



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, 10:00am
 Weekdays: 8:00am, in church, Wednesdays at 6:30pm

Weekly Devotions and Prayers

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 8:30am until Friday 11:00am, St. Joseph Chapel

Rosary: Prior to Saturday evening 4pm Mass

Weekday devotions after morning Mass:

Tuesday: Mother of Perpetual Help
 Wednesday: Litany to St. Joseph
 Thursday: Celebrating the Sanctity of Life
 First Friday: Litany of the Sacred Heart

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 7, 2021



Deeper Understanding of Scripture

On December 10, 1979, a very petite holy woman known as Mother Teresa of Calcutta spoke these words in her Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Speech, "But I am sure in the families and many of our homes, maybe we are not hungry for a piece of bread, but maybe there is somebody there in the family who is unwanted, unloved, uncared, forgotten, there isn't love. Love begins at home. And love to be true has to hurt. I never forget a little child who taught me a very beautiful lesson. They heard in Calcutta, the children, that Mother Teresa had no sugar for her children, and this little one, Hindu boy four years old, he went home and he told his parents: I will not eat sugar for three days, I will give my sugar to Mother Teresa. How much a little child can give. After three days they brought into our house, and there was this little one who could scarcely pronounce my name, he loved with great love, he loved until it hurt. And this is what I bring before you, to love

one another until it hurts, but don't forget that there are many children, many children, many men and women who haven't got what you have. And remember to love them until it hurts."

Living authentically and walking with holiness always involves sacrifice. It has to hurt. Only actions springing from true and deep sacrifice demonstrate true integrity. Without sacrifice, even what is apparently a generous gesture can be nothing. It is no wonder that the widow who contributed from her poverty received great admiration from Jesus, and the young child in our story here the interest of Mother Teresa. It is easy to make the houses of our lives look like they are in perfect order when in fact they are in shambles within. Religion can sometimes make this hypocritical masquerade easy to accomplish. We can find ourselves in all the right holy places, reciting all of the correct prayers, participating in community collections,

and reciting the proper doctrines only to find ourselves empty, shallow, self-focused, and overly anxious about personal concerns.

The one who learns to discover their inner poverty, their spiritual poverty, is the only one who can truly place him or herself at the mercy of God. It is only when we allow ourselves to be empty that we realize Who we actually need to fill us. This is the real meaning of trust. Many of us are afraid to take the plunge. We allow ourselves to detach from only so much, always keeping a watchful eye on the protection of our securities. We understand the value of poverty, but we do not want to become too poor. As long as we are able to recognize this tension, our reluctance to let go and our struggle, we can continue our journey of humbly learning how to love so deeply that it hurts. God understands and waits.

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

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

Quick Contacts Directory

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Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori

Dear parishioners and friends,

Time flies, remember death. That simple Latin motto from the medieval church reminds us of the shortness of life and the inescapable reality of death. As moderns we spend a lot of time doing the opposite, we waste untold hours of time and practice a very unhealthy ignorance of death. We mistakenly think death is something destined for us only after a long life. As many of us know, death does not have a schedule or time frame that it obeys. It is something that can happen at any time and to anyone. The mysterious nature of death is terrifying. Only the mystery of God and His love for us is greater. Cling to God, He wants us to trust completely in Him.

Often times when we lose someone to death, we try to wrap our minds around the mystery with a misguided understanding. Here are some common statements that mean well but often complicate our understanding of death and God.

- “It was his/her time to go.” That statement acknowledges that God knows all our days and is very aware of every moment of our lives. However, it often makes God an arbitrary dealer of death. A God that randomly plucks people from our lives is not a God we would want to love. It is instead a God that we fear or resent. God does not take people from our lives, death does. Death is an affront to God’s creation.

- “God wanted him/her.” Another partially true statement. God does indeed desire us and our loved ones. But this statement makes it sound like we can only share a loved one with God after death. Right now as you are reading this, God is as present to you as He will be in heaven. Your awareness and mine is the great difference between this very moment and when we are before God at our judgment. Here we struggle under the veil of sin, there we will be freed by grace. The saints receive a glimpse of the beauty of redemption – we will too if we grow in faith.
- “God never gives you more than you can handle.” Yes and no. God never allows life to so overwhelm us that we don’t lose hope if we keep our eyes focused on Him. At the same time, God never wants us to remain self-reliant and fail to call out to Him and our neighbors for strength. Self-reliance in the spiritual life is empty. We need God and others in order to fulfill our pilgrimage of life. God is not micro-managing our lives. He is very aware of every moment and even every decision we will make, but never imposes on our free-will. What does God always seek? Trust that leads to love.

We have no greater advocate for life than our God. The Holy Trinity wants us to share in the fullness of life and communion.

Peace, 

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B

As Jesus sat near the temple treasury ... a poor widow came along and dropped in two little copper coins. [Jesus] called his disciples together and said ... “This poor widow put more in the offering box than all the others. She gave all she had to live on.” MARK 12:41-44

A Utah store owner caught an eagle and put it in his store to attract customers. One day an old mountain man came in, saw the eagle, and asked the owner how much it would take to buy it. The owner quoted an astronomical price. The old man went to the bank, withdrew the money, bought the eagle, and set it free. When a little girl asked the old man why he parted with all that wealth to free the eagle, he said, “Wealth isn’t what you’ve got, but what you’ll give to do a good that needs to be done.” What am I ready to give to do a good that needs to be done?

Money is a terrible master but an excellent servant. P. T. BARNUM

Mark Link S.J. *Vision*

Ministry Schedule

November 6—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Ann Zaleuke, Ed Etzkorn
Lec: Karen Wilson, Chuck Kettler
Serv: Chase Spurgeon
Music: Bryan & Mary Ann
Ush: Larry Graves, Chris Cuddihee, Mike Rieker, Bill Pollihan

November 7—7:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, John Fiacco, Mary Hardesty
Lec: Bob Leeker, Karen Wappelhorst
Serv: Mary Grace & Janie Becker
Music: Verdi & Brooke
Ush: Terry Schneider, Chris Molitor, Rick Scharf, Ron Jacob

November 7—10am

EM: Deacon Chris, Laura Orf, Maureen Blondin
Lec: Chris & Kat Menne
Serv: Thomas Kokker, Izzy Czuchna
Music: Adult Choir
Ush: Ron Simpson, Gary Struckhoff, Larry Smith, Chuck Hinkle

IHMformation Station

4:00: Karen Wilson
7:30: Mark & Terri Thome
10:00: Maureen Blondin

Ministry Schedule

November 13—4pm

EM: Donna Cuddihee, Jim & Theresa Risch
Lec: Sharon Hagan, Mike Greene
Serv: Izzy Scheer
Music: Bryan & Elizabeth
Ush: Bryan Potter, Andy Pope, Tim Wilson, Ed Etzkorn

November 14—7:30am

EM: Mary Keune, Emily Cooksey, Jan Kardasz
Lec: Peggy Dupree, Kris Jenkins
Serv: Sydney Jaeckle, David Vehige
Music: Verdi & Elizabeth
Ush: Tom Meczkowski, Dave London, Gary Potter, Ron Neske

November 14—10am

EM: Mary Busby-Simpson, Joni Marren-Slaughter, Donna Wolff
Lec: Patrice Riley, Joe Willis
Serv: Jack Lyons, William Lassiter
Music: Adult Choir
Ush: Bill Riley, Alan Raymond, Bob Hutchcraft, Bill Winters

IHMformation Station

4:00: Ed & Marcia Etzkorn
7:30: Peggy Dupree
10:00: Joe & Debbie Willis

Heavenly Duster Schedule

Week of November 7: Donna Wolff
Week of November 14: Mary Hardesty
Week of November 21: Judy Jacob
Week of November 28: Sharon Hagan

Purificators

Month of November: Nancy Hollenstein

Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Phyllis Zerr, Fran Bussen, Betty Boyd, Deacon Tony,
Amy Robbins, Don Schmidt, Carl Wolff, George Stark,
Loretta Bruns, Betty Heppermann, Joyce Brakensiek,
Pat Foster, Tom Hartenbach, Richard & Doris Berhorst,
Terry Hagan, Larry Gassei, Pat Ryan, Pete Schepis,
Justin Wehmeier, Jeff Bollman, Frank Kardasz,
Tom Baker, Jim Hall, Mike Vesel

Steve Wengerski and Kathy Schuckman (friends of Mandy Daub),
Keith Langford (son of Rita & brother of Valerie Langford),
Red Brockmeyer (cousin of Kay & Ray Cherry),
Karla Sitzes (daughter of Sophia Bax),
Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen),
Kelly Taylor (friend of Kat Brittingham),
Michael Speir (son-in-law of Jackie & Steve Dunn),
Peyton Newman (grandson of Mike & Mary Hardesty),
Loren Brandon (father of Marty & Peggy Dupree),
Charlie Grady (grandson of John & Carol Grady),
Marlene Hagemeier (sister of Pat Roche),
Carol Fague (sister of Bob Woodford),
Michael Molitor (brother of Richard Molitor),
Sal Polisi (brother of Nancy and Walter Hollenstein),
Janet Piel and Jordan Keene
(sister and friend of Joni Marren-Slaughter),
Rosemary Bell (sister of Janet & Jerry Hespen),
Rodney Marquart (son of Frank & Rosemary Marquart),
Jennifer Fitzsimmons (cousin of Karen Fitzsimmons)

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.



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

11/11: Youth Group Giving Back. 7-8:30pm, Grand Hall
11/20: Help with St. Vincent de Paul Scouting for Food
food drive. 9am, Founders Hall
11/25: Have a blessed Thanksgiving and give thanks for
all you have. #1 is your faith!
12/2: Youth Group to set up manger scene on parish
grounds. How can we be Jesus to others?
7-8:30pm, Grand Hall
12/16: For King and Country Christmas Drummer Boy
Concert at the Enterprise Center. Meet at IHM to
carpool, 5:15 sharp
12/25: Merry Christmas and God bless our teens

Prayer Requests: Brenda Hutchcraft at 636-248-8493 or
email brhutchcraft@centurytel.net

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 8	
8:00am	Tom Bergmann +
Tuesday, November 9	
8:00am	deceased of Legion of Mary
Wednesday, November 10	
8:00am	Peggy Miller +
6:30pm	Richard Renna +
Thursday, November 11	
8:00am	GenRose Dudenhoeffer + Moiria Ryan +
Friday, November 12	
8:00am	Peter A. Schepis
Saturday, November 13	
8:00am	Mike Watson +
4:00pm	All Souls
Sunday, November 14	
7:30am	Chris Lehman +
10:00am	People of IHM Irene Brinker +

Activities this Week

Sunday, November 7	
	PSR, Weber/Founders Halls, Trailer, 8:45—9:45am
	Faith Formation, Grand Hall, 8:45—9:45
	<i>Catholicism</i> , episode 7
	Jonah Team will pray with you after 10am Mass
	SVDP, Grand Hall, 4-6pm
Monday, November 8	
	Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm
	ACTS Core Team, Weber Hall, 6:30pm
	Event in church at 7pm
Tuesday, November 9	
	Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, following 8am Mass
	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am
	Marian Council, Grand Hall, 6:30pm
	Adult Choir practice, church, 7pm
Wednesday, November 10	
	Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am
	Evening Mass 6:30pm / Reconciliation, 7pm
	Scripture Study, Grand Hall, 7pm
Thursday, November 11	
	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am
	RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm
	Kids Choir practice, Church, 6:30pm
Friday, November 12	
	Quilting in Weber Hall, 8:30—noon
Saturday, November 13	
	Reconciliation after 8am Mass
	SVDP, Grand Hall, 5-9pm
Sunday, November 14	
	PSR, Weber/Founders Halls, Trailer, 8:45—9:45am
	Faith Formation, Grand Hall, 8:45—9:45
	<i>Catholicism</i> , episode 8

Contributions October 30/31

General offertory:	\$8,457.00
Online giving:	\$6,755.69
	\$15,212.69

"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living."

~~Mark 12:43-44~~

Jesus gets right to the point—we are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your "first fruits" or from what is "left over?"

We pray: that when we give our financial support to our parish, we give from our "first fruits" and not what is "left over."

Needed at the Pantry

Peanut butter, jelly, coffee, ketchup, mustard, sugar, canned fruit, fruit juices, saltines crackers, paper towels, plastic bags (please double-bag)



We cannot accept expired or previously opened items

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us: "I want you to observe that this poor widow contributed more than all the others who donated to the treasury. They gave from their surplus wealth, but she gave from her want, all that she had to live on."

Ask yourself: "Am I only giving from my surplus wealth?" and then put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul collection so that those who are suffering will be able to know God's love and care.



Pope's Intentions for November: People who suffer from depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.



The next Baptismal preparation classes are scheduled for **November 21 and December 19**. Please call the parish office to reserve your spot!

What's Your Catholic IQ?

- Another name for the Liturgy of the Hours is the
 - Divine Worship
 - Divine Liturgy
 - Divine Office
 - Divine Comedy
- Beginning with the First Sunday of Advent (November 28 this year), the Scripture readings at Sunday Masses will be from cycle
 - A
 - B
 - C
 - D
- Which of the following is not a title given to Emmanuel in the hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!"?
 - Wisdom
 - Rod of Jesse
 - Morning Star
 - Key of Wisdom
- Pope Benedict's encyclical "Charity in Truth" is written this way in Latin.
 - Caritas in Veritate
 - Muchos Gracias
 - Veritatis Splendor
 - Veritas in Caritate
- Which of the following is not a liturgical vessel?
 - paten
 - ciborium
 - chalice
 - ambo
- Which of the following is not found on the altar during Mass?
 - corporal
 - maniple
 - paten
 - Sacramentary
- The Felician Sisters are part of the _____ tradition.
 - Dominican
 - Franciscan
 - Benedictine
 - Copernican
- The remission of temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven is known as an
 - indult
 - iconoclasm
 - inquisition
 - indulgence
- When a priest or deacon relocates from one diocese to another, the process of formalizing his relationship with the bishop of his new diocese is called
 - incantation
 - recardination
 - incardination
 - beatification
- The Jewish prayer "Hear, O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is one!" is known as the
 - Shema
 - Shinto
 - Talmud
 - Sukkot

answers later in this bulletin

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sun: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
- Mon: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6
- Tue: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
- Wed: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19
- Thu: Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/
Lk 17:20-25
- Fri: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37
- Sat: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/
Lk 18:1-8

—Rest in Peace—

We offer our prayerful sympathy to:

—Cathy Meece on the death of her husband
James Meece

—Joni Marren & Jeff Slaughter on the death of her brother
John Marren

—Richard & Doris Berhorst on the death of their son
Tony Berhorst

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

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 CD Rack: Church Narthex



The End of All Things

What happens to us after death? Does Catholic belief in purgatory contradict Scripture? Why would an all-loving God condemn people to eternity in hell? What do the Church and the Bible say I have to do to be saved and go to heaven?

In **20 Answers: Death and Judgment** you'll find smart, solid answers to these questions and many more.

The one certainty in life... is death. Whether it's tomorrow or in a hundred years, all of us are going to pass from this world and go to meet our Maker and Judge. **20 Answers: Death and Judgment** looks at the last things that await us, including purgatory, heaven and hell, and the resurrection of our body, as well as the end times and the renewal of all creation.

From the Parish Library: Grand Hall

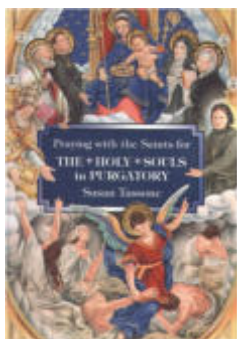
Purgatory is real, but what is it like? Could the Afterlife require suffering? Can the living help alleviate the anguish of the dead? This groundbreaking documentary investigates these compelling life-after-death questions through spiritual, scientific, and cultural perspectives.

From the award-winning producer of "Ocean of Mercy" this film uncovers new research offering fresh insights unavailable just a generation ago. Now for the first time top scholars, scientists, historians, and church leaders revisit age-old questions and embark on a spiritual quest to unlock the controversy and consolation of **Purgatory**.



PSR Corner

Sanctifying
Time
in the Month of
November



November is traditionally dedicated to the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

What are ways that we can help intercede for the souls of the faithful departed?

Marian Council Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 7
Grand Hall doors open at 6pm

All women are invited!

\$5 pay in advance,
reservation deadline December 3



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



Mysteries, Marvels and Miracles in the life of Christ and His Church
St. Francis Xavier Cabrini (Feast= November 13)

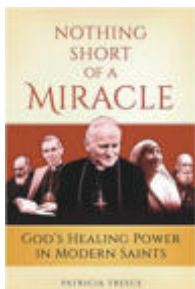
Article excerpts from this 1946 article:

<http://www.nydailynews.com/news/world/mother-frances-cabrini-canonized-1946-article-1.2278155>:

Mother Cabrini was canonized in 1946, the first American saint.

Four miracles had been credited to Mother Cabrini since her death on Dec. 22, 1917, at age of 67. The first two miracles essential to beatification, Nov. 13, 1938, were Sister Delfina, miraculously cured of intestinal fever after doctors had given up hope, and the saving of the sight of Peter Smith, a child, in Columbia Hospital in New York after he had been accidentally given a blinding solution of nitrate of silver. Both miracles occurred after prayers requesting intercession of the dead Mother Cabrini.

The two additional miracles both occurred in Lombard, Italy, near where Mother Cabrini was born. The first was the curing of Paulo Pezini, a chauffeur, of a chronic disease after doctors had given up hope. The other was the recovery of Ettore Paggetti, a locomotive engineer, from burns after medical assistance had been declared futile. Prayers for Mother Cabrini's intercession were offered in both instances.



In the book, Nothing Short of a Miracle, author Patricia Treece writes about the healing of the infant Peter Smith mentioned above. Almost immediately after the miracle (of his restored vision), the baby comes down with pneumonia. His jubilant doctors plunge back into fear once more for infant Peter's temperature, in this pre-antibiotic era, is so high at 107, it appears he will die. This time the summoned Mother Bacigalupo practically laughs at the anxious doctors as she says, "Mother Cabrini did not restore his vision for him to die of pneumonia." But again the Sisters spend the night in prayer. By morning, another miracle: fever down, pneumonia gone.

In 1938 Mother Cabrini is beatified by the Catholic Church. Several miracles are cited as signs from God in favor of this step, one being the healing of Peter Smith. Seventeen years old, he attends the ceremonies in St. Peter's, Rome, where onlookers notice his striking and expressive eyes that need no glasses and his smooth-skinned face. Only those who know to look carefully for them make out the two tiny scars where deadly nitrate solution once burned a furrow down his cheeks.

All the way to his death in 2002, Fr. Peter Smith will love to talk about Mother Cabrini, whose prayers to God when he was an infant, as he put it, "show the age of miracles has not passed." <https://catholicexchange.com/mother-cabrini-first-miracle>



I will go anywhere and do anything in order to communicate the love of Jesus to those who do not know Him or have forgotten him.
—St. Francis Xavier Cabrini

Answers to Catholic IQ (adapted from Catechist Magazine)

1. c The Divine Office takes its name from the Latin word *officium* which means duty. Catholic clergy have the duty of praying the Liturgy of the Hours daily.
2. c During cycle C, we hear the Gospel of Luke proclaimed.
3. c The titles in the hymn “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” come from the seven “O Antiphons” prayed at Vespers during the Octave before Christmas. “Morning Star” is a title given to our Mother in the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
4. a *Caritas in Veritate*, which means “charity in truth,” was promulgated on June 29, 2009, the Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul.
5. d The word ambo refers to the pulpit or lectern from which the Liturgy of the Word is proclaimed at Mass.
6. b A maniple (a band of silk or other material about a yard long and worn over the left forearm) is an optional vestment for priests.
7. b The Felicians are formally known as the Congregation of Sisters of St. Felix and were founded in 1855 by Blessed Mary Angela (Sophia) Truszkowska in Poland. They follow the Rule of St. Francis.
8. d Indulgences can be plenary (remits all temporal punishment for sin) or partial (remits only part of the temporal punishment for sin).
9. c The incardination process theologically emphasizes the permanent association of bishops, priests, and deacons. In essence, priests and deacons represent the local bishop and, as such, are under his jurisdiction.
10. a Jewish people are obligated to say the Shema in the morning and at night (based on Deuteronomy 6:4-7).



New Melle Country Christmas

The New Melle Chamber of Commerce, New Melle Sports and Recreation and New Melle 411 have teamed up to present this wonderful, free, community holiday event on Saturday, November 27 at New Melle Sports and Rec.

Like other years, we are planning to have free food and drinks, s'mores, pictures with Santa, opportunities to write/mail letters to Santa, a magician, juggler, balloon artist, etc. We will again be collecting “Teddy Bears for Trevor” in honor of Trevor Joerling to be distributed to hospitalized children at Christmas and food items for the SVDP Food Pantry.

We are reaching out to ask for support and participation to make this a great holiday experience. We need volunteers to help set up and clean up, outdoor games and activities for kids, small toys, cash donations, and sponsors needed for the various booths.

St. Vincent de Paul Greeting Card Forms

The St. Vincent de Paul Society has greeting cards available. These cards are sent by the Society to a person you designate. You can have the cards sent to let them know that you have made a contribution to the local Society either in memory of their deceased loved one, as a tribute in their honor or for healing prayers prayed by members of the Society. Directions for each type of card request are on the request form, found on the bulletin board (to the right as you enter church) in the narthex. Please take a form, fill it out, and return it in the envelopes provided either in the Sunday collection or the mail.



Prayers for Healing



In Loving Memory



In Tribute

A message from the Archbishop

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Numerous Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests past age 70 benefit from the **Retirement Fund for Religious** collection. Donations to this special collection provide funding that helps religious communities care for their aging members.

On the weekend of November 7, all parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis will take up the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Senior religious were influential in establishing Catholic parishes, schools, hospitals, and charitable agencies throughout our archdiocese and the United States. They initiated programs to promote social justice and ministered to the neediest among us. Many of our senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little to no pay.

Today, many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for a growing number of elder members. Increasing health care costs and decreased income make it difficult to provide necessary medical care, costly medications and basic services. Covid-19 has only increased the challenge to provide adequate care.

Please consider making a financial gift to assist with the care of our senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Many thanks for considering this request.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski
Archbishop of St. Louis

St. Peter Parish, 301 First Capitol Drive in historic downtown St. Charles is having their **Sausage Festival** on Sunday, November 7 from 12 noon until 6pm. This year will be CARRYOUT ONLY. The dinner will consist of whole hog pork sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes & gravy, applesauce, green beans and dessert. Adults \$13 and kids under 12 \$5. Quilt raffle and sausage sale. For more information please call 636-946-6641.

Holiday Craft Fair at St. Joseph School, 1410 Josephville Road in Wentzville on Saturday, November 13 from 9am to 2pm. Homemade crafts, Christmas gifts, local jewelry, artworks, food and drinks. Free entry. For more info call 314-960-0177 or email stjojocraftfair@gmail.com.

St. Ann's Sodality **Quilt Social Bingo** on Sunday, November 14 at Holy Rosary Activity Center, 716 E. Booneslick Road in Warrenton. Doors open at 11:30am, Bingo starts at 12:30. Lunch will be available. For more information contact Barb at 636-456-3567 or 636-456-3698 ext. 1.

Our Lady's Inn is looking for a **Part Time Resident Support Staff** who is responsible for helping to ensure the safety and security of the building, establishing therapeutic relationships with the clients and maintaining the cleanliness of the home as well as assisting in meal preparation and occasional client transportation. The Resident Support Staff must have a commitment to the agency's pro-life mission. *Must be available evenings after 4pm and weekends. A qualified candidate must have at least a high school diploma/GED, valid driver's license and vehicle insurance. Contact Lori Green at 314-736-1544, email lgreen@outladysinn.org or visit www.ourladysinn.org/careers for more information.

The Respect Life Apostolate has recently launched the **Abortion Healing Ministry (AHM)** which seeks to help the wounded in our communities heal from the manifold pain of abortion. Their network of specially-trained caregivers, including clergy, lay staff, mental health professionals, and spiritual directors, work as a team to provide care to those touched by abortion loss, enabling them to grieve, develop a personal relationship with Christ, and be united with the Church through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They invite those in need to reach out to them for further help: phone/text 314-406-0815, email at hopehealing@archstl.org, or <https://www.archstl.org/hope-healing>.

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



National Vocations Awareness Week

The Catholic Church in the United States will celebrate the 45th annual National Vocation Awareness Week from November 7-13, 2021. During this week, dioceses across the United States will hold events to foster an appreciation for vocations and pray specifically for those discerning a call to ordained ministry and consecrated life.

In his message for the 58th annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis offered St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, as a model for vocational discernment. “Amid all these upheavals, [St. Joseph] found the courage to follow God’s will. So too in a vocation: God’s call always urges us to take a first step, to give ourselves, to press forward. There can be no faith without risk. Only by abandoning ourselves confidently to grace, setting aside our own programs and comforts, can we truly say “yes” to God,” he said, and exhorted the Church to look to St. Joseph as an “outstanding example of acceptance of God’s plans.”

Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God’s gift of vocation.

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, we thank You for calling men and women to serve in Your Son’s Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send Your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to Your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
Amen.



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As the landscape changes and wraps itself in the brilliant hues of Autumn, the programming on Covenant Network reminds us of the beautiful truths of our Catholic faith and keeps us focused on the things that matter. During the month of November, you can pray the Holy Rosary with Covenant Network at 10am and immediately after the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm. Listen and pray along on KHOJ 1460 AM or 102.9 FM. Or use our Covenant Network app or the web: OurCatholicRadio.org





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