

# *Immaculate Heart of Mary Church*

## *New Melle, Missouri*



*January 10, 2016*

### *The Baptism of the Lord*

*After the Lord was baptized...  
the voice of the Father thundered:  
This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am well pleased.*

*Matthew 3:16-17*

## *Sacraments and Devotions*

### **Celebration of the Mass**

#### **Weekend Masses in the Church**

Vigil	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:30 am
	11:15 am

#### **Daily Mass**

Monday through Friday 8:00 am, Chapel  
Saturday 8:00 am, Church

### **Devotions and Prayers, St. Joseph Chapel**

Rosary following 8:00 Mass  
Rosary at noon on Wednesday  
Tuesday after Mass-  
    Perpetual Help devotions  
Thursday after Mass-  
    Respect Life prayers  
Friday at 11:30 am- Chaplet of  
    Divine Mercy and Benediction

### **Reconciliation**

Wednesday in church, 7:00 pm  
Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass

### **Marriage**

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

### **Baptism**

Contact the parish office to register for  
Baptism class and to arrange for the  
Baptism.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Contact Shawn Mueller in the  
parish office

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

St. Joseph Chapel is open for adoration  
24 hours daily from Monday after Mass  
to Friday benediction. **Code: 145**

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# Welcome!

### Religious Education

Parish School of Religion (Grades 1 through 8)

September through May on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Confirmation Preparation (8th grade)

September through May on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word

September through May on Sundays during the 9:30 am Mass

Adult Education

Wednesdays at 8:45 am and 6:10 pm.

### This Week's Events

**Sunday, January 10**

8:00 am

Roses for Life at all Masses  
Knights of Columbus Breakfast, Founders Hall

9:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word

**Monday, January 11**

4:00 pm

Girl Scouts, Weber Hall

6:00 pm

St. Vincent dePaul meeting, pantry

6:30 pm

Scouts, Founders Hall

6:30 pm

Scouts, trailer

7:00 pm

Bell Choir rehearsal, church

**Tuesday, January 12**

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Exercise class, Grand Hall foyer

6:30 pm

Legion of Mary, St. Gianna

6:30 pm

Marian Council, Weber Hall

6:45 pm

Children's Choir, church

**Wednesday, January 13**

8:45 am

Scripture Study, Weber Hall

6:00 pm

PSR, Weber Hall and Founders Hall

6:10 pm

Bible Study, Grand Hall

7:00 pm

Reconciliation, church

7:00 pm

Youth Rosary, church

7:30 pm

Youth Group, Weber Hall

**Thursday, January 14**

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Exercise class, Grand Hall foyer

6:30 pm

RCIA, Weber Hall

7:00 pm

Choir practice, church

**Friday, January 15**

8:30 am

Quilters, Weber Hall

**Saturday, January 16**

8:00 am

Mass followed by confessions, Church

### JOIN THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY, 2016

**Universal: Interreligious Dialogue** That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

**Evangelization: Christian Unity** That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, January 9

8:00 am The intentions of Vicky and Roger Brink

4:00 pm Tony and Tricia Sinopole

### Sunday, January 10

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am Sadie Rashid +

11:15 am Joe Sinopole +

### Monday, January 11

8:00 am Lady Lisa Marie

### Tuesday, January 12

8:00 am Emily Linneman-Schroer +

Jim Finch +

### Wednesday, January 13

8:00 am Jack Hitt +

Thursday, January 14 **Please note the time change**

**7:30 am** All Souls Intentions

### Friday, January 15

8:00 am Gerrie Bader +

### Saturday, January 16

8:00 am Gloria Brudzinski +

4:00 pm Frances Randolph +

### Sunday, January 17

7:30 am Mary Fine +

9:30 am People of the Parish

11:15 am Bob Rapp +

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10;  
Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25;  
Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7;  
Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11;  
Jn 2:1-11

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Wednesday: St. Hilary; Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

## MANIFESTING THE SPIRIT

The Christmas season closes this Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. This feast is a sister to last week's feast of the Epiphany. Each of them celebrates an "epiphany," or a manifestation of the Spirit of God in Jesus — first in his birth, and now at his baptism.

The divine Spirit is manifested in all of the scriptures for this feast. Psalm 104 highlights the Spirit of God creating and renewing the earth, while the reading from Isaiah describes God restoring Israel. In Luke's account of the baptism of the Lord the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus. And the letter to Titus reminds us that the Holy Spirit was "richly poured out" on us also, through the "bath of rebirth" (Titus 3:5, 6).

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636-398-5270

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**St. Vincent DePaul** For information or assistance,  
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## MEDITATION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

"Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which closes the period of Christmas." Jesus' Baptism was extremely important for the apostolic community, "not only because then, and for the first time in history, the mystery of the Trinity was made manifest clearly and completely, but also because with that event Jesus' public ministry began. ... The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan anticipates His Baptism of blood on the Cross and symbolizes the entire sacramental activity with which the Redeemer would achieve the salvation of humanity."

Pope Benedict XVI

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7)

**Psalm** — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29)

**Second Reading** — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38)

**Gospel** — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).



## PRO-LIFE EVENTS TO COMMEMORATE THE 43<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ROE V. WADE

Friday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, is the 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision, which legalized abortion on demand. A number of activities are scheduled to commemorate this tragic decision and assault on innocent human life.

**Annual Memorial Mass.** All are invited to attend the Annual Roe v. Wade Memorial Mass at the Cathedral Basilica on **Sat., January 16 at 9:30 AM**. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Robert J. Carlson. This Mass is a wonderful way for pilgrims attending the March for Life to spiritually prepare and to join in prayer locally for those unable to travel to DC this year.

**March for Life in Washington D.C.** Thousands of people from Missouri will be traveling to Washington D.C., joining hundreds of thousands of people from all over the U.S. to participate in the annual March for Life on Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please keep those traveling to the March for Life in your prayers for a safe and successful journey.

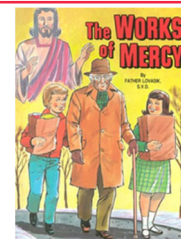
**Candlelight Vigil in Washington MO.** The East Central Area-Missouri Right to Life Chapter is holding its annual candlelight vigil from 5 to 6pm on Friday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the corner of Fifth and Jefferson in Washington Mo. Everyone is invited to participate. Those participating are asked to bring a flashlight or a candle.

**Nine Days of Prayer, Penance, and Pilgrimage:** Join thousands of Catholics across the country coming together in prayer for a "culture of life" and an end to abortion. The nine day novena runs from Sat., Jan. 16, to Sun., Jan. 24. Daily prayers and reflections are available at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com).



### PSR Corner

Consider a family devotion this year of learning about your classroom saint at home. 1st grade: St. Francis of Assisi; 2nd grade: St. Padre Pio; 3rd grade: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; 4th grade: St. Katherine Drexel; 5th grade: St. Ignatius Loyola; 6th grade: Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati; 7th grade: St. Joseph; 8th grade: St. Vincent Ferrer. Families are also encouraged to make a plan which incorporates the spiritual and corporal works of mercy in their lives. See below.



## The Corporal Work of Mercy: Clothe the Naked

Pope Francis has decreed a special year of mercy (beginning December 8, 2015 – November 20, 2016) in which he is directing the faithful to reflect and act on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. He writes, "It is my burning desire that, during this Jubilee, the Christian people may reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy." Here are some Scriptures and concrete ways or suggestions you or your family might reflect and act up this work of mercy.



### SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

**Mt 25:35, 40** "For I was naked and you clothed me." 40... 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.'

**Luke 3:10** And the multitudes asked (John the Baptist), "What then shall we do?" 11 And he answered them, "He who has two coats, let him share with him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise."

**James 2:14** What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Can his faith save him? 15 If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, 16 and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit? 17 So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

### SUGGESTIONS

- ◇ Start with going through closets and finding clothing to donate to the needy. Can I simplify my wardrobe? How many pairs of shoes do I own? Can I donate more than my excess?
- ◇ Consider volunteering, working with, donating clothes and shoes to a local thrift store or a clothes collection bin.
- ◇ Host a shoe drive. <https://soles4souls.org/>
- ◇ Another Option: <http://www.shoemanwater.org/>
- ◇ Organize a parish group to make trips to the city to pass out clothing to the poor.
- ◇ Host a coat drive: Everyone should have a warm coat: <http://www.onewarmcoat.org/>
- ◇ Donate to, get involved with Cross Catholic Outreach, an excellent organization which "delivers food, shelter and hope to the poorest of the poor." <http://www.crosscatholic.org/>
- ◇ How about helping out at home with the laundry?
- ◇ Learn about the prayer shawl ministry. <http://www.shawlministry.com> Consider knitting such a garment for someone.
- ◇ Say family meal prayers with more gratitude. Have members ask, in their own way, for God's protection and blessing for all those who will go to bed cold or lonely.



**HOW** will you work out your life response to God?

**Have you signed up to pray for vocations?** The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. When it is your turn, Fr. Tom will give you the icon, a candle, and a load of information to ponder. When you return it the next week, another family will take it home and continue praying. **Let's keep it going!**

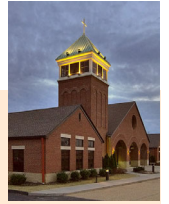
### Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Baptism

In today's Gospel, we heard about John the Baptist and the Baptism of Christ. Baptism takes away original sin, all personal sins and all punishment due to sin (Compendium, 263). The Church teaches that a baptized person belongs forever to Christ. After His Resurrection, Christ commanded His Apostles: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Mt 28:19). Do you know the date of your Baptism? [archstl.org/dynamic](http://archstl.org/dynamic)





## NEWS FROM HOME



### Stewardship

January 10, 2015

St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

### Pat Noack

Please note: the Heavenly Dusters schedule will be updated this week. If you need your name removed or would like to be added to the list, call the parish office and let us know.

Thank you in advance for your generous donation of time!

**The collection figures for Sunday, January 3**

**General Offertory: \$12,626.80**

**Online-General Offering: \$3,360.00**

**Total: \$15,986.80**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*Try Electronic Offertory*

*Those who are pledging for the "Many Gifts. One Heart" new debt reduction campaign title. Pink debt reduction envelopes are included in the monthly envelope mailing.*

*There are options for giving. Use weekly envelopes or check out On-Line giving at [www.ihm-newmelle.org](http://www.ihm-newmelle.org)*

**St. Vincent DePaul Society**

**Items needed for the pantry:** Oil, sugar, crackers, cereal, jelly, hot chocolate, detergent, dish soap

### ROSES FOR LIFE

The Knights of Columbus will be holding its annual Roses for Life campaign this weekend. The Knights ask for your support by signing the roses you will find in the pews. These roses will then be collected and sent to our elected representatives in Washington D.C. to remind them that we support the right to life of the unborn, and that we expect them to vote in support of pro-life legislation.

The Knights also ask you to pray the Rosary to end abortion and to give your moral support to those people going to Washington D.C. to participate in the March for Life on Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, which is the 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion on demand in the U.S.

### Marian Council Meeting

Join in planning our activities for the coming year. Meet on Tuesday, Jan 12 at 6:30 PM in Weber Hall.

*As always, wine and fabulous refreshments will be served!*



**For everything there is a season,  
and a time for every matter under heaven.**

*...a time to be born...*

Congratulations to Jason and Crystal Harder

on the baptism of their little boy, Lucas Michael.

Lucas is also the grandson of Bill and Madolena Key.

*May he always live in the light of Christ.*

*...a time to love...*

Congratulations to Becky Farwig and Alec Clifton

who were recently married at IHM.

Becky is the daughter of David Farwig

and the granddaughter of Helen Farwig.

*May they always keep Christ at the center of their marriage.*

*...a time to die...*

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Stephen Hollenstein,

brother of Walter and Nancy Hollenstein.

*May he rest in the peace of Christ.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Marion Mueller  
Patricia Prongue  
Patricia Rudolf  
Shirley McDonald  
Ann Fitzgerald  
Susan Van Booven  
Terri Guernsey  
Melissa Van Hoy  
Dave Hendrix  
Al Bamert  
Ted Feldewerth  
Jo-nell Falcon  
Nancy Hollenstein  
Alexander Wilmes  
Charlie Grady  
Frank Modder  
Denny Steinmeyer  
Tom Miller  
Mildred Riley  
Darryl and Clara  
Bockting  
Angel Owens  
Ted Pivin  
Rita Elfrink  
Bob Cova  
Judy Jacobs' mom  
Rick Cobleigh  
Tricia Woods  
Joan Allen  
Joan Martin  
Chris Hanna  
Rita Bendel's brother  
Tom

Michael Candrl and  
his family  
Linda Candrl and her  
family  
Jackie Hackett  
Maxine Drinen  
Tom Holstein  
Mary Meyer and her  
family  
JoAnn Cwiklowski  
Nancy  
Jewel Kostecki  
Shirley Sims  
Cy and Catherine  
Bamert  
Lisa Clark  
Tammy Boyd  
Larry Hanna  
Terry Hagan  
Dave Gentry  
Elaine Klein  
Mary Alice Dickherber  
Sue Orlet  
Bob Blackford  
Louise Fisher  
David and Mary Karll  
Ken Donaghue  
Denny and Joan  
Duvall  
Jerry Schmitz  
Bobbi Beeson  
Charles and Kathy  
Duckworth  
Ed Hoeckelmann

Gerald Hailey  
Virginia Randolph  
Barb Pope  
Bill Ulery  
Sally Buck  
Gerald Hailey  
Pat Ryan  
Monsignor Mank  
Kim F.  
Sylvia  
Antonette  
Steven Albright  
Jennifer  
Frances Bussen  
Tim  
Bonnie  
Yvonne Scott  
Bob Berfanger  
John Pellerito  
Gerald Bussen  
Bernie Lears  
Kathy  
Walt Reel  
Mary Edington  
Debbie  
Norma Jean  
Maschmann  
George Meyer  
Georg Potthast  
Joan Martin  
Ken Martin  
Joe Weinreis

## What's Your Catholic IQ?

If asked, "Have you been Born Again?" The Catholic Answer is "Yes, I have been baptized." Here's a few more questions about Baptism to consider.

1. Because of the universal saving will of God and the necessity of Baptism for salvation, in case of emergency these people, besides Catholic priests and deacons, can also baptize.  
A. Anyone  
B. Protestant Ministers  
C. Nurses  
D. Doctors
2. True or False: God has bound salvation to the sacrament of Baptism, but he himself is not bound by his sacraments.
3. Like the "Baptism of Desire", this other type of Baptism brings about the fruits of sacramental Baptism without being itself a sacrament.  
A. Baptism of Circumcision  
B. Baptism of Blood  
C. Baptism of Fear  
D. Baptism of Oil
4. Those can also be saved who, without knowing the necessity of Baptism for salvation, in a way known to God, sincerely have tried to follow the law of God in their \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. Family  
B. Country  
C. Conscience  
D. Emotions
5. While Jesus spoke of the necessity of Baptism, the great mercy of God allows us to have \_\_\_\_\_ that there is a way of salvation for children who have died without Baptism.  
A. Fear  
B. Certainty  
C. Assurance  
D. Hope
6. By Baptism all sins are forgiven, original sin and all personal sins, as well as all \_\_\_\_\_ due to sin.  
A. Punishment  
B. Passions  
C. Rage  
D. Joy
7. Baptism not only purifies from all sins, but also makes the person an adopted son of God, who has now become a "partaker of the \_\_\_\_\_ nature," 2 Peter 1:4.  
A. Holy  
B. Divine  
C. Human  
D. Animal
8. Baptism makes us a member of Christ and co-heir with him, and a temple of the \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Cor 6:19  
A. Aztec Shrine  
B. Bishop's Cathedral  
C. Holy Spirit  
D. Lost Ark
9. The Most Holy Trinity gives the baptized sanctifying grace, the grace of \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. Feeling good  
B. Self Esteem  
C. Imputation  
D. Justification
10. The Grace of justification infuses into the newly baptized the gifts of faith, hope and love, otherwise known as the \_\_\_\_\_ virtues.  
A. Theological  
B. Cardinal  
C. Intrinsic  
D. Extrinsic

Answers on the next page →

## Thank you

*I would like to express my gratitude for all the Masses, prayer cards and cards of sympathy in the loss of my daughter, Frances Randolph. All of your prayers and thoughts are very comforting to me.*

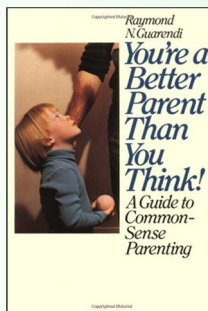
*Virginia Randolph*

## 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.

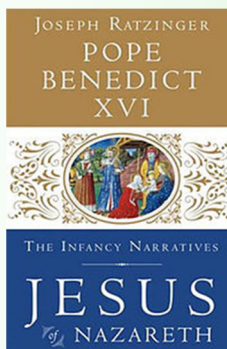
Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located and available in the Narthex.

### From the Parish Library: Grand Hall (lower level Church)



(From reviews on Amazon.com) This is the best parenting book I've read, and I've read a bunch. It's completely free of psychobabble, and his approach is straightforward, practical, and sensible. Guarendi doesn't get into the usual controversies about whether or not to spank, attachment parenting, or the like. Instead, he gives parents practical ways to apply whatever their particular philosophies are. I can't recommend this book highly enough!

### From the Parish Library: Grand Hall (lower level Church)



The momentous third and final volume in the Pope's international bestselling Jesus of Nazareth series, detailing how the stories of Jesus' infancy and childhood are as relevant today as they were two thousand years ago.

In 2007, Joseph Ratzinger published his first book as Pope Benedict XVI in order "to make known the figure and message of Jesus." Now, the Pope focuses exclusively on the Gospel accounts of Jesus' life as a child. The root of these stories is the experience of hope found in the birth of Jesus and the affirmations of surrender and service embodied in his parents, Joseph and Mary. This is a story of longing and seeking, as demonstrated by the Magi searching for the redemption offered by the birth of a new king. It is a story of sacrifice and trusting completely in the wisdom of God as seen in the faith of Simeon, the just and devout man of Jerusalem, when he is in the presence of the Christ child. Ultimately, Jesus' life and message is a story for today, one that speaks to the restlessness of the human heart searching for the sole truth which alone leads to profound joy.

## Check it out...for high school youth

IHM is starting a youth group for high school teens. It will meet on the second Wednesday of the month. The next one will take place on Wednesday, January 13. Meet at 7:00 PM in the Church.

For more information, contact Elizabeth at

**636-828-4811.**



### Catholic IQ Answers:

1. A. Anyone (The Intention Required Is to Will to Do What the Church Does When She Baptizes)
2. True
3. B. Baptism of Blood
4. C. Conscience
5. D. Hope
6. A. Punishment
7. B. Divine
8. C. Holy Spirit
9. D. Justification
10. A. Theological

## DON'T FORGET-

- ⇒ Call the parish office to register for the baptism class, normally held on the fourth Monday of the month.
- ⇒ Engaged couples should contact Fr. Tom as soon as possible to set their wedding date and arrange to meet.
- ⇒ Anyone who would like to request the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact Fr. Tom.

**Parish office: 636-398-5270**

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

**January 16 4:00 pm**

EM: Dave & Judy Hendrix, Donna Cuddihee, Walt & Jan Karase, Ed Etzkorn

L: Kathleen Ditch, Jan Messig

GB: Stan & Barb Nikonowicz

S: Brody Stafford, William Frederick

U: Bill Pollihan, Chris Cuddihee, Larry Graves, **one more please**

**January 17 7:30 am**

EM: Peggy Dupree, John & Karen Wappelhorst, Denise Pool, John Fiacco, Kris Jenkins

L: Derek Arnzen, Elizabeth Vehige

GB: Carolyn Schellert, Fran Heil

S: Andy & Daniel Vehige

U: Rich Molitor, Gary Potter, Ed Rabbitt, Walt Reel

**January 17 9:30 am**

EM: Clara Haas, Walter & Nancy Hollenstein, Pat Gentry, Don & Susan Hladky, Judeen Kutsko, Janet Hespen

L: Michelle Greiwe, Bob Leeker

GB: Mike & Diane Schulte

S: Paige & Genny Greiwe, Mary Grace Becker

U: Jim Blondin, George Stark, Terry Schneider, Stan Kostecki, Shaun Sweetin, Dave DeBold

**January 17 11:15 am**

EM: Patrice Riley, Pat Roche, Joan Marren-Slaughter, Jane Holstein, Tim & Suzanne Michaelree

L: Theresa & Jim Risch

GB: Chris & Kat Menne

S: Thomas Kokker, Madison Skambraks

U: Glen Taylor, Todd Neihouse, John Bossert

### Catholic Men for Christ Conference

The 2016 Catholic Men for Christ Conference is scheduled for Saturday, February 6, and will feature Tom Peterson, Steve Bollman, Msgr. Eugene Morris, and David Williams, along with emcee Zip Rzeppa. This year's conference will be held at the Peabody Opera House (1440 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103). For more information and to register, please visit the Catholic Men for Christ website [catholicmenforchrist.org](http://catholicmenforchrist.org).



### Catholic Women for Christ Conference

For information on the upcoming Catholic Women for Christ Conference, please visit the new website: [catholic-womenforchrist.org](http://catholic-womenforchrist.org)

The 2016 Catholic Women for Christ Conference is scheduled for Saturday, February 27, and will feature Elizabeth Ficocelli, C. Vanessa White, and Sr. Elizabeth Beussink, along with emcee Elizabeth Westhoff.

This year's conference will be held at Lindenwood University's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts (2300 W. Clay Street, St. Charles, MO 63301). To register, please visit [catholicwomenforchrist.org](http://catholicwomenforchrist.org).



### St. Louis Marian Conference

The 17th St. Louis Marian Conference will be held on Jan. 15, 16, 17, 2016 at the Renaissance Hotel, 9801 Natural Bridge, St. Louis, MO 63134. This spiritual weekend includes inspiring speakers, Holy Mass, Adoration Chapel and Confession. Scott Kennebeck, Executive Director of the St. Louis Cathedral Concerts will sing and lead the Liturgy.


#### Confirmed speakers are:


Fr. Christopher Collins, SJ;  
Fr. David Gunter, MIC; Judy Klein;  
Fr. Mark Mary, Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ;  
Fr. Tom Sullivan, CPM; Fr. Charles Becker;  
Msgr. John J. Hickel; Fr. Mark Whelan, SOLT;  
Community of Cenacolo America.


Enclose a copy of this bulletin notice for \$5.00 discount. Call [314 423-1075](tel:3144231075). Complete details may be found on our website: [www.stlmarianconference.net](http://www.stlmarianconference.net) With hotel reservation waive youth age 12-25 conference registration fee. Hotel [314 429-1100](tel:3144291100) for reservation at \$79.00.




### News from the IHM Music Department

 The IHM choirs would like to invite you to consider being part of the worship music program. We can always, always use more voices. Experienced or not, you are welcome to join us. Call Marilyn in the parish office for more information.

 The bell choir could also use more players but we have found that the ability to read music is a necessity. If you played an instrument in high school, or took piano lessons or know how to sight-sing, you're a perfect candidate for the bell choir. Call Marilyn in the parish office for more information.

 The Children's Choir is open to kiddos grade 2 or older. We will concentrate on learning to play the chimes during January and February, in addition to our usual singing. Call Marilyn in the parish office for more information.

 The Contemporary Group is coming along nicely, and has made some great sounds. If you are interested, call Debbie at 398-4971.

**LENT WILL START ON FEBRUARY 10.**

**HOLY WEEK BEGINS ON MARCH 20.**

**EASTER SUNDAY IS MARCH 27.**

**IF YOU WANT TO JOIN US, NOW IS THE TIME!**








**Please note:** It is getting much more difficult to find a priest to cover Masses when Father Tom is away. **With that in mind, we have decided to adjust the time for the remaining Parish Missionary Disciples class dates. ONLY on the following dates we will have Mass at 7:30 instead of 8:00: Thursday, January 14; Thursday, February 11; Wednesday, March 9**

### Enkindle - Infertility Support

The journey of infertility and miscarriage is a difficult one and sometimes it becomes too challenging for you and your spouse to travel alone. The Archdiocesan Office of Natural Family is offering a **free half hour appointment to speak with a licensed professional counselor and a registered nurse** in person or over the phone. To find out more about this program or to set up a complimentary phone or face to face half hour appointment, please contact the Archdiocesan Office of Natural Family Planning at 314-997-7675. **The next date that's available is January 14th.** Through these conversations, we hope to offer education as well as compassion as you learn to live a balanced life with this cross. Faith tells us our life is ultimately in God's hands. Along our way, He sends us instruments to help us carry our burdens. As you work toward acceptance of this challenge, our ministry is to offer hope while seeking peace.

**Parish Office: 636-398-5270**

### Future Events

-  **Breakfast:** The Knights of Columbus will sponsor their monthly breakfast today, Sunday, Jan. 10 from 8:00 to 11:00 am in Founders Hall.
-  **Marian Council meeting:** Weber Hall on Tuesday Jan. 12 at 6:30 pm.
-  **Choir rehearsals:** Thursdays from 7:00 pm to 8:30 in the church. The bell choir will meet again on Monday, Jan. 11, and the children's choir will start again on Tuesday, Jan. 12.
-  **The parish office will be closed** on Monday, January 18 in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.
-  **Knights of Columbus meeting:** Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 7:00 pm in Founders Hall.
-  **Baptism Class:** Weber Hall on Monday, Jan. 25 at 7:00 pm.
-  **The Contemporary Group** will provide music for the 11:15 Mass on Sunday, January 31.
-  **K of C Installation:** installation of new members on Sunday, Jan. 31 in Founders Hall. Time to be announced at a later date.
-  **Wine and cheese party for new parishioners:** Friday, Feb. 5 at 6:30 pm in Fr. Tom's house.
-  **Doughnut Sunday:** hosted by the Welcoming Committee on Sunday, Feb. 7 after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses in Weber Hall.
-  **Ash Wednesday** is early this year, Feb. 10. The confession schedule and other information will be published as soon as possible.

### The Amazon Smile Program

If you purchase gifts or other items online through Amazon, there is a way to send a kickback to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Please check out the website for more information, [ihm-newmelle.org](http://ihm-newmelle.org).

**Tax forms detailing your 2015 donations to IHM will be available on the weekend of January 16 and 17.**

# Out and About

## Just for fun

- **Trivia night (Super Hero theme) to benefit Our Lady's Inn**, held at Chaminade College Prep School Atrium, 425 South Lindbergh, STL, MO 63131. **Saturday, January 16, 2016** - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., trivia starts at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person /\$200 per table of 8. Price includes 2 free drinks per person! Light snacks will be provided. Mulligans, raffle items and silent auction. For more information or to register visit: [www.ourladysinn.org](http://www.ourladysinn.org) or call Amy Rager @ 314-736-1544. All proceeds from the event will benefit Our Lady's Inn, an emergency shelter for homeless pregnant women and their children.
- **MOUSE RACES** Knights of Columbus Bishop John Wurm Assembly are hosting their annual Mouse Races on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at St Rose Philippine Duchesne Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m., races start at 7 p.m. \$15 per person (\$20 at door) includes beer, soda and pretzels. Brats & dogs available at nominal prices. Chuck-a-luck, Rat Races and attendance prizes. For info or early bird tickets call Bob at [314-550-5878](tel:314-550-5878) or email [ratpack6@att.net](mailto:ratpack6@att.net). Proceeds help support Knights of Columbus Charities.
- **Events at St. Theodore in Flint Hill: January 2: Co-ed Dartball Tournament** contact Jeff @ [314-560-4861](tel:314-560-4861); **Chicken Fry**, Jan.8, supporting St. Theodore School; **January 16- Euchre Tournament** At Flint Hill KC Hall on January 16th starting at 7:00. It is \$10 a player and you keep your own partner. If you need a partner, go ahead and come and we will partner you up. Light snacks will be provided.
- **Pro Life Square Dance** Be a square and support Pro Life. Gather your friends to have a good time dancing and laughing. Beer, soda, and snack mix provided. Feel free to bring your own drinks and snacks to enjoy with your friends. (You do **not** need to know how to square dance!) Come and swing your partner at the OLS Square Dance!!! **Saturday, February 6 Our Lady of Sorrows Parish "Faenger Hall" 5030 Rhodes Avenue, St. Louis, 63109** Doors will open at 7 pm. with dancing from 7:30 till 10:30. Cost: \$15.00/person Reservations are not required. Questions??? Contact Randy @ [314-651-8745](tel:314-651-8745) or John/Mary @ [314-832-0302](tel:314-832-0302) It will be the best time you have had being square!!!(Proceeds benefit local Pro-Life organizations)
- **St. Barnabas Night at the Races**, Saturday January 23, 2016-St. Barnabas Hall-Downstairs; Doors Open at 6:00p.m.First Race Begins at 7:00p.m. Admission \$15.00 per person-Everyone Invited! Light Snacks and Drinks Provided

## Opportunities

- **Invitation to Divorced and Separated Catholics: Divorce Survival Guide.** The 12-week DVD program features Catholic experts and lay men and women who have struggled with these questions and share their journey to healing. Topics include denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, the kids, the ex-spouse, spirituality, annulment and much more. Immaculate Conception – Dardenne parish is hosting the program beginning January 7, 2016. Contact Debi at [debijo@att.net](mailto:debijo@att.net) or 314.276.3859 for more information.
- **Breaking the Chains of Human Trafficking Symposium**, free and open to the public, on Tues., Jan. 12th, 2016, from 8:15 to 1 pm, at the Spencer Branch Library, 427 Spencer Rd., St. Peters. Key note, 3 breakout sessions, free food, information and handouts. **SAVE THE DATE!** Sponsored by the St. Charles Coalition Against Human Trafficking (SCCAT) and paid for by a grant from AAUW. For more information, contact: [ehogan@cpps-ofallon.org](mailto:ehogan@cpps-ofallon.org), [636-248-1117](tel:636-248-1117) or [apatriciashores@att.net](mailto:apatriciashores@att.net), [636-938-3958](tel:636-938-3958).
- **YOU Can Help Your Marriage** – 25% of surveyed couples say they are "Happily Married". For everyone else there is **Retrouvaille**. Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Does talking only make it worse? For information on the Retrouvaille Program, visit the website at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) or call 1-800-470-2230. The next program begins the weekend of **January 29-31**.

### Jubilee Year of Mercy January 10, 2016

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Fittingly, this *Jubilee Year of Mercy* is also the Lectionary's Year of Luke, for Luke's Gospel highlights God's mercy in finding the lost, healing the sick, restoring the broken, comforting the sorrowful, forgiving the sinner through Jesus' ministry. But before *doing*, Luke's Jesus is always *praying*. As practical moderns programmed to measure worth by productivity, we instinctively appreciate the Jubilee's call to embrace the practical challenges of our baptism. But today Luke focuses not on Jesus being baptized, but on Jesus praying after baptism. So must we pray to become the disciples we are called to be, that the Spirit empower us to do what disciples are called to do. Imitating Jesus' openness to the Spirit will enable us to cooperate with the grace that transforms us into "beloved sons [and daughters] . . . in whom the Father is well pleased," living out, in this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, the extraordinary potential of our baptism.

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### Communion Calls

If you are unable to get to Mass because of illness or disability but would like to receive communion, please contact the parish office.

### Hospitalization

If you are hospitalized, we would like to know. Please call the office or ask a friend to call for you if necessary. Parish office: 636-398-5270

**Legion of Mary:** Meetings will now take place every Tuesday at St. Gianna Church. Meetings will begin at 6:45 on Tuesday evenings. For more information call Nancy at 636-699-6920.