



Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Website: www.ihm-newmelle.org

Office Phone: 636-398-5270

Deliveries only address: 8 West Highway D, New Melle, MO 63365

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

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

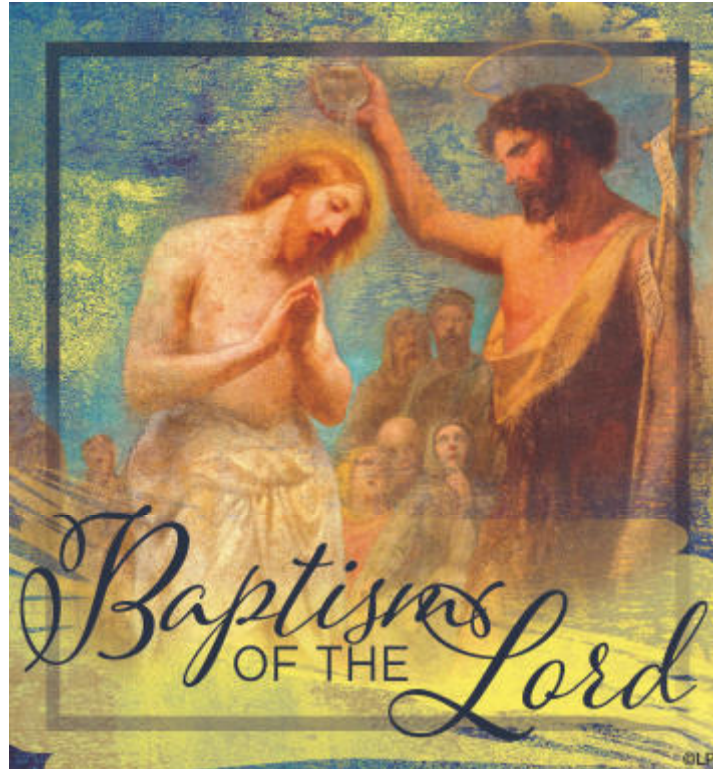
Reconciliation: Wednesday in church, 7pm
 Saturday following 8am Mass

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

January 10, 2021



Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and

repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from

them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?

Blessed Christmas Season! Immaculate Heart of Mary: *Informed—Hospitable—Missionary*

Parish Staff

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Religious Education

Shawn Mueller, Director

636-398-5270, *smueller@ihm-newmelle.org*

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

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

Blessed Christmas

Dear Parishioners,

Today as we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord we rejoice in His acceptance of His ministry and the ultimate work of our Redemption. The Baptism of Jesus marks the beginning of His public ministry and proclamation of the Kingdom of God. While John prepared the way for the kingdom, Jesus begins the initiation of the kingdom. That kingdom is awaiting its final fulfillment upon His return in glory. Until then we are called by our own baptismal promises to participate in the work of the Kingdom through our Christian worship and service.

Many thanks to all who made this such a beautiful Christmas Season. Our liturgies radiated the joy we experience as Jesus comes to us. It was in many ways a tiring season with all of the extra celebrations, but it is the type of tired we can take satisfaction in feeling. We are tired by love and devotion to Our Lord. I can't think of a better reason to feel tired at the end of the day than for God and neighbor. All of the

decorations in church were outstanding. There is a natural beauty present in our church, and our decorations enhanced and highlighted that daily beauty. Thanks to all who made this Christmas season so outstanding.

Thank you all for your thoughtfulness and generosity this Christmas Season. Josh and I were talking about your generosity and loving support throughout the year and especially its evidence at Christmastime. Thank you all for being signs of God's presence and goodness in our lives. My quote on Epiphany (reproduced below) is often fulfilled by the daily interactions that I have with our staff and our parishioners. The life of a parish priest is the Sacraments and his parish family. I know how blessed I am in my ministry and I know you all have set the bar very high for Josh's future assignments.

Merry Christmas, one last time.

Fr. Tom

Constantly, each day, each hour, God is sending us people, circumstances, tasks,
which should mark the beginning of our renewal;

yet we pay them no attention, and thus continually we resist God's will for us.

Indeed, how can God help us?

Only by sending us in our daily life certain people, and certain coincidences of circumstance.

If we accepted every hour of our life as the hour of God's will for us,

as the decisive, most important, unique hour of our life —

what sources of joy, love, strength, as yet hidden from us, would spring from the depths of our soul!

— Fr. Alexander Elchaninov

Please contact Bryan in the church office if you are willing to be put on a schedule to advance the projection at Mass.

636-398-5270 or bryanbeams@ihm-newmelle.org

The Baptism of the Lord—Year B

"In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opened

and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove;

and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased." Mark 1:9-11

"Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which closes the period of Christmas." Jesus' Baptism was extremely important for the apostolic community, "not only because then, and for the first time in history, the mystery of the Trinity was made manifest clearly and completely, but also because with that event Jesus' public ministry began. ... The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan anticipates His Baptism of blood on the Cross and symbolizes the entire sacramental activity with which the Redeemer would achieve the salvation of humanity."

—Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Ministry Schedule

January 9—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Wally & Jan Karase
Lec: Mike Greene, Karen Wilson
Music: Bryan & cantor
Serv: Izzy Scheer
Ush: Tim Wilson, Mike Rieker, Andy Pope

January 10—7:30am

EM: Dcn Chris, Josh Deters, Jan Kardasz, Kris Jenkins
Lec: Chuck Kettler, Bob Leeker
Music: Verdi & cantor
Serv: Natalie Jaeckle
Ush: Chris Molitor, Frank Kardasz, Tom Meczowski

January 10—9:30am

EM: Dcn Chris, Sharon Smith, Patrice Riley, Chris Richter
Lec: Grant Smith, Michelle Greiwe
Music: Bryan & cantor
Serv: William Lassiter
Ush: Bob Hutchcraft, Joe Weber, Alan Raymond

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Phyllis Zerr, Sandy Knott, Mike & Pat Ryan,
Fran Bussen, Nancy Hollenstein, Deacon Tony, Walt Reel,
Amy Robbins, Betty Boyd, Don Schmidt, Janie Roth,
Betty Heppermann, Joyce Brakensiek, Carl Wolff,
Gary Potter, Pete Schepis, Terry Hagan

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),
John Stringer (friend of Larry & Rita Bendel),
Loren & Evelyn Brandon (parents of Marty & Peggy Dupree),
Audrey Molitor (sister of Flo Joerling),
Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen),
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),
Charlie Grady (grandson of John & Carol Grady)

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

January 16—4pm

EM: Dcn Chris, Josh Deters, Chris Warren, Pat Roche
Lec: Pat Barnard, Nancy Ast
Music: Bryan & cantor
Serv: Zara Panus
Ush: Larry Graves, Chris Cuddihee, Bryan Potter

January 17—7:30am

EM: Josh Deters, Jan Kardasz, Dianne Dickherber, Maureen Blondin
Lec: Kris Jenkins, Chuck Kettler
Music: Verdi & cantor
Serv: Janie Becker
Ush: Gary Potter, Bob & Teresa Berfanger

January 17—9:30am

EM: Laura Orf, Janet Hespen, Pat Gentry, Michelle Greiwe
Lec: Don & Susan Hladky
Music: Bryan & cantor
Serv: Janie Becker
Ush: Bill Winters, Chuck Hinkle, Gary Struckhoff

Heavenly Duster Schedule

Week of January 10:	Pat Gentry
Week of January 17:	Rita Langford
Week of January 24:	Betsy Struckhoff
Week of January 31:	Carolyn Schellert

Purificators

Month of January:	Carol Ostermeyer
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This Week at Home

social distancing recommended at all events

Sunday, January 10

Please help us take decorations down

Event in Grand Hall early afternoon

Monday, January 11

Scouts, Founders Hall, 6:30pm

Tuesday, January 12

Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am

Marian Council, Grand Hall, 6:03pm

Wednesday, January 13

Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am

Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6:15pm

Reconciliation, 7pm

Thursday, January 14

Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am

Event in Founders Hall this evening

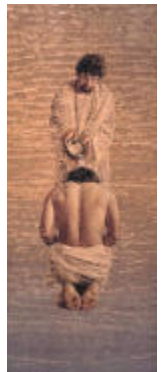
Friday, January 15

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30am—noon

Saturday, January 16

Reconciliation, 8:45am

SVDP Food Pantry open 9-10:30am



2020 Contribution Statements

For those of our parishioners who do not have email, contribution statements are available for mailing. If you need your statement in paper form, please let the office know.

For our parishioners who have online access, you will receive an email invitation from “no-reply” with the subject “Immaculate Heart of Mary Member Portal Access”. From there, it will give you instructions to access your personal contribution statement which you can print from home. If you have difficulties there, please just call the church office and we will mail your statement or hold it for you in the church office. (We are not allowed to email them for privacy reasons.)

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 11	
8:00am	Moira Ryan + Jan Shea +
Tuesday, January 12	
8:00am	Ed Orf +
Wednesday, January 13	
8:00am	Rev. Charles Burgoon +
Thursday, January 14	
8:00am	Audrey Hueffmeier (1st ann.) +
Friday, January 15	
10:00am	All Souls Gerrie Bader +
Saturday, January 16	
8:00am	Fr. Tom's 28th priestly anniversary
4:00pm	Barb Schad +
Sunday, January 17	
7:30am	Bob Burke +
9:30am	People of IHM Steve Seper +

Contributions, Dec. 25, 26/27

Christmas Offertory:	\$12,274.00
General Offertory:	\$7,330.00
Online – General Offertory:	\$3,164.84
TOTAL:	\$22,768.84

Contributions, Jan. 1/2/3

General Offertory:	\$11,916.00
Online – General Offertory:	\$5,006.67
TOTAL:	\$16,922.67

*“And a voice came from the heavens,
‘You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.’”*
Mark 1:11

Through our baptism we, too, are daughters and sons of God. We are disciples of Jesus. As true disciples we are called to actively participate in our Catholic faith, not just be mere bystanders. This means working in collaboration with the Holy Spirit and discerning how we are being asked to use our gifts ... using our gifts for the benefit of others and not just for our own interests and comfort.

We pray: that we work in collaboration with the Holy Spirit in discerning how God is calling us to use our gifts.

Needed at the Pantry

UPDATED LIST:

Laundry detergent, coffee, pancake syrup, grape jelly, canned fruit, canned corn, men's deodorant, shaving lotion, body wash, body lotion, bisquick, canned mixed vegetables, oil, sugar, all purpose cleaner, cold and hot cereal, sugar. Please no glass jars of pasta sauce.

Please hold your plastic bags—we have plenty!!

After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul collection, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust.



Your Donations to SVDP

From November 8 through December 20,

- ◇ we served an average of 11 families twice during our pantry sessions, donating \$3960 worth of food.
- ◇ We also assisted our neighbors in need with groceries, holiday gift cards, rent, and twinning support to other conferences as well as our own Northwest district for a total of \$11,064.75.
- ◇ Through the generosity of our IHM parishioners, our Angel tree program provided Christmas for 18 families, 36 children as well as 9 Sisters residing at the Missionaries of Charity in St. Louis, providing a total of 360 Christmas gifts.

Everyone in our IHM/SVDP conference offers our prayers and heartfelt thanks to all of our parishioners for their generosity and continued support. Your love and support enable us to serve our neighbors in need.

As the Christmas season comes to a close, we in the parish office would like to thank everyone who thought of us with delicious cookies, breads, candy, and all the other gifts of appreciation. Each of us have many reasons to be thankful, and the thoughtfulness of our parish family is definitely one of them. Many, many thanks from all of us!

Fr. Tom, Laura, Shawn, Bryan, Josh, Peggy, Pat, Mike, Betsy



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.

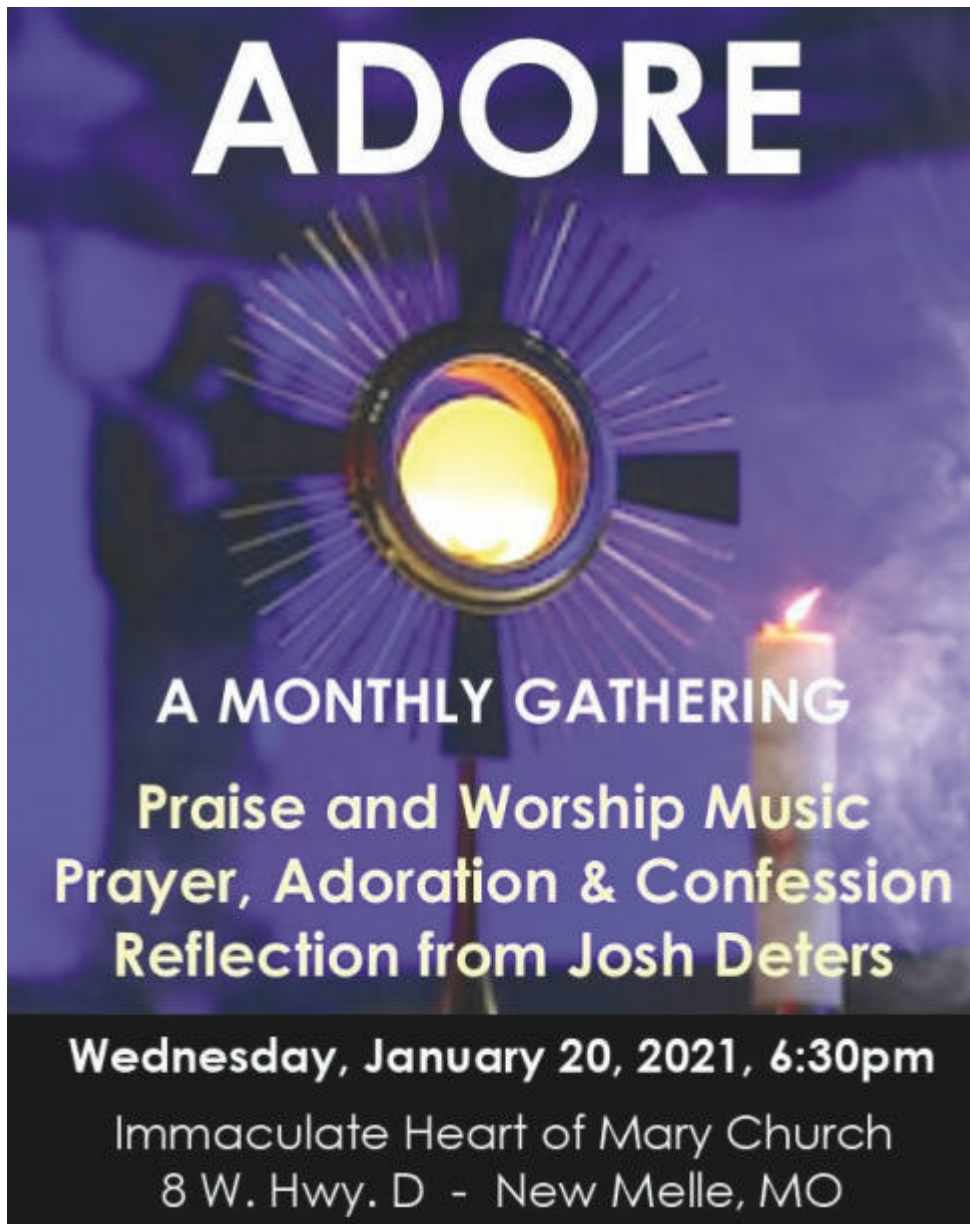
It's easy to schedule a Mass intention for a relative, friend or loved one—simply call the church office, send a note, put a request in the collection basket, or send us an email. Fr. Tom mentions the intention for the day during the Prayers of the Faithful at every Mass.

Mass intentions are now \$10, and we have many open dates in 2021. Contact us with your request!

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 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)

- Such men and women [those with deep-seated homosexual tendencies] must be accepted with respect, compassion, and sensitivity; every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be _____.
 - pursued
 - followed
 - advanced
 - avoided
- Sexuality is ordered to the conjugal love of man and woman in marriage. The physical intimacy of the spouses becomes a sign and pledge of _____ communion.
 - fallible
 - broken
 - intolerable
 - spiritual
- Sexuality through the acts which are proper and exclusive to spouses is not something simply _____, but concerns the innermost being of the human person as such.
 - heavenly
 - immaterial
 - biological
 - angelic
- The intimate acts in marriage foster the self-_____ they signify and enriches the spouses in joy and gratitude.
 - absorption
 - taking
 - giving
 - love
- The spouses' union achieves the twofold end of marriage: the good of the spouses themselves and the transmission of _____.
 - engines
 - disorder
 - life
 - education
- The conjugal love of man and woman thus stands under the twofold obligation of _____ and fecundity.
 - providing
 - finance
 - toleration
 - fidelity
- The married couple forms the intimate partnership of life and love that is rooted in the conjugal covenant, that is, in their irrevocable personal _____.
 - histories
 - consent
 - homes
 - hopes
- The couple both give themselves definitively and _____ to one another, they are no longer two; from now on they form one flesh.
 - half-heartedly
 - totally
 - absurdly
 - reservedly
- The _____ they freely contracted imposes on the spouses the obligation to preserve it as unique and indissoluble.
 - contract
 - covenant
 - document
 - pact
- Fidelity expresses constancy in keeping one's given word; the sacrament of Matrimony enables man and woman to enter into Christ's _____ for His church.
 - fidelity
 - challenge
 - desire
 - hope



ADORE

A MONTHLY GATHERING

Praise and Worship Music
Prayer, Adoration & Confession
Reflection from Josh Deters

Wednesday, January 20, 2021, 6:30pm

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
8 W. Hwy. D - New Melle, MO



Janet Hespen, Youth Minister,
314-369-6521

- Jan. 7: New Beginnings: Begin Luke 18 planning
Jan 21: Building Discipleship
Jan. 28: Luke 18 planning and practice skit. Practice stocks 1 through 4.
Feb. 4: Luke 18 discussions and practice talks 5 thru 8
Feb. 11: Luke 18 final preparations
Feb. 12: Luke 18 setup
Feb. 13: Luke 18 lock-in Retreat for all IHM 8th graders. Check in at 9am. Ends after Mass on Feb. 14

† *Rest in Peace* †

Ed Reuther Jr.
brother of Vince & Denise Reuther
Sandy Knott
wife of Jerry Knott
Msgr. Raymond Orf
frequent visiting priest for IHM

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

Pope's Intentions for January:
Human Fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace
to live in full fellowship with our
brothers and sisters of other religions,
praying for one another, open to all.



Annual Memorial Mass

Join the Respect Life Apostolate for the archdiocesan Roe v. Wade Memorial Mass celebrated by Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski on **Saturday, January 16** at 10am at the Cathedral Basilica. Mass will include the Pro-Life Memorial and the LifeLine Coalition collection, which benefits over 10,000 local women and families annually.



The Rosary and Benediction will follow the Mass, marking the 48th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion on January 22, 1973.

The St. Louis Catholic and pro-life community will unite in prayer for the millions of unborn children lost and countless parents and families harmed by abortion, healing and forgiveness for those involved in abortion, and an increased respect for all human life.

For more information, contact the Respect Life Apostolate at 314-792-7555, prolife@archstl.org or STLRespect-Life.org.



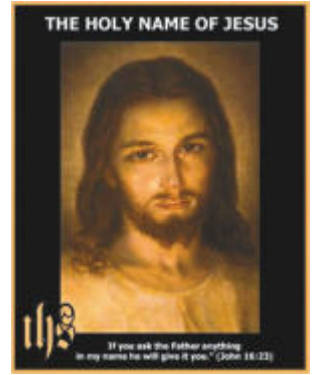
Seats Still Available...

MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN still has some seats available for our 2021 MARCH FOR LIFE in Washington, DC, from January 28 thru 30, Thursday thru Saturday. For Ages 7-107. Buses depart from several areas throughout St. Louis, including Hobby Lobby in St. Charles. Cost is \$230. January 22 is the registration deadline. Register online or download the form:

www.MissouriLifeCaravan.org
314-434-4900 / mrl.eastern@yahoo.com

PSR corner

Did you know that the months of the year have been given a devotional “focus” in Church tradition. January is dedicated to **the Holy Name of Jesus**. Consider speaking about the name of Jesus with your children, how it should be spoken of as a blessing, not as a swear word. Consider how one ought to reverence the name of Jesus, especially during Mass, when the Church asks that we give a small head bow when the Lord’s name is said.



2021 Archdiocesan Young Adult Pro-Life Holy Hour

Join young adults (19-39) throughout the Archdiocese to pray for an end to abortion and promote a greater respect for all human life. This annual Archdiocesan event, co-sponsored by the Office of Young Adult Ministry and Respect Life Apostolate, will be held on **Thursday, January 28** at 7pm at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. We’ll begin with a talk by Brian Westbrook (Coalition for Life St. Louis) followed by Adoration, the Rosary, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For more information contact: stlya@archstl.org or 314-792-7555.

Visit online:

<https://stlyoungadults.com/calendar/young-adult-pro-life-holy-hour/>

Visit our Facebook event page:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/867594807338869>

“When we encounter Christ, experience His love, and deepen our relationship with Him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share His love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others’ lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

“How to Build a Culture of Life” (respectlife.org/culture-of-life)

Our Lady’s Inn Maternity Homes is having their Virtual Trivia Night—**Saturday, January 23rd**. Trivia begins at 7pm on Zoom. Cost is \$25 per person and \$200 for a team of 8. For more information or to register, visit www.ourladyinn.org or call Katrina at 314-736-1544. Join the fun from the comfort of your own home.

Guided by our Mission, Our Lady’s Inn provides pregnant women and their children shelter and hope for a new life through humble acts of love.

Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus

*from the 1991 Enchiridion of Indulgences ***

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Christ hear us.

Christ, have mercy
Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven... have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world... "
God the Holy Spirit... "
Holy Trinity, One God... "

READER 1

Jesus, Son of the living God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, splendor of the Father... "
Jesus, brightness of everlasting light... "
Jesus, king of glory... "
Jesus, dawn of justice... "
Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary... "
Jesus, worthy of our love... "
Jesus, worthy of our wonder... "
Jesus, mighty God... "
Jesus, father of the world to come... "
Jesus, prince of peace... "
Jesus, all powerful... "
Jesus, pattern of patience... "

READER 2

Jesus, model of obedience... "
Jesus, gentle and humble of heart... "
Jesus, lover of chastity... "
Jesus, lover of us all... "
Jesus, God of peace... "
Jesus, author of life... "
Jesus, model of goodness... "
Jesus, seeker for souls... "
Jesus, our God... "
Jesus, our refuge... "
Jesus, father of the poor... "
Jesus, treasure of the faithful... "
Jesus, Good Shepherd... "
Jesus, the true Light... "
Jesus, eternal Wisdom... "
Jesus, infinite Goodness... "

READER 3

Jesus, our Way and our Life... have mercy on us.
Jesus, joy of angels... "
Jesus, king of patriarchs... "
Jesus, teacher of apostles... "
Jesus, master of evangelists... "
Jesus, courage of martyrs... "
Jesus, light of confessors... "
Jesus, purity of virgins... "
Jesus, crown of all saints... "

READER 4

Lord, be merciful... Jesus, save your people.
From all evil... "
From every sin... "
From the snares of the devil... "
From Your anger... "
From the spirit of infidelity... "
From everlasting death... "
From the neglect of Your Holy Spirit... "
By the mystery of Your incarnation... "
By Your birth... "
By Your childhood... "
By Your hidden life... "
By Your public ministry... "
By Your agony and crucifixion... "
By Your abandonment... "
By Your grief and sorrow... "
By Your death and burial... "
By Your rising to new life... "
By Your return in glory to the Father... "
By Your gift of the Holy Eucharist... "
By Your joy and glory... "

READER 5

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
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Let us pray: Lord, may we who honor the holy name of Jesus, enjoy His friendship in this life, and be filled with eternal joy in the kingdom to come, where He lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

***Enchiridion: A book containing essential information on a subject*

Archdiocesan LifeLine Coalition Campaign

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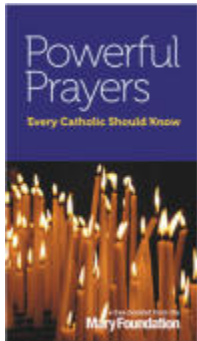
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We give a hearty welcome to these new parishioners who have joined our parish family since July.

St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

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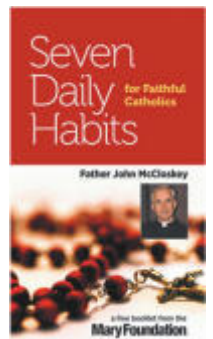
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11
Mon: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20
Tue: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28
Wed: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39
Thu: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45
Fri: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12
Sat: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17

And by the way...

Fr. Tom will be on retreat with the seminarians from Sunday afternoon through Thursday afternoon, January 10 thru 14. **AND** it's his priestly anniversary on Saturday, January 16, celebrating twenty-eight years. God bless you, Fr. Tom!

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