



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 weekdays & before Sat. 4pm.

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:

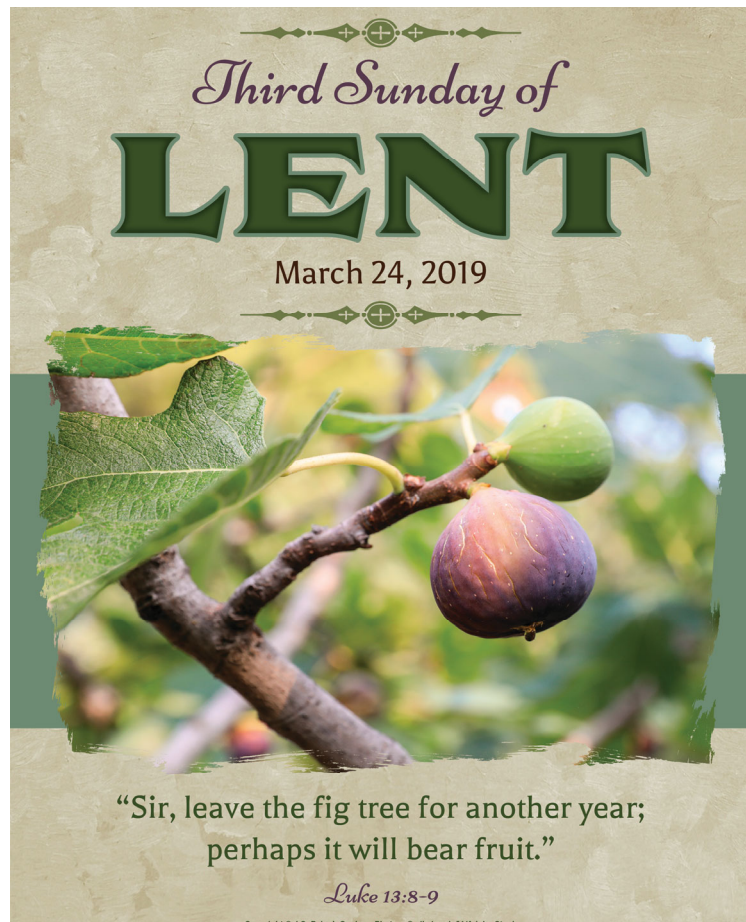
Contact the parish office
at least six months prior to the wedding

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



Have Faith

As we get to the halfway point of Lent, we may be tempted to overconfidence: "The first three weeks weren't so hard. I can go a few more weeks without the things I gave up. And I've only committed a few sins; maybe I'll go to confession right before Easter." If so, it might be a good idea to look at the second reading and the Gospel.

St. Paul says that anyone who is overconfident about their lack of sin "should take care not to fall" (1 Corinthians 10:12). He compares those people to the ones Moses brought through the desert. Just because they were God's chosen people and had survived years in the desert doesn't mean they are perfect. In fact, many were punished because they were tempted to follow false gods or to complain about the food and drink

God provided them. Could the same thing happen to us?

One form of overconfidence is rejecting what we learned as children. We may think, "I'm old enough to decide if I should go to church" or "I can take care of myself now; I don't need God's help." Or we may think that holiness is just for priests and religious: "I go to church on Sundays; no need to pray the other days of the week." If these sound familiar because you have thought that way yourself, Paul has a warning. His analogy of the Rock following the Hebrews in the desert refers to God's constant presence to the people. In the same way, he is present to us today. A couple of chapters after our second reading Paul says, "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it" (1

Corinthians 12:27). But just as God was not pleased with those in the desert, God may not be pleased with us if we continue to ignore the Lord.

That brings us to the Gospel. In the parable of the fig tree, the owner is not pleased—the tree has not produced any fruit. Unlike the fig tree, God would be happy with any fruit we produce. We could be generous to the poor, we could fight for the unborn child's right to life, we could welcome new members to the church, or we could simply teach our children how to pray. But if all we give is one hour a week in church, and ignore God the rest of the time, we need to take heed. Like the owner of the fig tree, God is patient, but we only have so much time. So when do you plan to bear fruit?

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

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Grades 1 thru 8, September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays
Confirmation Preparation
8th Grade—September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays
Children's Liturgy of the Word
September thru May, during the 9:30am Sunday Mass
Adult Education
Wednesdays at 8:45am and 6:10pm, September thru May
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—contact Shawn for schedule

Quick Contacts Directory

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“Sir, leave the fig tree for another year;
perhaps it will bear fruit.”

Luke 13:8-9



Third Sunday of LENT

March 24, 2019

Prayers for the Lenten Season

Dear Parishioners,

More prayers. If they work for you, please add them to your Lenten prayers. If they don't, pass them along to someone else.

Lenten Prayer called the Passion

Dear Lord Jesus,

By Your Passion and Resurrection You brought life to the world.
But the glory of the Resurrection came only after the sufferings of the Passion.
You laid down Your life willingly and gave up everything for us.

Your body was broken and fastened to a Cross,

Your clothing became the prize of soldiers,

Your blood ebbed slowly but surely away,

and Your Mother was entrusted to the beloved disciple.

Stretched out on the Cross, deprived of all earthly possessions and human aid,

You cried out to Your Father that the end had come.

You had accomplished the work given You,

and You committed Yourself into His hands,

as a perfect gift, the little life that remained to You.

Lord, teach me to accept all afflictions after the example You have given.

Let me place my death in Yours and my weakness in Your abandonment,

Take hold of me with Your love, that same foolish love that knew no limits,

and let me offer myself to the Father with You so that I may rise with You to eternal life.

Amen.

Peace,

Fr. Tom

LENTEN CONFESSIONS: MONDAY-TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY, 7:00—8:30 PM

Do you know that oftentimes a root has split a rock, when suffered to remain in it?

Give no judgment to the seed of evil, seeing that it will break up your faith.

--St. Cyril of Jerusalem

3rd Sunday of Lent

(LUKE 13:9) “He said to him in reply, ‘Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.’”

The parable teaches that uselessness invites disaster. Idle time is the devil's time they say. We are moving either forward or backward, either producing fruit or not producing fruit. We must ask ourselves, "Of what use have we been?" It also teaches that nothing which only takes out can survive. What do I mean? The fig tree was always saying, "Gimme--gimme," drawing all its strength and sustenance from the soil, and in return was producing nothing. This is precisely what sin is.

Next Week Ministry Schedule

March 30—4:00pm

EM: Bob Brossette, Donna Cuddihee, Joan Falbo,
Carole Baker, Jim & Chris Warren, Pat Barnard,
Mary Jean Hartenbach
Lec: Sharon Hagan, Mike Greene
GB: Stafford Family
Serv: Lindsey & Madelyn Bouquet
Ush: Jerry Braden, Tim Wilson, Joe Spiess, Bill Pollihan

March 31—7:30am

EM: Peggy Dupree, Jan Kardasz, Emily Cooksey,
John Fiacco, Betty Tuepker, **volunteer please**
Lec: Chuck Kettler, Theresa Gross
GB: Rosemary Marquart, Dot Welge
Serv: Andy, Daniel, David Vehige
Ush: Jim Elfrink, Rich Molitor, Mark Gross, Mike Stassi

March 31—9:30am

EM: Chris Aulbach, Joni Marren-Slaughter,
Walter & Nancy Hollenstein, Janet Hespen,
Terry & Marcia Schneider, Mary Keune
Lec: Susan & Don Hladky
GB: Bob & Irene Caldwell
Serv: Brianna, Morgan, Jordan Dale
Ush: Alan Raymond, Dave DeBold, Stan Kostecki,
Gary Struckhoff, Charles Hinkle, George Stark

IHMformation Station

March 30, 4:00 Tom & Mary Jean Hartenbach
March 31, 7:30 Peggy Dupree
March 31, 9:30 Lois Cobleigh

Vocation Prayer Bag:

March 30, 9:30 Ann Fitzgerald



Marriage in Christ
has been promised between:
Alexis O'Loughlin and Jason Dickherber

† Rest in Peace †

We offer our prayerful sympathy
to Mike & Kris Preuss, Megan & Jennifer on the
death of their sister-in-law and aunt
Janice Preuss

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

This Week at Home



Heavenly Duster: Ann Biddy
Purificators: Pam DeBold

Sunday, March 24

Contemporary music at 9:30 Mass
Drop off diapers in Weber Hall

Monday, March 25

BLOOD DRIVE, Founders Hall, 2:30—6:30pm
Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm
Bell practice, church, 7pm
Baptismal prep, Weber Hall, 7pm (preregister please)
Men For Christ, Grand Hall, 7pm
Reconciliation, 7pm

Tuesday, March 26

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am
Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, 9am
Finance Council, Weber Hall, 7pm
Children's Choir, church, 7pm
Reconciliation, 7pm

Wednesday, March 27

Bible Study, Weber Hall, 8:45am
Contemporary group practice, church, 5:30pm
PSR, Weber Hall/Founders Hall/Trailer, 6pm
Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6pm
Reconciliation, 7pm

Thursday, March 28

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am
Youth Ministry, Grand Hall, 6-8pm
RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm
Choir practice, church, 7pm

Friday, March 29

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30am
FISH FRY, Founders Hall, 4:30—7pm
Stations of the Cross, chapel, 7pm

Saturday, March 30

Reconciliation, 8:45am
Grand Hall in use 8am-4pm

Sunday, March 31

Drop off diapers in Weber Hall
ACTS Women Team Commissioning Mass, 9:30a



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

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 25	
8:00am	David Emrick +
Tuesday, March 26	
8:00am	All Souls Terry Daub +
Wednesday, March 27	
8:00am	Joe Fitzgerald +
Thursday, March 28	
8:00am	Caesar & Sadie Rashid +
Friday, March 29	
8:00am	Jennie Garavaglia +
Saturday, March 30	
8:00am	Frank & Helen Koper +
4:00pm	People of the Parish Charles Jokisch Jr (25th ann.) +
Sunday, March 31	
7:30am	Steve Seper +
9:30am	Jane Eggering +



Lenten Prayer Requests

During the season of Lent we would like to emphasize this season of prayer and healing by inviting you to add your personal prayers to those of our entire community. Please look for a container on the table in the narthex where you can place your prayer requests. This Lent we ask everyone in our community to pray for all of them. Lent is a special time of the year for us as a community to pray for each other and to prepare ourselves for the Glorious Resurrection. At the Easter Vigil, we will burn all of your requests in the Easter fire, raising up your intentions to heaven, realizing that our Lord knows what's in your hearts. Have a blessed Lent.

Contributions, March 16/17

General Offertory:	\$11,988.58
Online – General Offertory:	\$4,685.01
TOTAL	\$16,673.59

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" (LUKE 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

We pray ... that we are generous with all of our gifts and nurture and develop them to return with increase.

Needed at the Pantry:

razors, shaving cream, deodorant (men & women), hair conditioner, crackers, brownie mix, juice, plastic bags

In today's Gospel Jesus is quite clear in his message: "bear fruit or be cut down." This Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

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

Looking for a Eucharistic Minister

to help bring Communion and do a rosary at Boulevard senior home in Wentzville on Mondays at 1:30pm once or twice a month. If interested please call Nancy Hollenstein 636-699-6920 cell or 636-798-2105 home.

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Ed Haas, Mark Hanna, Dee Schipper, Phyllis Zerr, Vickie Brink, Sandy Knott, Mike & Pat Ryan, Mary Conover, Audrey Hueffmeier, Karla Sitzes, Stan Nikonowicz, Vickie Rellergert, Vicky Monroe, Carol Rabbitt, Gina McDonald, Ron Simpson, Don Reseck
Christine Potter (Gary & Cassie's Potter's daughter-in-law), Zina Riley (mom of Andrew Riley), David & Lisa Debold (Dave & Pam DeBold's children), Avery Presker (granddaughter of Bob & Yvonne Brossette), Dave Asinger (brother-in-law of Larry & Rita Bendel), Bob Holland (friend of Shirley Augustine), Sherri Callahan (daughter of Vickie & Paul Grunz), Bob Burke (Sharon Hagan's dad), Steve Ditch (brother of Dennis & Kathleen Ditch)

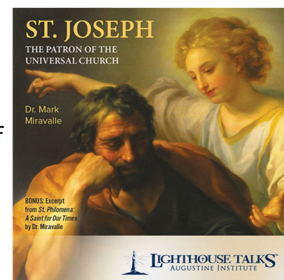


Deacon Diaper Drive

Please mark your calendars!!! During the weekends of March 30/31 through Palm Sunday, April 14th, 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 277 thousand 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 IHM. All diapers collected will be donated to assist families in our parish community through St. Vincent de Paul. For more information, speak to our permanent deacons or give the office a call. Please place the packages in Weber Hall on the tables provided. We ask you to pray for the success of this project and to please be as generous as

PSR Corner

In the Traditional-Devotional Dedication of the Months of the Year, March is traditionally dedicated to St. Joseph. The foster father of our Lord was like the Holy Spirit, working "behind the scenes" but so humble that one is not really sure what to say about him. As there are many titles of the Spirit, so too with St. Joseph. Consider praying the Litany of St. Joseph (on the right) and pondering some of the titles mentioned.



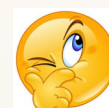
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Suggestions to watch or listen:
"Is Bowing Before a Mary Statue Idolatry?"
"Mary: Handmaid of the Lord"

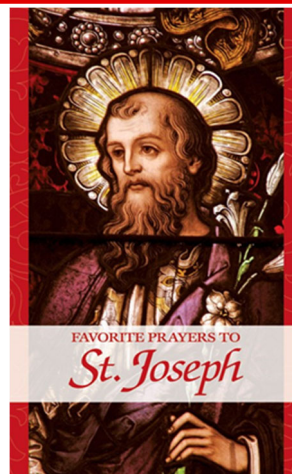
What's Your Catholic Catechism IQ?

- Jesus commands His disciples to proclaim the Gospel to all nations and to baptize them in Chapter 28, verse 20 of this Gospel.
 - Mark
 - Luke
 - John
 - Matthew
- The Church does not know of any means other than _____ that assures entry into eternal beatitude.
 - the Sinner's prayer
 - keeping your promise
 - Baptism
 - Purgatory
- God has bound salvation to the Sacrament of Baptism, but He Himself is not bound by His _____.
 - Word
 - Church
 - Sacraments
 - vow
- Baptism of blood, like the baptism of desire, brings about the fruits of Baptism without being a _____.
 - necessity
 - help
 - Sacrament
 - fruit
- Catechumens who have an explicit desire to receive Baptism but who die before it can be assured of their _____.
 - Purgatory
 - salvation
 - assurance
 - mission
- The Holy Spirit offers to all the possibility of being made partakers, in a way known to _____, of the Paschal mystery.
 - their conscience
 - God
 - their parents
 - their pastor
- One who is ignorant of the Gospel of Christ and of His Church, but seeks the truth and does the will of God in accord with his understanding of it, can be _____.
 - hopeful
 - negligent
 - saved
 - indifferent
- It may be supposed that such persons would have desired _____ explicitly if they had known its necessity.
 - God
 - Church
 - Baptism
 - Jesus
- As regards children who have died without Baptism, the Church can only entrust them to the _____ of God.
 - hands
 - Son
 - mercy
 - justice
- Jesus' tenderness towards children allow us to _____ that there is a way of salvation for children who have died without Baptism.



Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy on us	Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us . .	Christ, graciously hear us.
God the Father of Heaven	have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world	have mercy on us.
God the Holy Spirit	have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, One God	have mercy on us.



Response to the following: **pray for us.**

Reader 1:	Joseph most prudent...
Holy Mary...	Joseph most strong...
St. Joseph...	Joseph most obedient...
Renowned offspring of David...	Joseph most faithful...
Light of patriarchs...	Mirror of patience...
Spouse of the Mother of God...	Lover of poverty...
Chaste guardian of the virgin...	Model of artisans...
Foster father of the Son of God...	Glory of home life...
Diligent protector of Christ...	Guardian of virgins...
Head of the Holy Family...	Pillar of families...
	Solace of the wretched...
Reader 2:	Hope of the sick...
Joseph most just...	Patron of the dying...
Joseph most chaste...	Terror of demons...
	Protector of Holy Church...

Reader 3:
 Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,
spare us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,
graciously hear us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world.
have mercy on us.

Let us pray: **God, in Your providence You were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Your most holy Mother, grant, we beg You, that we may be worthy to have him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our protector: You Who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.**

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Repentance

Throughout the readings of Lent we hear a call from God to repentance. Sometimes it is easy for us to be stuck in our comfort zone, so it becomes difficult for us to grow in our faith and our relationship with Jesus. We get complacent in our habits, our actions, and yes even our attitude. Therefore, it is difficult for us to look at our need for repentance through an objective lens. How can we get past this? We need to spend quality time with Jesus and open our hearts and minds to Him so we can listen to what He is trying to tell us about the areas of our lives where we need repentance and reconciliation. We are all so busy but the truth is we make time for the things we want to make time for in our lives. Do you have time for Jesus today?

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9. Baptism 1260	4. saved 1260
8. God 1260	3. salvation 1259
7. Sacrament 1258	2. Sacraments 1257
6. Baptism 1257	1. Matthew 1257

Catholic IQ Answers

Readings for the Week

Mon: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 Tue: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
 Wed: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
 Thu: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
 Fri: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
 Sat: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
 Sun: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



WHAT ARE SOME BENEFITS OF GOING TO CONFESSION?

1. Confession helps us to better “know thyself.”

St. Augustine and countless other saints and doctors of the Church talk about the importance of knowing ourselves well. Through coming to know ourselves better, we realize how fallen we are, and how badly we need God’s help and grace to get through life. Frequent Confession helps remind us to rely on God to help rid us of our sins.

2. Confession helps us overcome vice.

The grace we receive from the Sacrament of Confession helps us combat our faults and failings and break our habits of vice much more easily and expediently than we could otherwise do without the sacramental grace.

3. Confession brings us peace.

Guilt from the sins we commit can make us feel all mixed up inside and cause us to lose our peace and joy. When we hear God’s forgiving words to us from the lips of the priest in Confession, a burden is lifted off our shoulders and we can again feel the peace of heart and soul that comes from being in a good relationship with God.

Pope’s Intentions for March: Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.



IHM Lenten Fish Fries



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12

Serving from 4:30—7:00pm

\$12: Adults Dine in

\$10: Adults Carry out

\$6: Kids 12 and under Dine in

\$5: Kids 12 and under Carry out

Menu Includes:

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

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thanks to our Knights of Columbus

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BLOOD DRIVE

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Immaculate Heart of Mary

Monday, March 25 2:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Founders Hall #8 West Highway D

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or go online to www.bloodcenterIMPACT.org
Use sponsor code 9118 to schedule online



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St. Paul Library & Lighthouse CDs

(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 Catholic speakers in the Church today. Fr. Mike tackles four very difficult topics in this exceptional presentation: Death, Judgement, Heaven, and Hell. Listen to this talk and finally get the answers to the question: "What Happens When I Die?" Following the main presentation is a bonus from the talk Purgatory: Holy Fire by Dr. Scott Hahn. This bonus is part of the 6-CD set by Dr. Hahn titled Answering Common Objections.

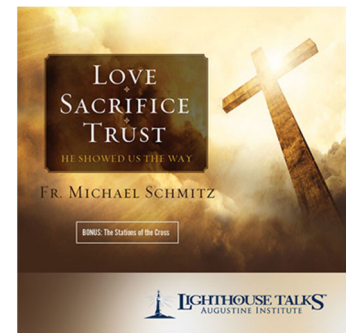
In his ever engaging and witty style, Father Mike answers the tough questions about Life and Death. I could listen to this talk over and over again for greater insights on Heaven and our purpose on this earth.
Jill - Sycamore, IL

Wow everyone needs to hear Fr. Schmitz explain the Last Four Things! Everyone who hears this CD will be changed forever.
Idell - Grand Rapids, MI

Fr. Mike Schmitz shares important insights on the meaning of Christ's Cross. He shows how God's rescue mission for us includes the need for each person to embrace his own cross in order to reestablish trust in the Father and the understanding that love requires sacrifice. It also includes a bonus segment on Stations of the Cross, which features reflections on the Lord's Passion and Death, accompanied by moving audio dramatizations from the Truth and Life Audio Bible.

I was struck by the depth of this message for me personally, and how it deepened my relationship with God.
Martha – Aiken, SC

I really benefited from the talk and am anxious to continue using the other talks to become closer to God this Lenten Season.
Patricia - Royal Oak, MI



IHM Youth Ministry

Janet Hespen, Youth Minister, 314-369-6521

Youth Group Meetings
(usually held in the Grand Hall)

March 28, 6-8pm: Trivia Night
April 11, 6-8pm: Chocolate Night
April 25, 5:30—7:30pm: Bubble Soccer
April 28: IHM Sausage Dinner
including Bubble Soccer fundraiser.
Give service to your parish!
Pick a shift: 11am—2:30pm and 2:30—5:30pm

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This summer the conference will be held on July 19-22 in Springfield, MO. The conference theme this year is "BELONG" and the accompanying scripture is "See what love the Father has bestowed on us, that we may be called children of God." (1 John 3:1)

The Conversion of Mary Magdalene—Live and In Person

Actress and parishioner Maria Romine will be performing her one-woman show *Mary Magdalene* on Sunday, March 31 at 9:30am in the St. Gianna Parish Hall, 450 East Highway N. Listen to Mary's conversion story of how she went from a life of usury to becoming a faithful disciple of Jesus. Mary's story takes you from the foot of the Cross to the joy of the Resurrection. The story is delivered in a manner that is family-friendly and suitable for all ages. The show is FREE but please consider making a free will donation so Maria can bring it to outlying parishes. Maria has toured in many productions across the United States and has appeared on the EWTN television series *The Theater of the Word, Inc.*, *The Quest of Shakespeare* and *The Journey Home*.



Magnificat Women's Breakfast

Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic Women, is inviting you to a breakfast on **Saturday, March 30**. Amy Olson will be sharing the journey of her husband Dave's conversion from Judaism to Catholicism as well as her personal miracle of spiritual and physical healing. Please join us in this opportunity to praise, pray, and share with other women in the community as we journey together in faith. The breakfast will be held at the Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Dr. Registration 8:30, breakfast and program 9am-noon. Reconciliation and prayer ministry available after breakfast. Register online www.archstl.org/renewal, email catholicrenewal@archstl.org, or call the Catholic Renewal Center at 314-731-6100.



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