

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Schedule of Holy Mass

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

Perpetual Help Devotions: Tuesdays following 8am Mass

Respect Life Prayers: Thursday following 8am Mass

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





2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8

Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A pregnant woman was walking in the store and met an old friend. Her friend exclaimed, "You are absolutely beaming!" The new life God placed in her womb radiated throughout her body. It was brightly visible on her face and in her eyes. Transformation and change usually happen from the inside out. It is very rare that simply imposing structure from the outside does any good. Yes, it is true that routines and habits can change when things are done differently. But, for this change to last there has to be an interior renewal and metamorphosis as well. Simply regulating behavior and bringing someone into conformity with accepted protocols doesn't mean their heart and soul come with them.

Peter was a homeless man who lived in a very remote and rudimentary tent community. He was happy to make his daily

trip to McDonald's and always welcomed a gift card or two so that he could buy some coffee and something to eat. A generous advocate worked to secure him an apartment in hopes of moving Peter out of his makeshift housing and into something safer. Peter finally got the grand tour of his new "digs," received his own key, remarked how wonderful the place was, closed the door behind him when they left and never returned. He preferred his tent. No matter how much things changed on the outside, Peter was happy where he was. A poignant lesson was learned that dav.

How is your Lent going? By now you ought to have a sense of whether you're really "into it" this year and something transformational is happening. For many, it's only the stuff on the outside

that changes for a few weeks and then they return to business as usual. For others, there are some real inner changes happening that are deepening their relationships with God, others, self, and creation. If we are serious about moving to a new place and radiating with the presence of new life and joy, then we have to clear the way to listen for God's call. Then, there is God's request to change things up a bit and order our lives differently. After realizing we have been called and given a mission, we have to trust that this is where we need to be. And then, after all of this hard work we are asked to act. The fruit that is revealed will indicate whether our journey is authentic. The brilliance of conversion will begin to shine on our faces as we contemplate the One to whom we are asked to listen. ©I Pi

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

Parish Staff

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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

Parish Organizations

Quick Contacts Directory

Liturgical Vie		
Stan Kostecki	314-397-5965	Budget & Finance
<u>Weddings, Rece</u>	eptions, Events	Larry Graves Cemetery Commit
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Shawn Mueller	636-398-5270	Helping Hearts
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Lectors		Pro Life
Joe Willis	636-398-2106	Bill Winters
Gift Bearers		Quilters
Peggy Dupree	636-398-5270	Vanita Joerlin
Ushers		Ruth Willis
Gary Struckhoff	636-828-6067	Scouting
Altar Servers		Chuck Hinkle
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Art & Environment		Joe Willis
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Music Ministry		Teresa Berfan
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Adult Choir		
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Children's Choir		Janet Hespen
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Larry Graves	314-799-9804	
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Jeff Comotto	314-570-6972	
Funeral Lunches		
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Meals on Wheels		
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Quilters		
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Perspective

Dear Parishioners.

Two of the greatest things we are responsible for in life is our attitude and the perspective it creates for us in life. While we SUNDAY may want to blame others for our attitude, it is really our choice to respond and react the way we choose. Perspective on life often flows directly from one's attitude and life compass. Here is a good reflection of perspective.

HAVE A NICE DAY

I never knew his name. In my mind he was the "Parking Lot Man." Each day I drove to school and saw the older man in his early fifties who sat in the booth in the pay lot where I parked. He worked there eight hours a day, doing what, to me, seemed like a boring job-collecting money and raising and lowering the exit bar. Yet he appeared to enjoy his work. He always gave me a big smile when I drove up to pay my fee and sent me off with, "Have a nice day." What he didn't know was at that particular time in my life, I needed someone to remind me to have a nice day.

I was taking dance classes that year, hoping to improve my technique. As a woman coming to dance later in life, I found the classes much harder than I realized. Most of my classmates were at least ten years younger, and some had been training since they were three years old. I struggled with health and emotional issues, as well as ongoing back problems. Every day I'd

leave the studios feeling exhausted, discouraged, and mediocre. Why did I keep taking classes?

My spirits were always lifted by the Parking Lot Man. Sometimes when there were open spaces on the streets, I'd park in his lot anyway because I looked forward to his smile and greeting.

One morning I came to school early and saw the Parking Lot Man pushing himself around the lot in a wheelchair. I had noticed the chair before, but because he sat in the booth, I had never

seen him below the waist. I drove by and he waved, smiling, and then went back to cheerfully picking up bits of trash. He moved swiftly around the edges of the lot, turning his chair expertly across the lined asphalt. I marveled at the pride he took in his work, even down to the smallest details.

When I got out of my car, what I saw almost made me drop my dance shoes. He had no legs! That day I went to class on my own two legs with my bundle of limitations and enjoyed what I knew I was supposed to do.

CAROL OYANAGI

Gratitude Prayers: Prayers, Poems, and Prose for Everyday Thankfulness *June Cotner*

Peace,

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LENTEN CONFESSIONS Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday 7-8:30pm

2nd Sunday of Lent-Year B

[Jesus took Peter, James, and John up a mountain.] Then a cloud appeared and covered them with its shadow, and a voice [said] ..., "This is my own beloved Son ... Listen to him!" Mark 9:7

There's a connection between this mountain event (Mount Tabor) and another mountain event (Mount Olivet). On Mount Tabor, Peter, James, and John saw Jesus in a moment of ecstasy, when His divinity was revealed in a privileged way. On Mount Olivet, the same three apostles saw Jesus in a moment of agony, when His humanity was revealed in a privileged way. The two events are complementary in that they reveal the total Jesus in a total way: true God and true man.

How do I tend to relate to Jesus in my prayer life - more as God or man?



Ministry Schedule

February 27—4pm

Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Bryan Potter, Karen Wilson		
Sharon Hagan, Pat Barnard		
Zoey Panus		
Bryan & cantor		
Larry Graves, Ed Etzkorn, Bill Pollihan		
Kathy Lalonde		
February 28—7:30am		
Deacon Chris, Aaron Waldeck, Dianne Dickherber,		
Jan Kardasz		
Chuck Kettler, Bob Leeker		
Sydney Jaeckle		
Verdi & cantor		
Dave London, Tom Meczkowski, Ron Jacob		
Margie Vandeven		

February 28-9:30am

EM:	Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Chris & Kat Menne
Lec:	Nancy Ast, Donna Hecht
Serv:	Izzy Czuchna
Music:	Bryan & cantor
Ush:	Joe Weber, Bob Hutchcraft, Gary Struckhoff
Proj:	Josephine Simon

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Phyllis Zerr, Mike & Pat Ryan, Fran Bussen, Nancy Hollenstein, Deacon Tony, Amy Robbins, Betty Boyd, Don Schmidt, Betty Heppermann, Joyce Brakensiek, Carl Wolff, Gary Potter, Terry Hagan, **Richard & Doris Berhorst**

Lisa Debold (daughter of Dave & Pam DeBold), Leon Burkemper (son of Carol Rabbitt), Doris Eisenbath (mother of Judy Molitor), Janet Piel (sister of Joni Marren-Slaughter), Loren & Evelyn Brandon (parents of Marty & Peggy Dupree), Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen), Charlie Grady (grandson of John & Carol Grady), Marlene Hegemeier (sister of Pat Roche), Steve Wengerski (family friend of Mandy Daub), Sophia Hartsfield (granddaughter of Ed & Marcia Etzkorn), Keith Langford (son of Rita & brother of Valerie Langford), Red Brockmeyer (cousin of Kay & Ray Cherry), Karla Sitzes (daughter of Sophia Bax), Karen Windler (sister of John Wappelhorst), Michael Speir (son-in-law of Jackie & Steve Dunn), Peyton Newman (grandson of Mike & Mary Hardesty)

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

March 6—4pm

EM:	Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Jim & Chris Warren
Lec:	Pat Barnard, Mark Greene
Serv:	Aiden Panus
Music:	Bryan & Mary Ann
Ush:	Andy Pope, Chris Cuddihee, Mike Rieker
Proj:	Stafford Family
	March 7—7:30am
EM:	Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Betty Tuepker,
	Dianne Dickherber
Lec:	Bob Leeker, Dave London

- Lec:
- Serv: Mary Grace Becker
- Verdi & Brooke Music:
- Terry Schneider, Chris Molitor, Larry Smith Ush: Paul DuPont Proj:

March 7-9:30am

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EM:	Deacon Chris, Laura Orf, Patrice Riley,
	Maureen Blondin
Lec:	Pat Gentry, Joe Willis
Serv:	Thomas Kokker
Music:	Bryan, Debbie, Betsy, Mary
Ush:	Bob Hutchcraft, Bill Riley, Chuck Hinkle

Thomas Kokker Proj:

Heavenly Duster Schedule

Week of February 28:	Ann Zaleuke
Week of March 7:	Bev Mayhew
Week of March 14:	Jan Wolf
Week of March 21:	Ann Biddy
Week of March 28:	Alice Faron

Purificators

Month of March:

Pam DeBold

Rest in Peace 🕆 ዯ

Marietta Mueller mother of Chris & Joe Faron Carol Sellini grandmother of Sherri & Zach Meyer Eleanore Luntar grandmother of Patrick & Tammi Knieb **Rick Cobleigh** husband of Lois Cobleigh

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

Pope's Intentions for March: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



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Mass Intentions

Monday, March 1 8:00am Tuesday, March 2 8:00am

Wednesday, March 3

Thursday, March 4

8:00am

8:00am

8:00am

8:00am

4:00pm

7:30am 9:30am

Sunday, March 7

Friday, March 5

Saturday, March 6

Brett Varady + All Souls

Milton Barta +

Dave Gentry +

Bobby Eisenbath +

Holy Vocations

Jerry & Sandy Knott + People of IHM

Ed Orf +

David Flavan +

This Week at Home social distancing recommended at all events

Monday, March 1

St. Joseph study, Grand Hall, 9am SVDP, 6pm Scouts, Founders Hall, 6:30pm Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm

Tuesday, March 2

Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am KofC Officers, Founders Hall, 6:30p Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm

Wednesday, March 3

Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6:15pm Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm

Thursday, March 4

Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm Event in Grand Hall 6:30pm

Friday, March 5

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30am—noon Fish Fry, carryouts & inside dining 3:30—7:30pm Stations of the Cross, church, 7pm

Saturday, March 6

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

Recycling bins are located on the gravel lot behind Fr. Tom's house.



Contributions, February 20/21

General Offertory: Online – General Offertory: TOTAL: \$7,603.70 <u>\$6,119.50</u> **\$13,723.20**

"'Here I am!' he answered." ~~ Genesis 22:11 ~~

It is easy to say "Here I am, Lord" when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord" when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

We pray: that we may answer "Here I am, Lord" whenever, wherever and however God calls us to serve Him.

Needed at the Pantri



UPDATED LIST: Ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, assorted salad dressing flavors, body wash, lotion, shaving lotion (men's and ladies) razors, dish soap, all purpose cleaner, coffee, tea, beef stew, shampoo and conditioner

Please hold your plastic bags—we have plenty!!

Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 12 families, providing \$3,444 in food, \$6,212.82 for utility, rent and other bills.

Reconciliation

Easter Sunday April 4

Mon/Tue/Wed 7-8:30pm Saturdays, 8:30am Stations of the Cross Fridays, 7pm (not March 19) Prayer Breakfast Saturday, March 13, Grand Hall, 8:30am Consecration to St. Joseph Friday, March 19 with evening Mass Anointing of the Sick after Masses March 20/21 Holy Week begins March 28

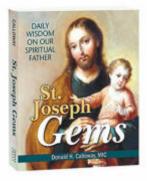




St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located in the Narthex

Located in St. Joseph Chapel: Year of St. Joseph

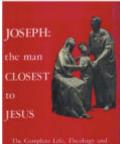


<u>Saint Joseph Gems: Daily Wisdom on Our Spiritual Father</u> by Donald H. Calloway, MIC, is the largest published collection of quotes about the second-greatest saint in the Church, after the Blessed Virgin Mary!

Never before has all this wealth of intensely interesting and little known facts about St. Joseph been compiled into a single book. This can truly be called a little Summa of St. Joseph, as the only survey existing in any language of the complete life, theology, and devotional history of St. Joseph. Four previous books of Father Filas are the basis for the present Joseph: The Man Closest to Jesus. Complete revision, expansion of all material that needed updating, and

the re-issuance of earlier sections of permanent value make it possible to offer this full thesaurus of facts (sometimes published here for the first time in English) about St. Joseph.

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The Complete Life, Theology and Deconoral History of St. Joseph FRANCIS L. FILAS, S.J.

relationship to Jesus. The fifth section takes up the topic of Joseph's dignity, holiness, supernatural privileges, patronage, and possible advancement in the liturgy. The concluding section surveys the complete history of the devotion to St. Joseph, from the earliest years of the Church to the present, and quotes (with accompanying commentary) all modern papal pronouncements concerning St. Joseph. An appendix offers a new translation of all indulgences and other new prayers honoring St. Joseph. Fully indexed for handy reference.



"The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is **cherished**."

> USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection

One of the Lenten practices is **PRAYER**. Here's some tips to help you in your prayer life, during Lent an beyond:

- On't have time for daily prayer? Say a quick prayer for people that annoy you. You'll be praying more than you imagined and your attitude towards them will change.
- On't have time to read the Bible? There's an app for that. Start with daily scripture readings. Remember, scripture is one of the ways God talks to us.
- On't have time to pray the Rosary? Start with three Hail Mary's each day. You'll be looking for your Rosary in no time.

Did you know that the months of the year have been given a devotional "focus" in Church tradition? February is dedicated to the Holy Family. Here is a recent billboard that members of the parish and beyond have supported to put up in the St. Charles County area to encourage family life.



Thank you to everyone who participated in the 137th annual Black and Indian Mission Collection last weekend. Your prayerful support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities all over the U.S.A. Spreading the Gospel couldn't happen without your support!

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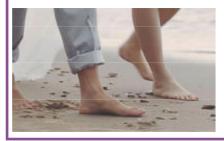
The Church has a long history of preparing for Easter during the season of Lent. The Lenten season is rich with tradition and symbols. Through the readings at Mass we join the journey of Jesus to the cross and the resurrection. This journey has a personal meaning for all of us. This year we invite St. Joseph to be our companion and show us how to bring Jesus into our lives. Please join your fellow parishioners on their journey.

Join us on <u>Saturday, March 13</u> as we welcome Steve Fahrig back to our parish. He has dedicated his life to building the Catholic Church as an educator. He is currently forming our future priests as an Associate Professor of Biblical Theology at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. He received his PhD in Biblical Theology from Boston College. Prior to joining Kenrick-Glennon, Steve was on the faculty of Saint John's Seminary in Brighton, Massachusetts, and personal assistant to Fr. Timothy Gallagher. He worked in parishes as a pastoral associate and served as a youth minister.



Please celebrate Holy Mass with us at 8:00am on March 13 followed by FREE breakfast and presentation in the Grand Hall (donations accepted)

Event graciously sponsored by the Legion of Mary



ALL are welcome – men and women, bring a friend! Registration required. Sign up in the narthex, or call the office: 636-398-5270. Contact Nancy Ast with questions: 636-357-3456

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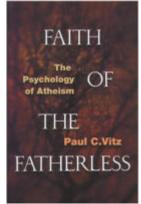
A cause you can really get behind.



Please mark your calendars!!! During the weekends of March 13-14 through Sunday, March 21, the Permanent Deacons in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, in conjunction with the Respect Life office, will be collecting diapers for infants, toddlers and adults as part of our fourth annual diocesan-wide Pro-Life service project to assist families in need. Last year we collected over 325,000 diapers for those in need and we'd like to exceed that total this year. We would ask that you please consider placing the purchasing of infant, toddler or adult diapers on your shopping list and bring them to Weber Hall. All diapers collected will be donated to assist families in our parish community. For more information, speak to our permanent deacon, Deacon Chris, or give the office a call. We would like to stress

the need for the larger size diapers, 3's, 4's and 5's. We ask you to pray for the success of this project and to please be as generous as possible.





Year of St. Joseph

Pope Francis declared a Year of St. Joseph through December 8th 2021 on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being proclaimed as Patron of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870. Throughout this special year we will include various insights, past and present about St. Joseph.

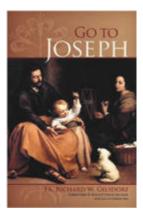
In <u>Patris Corde (With a Father's Heart)</u> Pope Francis wrote that "the aim of this Apostolic Letter is to increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and his zeal."

This is providential for our times, especially when we need the example and virtues of St. Joseph to be highlighted. We think first of the family, of the need for just men, godly men who hunger and thirst for what is right and true, husbands and fathers who are present to their families, who lead their families in faith through word and example. When we see the family attacked, and children in the womb discarded, we need providers and protectors, not simply in the financial realm, but in the realm of safeguarding and cultivating faith. When we have lost sight of the value and dignity of work, of the gift of human labor to contribute to the good of family and society ...

when we've lost sight of the virtues of humility, of obedience, of respect for authority, men of prayer who revere the school of silence ... all these things we see lived in this holy man.

Especially for Fathers. Today, there are so many absentee fathers, broken fathers. Many father wounds. Let's face it, almost all of our problems today can find at their root, lack of love in the

home. Where our fathers may have left a hole, St. Joseph can fill in those holes. So all you Fathers, Father in Laws, Grandfathers, Godfathers...we need help; we need to "Go to Joseph" (Genesis 41:55) a heroic and loving earthly witness of our great heavenly Father.





Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer

The Oremus study program teaches participants the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Over the course of the study, participants will discover how God speaks to them, even in the smallest encounters. We have a group that meets Tuesday mornings after Mass. Contact the parish office or Kelly Meyer (636) 634-1577 to register or for more info.

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What's Your Catholic Catechism IO?

"The Catechism of the Catholic Church is a statement of the Church's faith and of Catholic doctrine, attested to or illumined 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)

- 1. It is also necessary to reform international economic and financial institutions so that they will better promote equitable relationships with less countries.
 - b. advanced a. deserving
 - d. honorable c. populated
- 2. God blesses those who come to the aid of the and rebukes those who turn away from them.
 - a. military b. poor
 - c. wealthy d. angered
- 3. Love for the poor extends not only to material poverty but also to the many forms of cultural and poverty.
 - b. economic a. venial
 - c. financial d. religious
- 4. The works of are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities.
 - b. God a. law
 - d. man c. mercy
- 5. Among all works of mercy, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity; it also is a work of _____ pleasing to God.
 - a. humility b. wonder and awe
 - c. justice d. temperance
- 6. Those who are oppressed by poverty are the object of a _____ love on the part of the Church.

 - a. passionate b. romantic c. sacrificial
 - d. preferential
- 7. The eighth commandment forbids misrepresenting the in our relations with others.
 - a. news b. gossip
 - c. joke d. truth
- 8. Man tends by nature toward the truth. He is obliged to honor and bear _____ to it.
 - a. fruits b. witness
 - d. arms c. nothing
- 9. All men are both impelled by their nature and bound by a moral obligation to seek the truth, especially
 - a. mathematical b. religious
 - c. scientific d. philosophical
- 10. Men are also bound to adhere to the truth once they come to know it and direct their whole lives in accordance with the _____ of truth.
 - b. demands a. version
 - d. opinion c. possibility

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March 11:	40 Day Decisions
March 18:	Youth Group, 6:30-8pm
March 25:	Our faith and the media. Come with your
	favorite Christian song or YouTube video.
April 4:	Easter Sunday
April 10/11:	Luke 18



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10 Mon: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79/Lk 6:36-38 Tue: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50/Mt 23:1-12 Wed: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31/Mt 20:17-28 Thu: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1/Lk 16:19-31 Fri: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Sat.

O my God, I do not ask you to keep me from suffering, but to be with me in affliction. Teach me to seek you as my only comforter; sustain my faith; strengthen my hope; purify my love. Grant me the grace to recognize Your hand in the midst of suffering and to want no other comforter than You. St. Bernadette Soubirous

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Do you feel called to do something special for you Church? If so a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate might be something that you are being called to. The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is asking that interested men attend one of the Information Nights to begin exploring a vocation the Permanent Diaconate. Upcoming Information Nights will be held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 and Thursday, March 18, 2021 at Cardinal Rigali Center. All meetings will begin at 7:00 PM. <u>Wives</u> of men considering this vocation <u>are strongly encouraged to attend</u>. For more information or to reserve a spot at the meeting, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at 314.792.7431, or talk with Deacon Chris.



Students from Daniel Boone School

held a food drive recently, and these pictures show the results of their very generous donation to our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. We estimate that between 4,000 and 5,000 food items were donated, resulting from a class challenge. We don't know what the winning class won, but we sure appreciate the efforts of the staff, parents, and students to help us help our neighbors in need.

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