Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

New Melle, Missouri



January 18, 2015

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

Entrance antiphon

Sacraments and Devotions

Celebration of the Mass

Weekend Masses in the Church

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

Daily Mass

Monday through Friday8:00 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, 7:30 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 6:00 pm.

This Week's Events

Sunday, January 18 8:00 am 9:30 am Monday, January 19 6:30 pm 7:00 pm Tuesday, January 20 9:00 am and 5:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm Wednesday, January 21 6:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:30 pm Thursday, January 22 8:30 am 9:00 am and 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm Friday, January 23 8:30 am Saturday, January 24 8:00 am

Children's liturgy during Mass

Scouts, Founders Hall Bell Choir Rehearsal, church

Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer Crossroads Knights of Columbus meeting, Founders Hall

PSR Classes, Founders Hall and Weber Hall Acts of the Apostles, Bible Study, Grand Hall Reconciliation, church

> Legion of Mary, Founders Hall Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer Symbolon Group, Weber Hall Choir rehearsal, Church Venturing Crew, trailer

> > Quilters, Weber Hall

Mass followed by confession, church

Join the Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for January

Universal: Peace: That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will

may work together for peace. **Consecrated life:** That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.



Disorder in the society is the result of disorder in the family.

-St. Angela Merici

Mass Intentions for the We	eek	Parish Organizati	ons	
Saturday, January 17		Scouting Units		
	eith James Neal +	Parish Rep (All Units)	Jerry Hespen; 636-236-1955	
4:00 pm	Ed Szostek +		Karen Williams; 636-699-7517	
Sunday, January 18	EU SZOSIEK +	Scout Troop	Chad Peters; 314-807-7177	
7:30 am	Mary Fine +	Venture Crew	Dana Hoffman; 636-734-8423	
7.30 am	Sallie Bauer	Budget and Finance	John Wappelhorst	
9:30 am	Erma Guinn +	Dunget und I manee	636-398-5786	
	nd Wolff Families	Cemetery Committee	Mark Keune	
		connectry committee	314-220-7075	
	ople of the Parish	Dinner Committee	Richard Lalonde	
Monday, January 19			636-798-2511	
8:00 am Rich	ard Bredemann +	Knights of Columbus	Mike Reel, Grand Knight	
Tuesday, January 20		Kingins of Columbus	314-581-6797	
8:00 am	Patricia Buehrig +	Legion of Mary	Nancy Hollenstein	
	William Price +	Legion of Wary	636-798-2105	
Wednesday, January 21		Marian Council	Michelle Brothers, President	
8:00 am Al	ll Souls Intentions	Marian Council	314-614-1114	
Thursday, January 22		Meals on Wheels	Bob Rapp	
8:00 am	Wittmann Family	wieals on wheels	636-398-4776	
Friday, January 23		Provor Show! Ministry		
8:00 am Dan	n and Linda Smith	Prayer Shawl Ministry	314-616-0096	
Saturday, January 24		Pro-Life Committee	Bill Winters	
8:00 am I	Lukas Schneider +	Fro-Life Committee		
R	andy Schneider +	Orrillians	636-828-4133 Eleanor Sadlo	
4:00 pm	Lucille Smith +	Quilters	636-398-5595	
Sunday, January 25				
7:30 am A	nna May Fuerst +		Mary Ann Brakensiek 636-828-5776	
9:30 am	Rosemary Ralls +	CI Winsen(D. D. 1		
	Helen Orf +	St. Vincent DePaul	For information or assistance,	
11:15 am Pe	ople of the Parish		call 636-398-5270 , ex. 225	
		MEDITATION	ON TODAY'S GOSPEL	
READINGS FOR THE WEEK				
			deeply moved when he met Jesus.] At once rother Simon and told him. "We have found	
		he found his brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah." John 1:41		
Wik 2.25-26 John 1.41 John 1.41 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6				
Thursday: Heb 7:25 $-$ 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12 An elderly man had just been admitted to a hospital for		en admitted to a hospital for		
Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19 treatment. After the nurse made him comfortable, she a				
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3		him a few routine questions. One was, "What is your religious		
Mk 3:20-21		preference?" The man looked at her and said, "I'm awfully glad		
Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 C	Cor 7:29-31;	you asked me that. I've always wanted to be a Catholic, but		
Mk 1:14-20		-	re." Andrew's sharing of his faith in	
			ponse to the nurse invite me to ask,	
Saints and Special Observances	· • • • • • •	What answer would I give Jesus if he asked me why I don't		
Sunday: Week of Prayer for Christi	ian Unity begins	share my faith with others more than I do?		
Tuesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian Wednesday: St. Agnes		[Jesus said,] "What I am telling you in the dark you must		
Thursday: Day of Prayer for the Leg	al Protection of	repeat in broad daylight, and what you have heard in		
Unborn Children		private you must announce from the housetops."		
Friday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne	Cope	Matthew 10:27		
Saturday: St. Francis de Sales	·	Mark Link S.J. Mission		

CALLED TO DISCIPLESHIP

Dear parishioners,

As your spiritual father, one of my primary desires is to help you grow as Disciples of Jesus and to equip you for a life of confident service and witness. I am excited to share with you that our parish has been selected to participate in a national pilot study run by Catholic Leadership Institute. This study involves participating in a survey to identify how we are growing spiritually as individuals and the ways in which our parish community supports that growth.

Through participating in this pilot we hope to:

- Allow parishioners to reflect in their spiritual growth and discipleship;
- Identify the ways in which the parish effectively supports that growth;
- Look at opportunities to support that growth more in the future;
- Create goals and action plans to achieve that growth.

You will receive an email inviting you to take the survey Mid-February. I want to stress the importance of your participation. The data collection, analysis, and reporting will be handled by an independent third party, Measuring Success, a firm that has worked in the non-profit world for 10 years to develop tools to assist non-profits to measure effectiveness. Measuring Success will conduct the survey itself and handle all of your survey responses confidentially. Our parish will receive an aggregate report of the results and will not have access to individual survey responses (unless you choose to self-identify). If we have multiple e-mail addresses per household, you are welcome to each fill out your own survey.

Please don't confuse this with the survey we did in church in November. The data that will be collected will help me and all of your ministry leaders reflect on what efforts, programs, and activities are contributing to helping you grow in your faith as Catholics. It will complement our in-house survey which assessed our current state and looked toward future planning in ministry and services. This survey will expand on some of the spiritual dimensions that our survey briefly addressed. It will be invaluable input into our planning process to help set priorities and allocate resources in our parish so we can be sure we are doing what we need to do to grow as disciples.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this important project. Please keep an eye on your email during the **week of February 17** for the invitation to the online survey. It will only be available for three weeks so complete it as soon as you can!

Peace, Fr. Tom

FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

The Knights of Columbus thank all who participated in their annual Roses for Life campaign. The 565 signed roses have been sent to our two Senators (Roy Blunt and Claire McCaskill) and our Representative (Blaine Luetkemeyer) 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 ask that 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, which is the 42nd anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion on demand in the U.S.



NEWS FROM THE **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** DEPARTMENT

HE FOUR SIGNS OF A CATHOLIC

MATTHEW KELLY

Welcome back. Did you know that the months of the year have been given a devotional "focus" in Church tradition. January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus. Consider speaking about the name of Jesus with your children, how it should be spoken of as a blessing, not as a swear word. Consider how one ought to reverence the name of Jesus, especially during Mass, when the Church asks that we give a small head bow when the Lord's name is said.

Dynamic Catholic, Alive!

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! has officially begun! The Archdiocese is partnering with Dynamic Catholic on this initiative, which is designed to develop the concepts of prayer, study, generosity, and evangelization. While all 4 Signs will be featured throughout the initiative, there will be a special emphasis on prayer in 2015.

A "Book Report" for the Free-Book-Giveaway

As you probably noticed when you walked into the narthex over the Christmas holy days, and with the encouragement of Father Tom, free books were given away. Can you believe that there were over 600 free books, CDs and even some

videos that were given away over those two weekends! Most were from the Dynamic Catholic Book Program. The featured book was "Four Signs of a

Dynamic Catholic" by Matthew Kelly. We gave away 200 of those books. We pray that these resources can help be a tool to evangelize and share the faith, especially as our Archdiocese teams up with Matthew

Kelly's Institute for a four year plan of formation. One of the best ways that we can help live, spread or grow in the faith is through reading good Catholic books. Consider stopping by the parish library in the Grand Hall to browse some of the selections. Maybe consider donating money or even some of your used

Catholic books. Books change lives.

NEWS FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

1.CONSTANT CONTACT has been a great, powerful and inexpensive way to communicate with members of the parish regarding upcoming events, obituary notices, general news and more. As always, such email addresses are blind copied to respect privacy, and there is also an option to unsubscribe on the email itself. But given this gift of communication, would you like to be added to the list? Just send an email to the parish office at smueller@ihmnewmelle.org

2. THIS IS (ALMOST) YOUR LAST CHANCE! If you have a new phone number, a new address or any other changes in your personal information, now is the time to inform the office for our records. The Guidebook, new for 2015, will be sent to the publisher soon. If your information is incorrect, now is the time to fix it. There will be sample books in the narthex to see sometime later this month.

3. BULLETIN INFORMATION: If you are involved in a parish organization, please know that everyone else in the parish would like to know what is going on in your group. If you will be in the narthex trying to get signatures or registrations for something, putting it in the bulletin and sending an email will help your cause. Recently a couple of rather large events took place without any information in the bulletin. Please call Marilyn in the office or email secretary@ihm-newmelle.org if you have news from your group to share.

that we had over the Christmas Holiday.







YOU NEED TO KNOW -



News FROM HOME

Stewardship What's Your (

January 19, 2014 St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

Linda Reseck

The "Heavenly Dusters" schedule needs to be updated. Please call the office if you have changed your information. We also have a few slots to fill so if you are able to help, please call the parish office.

Collection figures for Sunday, January 4 General Offertory: \$8,158.31 Online-General Offering: \$1,598.00 Total: \$9,756.31 Collection figures for Sunday, January 11 General Offertory: \$9,434.15 Online-General Offering: \$2,237.00 Total: \$11,671.15

Try Electronic Offertory

Those who are pledging for the "Many Gifts. One Heart" new debt reduction campaign should mark their envelopes with the correct 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 food pantry: Jelly, chili beans, canned meats, Coffee, sugar, oil, bleach, trash bags, Kleenex, paper towels, shave cream.

Memorial tribute and healing cards are available. The order forms can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

BIRTHRIGHT OF WENTZVILLE'S MEET, GREET AND EAT EVENT

Birthright of Wentzville (Wentzville's only local pro-life crisis pregnancy center) will hold an informational Free dinner on Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015 at 6pm at the Trigg Banquet Center at 300 O'Fallon Plaza in O'Fallon, MO. *Have you ever wondered just what we do at Birthright? Here's your chance to find out*. FREE delicious dinner,

drawing prizes and raffle prizes. Birthright is a nonprofit pro life pregnancy crisis center that depends

entirely on donations from the community. Call Birthright at 636 -327-8170 for more information. Speakers for the evening include Senator Dr. Bob Onder. Please RSVP by Jan. 15, either by phone or email at



birthrightofwentzville@hotmail.com.

What's Your Catholic IQ?

1. The shepherd's staff carried by a bishop is called a

- (a) shillelagh; (b) miter; (d) staff of power (c) crosier; 2. Catechists are (a) underground burial chambers of the early Church; (b) those who teach the faith; (c) those preparing to be baptized; (d) categories of venial sins 3. One of the favorite dishes that Father Tom likes to eat, and of which he orders regularly at Fireside Bar and Grill is a) Buffalo Chicken Wrap b) Stuffed Mushrooms c) Cheese Ouesadilla d) Caesar Salad with a bowl of soup 4. The difference between a cross and a crucifix is (a) a cross is always shaped like a capital T; (b) a crucifix always has Jesus' body on it; (c) a crucifix is always made of wood; (d) a crucifix is always made of precious metal 5. In Christian art, a palm branch is the symbol of (a) martyrdom; (b) almsgiving; (c) fortune-telling; (d) founding an order 6. The last book of the New Testament is (b) Jude; (a) Revelation; (d) Hebrews (c) Malachi; 7. The author of the popular hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" was (a) Pope Gregory the Great; (b) Lloyd Webber; (c) Martin Luther; (d) Elton John 8. An ancient form of Church music consisting of an unaccompanied melodic line is called (b) plain chant; (a) a cantor; (c) a guitar Mass; (d) a requiem 9. Important Hebrew and Aramaic manuscripts found at Qumran near Jericho in 1947 are known as the (a) Torah; (b) Library of Alexandria; (c) Carnegie Library; (d) Dead Sea Scrolls 10. The mystery of the rosary that does not belong among the
- traditional Sorrowful Mysteries is the
- (a) Carrying of the Cross; (b) R (c) Agony in the Garden; (d) C
- (b) Resurrection;
 - (d) Crowning with Thorns

Answers on the next page

CHECK IT OUT

..for youth and young adults

Crossroads- A group for anyone, married or single, in their 20's or 30's; meets at Culpepper's on Highway K in O'Fallon; the next meeting will be on January 20.

YDisciple-YDinner- a group for high school people and their families; meets in the Grand Hall; the next meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 4.



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

...a time to die... Please pray for the repose of the souls of Rita Sgroi, sister of Al and Cy Bamert; Edward Reifsteck, husband of Geraldine and father of Ginny Clark; Elaine Twesten, sister-in-law of Jane Holstein; and Philip Stallone, son of Phil and Candy Stallone. May they rest in the peace of Christ.



CHOIR NEWS

The choir will start learning music for Lent and Holy Week on Thursday of this week. If you are interested in singing with us, call Marilyn in the parish office or email her at

secretary@ihm-newmelle.org.

We need more voices! Anyone who can match pitches is welcome, as long as you are Grade 8 or older. You don't need a special soloist voice, and in fact it will be easier for everyone if your voice is very average. Please consider singing with us if you enjoy music and can attend rehearsals.

OUR SCHEDULE

Thursday evening practices from 7:00 to 8:30 pm; Sunday morning Mass at 9:30 am every week through Pentecost (May 24);

Confirmation Mass (May 14, 7:30 pm);

Holy Week dates include Palm Sunday (March 29) at 9:30, Holy Thursday (April 2) at 7:00 pm, Good Friday (April 3) at 7:00 pm and the Easter Vigil (April 4; time to be determined). We as Catholics are fortunate to have beautiful liturgies anyway, but Holy Week is just amazing. Please consider singing with the choir. *We need you!*



CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND JUNIOR BELLS

If you are interested in being part of the children's group that provided music for the 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass, contact Marilyn in the parish office. Rehearsals for this new group will start on Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 pm in the church. Please call and let me know if you intend to show up so I have enough copies of the music. Children must be in second grade or older to participate. We will learn about both singing and playing the chimes during the same rehearsals.

Marilyn O'Neill- 636-398-5270 or secretary@ihm-newmelle.org

Answers to Catholic IQ

1. (c) The shepherd's crook is given to bishops, archbishops, abbots, and abbesses as a sign of their pastoral duties to the "flock" of believers.

2. (b) The word comes from a Greek word meaning "echo." Catechists "echo" to their students the faith from down through the ages.

3. c) Don't call him cheesy, but the Cheese quesadilla is one of Father Tom's favorites. Man does not live by bread alone, but Father Tom could do so if just a little of this orange heavenly spread was included between two pieces.

4. (b) A crucifix has Christ's body (or "corpus") on it. The powerful symbol of the crucifix inspires us to contemplate the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

5. (a) In ancient Rome the palm was the symbol of victory. Early Christians carried over this meaning, and it came to symbolize a martyr's victory over death.

6. (a) The Greek word for "revelation" is "apocalypse." The book, probably written late in the first century, is highly symbolic and was addressed to the Christian churches that were suffering Roman persecution.

7. (c) Martin Luther (1483-1546), a pivotal person in the Protestant Reformation, wrote hymns to encourage congregational singing.

8. (b) Plain chant is often called "plainsong." It is most familiar to us as Gregorian chant.

9. (d) The scrolls are the remains of the library of a community called Essenes that lived in the area from approximately 150 BC to 70 AD These writings have increased our understanding of both Judaism and Christianity.

10. (b) The Resurrection is one of the Glorious Mysteries. The remaining two Sorrowful Mysteries are the Scourging at the Pillar and the Crucifixion.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Marion Mueller Janet Hespen's Dad Patricia Rudolf Walt, and his family Ann Fitzgerald Shirley McDonald Diane Bocklage Susan Van Booven Jack Hitt Terri Guernsev Steve Geldien Melissa Van Hoy Dave Hendrix Al Bamert Ted Feldewerth Jo-nell Falcon Marie Kloeppel Kenneth McCauley Jolene Molitor Charlie Grady Mary Ann Brakensiek John and his family Michael Candrl and his family Linda Candrl and her family Maria and Tom Miller A 54-year-old man with cancer A friend who lost her husband and now has cancer John, who has had back surgery Erin and her two kids, one of whom is very ill; Mike who had a liver replacement Keri and Jesse Knopp and their unborn baby a friend who is dealing with skin cancer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

January 24

EM: Linda Ginther, Pat Noack, Bryan Potter, Jackie Barclay, Mary Jean Hartenbach, Karen Wilson

- L: Ed Taylor, Jan Messig
- GB: Kathleen Ditch, Rita Langford
- S: Lindsay Bouquet, Jennifer Bossert

U: Stan Nikonowicz, Jerry Braden, Chris Cuddihee, Emil Pavlik

January 25

EM: Ed & Carol Rabbitt, Denise Pool, John Fiacco, Janice Kardasz, Bill Key

- Emily & Erin Jaeckle L:
- GB: Loretta Bruns, Dot Welge
- Andy & Daniel Vehige S:
- U: Rich Molitor, Gary Potter, Frank Marguart, Larry Gassei

January 25

9:30 Mary Keune, Walter & Nancy Hollenstein, Bob EM: Leeker, Debi Orf, Maureen Blondin, Doug Norton, Laura Orf

- L: Pat Gentry, Bill Winters
- GB: Greiwe Family
- Elli Russell, Megan Tersteeg, Maggie Molitor **S**:
- U: Nick Wappelhorst, Curt Eccardt, Charles Hinkle, Chris Molitor, Shawn Sweetin

January 25

EM: Katie Wibbenmeyer, Elaine Sudbrock, Donna Wolff, Pat Roche, Jane Holstein, Joan Marren-Slaughter

- Nancy Ast, Chris Menne L:
- GB: Dianne & Alicia Dickherber
- **S**: Madison Skambraks, Emma Wibbenmeyer
- U: Glen Taylor, Todd Neihouse, one more please

DON'T FORGET-

Bob Evans Restaurant in Wentzville will donate 15% of their proceeds to hospitalized children and the Special Olympics on the second Thursday of the month. The next date for this generous donation will be February 12.

MARCH SAUSAGE DINNER INFORMATION

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 hoursand works on an honor system. Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located and available in the Narthex.



4:00

7:30

11:15

From the Lighthouse Catholic CD – Pamphlet Rack: Narthex



Prayer changes the world. Sadly, many Catholics no longer know any prayers beyond the Our Father and the Hail Mary. Consider the graces that will flow through the Mystical Body of Christ by helping of thousands of

people discover, incorporate, and regularly pray Morning Offerings, prayers to Mary, prayers at Mass, and powerful miraculous Novenas. Every one of their prayers (which almost certainly never would have been prayed without your efforts) will help save souls for decades to come. In terms of evangelization, just imagine helping every Catholic who attends Mass in your area receive a free copy! Please make giving the gift of prayer part of your personal apostolate today. Purchase copies for family and friends for a dime each. One can download the booklet for free at http://www.catholicity.com/booklets/prayers.pdf



From the Parish Library – Stoltz Grand Hall – Lower Level

Parents. If you have a son or grandson, please consider handing on this video. This is the film so many are talking

about. In 18 minutes Fishers of Men easily does what hours of apologetic talks on the priesthood and Catholicism struggle to do. This film beautifully and emotionally demonstrates what Christ meant when he proclaimed, "And the gates of hell shall not prevail against it

[the Church]." Fishers of Men was developed by the United States Conference of Bishops' Committee on Vocations. It is a film intended to renew priests' sense of fulfillment in their vocation and to

encourage them to draw on that satisfaction to invite other men to pursue the priesthood. But it is likely to have a much broader and global affect on Catholics of all ilks and non-Catholics of every stripe. Fishers of Men, produced by Grassroots Films of Brooklyn, NY, is a fast -paced, emotionally-charged video that reveals the many facets of a priest's daily life, and demonstrates why only real men can become priests. At Nineveh's Crossing we believe that every lay-Catholic in America should see this film.



MAKE SURE YOU'VE RESERVED THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 1 FOR THE DINNER! YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS WILL BE NEEDED!

PULL-TABS: One thing to think about well ahead of time are the pull-tabs. The state says we must "list all individuals...who will assist with the management, conduct, or operation of the...games. Names should be listed as shown on the individual's driver license or state-issued ID. If being submitted for the first time, include a copy of the driver license or state-issued ID." If you would like to sell the pull-tabs at the dinner, you must contact the office asap so we have time to do the paperwork.

HELPING HANDS: When we receive the dinner letters and raffle tickets, a couple of days will be organized to attach labels and sort outgoing mail. Listen to announcements for information and more opportunities to volunteer. Thanks in advance for your help!

Catholic Men for Christ 8th Annual St. Louis Conference

Saturday, February 7, 2015 Peabody Opera House, Downtown St. Louis 1400 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Luke 10:2

Speakers

George Weigel: Frequent guest on TV and radio and Vatican analyst for NBC News

Tim Staples: Director of Apologetics and Evangelization at Catholic Answers

Terry Barber: Founder, St. Joseph Communications, Inc., The Catholic Resource Center, and Lighthouse Catholic Media

Monsignor James J. Ramacciotti: Asst. Profesor of Canon Law, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

7:00 am Doors open; 8:30 am Conference begins 4:00 pm Conference concludes with vigil Mass **Information and Online Registration** www.catholicmenforchrist.org

Registration fees:

Lunch included with all registrations High school and college men- \$15 Clergy and religious Free - Please register online.

Special Price for the Men of IHM-\$35 tickets are available in the parish office. 636-398-5270; while supplies last. This is a \$15 discount from the usual price!

Catholic Women for Christ 6th Annual Conference

Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire. St. Catherine of Siena

Saturday, March 21, 2015

St. Charles Convention Center

One Convention Center; St. Charles, MO 63303 Doors open 7:45 am; Keynote 9:00 am; Mass 4:00 pm Speakers include:

Teresa Tomeo, Syndicated Catholic talk show host and motivational speaker.

Brenda Sharman, Founding National Director of Pure Fashion

Registration Fees \$45 during Jan. and Feb; \$50 after Feb. 28 High school and College Women \$15; Lunch is included with all registrations Call 314-792-7183 CatholicWomenforChrist.org

Parish Office: 636-398-5270

Future Events



Knights of Columbus meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 20 in Founders Hall; 7:30 pm



Kids choirs will begin new rehearsals on Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 pm in the church; see the blurb in this bulletin for more information.



error

Baptism Class. January 26 at 7:00 pm in Weber Hall; please note that this date is a correction of last week's



New Parishioner Wine and Cheese Party; Friday, Feb. 6 at Father Tom's house; more information will follow



Venturing Crew Lock-in; Friday, February 6 in Founders Hall; the leaders have more information if you are interested.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast, Sunday, Feb. 8 in Founders Hall; 8:00 am to 11:00.



Prayer shawl ministry, Friday, Feb. 13 at 2:00 pm in Weber Hall.

Ash Wednesday; February 18; Distribution of ashes will be at the 8:00 am and 7:00 pm Masses.

PRO-LIFE EVENTS TO COMMEMORATE THE 42TH ANNIVERSARY OF ROE V. WADE

This Thursday, Jan. 22nd, is the 42th 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.

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. 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 Thursday, Jan. 22nd, 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 and Penance

You are invited to pray with the bishops and thousands of Catholics across the country for a culture of life and an end to abortion. The nine day novena begins on Sat., Jan. 17th, and ends Sun., Jan. 25th. Daily prayers and reflections are available at www.9daysforlife.com

Out and About Just for fun

- **BREWHOUSE THEOLOGY** on Tuesday, January 20, 7-8:45 pm at the Ferguson Brewing Company 418 So. Florissant Rd., Ferguson, Mo. On the , 2nd floor. Join us for an evening of uplifting community, good food and drinks, a thought provoking speaker, and an inspired discussion. Steve Givens, the guest speaker, is a spiritual director, musician and composer, university administrator and a widely published writer on Catholic-Christian faith and spirituality. Steve's topic is "Facing Life's Tough Moments with Faith." Gather at 7PM, purchase your food and drinks, and the presentation will begin at 7:30PM. Contact Jeanne Baer at <u>314 524 0500</u> for more information.
- PETER & PAUL COMMUNITY SERVICES IS HOSTING THEIR 9TH ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT on Saturday, January 10, 2015 at St. Justin the Martyr Parish Center. Their parish center is located at 11914 Eddie & Park Road, Sunset Hills, MO 63126. The event beings at 7:30 p.m., but doors open at 6:45 p.m. Registration is \$20.00 per person, which includes soda and beer, with 8 players per table. The Trivia Night benefits Peter & Paul Community Services programs that reach over 3500 men, women and children who are homeless each year. Checks can be sent to: Peter & Paul Community Services, 2612 Wyoming Street, St. Louis, MO 63118. Call 314-338-8189 to reserve your table
- QUILT SOCIAL AT ST. BARNABAS; St. Barnabas Ladies Guild will sponsor a Quilt Social On Saturday February 7. We are located @ 1400 North Main in O'Fallon, MO, Doors open @ 10:30 and Bingo starts @ 12 noon. Come on over and enjoy the afternoon. Refreshments served. You could be the lucky winner of a beautiful quilt. No one under 16 years of age may play bingo.
- CSAC (CATHOLIC SINGLES ADULT CLUB) needs players for their winter vball league which starts Feb. 8th. Signup link below with full details. Contact Kevin at <u>kevinreese75@yahoo.com</u> for questions. <u>https://csacwintervolleyball2015.eventbrite.com</u>
- 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. Come and swing your partner at the OLS Square Dance! Saturday, February 7 at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish 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 @ <u>314-651-8745</u>
- **5K RUN:** Holy Infant Parish in Ballwin invites you to its 2nd Annual Shamrock Shuffle 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run/ Walk. Join us the morning of Saturday, March 7. The race starts and ends at Holy Infant Church. After race celebration includes a visit by Fredbird, DJ, balloon artists, food, beverages, and lots more! For more information or to register, visit the website http://holyinfantshamrockshuffle.itsyourrace.com.

Opportunities

- **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** The Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are preparing for their 170th Birthday Celebration Dinner Auction on March 28, 2015at Old Hickory Golf Club in St. Peters, Missouri. Proceeds from the auction benefit the Sisters and their missions. The success of the auction is dependent upon your attendance and donations. There will be an Oral Auction/ Silent Auction, Wine & Dine, and raffles. Their wish list for auction items includes themed gift baskets, tickets to sporting or cultural events, travel related services, iPad, wine and gift cards for restaurants, golf, services or stores. To donate, call the Mission Advancement Office at <u>636-240-6010</u>.
- EXPERIENCE THE LORD'S CONSOLATION AND HOPE: Our Infertility Support Group gathers each year for celebration
 of the Mass and fellowship on or around St. Valentine's Day. The Mass this year will be celebrated by Archbishop
 Robert J. Carlson, Thursday, February 19, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Chapel of the Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Drive, St. Louis, MO 63119. Light refreshments followed in the Sister Ebo room. If you would like more
 information, please contact the Archdiocesan Office of Natural Family Planning <u>314.997.7576</u> or email <u>melissa.barnason@mercy.net</u> or<u>lucy.harris@mercy.net</u>.
- **CARMELITE SISTERS- Lenten Holiness Retreat: "A Heart for Worship" March 6-8, 2015** for young women ages 17-29 who desire to grow in holiness and spend time with Carmelite Sisters D.C.J. More information available at <u>www.carmelitedcj.org/retreats.asp</u>; To register contact Sr. Mary Michael, Carmel DCJ: <u>(314)-965-</u><u>7616</u> or <u>vocations@carmelitedcj.org</u>; Location of both events: 10341 Manchester Rd. Kirkwood, MO 63122
- MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: When all the hustle and bustle of the holidays are now over, don't you both deserve a beautiful weekend away together? If you agree, you will forever enjoy a Marriage Encounter weekend in 2015. Weekends are scheduled for February 6-8 or April 24-26. Just call 314.469.7317 or visit the web page at www.stl-wwme.org to apply for your weekend.