

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

New Melle, Missouri



February 7, 2016
Fifth Sunday
of Ordinary Time

Do not be afraid;
from now on
you will be catching men.

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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Today is doughnut Sunday
after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses
in Weber Hall! 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

Lenten Rice Bowls are available in the narthex and by all exit doors.
Sunday, February 7

8:30 am, 10:30 am

Doughnut Sunday, Weber Hall

9:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, February 8

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, February 9

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Exercise class, Grand Hall foyer

6:30 pm

Legion of Mary, St. Gianna

6:30 pm

Scouts, trailer

6:45 pm

Children's Choir, church

Wednesday, February 10

8:00 am

Ash Wednesday
Mass with distribution of ashes, Church

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

Mass with distribution of ashes, Church

8:00 pm

Reconciliation, Church

Thursday, February 11

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, February 12

8:30 am

Quilters, Weber Hall

4:30 pm

Fish Fry, Founders Hall

7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross, Chapel

Saturday, February 13

8:00 am

Mass followed by confessions, Church

Sunday, February 14

8:00 am

Knights of Columbus Breakfast, Founders Hall

JOIN THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS, FEBRUARY, 2016

Universal: Care for Creation- That we may take good care of creation—a gift freely given—cultivating and protecting it for future generations.

Evangelization: Asia- That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 6

8:00 am All Souls Intentions
 4:00 pm Frances Randolph +
 Bill and Bernie Pollihan,
 on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary
 Frances and Gerald Bussen,
 on the occasion of their Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, February 7

7:30 am People of the Parish
 9:30 John and Shirley Watts +
 11:15 am Cy and Catherine Bamert

Monday, February 8

8:00 am Tony and Tricia Sinopole

Tuesday, February 9

8:00 am Edward Reifsteck +

Wednesday, February 10

8:00 am People of the parish
 7:00 pm People of the parish

Thursday, February 11 Please note the time change
 7:30 am All Souls Intentions

Friday, February 12

8:00 am Bob Rapp +

Saturday, February 13

8:00 am Gerrie Bader +
 4:00 pm Special Intention
 Bob Barnard +

Sunday, February 14

7:30 am Mary Fine +
 9:30 Erma Guinn +
 11:15 am People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;
 Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11;
 Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
 Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
 Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
 Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15;
 Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Jerome Emiliani;
 St. Josephine Bakhita;
 Wednesday: Ash Wednesday;
 Fast and Abstinence;
 Almsgiving
 Thursday: Our Lady of
 Lourdes;
 Friday: Abstinence



Scouting Units

Parish Rep (All Units) Jerry Hespen; 636-236-1955
 Cub Pack Wesley Brandhorst; 636-327-0531
 Scout Troop Chad Peters; 314-807-7177
 Venture Crew Dana Hoffman; 636-734-8423

Budget and Finance John Wappelhorst
 636-398-5786

Cemetery Committee Mark Keune
 314-220-7075

Dinner Committee Tom Holstein, 314-456-1639
 Jeff Comotto, 314-570-6972

Knights of Columbus Mike Reel, Grand Knight
 314-581-6797

Legion of Mary Maria Romine-Kantor
 314-614-0857

Marian Council Michelle Brothers, President
 314-614-1114

Meals on Wheels Call the parish office
 636-398-5270

Prayer Shawl Ministry Julia Kettler
 314-616-0096

Pro-Life Committee Bill Winters
 636-828-4133

Quilters Eleanor Sadlo
 636-398-5595

Mary Ann Brakensiek
 636-828-5776

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

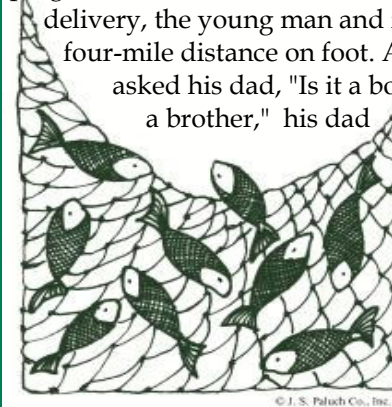
MEDITATION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

[Peter, James, and John] pulled the boats up on the beach, left everything and followed Jesus. LUKE 5:11

A priest from India once shared the story of his vocation. He had grown up near Bombay, India. One day he came home from high school and asked his father if he could become a Catholic priest. His father said, "No, you're my only son. I want you to carry on the family name." Then, after being childless for 14 years, his mother became pregnant. When she was later rushed to the hospital for

delivery, the young man and first born son ran the four-mile distance on foot. Arriving out of breath, he asked his dad, "Is it a boy or a girl?" "You have a brother," his dad said. "Great!" he said. "Now I can be a priest." And that is what he did. How enthusiastically do I follow Jesus? Where does my enthusiasm come from?

Mark Link S.J.



THE APPROACHING SEASON OF LENT

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the Holy Season of Lent I would like to share with you the various opportunities for personal growth that are available. We are all striving for personal growth and maturation as disciples of Jesus Christ. Much of that happens in the realm of our spiritual pursuits, but is not limited to that. Personal growth embraces every aspect of our being, but is fueled and focused by an awareness of the primacy of the spiritual in our lives. Here are some of the varied opportunities that Lent affords us.

- **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** I will be offering the Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday throughout the Lenten season from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM. If it's been a while, please know that I am happy to walk you through the Sacrament. It is not an easy Sacrament to celebrate for many, but it is the most humbling one for me to celebrate as a priest. Many are tempted to think that I see people only at their worst when they come to the Sacrament, but the opposite is true. I see you at your best as you seek God's mercy. His mercy far surpasses any of our sins, and His healing is greater than any of our wounds.
- **Daily Mass:** Prepare your hearts for the Risen Christ by celebrating the mystery of His Passion, Death and Resurrection with our daily Mass community. One of the best fruits of daily Mass is the deepening awareness of Our Lord's humble gift of Himself to each of us. God call us to communion through Him, with Him and in Him. Jesus is our path to communion with Our Father, the Holy Spirit and our neighbors.
- **Eucharistic Adoration:** Monday morning through Friday at noon Our Lord is adored in our chapel. This is not something limited to Lent. However, Lent is a good time to consider praying in our chapel once a week for a hour before His mysterious presence. While we can find Our Lord in a variety of ways because He is so present and available to us, the Eucharist is the only Sacrament where He abides with us. Every Sacrament is an encounter with Our Risen Lord, but in the Blessed Sacrament He is present to us in a way that surpasses all the rest. The combination to our chapel door is **145**.
- **Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday during Lent we will have Stations of the Cross in our chapel at 7:00 PM. This wonderful devotion given to us by God through the love of St. Francis of Assisi invites us to reflect on the Passion and Death of Jesus. We are called to walk with Jesus and witness His life offered up for our Redemption. On Good Friday the Stations will be in church and in the afternoon.
- **Rediscover Jesus:** During Christmas we provided copies of this book for interested readers. If by chance you did not have the opportunity to pick up a copy, please call the office or contact me through e-mail, askpadre@aol.com and we will try our best to get you a copy for Lent.

One note of caution- better to pick one thing to do well than to try and undertake too many things that are then done poorly. The Lord is not looking for us to become spiritual busy-bodies during Lent, but to develop hearts that are more attentive and responsive to His grace. There are so many opportunities. Pray and discern well as we enter into this season of grace.

Peace,
Fr. Tom

Dynamic Catholic, *Alive!* – Fishers of Men and BeOne

Discipleship and Evangelization are essential to the Christian life. As part of the Archdiocese's *BeOne* vision, Fostering Missionary Discipleship has received a renewed emphasis. Within this priority, the Archdiocese's two main initiatives are *Dynamic Catholic, Alive!* and *Parish Missionary Disciples*. How much emphasis do you put on discipleship and evangelization in your own life? For more information, please visit beone.archstl.org.

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!

**NEWS
FROM THE
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT**

PSR Corner

The website that hosts the PSR Faith and Life text online www.MyCatholicFaithDelivered.com also offers online courses for teens and adults as well. So while PSR students have this online tool as a "gift" for homework, consider how your family can expand this online learning to others in the household. What about a course for your teenager on the Theology of the Body? What about a Matthew Kelly or Scott Hahn course on Scripture? What about a course on Church History? Something to consider as we begin this season of Lent in this Archdiocesan "Year of Study."



The Jubilee Year of Mercy

From the St. Louis Archdiocesan website, www.archstl.org

PILGRIMAGE

In the Jubilee Year, the experience of pilgrimage becomes a tangible sign of the choice of an individual to

journey toward Christ, through sacrifice, penance, and prayer. In the course of the Jubilee Year, the faithful are invited to make prayerful pilgrimages to one or more local churches that have been designated by Archbishop Robert Carlson. Your pilgrimage visits should include: Participation in Holy Mass or another liturgical service such as Morning or Evening Prayer or acts of piety such as the Stations of the Cross, praying the Rosary, or visits to the Blessed Sacrament - Spending time in prayerful meditation - Concluding your visit with prayer for the Holy Father: the Our Father, the Apostles' Creed or the Profession of Faith from Mass, and a prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary - One Plenary Indulgence may be gained daily by visiting designated pilgrimage sites.



JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
DECEMBER 8, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20, 2016



**THE HOLY
DOOR**

Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis

One of the traditions for a Jubilee Year is the ceremonial opening of the Holy Door in each of the four great basilicas in Rome. The opening, passing through, and sealing of the Holy Door at the end of the Jubilee Year have become significant elements in the Church's Jubilee Year celebrations. Most Catholics will be unable to make a pilgrimage to Rome during this Jubilee Year; however, you can make a pilgrimage at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis or at another local pilgrimage site. The Holy Doors of pilgrimage sites are significant because they're the signs and instruments of real things unseen -- the graces of the Jubilee Year, said Ed Hogan, director of the pontifical Paul VI Institute and associate professor of systematic theology at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. Normally, a door would represent Christ. In the Gospel of John, Jesus said, "I am the gate (the door). Whoever enters through me will be safe" (John 10:9). But Hogan stressed that in this case, the sealed doors aren't symbolic of Christ. "After all, we would never seal shut the door to salvation," Hogan said. Rather, the sealed doors represent the graces of the plenary indulgence associated with the Year of Mercy. (See below) "These graces are not available at every time, in every place, in the same way," Hogan said. "These specific graces, like the door, (unsealed) are only open during a Jubilee Year."

Other Designated Pilgrimage Sites in the Archdiocese of St. Louis

Basilica of Saint Louis, King of France (Old Cathedral) - National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal -

The Carmel of St. Joseph - Contemplative Sisters of the Good Shepherd -

Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters, Mount Grace Convent - Passionist Nuns Monastery - Monastery of St. Clare - Redemptoristine Nuns

**JUBILEE
INDULGENCE**

What are the "Prescribed Conditions" for Receiving an Indulgence?

In addition to the acts of charity, penance, and pilgrimage that are particular to the Jubilee Indulgence, the Church prescribes three "usual" conditions: • Sacramental Confession • Reception of Holy Communion • Prayer for the Pope's intentions. The Jubilee Indulgence is a plenary indulgence. The plenary indulgence can be applied once a day in suffrage for one's self or for the souls of the deceased. The Church's usual conditions for gaining an indulgence apply in connection with the Jubilee Indulgence.

RETREATS:

SAINT MEINRAD ARCHABBEY in St. Meinrad, Indiana; <http://www.saintmeinrad.org/>

WHITE HOUSE RETREAT CENTER in St. Louis, Missouri; <http://www.whretreat.org/>

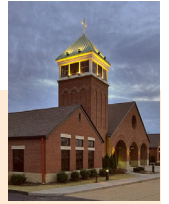
MERCY CENTER in St. Louis, Missouri; <http://mercycenterstl.org/>

KING'S HOUSE in Belleville, Illinois; <http://www.kingsretreatcenter.org/>

VISION OF PEACE HERMITAGES in Pevly MO. Praying for Prodigals; <http://genesis-ministry.org/retreats>



NEWS FROM HOME



Stewardship

February 7, 2016

St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

Sarah Aulbach

Please note: the Heavenly Dusters schedule has been updated. 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 31

General Offertory: \$11,144.00

Online-General Offering: \$2,105.00

Total: \$13,249.00

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

Check it out...

for high school youth



IHM is starting a youth group for high school teens. **The next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7:30.** Watch this space for future plans and information. Any questions? Contact Elizabeth at **636-828-4811**.

Craft Fair: We are accepting applications for the IHM craft fair, held on spring sausage dinner day, Sunday, April 24. Cost is \$35 for a 9x6 space. Please contact Lisa Murphy for more information lisa318@centurytel.net

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

**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 soul of
Earl Thompson,
father of Mark and Nancy Thompson.

May he rest in the peace of Christ.

Bulletin Prayer List Information The office is trying to keep the prayer list current. In the next two weeks, by Feb. 14, non-parishioner names will be removed unless we hear otherwise from you. Obviously we don't want to eliminate anyone who still needs our prayers so please be sure to contact the parish office with that information. Call and leave a message for Marilyn at 636-398-5270. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Marion Mueller	Michael Candrl and	Barb Pope
Patricia Prongue	his family	Bill Ulery
Patricia Rudolf	Linda Candrl and her	Sally Buck
Shirley McDonald	family	Gerald Hailey
Ann Fitzgerald	Jackie Hackett	Pat Ryan
Susan Van Booven	Maxine Drinen	Monsignor Mank
Terri Guernsey	Tom Holstein	Kim F.
Melissa Van Hoy	Mary Meyer and her	Antonette
Dave Hendrix	family	Steven Albright
Al Bamert	JoAnn Cwiklowski	Frances Bussen
Ted Feldewerth	Jewel Kostecki	Yvonne Scott
Jo-nell Falcon	Shirley Sims	Bob Berfanger
Nancy Hollenstein	Cy and Catherine	John Pellerito
Alexander Wilmes	Bamert	Gerald Bussen
Charlie Grady	Lisa Clark	Bernie Lears
Frank Modder	Tammy Boyd	Kathy
Denny Steinmeyer	Larry Hanna	Walt Reel
Tom Miller	Terry Hagan	Mary Edington
Mildred Riley	Dave Gentry	Debbie
Darryl and Clara	Elaine Klein	Norma Jean
Bockting	Mary Alice Dickherber	Maschmann
Angel Owens	Sue Orlet	George Meyer
Ted Pivin	Bob Blackford	Georg Potthast
Rita Elfrink	Louise Fisher	Joan Martin
Bob Cova	David and Mary Karl	Ken Martin
Judy Jacobs' mom	Ken Donaghue	Joe Weinreis
Rick Cobleigh	Denny and Joan	Kristin
Tricia Woods	Duvall	Aubrey
Joan Allen	Jerry Schmitz	Patti Sturm
Joan Martin	Bobbi Beeson	Dorothy Day
Chris Hanna	Charles and Kathy	Tom
Rita Bendel's brother	Duckworth	Karen Taylor
Tom	Ed Hoeckelmann	White Family
George Meyer	Gerald Hailey	Jane Holstein
	Virginia Randolph	Marty Coghlan

What's Your Catholic IQ?

1. Lent begins on

- a) Mardi Gras
- b) the Solemnity of the Annunciation
- c) Ash Wednesday
- d) Maundy Thursday

2. What is the liturgical color of Lent?

- a) white
- b) red
- c) green
- d) violet

3. A common Lenten devotion for many parishes is

- a) the Stations of the Cross
- b) renovating a building
- c) eliminating music at Mass
- d) giving ashes every Wednesday until Easter

4. The Lenten color of violet signifies

- a) royalty
- b) sorrow and penance
- c) grapes used for Eucharistic wine
- d) the Paschal Mystery

5. The practice of the Stations of the Cross began in Jerusalem soon after Jesus' death.

True or False

6. Jesus was betrayed by ____ after the Last Supper.

- a) Benedict Arnold
- b) Brutus
- c) Judas Iscariot
- d) Doubting Thomas

7. Some churches include an extra station beyond the traditional fourteen Stations of the Cross. What is it?

- a) the women visit the tomb
- b) the Resurrection
- c) the angel speaks to Mary Magdalene
- d) Pentecost

8. The Anglo Saxon word Lent literally means

- a) spring
- b) 40 days
- c) fasting
- d) catechumens

9. "We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you...because by your holy ____ you have redeemed the world."

- a) blood
- b) sacrifice
- c) life
- d) cross

10. When does the season of Lent "officially" end?

- a) Holy Thursday
- b) when you stop avoiding desserts
- c) Good Friday
- d) Easter Sunday

Answers on the next page



TUITION ASSISTANCE

Any **Catholic** family wishing to apply for tuition assistance from the **Catholic Families Tuition Assistance Endowment Fund** or the **Parish Employee Endowment Fund** for the 2016-17 school year must submit a **Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation (TTEF)** application. You may apply online at www.ttef-stl.org beginning **February 1, 2016**. Students must attend an Archdiocesan or Parochial Elementary School or an Archdiocesan or Parochial High School to be eligible for these particular funds. The due date for the application is **February 29, 2016** and **must** include a copy of your **2014** Income Tax Return and **2015** W2s. **The Catholic Education Center appreciates the support of the ACA and all of its donors.**

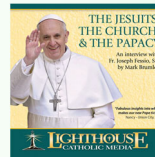
The Amazon Smile Program

If you purchase items online through Amazon, there is a way to send a kickback to IHM. Please check out the website 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**.



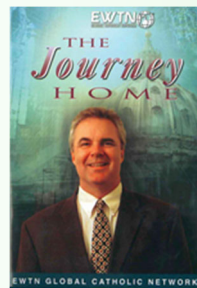
From the Lighthouse Catholic CD Rack: Narthex

The election of Pope Francis, the first Jesuit pope in Church history, has dramatically increased popular interest in the Jesuit Order. In this presentation,

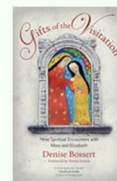
Mark Brumley interviews Ignatius Press's founder and editor, Jesuit Father Joseph Fessio. He shares the story and influence of the Jesuits throughout Church History, reflects on his own life and experience as a Jesuit, and speaks especially about Pope Francis. *My favorite part was the background discussion of the founding by Ignatius and the formation process of Fr. Fessio.*

Chris - Colorado Springs

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



Hear the conversion story of IHM parishioner Denise Bossert as she shared her story on EWTN's program "The Journey Home" with Marcus Grodi in 2011. Denise is the daughter of a Protestant minister and grew up in the state of Iowa. Following her father's death in 2003, she went on a search for answers to the question of suffering. She found answers in the writings of St. John of the Cross. On the Journey Home she shares the story of grace that led her to the Catholic Church through writing and speaking. Denise has been published



by 49 diocesan papers since her conversion to the Catholic Church in 2005. She is the author of the book, "Gifts of the Visitation."

MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD: Honor the men in your parish who perform outstanding voluntary service for church and community at the archdiocesan-wide 1st **Annual Catholic Man of the Year** dinner on Sunday, May 1 at the Hilton St. Louis Frontenac. All nominees will be recognized, with Bishop Hermann presenting the award to the Catholic Man of the Year winner. Nomination forms at www.saintjosephradio.net - space is limited, so submit your nomination with pastor signature by **March 19!** Please contact Katelyn at (636) 447-6000 or katelyn.hansell@gmail.com

Catholic IQ Answers

1. **c)** Catholics receive ashes on their foreheads on Ash Wednesday. The ashes are from the palms burned from the previous year's Palm Sunday celebration.
2. **d)** Violet vestments, altar cloths, and sanctuary decorations alert Catholics that the Lenten season has begun.
3. **a)** Most parishes offer Friday devotions during Lent. One such devotion is the Stations of the Cross, which leads people through a reflection on Jesus' passion and death.
4. **b)** Although violet often is associated with wealth, power, and royalty, during Lent this color invites Catholics into a deeper consideration of our sins and the price Jesus paid on the cross to save us.
5. **False.** Although tradition holds that Mary visited the various sites of the passion, the practice of the Stations as we know it today developed over centuries to accommodate Catholics who could not visit the Holy Land. The popes in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries encouraged this devotion by attaching an indulgence to it and directing the local pastors to erect stations within their churches.
6. **c)** All the Gospels identify Judas as Jesus' betrayer, but only Matthew 27:3-8 and Acts 1:16-19 mention the death of Judas.
7. **b)** Because Christ's passion, death, and Resurrection are so closely linked, some parishes and devotional booklets include a Fifteenth Station reflecting on Christ's rising from the dead.
8. **a)** The confusion over the meaning of the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*—which literally means "spring"—results from the fact that in both Greek (*tessarakoste*) and Latin (*quadragesima*), the word for Lent means "fortieth" and "forty days" respectively.
9. **d)** "Christian prayer loves to follow the way of the cross in the Savior's steps. The stations from the Praetorium to Golgotha and the tomb trace the way of Jesus, who by his holy Cross has redeemed the world" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2669, emphasis in original).
10. **a)** The Triduum begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and ends with vespers on Easter Sunday. The celebrations of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil are the most solemn of the liturgical year.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

February 13		4:00 pm
EM:	Dave & Judy Hendrix, Ed Etzkorn, Walt & Jan Karase, Jan Messig	
L:	Larry Graves, Pat Barnard	
GB:	Rita Langford, Carol Harvell	
S:	Lindsay & Madelyn Bouquet	
U:	Jerry Braden, Bill Pollihan, Bryan Potter, one more please	
February 14		7:30 am
EM:	Ed & Carol Rabbitt, Walt Reel, John & Karen Wappelhorst, Denise Pool	
L:	Kathy & Richard Lalonde	
GB:	Frank & Jan Kardasz	
S:	Anna & Connor Jaeckle	
U:	Frank Marquart, Rich Molitor, Larry Gassei, Gary Potter	
February 14		9:30 am
EM:	Don & Susan Hladky, Judeen Kutsko, Janet Hespen, Bob Leeker, Donna Cuddihee, Maureen Blondin, Donna Wolff	
L:	Hannah & Joseph Aulbach	
GB:	Brent & Mindy Dale	
S:	Brianna, Morgan, Jordan Dale	
U:	Jim Blondin, Terry Schneider, Charles Hinkle, George Stark, Gary Struckhoff, Stan Kostecki	
February 14		11:15 am
EM:	Nancy Ast, Tim & Suzanne Michaelree, Joan Marren-Slaughter, Kat Menne, Joan Falbo	
L:	Patrice Riley, Grant Smith	
GB:	Meade & Pat Foster	
S:	Maggie Molitor, Thomas Kokker	
U:	Glen Taylor, Todd Neihouse	

Catholic Women for Christ Conference

For information on the upcoming Catholic Women for Christ Conference, please visit the new website: catholicwomenforchrist.org Saturday, February 27. This year's conference will be held at Lindenwood University's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts (2300 W. Clay Street, St. Charles)

LEARN ABOUT THE CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITYCARE SYSTEM

a new reproductive science highly effective to achieve and avoid pregnancy and NaProTechnology, a new medical science that offers couples experiencing infertility the hope of achieving pregnancy while following the teachings of the Church. Introductory classes offered at Noon on Saturdays at St Joseph's Hospital Lake St Louis on Saturdays on February 20, April 2 and April 16 and May 14. Registration: [314.776.3627](tel:314.776.3627) or questions: 636.625.5423

Free! Check it out- www.formed.org



February Theology on Tap –

Theology on Tap is a monthly gathering for young adults in the St. Louis area to meet, connect, and grow in the Catholic faith. Enjoy drink specials, excellent

conversation, relevant talks, and great company! St. Louis Young Adults hosts Theology on Tap the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm at Kirkwood Station Brewing. This month, on **Tuesday, Feb. 9**, we will host Leah Darrow, former contestant of America's Next Top Model and popular Catholic speaker. stlya@archstl.org

Pro-Life Action Day 2016

Join pro-life forces from across the state for the annual Pro-Life Action Day in Jefferson City on Tues., Feb. 9, from 11:00 am to 2 pm.

Sue Thayer, a former manager of an Iowa Planned Parenthood clinic, but now a strong pro-life voice, will be a featured speaker at a noon rally. Registration will take place in the first floor rotunda of the State Capitol.

You will have the chance to speak face to face with your elected representatives about legislation under consideration during this session, including a bill that bans dismemberment abortions.

If you prefer to leave the driving to someone else, a bus, sponsored by Missouri Right to Life, will be leaving from the Wentzville Wal-Mart parking lot at approximately 8:15 am. Buses will return at approximately 4:30 pm. To reserve a seat on this bus call 314-434-4900 or email mrl.eastern@yahoo.com and give your name, address, telephone number and number of seats you wish to reserve. There is no cost for the bus ride, but a donation to help offset the cost of the bus would be greatly appreciated. Since there will be other visitors at the Capitol on that day, you are asked to wear red to show you are there for pro-life. For more information, questions, or a ride to catch the bus, please contact Bill Winters, 636-828-4133.

Parish Office: 636-398-5270

Future Events

- ☒ **Ash Wednesday** is early this year, Feb. 10. Masses with the distribution of ashes will take place at 8:00 am and 7:00 pm in the church.
- ☒ **Fish Fry:** the first fish fry of the Lenten season will take place on Friday, Feb. 12.
- ☒ **Knights of Columbus Breakfast:** Sunday, Feb. 14 from 8:00 to 11:00 in Founders Hall.
- ☒ **Presidents' Day:** Monday, Feb. 15; the parish office will be closed
- ☒ **Knights of Columbus:** the February meeting will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 16.
- ☒ **Shroud of Turin:** On March 9, we plan to have a Catholic physicist come (6:00 - 7:15 pm) to speak on the science of the Shroud of Turin, the alleged burial cloth of our Lord.

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 and Wednesday, March 9.**



IHM Fish Fry

on these Fridays during Lent:

February 12, 19 and 26;

March 4 and 11

Serving from 4:30 to 7:00 pm

in Founders Hall

- Dinner (includes 3 sides) \$10.00
- Fish sandwich dinner (with 3 sides) \$10.00
- A la carte fish sandwich \$ 7.00
- A la carte fish \$ 6.00
- Mac & Cheese dinner (with 3 sides) \$ 6.00
- A la carte mac & cheese \$ 3.00

Available sides: French fries, cole slaw, macaroni and cheese, green beans and apple sauce

All dinners include:

- a roll or bun for fish sandwich
- dessert
- beverage (choice of iced tea, lemonade or coffee)

Beer, wine and soda available for purchase



Out and About

Breakfasts and Dinners

- **K of C Breakfast at IHM;** Sunday, Feb. 14 from 8:00 to 11:00; eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, all the good stuff!
- **Fried Chicken Dinner** at Friedens Peace UCC in New Melle; Sunday, Feb. 21 from noon to 6:00 pm. The menu includes potatoes and gravy, green beans, cornbread, baked beans, coleslaw, apple butter and pie.
- **Fish Frys** at St. Peter Church in St. Charles on Fridays during Lent, from 4:00 to 7:00 pm.
- **Fish Fry at St. Vincent** in Dutzow; Friday, Feb. 12 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm; adults, \$10; children ages 6-11, \$5

Opportunities

- **Stations:** St. Paul Church in St. Paul, MO invites you to join them for Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm on Friday nights during lent. Each Friday you will see Jesus' passion from a different perspective.
- **Pro-Life Action Day at State Capitol Feb. 9:** Support legislation to save the lives of unborn children! Join pro-lifers from across Missouri in Jefferson City on February 9 at the State Capitol. Registration begins at 11:00 am in the Capitol rotunda with noon rally featuring Sue Thayer, former Planned Parenthood manager, and Stacy Washington, conservative talk show host. For information on transportation, call the Missouri Right to Life Eastern Region office at [314-434-4900](tel:314-434-4900). Wear red for Life!
- **SOCIAL JUSTICE in ACTION EVENT – MEND the GAP!** Please join us on Tuesday, February 16th from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm for **Mend the Gap! Town Hall on Bridging the Divides in Wealth Inequality, Health Care and Racial Disparity**, hosted by Sts. Joachim and Ann Care Service. Please RSVP by email to info@networklobby.org
- **Old St. Ferdinand Shrine Tours:** located in Florissant on the site of St. Philippine Duchesne's first convent in America. Sister Margaret Munch, RSCJ will lead the tours on February 20, March 9, and May 11, departing at 10 a.m. from the Shrine of St. Philippine Duchesne at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, 619 N. Second St., St. Charles. Reservations required. Visit www.ash1818.org/main/alumni or call 636-946-6127 for further information.
- **The Mother Daughter and Father Son programs at Mercy Hospital** provide an atmosphere of love and learning to discuss fertility and to promote communication between parent and child. **Sunday, February 14, 2016- 10 to 12 year-old mother daughter program; Sunday, April 24, 2016 - 13 to 17 year-old mother daughter program; Sunday, March 13, 2016—11 & 12 year-old father son program** Time: 1:00-3:30PM; Cost is \$45 per family; Questions call [314.991.0327](tel:314.991.0327). To register visit: <http://mercy.net/fertilitycare>

THREE PILLARS OF LENT: PRAYER, FASTING AND ALMSGIVING

- ♦ **Prayer:** please read Fr. Tom's column in today's bulletin. Mass is offered on weekdays at 8:00 am in the chapel. On weekends Mass takes place in the church at 4:00 pm Saturday afternoon and on Sunday morning at 7:30, 9:30 and 11:15. Saturday morning Mass is at 8:00 in the church. Opportunities for retreats and other prayer experiences abound, and private prayer may be as simple as picking up a rosary or visiting the adoration chapel.
- ♦ **Fasting:** all are expected to reduce their intake of food on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by eating 2 small meals and one larger one, with nothing in between. Liquids are permissible. This applies to all between the ages of 18-59. No one may excuse themselves lightly in this regard except in cases of ill health. **Abstinence:** all are expected to refrain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all Lenten Fridays. This applies to everyone over the age of 14.
- ♦ **Almsgiving:** Again there are many opportunities to share. The St. Vincent DePaul Society has a box in the narthex by Weber Hall for donated nonperishable food items. Often we are encouraged to donate for a second collection, by envelope or online. Our Lady's Inn in Defiance and Mary, Queen of Angels in O'Fallon always need money to continue their ministries to pregnant women and their children. One particular Lenten tradition is the **Rice Bowl**, sponsored by Catholic Relief Services. Join our parish community- and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States- in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's rice bowl from the narthex starting today and don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! Remember, what you give up for Lent changes lives.