



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, 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

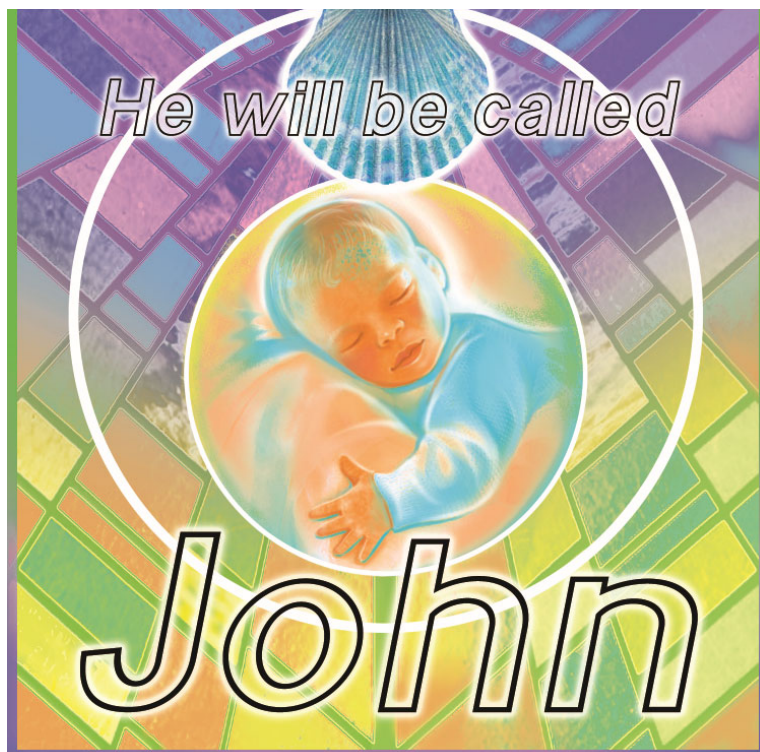
to register for class and to arrange date

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office

The Nativity of John the Baptist

June 24, 2018



Hold the Locusts

The birth of John is much like the birth of Jesus. Neither mother expected to be pregnant (Elizabeth was very old, Mary was not married.) Both were announced by an angel; both were given a name by the angel (Luke 1:13 and 1:31.) All who heard about the births were amazed (Luke 1:66 and 2:18.) It should be no surprise that the two mothers got together to discuss these things (Luke 1:39-56.) Most likely, talking about their experiences helped them to believe what the angel had said. You might say Elizabeth prepared Mary to be the mother of the Savior. And years later John would help people prepare to accept Jesus as their Savior.

Now the Church has always taught that saints are not just admired, they are to be imitated. So how do we imitate John? Probably not by living in the desert and eating locusts and wild honey. (I'll take the honey, but hold the locusts.) Let's look at a few of the things John is known for and how we can learn from them.

John lived in the desert to prepare for his ministry. How do we prepare to serve the Lord? Have you ever gone on a retreat, not just because it was required by your school or job, but because you wanted to take time to be with the Lord? Many retreat houses have weekend retreats for those who can't take off work.

The point of a retreat is not just to get away, but to learn how to pray or to deepen your prayer life.

As we learn to pray better, we get to know the Lord better. That brings us to the second way to imitate John: Lead others to Christ. We need to know the Lord to bring others to him. With the power of the Holy Spirit we received in the sacrament of Confirmation, we can give good examples of Christian love, share our faith, stand up for justice, and encourage others to grow in faith. Like John, we may also meet resistance, but we can be confident that the Lord will be with us always.

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 Director of Religious Education
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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

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An effective prayer for when you are feeling angry

by Philip Koslowski, who writes for The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer).

The feeling of anger is not in itself a sin, as with all emotions. However, anger can very easily lead to other sins, including sinful wrath, and culminate in desires that are extremely harmful. If acted upon, anger can produce some of the greatest evils, severing a relationship with God.

It doesn't have to be that way.

First of all, God wants us to talk to Him in our anger. Pope Francis related in a homily how God likes to argue with us, "He likes it when you get angry and tell him what you feel to His face because His is a father!" God wants to be involved in our lives, even when we are angry.

Often when we talk to God in our anger we are able to calm down and God restores peace in our hearts. It happened numerous times in the Bible and can be the case for us as well.

Another way to combat anger is to pray to the patron saint against anger, St. Jerome.



St. Jerome is most widely known for his translation of the Bible into the form of Latin most commonly read at the time (the Vulgate). He started out his priestly ministry as a hermit leading a life of asceticism outside of Antioch.

He is also "well-known as one of our crankier saints," speaking his mind freely and making many enemies wherever he went. Jerome's asceticism was what saved him, as one bishop said about him while looking at a painting that had Jerome striking his breast with a stone, "You do well to carry that stone, for without it the Church would never have canonized you" (Butler's Lives of the Saints).

Here is a prayer that he composed, invoking the mercy of God, for when we are angry we are in desperate need of His mercy.

O Lord, show Your mercy to me and gladden my heart.

I am like the man on the way to Jericho who was overtaken by robbers, wounded and left for dead. O Good Samaritan, come to my aid.

I am like the sheep that went astray. O Good Shepherd, seek me out and bring me home in accord with Your will.

Let me dwell in your house all the days of my life and praise You for ever and ever with those who are there. Amen.

Alternatively, if you are really fired up, pray this short prayer that has been known to help. It can be prayed over and over again until the anger subsides.

Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, a sinner.

In all things, always turn to God, especially when your feelings are less than holy!

PLEASE NOTE! All bulletin articles for the July 8 edition must be received by Monday, June 25 due to the July 4 holiday. Thanks!

PSALM 139: THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST:
AT THE MASS DURING THE DAY, ALL YEARS



G. I praise you, for I am won-der-ful-ly made.

Next Week Ministry Schedule

June 30
4:00pm

EM: Jan Jokisch-Messig, Wilma Zurweller, Joan Falbo,
Wally & Jan Karase, Sharon Hagan, Judy Cova,
Bernadine Pollihan
Lec: Jerry Knott, Chuck Kettler
GB: Rick & Jackie Barclay
Serv: Bridget Goins, Sophia Hake
Ush: Jerry Braden, Stan Nikonowicz, Bryan Potter,
Joe Spiess

July 1
7:30am

EM: John & Karen Wappelhorst, Jan Kardasz,
Betty Tuepker, Peggy Dupree, John Fiacco
Lec: Kris Jenkins, Lucy Smith
GB: Mike & Mary Hardesty
Serv: Andy, Daniel, David Vehige
Ush: Gary Potter, Rich Molitor, Larry Gassei,
VOLUNTEER please

9:30am

EM: Bob Leeker, Kat Menne, Steve Williams,
Kris Preuss, Judeen Kutsko, Laura Orf,
Dave & Pam DeBold
Lec: Susan & Don Hladky
GB: Michelle, Paige & Genny Greiwe
Serv: Maggie & Morgan Molitor, Lannah Montgomery
Ush: Walt Hollenstein, Gary Struckhoff, Bob Gray
Charles Hinkle, Chris & Adam Molitor

IHMformation Station

June 30, 4:00pm: Wally & Jan Karase
July 1, 7:30am: John & Karen Wappelhorst
July 1, 9:30am: Michelle Greiwe

**Please pray for all the sick and suffering,
including:**

Ed Haas, Bill Tate, Mark Klemme,
Mary Jean Hartenbach, Jolene Molitor,
Roger Brink, Teresa Berfanger, Ed Langford,
Bob Fritz (Michelle Greiwe's dad)

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 Chain Requests: Rita Langford at
636-398-4654 or email ritalangford4@gmail.com.

This Week at Home



Sunday, June 24

Marriage Prep, Grand Hall,
9:30—3:30

Monday, June 25

Baptism prep, Weber Hall, 7pm
(please call for reservation)

Tuesday, June 26

Legion of Mary, 9am
Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am
BLOOD DRIVE, Founders Hall, 2:30—6:30pm
Finance Council, Weber Hall, 7pm

Wednesday, June 27

Reconciliation, 7pm

Thursday, June 28

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

Friday, June 29

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30—noon

Saturday, June 30

Reconciliation, 8:30am
Jonah Team will pray with you after 4pm Mass

Sunday, July 1

Jonah Team will pray with you after 9:30am Mass

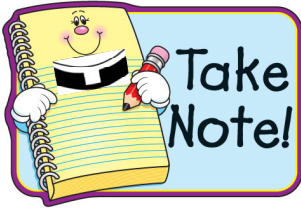
The Nativity of John the Baptist

The time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child. She gave birth to a son. When Zechariah's tongue was freed and he wrote that the child's name was to be John "fear came upon all their neighbors, and all these matters were discussed throughout the hill country of Judea. All who heard these things took them to heart, saying, "What, then, will this child be?" LUK 1:57-66

It was the question of the neighbors and of all who had heard the amazing story, "What will this child turn out to be?" Every child is a bundle of possibilities. There was an old Latin schoolmaster who always bowed gravely to his class before he taught them. When he was asked why, he answered, "Because you never know what one of these lads will turn out to be."

The entry of a child into a family is two things. First, it is the greatest privilege which life can offer a man and wife. It is something for which to thank God. Second, it is one of life's supreme responsibilities, for that child is a bundle of possibilities, and on parents and teachers depends how these possibilities will or will not be realized.

-William Barclay



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

Monday, June 25	
8:00am	Mary Barr + Eugene Gehrin +
Tuesday, June 26	
8:00am	Freda Wolff + Doris Quamby & Leanne Stahlschmidt +
Wednesday, June 27	
8:00am	intention of the Mueller Family Catherine Tillman +
Thursday, June 28	
8:00am	Gerard Wehrle + intention of the Schipper Family
Friday, June 29	
8:00am	All Souls LaVerne Horne +
Saturday, June 30	
8:00am	Cole Watson +
4:00pm	Gary & Betsy Struckhoff's 11th Catherine Bamert +
Sunday, July 1	
7:30am	People of the Parish Ann Seper +
9:30am	Mark Katigbak + Steve Aguado +

Readings for the week

Mon:	2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5
Tue:	2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wed:	2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119:33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20
Thu:	2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8, 9; Mt 7:21-29
Fri:	Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Sat:	Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17
Sun:	Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

Contributions: June 16/17

General Offertory:	\$7,018.50
Online—General Offertory:	<u>\$4,472.79</u>
Total Offertory:	\$11,491.29

"...Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet."
ACTS 13:25

Stewardship is a lifestyle, it's not a program or a process. It's how we are called to live our lives twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week! It challenges us to live "God-centered" lives, not "self-centered" lives. Reflect on your daily activities: do you do them for the glory of God or for the glory of your own name?

*We pray to turn our daily focus to God and others
to develop a "God-centered" lifestyle*

Heavenly Duster Purificators

Shirley Gassei

June Spiess

Needed at the Pantry:

recycled plastic grocery bags; vegetarian vegetable soup, chicken noodle, cream soups; corn and green beans; cold cereal; peanut butter; canned fruit; pineapple, mandarin oranges, peaches, fruit cocktail, apple sauce; tuna helper, hamburger helper; canned chicken; ketchup; sugar; vegetable oil; bbq sauce; Bisquick; jello; and all purpose cleaning supplies.

In the Gospel today, we celebrate the birth of John the Baptist and everyone pondered the question: "What then will this child be? For surely the hand of the Lord was with him."

This month, "the hand of the Lord" has been acting through you as your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought his love and care to the poor by providing food and financial help for utility, rent and other bills. Thank you

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

Welcome to Immaculate Heart of Mary: *Informed—Hospitable—Motivated*

We are very thankful for the hard work, dedication and generous donations (monetary and otherwise) given to our parish recently. With our grateful appreciation, we acknowledge:



Thank You

Rita Langford, Mary Hardesty, Vicki Grunz and an army of volunteers who accepted donations, organized them over and over, and were present to help the many shoppers who visited our Marian Council Rummage Sale. After the sale was completed, the balance of the treasures were donated to *Love Serving God*, an organization in Wentzville that helps set up the homeless (and those who have recently lost their jobs) in decent housing.

Kathy Fowler, who invited our youngest ballerinas to a 3-day camp in the Grand Hall and donated the registration fees to the parish. She's been teaching our little princesses for 6 years.

Cassie Potter who again this year made a lovely garden bench, which was raffled off prior to the Parish Feast Day weekend, and gave raffle proceeds to the parish. This was the 10th year of Cassie's expertise and generosity.

Marcy Pivin, Mary Jo Dazey, Karen Unnerstall (and their spouses and children) who made our Marian Council Bunco Night such a wonderful time and big success. The Grand Hall was full of ladies who were meeting new friends while rolling the dice, enjoying the food, and having a good time. Proceeds benefit the Marian Council.



Janet Hespen, Youth Minister
314-369-6521

Hi IHM teenagers.

Please save these summer dates for fun,

June 28: Movie night—details to follow

July 12: Slam dunk night

July 20-22: Steubenville Retreat in Springfield, MO

July 26: Syran wrap night

Hope to see you soon! Call me any time.

What's your Catholic Catechism IQ?

SYMBOLS OF THE SPIRIT

- Water: Just as the gestation of our first birth took place in water, so the water of Baptism truly signifies our birth into the ____ life.
 - Oceanic
 - Mermaidic
 - Divine
 - Abundant
- Anointing: Christ in Greek and in Hebrew ____ means the one "anointed" by God's Spirit.
 - Methuselah
 - Menudo
 - Melkite
 - Messiah
- This symbol is shown over the tent of Moses, the Temple of Solomon, the Transfiguration of Jesus.
 - Dove
 - Cloud
 - Fire
 - Rainbow
- This symbol expresses the character imparted by the Spirit. The Father has set His ____ on Christ.
 - Seal
 - Hand
 - Face
 - Time
- This symbol hovered over the waters of the Flood and over Christ at His Baptism.
 - Dove
 - Cloud
 - Fire
 - Rainbow



SPIRIT OF PROMISE

- The characteristics of the awaited Messiah, Anointed One, are highlighted in Chapter 11 of this prophetic book.
 - Revelation
 - Isaiah
 - Malachi
 - Amos
- Isaiah mentions gifts of the Spirit that today are invoked for those receiving this Sacrament.
 - Holy Orders
 - Baptism
 - Marriage
 - Confirmation
- The Spirit moved in the cycle of the Prophets from Elijah to this 'New Elijah.'
 - Elisha
 - Jesus
 - John the Baptist
 - Paul the Apostle
- John's Baptism was for repentance; Baptism in water and the Spirit will be a new ____.
 - Birth
 - Start
 - Engine
 - Thing
- Because His Spirit had prepared this person, the Father found the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men.
 - Elizabeth
 - Virgin Mary
 - St. Anne
 - Eve



Annual Mission Appeal This Weekend

Please welcome Fr. Ramon Caluza, a Missionhurst—CICM (the Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary) missionary who is visiting our parish this weekend to present a mission appeal. Fr. Ramon is from the foreign missions of the Republic of the Philippines and will be sharing his life and dedication to the people he serves.

Missionhurst—CICM was originally founded in 1862 for the conversion of China. Today, Missionhurst—CICM serves in some of the most remote places of Mongolia, Indonesia, Africa, Asia and Latin America. Unlike some relief organizations that come only when there is a news-making crisis, Missionhurst—CICM missionaries come prepared to stay, living among the people, sharing in their privations, and participating in the day-to-day effort needed to achieve life-long spiritual and material changes. In response to the people's most urgent need, Missionhurst—CICM missionaries may start a new farming project, build a new chapel or school or lay clean water supply lines.

Fr. Ramon will be preaching at all the masses and a second collection will be taken for Missionhurst-CICM.

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 Lighthouse Catholic CD Rack: Narthex

Fr. Mike Schmitz is one of the leading speakers to young people in the Church today. In this presentation, he explains how Christians truly become sons and daughters of God the Father for all eternity through the sacrament of Baptism.

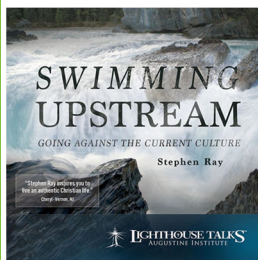
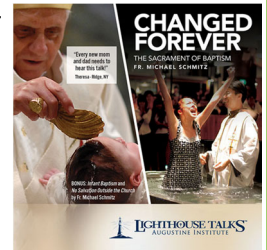
Following the presentation, Lighthouse Catholic Youth has provided a bonus segment from Fr. Mike that explains the topics of "Infant Baptism" and "No Salvation Outside the Church".

This is a talk for the New Evangelization. Father Mike packs it full of new expressions that open up everything, and powerfully draws us into the great mysteries of our faith. Wow!

Seth - Laconia, NH

Every new mom and dad needs to hear this talk. You will never think of Baptism in the same way again!

Theresa - Ridge, NY



In this empowering talk, Steve Ray shares what it means to be a Christian in today's world. By examining the lives and martyrdoms of the early Christians and understanding how they transformed the pagan Greco-Roman culture, Steve gives us a blueprint for the New Evangelization. Learn from early Christians how to swim upstream against the current culture and become a witness for Christ.

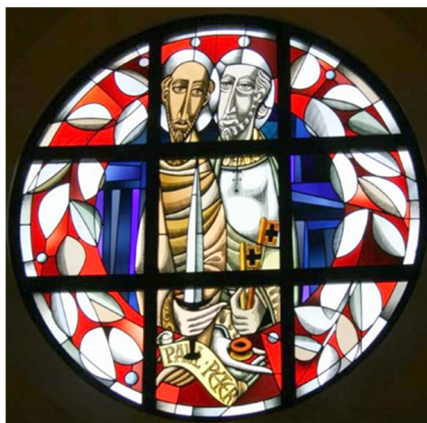
I have really enjoyed the CD's from Lighthouse but Swimming Upstream blew me away! I was not familiar with Stephen Ray but will now seek to hear a many of his lectures as possible! Wow, what an amazing, thought-provoking topic! Ordinarily once I listen to a CD, I send it along to my sister who lives across the country. But she isn't getting my copy of this! I will keep it on hand and listen to it again and again! I am also going to look into purchasing several copies to hand out! Please include Mr. Ray in future monthly offerings. Thanks and God Bless!

Marti - Saint Gabriel, LA

PSR corner

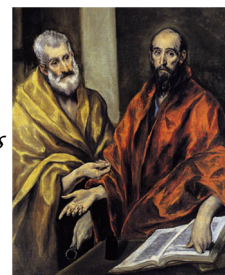
Fr. Larry Richards, a well-known preacher and retreat master, often gives the advice "No Bible no Breakfast, no Bible no Bed" challenging and encouraging folks to read the Bible frequently. Consider a goal to read at least the four gospels over the summer. A good translation is the RSV-CE or the NAB. Keeping other varieties of Catholic books around the house will invite your child to learn more about her faith. Read them together, or just allow your child to explore the books on her own.





The Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul: June 29th

With this week's feast of Sts. Peter and Paul it is fitting to highlight the stained glass windows in Church which refer to them. Booklets of the symbolism of the IHM stained glass are available at the IHMformation Station in the Narthex.



Rome, the "eternal city" has as its co-patrons St. Peter, Vicar of Christ, and St. Paul, Apostle of the Gentiles. Both are buried in Rome under two great basilicas – St. Peter's Basilica and St. Paul Outside the Walls. In the stained glass window Peter and Paul overlook the "Vatican" windows that depict various images associated with Vatican II Council held in Rome. St. Paul, who speaks about putting on "the armor of God" (Eph. 6:11) is portrayed with a sword to depict both the word of God (Heb 4:12) and the spiritual battle to which Christians are called. However, the sword ordinarily represents St. Paul's martyrdom, which tradition holds was done by beheading. Likewise, St. Peter is often shown with an upside-down cross, through which his martyrdom traditionally is believed to have been accomplished. The most associated symbol with Peter are keys, symbolizing the gift of authority that Jesus gave to Peter and His successors (Matthew 16:18)



Our Lady of Medjugorje



The next time you stop by the church office, take a look at our collection of Marian plates that are displayed on the wall. This one is entitled "Our Lady of Medjugorje" and we'd like to tell you a little about this Marian feast, which is celebrated on June 24.

Our Lady of Medjugorje (also called Queen of Peace and Mother of the Redeemer) is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary by those who believe that she appeared in 1981 to six Herzegovinian children in Medjugorje, Bosnia and Herzegovina (at the time Yugoslavia). There have also been continued reports of seeing the apparition and receiving messages from it during the years since. The visionaries often refer to the apparition as the "Gospa", which is Croatian for "lady." On May 13, 2017, a papal response came when Pope Francis declared that the original visions reported by the children are worth studying in more depth, while the subsequent continued visions over the years are, in his view, of dubious value. He went on to say that there are people who go there, convert, find God and their lives change. He said that

this is a spiritual and pastoral fact that cannot be denied.

Early on, in questioning the visionaries and asking them to describe Mary's appearance, Franciscan Fr. Janko Bubalo asked, "Is Our Lady really beautiful, as you have said?" Their answer was, "Well, really we haven't told you anything about that. Her beauty cannot be described. It is not our kind of beauty. It is something ethereal, something heavenly, something that we'll only see in Paradise and then only to a certain degree." Visionary Mirjana, in her autobiography, says that when they asked Gospa, "How is it possible that you are so beautiful?" Our Lady gently smiled. "I am beautiful because I love," she said. "If you want to be beautiful, then love."

Dynamic Catholic *Alive!*

Chosen and Called

How beautiful the readings are today for this solemnity! They remind us that God knows us and loves us so deeply. He knows us better than we know ourselves. Even before we were born, He saw what our lives would be like. Just like the prophet Isaiah and John the Baptist, we are called to be servants of God who dedicate our lives to Him. Our Triune God must be the center of everything that we do, not just another item among the many on a checklist. Today, invite God to come into every dimension of your life, especially your family life. With this approach of consecration to God, making Him the focal point of our relationships, our work, and our leisure, we can bring others into a similar relationship with God and help them recognize their true identity as sons and daughters called to serve. Let us be like St. John the Baptist, who constantly sought to point others to Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, during his short life.

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BLOOD DRIVE

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Tuesday, June 26

2:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Founders Hall

#8 West Highway D

To schedule an appointment,
call The Blood Center at 866.448.3253
or go online to www.bloodcenterIMPACT.org

Use sponsor code 9118 to schedule online
Eat & hydrate well before donating
MUST bring photo ID to donate
Last date to donate elsewhere: 5/1/2018

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY REGIONAL BLOOD CENTER

Presenting donors will
receive a voucher to redeem
a Give to Live t-shirt!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR and SAVE THE DATE

The 18th Annual Tee Off For the Kids Golf tournament will be held **September 15, 2018** at the Missouri Bluffs Golf Club, 18 Research Park Circle, St. Charles, MO. Proceeds benefit **SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital**. \$165 individual golfers, \$660 per foursome. Includes lunch, golf, beverages, dinner, silent and live auctions. To register call Bob Maryas 636-458-8481 or email bmaryas@charter.net.

Eucharistic Adoration Conference on **Saturday, September 29**, 8am—noon at the Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Drive. Featured keynote speaker Most Rev. Robert J. Hermann. Day begins with Mass at 8am in the Chapel.



...and the living is easy. That's what the favorite old song says. The **living** may be easy, but often the **giving** is not. Summer collections often drop significantly in our parish because of vacation travel, sports schedules and other activities that cause parishioners to attend Mass in other parishes.

If you would like to make your giving easy and consistent this summer, please consider our electronic giving option. Currently more than 83 parish families are using this simple and secure way to make and track their parish giving. If you would like to learn more, please contact Laura in the office or check out our website at www.ihm-newmelle.org, click on the "Online Giving" tab.

Annie at St. Dominic High School, June 29-30

St. Dominic High School's Crusader Summer Players are proud to present *Annie*! This production features performers in grades 4-12 from throughout our area, including Immaculate Heart of Mary's own:

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Shows are at 7pm on Friday, June 29, and Saturday, June 30 in St. Dominic's Amy Dickherber Performing Arts Center. Order tickets online: <https://stdominichighschool.regfox.com/annie>



July 2018—Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Jonah Team after 9:30 Mass	2 SVDP, 6pm	3 Fitness Class GH, 9am Legion of Mary WH, 9am K of C officers FH, 7pm	4 Office closed 	5 Fitness Class GH, 9am	6 Quilting WH, 8:30a MOPS FH, 7:50am	7 Reconciliation 8:30am SVDP Pantry 9-10:30am
8 K of C Breakfast FH, 8-11am	9	10 Fitness Class GH, 9am Legion of Mary WH, 9am Marian Council WH, 6:30pm	11 <div>There will be no Wednesday evening Reconciliation in July</div>	12 Fitness Class GH, 9am Youth Group GH foyer, 6:30p	13 Quilting WH, 8:30am	14 Reconciliation 8:30am Marriage Prep GH, 9:30a-3:30p Little Sisters of the Poor Appeal
15 Little Sisters of the Poor Appeal Marriage Prep GH, 9:30a-3:30p	16 SVDP, 6pm	17 Fitness Class GH, 9am Legion of Mary WH, 9am K of C, FH, 7pm	18	19 Fitness Class GH, 9am	20 Quilting WH, 8:30am	21 Reconciliation 8:30am SVDP Pantry 9-10:30am
22	23 Baptism prep WH, 7p	24 Fitness Class GH, 9am Legion of Mary WH, 9am Finance Council WH, 7pm	25	26 Fitness Class GH, 9am	27 Quilting WH, 8:30am	28 Reconciliation 8:30am ACTS meeting, GH, 8:30am
29	30 POP meeting GH, 7pm	31 Fitness Class GH, 9am Legion of Mary WH, 9am				

Please pray for our troops:

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