



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

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

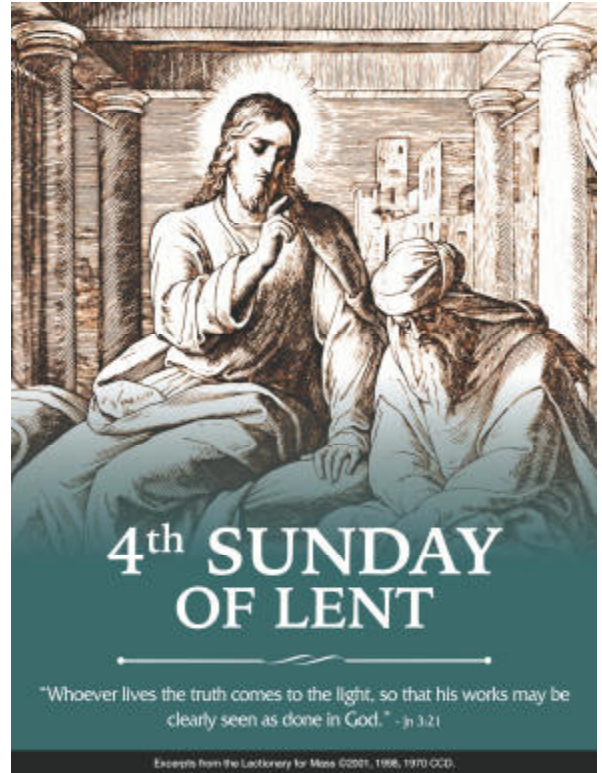
Marriage: Contact the parish office
 at least six months prior to the wedding

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

March 14, 2021



Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Is there something to Lent that goes beyond our own spiritual house cleaning and spiritual refinement? Yes, there is! It has to do with listening and learning so that we can take up the task of the Gospel with greater clarity and fortitude. While the spiritual refocusing of Lent is necessary, the fruit of this Lenten conversion has much more to do with learning how we can be a better Church than it does about our eternal salvation. Salvation is a gift that flows out of God's unconditional Mercy and cannot be merited. The spiritual maturity we can experience as a result of our Lenten disciplines serves to reduce the anxiety and apprehension we may experience as messengers of good, but very challenging, and unsettling, news.

St. Oscar Romero said that, "a church that doesn't provoke any crises, a gospel that doesn't unsettle, a word of God that doesn't get under anyone's skin, a word of God that doesn't touch

the real sin of the society in which it is being proclaimed, what gospel is that?" When we listen to those descriptive and provocative words, do they resonate with anything in our experience? As messengers of the Gospel, we are called to bring an unsettling message to the world. If our main concern is protecting our self-interests, then we are missing something huge! Many really struggle with being rejected, dismissed, or perceived as someone who is speaking out of turn. There is a counter cultural message that must be preached that clearly sides with the poor, marginalized, victimized, oppressed, neglected, disregarded, and lost souls throughout the world. There is a widespread misery among the peoples that is all too often allowed to fester with no one coming forward to offer a change or resolution.

The Church can speak to the needed structural changes that will allow people to earn just wag-

es, feed their families and share abundantly and equally in the gifts of God's good earth. Such a vision is not some optimistic fairy tale, but the vision of the Creator himself. Lent reminds us, as St. Oscar Romero also states, that, "we are workers, not master builder, ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own." We are not called to labor simply for the benefit of the here and now but of the "what is to come." Our myopic vision can be replaced by a more far reaching Lenten vision that is much greater and deeper in scope. As long as we are carrying the right blueprints with us and our thoughts extend beyond ourselves, then even the little things we do and the simplest prayer we utter go a long way. They give witness to our preference for the light of Christ and not the darkness of error and sin.

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

Parish Staff

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Shawn Mueller, Director

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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

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Laetare Sunday

It's optional, but I've always liked it — when the Church's sacred ministers wear "pink" on Laetare Sunday — Roman Catholicism's Fourth Sunday of Lent.

The day's theme comes from the entrance antiphon reflecting on Isaiah 66:10-11: "Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exalt and be satisfied at her consoling breast."

Laetare is the first word — meaning "rejoice" — in the Latin text. On Laetare Sunday (as similarly with the Third Sunday of Advent's Gaudete Sunday) the Church expresses hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances. Call it pink — or, more fittingly, rose — this change in color indicates a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter into the somber days of Passiontide.

The joy of Easter being around the corner is symbolized in a few other interesting liturgical possibilities. During Lent, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal forbids flowers adorning the altar. But on Laetare Sunday (as well as solemnities and feasts within the season), there's a temporary halt to these penitential observations! I remember well decking out the altar with pink roses on that day when I was once a parish liturgy director.



At one time, marriages were generally forbidden during Lent, but Laetare Sunday was often associated as a day when marriages could be celebrated during the penitential season. While marriages are now only forbidden on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, Laetare Sunday is still a fitting day for those wishing to be married before Eastertide.

Laetare Sunday is the Church's way of giving us a "shot in the arm" as we approach the darkness and horror of the days through Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It's an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday — the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy!

Being aware of traditions and customs assists us in celebrating the beauty of our faith. As you can see, there is much associated with even a nondescript day like the Fourth Sunday of Lent — not to mention the rest of the season, or the 50 days of Easter and beyond. Take advantage of the richness of our Catholic traditions.

—Michael Heinlein, Editor of *Simply Catholic*,
an online site whose mission is to
help Catholics know and love the Lord and His Church
to equip them to share the Catholic faith with others

LENTEN CONFESSIONS
Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday 7-8:30pm
Saturday 8:45am

4th Sunday of Lent—Year B

[Jesus said,] "God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life." John 3:16

One writer stated in a magazine: "If tenderness were rare instead of normal, wouldn't newspapers give it headlines: Mother Cherishes Family—Blind Person Helped Across Street—Prisoners Visited—Destitute People Cared For...and on and on? "But thanks to Jesus' coming on earth, such events are not news; they are as common and as beautiful as dandelions."

What is one thing that I see happening in today's world that fills me with new hope for the future?

"I don't think of all the misery but of the beauty that still remains." ANNE FRANK

Mark Link S.J. *Mission*

Ministry Schedule

March 13—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Wally & Jan Karase
 Lec: Nancy Ast, Sharon Hagan
 Serv: Zara Panus
 Music: Bryan & Mary Ann
 Ush: Larry Graves, Ed Etzkorn, Bill Pollihan
 Proj: Lucy Smith

March 14—7:30am

EM: Aaron Waldeck, Jan Kardasz, Betty Tuepker,
 Dianne Dickherber
 Lec: Chuck Kettler, Bob Leeker
 Serv: Natalie Jaeckle
 Music: Verdi & Elizabeth
 Ush: Frank Kardasz, Ron Jacob, Gary Potter
 Proj: Kay Medley

March 14—9:30am

EM: Aaron Waldeck, Don & Susan Hladky,
 Bob Brossette
 Lec: Michelle Greiwe, Yvonne Brossette
 Serv: Janie Becker
 Music: Bryan, Amelia, Betsy, Mary
 Ush: Larry Smith, Alan Raymond, Ron Simpson
 Proj: Brooke Houlthausen

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Phyllis Zerr, Mike & Pat Ryan, Fran Bussen, Betty Boyd,
 Nancy Hollenstein, Deacon Tony, Amy Robbins,
 Don Schmidt, Betty Heppermann, Joyce Brakensiek,
 Carl Wolff, Gary Potter, Terry Hagan,
 Richard & Doris Berhorst

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),
 Loren & Evelyn Brandon (parents of Marty & Peggy Dupree),
 Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen),
 Charlie Grady (grandson of John & Carol Grady),
 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),
 Peyton Newman (grandson of Mike & Mary Hardesty)

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

March 20—4pm

EM: Josh Deters, Ann Zaleuke, Pat Roche, Ed Etzkorn
 Lec: Theresa & Jim Risch
 Serv: Izzy Scheer
 Music: Bryan & Mary Ann
 Ush: Tom Zaleuke, Andy Pope, Bryan Potter
 Proj: Kathy Lalonde

March 21—7:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Aaron Waldeck, Kris Jenkins,
 Maureen Blondin
 Lec: Dave London, Chuck Kettler
 Serv: Janie Becker
 Music: Verdi & Brooke
 Ush: Tom Meczowski, Bob Hutchcraft, Terry Schneider
 Proj: Nancy Neske

March 21—9:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Aaron Waldeck, Janet Hespen,
 Sharon Smith,
 Lec: Grant Smith, Donna Hecht
 Serv: William Lassiter
 Music: Bryan, Amelia, Betsy, Mary
 Ush: Bill Winters, Gary Struckhoff, Joe Weber
 Proj: Tom Shea

Heavenly Duster Schedule

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| Week of March 14: | Jan Wolf |
| Week of March 21: | Ann Biddy |
| Week of March 28: | Alice Faron |

Purificators

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| Month of March: | Pam DeBold |
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Reconciliation

Mon/Tue/Wed 7-8:30pm
 Saturdays, 8:30am

Stations of the Cross

Fridays, 7pm (not March 19)

Consecration to St. Joseph

Friday, March 19 with evening Mass at 7pm

Anointing of the Sick

after Masses March 20/21

ADORE

Wednesday, March 24, 6:30pm

Holy Week begins March 28

Morning Prayer 8am Thu/Fri/Sat

Holy Thursday—April 1

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

Good Friday—April 2

Stations of the Cross 1pm

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3pm

Easter Vigil—April 3—8pm

Easter Sunday April 4—Masses at 7:30 & 9:30



Mass Intentions

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| Monday, March 15 | |
| 8:00am | Rick Cobleigh + Dorothea Genteman + |
| Tuesday, March 16 | |
| 8:00am | Jim Elfrink + |
| Wednesday, March 17 | |
| 8:00am | Arthur Aguado + |
| Thursday, March 18 | |
| 8:00am | All Souls |
| Friday, March 19 | |
| 8:00am | Dave Gentry (1st ann) + |
| Saturday, March 20 | |
| 8:00am | Stan Nikonowicz + |
| 4:00pm | Jean Reel + |
| Sunday, March 21 | |
| 7:30am | Martha Almeling + |
| 9:30am | People of IHM Capt. John V. Taylor Jr. + |

This Week at Home

social distancing recommended at all events

Daylight Savings Time begins this weekend

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| Monday, March 15 | |
| St. Joseph study, Grand Hall, 9am | |
| St. Vincent de Paul, 6pm | |
| Scouts, Founders Hall, 6:30pm | |
| Youth Group, Weber Hall, 6:30pm | |
| Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm | |
| Tuesday, March 16 | |
| Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am | |
| Knights of Columbus, Founders Hall, 7pm | |
| Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm | |
| Wednesday, March 17 | |
| Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am | |
| Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6:15pm | |
| Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm | |
| Thursday, March 18 | |
| Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am | |
| RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm | |
| Event in Grand Hall 6:30pm | |
| Friday, March 19 | |
| Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30am—noon | |
| Fish Fry, carryouts & inside dining 3:30—7:30pm | |
| Feast Day of St. Joseph Mass, 7pm | |
| Saturday, March 13 | |
| Reconciliation, 8:45am | |
| SVDP Food Pantry open 9-10:30am | |



Anointings after all Mass March 20/21

Contributions, March 6/7

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| General Offertory: | \$10,468.30 |
| Online — General Offertory: | \$6,976.18 |
| TOTAL: | \$17,444.48 |

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..."
~~ John 3:16 ~~

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.

We pray: that we may show our gratitude
for Jesus' ultimate sacrifice by
generously making sacrifices in our own lives.

Needed at the Pantry



UPDATED LIST:

Assorted salad dressing flavors, body wash, lotion, shaving lotion (men's and ladies), razors, dish soap, all purpose cleaner, coffee, tea, beef stew, shampoo and conditioner, brownie mixes, fruit juices.

Please hold your plastic bags—we have plenty!!

In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, quarter or dollar is multiplied by coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul collection.

✠ Rest in Peace ✠

Walter "Butch" Wolanski
brother of Ed & Mary Wolanski
Anthony Fiacco
father of John & Tracy Fiacco

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

Please check our bulletin board for various dinners and other activities in the area.

Attention Employees & Volunteers

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required and asked to register in the new system before December 31, 2020. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to:

www.preventandprotectstl.org

to register, and contact our parish Child Safety Coordinator Karen Wappelhorst with any questions or for further assistance. Karen's email: childsafety@ihm-newmelle.org, or call her at 636-398-5270.

St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located in the Narthex

Located in St. Joseph Chapel: Year of St. Joseph



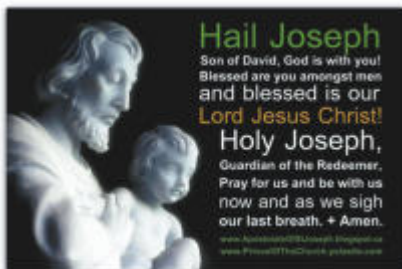
Chosen by God for the incomparable vocation of spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and foster father of Our Lord Jesus Christ; St. Joseph received magnificent divine graces and favors not granted even to the Old Testament Patriarchs. Known as the most humble of men, St. Joseph received from Almighty God the authority to command both Our Lady and the Son of God Himself; and in Heaven he continues to have great intercessory power with God. The Divine favors granted to St. Joseph shows how this greatest of the Patriarchs is the patron of all Christians and how wonderfully he answers prayers; plus, it gives many of the ways of honoring him and many prayers to request his intercession. One of the finest books on St. Joseph; it will surely inspire the reader with a profound devotion to this great "Patron of the Universal Church." Impr. 176 pgs.

The celebration of Saint Joseph's Day dates back to the Middle Ages, when a severe famine devastated Sicily. The poor farmers prayed to God and to Saint Joseph, their patron saint, for rain. When the rains came, the crops flourished. The farmers rejoiced and gave thanks with a feast. They fed everyone, "the greatest and the least," in thanksgiving. *Tavola di San Giuseppe*—Table of Saint Joseph—lives on today throughout the world in homes, churches, and organizations. Viva San Giuseppe!



PSR Corner

Did you know that the months of the year have been given a devotional "focus" in Church tradition? March is dedicated to St. Joseph, whose Feast Day is March 19th. Be sure to pick up a copy of the booklet we've put together with Prayers and Devotions to St. Joseph.



Recycling bins are located on the gravel lot behind Fr. Tom's house.

BLOOD DRIVE

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Masks and appointments required!

Monday, March 22

2:30pm - 6:30pm

Founders Hall

#8 West Highway D

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

Use sponsor code 9118 to schedule online



All donors will receive SOCKS OR A GIFT CARD!

BLOODCENTER.ORG

Year of St. Joseph

Pope Francis declared a Year of St. Joseph through December 8th 2021 on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being proclaimed as Patron of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870. Throughout this special year we will include various insights, past and present about St. Joseph.

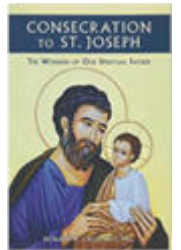


Join us for a special Mass on the Feast of St. Joseph at Immaculate Heart of Mary: Friday, March 19th at 7:00 pm



All are invited. For those who have been praying along during these 33 days of Consecration, there will be an opportunity to make an “Act of Consecration” to St. Joseph after Communion. For any parishioners or guests who join us, there will also be an opportunity after Mass to be prayed with, prayed over, prayed for, whether you are seeking prayers for healing, prayers of intercession, prayers for strength, etc.

In this Year of St. Joseph, on the Feast of St. Joseph, we should have confidence of St. Joseph’s intercession in our needs. Listen to the words of St. Teresa of Avila about favors granted on his feast day.



I do not remember even now that I have ever asked anything of him which he has failed to grant. I am astonished at the great favors which God has bestowed on me through this blessed saint, and at the perils

from which He has freed me, both in body and in soul. To other saints the Lord seems to have given grace to help us in some of our necessities but of this glorious saint my experience is that he helps us in them all and that the Lord wishes to teach us that as He was Himself subject to him on earth (for, being His guardian and being called His father, he could command Him) just so in Heaven He still does all that he asks. This has also been the experience of other persons whom I have advised to commend themselves to him; and even today there are many who

have great devotion to him through having newly experienced this truth. ... I wish I could persuade everyone to be devoted to this glorious saint, for I have great experience of the blessings which he can obtain from God. I have never known anyone to be truly devoted to him and render him particular services who did not notably advance in virtue, for he gives very real help to souls who commend themselves to him. For some years now, I think, I have made some request of him every year on his festival and I have always had it granted. If my petition is in any way ill directed, he directs it aright for my greater good. ... I only beg, for the love of God, that anyone who does not believe me will put what I say to the test, and he will see by experience what great advantages come from his commending himself to this glorious patriarch and having devotion to him.



Please mark your calendars!!! During the weekends of **March 13-14 through Sunday, March 21**, the Permanent Deacons in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, in conjunction with the Respect Life office, will be **collecting diapers** for infants, toddlers and adults as part of our fourth annual diocesan-wide Pro-Life service project to assist families in need. Last year we collected over 325,000 diapers for those in need and we'd like to exceed that total this year. We would ask that you please consider placing the purchasing of infant, toddler or adult diapers on your shopping list and **bring them to Weber Hall**. All diapers collected will be donated to assist families in our parish community. For more information, speak to our permanent deacon, Deacon Chris, or give the office a call. We would like to stress the need for the larger size diapers, 3's, 4's and 5's. We ask you to pray for the success of this project and to please be as generous as possible.



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

- March 15: Youth Group, 6:30-8pm, Weber Hall
March 22: Our faith and the media. Come with your favorite Christian song or YouTube video.
March 29: Youth Group, 6:30-8pm, Weber Hall
April 4: Easter Sunday
April 5: Youth Group, 6:30-8pm, Weber Hall
April 9: Set up Luke 18
April 10/11: Luke 18
April 19: Youth Group, 6:30-8pm, Weber Hall

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sun: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
Mon: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30/Jn 4:43-54
Tue: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46/Jn 5:1-16
Wed: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145/Jn 5:17-30
Thu: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106/Jn 5:31-47
Fri: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Sat: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7/Jn 7:40-53

Permanent Diaconate Information Night



Do you feel called to do something special for your Church? If so a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate might be something that you are being called to. The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is asking that interested men attend the remaining Information Night to begin exploring a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate. The upcoming Information Night will be held on **Thursday, March 18, 2021 at Cardinal Rigali Center**. Meetings will begin at 7:00pm. Wives of men considering this vocation are strongly encouraged to attend. For more information or to reserve a spot at the meeting, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at 314.792.7431, or talk with Deacon Chris.

Lenten Fish Fries are back!

Immaculate Heart of Mary
New Melle, MO



Join us on
February 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26

Adults: \$13 / ages 6—12: \$7 / 5 and under free

Offering Carry-outs from 3:30—7:30pm

**Dine in by Reservation only with 80 available seats at
3:30, 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30pm**

Please call 636-398-5270 or email secretary@ihm-newmelle.org
Reservation cutoff is the day prior, Thursday until 3pm

Menu includes:

**Haddock (baked or fried)—Cod—Catfish
French Fries, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Hush Puppies,
Mac & Cheese, Applesauce, Pasta con Broccoli,
Tea, Coffee, Lemonade**



**Beer and soda available for purchase
thanks to our Knights of Columbus**

Social Distancing and CDC Guidelines will be in effect

Prayer Shawls: If you or someone you know needs to be wrapped in prayer, please pick a prayer shawl!
We have a good supply in church of shawls that have been hand-crafted by parish members who offer a prayer with each stitch, and each one has been blessed by Fr. Tom.

Cook Needed

Guided by our pro-life mission, Our Lady's Inn provides homeless pregnant women and their children shelter and hope for a new life. Our multi-site residential program offers a safe living environment and an array of support services to women in crisis pregnancies.

We are looking for a part-time (20-25 hours) Cook to support our team in Defiance, MO. The Cook is responsible for meal planning, preparation and cooking of 3 nutritious meals throughout the week approximately 9am-2pm and the planning and minimal preparation of weekend meals.

A qualified candidate must have a minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent. He or she should have a ServeSafe Certificate or the ability to pass the training to acquire one. The ideal candidate will have knowledge of proper nutrition, meal planning, and cooking for large groups. Experience in residential setting is a plus. Attention to detail, strong communication skills, the ability to work with a team and patience are a must! The Cook must have a commitment to the agency's pro-life mission.


TO APPLY: Please indicate your interest in joining our team by submitting your resume and a cover letter to the Human Resources Manager via email:

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Pope's Intentions for March: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



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Opening for Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction

St. Francis Borgia Regional High School is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction. This position provides academic and instructional leadership for the school in collaboration with the Administrative team. Full details about the position can be found on our website at <https://www.borgia.com/jobopenings.html> or by contacting Humanresources@borgia.com.

Interested candidates should email a resume, cover letter, and three references to humanresources@borgia.com by **March 22, 2021**.

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)

- Calumny is when one who, by remarks contrary to the truth, harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false _____ concerning them.
 - documents
 - writings
 - judgments
 - news reports
- Every word or attitude is forbidden which by flattery, adulation, or complaisance encourages and confirms another in malicious acts and perverse _____.
 - martyrdom
 - acts of charity
 - holiness
 - conduct
- Neither the desire to be of service nor friendship justifies duplicitous _____.
 - weddings
 - speech
 - freedom
 - accounts
- A lie consists in speaking a falsehood with the intention of _____. The Lord denounces lying as the work of the devil.
 - honor
 - deceiving
 - boasting
 - praise
- The _____ of a lie is measured against the nature of the truth it deforms, the circumstances, intentions, and the harm suffered by its victims.
 - length
 - gravity
 - width
 - height
- Lying is a profanation of speech, whereas the purpose of speech is to communicate known _____ to others.
 - gossip
 - crimes
 - secrets
 - truth
- The good and safety of others, respect for privacy, and the common good are sufficient reasons for being _____ about what ought not be known.
 - hidden
 - mysterious
 - ambiguous
 - silent
- No one is bound to reveal the truth to someone who does not have the _____ to know it.
 - right
 - desire
 - power
 - excuse
- The secret of the sacrament of _____ is sacred, and cannot be violated under any pretext.
 - reconciliation
 - sealing
 - speaking
 - baptism
- Private information prejudicial to another is not to be divulged without a _____ and proportionate reason.
 - grave
 - minor
 - court orders
 - small



This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help Jesus is disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



"We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the 'culture of death' and the 'culture of life'. We find ourselves not only 'faced with' but necessarily 'in the midst of' this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life".
(*The Gospel of Life* 28)



As you journey through Lent, hopefully your hearts and minds have settled into the pattern of prayerfulness and penance and planning to care for the poor. Covenant Network can help you stay the course during this season of self-denial with inspirational and devotional programming including the daily Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers. You can also hear faith-nourishing programs on Scripture, the saints and Church history. Tune into AM 1460 or 102.9 FM this Lent to help prepare your heart for Easter.

Not all saints have the same sort of holiness. There are those who could never have lived with other saints. Not all have the same path. But all arrive at God.

—St. John Vianney

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Answer Key



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