa of Avila, and Thérèse of Lisieux is

(a) Pontifex Maximus; (b) Martyr;
(c) Wonder-Worker; (d) Doctor of the Church

10. A person with an unhealthy fear of accidentally committing a sin suffers from

(a) gnosticism; (b) scrupulosity;
(c) celibacy; (d) Thomism

Answers on the next page →

LEGION OF MARY NEWS:

Meetings will now take place on the third Tuesday of the month in Founders Hall. There are weekly meetings also, which will be held at Nancy Hollenstein's home. Call her for details at 636-798-2105.



Mary Queen of Angels, a pro-life organization in O'Fallon that provides diapers, wipes, toiletries, formula, etc., is in **desperate** need of financial assistance. We rely solely on private monetary donations and do not accept government grants. Your help, no matter what the amount, would be greatly appreciated. Checks must be made out to "Mary Queen of Angels" and mailed to 827 West Terra Ln., O'Fallon, MO 63366. We can be reached at [636-379-5070](tel:636-379-5070) or [636-634-7243](tel:636-634-7243). Thank you in advance for helping support "Life".

Catholic IQ Answers:

1. (a) See Acts 1:15-26.
2. (b) Trick Question! Literally, 'pentecost' means 'fifty,' but modern math counts the seven weeks as only forty-nine days. Ancient reckoning, however, included both the first and last days when counting, thus making fifty.
3. (b) Biblical scholars remind us that the Bible contains many types of literature, among which is the historical novel. Tobit and Esther recount the life of observant Jews outside Israel while Judith reflects the courage of a woman facing Israel's great enemy Assyria.
4. (c) Scholastica (480-543) and Benedict were twins.
5. (a) Pronounced 'pa-ROO-zee-ah' or 'pa-roo-SEE-ah.'
6. (a)
7. (c) Did you know that Paul was a tentmaker by profession?
8. (b)
9. (d) The official title designates someone wise, holy, and a source of sound teaching for the whole Church.
10. (b) An overscrupulous person worries too much about insignificant things. ('Scruple' comes from a Latin word denoting a very small unit of weight, about 1/24 of an ounce.

Adapted from Catechist Magazine

Job Opening

The Archdiocesan Office of Publications has an immediate opening for a full-time Assistant Director of Publications. This position is located at the Cardinal Rigali Center in Shrewsbury, MO. The Office of Publications publishes the St. Louis Review, the weekly Catholic community newspaper of the Archdiocese; the [stlouisreview.com website](http://stlouisreview.com); and Catholic St. Louis, a bi-monthly magazine.

Qualifications: • Bachelor's degree in Advertising, Business Management or Mass Communication; • 3 years of experience in advertising or circulation sales, marketing, or communications; • Possess understanding of advertising and editorial content across print and digital platforms; • Proficient with electronic communications, including Microsoft Excel and Adobe Creative Suite. • Strong command of the English language

Contact Details: Qualified candidates may submit their resume and cover letter including salary requirements to humanresources@archstl.org.

RUN!!! Please join us at Assumption in O'Fallon, MO on September 12 for our 5K Crusader and 1 Mile Fun Run. To sign up go to: <http://www.fleetfeetstlouis.com/racing/highlighted-races/crusader-run> For more information contact Scott Wilcox at scott.wilcox@centurytel.net

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

...a time to be born...

Levi Gus,
son of Andrew and Sally Schulte;
Kristian David,
son of Kevin & Melissa Riley.
Curtis Joseph,
son of Curtis & Shannan Reel.



May they always live in the light of Christ.

Papa-Palooza

Join us September 19, beginning at 2 p.m., for Papa-Palooza, our local family celebration of the Philadelphia World Meeting of Families and Papal Visit. It will be an afternoon of fun and games, Mass (4:30 p.m.) celebrated by Bishop Rice, dinner by P'sghetti's, and a concert of praise and worship by St. Louis' own Adam Bitter Band beginning at 6:30 p.m. Papa-Palooza will be held on the campus of Kenrick Glennon Seminary. \$15 per family or \$5 per individual. Visit www.archstl.org/palooza for more information and to register.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Marion Mueller	Michael Candrl and his family
Patricia Prongue	Linda Candrl and her family
Patricia Rudolf	Jackie Hackett
Shirley McDonald	Virgil Gildehaus
Ann Fitzgerald	Alice Molitor
Diane Bocklage	Maxine Drinen
Susan Van Booven	Tom Holstein
Jennifer Fitzinger	Mary Meyer and her family
Terri Guernsey	JoAnn Cwiklowski
Melissa Van Hoy	Nancy
Dave Hendrix	Jewel Kostecki
Al Bamert	Shirley Sims
Ted Feldewerth	Catherine Bamert
Jo-nell Falcon	Lisa Clark
Nancy Hollenstein	Tammy Boyd
Alexander Wilmes	Larry Hanna
Charlie Grady	Terry Hagan
Frank Modder	Dave Gentry
Denny Steinmeyer	Elaine Klein
Tom Miller	Mary Alice Dickherber
Mildred Riley	Sue Orlet
Sadie Rashid	Bob Blackford
Darryl and Clara Bockting	Louise Fisher
Angel Owens	David and Mary Karl
Ted Pivin	Ken Donaghue
Rita Elfrink	Denny and Joan Duvall
Mary Foley	Jerry Schmitz
Bob Cova	Bobbi Beeson
Judy Jacobs' mom	Charles and Kathy Duckworth
Rick Cobleigh	Ed Hoeckelmann
Tricia Woods	Carol
Joan Allen	Gerald Hailey
Joan Martin	Virginia Randolph
Chris Hanna	
Rita Bendel's brother Tom	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

September 5

4:00 pm

EM: Jan Messig, Bernadine Pollihan, Pat Noack, Ann Zaleuke, Bob & Judy Cova
L: Kathleen Ditch, Nancy Ast
GB: Gerard & Sandy Knott
S: William Frederick, Elli Russell
U: Larry Graves, Bill Pollihan, Tom Zalueke, Jerry Braden

September 6

7:30 am

EM: John & Karen Wappelhorst, Mary Hardesty, Walt & Jean Reel, Loretta Bruns
L: Peggy Dupree, Lucy Smith
GB: Ed & Carol Rabbitt
S: Eleanor & Max Hahn
U: Frank Marquart, Rich Molitor, Larry Gassei, Gary Potter

September 6

9:30 am

EM: Donna Cuddihee, Judeen Kutsko, Chris Aulbach, Janet Hespen, Pat Gentry, Sharon Smith, Darlene Smith, Maureen Blondin
L: Michelle Greiwe, Judy Podhorn
GB: Mary & Lisa Keune
S: Paige & Genny Greiwe, Brody Stafford
U: Ben Wappelhorst, Terry Schneider, Jim Blondin, Nick Wappelhorst, Dave DeBold, Gary Struckhoff

September 6

11:15 am

EM: Elaine Sudbrock, Jo Hailey, Kat Menne, Jane Holstein, Joan Marren-Slaughter, Donna Wolff
L: Tim & Suzanne Michaelree
GB: Brice Family
S: Madison Skambraks, Maggie Molitor
U: Todd Neihouse, Glen Taylor, **One more please**

Craft Fair Information

The sausage dinner is coming soon and so is the fall craft fair, to be held in the Grand Hall on Sunday, October 11. If you are a crafter and would like to sell your wares at our fair, please contact Lisa Murphy at 636-332-0155 or email at lisa318@centurytel.net. \$30 for a 9x6 space; handcrafted items only please

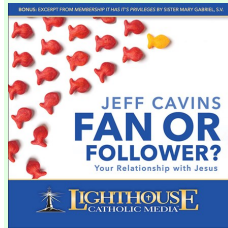
Luncheon for Life

Our Lady's Inn, maternity home, is hosting its 6th annual Luncheon for Life Thursday, September 24, 11:00 a.m. at Wine Country Gardens, 2711 S. Hwy 94. Event will include gourmet lunch, special silent auction and opportunity to support the mothers and babies at Our Lady's Inn. Cost is \$45. Call Jessica Faltus for more info at [\(314\) 736-1544](tel:3147361544) or order tickets online at www.ourladysinn.org

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.

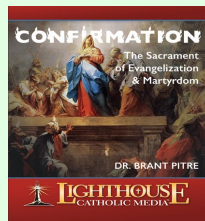
From the Lighthouse Catholic CD Rack: Narthex



In this talk, Jeff Cavins shares how he has come to see that Jesus wants us to surrender every bit of our own comfort to follow Him. There are many fans of Jesus in this world, but we are called to be His disciples.

As a young adult, Jeff left the Catholic Church and became a Protestant Pastor for 12 years. After returning to the Catholic Church, he became a nationally known speaker who has helped thousands come to a clearer understanding of Scripture and our Faith. *What a great talk and a wonderful reminder for all of us to be sure we truly behave as a follower of Jesus and not just a fan of Jesus! Jeff Cavins has a unique way of inspiring people of all ages!!!* **Mary - Lindstrom, MN**

From the Lighthouse Catholic CD Rack: Narthex



Today there is oftentimes a misconception of what the Sacrament of Confirmation is actually for or how it affects our lives. In this talk, Dr. Brant Pitre invites us to better understand the tremendous graces and calling received through this sacrament. He points to various passages in scripture which provide a historical foundation and, through bold witness, challenges us to willingly surrender our lives to Christ. Dr. Brant Pitre is a professor of Sacred Scripture at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, LA.

Absolutely the best explanation of the Sacrament of Confirmation I have ever heard! **Julie - Sterling, VA**

EXCELLENT!!! Very informative. Dr. Pitre brought out things I have heard no where else. Diane - Bowsman, MT

The biblical or scripture ties. Cleared up confusion and misunderstanding of this Sacrament. Happy to share this truth!

Alicia - Chattanooga, TN

PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE NEED

The parish Pro-Life Committee is looking for some additional members. If you have a passion for the respect and the protection of all human life from conception to natural death, we would love to have you join us in this endeavor. The Pro-Life Committee works with the Archdiocesan Respect Life Committee to promote the sanctity of human life by keeping parishioners informed of pro-life educational and legislative activities and events. The committee meets quarterly. If you would like to join the committee or for additional information, please contact Bill Winters, 636-828-4133.

Please prayerfully consider working with us to help overcome the culture of death which is so prevalent in society today.

From Julie Lassiter, Young Adult Coordinator

Stay on the ground or get back up?

It is easy to lay down, it is easy to allow things to change and you stay still, it is easy to be apathetic. **It takes courage, strength, perseverance, temperance... To stay strong in the faith!**

Father Tom spoke about in his homily this past weekend, August 22 and 23, about a growing epidemic across all Christian faith... People are leaving the Church. But I have another question- where they ever really there? **If they can give up so easy, did they know Christ? Or just know of him?**

It takes dedication, desire, and love to grow in your faith and to get to know Jesus Christ. Father Tom made an incredible point that really drew me to reflection this past weekend. He spoke about George Washington. As Americans, we know a lot about our first president. We know facts, we can even probably picture who he was, we can emulate his attributes as a leader, as a patriot. But will we ever know him? No! Do we approach Jesus Christ in the same way? Just someone to know a lot about, take on his attributes from the life that he lived, and read about them so that we know who he is as an historical figure. That may be the case, or we may have unknowingly approached it in that way. Think about it- **if that's how you approached Jesus, or God the Father, or the Holy Spirit... Let's start fresh.**

How do you get to know anyone? There's a great book about the five love languages. People experience love through touch, words of affirmation, gifts, ask of service, and quality time.

Now think about each of those five things...

How can we get to know Jesus?

We can use each of these languages to show Christ our love for Him. Often times we can show Christ our love for Him by how we love our neighbors. Whether it be through the love of neighbor, or what we truly offer and give to Christ Himself. We can touch Him in when we consume Him in the Holy Eucharist. We can praise His name and affirm who he is. We can offer gifts of our treasure and our talent to the parish and serving His church. We can also spend quality time with Him in adoration and during the sacrifice of the Mass.

I am the young adult minister here at IHM. Please call upon me, young adults, if you need direction, clarification or simply to pray together. I also help with

Crossroads - area young adult group that gathers monthly. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 15 at St Joseph's in Cottleville starting with prayer at 6:00 in chapel, a speaker at 7pm with fellowship (drinks and pizza) to follow. Feel free to contact me at

julie.r.lassiter@gmail.com.

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Future Events



Lifetouch dates: Sept. 16, 17, 18, 19; Sept. 30, Oct. 1, 2, 3. Go to the parish website to register for your time slot- ihm-newmelle.org



"Death at Duck Dynasty" murder mystery dinner theater; Friday, September 11. Will "happy, happy, happy" turn to "dead, dead, dead"? Doors open at 6:30 pm with dinner at 7:30. \$30 per adult. Call the parish office for more details.



Blood Drive, Sept. 17, Founders Hall



Walk for the Poor, September 26 at Quail Ridge Park in Wentzville; check-in at 8:30 am with the walk starting at 9:00 at the group camping area; all donations help the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Call Teresa for details at 314-440-7475



Trivia Night to help offset Tom Holstein's medical expenses; Saturday, September 26 at Immaculate Heart of Mary in the Grand Hall. Tom was in a motorcycle accident while participating in the *Run for the Wall* in May. Doors open at 6:00, Games Begin at 7:00. Admission is \$15 per person; Reserve a table of 8 for \$120. Admission includes Beer and Set-ups. Bring your own snacks and decorate your table. Along with Trivia we will have 50/50, Basket Raffle. Call the parish office for more information or to make reservations.



Barbecue and Car Show sponsored by the Knights of Columbus; Sept. 27 in the IHM parking lot. Don't miss the best barbecue anywhere along with some of the most gorgeous cars!



IHM Fall Sausage Dinner, October 11. Be ready to sign up as a volunteer! We need you!

Already?



Chili Cook-Off and Trunk-or-Treat, October 31; parking lot and Founders Hall. Get your costume ready and look for your best recipes (chili and dessert).



I'll be there!

Out and About

Breakfasts and Dinners

- **St. Patrick Parish Fall Festival**, Friday, September 18th 5pm-10:30pm and Saturday, September 19th 11am-10:30pm. Special Saturday events include our Famous Fried Chicken Dinner served 3pm-7pm, our 2nd annual 5k race and 1 mile fun run/walk at 9am, and live music all day long! Come and enjoy the music, food, rides, games, raffles and more! St Patrick is located at 405 S Church Street in Wentzville – for more event information, visit online: www.facebook.com/StPatrickFallFest
- **ST. THEODORE FALL FESTIVAL**: St. Theodore Parish in Flint Hill will be having their annual Fall Festival on Sunday, September 20, 2015. Dinners will be served from 11:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., and include delicious fried pork sausage, turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, sauerkraut, green beans, applesauce, bread, and homemade pie. Dine-in all you can eat or carryouts available. Adult dinners are \$12, Children age 4-10 are \$6, Children age 3 and under are free. Come out and enjoy live music, games, raffles, beer garden, country store and much more! This is being held at St. Theodore's picnic grounds at 2098 Grothe Rd, Flint Hill, MO. 636-332-9269.

Just for fun

- **15th Annual Tee Off For The Kids Golf Tournament**, hosted by St. Alban Roe K of C, benefitting SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Center and Knights of Columbus Charity Fund. Saturday, September 12, 2015 Missouri Bluffs Golf Club, 18 Research Park Circle, St. Charles, MO 63304. 314 323 6457
- **St. Paul Parish Picnic, Sunday**, September 6, 2015; Prime Kettle Beef and Fried Chicken Dinners served 11am - 7pm; Live Entertainment 11:30am to 9:30pm; Raffles, Quilts, Games for all ages, Country Store, Inflatables for the kids
- **St. Dominic High School's Annual Golf Classic** will be held Wednesday, September 9 at The Golf Club of Wentzville. Cost for a foursome \$600.00 which includes: cart, greens fees, refreshments, lunch, and steak dinner. Registration available at <http://www.stdominichs.org/team-registration-form.html>. Registration Deadline is Friday, Aug 28, 2015
- **Fore Life Golf Tournament** benefitting Missouri Right to Life Education Fund. Fri. Sept. 11th at The Links at Dardenne, 7000 Brassel Dr., O'Fallon MO. Registration & lunch 11:30 am, Shotgun start 1pm. \$90/person, includes lunch & dinner. Mail registration & check to Missouri Right to Life Ed Fund, 1000 Executive Pkwy, Ste 229, St. Louis, 63141, call 314-434-4900, or email mrl.eastern@yahoo.com.
- **Middle School Patriotic Trivia Night** - Fri., Sep. 11 from 6-9pm at St. Joseph/Josephville School, 1410 Josephville Road, Wentzville, MO. Cost is \$10 per person. Open to students in 5th thru 8th grade. Wear red, white, and blue! For more info or to reserve a table of 8, call Renee Dalton at [636-639-1199](tel:636-639-1199).
- **Let the Games Begin –St. Gianna Pro-Life Ministry Trivia Night** – Sat. Sept. 26, 2015 Doors open at 5:30 pm. Trivia begins at 7:00 pm. \$160 per table of 8 players by Sept. 19, 2015. \$200 per table of up to 8 players at the door. 450 E Hwy N, Wentzville. Mary @ 6369-272-5000

Opportunities

- **CRAFTERS**: St. Joseph School Music Department will have their Fall Craft Fair on Saturday, Oct. 17. If you are interested in a booth at the fair, please contact Jim or Pauline at [636-699-6906](tel:636-699-6906). Our fair has over 100 vendors with booths available inside and outside. 2015 Applications can be printed from the St. Joe website at www.stjoecot.org. Direct Sales Companies will be allowed.
- **Evening of Recollection**: There will be a recollection for ladies on Wednesday, September 2, at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. begins at 7:15-9:30pm. For more information, please contact Mary Schlueter [314-517-1277](tel:314-517-1277)

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE WENTZVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Join us in celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Historical Society by joining us in displaying artifacts that you might have. The Celebration and "Walk Through History" is September 16, 17, and 18, 2015 from 5 -9 PM each night at Wentzville Community Club.

If you have historical items or rare artifacts and stories from Wentzville's history or antiques of a type that could have been used by area citizens, and you are willing to lend them for this special exhibit, please email us at dmrms878@yahoo.com. Please put the name of your item or the topic of your story in the subject line of the message, and please include a description of the item and any photos of it if you have.

SAVE THE DATE

The St. Louis Friends of Birthright Run for Life and Learning
Providing education for our clients in financial need

Saturday, September 5, 2015, 8:30 a.m.

Join us for a 6k run or walk around Creve Coeur lake. Register online at www.RunforLifeAndLearning.org. Bring the whole family for a morning full of activities including a fun run with FREDBIRD®, face painting and live music. Please email Run4LifeandLearning@gmail.com with questions.

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