

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Parish Office: 636-398-5270 Fax: 636-398-5577

Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday:

4:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am

Sunday: Weekdays: 8:00am, St. Joseph Chapel

Weekly Devotions and Prayers

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 8:30am until Friday, 11:30am

Rosary:

Following 8am Mass weekdays & before Sat. 4pm.

Perpetual Help Devotions:

Tuesdays following 8am Mass

Respect Life Prayers:

Thursday following 8am Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction:

Friday at 11:30am

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

Baptism:

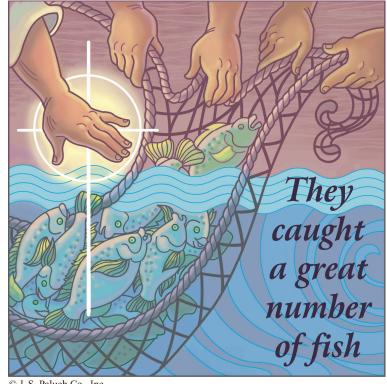
at least six months prior to the wedding Contact the parish office

to register for class and to arrange date

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 10, 2019



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Tell It I ike It Is

For a humble guy, St. Paul really tells it like it is. It seems some of the Corinthians did not believe that Christ rose from the dead, or that resurrection was a spiritual symbol of forgiveness of sins. So Paul lists those witnesses who actually saw the risen Jesus, last and least of these being Paul himself. Now we are used to thinking of Paul as one of the greatest apostles, even though we know he once persecuted Christians. So you might think he is being overly humble, like someone fishing for a compliment. No, Paul is only interested in making sure the Corinthians understand just how much God has done.

Besides being "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), that is, coming

to follow Christ in such an unusual way, he felt unworthy because of so many Christians he hurt before his conversion. Yet he turns that unworthiness into an example of how much God has done through him, so he can say that he worked harder than any other apostles because of God's grace, not Paul's strength. The same grace that turned a former enemy into a friend also gave him the strength to spread the gospel farther than anyone else at that time.

In today's Gospel, Peter has a similar experience. He was a fisherman who knew his business and knew that some days, the fish just aren't there. So when Jesus tells him to go out one more time, try one more cast of the

nets, Peter probably thought he'd show Jesus that it was no use. Then when they caught enough fish to fill both boats, he realized that his pride was sinful. He was unworthy to receive such bounty from the Lord. And yet Jesus tells him that "you will be catching men" (Luke 5:10).

How many of us are like Peter and Paul, thinking we know just what our place in the world is, relying on our own strengths to do our jobs? Surely that's all God expects of us, right? They found Jesus calling them to a much more challenging life. Do we have the courage to listen to God's call to serve?

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Welcome to Immaculate Heart of Mary: Informed—Hospitable—Missionary

Parish Staff

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Shawn Mueller, Director

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Parish School of Religion

Grades 1 thru 8, September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays Confirmation Preparation

8th Grade—September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays Children's Liturgy of the Word

September thru May, during the 9:30am Sunday Mass Adult Education

Wednesdays at 8:45am and 6:10pm, September thru May Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—contact Shawn for schedule

Quick Contacts Directory

Weddings, Receptions, Event	<u>s</u>	Parish Organizations			
Pat Gentry, Hall Rental/Wedding Coordinator	636-398-5270	Art & Environment			
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·	030 330 1371	Chuck Hinkle 636-544			
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		Teresa Berfanger	030-398-3505		

Pray for Healing with this Psalm

Philip Kosloski, writer for The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer).

Whether physical or spiritual, this Psalm can invoke God's healing power.

Living in a fallen world, we are all in need of healing. This is one of the reasons why Jesus came into the world, to bind up our wounds and breathe life into our souls and bodies.

Jesus is even known as the "Divine Physician," especially due to His many healing miracles. He continues to bring healing to people to this very day.

Below is an excerpt from Psalm 51, a beautiful Psalm that invokes God's healing power to cleanse us from sin and sickness.

If you are in need of healing right now, pray this Psalm with faith and trust in God, confident that He will hear your prayer and bring healing into your life. It may not be the healing we expect, but being the Divine Physician, He knows what type of medicine will cure us and bring us closer to him.

Have mercy on me, God, in accord with your merciful love; in your abundant compassion blot out my transgressions.

Thoroughly wash away my guilt; and from my sin cleanse me.

For I know my transgressions; my sin is always before me.

Against you, you alone have I sinned; I have done what is evil in your eyes So that you are just in your word, and without reproach in your judgment.

Behold, I was born in guilt, in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, you desire true sincerity; and secretly you teach me wisdom.

Cleanse me with hyssop, that I may be pure; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. You will let me hear gladness and joy; the bones you have crushed will rejoice.

Turn away your face from my sins; blot out all my iniquities. A clean heart create for me, God; renew within me a steadfast spirit.

Do not drive me from before your face, nor take from me your holy spirit. Restore to me the gladness of your salvation; uphold me with a willing spirit.

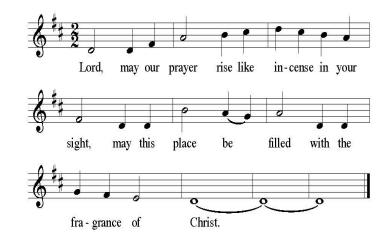
Lord, you will open my lips; and my mouth will proclaim your praise. For you do not desire sacrifice or I would give it; a burnt offering you would not accept. My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit; a contrite, humbled heart, O God, you will not scorn.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"[Peter, James, and John] pulled the boats up on the beach, left everything and followed Jesus." LUKE 5:11

A priest from India once shared the story of his vocation. He had grown up near Bombay, India. One day he came home from high school and asked his father if he could become a Catholic priest. His father said, "No, you're my only son. I want you to carry on the family name." Then, after being childless for 14 years, his mother became pregnant. When she was later rushed to the hospital for delivery, the young man and first born son ran the four-mile distance on foot. Arriving out of breath, he asked his dad, "Is it a boy or a girl?" "You have a brother," his dad said. "Great!" he said. "Now I can be a priest." And that is what he did.

How enthusiastically do I follow Jesus? Where does my enthusiasm come from? Mark Link S.J. Action 2000



Next Week Ministry Schedule

February 16—4:00pm

EM: Pat Roche, Mary Jean Hartenbach, Pat Barnard,

Karen Wilson, Ann Zaleuke, Sharon Hagan,

Mary Hannig, Carole Baker

Lec: Mike Greene, Jackie Dunn
GB: Rick & Jackie Barclay
Serv: Brody & Ashlyn Stafford

Ush: Chris Cuddihee, Dave Hendrix, Tom Zaleuke,

volunteer please

February 17—7:30am

EM: Carol Rabbitt, Bob Brossette, Emily Cooksey, Dianne Dickherber, John & Karen Wappelhorst

Lec: Kris Jenkins, Bob Leeker

GB: Rosemary Marquart, Dot Welge Serv: Mary Grace & Janie Becker

Ush: Rich Molitor, Ron Neske, Mike Stassi, Larry Koch

February 17—9:30am

EM: Janet Hespen, Don & Susan Hladky,

Donna Wolff, Megan Preuss, Steve Williams,

Dave & Pam DeBold

Lec: Youth Group GB: Youth Group Serv: Youth Group Ush: Youth Group

IHMformation Station

Febru- ary 1

4:00 Tom & Mary Jean Hartenbach February 17, 7:30 Bob & Teresa Berfanger

February 17, 9:30 Dave & Pat Gentry

Vocation Prayer Bag:

February 17, 7:30 Mike & Mary Stassi

This Week at Home

Heavenly Duster: Vicky Grunz Purificators: Mary Stassi

Sunday, February 10

KC Breakfast, Founders Hall, 8-11am Event in Grand Hall this afternoon

7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free, Weber Hall, 11a

Monday, February 11

SVDP, 6pm

Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm

Bell practice, church, 7pm

Tuesday, February 12

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, 9am Children's Choir, church, 7pm

Wednesday, February 13

Bible Study, Weber Hall, 8:45am

Emergency Preparedness, Weber Hall, 1:30pm Contemporary group practice, church, 5:30pm PSR, Weber Hall/Founders Hall/Trailer, 6pm

Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6pm

Reconciliation, 7pm

Thursday, February 14

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am Youth Ministry, Grand Hall, 6pm RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm Choir practice, church, 7pm

Friday, February 15

Early Birds Bible Study, Weber Hall, 6:30am

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30am

Saturday, February 16

Reconciliation, 8:45am Food Pantry open 9-10:30am

Luke 18, Grand Hall, 9am—9:30am Sunday

Sunday, February 17

Contemporary group at 9:30 Mass

7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free, Weber Hall, 11a

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Ed Haas, Mark Hanna, Dee Schipper, Phyllis Zerr, Vickie Brink, Sandy Knott, Mike & Pat Ryan, Mary Conover, Audrey Hueffmeier, Jolene Molitor, Karla Sitzes, Stan Nikonowicz, Vickie Rellergert, Vicky Monroe,

Christine Potter (Gary & Cassie's Potter's daughter-in-law), Zina Riley (mom of Andrew Riley),

David & Lisa Debold (Dave & Pam DeBold's children), Betty Enderle (mom of Kay Cherry),

Avery Presker (granddaughter of Bob & Yvonne Brossette), Dave Asinger (brother-in-law of Larry & Rita Bendel),
Bob Holland (friend of Shirley Augustine), Sherri Callahan (daughter of Vickie & Paul Grunz)

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: Rita Langford at 636-398-4654 or email ritalangford4@gmail.com.



Mass Intentions

Monday, February 11

8:00am Moira Ryan +

Tuesday, February 12

8:00am Ernie & Josephine Yates +

Wednesday, February 13

8:00am Tom Holstein +

All Souls

Thursday, February 14

8:00am Caesar Rashid +

Friday, February 15

8:00am intention: Roger/Vickie Brink

Saturday, February 16

8:00am Josephine Higginbotham +

4:00pm People of the Parish

Bob Barnard +

Sunday, February 17

7:30am Herbert O. Fine +

9:30am Betty Meier +



Marriage in Christ has been promised between: Sherri Sellini and Zachary Meyer

Pope's Intentions for February: Human Trafficking

For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.





Janet Hespen, Youth Minister, 314-369-6521

Youth Group Meetings in the Grand Hall from 6-8pm: February 14, 28, March 14, 28

February 16/17: Luke 18 retreat, 9am Saturday until 9:30am Sunday in the Grand Hall

March 6: Ash Wednesday Mass at 7pm. 8th graders and Youth Group will help with ministries. Sign up at PSR or Youth Group meetings.

March 13: Sacrament of Reconciliation, 6-7:30pm

Contributions, February 2/3

 General Offertory:
 \$10,012.00

 Online – General Offertory:
 \$5,451.41

 TOTAL
 \$15,463.41

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" (ISAIAH 6: 8)

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. The next time you hear God calling, have the courage to walk through the door and say "Here I am, Lord."

We pray ... that we may eagerly respond "Here I am, Lord," whenever we hear God call upon us to be His hands, feet and voice here on earth.

Needed at the Pantry:

Paper towels, toilet paper and all purpose cleaning supplies

In the Gospel today, the disciples decide to leave everything to follow Jesus. We are also called to follow Jesus, who tells us that "whatever you do to the least of mine, you do for me."

Your gift to the poor can bring the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.



Rest in Peace



We offer our prayerful sympathy to Barb and Ken Keene on the death of her sister

Jane Eggering

Steve and Trish Williams on the death of his father

Tom Williams

Gary and Wanda Bax on the death of their daughter-in-law

Jaime Bax

May they and all the faithful departed rest in the eternal peace of Christ.

Attention: All Volunteers!! Safe Environment Program Compliance

Anyone who works with or volunteers with children must be compliant with the Safe Environment Program of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis set forth by the USCCB. (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

Compliance includes attending a Protecting God's Children Workshop, completing a Worker Registration Form to obtain a background check, and reading and signing a Code of Ethical Conduct. Each location must have copies of individual background checks & code of ethics forms on file for all active volunteers and employees. Additional background checks may be necessary if you have lived out of state in previous years.

To register online for a Protecting God's Children Workshop, please visit www.archstl.org and click on the Protecting God's Children link at the bottom of the main page, then click "View Workshops." You will be redirected to the VIRTUS-online.org site to complete the registration process. The Code of Ethical Conduct and worker registration forms are available from your parish Child Safety Coordinator and may also be located on your parish website. If you have questions or need assistance with this process please contact the parish office or the Archdiocesan Safe Environment Program at 314-792-7272.

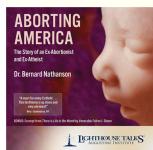
Missouri Background Checks are obtained when you begin your ministry and are updated every even- numbered year. Please let the parish office know if you would like to be removed from the list of active volunteers. You must also contact the Missouri Family Care Safety Registry at 1-866-422-6872 with address changes.

Protecting God's Children class: Tuesday, February 19, 6:30pm in Weber Hall. To register: logon to www.ihm-newmelle.org and click on "Virtus—Protecting God's Children" Call the office if you need help.

St. Paul Library & Lighthouse CD's

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

From the Lighthouse Catholic CD Rack: Narthex



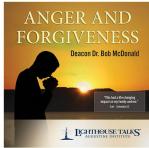
Bernard Nathanson was an American medical doctor from New York who helped to found the National Abortion Rights Action League, but then later became an acclaimed pro-life activist. He gained national attention by becoming one of the founding members of the National Abortion Rights Action League, now known as NARAL Pro-Choice America. He worked with Betty Friedan and others for the legalization of abortion in the United States. He was also for a time the director of the Center for Reproductive and Sexual Health New York's largest abortion clinic. Nathanson has written that he was responsible for more than 75,000 abortions throughout his pro-choice career.

Learning the other side of the story and how those who worked in this field, recognized the true

meaning of life thru technology and Christianity. Lesley - Park City, KS

Raw truth/Passionate speaker. Repentance. LOVE Jesus - San Fernando, CA

From the Parish Library: Grand Hall



Catholic psychotherapist Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald provides a spiritual and psychological prescription for overcoming the sinful anger that poisons the mind of Christ within, causing alienation and division. His practical wisdom shows that only by learning how to forgive can we hope to promote healing and understanding in our relationships and enjoy the blessings of a forgiving heart.

The talk was able to give thoughtful analogies to compare irrational behavior with our angry behavior. It was also able to break down anger in an understandable way so that I can look at different instances and see where I was allowing anger to rise up. Christy - Bison, OK

Readings for the Week

Mon: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c;

Mk 6:53-56

Tue: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wed: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30;

Mk 7:14-23

Thu: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30 Fri: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

Sat: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sun: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20;

Lk 6:17, 20-26

In the Traditional-Devotional Dedication of the Months of the Year, February is traditionally dedicated to The Holy Family. Simply put, a Holy Family is a praying family. For some simple practical tips, do a search online for an article called "Practical Ways to Pray as a Family" by Allison Auth.



What's Your Catholic IQ?

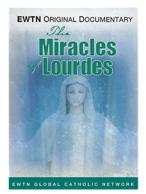
1.	The	Sacraments touc	h all	the stages and all the	: imp	portant moments of C	_hris	stian life.
	a.	ten	b.	seven	c.	four	d.	three
2.	There is	s a certain resemblar	nce b	etween the stages of	natı	ıral life and the stage	s of	the life.
	a.	happy	b.	spiritual	c.	good	d.	abundant
3.	There a	are two Sacraments o	of he	aling, two of commu	ınior	n and mission and thr	ee c	of Christian
	a.	introduction	b.	initiation	c.	invitation	d.	involvement
4.	The Sac	craments of Christian	n init	iation—, Conf	firma	ation, and the Euchar	ist—	-lay the foundations of every Chris-
	tian life	2.						
	a.	Baptism	b.	Matrimony	c.	Reconciliation	d.	Ordination
5.	The Sac	rament of Sacramer	nts. <i>i</i>	All the other Sacrame	nts a	are ordered to it as to	the	eir end.
	a.	Eucharist	b.	Holy Orders	c.	Matrimony	d.	Baptism
6.	Holy B	aptism is the basis o	f the	whole Christian life,	the	gateway to life in the	:	
	a.	Arch. of St. Louis	b.	Spirit	c.	door of faith	d.	window of opportunity
7.	Baptism	n is the door which ;	gives	access to the other _		<u>.</u>		
	a.	doors	b.	Sacraments	c.	religions	d.	faiths
8.	Throug	h Baptism we are fr	eed 1	from and reboi	rn as	sons of God.		
	a.	rules	b.	sin	c.	our homes	d.	commands
9.	We bed	come members of Cl	hrist,	are incorporated into	o the	e and made sha	arer	s in her mission.
	a.	building	b.	mosaic	c.	Church	d.	frame
10.	The plu	inge into the water	symb	oolizes the catechume	n's t	ourial into Christ's		from which He rises up by resurrec-
	tion.							
	a.	tomb	b.	grave	c.	death	d.	sepulcher

Dynamic Catholic Alive! Reconciliation

Today we hear how Isaiah saw the Lord seated on a "high and lofty throne." Isaiah was concerned that his sinfulness made him unworthy for this honor, but the Lord took care of his "wickedness" by sending a Seraphim to put a hot ember on Isaiah's lips! In the Gospel we hear how Peter was also concerned about his own unworthiness and sinfulness and Jesus brushed Peter's concerns away by appointing him to be a "fisher of men." Because of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and the institution of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we don't need hot embers to have our sins forgiven. We are absolved of our sins through Reconciliation. With our busy schedules it is easy to procrastinate and we may put it off for all kinds of reasons. If it has been a while since you have celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation, consider adding that to your "To Do" list, because God's mercy is endless.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated at our parish on Saturday mornings about 8:45 and Wednesday evenings at 7pm and by appointment.

Mysteries, Marvels and Miracles in the Life of Christ and the Church. Our Lady of Lourdes: February 11

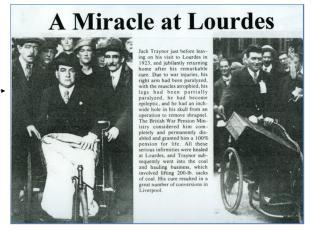


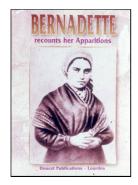
If you don't know the story of Our Lady of Lourdes and her appearances to Bernadette Soubirous in France in the 1850s, on behalf of all those responsible for your Catholic upbringing and information, we apologize. It is still amazing to me that with all the amazing wonders that have taken place throughout Church history, so many are not aware of such things. Near the top of the list is the Apparitions at Lourdes. Watch one of the many videos posted on the internet to get the story. Downstairs in our parish library is a host of videos and books as well. After the apparitions occurred in 1858, there were so many miracles that were taking place that the Church had to

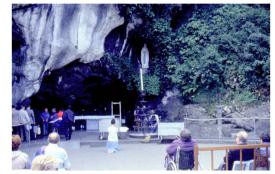
form an official Medical Bureau to investigate all the claims. To date, there are at least 10,000 healing miracles on the books. See the video "The Miracles at Lourdes" to learn more. One very influential healing miracle

that took place in Lourdes was of a man named Jack Traynor. You can read his story more in depth online, but here is a picture.

As in all these miracles, they are meant to lead to the greatest miracle, that of conversion. Our Lady comes to call us to return to the Lord, to cast aside the one thing that can separate us from Christ, both in time or in eternity—serious sin. Miracles wake us up to the wonder of God and of our need for conversion. The meaning, message and miracle of Lourdes is ongoing. Consider learning more....or maybe even taking a pilgrimage there. 5 million visit every year there. Why not be one of them?









Offering Mass Intentions

Pope Paul VI said, "The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer!" It has immense power and countless miracles and conversions have occurred through the centuries by offering Masses for a specific intention or person. Mass intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have a spiritual weight that is incalculable. When the priest offers the celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person or intention, he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention.

We have several dates upcoming that are available for your intentions! Please call or come by the parish office to schedule.

Director of Music Ministry Needed

St. Sabina in Florissant is looking for someone who could play the 5:00 Mass every Saturday night at St. Sabina. There is a cantor available, but if the person can sing, that is a plus. This person will eventually take over the whole music ministry program in July 2019. That will include playing for all holiday Masses and the 10:00 Mass on Sundays. Currently there is no choir. In the future, a choir may be formed to sing on Sundays and Holy Days. There is an organ and a piano at the church. This person must be able to play the organ as well as the piano. Salary will be discussed based on experience. If interested please contact the rectory at St. Sabina and ask for Deacon Jack Hofmann at 314-837-1365.



Men's Annual White House Retreat_I ast Call!

This is an invitation to the men of IHM to attend the annual White House Retreat starting Thursday, March 14 and ending on Sunday, March 17. There is a sign up in the back of church, or contact Ken Birk at 636-398-5301. Reservations due by <u>February 15</u>. I hope you can join us!

Women's Retreats also available. Call the church office if you are interested or want more information.

Is your child or a student your know staying in St. Louis to attend college?

The University of Missouri St. Louis-Catholic Newman Center (CNC) offers a warm and welcoming place to study, relax, pray, play, and hang out. We have student-centered evening Masses, socials, faith sharing groups, service and leadership opportunities open to all college students and young adults. We have everything from barbeques, service trips, retreats, a stocked kitchen, a student computer lab, spiritual direction, and free WiFi.

If you can't make it to Sunday Morning Mass the Catholic Newman Center at UMSL has a Mass Sunday evenings at 6pm on the south campus of UMSL during the school year. Visitors welcome! For more information see: cncumsl.org. If you know an UMSL or local community college student, send a note to frnick@cncumsl.org so we can personally invite them to Mass.

Helping Hearts Community Service Ministry



We are a group of IHM volunteers who wish to provide physical assistance to our neighbors who are unable to help themselves because of physical limitations. We can help with:

- Transportation to/from medical appointments, grocery stores and churches
- Install support bars for showers and tubs
- Install ramps for people having trouble with mobility
- Simple tasks: replacing lightbulbs and other simple household jobs
- Remove obstacles or debris: fallen tree limbs, etc.

Please pick up a brochure from our IHMformation Station for phone contacts and further information about what we can (and cannot) do. We want to help our parishioners and other community members within our parish boundaries in need of minor services that they are unable to do because of age or infirmity.

Giving Greener

Are you trying to cut down on the paper you use? Is the check you write to our parish one of the few checks that you write anymore? You can give greener by using our Online Giving Program. Simply go to our parish website at www.ihm-newmelle.org and click the "Online Giving" box where you will find some easy to follow instructions. You can set up the amount that you would like to give on a schedule that meets your needs and you never have to worry about writing another check, forgetting your envelope, or having cash in your wallet. Our parish greatly appreciates all those who choose to give in this manner as it helps us maintain a consistent cash flow and pay all of our bills in a timely manner.

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Prayer Service Against Human Trafficking—February 10

A prayer service for the 27 million persons being enslaved and for an end to human trafficking will be held Sunday, from 2-3pm at the St. Joseph Chapel of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood, 204 N. Main in O'Fallon. The service will be part of the International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking, near the feast day of patron St. Josephine Bakhita. Everyone is welcome. Parking in front of the chapel and in Civic Center lots. Questions or how you can get involved in combatting H.T.? Contact Sr. Esther at 636-248-1117.

Poker Tournament—February 16

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Poker Tournament on February 16 at **Assumption (Mattese).** Cost is \$25 with gift cards for the winners. Interested? Visit http://www.assumptionstl.org/special-events or contact Steve at valksr@yahoo.com.

Fried Chicken Dinner—February 17

Friedens Peace United Church of Christ is hosting a Special Fried Chicken Dinner from 12—6pm at 3560 Mill Street, New Melle. Dinner prices: \$11.50 for adults & carryouts, \$6 for children ages 6-11, and FREE for children 5 and under. Sides: potatoes & gravy, coleslaw, cornbread, green beans, corn, dessert and beverage.

Imagining Jesus in His Own Culture—Talk & Book Signing February 21

The Daughters of St. Paul invite you to experience the world of Jesus and the Gospel with new eyes with local author Fr. Jerome Neyrey, S.J.. Talk and book signing at 9804 Watson Road, St. Louis 63126. Please call 314-965-3512 for more information

Life Teen Women's Retreat—February 22-24

Spend a weekend away with inspiring speakers, worship and fellowship. All women 18+ are welcome at the **St. Louis Hilton Frontenac**. Please visit *LFTN.co/women* for more information.

Quilt Social and Bingo—February 23

St. Ann's Sodality at **Holy Rosary in Warrenton** will be hosting their annual Quilt Social and Bingo at their activity center located at 716 E. Booneslick Road. Doors open at 11:30, Bingo starts at 12:30. Lunch will be available. No one under 16 years old allowed in the hall. For more info: Barb at 636-456-3567 or 636-456-3698 ext. 221.

"Come As You Are" Parish Mission—February 24-28

St. Robert Bellarmine, located near the intersection of Hwy. 70 and 94 in St. Charles, is hosting a 5-night parish mission with Fr. Peter Schavitz, C.Ss.R. on the topics of Baptism, Confirmation, Healing & Forgiveness, Kingdom of God and Eucharist. For more info: Jan at jmcarthur@strbellarmine.com or the parish website strbellarmine.com.

Marriage Encounter Weekend—April 12-14

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NAR-ANON SUPPORT GROUP: Weekly meetings on Saturdays, 10:00 am in the Trailer at IHM. This group is for Family and Friends of Addicts. For questions, please call Ann at 314-578-4737



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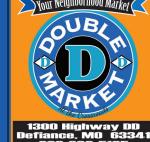
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