



Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday: 8:00am, 4:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am

Weekdays: 8:00am, in church

Weekly Devotions and Prayers

Eucharistic Adoration:

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

Rosary: Prior to Saturday evening 4pm Mass

Weekday devotions after morning Mass:

Tuesday: Mother of Perpetual Help

Wednesday: Litany to St. Joseph

Thursday: Celebrating the Sanctity of Life

First Friday: Litany of the Sacred Heart

First Saturday of the Month Devotions

8am Mass, Rosary, 15 minutes of meditation

Sacraments

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

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

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office

July 11, 2021



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

Illustration from the Sacramentary for Mass (2007), 199B, 197D-CC2

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Deeper Understanding of Scripture

It's all so ordinary that we can easily miss it. The seagulls hunting and diving for mollusks at the beach offer a display of determination and precision as they gather their food for the day. It's simply what these creatures do. Yet, there's a magical artfulness and skill to their work that speaks volumes about the One who breathed life into their being. This is pretty much the way it is with God's presence. God comes in common ways through common things and ordinary people. Sadly, we are too engulfed in our little worlds of order and ideas to notice the beauty and wonder of it all. Many have numbed themselves to the Divine spark at the essence of all life because that's just the way it is. What's so special about it? A sunset is a sunset and a seagull is a seagull. That's precisely what they thought about Jesus, too. After all, isn't he just the carpenter's son? What merit can his words possibly have?

If we're looking for God to come in an event that is so dramatic and intense that it knocks our socks off, then think again. When pondering God's relationship with His people and God's action in our lives, we have to go back to the stable and the recurring, creative, unending power of God's presence. It was a quiet, run of the mill kind of night. There was nothing spectacular or extraordinary. To the naked eye, a woman gave birth to a child and there wasn't anything extraordinary to see. We have a hard time understanding God's ordinariness. Jesus grew up in an ordinary town, had neighbors and did normal human things. Perhaps that's why we don't always like the Gospel. It doesn't dazzle us with extraordinary things but simply challenges us to take a different look at our ordinary stuff. That makes us uncomfortable. We prefer things as they are. Our lack of faith can even cause us to take offense at

what Jesus says and does, dismissing it as folly.

God's life-giving presence continues to sustain that seagull in flight and keep all things in being regardless of whether we have the faith to see and understand this. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be hardened and blinded to what God is doing or desiring to do. While God continues to do what He has done for all eternity, faith is needed for God's presence to bear fruit. The blinders we wear and the expectations we bring to life can often prevent us from seeing graced moments that radiate with God's graceful presence. They also prevent God's transforming, healing, and hope filled vision for our world from being realized. Without faith, God won't be able to do much for us either.

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

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

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How to calm your soul during a stressful day

Each day can be a challenge, especially if various stressors continue to disturb the peace in our mind and soul. We desire peace, but feel like we are drowning in stress.

St. Francis de Sales provides one key that can help calm our soul throughout the day. He explains in his Introduction to the Devout Life that we can create little moments of recollection, retreating into our soul for a brief moment to recall God's presence.

Strive as often as possible through the day to place yourself in God's Presence by some one of the methods ... The birds have nests in lofty trees, and the stag his refuge in the thick covers, where he can shelter from the sun's burning heat; and just so, my child, our hearts ought daily to choose some resting-place, either Mount Calvary, or the Sacred Wounds, or some other spot close to Christ, where they can retire at will to seek rest and refreshment amid toil, and to be as in a fortress, protected from temptation. Blessed indeed is the soul which can truly say, "Thou, Lord, art my Refuge, my Castle, my Stay, my Shelter in the storm and in the heat of the day."

Essentially this suggestion hinges on our ability to pause for a minute or two, close our eyes and find the presence of God in our soul. This can be done anywhere we are, whether at work, in the home, or while traveling.

Be sure then, my child, that while externally occupied with business and social duties, you

frequently retire within the solitude of your own heart. That solitude need not be in any way hindered by the crowds which surround you — they surround your body, not your soul, and your heart remains alone in the Sole Presence of God.

This is a simple practice, one that doesn't even require any words or prayers to accomplish. All one must do is actively recall the presence of God in our soul, crying out to Him and asking Him to grant us His peace.

St. Francis de Sales explains how even some of the greatest saints had to do this, unable to physically get away from the world and its pressures.

When Saint Catherine of Sienna was deprived by her parents of any place or time for prayer and meditation, Our Lord inspired her with the thought of making a little interior oratory in her mind, into which she could retire in heart, and so enjoy a holy solitude amid her outward duties. And henceforward, when the world assaulted her, she was able to be indifferent, because, so she said, she could retire within her secret oratory, and find comfort with her Heavenly Bridegroom.

Whatever our situation may be, in the midst of the storms of life, we can always find God within our heart and rest with him for a few moments of peace.

—Philip Kosloski
Spirituality writer for *Aleteia.org*

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B

[Jesus] called the twelve disciples and sent them out to preach, saying, "Don't take anything with you on the trip except a walking stick." MARK 6:7-8

E. B. Washburne describes how General Grant embarked upon a crucial Civil War campaign: "All depended upon the quickness of the movement. It was important that Grant should be encumbered with as little baggage as possible. He took with him no orderly... nor an overcoat, not even a clean shirt. His entire baggage for the six days—I was with him at the time--- was a toothbrush. He fared like the commonest soldier... sleeping on the ground with no covering except the canopy of heaven." Grant's example and Jesus' words invite me to ask, How simple and uncluttered is my life-style? How dependent am I on "things"?

Half the confusion of the world comes from not knowing how little we need. —Admiral Richard Byrd

Mark Link S.J. *Vision*

Ministry Schedule

July 10—4pm

EM: Wally & Jan Karase, volunteer please
Lec: Clare Holifield, Yvonne Brossette
Music: Debbie & Bryan
Serv: Izzy Scheer, Zoey Panus
Ush: Rick Scharf, Ron Neske, Terry Schneider, Gary Potter

July 11—7:30am

EM: Emily Cooksey, Dianne Dickherber, volunteer please
Lec: Karen Wappelhorst, Chuck Kettler
Music: Brooke & Verdi
Serv: David Vehige, volunteer please
Ush: Rick Scharf, Ron Neske, Terry Schneider, Gary Potter

July 11—9:30am

EM: Maureen Blondin, Patrice Riley, volunteer please
Lec: Chuck Hinkle, Joe Willis
Music: Amellia, Betsy, Mary, Bryan
Serv: William Lassiter, Thomas Kokker
Ush: Bob Hutchcraft, Bill Winters, Larry Smith, Alan Raymond

IHMformation Station

4:00: Wally & Jan Karase
9:30: Chuck & Laurie Hinkle

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

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

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

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

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

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

Ministry Schedule

July 17—4pm

EM: Kathy Lalonde, Pat Roche, volunteer please
Lec: Sharon Hagan, Mike Greene
Music: Mary Ann & Bryan
Serv: Zoey Panus, volunteer please
Ush: Tim Wilson, Larry Graves, Bryan Potter, volunteer pls.

July 18—7:30am

EM: Betty Tuepker, Mary Keune, John Fiocco
Lec: Dave London, Chuck Kettler
Music: Elizabeth & Verdi
Serv: Sydney & Natalie Jaeckle
Ush: Chris Molitor, Tom Meczkowski, Ron Jacob, Mark Thome

July 18—9:30am

EM: Janet Hespen, Pat Gentry, Chris Richter
Lec: Donna Hecht, Joe Willis
Music: Amelia, Betsy, Mary, Bryan
Serv: Mary Grace & Janie Becker
Ush: Larry Smith, Ron Simpson, Michelle Greiwe, Joe Weber

IHMformation Station

4:00: Pat Roche
9:30: Bob & Teresa Berfanger

Heavenly Duster Schedule

Week of July 11: Elizabeth Jaeckle
Week of July 18: Judy Cova
Week of July 25: Flo Joerling

Purificators

Month of July: Carol Ostermeyer

✠ Rest in Peace ✠

Mary Karll
wife of Dave and mom of
Ashley & Shane Czuchna and Angelica & Justin Orf
Sr. Judith Marie, SSND
sister of Jane Szostek
Sandy Griesenauer
sister of Barb & Ken Keene
Tania Latino
sister of Penny & John Gorman
Patricia Houltzhouser
mother of Ken & Brooke Houltzhouser
Jeff Turpin
brother-in-law of Tim & Diane Almeling
Jordan Medley
son of Kay & Ken Medley
May they and all the faithful departed
rest in the eternal peace of Christ.

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 12	
8:00am	All Souls Intention of John Bax Family
Tuesday, July 13	
8:00am	intention of Jerry & Janet Hespen
Wednesday, July 14	
8:00am	Richard Winters (15th ann.) +
Thursday, July 15	
8:00am	Pete & Joan Schepis 21st Wedd. intention of Mike McDonald
Friday, July 16	
8:00am	Ed Orf +
Saturday, July 17	
8:00am	Frank Modder +
4:00pm	Norma & Gordie Colbert + Ray Aug +
Sunday, July 18	
7:30am	People of IHM
9:30am	Leroy Farwig + Lorene Hutchcraft +

Activities this Week

Please Note:

Laura will be on vacation July 14 thru July 20

Sunday, July 11	Baptismal prep, Weber Hall, 11am Please call the office to pre-register
Monday, July 12	Scouts, 6:30pm ACTS Core Team, Weber Hall, 6:30pm
Tuesday, July 13	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, 9am
Wednesday, July 14	<i>Rummage Sale, Founders Hall, 8am-1pm</i> No confessions during July on Wednesday nights
Thursday, July 15	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am Youth Ministry, Weber Hall, 6:30pm
Friday, July 16	Quilting in Weber Hall, 8:30—noon <i>Rummage Sale, Founders Hall, 8am-1pm</i>
Saturday, July 17	Reconciliation, 8:45am SVPD Food Pantry open 9-10:30am <i>Rummage Sale, Founders Hall, 8am-1pm</i>
Sunday, July 18	<i>Rummage Sale ends at 11am</i>

Contributions July 3/4

Will be reported next week

*"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts."
~~Mark 6:8~~*

Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things "we can't live without" in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become "slaves" to wanting to acquire more things.

We pray: that we may learn from the Apostles to give up our strong attachment to material possessions.

Needed at the Pantry

laundry detergent, oil, beef stew, men's and ladies' shaving lotion, body wash, all purpose cleaner



We cannot accept expired or previously opened items

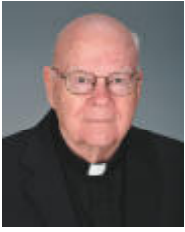
Please hold your plastic bags—we have plenty!!

In the Gospel today we see how Jesus sent His Apostles out two by two. From the beginning of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, members visit in pairs— "two by two" — those who are poor and needy in their homes. It is there, in the family setting, that Vincentians listen, offer humble advice, and render assistance.

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

Visit a St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store for your next bargain

At our stores, families can find a nice table for the kitchen, and books, toys, and clothes for the children. Men and women can select a good suit and shoes for a job interview. Thrifters dig for treasures. College students outfit their apartment. Green shoppers find goods to reuse, recycle, and upcycle. When you're ready to clean out your basement or attic, we'll be ready to pick up your donation. And we're always looking for friendly volunteers who enjoy the retail environment. Whether you're shopping, donating, or volunteering, you're helping! With nine stores in the St. Louis area, including one in St. Charles, there is a St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store near you!



This weekend in our parish, Fr. Daniel McCaffrey will be here to present his plea for the annual Mission Appeal. This year it will be for The Pontifical Society of St. Peter the Apostle. This institution of the Universal Church was founded to awaken the Christian people to the needs of the formation of local clergy in the mission countries, and invite them to spiritually and materially collaborate in the preparation of candidates for the priesthood and religious life.

Fr. Daniel McCaffrey who gave a Parish Mission here a few years ago will be the preacher.

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)

- Contemplative prayer is _____, or silent love. Words in this kind of prayer are not speeches; they are like kindling that feeds the fire of love.
 - passion
 - chattering
 - exclamatory
 - silence
- Prayer is both a gift of grace and a determined response on our part. It always presupposes _____,
 - unwillingness
 - our sin
 - effort
 - lack of desire
- The great figures of prayer of the old covenant before Christ, as well as the mother of God, the saints, and He Himself, all teach us this: prayer is a _____.
 - burden
 - miracle
 - battle
 - simple act
- Some people view prayer as a simple _____ activity, others as an effort of concentration to reach a mental void. Still others reduce prayer to ritual words and postures.
 - home
 - psychological
 - individual
 - group
- Many Christians unconsciously regard prayer as an occupation that is incompatible with all the other things they have to do: they don't have the _____.
 - ability
 - time
 - answers
 - knowledge
- Some would have it that only that is true which can be verified by reason and science; yet prayer is a _____ that overflows both our conscious and unconscious lives,
 - plan
 - direction
 - certainty
 - mystery
- Others overly prize production and profit; thus prayer, being _____, is (seen as) useless.
 - materialistic
 - unproductive
 - time consuming
 - alone
- Some see prayer as a _____ from the world in reaction against activism; but in fact, Christian prayer is neither an escape from reality nor a divorce from life.
 - flight
 - cloister
 - rejection
 - refuge
- Others exalt sensuality and comfort as the criteria of the true, the good, and the _____; whereas prayer is caught up in the glory of the living and true God.
 - ugly
 - bad
 - evil
 - beautiful
- Our battle has to confront what we experience as failure in prayer, (such as): discouragement during periods of _____.
 - seasons
 - dryness
 - peace
 - consolation

ANSWER KEY: 1. D (2717) 2. C (2725) 3. C (2725) 4. B (2726) 5. B (2726) 6. D (2726) 7. B (2727) 8. A (2727) 9. D (2727) 10. B (2728)



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13
- Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34—11:1
- Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
- Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21



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**6 Days Only,
8:00am to 1:00pm
Wednesdays,
July 7 and 14
Fridays,
July 9 and 16
Saturdays,
July 10 and 17**

Next baptismal prep classes: July 18 and August 15, 11:00am in Weber Hall.

Please call the office at 636-398-5270 to reserve your spot! Thank you!

Dynamic Catholic *Alive!*

Two by Two

As we are seeing an end to the pandemic in the near future, many are wondering “are people going to come back to Church?” Maybe the question should be “what are we going to do to invite people back?” Some parishes have decided to contact parishioners that they haven’t heard from in a while and invite them back. But, if we haven’t seen them prior to the pandemic, what was changed at our parish to encourage them to return? Instead, let’s use today’s Gospel as a model—let’s get out “two by two” and walk with people in their faith journey. Let’s train our parish disciples to be disciple-makers. Instead of starting big and calling people that were lukewarm to begin with, let’s start small and train our “on fire” disciples how to lead small faith groups and how to easily share their faith story with others. Then, encourage people in our small faith groups to go out and do the same—this is called spiritual multiplication. The key—we need to personally invest in a few people at a time and accompany them in their faith journey.

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Embracing the teachings of Christ can be a subversive activity, because when we follow the Lord, He uses us to overthrow the deceptions, injustices, hatred, and sin of this world and to help the Kingdom of God to flourish with greater authenticity and power.

—Bishop Donald Hying from his book Love Never Fails



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

**STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE in
Springfield, MO—July 16-18**

*Scholarships are available through IHM.
More information in steubystl.com*

Upcoming regular meeting dates (6:30—8pm)
Thursdays in Weber Hall: July 15, 29

July 15: Bowling and lunch, meet at IHM at 12 noon

July 16: Steubenville trip, we still have one spot open

July 29: Trip to 6 Flags. Need more info, just call.



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Thanks to customers shopping at [smile](https://www.amazon.com/smile), [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app, everyday purchases have generated over \$293 million in donations to charities worldwide so far.

If you shop on Amazon, please access it through our website and you can begin to generate additional funds for our parish!

PSR Corner

PSR moving to Sunday Mornings!

Fr. Tom has made a decision to help “Keep Holy the Lord’s Day” (Sunday), amongst a variety of reasons, by also moving our PSR program to Sunday mornings. At present the plan is to schedule Mass times for 7:30 am and 10 am and have an opportunity for classes (Grades 1-8) in between, from 8:45 – 9:45 am. This way one can go to either Mass and conveniently take part in the program. Opportunities for adult formation will be offered in Church during that time as well. PSR families who registered last year will be sent information. New families, please inquire at the office. We will begin September 12. More details to follow.



St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

From the Parish Library—Grand Hall



All of us are going to be judged in love and truth, particularly in how we have spoken and served love in truth in and to our neighbor. Here is a man that is an example of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Though not Catholic, his witness should inspire all Catholics and people of good will.

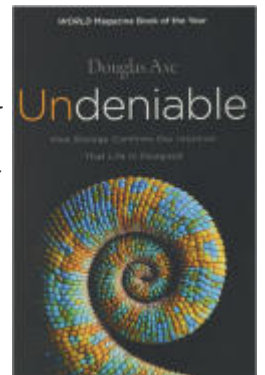
This humble man from Africa has discovered the answer that Bill Gates and Bono have been searching for. MULLY is tackling huge problems with huge heart. You have to see this story to believe it.

--Kirk Cameron, Actor, Two Time Golden Globe Nominee

MULLY leads us on a ledge between dreams we fear and those we hardly dare hope. It is a feast that blends the most unlikely elements: wealth and heartache, poverty and hope, rash idealism and impossible outcomes. Ultimately, MULLY helps us see that any aspiration that does not account for God's power is far too small.

--Christian Alliance for Orphans

Throughout his distinguished and unconventional career, engineer-turned-molecular-biologist Douglas Axe has been asking the questions that much of the scientific community would rather silence. Now, he presents his conclusions in this brave and pioneering book. Axe argues that the key to understanding our origin is the “design intuition”—the innate belief held by all humans that tasks we would need knowledge to accomplish can only be accomplished by someone who has that knowledge. For the ingenious task of inventing life, this knower can only be God. Starting with the hallowed halls of academic science, Axe dismantles the widespread belief that Darwin’s theory of evolution is indisputably true, showing instead that a gaping hole has been at its center from the beginning. He then explains in plain English the science that proves our design intuition scientifically valid. Lastly, he uses everyday experience to empower ordinary people to defend their design intuition, giving them the confidence and courage to explain why it has to be true and the vision to imagine what biology will become when people stand up for this truth. Armed with that confidence, readers will affirm what once seemed obvious to all of us—that living creatures, from single-celled cyanobacteria to orca whales and human beings, are brilliantly conceived, utterly beyond the reach of accident. Our intuition was right all along.



Pope’s Intentions for July: Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

Cornhole Tournament

3rd Annual St. Dominic Athletic Association Cornhole Tournament—August 14, 2021—Crusader Stadium. Grab a friend and join us while supporting St. Dominic Athletics. Sign up today to reserve your spot! www.stdominichs.org/cornhole



2021 Fall Sausage Dinner

Get ready for the return of our famous SAUSAGE DINNERS! If you were an Activity/Shift Chair at the last dinner (Fall 2019!) and you're unable to perform that duty for this upcoming dinner, please contact Jeff Comotto at 314-560-6972 or jcomotto@centurylink.net as soon as you can. I can smell that delicious sausage frying right now! Cold beer here!

SPIRE (Memory Aid) for A Catholic Plan of Life

There is a saying, "How does one eat an elephant?" The answer? "One bite at a time?" How does one unpack and simplify in a plan of life all that God has revealed in Jesus, Scripture and Tradition, all the Church believes, teaches and proclaims to be revealed by God? And how does one live it out faithfully in our daily duty as a Catholic Christian? Here is an attempt to take three core texts at the heart of the message of God's revelation in Jesus from Matthew's Gospel and put them in a memory aid. It is something that one can use in order to help us take one daily bite at a time.

Matthew 22:37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. ³⁸This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself

Matthew 25:45 Then he will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me." ⁴⁶And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Matthew 28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.



In summary, we need to love God with all that we are and our neighbors as ourselves in word and deed, what are known as the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

Focus on becoming the best version of yourself.
Grow in Virtue, Knowledge, and do Acts of
Charity. Stay IN-SPIRE-D

S-Spiritual
P-Physical
I-Intellectual
R-Relational
E-Evangelical



The memory aid is SPIRE, which stands for Spiritual, Physical, Intellectual, Relational and Evangelical. When one thinks about making a "plan of life" incorporating these 5 points, whether as a yearly, monthly or in daily goals, you can ponder how they incorporate the words of the Lord above. We will be unpacking each of these over the next weeks' articles.

The acronym is also fitting in light of the word itself, spire – think Church spire. It is something that points upward, to keep our hearts and minds set "on things that are above" as St. Paul says in Colossians 3, and not simply stay absorbed in the things on earth. We have to keep focused on the end game which is eternity. Our life in this world is but a breath compared to eternity. And as one billboard recently said, "Eternity is a long time to be wrong" when it comes to God's plan in word and deed.

Monthly Outdoor Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine in O'Fallon on Wednesday, July 14th at 7pm. Fr. Peter Fonseca will be our celebrant. Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy will follow after Mass. Please bring a lawn chair. In case of rain it will be cancelled. Please call Ruth at 636-233-1082 with any questions.



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