

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, 11:30am 8:00am, St. Joseph Chapel

Weekly Devotions and Prayers

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 8:30am until Friday, 11:00am

Rosary:

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

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:	Mon/Tue/Wed 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
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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office

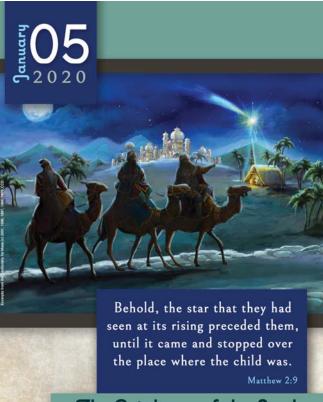
The Star of Bethlehem

Almost every year at Christmastime, you can find a newspaper article or TV documentary about the star of Bethlehem. Astronomers give various theories about whether the magi saw a new star, perhaps a supernova, or a comet, or a conjunction of two or more planets. Since the magi are generally believed to be astrologers, the conjunction seems most likely.

More important is the meaning of the star. In Matthew's Gospel, light is used as a symbol of the good news of Jesus coming into the world. Jesus is the light of the world, so the magi follow that light to get to Jesus. That's why verse 9 of the Gospel has the image of the star preceding the wise men and stopping over the house where Jesus was. By following the star, they become followers of Christ. So what do the magi show us about following Jesus?

First, they take the initiative. They saw the star, figured out what it meant, and made their journey. As followers of Jesus, we can look for what needs to be done (in our family, parish, or community) and do it. We don't have to wait for the pastor to call us and beg for help—there are articles in this bulletin during the year asking for help.

Second, they expressed their faith in Jesus by the gifts they brought: gold—a gift for a king, who is worthy to be followed; frankincense— Jesus is worthy to be worshiped as Son of God; and myrrh—Jesus becomes king by dying for us all. We



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can express our faith in many ways. We can volunteer to help the poor, the elderly, or the disabled. We can teach our children how to pray and tell them about all that God has done for us.

Third, they were not afraid to take risks for Jesus. When they went back home without telling Herod where they found the child, Herod was furious (Matthew 2:16). For all they knew, he could have come after them. How often do we take risks for the Lord, by openly speaking about our faith or giving God credit for the good that we do? Let the star of Bethlehem remind us that Jesus is the star of our lives.

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Parish Staff

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Religious Education

Shawn Mueller, Director

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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

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Quick Contacts Directory

Weddings, Receptions, Eve	ents	<u>Parish Org</u>	<u>anizations</u>
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Contemporary Music Group		Scouting	
Debbie Gillespie	636-398-4971	Chuck Hinkle	636-544-6639
·		Cub Scouts: Adam McCarthy	636-634-7622
Youth and Young Adults	<u>5</u>	Boy Scouts: Chad Peters	314-807-7177
High School Youth Leader		St. Vincent de Paul	
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Young Adults		Welcoming Committee	
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Behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. Matthew 2:9

O Come, Let Us Adore Him

Dear Parishioners,

Blessed and joyous Feast of the Epiphany!!! As our Christmas season continues we can think back over these days and reflect upon the many gifts that have blessed our lives. As we begin the new year we can reflect upon the many gifts we shall receive and offer in the course of the year. When all is said and done, the gifts that matter most to us are the ones that are the least tangible. Our gifts of love and time cannot be put in a box or given a price tag. The very act of gift giving is a sign of our love and attentiveness to others. It is an act of friendship and appreciation that often goes beyond the item itself. Gifts celebrate the reality of our lives as expressions of communion. Our God is a living communion of love, and our lives most closely reflect His when we strive to make our communion a deeper reality.

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While God's communion is perfect and complete, ours tend to be a bit more messy and disjointed. Isn't it amazing that Jesus so joyfully entered into the uncertainty of our lives? Isn't it humbling that He shows us how to patiently accept our imperfections, but gently challenges us to grow beyond them? Jesus' whole life is caught up in the mystery of communion, and He invites us to join Him in His passionate endeavor to make divine communion a human reality. May the communion we profess when gathered before God's altar touch and transform our lives. May the peace we so freely exchange at Mass be the peace we bring to a fragile and doubting world. Let us join the Magi in bringing our gifts to the Christ, let us glorify the living Christ in our worship and serve Him in our neighbor. May the celebration of this feast day inspire us to give freely of ourselves in loving service to God and one another.

> Peace. Your Spiritual Father,

Fr Tim

P.S. Many thanks for the countless expressions of kindness and your generous expressions of love throughout the Christmas season and in 2019. I am truly blessed by your prayers, friendship and support. I am so often humbled by simple words of encouragement and gratitude that you so freely offer. Thank you for being a family of faith that I feel so privileged to serve and shepherd.

Christmas Blessings in this New Year!

Feast of the Epiphany-Year A

Early Christians followed Jewish custom of believing that the patriarchs died on the day they were born. March 25 was Pascha; therefore nine months later was Christmas. Early Church Fathers attest to this reckoning. But in the East, the Church believed that Pascha (and therefore the conception of Jesus) was on April 6; therefore the birth date was January 6. Sometime around the Fourth Century, East and West exchanged feasts. Thus came about the "twelve days of Christmas." Epiphany in the West still celebrated the three events, but Germanic and Latin countries concentrated on the coming of the Magi. In those parts of the world, the feast is still called "Three Kings."

Following the three kings, the Little Drummer Boy did not have much to offer the Lord. But he did what he could. He played his drum. What gift do I return to the Lord? Lord, what do you want me to do with all the gifts you have given me?

This Week at Home

Purificators: Heavenly Duster: Pat Noack

Jane Szostek



Sunday, January 5 Jonah Team will pray with you after Masses

> Fr. Tom will be at Kenrick Seminary for a retreat this week Monday thru Thursday

Monday, January 6

SVDP, 6pm Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm Choir practice, church, 7pm

Tuesday, January 7

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

Wednesday, January 8

Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am Contemporary group practice, church, 5:30pm PSR, Weber Hall/Founders Hall/Trailer, 6pm Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6:15pm Praise & Worship practice, church, 7pm No Reconciliation this evening (Fr. Tom at Seminary)

Thursday, January 9

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm

Friday, January 10

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30-noon Saturday, January 11 Reconciliation, 8:45am

Sunday, January 12

Pope's Intentions for January: **Promotion of World Peace**

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH- NEW MELLE, MO **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

HORSE RACES

Raising funds for local charities Tickets are \$15 at the door

Saturday, February 29, 2020

in the Stoltz Grand Hall

Doors open at 6:00 pm Races begin at 6:30 pm Total of 14 races

Next Week Ministries

January 11–4pm

- EM: Pat Barnard, Mary Hannig, Wally & Jan Karase, Mary Jean Hartenbach, Jan Jokisch-Messig, Bernie Pollihan, Ed Taylor
- Lec: Larry Graves, Jackie Dunn
- GB: **Rick & Jackie Barclay**
- Serv: Sophia & Trevor Hake
- Bill Pollihan, Bryan Potter, Joe Spiess, Mark Thome Ush: January 12-7:30am
- EM: Kris Jenkins, Julia Kettler, Bob Leeker, Rich Molitor, Carol Rabbitt, Becky Wilson
- Karen Wappelhorst, Chuck Kettler Lec:
- Frank & Jan Kardasz GB:
- Serv: Alex & Maria McCarthy
- Ush: Ron Jacob, Larry Koch, Dave London, Tom Meczkowski January 12-9:30am
- Maureen Blondin, Amy Brinkmann, Bob Brossette, EM: Dave & Pam DeBold, Janet Hespen, Laura Holstein, Walt Hollenstein
- Lec: Pat Gentry, Nancy Ast
- GB: Bob & Irene Caldwell
- Serv: Nate Buescher, William Lassiter, Jack Lyons
- Randy Gust, Stan Kostecki, Tim Maher, Bill Riley, Ush: Alan Raymond, Terry Schneider January 12-11:30am

- Marcy Pivin, Kris Preuss, Pat Roche, Mary Simpson, EM: Elaine Sudbrock, Katie Wibbenmeyer
- Lec: Richard & Kathy Lalonde
- GB: Menne Family
- Serv: Lannah Montgomery

Mormation Station

- January 11, 4pm January 12, 7:30am January 12, 9:30am January 12, 11:30am
- Wally & Jan Karase Karen Wappelhorst Dave & Pam DeBold Pat Roche
- Admission includes chili, hot dogs, chicken wings, chips, snacks, Bud Light, Amber Bock, Margaritas, wine, soda, and ice for set-ups.

Each horse in each race can be named and sponsored for \$50.

60% of the money waged on each race will be returned to those who wager on the horses.

40% supports the Knights of Columbus charitable programs.



Sponsor a race for \$100

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Mass Intentions

The intentions for Monday thru Thursday will be offered by Fr. Tom at the Seminary Deacon Chris will offer Communion Services those days Monday, January 6

Monday, January 0	
8:00am	All Souls
Tuesday, January 7	
8:00am	Jack Roderick +
Wednesday, January 8	
8:00am	Bob Keune +
Thursday, January 9	
8:00am	Cy, Al & John Bamert +
Friday, January 10	
8:00am Parents	of Jeff & Chris Comotto
Saturday, January 11	
8:00am	Moira Ryan +
4:00pm	Ed Haas +
Sunday, January 12	
7:30am	People of the Parish
9:30am I g	gnatius & Mary Keeven +
11:30am	Thomas J. Gallagher

Scheduling Mass Intentions

Having a Mass said for the needs of a special person, for a special request, remembering the deceased (especially on the anniversary of their death), or in thanksgiving has a long history in the Catholic Church. The Church considers the Mass as the greatest possible prayer of intercession insofar as it is the perfect offering of Christ to the Father by making present the paschal mystery of his death and resurrection.

Because of the particular role of the priest as mediator between God and man, acting "in persona Christi" when offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass, it is usually considered that special graces may be obtained when he applies the Mass to a particular intention.

It's easy to schedule a Mass intention for a relative, friend or loved one—simply call the church office, send a note, put a request in the collection basket, make the request at the IHMformation Station, or send us an email. Fr. Tom mentions the intention for the day during the Prayers of the Faithful at every Mass.

Mass intentions are now \$10, and we have many open dates in 2020. Contact us with your request!

Contributions, Dec. 21/22

General Offertory:	\$12,457.08
Online – General Offertory:	<u>\$5,508.48</u>
TOTAL	\$17,965.56
Christmas:	\$8,328.00

December 28/29 will be reported next week

"they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." (Matthew 2:11)

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share <u>all</u> of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to us.

We pray ... that we are generous with all of our gifts, especially the one thing that means the most to us.

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Mark Hanna, Phyllis Zerr, Vickie Brink, Sandy Knott, Mike & Pat Ryan, Carol Rabbitt, Fran Bussen, Audrey Hueffmeier, Karla Sitzes, Vicky Monroe, Nancy Hollenstein, Jean Bamert, Amy Robbins, Walt Reel, Betty Heppermann, Loretta Bruns, Cassie Potter, Kathy Feldewerth, Frank Marquart, Dan Brothers, Cindy White

David & Lisa Debold (Dave & Pam DeBold's children),
Dave Asinger (brother-in-law of Larry & Rita Bendel),
Bob Holland (friend of Shirley Augustine),
Sherri Callahan (daughter of Vickie & Paul Grunz),
Peter Gray (son-in-law of Adrienne Collins),
Fred Brown (son-in-law of Bill & Bernie Pollihan),
Leon Burkemper (son of Carol Rabbitt),
Pam Knott (sister-in-law of Jerry & Sandy Knott),
Doris Eisenbath (mother of Judy Molitor),
Macy Enderle (niece of Ray & Kay Cherry),

Mary Louise Ricciotti (mom of Donna Cattoor)

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

St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

(Note: With close to 4000 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 CD Rack—Narthex

Mike Aquilina, author of over forty books and an expert on early Church history, shares how the faithful witness of Christian families amidst the trials and persecutions of the Church in the first centuries of its existence led to the rapid expansion of Christianity and the conversion of the Roman Empire. Mike relates how fidelity to prayer, faithful attendance of Sunday Mass, and love of neighbor offered a powerful witness to a culture that, in many respects, is similar to our own.

It was great to look at our world in the early years and see and hear how they lived.

Paul - Joliet, IL

This is one of the very best talks. A hopeful talk in today's challenging times. John - London, ON

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Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish has purchased a subscription for every person in the parish boundaries.

Go to www.ihm-newmelle.formed.org





LOVE CONQUERS

Faith, Family, and the Early Church

Michael Aquilina

ALL

LIGHTHOUSE TALKS

A Gift to Members of IHM Parish and Beyond this Christmas.

IHM Parish has purchased 300 copies of the book <u>Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary</u> by Dr. Brant Pitre. As a means to both enlighten and inspire, we offered this gift at the Christmas liturgy Masses to all who came to celebrate with us. Please read and pass this on to others.

JESUS and the JEWISH ROOTS of MARY Unveiling the Mother of the Messiah BRANT PITRE

"This book is vintage Brant Pitre: clear, persuasive, readable, and above all, inspiring. It causes us not only to know more about the Mother of God, but also to love her more."

-Robert Barron, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, author of <u>To Light a Fire on the Earth</u>

"Mystified by the way Catholics speak about Mary? Join the club! But if you – like me – have longed for a book that makes a good biblical case for Catholic teachings relating to Mary, then look no further! Brant Pitre has produced an absolutely riveting, page-turning read, surely the most thought-provoking and stimulating I have ever read on the subject."

-Chris Tilling, Graduate Tutor and Senior Lecturer in New Testament Studies

"I did not think a single book could be written about Mary that would excite and unite Catholic and Protestant readers - scholars, clergy and laity alike. What Pitre does with the Bible and Marian typology is clear and compelling. A joy to read, this is the best biblical study of Mary I have ever read. A true masterpiece."

-Scott Hahn, internationally known speaker, teacher and author of <u>The Lamb's Supper</u> and <u>The Fourth Cup</u>

"Brant Pitre takes important theological truths and makes them not only interesting, but exciting. This book will revolutionize your understanding of the most important woman in history."

-Jennifer Fulwiler, atheist convert to Catholicism and author of One Beautiful Dream

"Combining rich Biblical scholarship with an engaging, easy-to-read style, this highly accessible book offers a fresh look at Mary in the Bible. Pitre clearly and convincingly shows that the Bible reveals much more about Jesus' mother than is commonly appreciated today. A must read for every Christian who takes the Bible seriously and is open to what God's Word has to say about Mary."

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PSR classes here at

the parish. Parents, please keep on top of the students and their online work, as often the beginning of the year (which is



the halfway point of the school year) this tends to drop off a little. Here's a practical plan for staying on top of things that one family is doing: Sunday afternoon is the time set for "Faith and Life." The father takes the text and reviews it with the child, either reading it directly or offering a summary, and then having fun quizzing or speaking about it. On Monday, the mother makes sure the child has their online homework done and is ready to go for class on Wednesday. On Wednesday, the catechist reviews the lesson and builds upon it using the acronym PALMS (Prayer, Activity, Lesson, Media, Scripture). This 1-2-3 combo isn't a guarantee of success, but if utilized well, can be a good step towards the goal of each year, growing in faith and mastering the content covered for each grade level.



Janet Hespen, Youth Minister, 314-369-6521

CALENDAR

Jan. 9:	Pro Life chaperone meeting, 7pm,
	Rigali Center
Jan. 16:	Youth Group meeting, 6:30—8pm
	Pizza Night
Jan. 22-26:	Generation Pro Life Trip to Washington DC.
Jan. 30:	Luke 18 skit practice, 6:30—8pm
Feb. 6 & 13:	Final Luke 18 prep 6:30—8pm
Feb. 15:	Luke 18 Lock-In Retreat put on by
	Youth Group for all IHM 8th Grade
	students. 8:30am check-in, Grand Hall

Feb. 16: Retreat ends after 11:30 Mass



Marian Council is selling See's Candy (until it's all gone) as a fundraiser: \$21/lb for Milk or Dark Chocolate, Assorted Chocolate, Nuts and Chews,

Toffee-ettes and 1½ pound box of peanut brittle, Contact Jackie at 314-761-6127 to place your order, or after weekend Masses. Proceeds benefit local families' charities and the Parish.

Needed at the Pantry

fruit juices (grape, apple, cran-something), sugar, saltines, vegetable soup, creamed soup (no tomato please), oil, tuna, canned chili,



beef stew, baked beans, hot and cold cereal, coffee, peanut butter, canned fruits, tea, dish soap, paper products, dry pastas (all types), canned spaghetti sauce, men's shaving lotion, men/women disposable razors

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn King and offer Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

In the spirit of the Magi, please consider donating to the St. Vincent de Paul collection so that we may continue Christ's Mission.



Pictured here are members of our St. Vincent de Paul Society, who managed to relax a bit after the busy Giving Tree delivering season. This wonderful party was planned and hosted by Debbie Willis in the Grand Hall.



Thanks to all of our Vincentians for your dedication and

Readings of the Week.

Mon:	1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;
	Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tue:	1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wed:	1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thu:	1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;
	Lk 4:14-22a
Fri:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Sat:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sun:	ls 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10;
	Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

What's Your Catholic Catechism IQ?

- 1. He cannot become a layman again in the strict sense, because the character imprinted by ordination is
 - a. hard to erase b. visible by God
 - c. impossible to sin against
 - d. for ever
- Since it is Christ who acts through the ordained minister, the _____ of the latter does not prevent Christ from acting.
 - a. greatness b. pride
 - c. weakness d. unworthiness
- 3. The matrimonial _____ is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring.
 - a. trial b. struggle
 - c. embrace d. covenant
- 4. This covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a _____.
 - a. calling b. crossing
 - c. title d. sacrament
- The married state has been established by the Creator and endowed by Him with its own proper laws. God Himself is the _____ of marriage.
 - a. king b. author
 - c. Lord of the Rings d. governor
- 6. Marriage is not a purely _____ institution despite the many variations it may have undergone through the centuries in different cultures.
 - a. divine b. secular
 - c. false d. human
- 7. Since God created them man and woman, their mutual love becomes an image of the absolute and unfailing love with which _____ loves man.
 - a. woman b. man
 - c. state d. God
- 8. Genesis 2:24 states that a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one .
 - a. mind b. flesh c. spirit d. soul
- 9. The first sin had for its first consequence the rupture of the original _____ between man and woman.
 - a. beauty b. attraction
 - c. desire d. communion
- 10. After the fall, their mutual attraction, the Creator's own gift, changed into a relationship of domination and _____.

Informative Catholic programming.

a. lust b. envy c. greed d. anger





We welcome to our parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism: Benjamin Alan Zaleuke son of Jesse and Martha (Garcia) Zaleuke **Gus Joseph Jones** son of Jeremy and Alexis (Garcia) Jones Grady Arthur Hoberg son of Kyle & Ashley (Richmond) Hoberg Kane Avery Vermette son of Justin and Sarah (Tomaro) Vermette Jarek David Ellis son of Joshua and Jennifer (Moeller) Ellis Gavin John Daunter son of Bryan and Kathrine (Molitor) Daunter Camden Michael Nadler son of Jeff & Lisa (Keune) Nadler Rosalia Clare Grandon

daughter of Doug and Samantha (Galloway) Grandon

🕆 Rest in Peace 🕄

We offer our prayerful sympathy on the passing of Dorothy Day mother of Pat Barnard Corey Bruer nephew of Mary Ann Vehige Nat Basta uncle of Jeff and Chris Comotto

May they and all the faithful departed



catholicmenforchrist.org catholicwomenforchrist.org

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2020 Guide Book & Directory Advertising Opportunity

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the parish. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees,

activities, functions and events plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and directmailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the church office: 636-398-5270.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over a non-advertiser. It "will pay" to advertise in our new Guide Book & Directory.



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All parishioners who have contributed at least \$100 are to receive the St. Louis Review. Please consider helping the parish with the cost of subscriptions with a special collection January 18/19, using your envelope or online giving.

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Update Membership Information

Does our parish database have YOUR family membership record correct?

Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so).

It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct. The Church Office number is 636-398-5270.

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.

> Hand-made Rosaries and Rosary Repair: Mary Karll: 314-550-4351

Calendar of Activities at Immaculate Heart of Mary

As we prepare our calendar for the year, the following activities are used as a starting point. Many of our parishioners are involved in several of these events, so you can mark your calendars, too! If any of these dates are incorrect, or if something else needs to be noted, please let us know. Thanks to all for your gifts of time and talent to our parish!

Sundays

- 1st Jonah Team after 4pm and 9:30am Masses
- 2nd Knights of Columbus (KC) Breakfast
- 2nd Sausage Dinner in October
- 3rd Anointings after Masses in Mar/Jun/Sept/Dec
- 4th KC Car Show in September
- Last Sausage Dinner in April

Mondays

- All Cub Scouts meet in Founders Hall, 6:30pm
- All Boy Scouts meet in Trailer, 6:30pm
- All Choir practice (during school year), 7pm
- 1st Staff Meetings (skip July/August), 11am
- 1st St. Vincent de Paul meeting, 6pm
- 3rd St. Vincent de Paul meeting, 6pm
- 4th Men For Christ, 7pm, Grand Hall
- 5th POP (Pulse of the Parish), 7pm, Grand Hall

Tuesdays

- All Legion of Mary, 9am, Weber Hall
- All Fitness Class, 9am, Grand Hall foyer
- All Children's Choir, 7pm (during school year)
- 1st K of C officers, 7pm, Founders Hall
- 2nd Marian Council meets (odd months), 6:30pm
- 2nd Marian Council Christmas Party in December
- 3rd KC meetings (Christmas Party in December)
- 4th Finance Council, 7pm, Weber Hall

Wednesdays

- All Reconciliation, 7pm
- All PSR, 6-7:30 (during the school year)
- All Contemporary and P&W practice (except 3rd)
- All Bible Study, AM session in Weber Hall, 8:45am PM session in Grand Hall (school year), 6:15pm
- 3rd Outreach, 1pm, Weber Hall (odd months)
- 3rd ADORE, prayer, praise, worship, Reconciliation

Thursdays

- Some RCIA classes (during school year)
- All Fitness Class, 9am, Grand Hall foyer
- 1st Youth Ministry, 6:30, Grand Hall
- 3rd Youth Ministry, 6:30, Grand Hall
- 4th Baptismal Prep, Weber Hall, 7pm

Fridays

- All Quilters arrive at 8:30 in Weber Hall
- 1st New parishioner Wine & Cheese party (February/June/November)

Saturdays

- All Reconciliation, 8:45am
- 1st St. Vincent de Paul Pantry open 9-10:30am
- 3rd St. Vincent de Paul Pantry open 9-10:30am

Particular Events Scheduled in 2020

Blood Drives: 2:30—6:30, Founders Hall: January 2 - March 23 - June 23 - September 10

Parishioner Pictures for new Pictorial Directory: February 18 thru 29, Grand Hall

KC Horse Races: February 29, Grand Hall, 6pm

Lenten Fish Fries: Fridays of Lent beginning at 4:30 in Founders Hall, February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3 First Communion: April 19

Confirmation: May 10 at Cathedral Basilica

Rummage Sale: Setup begins May 11, Sale dates: May 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13

Catholic Kids Camp: Tentatively scheduled for 2nd week of June

Parish Feast Day: June 20

Breakfast with Santa: December 13 during KC Breakfast



Desert Day How often have you said to yourself: I really need a day of prayer and quiet? Desert Days are just that. The desert has always been a symbol for a meeting place with God. Come to the quiet and beauty at Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center at 204 North Main, O'Fallon on Friday, January 10 from 9:30–3:30 and let God speak to your heart. The day will begin and end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. Opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is available. Lunch is provided and we ask a free will offering. For more information or to register contact Sr. Carol Orf at 314-560-1028 or email corf@cpps-ofallon.org.



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