Immaculate Heart of Mary Church New Melle, Missouri



September 6, 2015 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacraments and Devotions

Celebration of the Mass

Weekend Masses in the Church

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

Daily Mass

Monday through Friday8:00 am, Chapel Saturday 8:00 am, Church

11:15 am

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

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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

There will be a collection for Catholic University this weekend. Sunday, September 6

9:30 am Monday, September 7

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Wednesday, September 9

Thursday, September 10

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Friday, September 11

6:30 pm

6:30 pm

8:45 am

6:00 pm

6:10 pm

7:00 pm

7:00 pm

8:30 am

2:00 pm

6:30 pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Labor Day; the parish office will be closed today Scouts, Founders Hall **Tuesday, September 8**

Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Fover Marian Council Meeting, Weber Hall

Sunday scripture Bible study, Weber Hall PSR, Founders Hall, Weber Hall Adult Bible Study, Grand Hall The Sacrament of Reconciliation, church

Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer Choir Rehearsals resume this evening

Quilters, Weber Hall Prayer Shawl Ministry, Weber Hall Mystery Dinner Theater for those who have made reservations, Grand Hall

Saturday, September 12 8:00 am

Mass followed by confessions, Church

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

Universal: That opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people. Evangelization: That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.

Mass Inte	ntions for the Week	Scouting Units
Saturday, September 5		Parish Rep (All Units) Jerry Hespen; 636-236-1955
8:00 am	All Souls Intentions	Cub Pack Wesley Brandhorst; 636-327-0531
4:00 pm	Ed Szostek +	Scout Troop Chad Peters; 314-807-7177
F	Harold Duenke +	Venture Crew Dana Hoffman; 636-734-8423
Sunday, September 6		Budget and FinanceJohn Wappelhorst
7:30 am Jerome Kluge +		636-398-5786
9:30 am	People of the Parish	Cemetery Committee Mark Keune
11:15 am	Rosalyn Litteken +	314-220-7075
Monday, Sep		Dinner Committee Richard Lalonde
8:00 am	All Souls Intentions	636-798-2511
	Randy and Lukas Schneider +	Knights of ColumbusMike Reel, Grand Knight
Tuesday, September 8		314-581-6797
8:00 am	Ed Szostek +	Legion of MaryNancy Hollenstein
oloo ulli	George Dudenhoeffer +	636-798-2105
Wednesday,	0	Marian Council Michelle Brothers, President
8:00 am	Mary Berfanger +	314-614-1114
	Mary Ann Pezold +	Meals on WheelsCall the parish office
Thursday, Se	5	636-398-5270
8:00 am Frank and Erna Cherry +		Prayer Shawl Ministry Julia Kettler
Friday, September 11		314-616-0096
8:00 am	Sinopole Family	Pro-Life Committee Bill Winters
	Moira Ryan +	636-828-4133
Saturday, September 12		Quilters Eleanor Sadlo
8:00 am Living and deceased members		636-398-5595
	of the Lauer Family	Mary Ann Brakensiek
	Gerald Hailey	636-828-5776
4:00 pm	Jack and Pearl Hackett +	St. Vincent DePaul For information or assistance,
noo pin	Harold Duenke +	call 636-398-5270, ex. 225
Sunday, September 13		
7:30 am Robert McEneny +		
9:30 am	Erma Guinn +	MEDITATION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL
	Clarence Bruce +	Jesus took [the deaf-mute] off alone, away from the crowd, put
11:15 am	People of the Parish	his fingers in the man's ears, spat, and touched the man's
		tongue. Then Jesus [prayed] At once the man was able to
READINGS FOR THE WEEK		hear and he began to talk. MARK 7:33-35
Monday:	Col 1:24 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11	
Tuesday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6	Many awake each day not to the sound of an alarm on a table,
	Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]	but to the whir of a vibrator under a pillow. Like the deaf-mute
Wednesday:	Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26	in the gospel, these people live in a silent world. For them,
Thursday:	Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38	turning on the radio is useless. Watching TV is a bland experi-
Friday:	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42	ence. Conversation is virtually impossible. But the plight of a
Saturday:	1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49	physical deaf-mute is nothing compared to the plight of a spir- itual deaf-mute, someone who can't hear God or talk to God in
Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18;	prayer. And all of us fall into this category, at least at times in
- and a g .	Mk 8:27-35	our lives. Spiritually, we live in a silent world.
SAINTS		
Tuesday:	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Wednesday:	St. Peter Claver	Have I ever asked Jesus to take me off "away from the crowd"
Friday:	Patriot Day	and heal me of my spiritual deafness and dumbness? "Is any-
Saturday:	The Most Holy Name of Mary;	thing too hard for the Lord?" Genesis 18:14
	Blessed Virgin Mary	Mark Link S.J. Vision

PARISH NEWS and other items of interest

Dear parishioners,

I couldn't think of a witty title for a column of assorted items, so this is as good as it gets. Without further delay – stuff for you to know and discern.

- Playground construction One of our scouts has been working with our parish office to help place a playground on our grounds. A number of locations were considered and I think that placing it behind the Grand Hall makes the most sense in terms of our use during the weekends. However other sites may be considered before we begin the construction and placement of the playground. I think that a playground will provide another gathering place for our parents, grandparents and those caring for the children in our parish. The playground is being funded by some funds from the currently disbanded Athletic Association and is an Eagle Scout project.
- Parish Health News I want to thank Linda Ginther for the many years that she chaired our Health & Wellness Committee. Linda will help with the next Blood Drive and flu shots before she steps down from the position. With this change in our committee, I would like to begin the formation of a new Health Committee. Any of our parishioner would be welcome to join this committee, and I would hope that our members who are health care professionals would be interested in participating. I don't see this as a committee that needs to meet every month but rather a committee that would help develop a plan of presenting health issues and services to our parish family. Some of the possibilities could include:
 - Ocontinue Blood Drives and Flu Shots
 - ◊ Blood Pressure Screenings
 - ♦ Health & Wellness subjects in the bulletin
 - Presentation on subjects of interest in health, nutrition and wellness
 - ♦ The possibilities are really only limited by our time, creativity and desire
- Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors We can always use more parishioners interested in sharing these vital liturgical ministries. I'll be writing more about this in the next few weeks. But consider this the first "pinch" in your deliberation of these ministries. Nudges will be coming soon.



Peace, Fr. Tom

Dynamic Catholic, *Alive!* – Silence

We live in a world filled with noise: TV, radio, music, email, texts, ads). But silence is essential for your spiritual life. As Matthew Kelly writes: "The more time you spend in silence, the more clearly you will hear the voice of God in your life" (*The Four Signs*, 51). This week, spend some time in the classroom of silence. Have you ever gone on a silent retreat? The Society of Our Mother of Peace in High Ridge has hermitages for those seeking silence for a few days. **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!

VOCATION DIRECTORS, whether of a diocese or religious order, are the interface between the congregations and the world. They also need your prayers and perhaps your help. Feel free to suggest a name to your pastor of someone you believe may be interested in pursuing a religious vocation.

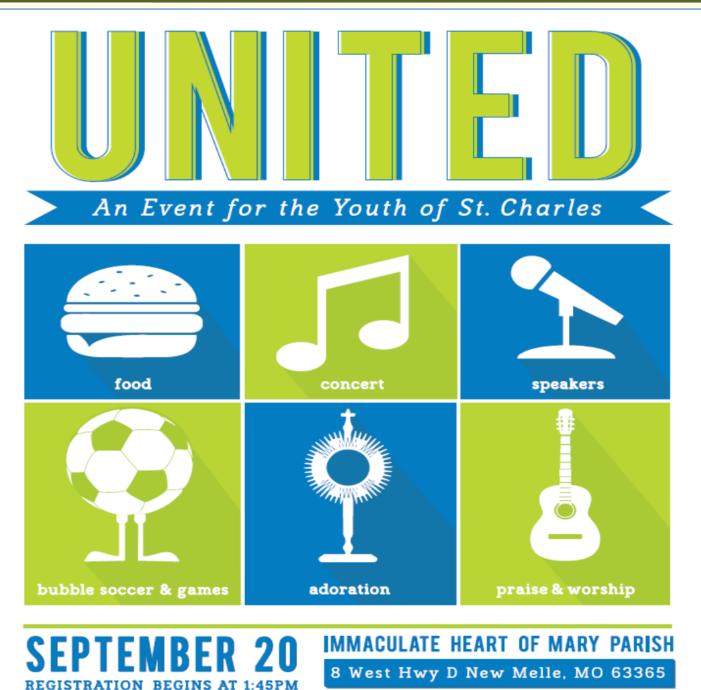




NEWS FROM THE Religious Education Department

Dear PSR Parents and Guardians:

Greetings from Shawn Mueller and our catechists: 1st Grade: Amy Genta. 2nd Grade: Barb Nikonowicz. 3rd grade: Lynette Mueller. 4th Grade: Jean Hitt 5th Grade: Walter Hollenstein III 6th Grade: Bob and Teresa Berfanger 7th Grade: Carolyn Schellert / Deacon Tony Falbo 8th grade: Pete and Julie Lassiter. Our Parish School of Religion program has begun. If you have not received a log-in email from www.mycatholicfaithdelivered.com giving you the password to start the online component with your sons and daughters, please contact Shawn at the office.



510 PER HIGH SCHOOL TEEN to attend, please register at StCharlesUnited.com



NEWS FROM HOME

September 6, 2015 St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

Carolyn Schellert

The collection figures for Sunday, August 30 General Offertory: \$9,372.64 **Online-General Offering: \$3,177.00** Total: \$12,549.64 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

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.

Our Lady of the Snows Christmas Lights

The Marian Council is planning a motor coach trip to Belleville to see the spectacular Christmas light display at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, Wednesday, December 9. The bus will leave IHM at 3:00 pm and return at about 9:30 pm. Sign-ups will begin at the meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 6:30 pm in Weber Hall. We have 44 spaces available . Payment of \$40 is due at the time of reservation. This includes the bus, trivia game, refreshments, full buffet dinner, tour of the Christmas Lights, LEGO exhibition. You can also leave your paid reservations in the parish office. Questions, call Michelle 314-614-1114

Stewardship What's Your Catholic IQ? 1. The patron saint of schools is a) St. Gemma Galgani b) St. Augustine c) St. Thomas Aquinas d) St. Scholastica 2. In John 17, Jesus prays for "them." He is praying for a) the Gentiles b) his Apostles and all who would believe because of their preaching c) those who don't go to school d) the Pharisees 3. This archbishop founded St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, MD, and worked to fund Georgetown College (University), the first Catholic college in the U.S. a)Joseph Ratzinger b) John Bernardin c) John Carroll d) Ted Kennedy 4. 1 Corinthians 10:31 says "Whatever you do, do for the __ of God." a) gratification b) kingdom c) goodness 5. The word catechesis comes from the Greek word which means a) to echo through oral instruction b) to be a light c) to present systematically d) to teach the answers 6. Which Sacrament do most Catholics receive as babies? a) Anointing of the Sick b) Baptism c) First Reconciliation (Confession) d) Holy Orders 7. The word diocese comes from the Roman emperor named a) Dionysus b) Diocletian c) Nero d) Domitianus 8. Which famous nun, who worked in India, said: "Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love"? a) Blessed Mother Teresa b) St. Faustina c) St. Teresa of Ávila d) St. Thérèse, the Little Flower 9. Which Pharisee in John 3:1-21 talked to Jesus about being

"born again"? a) Gamaliel b) Caiaphas c) Nicodemus d) Joseph of Arimathea 10. Jesus taught that the kingdom of God is a) at hand

b) not far off c) coming soon d) at Fireside

Answers on the next page

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! Please try t o have all donated items in the parish office no later than Wednesday, September 23.



d) glory

Catholic IQ Answers:

1. c) Saint Thomas (1226-1274) was canonized in 1323 and declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius V. A Dominican friar and a university professor, Aquinas wrote the Summa Theologica, a summary of theology. His feast day is January 28.

2. b) During the Last Supper, Jesus prays for all his disciples, the 12 Apostles eating with him and those who would believe down through the centuries.

3. c) Archbishop Carroll, the first American bishop, convinced the other clergy in 1829 that Catholic schools were "absolutely necessary" to teach the Catholic faith and to make Catholics equal members of society.

4. d) St. Ignatius adapted this Scripture into the Jesuit motto "For the greater glory of God" using the acronym AMDG (Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam).

5. a) The Greek word katekhein

means "to sound over, to echo the oral teaching."

6. b) Infant Baptism dates back to the early Church when entire households came into the faith together. It is one of the three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

7. b) Diocletian, the Emperor of Rome from 284 to 305, divided the empire into regional areas (dioceses) in an attempt to rule more effectively.

8. a) Mother Teresa founded the Missionaries of Charity in 1950, an order of religious women devoted to those who are dying, sick, and poor. In 2003, Pope John Paul II beatified Mother Teresa.

9. c) Jesus explained to Nicodemus that one must be born again of water and the spirit.

10. a) See Mark 1:15. The distinguishing characteristics of God's kingdom are God's unfathomable mercy and unconditional love.

Adapted from Catechist Magazine



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: <u>http://www.fleetfeetstlouis.com/racing/highlighted-</u> <u>races/crusader-run</u> For more information contact Scott Wilcox at <u>scott.wilcox@centurytel.net</u>

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

...a time to die... Please pray for the repose of the soul of Juanita Rose Menne, mother of Chris and Kat Menne, and Mary Ann Pierce, sister of Vickie and Roger Brink. *May they rest in peace*.



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 or order tickets online at www.ourladysinn.org

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Marion Mueller Patricia Prongue Patricia Rudolf Shirley McDonald Ann Fitzgerald Diane Bocklage Susan Van Booven Jennifer Fitzinger Terri Guernsey Melissa Van Hoy Dave Hendrix Al Bamert Ted Feldewerth Jo-nell Falcon Nancy Hollenstein Alexander Wilmes Charlie Grady Frank Modder Denny Steinmeyer Tom Miller Mildred Riley Sadie Rashid Darryl and Clara Bockting Angel Owens Ted Pivin Rita Elfrink Mary Foley Bob Cova Judy Jacobs' mom **Rick Cobleigh** Tricia Woods Joan Allen Joan Martin Chris Hanna Rita Bendel's brother Tom Michael Candrl and his family

Linda Candrl and her family Jackie Hackett Virgil Gildehaus Alice Molitor Maxine Drinen Tom Holstein Mary Meyer and her family JoAnn Cwiklowski Nancy Jewel Kostecki Shirley Sims **Catherine Bamert** Lisa Clark Tammy Boyd Larry Hanna Terry Hagan Dave Gentry Elaine Klein Mary Alice Dickherber Sue Orlet Bob Blackford Louise Fisher David and Mary Karll Ken Donaghue Denny and Joan Duvall Jerry Schmitz Bobbi Beeson Charles and Kathy Duckworth Ed Hoeckelmann Carol Gerald Hailey Virginia Randolph Barb Pope Bill Ulery Sally Buck Gerald Hailey, Judy

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

September 12

- EM: Bryan Potter, Mary Jean Hartenbach, Wilma Zurweller, Jackie Barclay, Ed Etzkorn, Vanita Joerling
- L: Jean Bamert, Derek Arnzen
- GB: Judy Cova, Loretta Bruns
- S: Jannna Joerling, Brody Stafford
- U: Stan Nikonowicz, Emil Pavlik, Chris Cuddihee, Joe Spiess

September 13

7:30 am

4:00 pm

- EM: Rich Molitor, John Fiacco, Jan Kardasz, Denise Pool, Peggy Dupree, Bill KeyL: Elizabeth Vehige, Kris Jenkins
- L: Elizabeth Vehige, Kris Jenkins GB: Tim & Kathy Feldewerth
- S: Andy & Daniel Vehige, Mary Grace Becker
- U: Mike Hardesty, Walt Reel, Ed Rabbitt, Frank Marguart

September 13

9:30 am

11:15 am

- EM: Joan Marren-Slaughter, Dave & Pam DeBold, Doug Norton, Donna Wolff, Bob Leeker, Laura Orf, Chris Richter
- L: Nancy Hollenstein, Ron Kutsko
- GB: Phyllis Zerr, volunteer please
- S: Liam Grady, Maggie Molitor, Sarah White U: Curt Eccardt, Charles Hinkle, Stan Kostecki,
- George Stark, Shawn Sweetin

September 13

- EM: Katie Wibbenmeyer, Patrice Riley, Pat Foster, Nancy Ast, Mary Keune, Sharon Smith
- L: Richard & Kathy Lalonde
- GB: Mike & Cindy White
- S: Emma Wibbenmeyer, Elli Russell
- U: Glen Taylor, Todd Neihouse, one more please

A Request from the St. Louis Crisis Nursery

St. Louis Crisis Nursery is requesting help to provide snacks for the children they care for throughout the year, over 7,000 in 2014 alone! Every day of the year they care for at least 47 children and provide three snacks for them during that day. The Nursery is looking for groups or individuals to help pay for the snacks, or directly provide snacks. If you are interested in helping them pay for snacks, please contact Ann Dockery at (314) 768-3201, extension 24. Snacks could include: Goldfish---Vanilla Wafers---Graham Crackers---Animal Crackers---Gogurts---Fruit Snacks---Pudding Cups---Granola Bars---Pretzels---Cheez-Its---Jello Cups---Peanut Butter Crackers---Cheese Sticks---Applesauce Cups

St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

(Note: With close to 3000 items, the <u>Parish Library</u> is located in the Grand Hall past the restrooms. It is open during the week-normal business hoursand works on an honor system. Items from the <u>Lighthouse CD rack</u> are located and available in the Narthex.



From the Parish Library: Stoltz Grand Hall

Easily the very BEST faith based movie of 2015. A boy named "Pepper" who hormonally can't grow taller is somewhat of a social outcast, in WWII-era "O'Hare", California, a fictional coastal town (filmed in Tijuana and Baja). He starts getting interested in magic shows and is guided by a Catholic priest played by Tom Wilkinson to channel his interest in the supernatural into a faith journey.

His dad has to go off to war, and Pepper struggles to know what it means to have faith in God, taking Jesus' statements literally about getting whatever you want if you have faith. The priest gives him a list which Pepper initially thinks is a checklist of all the good deeds he has to do to win God's favor, but which is actually the priest's way of trying to get him occupied on noble pursuits and less worried about his dad. The hardest challenge for Pepper is learning to be genuinely kind to a Japanese man in the town, who is mostly a loner and initially views Pepper as an inconvenience. The priest is trying to develop character in Pepper so that Pepper will see there are more important things than getting God to give him a request. (From reviews on Amazon.com)



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!

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.

From Marilyn O'Neill, Music Director for the parish

"The singing of the Church comes ultimately out of love. It is the utter depth of love that produces the singing. "Cantare amantis est", says St. Augustine, singing is a lover's thing. In so saying, we come again to the trinitarian interpretation of Church music. The Holy Spirit is love, and it is he who produces the singing. He is the Spirit of Christ, the Spirit who draws us into love for Christ and so leads to the Father." Pope Benedict XVI

IHM has had a very active music department for many years. When I came to IHM, there was already a core group of wonderful singers, ready to share their talents with the congregation. We've been really lucky to have cantors and a choir but there is always room for growth.

Now, under the leadership of Fr. Tom, a Contemporary Group has been formed. The music they provide is guitar-based. They are scheduled to provide music for the 11:15 Mass on the last Sunday of the month (more or less).

The regular Adult Choir that has been singing at the 9:30 Mass will continue as usual, with piano- and organ-based accompaniment. This choir usually sings in parts. The anthems, while not really classical music, are usually more serious in tone and sometimes in Latin. We are always looking for more members, men and women, grade 8 and older. It always helps to read music but it's not really necessary as I often make rehearsal tapes.

We are also lucky to have a set of hand bells and a small group of dedicated people to play them. This group is different from the other choirs in a number of ways including the need to know how to read music before they come to rehearsals. I made the mistake of thinking that wouldn't matter some years ago and I was definitely wrong! Being such a small group, the members have become very close friends. It's pretty cool!

Last, we have a children's choir/junior bell choir that met regularly last year and hopefully will again this year. They provide music for the afternoon Mass on Christmas Eve and sing/play occasionally throughout the year. The minimum age for this group is 2nd grade.

We are always looking for people to help us, whether by joining a choir or as a cantor. If you have any desire to be part of the music here at IHM, contact me. I would love to hear from you!

Marilyn O'Neill <u>m.oneill@ihm-newmelle.org</u> or call the parish office, 636-398-5270

The Music Department will host a simple reception after the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, September 13 in Weber Hall. Come meet us and let us twist your arm to join us!

Parish Office: 636-398-5270 *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!



Look in the narthex for the next few weekends to get your SVdP footprints and t-shirts, both benefitting the Walk for the Poor! All donations will help the good work of the St. Vincent dePaul Society in St. Charles County.

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! 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. 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.
- ST. ANSELM CANDLELIGHT DINNER OF HOPE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, St. Anselm Parish will host their Dinner of Hope on Saturday, October 3, 2015 in the Parish Centre, 530 So. Mason Rd., Creve Coeur. Enjoy cocktails, appetizers and a delicious sit-down dinner in a beautiful candlelight setting. Father Augustine Wetta, a Benedictine monk at the Abbey of St. Mary and St. Louis will be our honoree and speaker. Tickets are \$85 for adults and \$50 for students. Proceeds benefit Birthright Counseling STL, Coalition for Life, and Our Lady's Inn. For more information or to receive an invitation, please contact Marge Merjavy at <u>314-580-1708</u>.

Just for fun

- 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 <u>http://www.stdominichs.org/team-registration-form.html</u>. Registration <u>Deadline</u> is <u>Friday</u>, Aug 28, 2015
- 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 <u>636-639-1199</u>.
- 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 <u>636-699-6906</u>. Our fair has over 100 vendors with booths available inside and outside. 2015 Applications can be printed from the St. Joe website at <u>www.stjoecot.org</u>. Direct Sales Companies will be allowed.
- Third Annual Holiday Craft Fair-Sat., Nov. 14 from 10am-4pm at St. Joseph Parish/Josephville. Vendors who can offer hand-crafted items may reserve a space for \$50 by contacting <u>stjojocraftfair@gmail.com</u> by Oct. 31. For more info call <u>636-332-5672</u>.

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.

Stories Around the Campfire

Join us around the campfire as we share stories of faith, inspiration and life as an SSND (outside, weather permitting). October 3, 2015 from 7:30 to 9:30 pm Free of charge for women 18 years of age and older Sancta Maria in Ripa Campus, 320 East Ripa Street in St. Louis

Job opening: St. Dominic High School, located at 31 St. Dominic Drive, has an opening for a Maintenance position. Hours are 7:00am to 3:00pm, Monday through Friday. Able to take direction and carry out tasks without supervision. Salary starts at \$14.00 per hour with full benefits package. Contact Steve Wing at <u>314-709-1439</u>

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