



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, 11:00am

Rosary:

Following 8am Mass weekdays & before Sat. 4pm.

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

November 17, 2019
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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No Good Deed Goes Unpunished

When Jesus rose from the dead, he showed his disciples that even death will be overcome by God. In today's Gospel, he expands that to include most of the bad things that can happen to both non-believers and disciples alike.

Starting with the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem, Jesus mentions most of the scary things that people thought would bring the end of the world. He gives two pieces of advice. First, don't be fooled by anyone who says this is the end or who claims to be Jesus. When Jesus comes again, there will be no doubt about who it is. You won't have to learn about it on the evening news. Then, don't be terrified by natural disasters or wars. Wars, epidemics, earthquakes, and the rest hap-

pen throughout history and will happen again.

As disciples, we hope we would respond to disasters not with fear, but with love. Believers can voluntarily help those affected, comfort the survivors, or help rebuild their homes or schools. You may choose to give at a blood drive or donate to one of the charities that help disaster victims. People have welcomed strangers into their homes after a flood or hurricane has destroyed a neighborhood.

There is a saying that "no good deed goes unpunished." Jesus never says that his disciples would be given awards for their acts of charity. In the second half of the Gospel, he says that his disciples would be persecuted, hated, and even betrayed by their own

families. Jesus has advice for that situation, too. He presents it as an opportunity to give testimony, or witness, to our faith. His advice sounds strange at first. Unlike a modern lawyer, who practices with a witness before they go into the courtroom, Jesus tells us "not to prepare your defense," but to let him give us the words. I suspect that he means not to worry about what you might say, lest you become scared speechless. If you let him, Jesus will "prepare" you with the scripture readings, your pastor's homilies, and your own prayer life. All of these can help open us to the gifts of the Spirit, who helps us proclaim our faith without fear.

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

Parish Staff

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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

Quick Contacts Directory

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Some Thoughts on Surveys

Dear Parishioners,

Early in September we took a survey on a variety of liturgy related questions. The real question I was looking to discern was the introduction of Praise & Worship music into our musical expression at Mass. You can read the results to the questions that pertained to that issue in this bulletin. If you would like to see the response to all the questions, copies are available in the office. The other questions asked are important for discerning the direction of music ministry, but the ones pertaining to music evoke the greatest response.

After much discussion and prayer, the decision was made to bring back the late Mass and make it an 11:30 Mass complete with Praise & Worship music. I am hoping that the people who are engaged by Praise & Worship will find this Mass worth their time and interest. I also hope that the timing of the Mass will work for those who have opted to attend Mass elsewhere because the early Masses do not work with their schedule. I pray this Mass will draw forth the same level of engagement that is present at the 9:30 Mass. For the people who don't prefer P&W, they can happily pray at the other Masses. The role of music is to draw our hearts and minds into the liturgy. We want to praise God with the angels and saints. Music and

acts of worship walk a fine line between engaging us in worship without trying to cross over the threshold of entertaining us. Many people fail to discern the difference between engagement and entertainment. In short, engagement draws us out of ourselves, while entertainment focuses us on ourselves.

Many thanks to all those who took the time to complete the surveys. About half of the assembly at any given Mass took the time to complete them. Surveys can be a useful tool in pastoral discernment. It is a quick way to get a limited summary of what people think about a given topic. Surveys are an easy means of gathering opinions, but they should not be thought of as placing a vote. While there will be times we may vote on some issue facing parish life, surveys are more of a way of gauging what respondents think. To be frank, we know nothing of what non-respondents think. We can only guess. Again you have my thanks to all who filled out the survey. If you have additional comments or questions, please feel free to contact me via e-mail or dropping by the office.

Peace,

Fr. Tom

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Prayer Service
Tuesday, November 26th @ 7pm
New Melle Baptist Church

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year C

[Pointing to the Temple, Jesus shocked his disciples, saying,] "The time will come when not a single stone here will be left in its place; every one will be thrown down." LUKE 21:6

The movie *It Happened Tomorrow* opens with a businessman wishing he could buy tomorrow's paper today. Then an old man appears with tomorrow's newspaper, saying, "I've decided to grant your wish." The rest of the movie deals with what happens to the businessman as a result of his "future" knowledge.

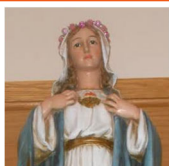
Jesus does this in today's reading. He lets his disciples glimpse the future. The Church uses this reading on this next-to-the-last Sunday of the liturgical year to invite us to reflect upon the end of the world—or the end of our life, whatever comes first. How prepared am I for the end?

He sat under the moon, he basked beneath the sun; he lived a life of going-to-be, and died with nothing done.

Mark Link S.J. Vision 2000 (Year C)

This Week at Home

Heavenly Duster: Mary Hardesty
Purificators: Clara Haas



Sunday, November 17

Donuts/coffee served in Weber Hall after Masses

Monday, November 18

(carpets being cleaned today: Grand Hall/Fndrs Hall)

SVDP, 6pm

Scouts, 6:30pm

Choir practice, church, 7pm

Tuesday, November 19

Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, 9am

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am

Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass, chapel, 7p

Children's Choir practice, church, 7pm

Wednesday, November 20

Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am

PSR, Founders Hall/Weber Hall/Trailer, 6pm

Exodus Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6pm

ADORE, church, 6:30pm

Reconciliation, 7pm

Thursday, November 21

Fitness, Grand Hall foyer, 9am

Yoga, Grand Hall, 7pm

Ministry Formation Night, church, 7pm

Weber Hall reserved for RCIA, 7pm

Friday, November 22

Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30—noon

Saturday, November 23

Reconciliation, 8:45am

Sunday, November 24—Feast of Christ the King

Dr. Peter Kreeft, church, 1—4pm

Next Week Ministries

November 23—4:00pm

EM: Ann Zaleuke, Sharon Hagan, Jennifer Fredrick,
Bryan Potter, Bernie Pollihan, Donna Cuddihee,
Mary Hannig, Joan Falbo

Lec: Larry Graves, Jan Jokisch-Messig

Music: TBD

GB: Rick & Jackie Barclay

Serv: Isabelle Scheer, Brody & Ashley Stafford

Ush: Tom Zaleuke, Tim Wilson, Dave Hendrix,
Joe Spiess

November 24—7:30am

EM: Karen Wappelhorst, Carol Rabbitt, Becky Wilson,
Emily Cooksey, Bob Brossette, Dianne Dickherber

Lec: Mary Hardesty, Chuck Kettler

Music: Elizabeth Jaeckle, Verdi Morley

GB: Tim & Kathy Feldewerth

Serv: Alex & Maria McCarthy

Ush: Mike Hardesty, Terry Schneider, Ron Neske,
Rich Molitor

November 24—9:30am

EM: Mary Keune, Kris Preuss, Judeen Kutsko,
Walter & Nancy Hollenstein, Janet Hespen,
Terry & Marcia Schneider

Lec: Nancy Ast, Jackie Dunn

Music: Children's Choir

GB: Ruth Scott & Joshua Scott

Serv: Sophia & Trevor Hake, Lannah Montgomery

Ush: Gary Struckhoff, Chuck Hinkle, Stan Kosteki,
Dave DeBold, Chris & Adam Molitor

IHMformation Station

November 23, 4pm Andy & Barb Popoe

November 24, 7:30am Karen Wappelhorst

November 24, 9:30am Dee Schipper

Vocation Prayer Bag

November 24, 9:30 Mark & Terri Thome



Needed at the Pantry

fruit juices (grape, apple, cran-something), sugar, saltines,
vegetable soup, creamed soup (no tomato please), oil, tuna,
canned chili, beef stew, baked beans, hot and cold cereal,
coffee, peanut butter, canned fruits, tea, dish soap,
paper products, dry pastas (all types), canned spaghetti
sauce, men's shaving lotion, women's disposable razors

The Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is
to live faithfully now. St. Vincent often asked this simple
question: "What would Jesus Christ do, if he were in my
place now?"

Ask yourself "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then
put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul col-
lection so that those who are suffering will be able to
celebrate Thanksgiving.



A great way to organize emergency meals for the people
of our parish!

Arrival of a new baby

Military deployment

Condolences

Injuries/Surgeries

Extended illnesses

Group events

Please contact Kelly Meyer at meyer5853@qmcinc.org if
you have any questions or would like to become a part
of this ministry.

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 18

8:00am Tom Miller +
Krystofer Batsell +

Tuesday, November 19

8:00am deceased of Legion of Mary

Wednesday, November 20

8:00am Jim Elfrink +

Thursday, November 21

8:00am Jolene Molitor +

Friday, November 22

8:00am John B. Long +

Saturday, November 23

8:00am All Souls

4:00pm Frank Modder +
Rose Reuther +

Sunday, November 24

7:30am Charles Vehige +
Peggy Buhrman +

9:30am People of the Parish
Michael Zurweller +

Contributions, November 9/10

General Offertory:	\$9,129.51
Online—General Offertory:	\$3,229.57
TOTAL	\$12,359.08

*"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us."
(2 Thessalonians 3:9)*

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their actions and words, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and other people desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others have with our Catholic faith.

We pray ... that the joy and peace we have in our lives may encourage others to grow in their faith.



Janet Hespen, Youth Minister, 314-369-6521

CALENDAR

Nov. 20: ADORE Praise & Worship, 6:30pm
we will sit on the left side of church

Nov. 24: Speaker Dr. Kreeft at IHM, 1-4pm.
RSVP to Janet

Nov. 28: Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Nov. 30: New Melle Country Christmas, 4-7pm
@ New Melle Sports & Rec. It is a free, fun event. Enjoy food, live nativity and more!

Attention Teens! 8th Grade and High School

Join the hundreds of other teens and adults who will be making the trip to Washington DC in January for

GENERATION ★ LIFE

Young Catholic proclaiming the Gospel of Life.

In the midst of the darkness, young people are rising up to lead a pro-life generation.

When: January 22—26, 2020
Where: Washington, DC
Cost: \$270/person, but funds from mum sales will be available

To save your spot call or text Janet ASAP.

Check out Youtube "March for Life 2019"

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Ed Haas, Mark Hanna, Dee Schipper, Phyllis Zerr,
Vickie Brink, Sandy Knott, Mike & Pat Ryan,
Carol Rabbitt, Audrey Hueffmeier, Karla Sitzes,
Fran Bussen, Vicky Monroe, Nancy Hollenstein, Jean
Bamert, Amy Robbins, Betty Heppermann,
Yvonne Brossette, Loretta Bruns, Cassie Potter,
Kathy Feldewerth, Frank Marquart

David & Lisa Debold (Dave & Pam DeBold's children),
Dave Asinger (brother-in-law of Larry & Rita Bendel),
Bob Holland (friend of Shirley Augustine),
Sherri Callahan (daughter of Vickie & Paul Grunz),
Steve Ditch (brother of Dennis & Kathleen Ditch),
Peter Gray (son-in-law of Adrienne Collins),
Fred Brown (son-in-law of Bill & Bernie Pollihan),
Leon Burkemper (son of Carol Rabbitt),
Pam Knott (sister-in-law of Jerry & Sandy Knott),
Doris Eisenbath (mother of Judy Molitor),
Tammy Cherry & Macy Enderle
(daughter-in-law and niece of Ray & Kay Cherry),
Edward Langhammer (uncle of Kathleen Bellm)

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.

Dear IHM Parish Family:

I wanted to follow up on the survey I took at the beginning of September related to music at Mass.

First, I am grateful to everyone who participated in the survey. Each of us has unique preferences for worship, and understanding trends in these preferences helps me to please the majority. In a nutshell, the results of the survey evidenced that our parish has a significant number of folks on all sides of a debate about music and worship. A variety of opinions—from opposition to any music at Mass all the way to wanting a full worship band at Mass—were well-represented. As Director of Liturgy and Music, my job is to lead as many folks as possible to prayer and a deepening of faith through the liturgical events at IHM. This being said, here is a breakdown of the questions, results, and finally, a detailed description of how we will try to offer a satisfying worship experience for everyone.

I began with four basic questions related to involvement in parish life. Next, I asked questions about what common worship genres move folks to prayer in order to gain an understanding of types of music might be most effective for worship in this parish. third, I asked specific questions about satisfaction with the different ensembles at IHM to get feedback about how I can encourage them to grow. While I am not publishing responses about our own ensembles at IHM, gauging satisfaction with the music they provide is helpful for me. Finally, I asked questions about involvement in youth ministry and Life Teen. Because the most significant change I had proposed involved the addition of praise and worship music, I wanted to get an idea about parishioners' exposure to it. Involvement in youth ministry or Life Teen is the most common way adult Catholics become familiar with modern praise and worship music. I feel it is important to note, that unrelated to my personal preference for music at liturgy, I have experienced modern praise and worship music as one of the most effective means of evangelization and formation of teens and young adults.

Here are the most significant findings from each Mass for a few significant questions:

	Yes	No	Neutral
4pm: 133 surveys completed			
I Am Moved to Prayer by Praise and Worship Music:	54%	21%	25%
I Am Moved to Prayer by Traditional Choir Singing:	74%	7%	19%
I Prefer No Music at Mass:	16%	66%	18%
7:30am: 101 surveys completed			
I Am Moved to Prayer by Praise and Worship Music:	47%	20%	33%
I Am Moved to Prayer by Traditional Choir Singing:	61%	12%	27%
I Prefer No Music at Mass:	15%	68%	17%
9:30am: 164 surveys completed			
I Am Moved to Prayer by Praise and Worship Music:	65%	12%	23%
I Am Moved to Prayer by Traditional Choir Singing:	79%	3%	18%
I Prefer No Music at Mass:	5%	87%	8%

I'd like to preface discussion of the results by saying that none of them are inherently good or bad, just differences of opinion.

While the 9:30 Mass was certainly the most receptive to praise and worship music, they also felt most strongly about enjoyment of choir singing. Compounded by the fact that the choir is already ministering happily at this Mass, it would be unwise for me to do anything to change that.

At 7:30am, folks were least receptive to praise and worship music, and more indifferent to any kind of music in general. This being said, it seems keeping the current practice of a cantor and accompanist with minimal music (for example reciting the Gloria) is supported by the data.

This left the 4pm Mass. While I had originally imagined the praise and worship band finding a home at this Mass, and despite a majority enjoying this type of music, there is still a vocal, but non-insignificant minority who would struggle with this decision. Therefore, 4pm will keep with the current practice of a cantor and accompanist leading the music.

We were left with two concerns:

1. Data still shows we are a parish where a majority of folks do enjoy the praise and worship genre.
2. We struggle to reach a number of young people proportional to overall Mass attendance verses registered parish-ioners.

After much prayer and discernment, Fr. Tom and I felt called to bring back a third Sunday Mass after the 9:30am Mass. Our decision is informed by both data from this survey, and a desire for a later Sunday Mass expressed to us via word of mouth. Beginning this Advent, on December 1, IHM will add at 11:30am Mass (not 11:15am like the Mass that was omitted in 2017) to its regular Sunday schedule, with the praise and worship band leading music. The contemporary choir will also find a home at this Mass, giving the praise and worship band the Sunday after each monthly ADORE the weekend off.

Again, thank you to everyone who helped us in this discernment by participating in this survey. Please continue reading to hear from Fr. Tom about his hopes for the 11:30 Mass.

In Christ,



Brian Beams

Christmas Quilt Sales

November 23/24 . . . Nov 30/Dec 1 . . . December 7/8

Dr. Peter Kreeft is coming to Immaculate Heart of Mary on the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday, November 24th from 1pm to 4pm

Members of the parish are helping to distribute tickets and they are also available in the office for a nominal fee of \$5. If you would be willing to invite a few others and help with tickets please let us know, as a personal invite is what helps make an event a success while also being an easy way to help share the faith. **Dr. Kreeft is one of the most prolific Catholic authors in our time, and it is a gift to have him come here to IHM.** His presence on the Feast of Christ the King is fitting as he will address how believers can respond in faith in the midst of this current cultural climate. It is also intended to culminate Fr. Tom's "Year of Life" sermons and lead us into the year 2020 as a "Year of Vision."

A basic format for the day will be a diagnosis and a prescription (fitting for a "Doctor" helping us to "see"):

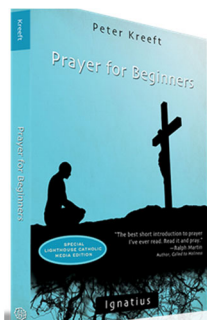
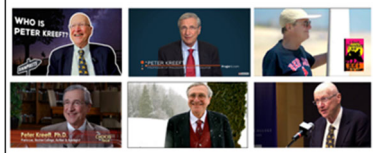
Talk 1: Diagnosing the Culture in the Light of Faith: What are we up against?

Talk 2: A Prescription for the Culture in the light of Faith: What are we to do?

The third session will be an opportunity for an open Q & A with Dr. Kreeft for over an hour – which is also Kreeft's favorite part of any time he is asked to speak. He has called a lecture "like purgatory" and a Q & A like "heaven".

Who is Dr. Peter Kreeft?

Peter John Kreeft Ph.D. is a professor of philosophy at Boston College and The King's College. Called the "C.S. Lewis of our times," Kreeft is the author of close to one hundred books on Christian philosophy, theology and apologetics. He loves his four children, five grandchildren, one wife, one cat, and one God (and he also likes to surf).



Dr. Peter Kreeft offers simple but profound advice and practical steps for developing a prayer life based on the time-tested wisdom of the saints and great spiritual writers, especially the principles found in Brother Lawrence's classic *The Practice of the Presence of God*. In short, straight-forward, and unsentimental chapters, Kreeft covers all the key areas for understanding and developing that intimate form of communication with our Creator that we call prayer. He covers such areas as the necessity of prayer, various motives and methods, steps, patience, suffering, sin, faith, and grace.

"The best short introduction to prayer I've ever read... Read it and pray!" -

Ralph Martin - Author of *Called to Holiness*

Celebration of Life Banquet

sponsored by Missouri Right to Life

Sunday, December 8
Orlando's Event Center

2050 Dorsett Village Plaza, Maryland Heights

Champion for Life Award:
United States Senator Roy Blunt

Guest Speaker: Claire Culwell

Claire is an abortion survivor. her twin did not survive. She's a mom, adoptive daughter, daughter, and pro-life advocate. Her story is full of hope, forgiveness, and love!

Reservations may be made at
www.easternregionmrl.org/dinner

Tickets to attend Celebration of Life 2019 are complimentary, however guests will have an opportunity to make a gift at the event. If you would like to sit at a parish table, contact Bill Winters, 636-828-4133.

March For
Life 2020—
Registration
Now Open



MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN is now accepting registrations for our bus trip to the annual March for Life in Washington DC on **Thursday thru Saturday, January 23-25, 2020**. Until all life is protected, we will travel to DC to meet with our representatives and peacefully protest against the Supreme Court's decision to legalize abortion. This trip is open to anyone ages 7 and up (chaperones not provided). We depart from several locations in the St. Louis area and we do not stay in hotels as we sleep on the buses. The cost if received by December 20 is \$205, after is \$220. For more information and to register go to www.missourilifecaravan.org. Contact us at 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com. Registration deadline is January 2, 2020.



Pope's Intentions for November: Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

ALL current Liturgical Ministers and those wishing to minister are asked to complete this form!!

Name(s) _____
(please print)

Phone(s) _____

email(s) _____

☐ Please remove my name from this ministry list for the time being _____

	Saturday 4pm	Sunday 7:30am	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday, 11:30am
Lector				
Extraordinary Minister				
Usher				
Gift Bearer				
Altar Server				

Marian Council Christmas Celebration

Tickets on sale beginning Nov. 23

Tuesday, December 10

Grand Hall, doors open at 6pm

Festivities commence 6:30pm

\$5 pay in advance, reservation deadline Dec. 8

Featuring:

2 wine tickets per person
(additional tickets \$2 each)
50/50 raffle

Snacks, Salad & Dessert
Dinner: Cuisine by the Knights of
Columbus

*In the spirit of the season, please donate a personal
or paper product for St. Vincent de Paul*



Please consider sharing the gift of
Thanksgiving Pie with the peo-
ple of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Food Pantry in the city of St. Louis.
The pantry volunteers provide

Thanksgiving dinner for many people and need some
help. Last year they served 1500 Thanksgiving meals!
Please bring your pies (nothing that needs to be refriger-
ated) to the narthex on **Monday, November 25**. The
pantry also accepts monetary donations—they had to
replace the roof at a cost of \$30,000. The pies and do-
nations will be picked up early Tuesday, November 26.
Thank you for your generosity!

Readings of the Week

Mon: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
Tue: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10
Wed: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;
Lk 19:11-28
Thu: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;
Lk 19:41-44
Fri: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12;
Lk 19:45-48
Sat: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40
Sun: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20;
Lk 23:35-43

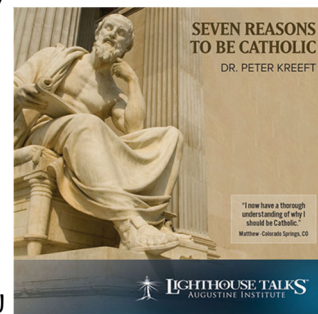
St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources: Dr. Kreeft

FROM THE LIGHTHOUSE CD-BOOK RACK (Narthex)

Dr. Peter Kreeft is a world-renowned philosopher and
best-selling author of over 35 books. Drawing from the
treasured wisdom of such great spiritual thinkers as St.
John of the Cross, Thomas Aquinas, C. S. Lewis, and Car-
dinal Newman, he helps us to understand why truth
trumps everything! Listen as he clearly presents seven un-
disputable reasons why every
person should indeed be
Catholic.

*This is the best talk in your
collection. A well-reasoned,
entertaining, and historical
look about three aspects of
God - beauty, truth, and
goodness.*

Rich - Egg Harbor Twp., NJ



On sale November 23/24...
just in time for Thanksgiving.
Start Christmas shopping, too!

Hand-made Rosaries and Rosary Repair:
Mary Karll: 314-550-4351

Formed & PSR Corner

November is traditionally and
devotionally dedicated to the
Souls in Purgatory, whose feast
is celebrated on November 2. A
question for all of us to consider is, "Are
we continually praying for the faithful depart-
ed?" Are we living in an "out of sight, out of mind"
mentality in regard to these
"prisoners of war"? How often
do we visit a cemetery to pray for
loved ones or for others buried
there? Consider prayers or works
of indulgences for the faithful de-
parted. Google this article, "*Here's
How You Can Help the Holy
Souls in Purgatory*" for a few
good insights. (Check out the par-
ish library for resources like the
one pictured here.)





Join the New Melle Country Christmas Community Choir

At the Nelle Country Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration on Saturday, November 30, a community choir will sing holiday songs. Volunteers are needed! If you would like to be part of this choir, please attend rehearsals on Sundays, November 17 and 24 at 2:30pm at Friedens Peace UCC in New Melle. Anyone and everyone is welcome, age 10 and up. This is a great community event. Please come and be part of the fun! The performance will be Saturday, November 30 at the New Melle Sports and Rec. The event starts at 4pm. Santa arrives at 5pm. For more information contact Donna Curdt, 636-634-1150.

On behalf of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop for the Military Services, USA, thanks to those who contributed to the **Triennial National Collection for the AMS** last week. Your generosity will assist Archbishop Broglio in the mission, "Serving Those Who Serve," and will help make it possible for Catholic men and women, and their families currently serving in the U.S. Military, to receive the sacraments and pastoral care no matter their location around the globe. Your support will also provide the sacraments and pastoral care to those who are wounded, or as veterans, being cared for in one of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers. Thank you for supporting the men and women, and their families, from our own parish and diocese who serve and protect this great nation, and who defend the freedoms we hold dear.

Please pray for our troops:

Ian Bagby—U.S. Army
Randy Brittingham—U.S. Air Force
Gregory Conners—U.S. Army
Luke Cwiklowski—U.S. Navy
Joseph Gardner—U.S. Navy
Nicholas Hitt—U.S. Army
Jacob Holstein—U.S. Marines
Courtney Kelley (Swoboda) - U.S. Air Force
Angela Kettler—U.S. Navy
Alexandra McIntosh—U.S. Navy
Danielle McIntosh—U.S. Marines
Richard Ostermeyer—U.S. Marines
Matthew Rison—U.S. Navy
Molly Rison—U.S. Navy
Eric Roethler—U.S. Marines
Matthew Stovall—U.S. Marines
Blake Varady—U.S. Army
Alexander Vesel—U.S. Navy

and all U.S. military men and women
who have dedicated their lives to preserve and protect
our country

(if you would like your loved one listed,
please contact the church office)

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New Melle Country Christmas

The New Melle Chamber of Commerce & New Melle Sports and Recreation
Invite you to attend "New Melle Country Christmas"

Saturday, Nov. 30, 2019 • 4:00–7 p.m.
New Melle Sports and Recreation, 4700 Hwy. Z



**Santa Arrives by
Firetruck at 5:00**



**Tree Lighting
Ceremony at 5:30**

- Live Nativity 4–6 p.m.
- Visiting/pictures with Santa (bring your camera)
- Letters to Santa (write or bring to "mail" in a special mailbox)
- S'mores ~ Magician ~ Juggler
- Caroling – Community Choir
- Christmas Cookie Decorating, Activities
- Goody Bags
- Food & drinks available
(Courtesy of Local Businesses - while supplies last)

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT!

Teddy Bears for Trevor

Please bring a new teddy bear to be given to a hospitalized child at Christmas in honor of Trevor Joerling.



Fun for the Whole Family!

NAR-ANON SUPPORT GROUP: Weekly meetings on Saturdays, 10:00 am in the Trailer at IHM.
This group is for Family and Friend of Addicts. For questions, please call Ann at 314-578-4737.