



# Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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

## Schedule of Holy Mass

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

## Weekly Devotions and Prayers

### Eucharistic Adoration:

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

### Rosary:

Following 8am Mass Monday thru Friday

### Perpetual Help Devotions:

Tuesdays following 8am Mass

### Respect Life Prayers:

Thursday following 8am Mass

### Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction:

Friday at 11:30am

### First Saturday of the Month Devotions

8am Mass, Rosary, 15 minutes of meditation

## Sacraments

### Reconciliation:

Wednesday in church, 7pm  
Saturday following 8am Mass

### Marriage:

Contact the parish office  
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

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 22, 2018



## Jesus, Our Peace

You probably know that the Jews in the first century did not particularly like the Gentiles. Some of them who became Christians still looked down on the non-Jewish Christians. In the epistle today, Paul addresses this problem by reminding them that Jesus died for all people, Jew and Gentile. And just as Jesus rose from the dead to a new life, the converts to Christianity were given a new life also. That new life of baptism joined them all to Christ, who lives in them, forgives them, and brings them peace. So why was that unity so hard to accept?

One reason is that as much as we complain about laws and regulations, many people like to live by them. We

even make our own rules: "I always eat breakfast at 7:15," or "I have to read the newspaper every morning." Even though our rules may not be bad in themselves, if we get angry at anyone who interrupts our routine, those rules lead us to sin. But some of the Hebrew Christians thought that they still had to keep the laws and regulations of the old covenant. There is nothing wrong with keeping the Ten Commandments: They are simply examples of Jesus' command to love God with all your being and to love your neighbor as yourself. So why not just do that?

The problem with only keeping commandments is that we can avoid doing evil things, but still not love

God or my neighbor. For example, we can avoid using God's name in vain and kick back and relax on the Sabbath, but still not really love God. We can keep from killing, robbing, or lying to our neighbor, without loving anyone. Fortunately for us, God loves us first; we need only respond to that love. And if we make the decision to love God and our neighbors, and base all our other actions on that love, we will not break any commandments, or even worry about breaking them. We will have the peace that Paul mentions in our reading, the peace that makes us all one in Christ.

Tom Schmidt,  
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 Mary Keune 636-398-5270

### Religious Education

(Please contact Shawn Mueller,  
 Director of Religious Education  
 for more information)

#### Parish School of Religion

(Grades 1 through 8)  
 September through May  
 Wednesdays from 6:00—7:30pm

#### Confirmation Preparation

(8th Grade)  
 September through May  
 Wednesdays from 6:00—7:30pm

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word

September through May  
 During the 9:30am Sunday Mass

#### Adult Education

Wednesdays at 8:45 and 6:10pm

## Quick Contacts Directory

### Prayer and Devotion

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 Shawn Mueller 636-398-5270  
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### Education

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 Janet Hespen 314-369-6521  
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 Shawn Mueller 636-398-5270  
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 Mary Karll 636-433-5049  
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## This is what Jesus had to say about being charitable towards others

*His words about charity  
are some of the most difficult to follow.*

Instructions on how we should treat our neighbor are one of the hallmarks of Jesus' teachings. Countless people over the centuries, including Christians and non-believers, have looked to Jesus for guidance on how to be charitable towards other people.

On this topic, Jesus gave us a wealth of maxims to live by, and he challenges each one of us to incorporate them into our very being. Jesus hopes that we will take them seriously and strive to live up to them each and every day of our lives.

Below are several passages from the Gospels that invite us to examine how we exercise charity towards those we encounter.

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13:34-35)

"A Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where [the man] was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come

back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." (Luke 10:33-37)

He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your kinsmen or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return, and you be repaid." (Luke 14:12)

If any one would sue you and take your coat, let him have your cloak as well; and if any one forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to him who begs from you, and do not refuse him who would borrow from you. (Matthew 5:40-42)

Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." (Matthew 19:21)

"Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.'" (Matthew 25:34-36)

Philip Koslowski, writer for the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



### Suitcases for the Sisters

After the Little Sisters of the Poor visited with us last weekend, they expressed great need for suitcases to help move their residents into new housing. If you have luggage to donate, please bring it to church or the parish office by the end of this month. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society will coordinate this effort.

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Things got so hectic] that Jesus and his disciples didn't even have time to eat. So he said to them, "Let us go off to some place where we will be alone and you can rest a while." MARK 6:31

An Amazon explorer tried a forced march through the jungle. The first two days went well. But on the third day, the native porters wouldn't move, saying, "We can't go on. We have to let our souls catch up with our bodies." We all need to pause now and then to let our souls catch up with our bodies. Dr. William G. Menninger writes: "I recommend strongly that every executive set aside a little time... to decide where he [or she] is going. Do you know whether you are going in the right direction, and most of all, where do you want to get?"

What is one unexpected benefit that I have experienced as a result of my practice of quiet meditation?

*Settle yourself in solitude, and you will come upon him in yourself.* St. Teresa of Avila

Mark Link S.J. *Vision*





25<sup>th</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY

Please join Fr. Tom for  
Mass on August 12, 3pm  
to celebrate his  
25th priestly anniversary  
followed by a reception  
in the Grand Hall.

Please sign up in the narthex if  
you plan on attending Mass  
and/or the reception in the  
Grand Hall and on our back  
parking lot. This is not a gour-  
met affair: roasted hog, bar-b-  
que chicken and other "picnic"  
food will be our fare along with  
water, soda and adult libations.

## Next Week Ministry Schedule

July 28  
4:00pm

EM: Marcy Pivin, Carole Baker, Pat Roche,  
Vanita Joerling, Ed Etzkorn, Mary Hannig,  
Donna Cuddihee, Karen Wilson  
Lec: Sharon Hagan, Jan Jokisch-Messig  
GB: Judy Cova, Loretta Bruns  
Serv: Bridget Goins, Isabelle Scheer  
Ush: Chris Cuddihee, Dave Hendrix, Larry Graves,  
Jerry Braden

July 29  
7:30am

EM: Jean Reel, Bob Leeker, Kris Jenkins, Jan Kardasz,  
Carol Rabbitt, Mary Hardesty  
Lec: Peggy Dupree, Mary Hardesty  
GB: Tim & Kathy Feldewerth  
Serv: Connor & Sydney Jaekle  
Ush: Rich Molitor, Larry Gassei, Mike Stassi,  
VOLUNTEER please

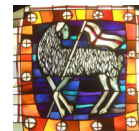
9:30am

EM: Mary Keune, Dave & Pam DeBold, Kat Menne,  
Kris Preuss, Judeen Kutsko, Maureen Blondin,  
Pat Gentry  
Lec: Ron Kutsko, Joe Willis  
GB: Steve & Trish Williams  
Serv: Ellen Aulbach, Thomas Kokker, Sophia Hake  
Ush: Brian Corrigan, Terry Schneider, Alan Raymond,  
Curt Eccardt, Walt Hollenstein, Gary Struckhoff

**IHM**formation Station

July 28, 4:00 Ed & Marcia Etzkorn  
July 29, 7:30 Peggy Dupree  
July 29, 9:30 Joe & Debbie Willis

## This Week at Home



Monday, July 23

Baptism preparation class, Weber Hall,  
7pm (pre-registration requested)  
Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm

Tuesday, July 24

Legion of Mary, 9am  
Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am  
Finance Council, Weber Hall, 7pm

Wednesday, July 25

No reconciliation tonight

Thursday, July 26

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am  
Youth Group, Grand Hall foyer, 6:30pm

Friday, July 27

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30—noon

Saturday, July 28

Reconciliation, 8:30am  
ACTS women meeting, Grand Hall, 8:30am  
Francis Howell Marching Band Car Wash, 9a-1p

Sunday, July 29

Contemporary choir sings at 9:30 Mass

### LOOKING AHEAD:

Monday, July 30

Pulse of the Parish meeting, Grand Hall, 7pm

Please pray for all the sick and suffering,  
including:

Ed Haas, Bill Tate, Mark Klemme, Jolene Molitor,  
Jean Reel, Bob Fritz (Michelle Greiwe's dad),  
Christine Potter, Mark Hanna

**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 Com-  
munion but are unable to get to Mass because of illness or  
disability, please contact the parish office: 636-398-5270.

**Prayer Chain Requests:** Rita Langford at 636-398-  
4654 or email [ritalangford4@gmail.com](mailto:ritalangford4@gmail.com).



Marriage in Christ has been promised between:  
**Jessie Loos and Jack Bangert**  
**Amanda Utt and Joseph Venetis**

During the month of July there will be no evening Confessions on Wednesday nights. Fr. Tom will be available for the Sacrament on Saturday morning after the 8:30am Mass.



## Mass Intentions

<b>Monday, July 23</b>	
8:00am	Mary Jane Korman + Teresa Lozano-Hams +
<b>Tuesday, July 24</b>	
8:00am	Jack Tersteeg + Paul & Doris Noack +
<b>Wednesday, July 25</b>	
8:00am	Mary Barr +
<b>Thursday, July 26</b>	
8:00am	Waldo W. Godier +
<b>Friday, July 27</b>	
8:00am	Eugene Gehrin + Catherine Tillman +
<b>Saturday, July 28</b>	
8:00am	All Souls
4:00pm	Gus & Florence Molitor + Cole Watson +
<b>Sunday, July 29</b>	
7:30am	People of the Parish + Herbert O. Fine +
9:30am	Erma Guinn +

## ✠ Rest in Peace ✠

We offer our prayerful sympathy to  
—Rita and Valerie Langford on the death  
of their husband and father

**Ed Langford**

—to Mary and Mike Stassi on the death  
of their granddaughter

**Teresa Lozano-Hams**

—to Kelly and Jared Randell on the death  
of her brother-in-law

**Damon Korfe**

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

## Contributions: July 14/15

General Offertory:	\$8,718.00
Online—General Offertory:	<u>\$1,984.62</u>
<b>Total Offertory:</b>	<b>\$10,702.62</b>

*"...come away by yourselves to a lonely place  
and rest awhile." MARK 6:31*

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk, and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some "alone" time with God.

*We pray ... that we may take time every day  
to rest in God's presence.*

## Heavenly Duster Purificators

Marilyn O'Neill

Jane Szostek

## Needed at the Pantry:

corn and green beans; pork and beans; peanut butter;  
canned fruit: mandarin oranges, peaches, fruit cocktail,  
apple sauce; tuna helper, hamburger helper; canned  
chicken; ketchup; sugar; vegetable oil; BBQ sauce;  
Bisquick; jello; all-purpose cleaning supplies.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Vincent de Paul, a great man of action, was also a contemplative. His contemplation of God's love overflowed into practical love for the poor.

**Please say a special pray for the poor and forgotten, as you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul collection.**

## Join the Holy Father's July prayer intentions: Priests and their Pastoral Ministry

That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

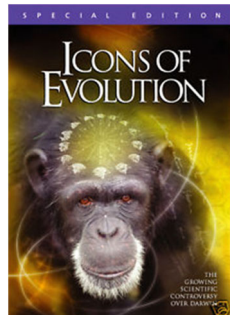


**EWTN CATHOLIC RADIO: AM 1460**  
with daily Mass, teaching the Faith, call-in programs  
*Informative Catholic programming.*

## St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

(Note: With close to 3000 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 Parish Library: Stoltz Grand Hall



The video uses the case of high school biology teacher Roger DeHart to introduce and frame a presentation on six of the "icons of evolution": Haeckel's embryos, Darwin's finches, four-winged fruit flies, homology in vertebrate limbs, bacterial resistance to antibiotics, and Darwin's "Tree of Life". These are referred to as "icons" because they are presented in biology texts as key proofs that Darwinian evolution has occurred. However, each of these is at best misleading (four-winged fruit flies) and at worst an outright fake (Haeckel's embryo drawings). Mr. DeHart was a popular teacher who had taught high school biology for many years. He supplemented the standard textbook presentation of the theory of evolution with additional materials from mainstream, peer-reviewed scientific publications illustrating that there was some disagreement in the scientific community over the interpretation of the purported evidence for evolution. This practice was challenged in the late 1990s (even though teachers in other disciplines frequently used supplementary materials without any challenges) and led to public debate over how the theory of evolution should be taught. This video is produced from the perspective that the evidence against evolution should be taught at the high school level as well as the evidence for it. Students should know how science is practiced, which includes considering alternative interpretations of evidence and considering contrary information as well as supporting evidence for a theory.

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## What's your Catholic Catechism IQ?

### GOD AND THE CHURCH

- Christians of the first centuries said, "The world was created for the sake of the \_\_\_\_."
  - Creator
  - Church
  - Son
  - Animals
- God created the world for the sake of \_\_\_\_ with His Divine Life.
  - Communion
  - Interaction
  - Intervention
  - Convocation
- This communion is brought about by the "convocation" of men in Christ, and this "convocation" is the \_\_\_\_.
  - Committee
  - Holy Spirit
  - Church
  - Assembly
- God permitted such things as the angels' fall and man's sin only as a means for displaying the whole measure of the \_\_\_\_ He wanted to give the world.
  - Mercy
  - Truth
  - Goodness
  - Love
- Just as God's will is creation and is called "the world," so His intention is the \_\_\_\_ of men, and it is called "The Church."
  - Salvation
  - Creation
  - Redemption
  - Cooperation

### FATHER'S PLAN

- The gathering together of the people of God began at the moment when sin destroyed the \_\_\_\_ of men with God.
  - Vision
  - Meeting
  - Gathering
  - Communion
- The remote preparation for this gathering together of the people of God begins when He calls father \_\_\_\_.
  - Time
  - Adam
  - Abraham
  - Jacob
- As the chosen people of God, Israel is to be the sign of the future gathering of all \_\_\_\_.
  - Seeds
  - Kinds of everything
  - Those in the Holy Land
  - Nations
- But the prophets accuse Israel of breaking the covenant and behaving like a \_\_\_\_.
  - Child
  - Baby
  - Prostitute
  - Prodigal Son
- The prophets announce a new and eternal \_\_\_\_\_. The Christ would institute this.
  - Plan
  - Contract
  - Program
  - Covenant





## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

BUILD MY CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

A hearty THANK YOU to all who contributed to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal, either with your monetary gifts or your prayers. Here's the final report recently received from the Archdiocese for our parish:

2018 Published Goal	\$64,570
Challenge Goal	—
New Donor Goal	41
Total to date	\$64,390
Total Parishioners	727
Returned to date	263
# New Donors	41
# Increased Contributions	141
Net Increase	\$17,555
# Maintained Contributions	89
# Decreased Contributions	21
New Decrease	\$1,235
Signed Refusal Cards returned	13
Pledges Percent	34%
Prior Year Pledges percent	44%
Cards Returned percent	36%
Matching Gift Cards returned	6
Matching Gift Total	\$5,285

Thank you for keeping the stories going!!



Janet Hespen, Youth Minister  
314-369-6521

### SURFER JESUS and SYRAN WRAP NIGHT: July 26

Meet at IHM parking lot at 6pm to carpool over to Janet's house in Callaway Valley subdivision. We will be back at IHM at 9pm for pick up. Parents are welcome to join us if they like.



**CONTEMPORARY MUSIC MASS, 9:30, July 29.** Youth Group participation: we will help welcome parishioners, pass out song sheets, etc.


### MESSY AND MIRACLE NIGHT: August 9, 6-8:30pm

You won't want to miss this one!! Meet at pavilion by Founders Hall—wear old clothes and bring a set of clean cloths!

August 11/12 at all Masses: **SPECIAL BLESSING AND FAREWELL** to our parish teens headed off to college.



### August 23: LIKE FOLLOW AND SHARE: Our Faith and the Media.

Come prepared to share your favorite Christian  YouTube video under 10 minutes. Grand Hall, 6-8pm.



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| 10. Covenant 762  | 5. Salvation 760 |
| 9. Prostitute 762 | 4. Love 760      |
| 8. Nations 762    | 3. Church 760    |
| 7. Abraham 762    | 2. Communion 760 |
| 6. Communion 761  | 1. Church 760    |

### Catholic IQ Answers

**PSR corner**

Please return the registrations that were emailed to you recently (if you had a son or daughter registered last year in grades 1-7). If you are a new family or have a new student, please be sure to contact the parish office and we will send you a registration for the 2018-2019 school year.

**PSR**  
Enrolling

### The Lost and Found Basket has overflowed!

If you are missing anything like the following, please check the Lost and Found, to the left of the front doors of church:

- ❖ Clothing: coats, sweaters, gloves, suspenders, etc. (Clothes are on the coat rack by Weber Hall)
- ❖ All sorts of jewelry: earrings, rings, bracelets, necklaces . .
- ❖ Winter gloves
- ❖ Keys
- ❖ Toys
- ❖ Glasses

Thank you for checking!



**NAR-ANON SUPPORT GROUP:** Weekly meetings on Saturdays, 10:00 am in the Trailer at IHM.



## Upcoming Events of Interest:

### SPIRITUAL WARFARE AND THE FAMILY TODAY

Topics: “The Family and Spiritual Warfare”  
“The Impact of Violent Video Games”

**Saturday, August 4, 2018: 9am to 3pm**

**Ascension Parish, 230 Santa Maria Dr., Chesterfield**

**Cost \$10 (includes lunch)**

**Presenter: Adam Blai**, holds a Master’s Degree in Adult Clinical Psychology. He is a Church decreed expert on religious demonology and exorcism in the Diocese of Pittsburgh and is an auxiliary member of the International Association of Exorcists based in Rome. He has helped educate priests on exorcism at national conferences, seminars, and through consultation, and assisted at solemn exorcisms, house exorcisms, and resolutions of hauntings. In addition to Church cases, he reaches out to educate people on the current paranormal craze and the dangers therein, and more ethical ways to resolve hauntings. He currently works in the Pennsylvania State prison system as a Psychological Services Specialist, where he has done hundreds of psychological evaluations for the parole process and worked with the full range of mental illness and human evil.

<http://archstl.org/SpiritualWarfare>

### MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS

Holy Rosary’s (Warrenton) St. Ann’s Sodality Muny Trip

**Sunday, August 5**

**\$41.50 per person**

which includes bus + tip for driver, dinner,  
and ticket to the Muny.

Buffet dinner at Stefanina’s in Wentzville. Meet there at 5:30, bus will return you there at the close of the trip.

For reservations call Debbie at the parish office: 636-456-3698 ext 1 or 314-713-2630. Make check payable to St. Ann’s Sodality.

## Readings for the Week

Monday:	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Thursday:	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10-13; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday:	Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday:	2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15



## You are Invited - Family Fun, Faith, Food and Festivities

Calling all ye lads and lassies. We’re not “talking blarney.” But we are invitin’ ya to our second Papa Palooza event, celebrating the World Meeting of Families. This year the Pope will attend this celebration in Ireland. We plan to do a wee bit of celebratin’ here in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

No need to be Irish. We can give you a Leprechaun name and you’ll fit right in. Learn more about the Saints of Ireland and Irish symbols as you engage in our activities.

Those 6 and under can join us on Leprechaun Lane. Whether it is chasing rainbows or popping bubbles, the wee little ones will have oodles and noodles of fun.

Children over 6 can participate in the SHAM-rock obstacle course. Parents, bring your phones so you can time your shamrockers from start to finish. A few colorful horses will be available for racing. And don’t forget the pig races we had in 2015. These little piggies are comin’ to Market. No snakes will be rattlin’ as St. Patrick removed them from the premises, but we will have a frog launch. If it is a hot day, no need to olagonin (Google it) as we will have a cool down station with Ice Lollies and water activities. We don’t want to give away all the surprises, just close your eyes and dream of shamrocks!

A celebration at the Archdiocese would not be complete without the highlight of our day, the celebration of the Holy Mass at 4:00 PM. Dinner from Psghetti’s will be served after Mass, followed by our youth concert.

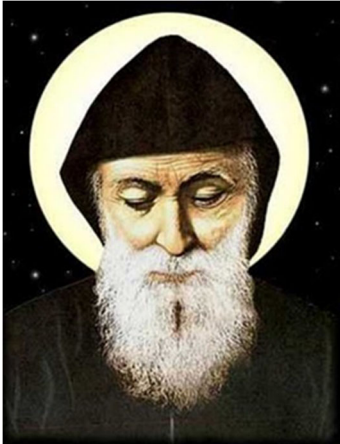
We’d love to have ya join us on **Saturday, July 28** on the soccer field of the Kenrick-Glennon Seminary from 2-7:30pm.

**Registration required by 7/25: [archstl.org/palooza](http://archstl.org/palooza)**



## Mysteries, Marvels and Miracles in the Life of the Church: St. Sharbel Makhoul (Feast: July 24)

Article excerpts from [www.mysticsofthechurch.com/2010/10/saint-charbel-sharbel-makhoul-maronite.html](http://www.mysticsofthechurch.com/2010/10/saint-charbel-sharbel-makhoul-maronite.html)



Most of us are familiar with European saints, such as St. Bernadette, St. Therese and Padre Pio. Less well-known, but still popular in his own area, is Saint Charbel, a monk from Lebanon (b. 1828) who lived much of his life quietly as a hermit, achieving fame only after his death.

Charbel lived a life of intense mortification. He wore a hair shirt, slept on a straw mattress with a plank for a pillow, and for his one meal of the day was content to eat the meager left-overs from the monastery. He displayed a remarkable devotion to the Eucharist, spending hours in preparation for saying Mass and hours in thanksgiving afterwards.

In 1898 Charbel suffered a massive stroke while saying Mass and died just eight days later on Christmas Eve. He was seventy years old. After three days he was buried in the monastery cemetery, and as was the custom, without the benefit of a coffin. Like many a holy monk before him he would soon have been forgotten were it not for a very strange happening. For the next forty-five nights his tomb was surrounded by a dazzlingly bright light. Word began to spread and many sought the intercession of this holy man from Lebanon.

In 1950, the monastery started keeping records of miracles attributed to Charbel. In less than two years it accumulated more than twelve hundred such claims.

As early as 1925 the monk's name had been put forward in a petition to Pope Pius XI to begin canonical proceedings leading to his beatification, but this did not happen until 1965 during the reign of Pope Paul VI. Two cures accepted as being miraculous were necessary and both selected for the purpose had taken place in 1950. The first of these concerned a nun by the name of Sister Maria Abel Kawary. She had suffered serious intestinal problems for fourteen years and had been given up by doctors as a hopeless case, but after praying all night beside Charbel's grave she was cured instantaneously. The doctor who examined her at the time recorded her cure as "a supernatural happening which is beyond man's power to explain."

The second miracle accepted by the Sacred Congregation was the restoration of sight to a blacksmith named Iskandar Oubeid. He had lost the sight in one eye after suffering a blow to it while at work. Eminent eye specialists announced that the damage to the iris was so severe that he would never see through it again. Thirteen years later he took the advice of friends to visit the tomb of Father Charbel. On returning home he had a dream in which a monk appeared, promising to cure him. The next morning he found he could see perfectly out of both eyes. No medical explanation could be found.

Hear the testimony of Dafne Gutierrez, a woman from Arizona who was healed of her blindness after touching the relics of St. Charbel when they came to her parish Church. Within 48 hours after visiting the relics of St. Charbel, her eyesight was completely restored to 20/20 vision. The remarkable and sudden healing was confirmed later by several physicians. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yBhj70vIANQ>



## Meals on Wheels In Need of Volunteers

Meals on Wheels is committed to ending senior hunger in our community by offering Home Delivered Meals, a hot nutritious noon-time meal that provides one-third of an adult's daily nutritional requirement. The meals are delivered to the home Monday-Friday by trained volunteers. The meals are more than just a hot lunch. The volunteers who deliver the meals provide a daily contact and "well-being" check for elders who are alone during the day.

The Meals On Wheels program is in critical need of volunteers at this time. Please call Jean Reed-Bammann, IHM parish coordinator, to help: 636-798-2718 (home) or 314-791-3308 (cell). Thanks!



**HUMANAE VITAE :**  
*The Prophetic Voice of Blessed Paul VI*  
50 Years Later

Humanae Vitae (“Of Human Life”) is the papal encyclical of Blessed Paul VI released on July 25, 1968, which provides a beautiful and coherent teaching about God’s plan for married love and the transmission of human life.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the issuance of this document and during this anniversary year, all Catholics are urged to read the document and grasp its meaning and purpose and to rediscover the splendor of the matrimonial call to be open to human life.

To read the encyclical, search for “Humane Vitae Encyclical” and click on the Vatican link.

We present some reflections from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

## To Love Is to Will the Good of Others

*[Married love] is above all fully human, a compound of sense and spirit. It is not, then, merely a question of natural instinct or emotional drive. It is also, and above all, an act of the free will, whose trust is such that it is meant not only to survive the joys and sorrows of daily life, but also to grow, so that husband and wife become in a way one heart and one soul, and together attain their human fulfillment.*

*(Humanae vitae no. 9)*

### Reflection

In our modern times there is a great confusion about what it means to love another. Romantic love is portrayed as based primarily, if not entirely, on emotional highs and a feeling of intense attraction for the other. For many, then, when these feelings or attractions change, as they often do, the relationship ends.

Our Catholic tradition offers a different understanding of love: that to love is to “will the good of another.” For Blessed Pope Paul VI to say that married love is “above all, an act of the free will,” means that love is not only emotion or feelings of affection towards one’s spouse, rather it is choosing to “will the good” of one’s spouse in all times and circumstances. Love, in the view of the Catholic Church, looks beyond changing emotions and attractions to *will*—to choose—the good of the other.

What does it mean for spouses to choose the good for one another in everyday married life? How can you choose the good for others in your life, even when emotions or feelings fluctuate?

### Intercessory Prayer to Paul VI

God our Father, fill all married couples with your love.

Give them the grace to love one another every day,  
living out their promise to love, to “will the good”  
of one another in good times and bad.

Help them to imitate your freely given, sacrificial love,  
that they may choose each day to give of themselves,  
reflecting Your love for us when You sent Your Son to die for our sins.

We ask this through the intercession of Blessed Pope Paul VI,  
and in the name of Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*



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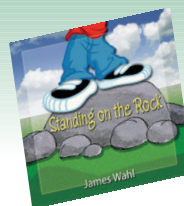
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