

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

New Melle, Missouri



January 17, 2016

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

His mother said...
“Do whatever he tells you.”

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**

Immaculate Heart of Mary

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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 17

9:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, January 18

Martin Luther King Day; the parish office will be closed

4:00 pm

Girl Scouts, Weber Hall

6:30 pm

Scouts, Founders Hall

6:30 pm

Scouts, trailer

7:00 pm

Bell Choir rehearsal, church

Tuesday, January 19

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Exercise class, Grand Hall foyer

6:00 pm

Crossroads for Young Adults;

contact Julie Lassiter for information, Julie.r.lassiter@gmail.com

6:30 pm

Legion of Mary, St. Gianna

6:30 pm

Marian Council, Weber Hall

6:45 pm

Children's Choir, church

7:00 pm

Knights of Columbus, Founders Hall

Wednesday, January 20

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

Thursday, January 21

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 22

8:30 am

Quilters, Weber Hall

Saturday, January 23

8:00 am

Mass followed by confessions, Church

5:00 pm

Scout Lock-in; Founders Hall

**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 16

8:00 am Gloria Brudzinski +
Fr. Tom Miller,
on the Anniversary of his ordination
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 +

Monday, January 18

8:00 am Special Intention

Tuesday, January 19

8:00 am Stephen Hollenstein +

Wednesday, January 20

8:00 am Emily Linneman-Schroer +

Thursday, January 21

8:00 am Susie Chenot +

Friday, January 22

8:00 am All Souls Intentions

Saturday, January 23

8:00 am Antonio Dragone
4:00 pm IHM Parish

Sunday, January 24

7:30 am Lucille Smith +
9:30 Betty L. Schottmueller +
11:15 am People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11;
Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27;
Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27];
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Wednesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
Thursday: St. Agnes
Friday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of
Unborn Children
Saturday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope;
Blessed Virgin Mary



Scouting Units

Parish Rep (All Units) Jerry Hespen; 636-236-1955
Cub Pack Wesley Brandhorst; 636-327-0531
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636-398-5786

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314-220-7075

Dinner Committee Richard Lalonde
636-798-2511

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314-581-6797

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636-798-2105

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314-614-1114

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636-398-5270

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St. Vincent DePaul For information or assistance,
call 636-398-5270, ex. 225

MEDITATION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

There was a wedding in the town of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there. When the wine had given out, Jesus' mother.., told the servants, "Do whatever [Jesus] tells you." ...Jesus said to the servants, "Fill these jars with water."

[They did, and the water turned to wine.]

JOHN 2:1,3-5,7

After college, University of Michigan quarterback and Heisman Trophy winner Tom Harmon became a pilot. One day his plane crashed deep in a South American jungle. Miraculously, he survived. Describing his experience, he wrote, "I said at least a million 'Hail Marys' during my trek out. In fact, as I walked through the jungle, trying to find my way out, I used to yell 'Hail Marys' at the top of my voice, hoping that someone would hear me and at the same time I would be praying." How important a role does Mary, Jesus' mother, play in my spiritual life?

God could not be everywhere, so he made mothers.

JEWISH PROVERB

Mark Link S.J. Action 2000

A Prayer for the New Year

Dear Parishioners,

One of the things I truly enjoy sharing with others are different prayers that I discover in my life. Here is a prayer that I have been giving to people recently in spiritual direction. While the author may be more "New Age" than Christian, it is easy enough to adapt it for our use. Overall Marianne Williamson has many beautiful prayers in her book **Illuminata**. If you find it helpful, I hope you enjoy it. If not, I hope it finds a place in paper recycling.

Fr. Tom

Dearly beloved God, In whom I lay my trust, Please give me new life.
Fill every cell of my being, transform each thought, cleanse every heartbeat,
That I might be as You would have me be.
Take away the darkness of my past.
Fill me with Your blessing and graciousness.
Allow me rebirth from the many deaths I have endured in this life.

Dear God, I have been through the wars.
Where I have been weak, please make me strong.
Where I perceive myself as guilty, please show me my innocence.
Where I block my healing or full empowerment or full experience of love and joy,
please show me my wound and take from me its sting.
May I experience the beauty, the abundance,
the power and the joy that is Your wish for all mankind,
That I might be a vessel for these things in the lives of others.
The wicked in myself and others has tormented me.
Please cast away that darkness from my life.
I know Yours is the power, I know Yours are the holy truths,
the currents of love and power that remain.

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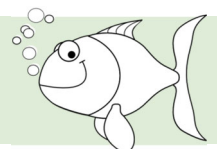


And so I ask, dear God, please remove the burdens on my heart,
Cast out the demons from my mind and my environs.
May I see Your light at the center of my being.
I believe in Your power within me.
I know it is there. Dear God, help me find it. I have faith in Your light.
Please show it to me that I might give up the fight to be anything other than who I am.
May I fly with angels and sing with angels and know the angels in myself and others
Henceforth and forever as You have promised.
Please hold my hand.
Please take me home.
Please move me forward.
Thank You, Lord. Amen.

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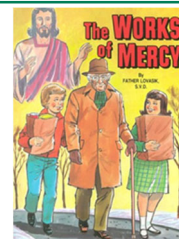


Coming soon to IHM- Friday Lenten Fish Frys!
Please consider volunteering your Friday evenings to help out!



PSR Corner

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



Corporal Work of Mercy: Clothe the Naked IHM Blanket and Coat Drive



We have been (and will be) highlighting various works of mercy in the bulletin in light of Pope Francis' call for this Year of Mercy. Last week we highlighted the Work of Mercy "Clothe the Naked" and gave a few suggestions for people to consider. A couple from the parish took the suggestion to heart and would like to extend an opportunity to make this work of mercy simple for folks at IHM.

The Plan: A Blanket and Coat Drive. Simply bring a new or (clean used) blanket or coat that we can give to someone in need. There is a drop off bin by the coat rack (left side of narthex by Weber Hall). **You can drop off blankets or coats anytime from now until January 31.** These items will then be taken to a local organization to be distributed to those in need.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

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.



DID YOU KNOW... every member of the Church needs to consciously feel responsibility for promoting vocations, especially since God's voice may be drowned out by "other voices?"

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.

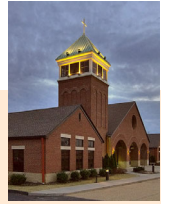
When you return it the next week, another family will take it home and continue praying. **Let's keep it going!**

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Marriage

The Wedding Feast at Cana is the scene of Jesus' first miracle, a response to the intercession of Mary. Jesus' signs and miracles bear witness to the fact that the Kingdom is present in Him the Messiah (Compendium, 108). In the Wedding Feast at Cana, the Church sees "the confirmation of the goodness of marriage and the proclamation that thenceforth marriage will be an efficacious sign of Christ's presence" (CCC, 1613). Do you know the fullness of the Church's teachings on marriage? archstl.org/marriage



NEWS FROM HOME



Stewardship

January 17, 2015

St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

Joline Molitor

Please note: the Heavenly Dusters schedule has been 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 10

General Offertory: \$9,919.61

Online-General Offering: \$3,213.00

Total: \$13,132.61

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

St. Vincent DePaul Society

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

It's time to renew your St. Louis Review Subscriptions!

During January you will find subscription information in our narthex, pews and bulletins to subscribe to the St. Louis Review. The St. Louis Review is our faith news resource, sharing news, stories, actions, prayers across the Archdiocese and more. It is your local Catholic resource to build community. If you aren't already a subscriber, become one by filling out a card or the envelope in your envelope packet, including the suggested payment of \$30 and dropping it in the collection with your check marked "St. Louis Review." If you do not wish to receive the publication, please fill out a card or your envelope anyway with your name and address so that we may update our database with your preference.



Tax forms detailing your 2015 donations to IHM are available this weekend, January 16 and 17.

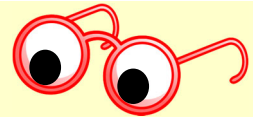
**For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven.**

...a time to be born...

...a time to die...

Please pray for the repose of the souls of
Stephen Hollenstein, brother of Walter and Nancy Hollenstein;
and Bill Wadlow, brother-in-law of Monsignor Mank
May they rest in the peace of Christ.

**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. Watch this space for future plans and information.

Any questions? Contact Elizabeth at

636-828-4811.

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
George Meyer

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.
Antonette
Steven Albright
Frances Bussen
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
Kristin
Aubrey
Patti Sturm
Dorothy Day

What's Your Catholic IQ?

1. Medals, relics, blessings, and rosaries are examples of
 - a) incrementals
 - b) indulgences
 - c) sacramentals
 - d) monumentals
2. Gregorian chant takes its name from which pope?
 - a) Gregorian I
 - b) Gregorian II
 - c) Gregory I
 - d) Gregory XVI
3. The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is celebrated on
 - a) January 1
 - b) January 15
 - c) February 2
 - d) August 15
4. The Eastern Orthodox greeting *Christos anesti* means
 - a) Christ forever!
 - b) Christ is Lord!
 - c) Christ has died!
 - d) Christ is risen!
5. When a bishop is assigned to assist the diocesan bishop with the pastoral needs of a diocese, this assisting bishop is referred to as a(n) _____ bishop.
 - a) extraordinary
 - b) incardinated
 - c) auxiliary
 - d) antiquated
6. This first American-born saint died on January 4, 1821.
 - a) Kateri Tekawitha
 - b) Elizabeth Ann Seton
 - c) John Neumann
 - d) Augustus Tolton
7. *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.....*
 - a) miserere nobis
 - b) et cum Spiritu tuo
 - c) sanctus, sanctus, sanctus
 - d) Kyrie eleison
8. Which of the following is not directly associated with the role of a bishop?
 - a) miter
 - b) crosier
 - c) aspergillum
 - d) pectoral cross
9. The book that contains the Scripture readings proclaimed at Mass is called the
 - a) Sacramentary
 - b) Lectionary
 - c) Ossuary
 - d) Roman Missal
10. The correct title for a lay person who assists the priest with the distribution of Holy Communion is
 - a) Auxiliary Minister of Communion
 - b) Eucharistic Minister
 - c) Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
 - d) Acolyte

Answers on the next page →

TODAY'S SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend's special collection is part of a national campaign to help recent victims of disasters across the country, including the flood here in the St. Louis area. Catholics across the country will be encouraged to give to this campaign. Once donations are collected, some funds will stay here to help the St. Louis area relief efforts, and the remainder sent to USCCB/CCUSA for future disaster grant assistance. Our parish will work closely with Catholic Charities of St. Louis and other community partners to help people recover, which we know may take many months.

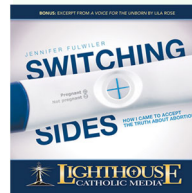
The Amazon Smile Program

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.

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**.

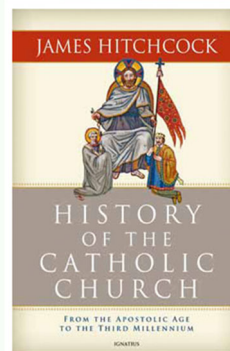
From the Parish Library: Grand Hall (lower level Church)



Jennifer Fulwiler is a popular writer and speaker from Austin, Texas, and frequently appears on Catholic radio and EWTN. In this eye-opening presentation, she explains how her original support for abortion was based on love (and lies). Through sound logic and scientific proof, Jennifer chronicles how she came to accept the truth about abortion.

Jennifer speaks genuine truth straight from her heart...an eye-opening reminder that the Church really is the right way to go! Julie - Sterling, VA

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



The Catholic Church is the longest-enduring institution in the world. Beginning with the first Christians and continuing in our present day, the Church has been planted in every nation on earth. The Catholic Church claims Jesus Christ himself as her founder, and in spite of heresy from within and hostility from without, she remains in the twenty-first century

the steadfast guardian of belief in his life, death, and resurrection. The teachings and redemptive works of Jesus as told in the Gospels are expressed by the Church in a coherent and consistent body of doctrine, the likes of which cannot be found in any other Christian body. The history of the Catholic Church is long, complicated, and fascinating, and in this book it is expertly and ably told by historian James Hitchcock. As in the parable of Christ about the weeds that were sown in a field of wheat, evil and good have grown together in the Church from the start, as Hitchcock honestly records. He brings before us the many characters--some noble, some notorious--who have left an indelible mark on the Church, while never losing sight of the saints, who have given living testimony to the salvific power of Christ in every age.

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.

Catholic IQ Answers:

1. **c)** Sacramentals are sacred signs instituted by the Church that prepare us to receive the fruits of the sacraments (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 1677).
2. **c)** During his pontificate (590-604), Gregory I, also known as Gregory the Great, encouraged the simplification of music to encourage greater participation at Mass. Note the stained glass of St. Gregory by the organ at IHM
3. **a)** The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, coincides with the octave-day of Christmas as well as the beginning of the new year on January 1.
4. **d)** The Eastern Orthodox greeting of Christos anesti (Christ is risen!) is responded to with Alithos anesti (Indeed, he is risen!).
5. **c)** Canon Law, 403.1 states that "when the pastoral needs of a diocese suggest it, one or more auxiliary bishops are to be appointed at the request of the diocesan bishop."
6. **b)** Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, canonized in 1975, founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph in 1809.
7. **a)** Agnus Dei is the Lamb of God in Latin. The first two verses of the Agnus Dei end with the words miserere nobis, which means "have mercy on us."
8. **c)** Bishops are associated with a miter (ceremonial hat), crozier (staff), and pectoral cross (large cross worn around the neck, suspended by a cord or chain). The aspergillum is an implement used to sprinkle holy water.
9. **b)** The Lectionary is arranged according to three cycles: A (Matthew), B (Mark), and C (Luke). John's Gospel is drawn from throughout each year and heavily in cycle B. We are currently in cycle C.
10. **c)** Bishops, priests, and deacons are considered the Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If a sufficient number of Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is not available, the priest may call upon Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to assist.

From Catechist Magazine

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

January 23	4:00 pm
EM:	Jan Messig, Jennifer Frederick, Judy Cova, Ann Zaleuke, Bernadine Pollihan, Pat Noack
L:	Jean Bamert, Larry Graves
GB:	Florence Joerling, Joyce Brakensiek
S:	Colton, Camden, Celina Genta
U:	Joe Spiess, Stan Nikonowicz, Tom Zaleuke, Jerry Braden
January 24	7:30 pm
EM:	Ed & Carol Rabbitt, Janice Kardasz, Walt & Jean Reel, Carolyn Schellert
L:	Emily & Erin Jaeckle
GB:	Diane & Britney Loyd
S:	Anna & Connor Jaeckle
U:	Frank Marquart, Larry Gassei, Rich Molitor, Gary Potter
January 24	9:30 pm
EM:	John & Karen Wappelhorst, Terry & Marcia Schneider, Bob Leeker, Sharon Smith, Donna Cuddihee, Maureen Blondin
L:	Ron Kutsko, Roger Collins
GB:	The Gilliam Family
S:	Lindsay & Madelyn Bouquet, Adam Molitor
U:	Gary Struckhoff, Charles Hinkle, Chris & Justin Molitor, Curt Eccardt, one more please
January 24	11:15 pm
EM:	Kat Menne, Kathy Lalonde, John Falbo, Donna Wolff, Amanda Angarita, Mary Keune
L:	Erin Silver, Nancy Ast
GB:	Dianne & Alicia Dickherber
S:	Maggie Molitor, Thomas Kokker
U:	Todd Neihouse, Glen Taylor, John Bossert

Catholic Women for Christ Conference

For information on the upcoming Catholic Women for Christ Conference, please visit the new website:

catholicwomenforchrist.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.



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.

- ⇒ 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**

DON'T FORGET



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!

Our Lady's Inn Maternity Homes is hosting the first monthly Pay It Forward community jewelry making event.

The Pay it Forward Program is a social enterprise providing women living at the Inn an opportunity to learn and create jewelry and "give back" to the organization helping them to build a brighter future. You are invited to participate in this Program and learn (or teach) how to bead, design and create jewelry. You will meet new friends and help the mission of Our Lady's Inn. Jewelry-making night will be held Thursday, January 28, 2016, 5:30– 8:00 p.m. at Our Lady's Inn Administrative offices, 8790 Manchester Road, Suite 202, in Brentwood. For more info or to register, contact Betsy, 636-398-5375, or bbeauparlant@ourladysinn.org

Parish Office: 636-398-5270

Future Events

-  **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.
-  **Scout Lock-In:** Saturday, Jan. 23. For more information contact the scout leaders.
-  **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.
-  **First Friday Breakfast:** all are invited to IHOP in Wentzville at 9:00 am on Feb. 5.
-  **Doughnut Sunday:** hosted by the Welcoming Committee on Sunday, Feb. 7 after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses in Weber Hall.
-  **St. Vincent dePaul Society Meeting:** Monday, 6:30 pm in the pantry.
-  **Ash Wednesday** is early this year, Feb. 10. The confession schedule and other information will be published as soon as possible.
-  **Fish Fry:** the first fish fry of the Lenten season will take place on Friday, Feb. 12.

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, February 11; Wednesday, March 9**

St. Francis Borgia Seeks Items for Dinner Auction

St. Francis Borgia Regional High School is now accepting items for its annual dinner auction. The dinner auction will be held Saturday, Feb. 20, 2016 in the Gymnasium. The theme will be *"Meet Me in St. Louis...A Knight on the Town"*. Items include service items (i.e. grass cutting, babysitting, etc.) bicycles, firewood, dinners, jewelry, gift baskets, quilts, sides of beef or pork, tickets to sporting events, weekend getaways, vacations, crafts and more. Tickets for the dinner auction are \$65 per person. After Feb. 5, the tickets will increase to \$75 per person. Tables of 10 are available. Reservations may be made by calling 636-239-7871, extension 122. Seating is limited. The evening will include cocktails and dinner, a silent auction, oral auction and fantasy auction. 636-239-7871, extension 122.

Out and About

Breakfasts and Dinners

- **All you can eat breakfast** at Immaculate Conception in Augusta; Jan. 24 from 8:00 am to noon. Adults, \$8 and children to age 12, \$3; biscuits, gravy, pancakes, ham, sausage, eggs, baked apples, country store

Just for fun

- **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
- **"A Night in the Wild West"**, trivia night at St. Vincent dePaul school in Dutzow; \$15 per person; bring snacks, soda, beer and wine available for purchase. Reservations— 636-299-1036

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 or 314.276.3859 for more information.
- **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 or call 1-800-470-2230. The next program begins the weekend of **January 29-31**.
- **Fr. Michael Joncas**, liturgical theologian and composer will give a talk on Jan. 31 at 3:00 pm; College Church; free and open to the public. This lecture is sponsored by the Aquinas Institute of Theology

Help Wanted

St. Alban Roe is looking for a full time Janitor for the School/Parish Life Center. Duties include but not limited to: general cleaning of classrooms, restrooms and halls. Assist with set-up and clean up of lunches, meetings, events, etc. Open and close building when needed. Hours: Monday – Friday, 7:30 am -4:00 pm. For more information or to apply please contact Sally at stschopp@stalbanroe.org or [636.458.2977](tel:636.458.2977)

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

SIX POWERFUL REASONS TO MAKE A RETREAT

1. To solve your personal problems. Nothing works as a greater spur to resolving problems than getting away from one's ordinary environment for a period of time to see and meditate on God's will, while looking over your own life from a distance.
2. To get away from worldly distractions. Because the world around you bombards you constantly about material things, you must get away from it once in a while.
3. To renew your lifetime goals. You constantly need new ideas, more knowledge and deeper convictions about your primary goal in life.
4. To meet people who share your faith. You will meet and mingle with other men and women from various walks of life.
5. To get some rest and relaxation. You will actually enjoy making a retreat.
6. To talk with people who regularly make retreats.

SAINT MEINRAD ARCHABBEY

in St. Meinrad, Indiana offers retreats year round. Here is a sampling of upcoming retreats:

Feb. 12-14 for married couples only; *Sincerely Yours*

March 8-10 *From Anger to Forgiveness*

March 10-13 for secretaries and parish administrators; *Administration and Evangelization*

March 18-20 for married couples only; *Benedictine Spirituality as lived in Marriage*

March 23-27 *Reflections on the Triduum*

April 8-10 *He Has Been Raised!*

April 15-17 *Living Virtuously: Exploring Christian Virtues*

For more information visit their website at www.saintmeinrad.org or contact Br. Maurau Zoeller at 812-357-6585.