



Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday: 8:00am, 4:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
 Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am
 Weekdays: 8:00am, in church

Weekly Devotions and Prayers

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 8:30am until Friday 11:00am, St. Joseph Chapel

Rosary: Prior to Saturday evening 4pm Mass

Weekday devotions after morning Mass:

Tuesday: Mother of Perpetual Help
 Wednesday: Litany to St. Joseph
 Thursday: Celebrating the Sanctity of Life
 First Friday: Litany of the Sacred Heart

First Saturday of the Month Devotions

8am Mass, Rosary, 15 minutes of meditation

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Wednesday in church, 7pm
 Saturday following 8am Mass

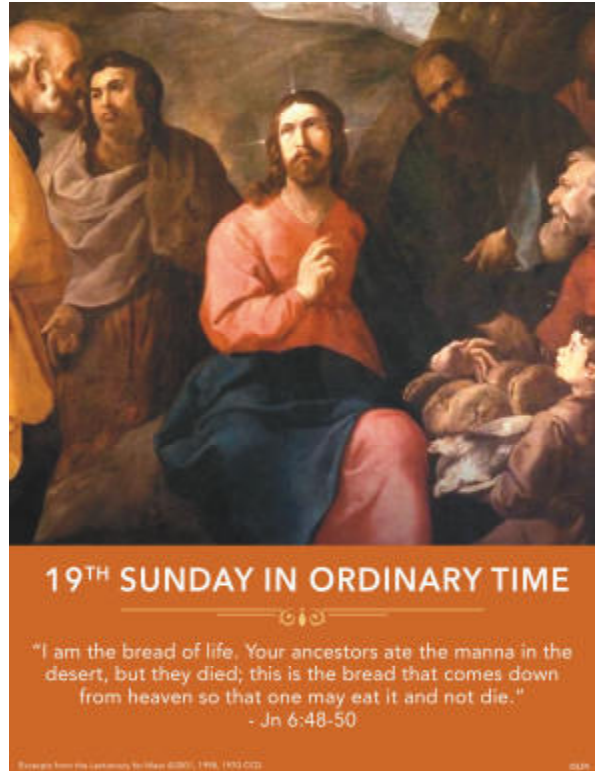
Marriage: Contact the parish office
 at least six months prior to the wedding

Baptism: Contact the parish office
 to register for class and to arrange date

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office

August 8, 2021



Deeper Understanding of Scripture

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles be-

ing things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God's generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

Welcome! Immaculate Heart of Mary: *Informed—Hospitable—Missionary*

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Shawn Mueller, Director

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Parish School of Religion (when restrictions are lifted)
Grades 1 thru 8, September thru May, 8:45-9:45am, Sundays
Confirmation Preparation
8th Grade—September thru May, 8:45-9:45am, Sundays
Children's Liturgy of the Word (when restrictions are lifted)
September thru May, during the 10am Sunday Mass
Adult Education
Wednesdays at 8:45am and 6:10pm, September thru May
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—contact Shawn for schedule

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Janet Hespen 314-369-6521
Young Adults
Julie Lassiter 636-357-0121

September Changes

Dear Parishioners,

I hope your Summer has gone well thus far as it reaches its final stretch. About the middle of July when the first cicadas start making their calls I would remember how I knew as a child that summer recess was already half finished. The last half of July and all of August would pass so quickly. When September rolls around, there will be some changes in the rhythm of our parish life.

Sunday Mass at 9:30 will begin now at 10:00 as of September 5th.

There will be some exceptions—on the Sausage Supper Sunday (say that three times fast in a Monster truck Announcer Voice) the time will revert to 9:30. Other parish events scheduled for Sunday will simply begin later.

**September 1st at 6:30pm
we will begin a weekly Mass
in addition to the morning Mass.**

Wednesday Evening Mass will be an opportunity for us to come together during the week to celebrate the act that defines us as Disciples of Christ. One of my plans for this weekly Mass will be inviting our students and their parents to Mass. Families that celebrate the Sacraments together have the greatest hope of those Sacraments taking root in the future of their children's lives. One of my real hopes is that parents and their children will want to cele-

brate Mass together on Wednesday as well as taking advantage of the celebration of Reconciliation after Mass.

On the Fourth Wednesday of the Month we will have a focus on the healing power of Christ through the Sacraments and prayer of the Church. There will be healing teams available after Mass to pray for our parish family as well as anyone else who desires to celebrate the power of Christ and His mercy in individual prayer and intercession.

Jesus is waiting to meet us in His life-giving Sacraments. At every Sacramental celebration Jesus is calling His Church together in prayer and coming to be with her. In the Eucharist He is present in a Real and Physical way that surpasses the other Sacraments because of the permanency of the Blessed Sacrament. In the Eucharist there is an abiding presence, in all the other Sacraments there is an encounter with the Risen Christ for that moment. Jesus is the one who baptizes, confirms, unites, forgives, ordains and anoints through the minister in all the other Sacraments. In our Blessed Sacrament, Jesus gives us Himself. We eat His flesh and drink His blood. How wonderful to have the only food that joins us to Someone greater than us rather than just becoming part of our body. Become what you receive, that is one awesome challenge!

Peace,

Fr. Tom

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B

The people started grumbling [about Jesus], because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." JOHN 6:41

During the Great Depression of the 1930s, a monastery gave out plain sandwiches in paper bags every afternoon at 5:00. The line of people was always long. After getting their sandwich some people ate it at once. Others ate only a portion of it and saved the rest for later. Still others took the sandwich home to someone in their family. Finally, a few grumbled at the plainness of the sandwich and tossed it away. The people's reaction to the sandwich could be used as an example of the way people reacted to Jesus, "the bread that came down from heaven."

How do I react to Jesus in the Eucharist? How do I prepare to receive the Eucharist? How do I follow up my reception of it?

The effect of our receiving the body and blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive.

—POPE SAINT LEO THE GREAT

(Fr. Mark Link S.J. Vision 2000)

Ministry Schedule

August 7—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Wally & Jan Karase
 Lec: Laarry Graves, Sharon Hagan
 Music: Mary Ann & Bryan
 Serv: Zoey Panus, volunteer please
 Ush: Chris Cuddihee, Andy Pope, Mike Rieker, Tim Wilson

August 8—7:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Bob Brossette, Dianne Dickherber
 Lec: Yvonne Brossette, Chuck Kettler
 Music: Brooke & Verdi
 Serv: Emma Clifton, Izzy Scheer
 Ush: Dave London, Mark Thome, Tom Meczkowski, Mark Gross

August 8—9:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Sharon Smith, Donna Hecht
 Lec: Joe Willis, Grant Smith
 Music: Amelia, Betsy, Mary, Bryan
 Serv: Mary & Janie Becker
 Ush: Ron Simpson, Bill Riley, Gary Struckhoff, Bob Hutchcraft

IHMformation Station

4:00: Wally & Jan Karase
 7:30: Bob & Yvonne Brossette
 9:30: Joe & Debbie Willis

*Please pray for all the
 sick and suffering:*

Phyllis Zerr, Fran Bussen, Betty Boyd, Deacon Tony,
 Amy Robbins, Don Schmidt, Carl Wolff, George Stark,
 Betty Heppermann, Joyce Brakensiek, Tom Hartenbach,
 Richard & Doris Berhorst, Terry Hagan, Larry Gassei,
 Pat Foster, Chuck Speck, Pat Ryan, Frank Marquart,
 Pete Schepis, Justin Wehmeier, Jeff Bollman

Steve Wengerski (family friend of Mandy Daub),
 Keith Langford (son of Rita & brother of Valerie Langford),
 Red Brockmeyer (cousin of Kay & Ray Cherry),
 Karla Sitzes (daughter of Sophia Bax),
 Michael Speir (son-in-law of Jackie & Steve Dunn),
 Peyton Newman (grandson of Mike & Mary Hardesty),
 Loren & Evelyn Brandon (parents of Marty & Peggy Dupree),
 Charlie Grady (grandson of John & Carol Grady),
 Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen),
 Marlene Hagemeier (sister of Pat Roche),
 Janet Piel and Jordan Keene
 (sister and friend of Joni Marren-Slaughter),
 Carol Fague (sister of Bob Woodford),
 Rosemary Bell (sister of Janet & Jerry Hespen)

Hospitalization: If you are hospitalized, please let us know.
 Please call the office or ask a friend to call for you if necessary.

Communion Calls: If you would like to receive Communion
 but are unable to get to Mass because of illness or disability,
 please contact the parish office: 636-398-5270.

Prayer Requests: Brenda Hutchcraft at 636-248-8493 or
 email brhutchcraft@centurytel.net

Ministry Schedule

August 14—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Pat Roche, Bryan Potter
 Lec: Clare Holifield, Mike Greene
 Music: Mary Ann & Bryan
 Serv: Izzy Scheer, volunteer please
 Ush: Bill Pollihan, Chris Cuddihee, Larry Graves, Mike Rieker

August 15—7:30am

EM: Maureen Blondin, Betty Tuepker, John Fiacco
 Lec: Karen Wappelhorst, Mary Hardesty
 Music: Elizabeth & Verdi
 Serv: Mary & Janie Becker
 Ush: Terry Schneider, Gary Potter, Rick Scharf, Mike Hardesty

August 15—9:30am

EM: Janet Hespen, Chris Richter, Michelle Greiwe
 Lec: Patrice Riley, Pat Gentry
 Music: Amelia, Betsy, Mary, Bryan
 Serv: William Lassiter, Izzy Czuchna
 Ush: Alan Raymond, Joe Weber, Larry Smith, Ron Simpson

IHMformation Station

4:00: Pat Roche
 7:30: Maureen Blondin
 9:30: Pat Gentry

Heavenly Duster Schedule

Week of August 8: Pat Roche
 Week of August 16: Carol Grady
 Week of August 22: Lois Cobleigh
 Week of August 29: Maureen Blondin

Purificators

Month of August: Mary Stassi



**Janet Hespen,
 Youth Minister,
 314-369-6521**

Hi Teens,

Looking for a night out and build some great Friendships
 along the way? Then come join the awesome teens that
 we have right here in our Parish!!!

We meet every other Thursday with a different topic plus
 fun activities and refreshments.

Times are 7 to 830pm

August 12:	Loving Yourself	Weber Hall
August 12:	Last hurrah	Weber Hall
	end of summer water games	
September 2:	Truth Revealed	Grand Hall
September 16:	Good Friendships	Grand Hall
September 30:	Build a Disciple	Grand Hall

Please check our bulletin board for info about dinners
 and other activities in the area.

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 9	
8:00am	int. of Jim & Abby Hofman Family
Tuesday, August 10	
8:00am	Raymond Weiss +
Wednesday, August 11	
8:00am	Karen Windler +
Thursday, August 12	
8:00am	int. of Jerry & Janet Hespen
Friday, August 13	
8:00am	All Souls Gail Underwood +
Saturday, August 14	
8:00am	Bob Cova +
4:00pm	Roland & Regina Aug + Don & Ann Schmidt 51st Wedd. Ann.
Sunday, August 15	
7:30am	People of the Parish Daniel Cahill (9th ann.) +
9:30am	int. of James Hofman Family Richard Winters (1st ann. July 15) +

Activities This Week

Monday, August 9	
Scouts, 6:30pm	
Tuesday, August 10	
Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am	
Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, 9am	
Wednesday, August 11	
Reconciliation, 7pm	
Thursday, August 12	
Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am	
Youth Ministry, Weber Hall, 7pm	
Friday, August 13	
Quilting in Weber Hall, 8:30—noon	
IHM Ladies Lunch, Grand Hall, noon (see info below)	
Saturday, August 14	
Reconciliation, 8:45am	
Event in Grand Hall this evening	

All ladies of the parish are invited to this very casual lunch gathering. It all started a few months ago when we sought the company of our parish friends after a long absence, and now it has grown to a (hopefully) monthly “visit and eat” event. Everyone brings their own lunch. No reservations required, but let us know if you can come so we can set up enough chairs: 636-398-5270.



Contributions July 31/August 1

General offertory:	\$11,744.00
Online Giving:	\$6,886.00
Total contributions:	\$18,630.00

“Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!”
~~1 Kings 19-7~~

God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need His help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist we join our sacrifice with the sacrifice of the Holy Mass and receive the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

We pray: that we may find the strength and courage to make our own sacrifices to build up our Church.

Needed at the Pantry

laundry detergent, oil, beef stew, men’s and ladies’ shaving lotion, body wash, all purpose cleaner, coffee, paper towels, fruit juices, mayonnaise, sugar



We cannot accept expired or previously opened items

Please hold your plastic bags—we have plenty!!

In this Gospel the love that Jesus reveals through the symbol of the cross is: self-giving, sacrificial, healing, forgiving, and solidarity with the weak, confident in the power of God.

During the hot summer months many of the elderly, especially those who are sick, are not able to find relief from the heat. Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring respite and hope to them.

SVDP 24-hour Helpline

St. Vincent dePaul has a 24 hour helpline for anyone in crisis, including the homeless, by dialing 2-1-1. Our coordinated entry team will respond to their needs. For our local SVDP Conference, please call 636-398-5270, ext. 225.

God bless you all for your continued support. Please join us in prayer for the homeless and all who are in crisis!

Words of Wisdom from St. Padre Pio:

Pray that God will console you when you feel the burden of the Cross, for in doing so you are in no way acting against the will of God, but you are placing yourself beside the Son of God who asked His Father during the Agony in the Garden to send Him some relief. But if He is not willing to give it be ready to pronounce the same “Fiat—so be it” that Jesus did.

—Rest in Peace—

Karen Windler
sister of John & Karen Wappelhorst
May she and all the faithful departed
rest in the eternal peace of Christ.

PSR Corner

*PSR moving to
Sunday Mornings!*

Fr. Tom has made a decision to help “Keep Holy the Lord’s Day” (Sunday), amongst a variety of reasons, by also moving our PSR program to Sunday mornings. At present the plan is to schedule Mass times for 7:30 am and 10 am and have an opportunity for classes (Grades 1 -8) in between, from 8:45 – 9:45 am. This way one can go to either Mass and conveniently take part in the program. Opportunities for adult formation will be offered in Church during that time as well. PSR families who registered last year will be sent information. New families, please inquire at the office. We will begin September



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The Bread of Life Continued

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” This statement caused some of Jesus’ disciples to turn and run away; while for others, this statement galvanized their belief in God that they ultimately gave their life for Jesus. Where do you stand? Do you truly believe that the bread and wine we receive at Mass is the actual flesh and blood of Christ? If so, why? How would you explain the Eucharist to a curious friend? If not, why not? Many people believe in God. But there is a big difference between knowing facts about God and actually having a relationship with Him. You have to spend time with someone to develop a relationship, not read a book about them. God wants a personal relationship with each one of us. Take time every day, in silence, talking and listening to the Lord. Invite Him into your heart and enjoy the fruits of your new friendship.,

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Authentic Catholic Radio:
AM 1460 EWTN Global Catholic Network:
www.ewtn.com/radio
and on Dish Network Channel 261

Marriage in Christ
has been promised between:
Travis Brenneke and Elizabeth Pivin
Aaron Hagenhoff and Taylor Chittenden
John Hagan and Kelsey Russell



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 Parish Library: Grand Hall



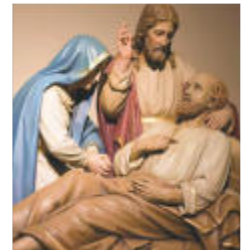
What Are the Odds? is a raw, authentic account by a man many thought would never rise above his serial, addiction-fueled failures. Mike’s gripping narrative transports readers from his small-town tavern with its colorful cast of “Regulars” to Mexico and a drug deal gone awry. From Las Vegas casinos, where Mike won and lost fortunes as a professional gambler, to a jail-cell beatdown. From failed rehabs to his 20-year marriage, an ideal union decimated by addiction. And

finally, to the redemption of the most shameful moment of his life. An unvarnished account of the ravages of cocaine, crack, and gambling addiction, What Are the Odds? tells the improbable tale of how a small-town guy with a dream somehow made it a reality. More importantly, Mike opens up about the God who relentlessly chased him down, turning him from a casual believer to a passionate evangelist with an absolute, mathematical certainty that God is real. What Are the Odds? will not only speak to entrepreneurs and those struggling with addiction, but also to anyone looking for a message of hope.

(Recommended by Josh Deters) Terrence Malik’s latest “A Hidden Life” is not only a return to form, it may be his best piece ever. The film (based on a true story) concerns an Austrian farmer Franz who lives with his family in an idyllic village/farm up in the Austrian hills in the late 30s. With the rise of Hitler, citizens are heavily leaned on to sign an oath to Hitler. When Franz refuses, the repercussions to him and his family slowly but palpably build both from the government and even the local villagers. The film is utterly heart-breaking and utterly beautiful at the same time. The cast is excellent though largely unknown to me except for Bruno Ganz in one of his last performances as a Nazi general on the tribunal formed to try Franz for his civil disobedience. The cinematography is breathtaking and the score is magnificent. I know that this is one that is going to stick with me all of my days.



Tour and Mass at the Shrine of St. Joseph—Tuesday, August 17



We will meet at 9am in the IHM parking lot. The tour will begin at 10am and take 45 to 60 minutes. After the tour at 11am Fr. Tom has graciously agreed to offer Mass for us at the Shrine. After Mass we board the bus and proceed to our lunch destination (to be determined) and return to IHM. See link for more information about the Shrine: <https://www.shrineofstjoseph.org>. The tour is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. If you have questions please contact Sharon at 314-853-4994 or shagan2058@gmail.com

Men's ACTS Retreat: August 19-22, 2021

Most say: "You can't explain what happens; you have to experience it." **This is your invitation to the experience**

Registration is now open for the Men's ACTS Retreat to be held August 19-22 at the LaSalle Retreat Center. An ACTS retreat is a three-day, three-night Catholic lay retreat presented by men of St. Patrick, St. Gianna, and Immaculate Heart of Mary who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the guidance of a Spiritual Director. Retreat activities focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service and is a dynamic experience that can change lives and enhance personal spirituality and parish involvement. All transportation will be provided. The cost is \$250. However, financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. If you are unable to pay all or part of the fee or need further information regarding the retreat, please contact Bob Webb, Director, 636-445-4074 or Wayne Stoechner, Co-Director, 314-504-0112. Visit www.stpatrickwentzville.org/acts to download the registration form.

Attention Employees & Volunteers

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required and asked to register in the new system before December 31, 2020. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to:

www.preventandprotectstl.org

to register, and contact our parish Child Safety Coordinator Karen Wappelhorst with any questions or for further assistance. Karen's email: childsafety@ihm-newmelle.org, or call her at 636-398-5270.

What's Your Catholic Catechism IQ?

"The Catechism of the Catholic Church is a statement of the Church's faith and of Catholic doctrine, attested to or illuminated by Sacred Scripture, the Apostolic Tradition and the Church's Magisterium. I declare it to be a sure norm for teaching the faith." (Pope St. John Paul II)

- The free gift of adoption requires on our part continual _____ and new life.
 - birth
 - conversion
 - pain
 - labor
- Our Father refers to God. The adjective, as used by us, does not express possession, but an entirely new _____ with God.
 - thought
 - language
 - awareness
 - relationship
- In the new and eternal _____ in His Christ: we have become His people and He is henceforth our God.
 - covenant
 - contract
 - thinking
 - bond
- This prayer to our Father is an urgent summons for all the baptized who ought to join in Jesus' prayer for the _____ of His disciples.
 - abandonment
 - unity
 - distinction
 - division
- If we pray the Our Father sincerely, we leave _____ behind, because the love that we receive frees us from it.
 - others
 - children
 - careers
 - individualism
- The baptized cannot pray to our Father without bringing before Him _____ those for whom He gave His beloved Son.
 - some of
 - none of
 - a few of
 - all
- This biblical expression (who art in heaven) does not mean a place (space), but a way of _____; it does not mean that God is distant, but majestic.
 - thinking
 - imagining
 - being
 - pondering
- Our Father is not elsewhere: He _____ everything we can conceive of His holiness.
 - transubstantiates
 - transfigures
 - transcends
 - transpires
- Our Father who art in heaven is rightly understood to mean that God is in the hearts of the just, as in His holy _____.
 - altar
 - chair
 - temple
 - ark
- When the Church prays Our Father who art in heaven, she is professing that we are the people of God, already _____ with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.
 - seated
 - perfectly united
 - bowing
 - complete

ANSWER KEY:
1. b (2784) 2. d (2789) 3. a (2787) 4. b (2791) 5. d (2792) 6. d (2793) 7. c (2794) 8. c (2794) 9. c (2794) 10. a (2796)

Live the
Gospel of *Life*

"Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage"

Next baptismal prep classes: August 15 and
September 19, 11am, Weber Hall.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/
Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
- Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/
Mt 17:22-27
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26
- Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and
10b]/Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Mt 18:21—19:1
- Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/
Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/
Mt 19:13-15



Thank you, St. Jude, for your intercession. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. St. Jude, Worker of Miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, Help of the Hopeless, pray for us.

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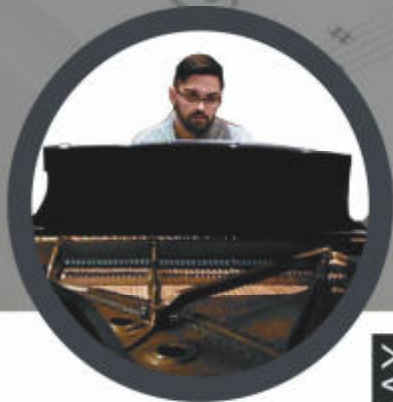
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SPIRE (Memory Aid) for a Catholic Plan of Life (Part 5 of 7)

How does one unpack and simplify in a plan of life all that God has revealed in Jesus, Scripture and Tradition, all the Church believes, teaches and proclaims to be revealed by God? And how does one strive to live it out faithfully in a daily duty as a Catholic Christian? Here is an attempt by way of a memory aid: (SPIRE – Spiritual, Physical, Intellectual, Relational, Evangelical).



Here's a few tips for R—Relational

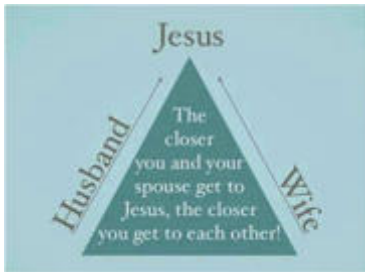
An usher went up to a man with his hat on in church and asked him to remove it. "Thank goodness," said the man. "I thought that would do it. I've attended this church for months, and you are the first person who has spoken to me."

The best quote I ever heard on Relationships is this, "We are wired for relationship because we were made by a relationship." (That is, of course, the relationship of the Holy Trinity.) At the end of our lives, when we are on our death bed, the only thing that will really matter to us is our relationships. This is something to ponder. Who do I love? Who loves me?

It's a sobering thing to ponder that 100 years from now, the only relationship that will ultimately matter, the only one who will truly remember me is.....God. Yet, in the communion of saints and sinners, our relationships with others will also extend into eternity, whether in a heaven or in a hell. What am I doing to cultivate and foster good, godly relationships with those people I claim to care about? Matthew 25 and other Scriptures make it clear that my judgment before God will be based on how I loved and cared for my "neighbor" – first, my closest neighbors being my spouse, children, to my neighbor neighbors, my co-workers, acquaintances, on down the line, even to my own enemies. The only ship that I should worry about getting on in time and into eternity is the "relation-ship." While time limits us to develop deep relationships with only a minimal amount of people, the question is, "What am I doing to cultivate and deepen these relationships?" Really, who do I know more than on the surface?



Who really knows me? Does anybody really care? When I'm in a conversation with others, is there an authentic dialogue of sincerely wanting to know the other as other? As it's been said, people don't care what you know, until they know that you care. Does anyone call you because they are engaging another immortal soul, made in the image of God, worthy of love and honor and respect.....or is it simply a question of "use" --- getting something? Pope John Paul II once made a simple, powerful statement that the opposite of love is not hate, it is "use." We are supposed to love people and use things. Today we seem to love things and use people.



Matthew Kelly writes that the happiest people on the planet are those who have deep relationships. Gift these relationships with carefree timelessness.

Plan it, schedule it. Do it. Let's figure creative ways to deepen a shared bond with others. This could be faith, this could be a hobby, this could be a craft, a sport. Bishop Robert Barron once commented on a principle of Aristotle called "The Transcendent Third." The basic idea is that two people in a relationship that have a shared interest will grow closer to one another as they grow closer to the interest. In terms of looking at this from a faith perspective, imagine a shared faith in Christ and how a couple would grow closer to one another by growing closer to the Lord. Want



Pope's Intentions for August: The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

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