



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

October 10, 2021



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:26-27

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SLR

Deeper Understanding of Scripture

If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to be expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing, and in following a voice other than our own. St. Teresa of Calcutta rightly instructs us that for "love to be real, it must cost, it must hurt, it must empty us of self." Being in love with God requires more than just checking the boxes of the commandments. It requires a sincere and unconditional self-investment. Desiring God with our whole heart, mind, and soul means that I must also desire a relationship with my neighbor with that same degree of fervor.

Biases and prejudices usually occur when people are kept at a distance and treated as objects. We cannot truly know our

neighbors, especially if they are different than us, if we keep them in boxes and do not listen to their stories. When we open ourselves to listen to another person's story, we begin to realize more how similar we are than dissimilar. Being overly attached to our possessions, ideologies, agendas, lifestyles, and personal needs are absolute barriers to achieving the type of personal investment love demands. This is why following Christ can be difficult. It is less a matter of intellect and more a matter of heart and soul. It requires that we transfer our treasure from an investment in tangible secular things and move it into the Kingdom of God. It is only the gift of wisdom and discernment that can help us decide what to do and how to do it.

Contemporaries of Jesus would know that a camel could not enter through the portal

of a city weighed down with the baggage it was carrying. In order to enter, the baggage must be removed so that the animal could fit through the entry way. The same is true for us. We carry a lot of excessive baggage around with us that keeps us tethered to our past histories, wounds, myopic world views, prejudices, fears, and suspicions. To invest ourselves in the Kingdom of God, do God's work and live out our love relationship with God, we need to shed the extra weight. While it may seem that a lot of that stuff is necessary, it really is not. We are much more than the things that we think define us and more secure than we think. The more there is to hold on to and the more that we carry with us, the harder it will be to leave it all behind. Many choose not to and walk away sad because they are not ready to trust.

Fall Sausage Dinner

Immaculate Heart of Mary

New Melle, MO



October 10, 2021

serving cafeteria-style from 11am to 6pm

Adult dinners: \$14

Children ages 6 to 12: \$7

Ages 5 and under eat FREE

Dinner served with sauerkraut, applesauce, green beans, corn, mashed potatoes & gravy, featuring Homemade Bread and Desserts

Handicap parking and free shuttle service



Craft Fair and Country Store

Pull tabs & Quilt Raffle

Express Dining under the Pavilion (weather permitting)

Live Music

Pork, Blood & Liver Sausage for sale

Wine & Beer Garden



Bonanza Extravaganza and 50/50 Raffles



See raffle tickets for prize details; you need not be present to win

We still need Workers!!

If you haven't signed up for a particular spot,
we can still find a place for you!

We always have fun, meet new people, and serve the best sausage around!

Hearts Joined in Worship and Service

Dear parishioners and friends,

As we celebrate our Autumn Sausage Dinner this weekend we are so thankful for the many blessings of our parish family. The first and foremost blessing of our lives is to gather around the altar of Our Lord and celebrate His life with us. We come together week after week to renew our trust in God's promise of mercy. Mass begins with us calling to mind that it is the mercy of God that emboldens us with the courage and desire to approach with confidence. We come to hear the story of our faith and to receive the One who has given all to us.

We come to Mass to worship the Living God. We praise God for the drama of Redemption and the continuing work of our personal sanctification. We come to lift up the needs of our neighbors, community and world to the Father of Mercies who has given us life through His Son and poured out the Holy Spirit upon us. Their communion is the pattern and goal of our community. The Church assumes that the community that prays together has a real and experienced knowledge of each other outside of worship. While it is impossible for us to know everyone, Holy Mother Church hopes that her children create bonds of communion within her midst that strengthens our life of faith. We are called together in worship and we are sent out together in service.

Our Sausage Dinners are one of the most concrete expressions of our communion with one another. While it is a fundraiser for our parish, the money that is raised is secondary to the fruits of renewed communion among all of our members. We need regular occasions to renew those bonds of friendship. Of course they can be tiring at times and perhaps stressful, but the blessings far outweigh the challenges. My thanks to all who make our dinner so successful. **All of this happens because you care enough to volunteer.**

I have no doubt I will hear many comments about the wonderful sausage we serve, but I will hear even more comments about all of our volunteers. Our guests are always impressed with your service. They see so many of you giving of your time and generosity to host this dinner. They don't even see all those who work behind the scenes preparing for and serving our dinner. But I do, and I couldn't be more thankful for your hard work on behalf of our parish family and the guests we serve. Gratitude at Mass leads to thankful service in life. For both I praise God for His goodness to us!

Peace,



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B

[Jesus said,] "Anyone who leaves home or brothers or sisters or mother or father, for me and for the gospel, will receive a hundred times more, and in the age to come he will receive eternal life."

MARK 10:29-30

Jean Vanier is the son of a former governor-general of Canada. He served in the Canadian Navy and taught at Saint Michael's College in Toronto. One day Jean felt moved to leave everything behind—his comfortable status and life—and experiment with a dream that was developing in his mind: family-style homes for the mentally handicapped. The experiment, now known as L'Arche, not only succeeded but multiplied itself a hundred times, as Jesus promised. What are some dreams I've had in my life? Do I feel any new dreams developing in my mind?

He slept beneath the moon, He basked beneath the sun; He lived a life of going-to-be, And died with nothing done.

AUTHOR UNKNOWN

Mark Link S.J. *Vision*

10am Mass will be moved to 9:30 today!

Ministry Schedule

October 9—4pm

EM: Bryan Potter, Pat Roche, Karen Wilson
Lec: Mike Greene, Sharon Hagan
Music: Bryan & Mary Ann
Serv: Izzy Scheer
Ush: Ed Etzkorn, Andy Pope, Larry Graves, Mike Rieker

October 10—7:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Maureen Blondin, Mary Keune
Lec: Peggy Dupree, Karen Wappelhorst
Music: Verdi & Brooke
Serv: Mary Grace & Janie Becker
Ush: Gary Potter, Dave London, Ron Neske, Mike Hardesty

October 10—9:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Joni Marren-Slaughter, Donna Wolff
Lec: Mary Busby-Simpson, Bill Winters
Music: Adult Choir
Serv: William Lassiter, Izzy Czuchna
Ush: Ron Simpson, Chuck Hinkle, Larry Smith, Gary Struckhoff

IHMformation Station

4:00: Ed & Marcia Etzkorn
7:30: Peggy Dupree
10:00: Ralph & Janice Britton

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,
Tom Hartenbach, Richard & Doris Berhorst, Terry Hagan,
Larry Gassei, Pat Foster, Pat Ryan, Frank Marquart,
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),
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),
Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen),
Marlene Hagemeyer (sister of Pat Roche),
Sal Polisi (brother of Nancy and Walter Hollenstein),
Carol Fague (sister of Bob Woodford),
Janet Piel and Jordan Keene (sister and friend of Joni Marren-Slaughter),
Michael Molitor (brother of Richard Molitor),
Rosemary Bell (sister of Janet & Jerry Hespen),

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

October 16—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Becky Wilson, Donna Cuddihee
Lec: Jim & Theresa Risch
Music: Bryan & cantor
Serv: Chase Spurgeon
Ush: Bryan Potter, Tim Wilson, Chris Cuddihee, Bill Pollihan

October 17—7:30am

EM: Peggy Dupree, Mary Keune, Kris Jenkins
Lec: Chuck Kettler, Mary Hardesty
Music: Verdi & Elizabeth
Serv: Sydney Jaekle, Emma Clifton
Ush: Joe Weber, Terry Schneider, Mark Thome, Rick Scharf

October 17—10am

EM: Bob Brossette, Sharon Smith, Patrice Riley
Lec: Grant Smith, Yvonne Brossette
Music: Adult Choir
Serv: Mary Grace & Janie Becker
Ush: Michelle Greiwe, Bob Hutchcraft, Bill Riley, Alan Raymond

IHMformation Station

4:00: Brian & Becky Wilson
7:30: Mark & Terri Thome
10:00: Bob & Yvonne Brossette

Heavenly Duster Schedule

Week of October 10: Joyce Caruthers
Week of October 17: Laura Cuccio
Week of October 24: Clara Haas
Week of October 31: Yvonne Brossette

Purificators

Month of October: Pat Roche

—Rest in Peace—

We offer our prayerful sympathy to:

Marty and Peggy Dupree on the death of his mother
Evelyn Brandon

Kathy and Richard Lalonde on the death of her sister
Karen Richardson

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



We welcome to our parish family
through the Sacrament of Baptism
Brooklyn Nicole Stiffler
daughter of Scott & Lindsey (Heinsohn) Stiffler
Colton Joel Halloran
son of Zachary & Nicole (Bax) Halloran
Malcolm James Doll
son of Matthew & Alyssa (Heinsohn) Doll

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 11	
8:00am	intention of Paul & Renee Renna Moiria Ryan +
Tuesday, October 12	
8:00am	Tom Bergman +
Wednesday, October 13	
8:00am	Mary Karll +
6:30pm	Frank Modder +
Thursday, October 14	
8:00am	David Flavan +
Friday, October 15	
8:00am	All Souls
Saturday, October 16	
8:00am	Ed Orf +
4:00pm	Wes Forrester +
Sunday, October 17	
7:30am	People of the Parish
10:00am	Herbert O. Fine +

Activities this Week

Sunday, October 10—9:30	Mass today (not 10am)
	Sausage Dinner serving 11am—6pm
	Craft Show & Country Store—Grand Hall
	PSR not in session
Monday, October 11	
	Cleanup from Sausage Dinner
	ACTS Core Team, Weber Hall, 6:30pm
	Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm
Tuesday, October 12	
	Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, following 8am Mass
	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am
	Children's choir practice, 6:30pm
Wednesday, October 13	
	Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am
	Evening Mass at 6:30pm / Reconciliation, 7pm
	Adult choir practice, church, 7pm
Thursday, October 14	
	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am
	RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm
Friday, October 15	
	Quilting in Weber Hall, 8:30—noon
Saturday, October 16	
	Reconciliation after 8am Mass
	SVDP Food Pantry open 9—10:30am
	Country Market Fall Festival, 2—8pm, gravel lot
Sunday, October 17	
	PSR, Weber/Founders Halls, Trailer, 8:45—9:45am
	Faith Formation, Grand Hall, 8:45—9:45
	Baptismal prep, Weber Hall, 11am
	ACTS Picnic, 12—6pm, Founders Hall

Contributions October 2/3

General offertory:	\$9,541.28
Online giving:	\$8,086.09
	\$17,627.37

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."
~~Mark 10:25~~

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most to us! That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

We pray: That we are generous with all our gifts, especially those that mean the most to us.

Needed at the Pantry

Laundry detergent, sugar, coffee, paper towels, fruit juices, canned fruit, razors, all purpose cleaner

We cannot accept expired or previously opened items

Please hold your plastic bags—we have plenty!!

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then, come follow me."

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

Visit a St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store for your next bargain

At our stores, families can find a nice table for the kitchen, and books, toys, and clothes for the children. Men and women can select a good suit and shoes for a job interview. Thrifters dig for treasures. College students outfit their apartment. Green shoppers find goods to reuse, recycle, and upcycle. When you're ready to clean out your basement or attic, we'll be ready to pick up your donation. And we're always looking for friendly volunteers who enjoy the retail environment. Whether you're shopping, donating, or volunteering, you're helping! With nine stores in the St. Louis area, including one in St. Charles, there is a St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store near you!

The Mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul: "A network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need."





Janet Hespen,
Youth Minister,
314-369-6521

- 10/14: Game Night: Bring your favorites. 7-8:30pm, Grand Hall
- 10/15: 6:30—10pm
10/16: 8:30am—11pm
BE NOT afraid.
SPIRIT ALIVE YOUTH CONFERENCE at Catholic Youth Conference
St. Joseph/Josephville
for 8th thru 12th grades. Lots of fun with other Youth Groups. You can come and go throughout the day. Check this link: spiritaliveyouthconference.com
- 10/28: Halloween Fun/Bonfire. Dress up maybe as a favorite Saint? Parents welcome. 6:30—8:30pm
- 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!

Youth Group has mums

Big, beautiful mums in many colors. \$17 each or 2 for \$30

Available before or after all Masses - order ahead or pick up (recommend pre-ordering for specific color)
You may deposit \$\$ in the box at the IHMformation Station or call Janet at 314-369-6521.



AMERICA NEEDS
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2021 Public Square Rosary Crusade

Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation on
October 16 at 12 Noon here at IHM

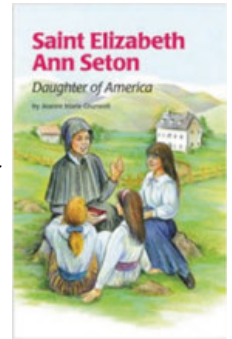
The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in front of our grotto next to the St Joseph Chapel.

Please contact Sharon at 314-853-4994 for more info.

PSR Corner

3rd Grade Patron

Every PSR class has a chosen patron saint which catechists help students learn about. After 8 years, students will have learned more about 8 folks in God's Holy Hall of Fame. Meet the 3rd grade patron—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Elizabeth Ann Bayley was born in New York City on August 28, 1774. Her father, Richard Bayley, was a well-known doctor. Her mother, Catherine, died when Elizabeth was just three years old. In 1794, Elizabeth married William Seton. Elizabeth, William, and their five children had a happy life together. Elizabeth devoted her time to her family, to helping others, and to prayer. But then her father, whom she loved very much, died. Then her father-in-law also died, and the Seton fortune quickly dwindled. Next Elizabeth's husband Will became sick and also died in 1803. In her grief, Elizabeth prayed, "My God, I am alone in the world with you and my little ones. But you are my Father and doubly theirs." Elizabeth was consoled by the Felicchi family who were Catholics and in 1805 became a Catholic herself. A few years later, Elizabeth was asked to come and open a girls' school in Baltimore. It was there that Elizabeth decided to live as a religious sister, eventually founding the Sisters of Charity. Besides founding many Catholic schools, she also opened orphanages. She even made plans for a hospital, which was built after her death. She is the first US-born citizen to be declared a saint.



Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton: Daughter of America captures the mystery of how God's love and call unfold all throughout our life. Children will learn powerful lessons about faith, trust in God, and courage in serving others.

PLEASE HELP US!



Meals on Wheels may restart delivering in late October. If interested in volunteering as a bi-weekly volunteer or substitute, please contact Jean Reed Bammann 636-798-2718.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sun: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
- Mon: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32
- Tue: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41
- Wed: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13]/Lk 11:42-46
- Thu: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7]/Lk 11:47-54
- Fri: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [cf. 7]/Lk 12:1-7
- Sat: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8]/Lk 12:8-12

What's Your Catholic IQ?

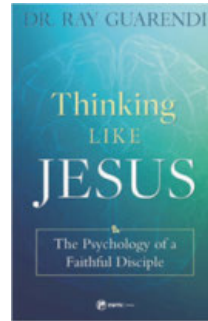
- John the Baptist urged people to “_____, for the Kingdom of God is at hand.” (Matthew 3:1-2)
 - follow Jesus
 - get baptized
 - repent
 - eat grasshoppers
- The word *crucifix* comes from the Latin word for ...
 - crucible
 - cross
 - execute
 - crucify
- The new Mass translation includes the words “Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.” The word *hosts* in this line literally means ...
 - consecrated Eucharistic bread
 - those who throw parties
 - power and might
 - angelic armies
- Pope for only five years before he died, _____ gathered all the worlds’ bishops in Rome and began the Second Vatican Council in 1952 with a call to “open wide the windows of the Church.”
 - Pope John XXIII
 - Pope Paul VI
 - Pope John Paul II
 - Pope Benedict XVI
- The two main parts of the Mass are the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the _____.
 - Eucharist
 - hours
 - people
 - New Roman Missal
- Jesus said that “for God _____ are possible” (Matthew 19:26).
 - miracles
 - better times
 - most things
 - all things
- According to the Book of _____, the mark of the beast is the number 666.
 - Job
 - Revelation
 - Daniel
 - Sudoku
- The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes pride, envy, anger, sloth, greed, gluttony, and lust as ...
 - psychological disorders
 - typical behavior for most people
 - capital sins
 - bad strategies for making friends
- Jesus taught the _____ as part of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:3-12; Sermon on the Plain, Luke 6:30-36).
 - Beatitudes
 - Parable of the Prodigal Son
 - Golden Rule
 - Parable of the Good Samaritan
- In Revelation 1:8, Jesus Christ calls Himself “The Alpha and the Omega.” This means that Jesus ...
 - is a member of a Greek fraternity
 - is like a star in the galaxy
 - is the beginning and the end
 - likes to speak cryptically



Pope's Intentions for October: Missionary Disciples
We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources

From the Parish Library—Grand Hall



What do I do if I can't control my emotions?

When do I correct others, and when do I hold my tongue?

Too often we are late in realizing that we mishandled a situation, causing both resentment and frustration. But what if you could approach every situation with the mind of Christ?

Distilled from his decades of experience as a clinical psychologist and a practicing Catholic, Dr. Ray Guarendi, popular radio and TV host, offers here dozens of bite-sized reflections that combine sound spiritual advice with the best of modern psychology. Dr. Ray will help you address countless daily problems and create a plan of action for your most common troubles. With his trademark frankness and humor, Dr. Ray tackles all the topics that too often bring confusion and heartache, including:

- What to do when you're easily offended
- Common excuses parents make for bad behavior in their children and themselves
- The difference between speaking your mind and losing your emotions.
- The fine line between being a confident evangelist and being a jerk
- What you should do when emotions overwhelm you
- How to hold your children to high standards without causing resentment
- The difference between making an excuse and justifying an action
- How to tell people you're angry without being nasty about it
- What true humility is and isn't

Thinking Like Jesus is more than a self-help book. It will place you firmly into the mindset of a disciple of Christ so you can focus your attention on God and, ultimately, what it will take to spend eternity with Him in heaven.

Thank you, St. Jude, for your intercession. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. St. Jude, Worker of Miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, Help of the Hopeless, pray for us.



Word of Life

"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities: *Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End*

May God grant us the wisdom and courage to lovingly protect His gift of human life at every stage, in sickness and in health.

45th Annual Respect Life Convention

Walking with Moms in Mercy & Joy: Sunday, October 17 at 9:30am at The Ritz Carlton, St. Louis. Join in-person or virtually for a day of Mass, prayer, fellowship, dynamic speakers, and respect life awards. Registration is now open online at <https://prolifefestl.regfox.com/2021-respect-life-convention>. Please direct questions to prolife@archstl.org or call 314-792-7555.

Vitae Foundation's St. Charles Pro-Life Event

Vitae Foundation is hosting their Annual Pro-Life Event on Thursday, October 28 at the St. Charles Convention Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza in St. Charles. The featured speaker is Jason Chaffetz, a Fox News Contributor and former Congressman! Dinner and Program begin at 7pm. Reservations are \$75 per person (\$45 is tax deductible) and may be made online at vitaefoundation.org or by calling 573-634-4316.

For questions, or to become a sponsor, please contact Nick Johnson by calling 314-660-8872 or emailing him at nick.johnson@vitaefoundation.org.



News from our Quilters

Congratulations to Amy Schneider and Judy Cova on being the most recent winners of our Quilt-A-Month drawings.

We have just completed our **Christmas Quilt**, pictured here. Please check your mail for a letter and tickets to return for a chance to win this beautiful quilt. With rich reds and greens and a beautiful plaid border, pictures don't do it justice.

Answers to Catholic IQ

1. c) Jesus also preached repentance: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15).
2. b) The term *crucifix* comes from the Latin *crucifixion* which means "to bind fast or fix to a cross (crux)." Roman authorities used crucifixion, their preferred form of capital punishment, to discourage rebellion against the Roman Empire.
3. d) The term *Lord God of hosts (Jehovah Sabaoth)* is found over 200 times in the Old Testament and refers to the angelic armies that protected the Israelites.
4. a) Pope John XXIII helped shift the Church's approach to modern scientific inquiry, democracy, and the separation of Church and state from suspicion and resistance to openness and engagement.
5. a) The Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist form one single act of worship. "[T]he Eucharistic table set for us is the table both of the Word of God and of the Body of the Lord" *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, n. 1246).
6. d) Saint Paul (Philippians 4:13) echoes Jesus' words as does the angel's response to Mary at the Annunciation (Luke 1:37).
7. b) Scholars believe that 666 (see Revelation 13:18) refers to the Emperor Nero who persecuted Christians and blamed them for the burning of Rome.
8. c) Capital sins engender other vices, reproducing and reinforcing themselves (see CCC, n. 1866). "This results in perverse inclinations which cloud conscience and corrupt the concrete judgment of good and evil" (CCC, n. 1865).
9. a) The Beatitudes in Luke 6 change "poor in spirit" to "the poor." Luke also includes the "woes," which warns those who are rich and satisfied.
10. c) *Alpha* and *Omega* are the first and the last letters of the Greek alphabet. The author of the Book of Revelation encourages persecuted Christians by reminding them that Jesus, the beginning and the end, is in charge of all of human history.

Mysteries, Marvels and Miracles in the Life of the Church: St. Teresa of Jesus: Feast: October 15



St. Teresa of Avila was born in 1515 AD and died in 1582 AD. Many miracles and mystical phenomena are associated with St. Teresa of Avila. She endured great pain, suffering, but also great consolation. One experience in particular she herself wrote of in 1577. "I saw an angel very near me, towards my left side, in bodily form, which is not usual with me; for though angels are often represented to me, it is only in my mental vision. This angel appeared rather small than large, and very beautiful. His face was so shining that he seemed to be one of those highest angels called seraphs, who look as if all on fire with divine love. He had in his hands a long golden dart; at the end of the point me thought there was a little fire. And I felt him thrust it several times through my heart in such a way that it passed through my very bowels. And when he drew it out, me thought it pulled them out with it and left me wholly on fire with a great love of God." The pain in her soul spread to her body, but it was accompanied by great delight too; she was like one transported, caring neither to see nor to speak but only to be consumed with the mingled pain and happiness.

One of the most famous miracles attributed to her is similar to the miracle of Jesus and Lazarus. The wall of a building fell on Teresa's young nephew and he was crushed. Apparently dead, he was brought to Teresa. She held her little nephew in her arm and prayed deeply. Minutes later, the boy came back to life. This miracle, in fact, was presented at Teresa's canonization.

Many other miracles occurred in St. Teresa's life, but it can be argued that the greatest miracle was her own conversion. In her autobiography, she once said "The possession of virtuous parents who lived in the fear of God, together with those favors which I received from his Divine Majesty, might have made me good, if I had not been so very wicked." This self-described "wicked" girl would go on to become one of the greatest saints in Church history! She said and wrote some beautiful things in her life, including the spiritual quotes below.

Our body has this defect that, the more it is provided care and comforts, the more needs and desires it finds.

Pain is never permanent.

I do not fear Satan half so much as I fear those who fear him.

To reach something good it is very useful to have gone astray, and thus acquire experience.

Accustom yourself continually to make many acts of love, for they enkindle and melt the soul.

For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God.

It is love alone that gives worth to all things.

Anyone who truly loves God travels securely.

There are more tears shed over answered prayers than over unanswered prayers.

Be gentle to all and stern with yourself.

To have courage for whatever comes in life — everything lies in that.

We can only learn to know ourselves and do what we can — namely, surrender our will and fulfill God's will in us.

What a great favor God does to those He places in the company of good people!



Save the Date

Halloween Movie Night for kids and adults

Friday, October 29 at sundown

Halloween costumes encouraged! More info to come.

Walk for the Poor

To our IHM family, on behalf of all who supported our 2021 Friends of the Poor walk either by walking, donations or both: we are overwhelmed by your love, support and generosity. As I write we have received so far \$1,358 in donations!! IHM rocks!! All our SVDP members hold you and your families all in our prayers! We could not do what we do without you!



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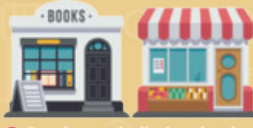
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