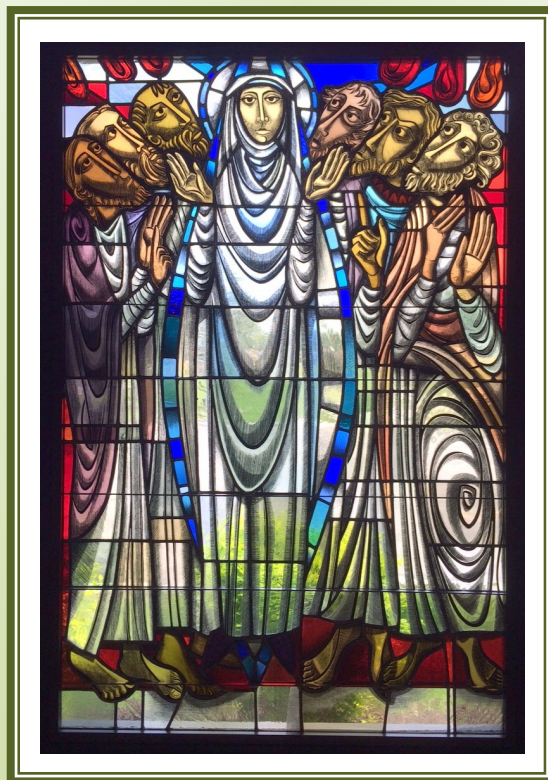


*Immaculate
Heart of Mary
Church*

*New Melle,
Missouri*



October 18, 2015

*Twenty-ninth
Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

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 6:00 pm.

This Week's Events

Sunday, October 18

The Scouts will sell popcorn after all the Masses this weekend.

9:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, October 19

6:30 pm

Scouts, Founders Hall

6:30 pm

Scouts, trailer

7:00 pm

Bell choir rehearsal, church

Tuesday, October 20

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer

6:00 pm

Crossroads for Young Adults;

contact Julie Lassiter, julie.r.lassiter@gmail.com

Protecting God's Children Class, Weber Hall

register at archstl.org

Legion of Mary, Grand Hall

Children's Choir, church

Knights of Columbus, Founders Hall

Wednesday, October 21

8:45 am

Sunday scripture Bible study, Weber Hall

6:00 pm

PSR, Founders Hall, Weber Hall

6:10 pm

Adult Bible Study, Grand Hall

7:00 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation, church

Thursday, October 22

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer

6:30 pm

RCIA classes, Weber Hall

7:00 pm

Choir Rehearsal, church

Friday, October 23

8:30 am

Quilters, Weber Hall

Saturday, October 24

8:00 am

Mass followed by confessions, Church



JOIN THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER, 2015

Universal: That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.

Evangelization: That with a missionary spirit the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 17

8:00 am Mimi Ferguson +
4:00 pm Bettegene King +

Sunday, October 18

7:30 am Steve Seper +
9:30 am Erma Guinn +
Grant W. Smith, Sr. +
People of the Parish

Monday, October 19

8:00 am All Souls Intentions

Tuesday, October 20

8:00 am Olivia Smith +
Frank Schafer +

Wednesday, October 21

8:00 am Pat Klemme +
Ed Humes +

Thursday, October 22

8:00 am Wittmann Family
Gary Roth +

Friday, October 23

8:00 am Mary Berfanger +
Ben Bader +

Saturday, October 24

8:00 am Jack Mueller +
4:00 pm Jack and Pearl Hackett +

Sunday, October 25

7:30 am The Gassei Family
9:30 am Rosemary Ralls +
Walt Ketts +
11:15 am People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;
Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94;
Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6;
Mk 10:46-52

SAINTS

Sunday: World Mission Sunday

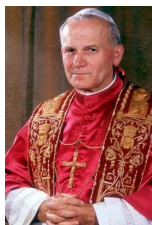
Monday: Ss. John de Brébeuf,
Isaac Jogues, and
Companions →

Tuesday: St. Paul of the Cross

Thursday: St. John Paul II →

Friday: St. John of Capistrano

Saturday: St. Anthony Mary Claret;
Blessed Virgin Mary



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 Richard Lalonde
636-798-2511

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

Legion of Mary Nancy Hollenstein
636-798-2105

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

*[Jesus said,] "The Son of Man did not come to be served;
he came to serve."* MARK 10:45

Dr. Lloyd Judd practiced medicine in rural Oklahoma. Many of his patients were poor and had no transportation. So he often had to drive to their homes to treat them. One day Dr. Judd took sick. He checked into a hospital and discovered that he had terminal cancer. His thoughts turned to his young children. He had much to tell them, but they were too little to understand. So he recorded a set of tapes for them. One dealt with practicing medicine. He said to his children: "Are you willing to get out of a warm bed on a cold night and drive 20 miles to see a sick person, knowing that they can't pay you and that they could wait until morning to be treated? If you can say yes to that question, you are ready to study medicine." Could I say yes to Dr. Judd's question?

Mark Link S.J. *Vision*

Communion – Attitude – Friends

Dear parishioners,

I am sitting in my office early on Tuesday morning, writing this column and still thinking back over the events of our Fall Sausage Dinner. My heart is filled with gratitude for the amazing stewardship displayed by all of our volunteers this weekend and in the weeks preceding our dinner. There are so many who work behind the scenes in preparation for our dinner. There are many more that day who work in the kitchen, fry house, meat sales, food preparation, ground maintenance, dining areas, craft show and meat shoot that make the day so successful. I thank God for your willingness to give of your time and talent to make the day successful and making your love for your parish family so evident. Once again the most frequent comment I heard from our guests was their amazement at the number of volunteers and how gracious and polite all of you were. It is those random comments throughout the day that deepen my appreciation for all of you. Your attitude of joyful service is so evident to our guests. Attitude makes all the difference.

Attitude makes all the difference and more of a difference than most of us appreciate. With so many individuals coming together in preparation for events of this size, it is very easy for soured attitudes to taint the process. What is a “soured attitude”? I guess there are many things that can create a soured attitude, but what I have seen most often in my ministry is a spirit of constant complaint instead of a desire to cooperate. The spirit of complaint usually arises from disagreements. There is nothing wrong with disagreement, but at some point decisions have to be made. One then has to decide if they can live with that choice or become poisoned by the spirit of complaint. The textbook story of complaint is the Book of Exodus. No one complained more than God’s people being led to freedom. Rather ironic isn’t it?

One of the best antidotes to a soured attitude is a good friend. Good friends allow you to “vent your spleen” and hear your side of the story. They can empathize with your experience. Good friends will also help you grow beyond the incident rather than wallowing in it. A good group of friends help us see the bigger picture and our place in it. Good friends help us overcome the temptation to isolate and draw us back into communion. A good friend can change our spirit of complaint into one of renewed cooperation. One of the best surprises at our parish events are the potential friends you may discover. Of course it will take time to develop that friendship, but God can plant the seeds of friendship at anytime. A good friend can make all the difference in our personal growth and happiness.

friendship
improves happiness
and abates misery
by doubling our joy
and dwindling our grief.

Peace,

Fr. Tom

Remember- World Mission Sunday is October 18

“God’s Word teaches that our brothers and sisters are the prolongation of the incarnation for each of us. *‘As you did it to one of these, the least of my brethren, you did it to me.’*”
Pope Francis, Joy of the Gospel

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!

FAITH AND PRAYER do not resolve problems, but enable one to address them with a new light and strength, in a way fitting to man, and also more serenely and effectively.

Pope Benedict XVI

*Pray to hear
God’s call.*

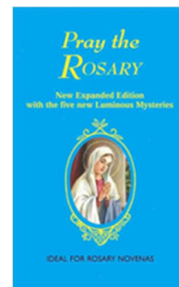


NEWS
FROM THE
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT

Dear PSR Parents and Guardians:

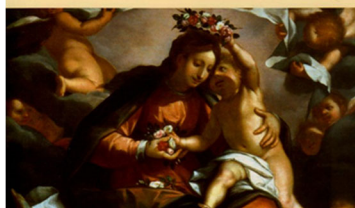


Thank you to all who donated items for the baskets which were raffled off at the October 11 Sausage Dinner. The month of October is dedicated in a special way to the Rosary. Consider making the Rosary a staple part of the family "diet" of prayer. For any family that would like a video resource of the rosary in beautiful images and music to pray along with at home, let Shawn know at the parish office.



The Month of October is traditionally dedicated to the Rosary.

John Paul II



Rosarium Virginis Mariae

APOSTOLIC LETTER
ON THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

St. Pope John Paul II wrote a beautiful and instructive Apostolic Letter on the Rosary in 2002, one of his last letters before his death entitled Rosarium Virginis Mariae (English: Rosary of the Virgin Mary). It was in this document that the Luminous Mysteries were introduced to the faithful. Consider prayerfully reading this letter of the late great saint John Paul II. It can be found online.



"The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety, of which it can be said to be a compendium. ...Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer."

thank
you!

During the summer, the Little Sisters of the Poor came to New Melle to ask for donations and talk about vocations. We received a thank-you note from them, saying they had collected \$6000 from IHM. *"God has truly manifested His goodness to us*

through your generous gifts. We have already turned to Him in a prayer of gratitude, asking Him to bless you for your sacrificial giving, enabling us to continue our much needed mission to the elderly poor."



Cardinal Glennon Hospital also sent a thank-you note for the donations received during the summer. They collected \$1,604.50 from IHM, thanks to the generosity of our parishioners. *"Through our exceptional health care services, we reveal the healing presence of God."*

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! –Prayer Routine

According to Matthew Kelly, "The most dominant quality among Dynamic Catholics is a daily routine of prayer." Dynamic Catholics not only have a time and place to pray, they have a structured way of praying. Dynamic Catholics also begin their day with prayer. Early prayer ensures that the day begins well. Several tools are available: Scripture, Rosary, Liturgy of the Hours, meditation booklets such as *Magnificat* and *Word Among Us*, and spiritual books. archstl.org/dynamic

Please note:

It is getting much more difficult to find a priest to cover Masses when Father Tom is away. Recently we had made arrangements only to be notified on Sunday that the Monsignor had a conflict and would not be able to be here.

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: Wednesday, October 28; Tuesday, December 15 Thursday, January 14; Thursday, February 11 Wednesday, March 9



NEWS FROM HOME



Stewardship

October 18, 2015

St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters"

Elaine Sweeten

The collection figures for Sunday, Oct. 11

General Offertory: \$7,446.75

Online-General Offering: \$1,557.00

Total: \$9,003.75

Thank you for your generosity!

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 pantry:

Detergent, bleach, Kleenex, juice, Pasta/spaghetti, canned meats, cereal, sugar

The St. Vincent dePaul Society would like to express their gratitude for your generous donations to the Walk for the Poor, which totaled over \$2500! Thank you also to the walkers who joined the group at Quail Ridge Park. Your participation brought attention to the plight of many needy families in the area.

Wanted: Bicycles for local children

Sts. Joachim & Ann Care Service is looking for bicycle donations for needy children in the annual Adopt-A-Family Christmas program. Last year, more than 350 bikes were given out at Christmas. The Loyal Order of the Squirrels will refurbish, fix and clean the bikes that are donated. All bikes can be dropped off at the garage located behind the Care Service at 4116 McClay Road in St. Charles. [636-441-1302](tel:636-441-1302), ext. 266.

What's Your Catholic IQ?

1. What holy day of obligation is the day after Halloween?

- a) All Souls Day
- b) Ash Wednesday
- c) All Saints Day
- d) the Immaculate Conception

2. At Mass, we begin by saying "In the name of the ___, and of the ___, and of the ___."

- a) Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier
- b) pope, bishops, priests
- c) Church, saints, Mother of God
- d) Father, Son, Holy Spirit

3. Jesus said that his disciples would do greater things than he did because (see John 14:12)

- a) Jesus was going to the Father and would send the Holy Spirit to help them
- b) they were good guys
- c) the Apostles worked really hard at being holy
- d) the Church would eventually become a world religion

4. Which saint is known for his love of animals?

- a) St. Anthony of Padua
- b) Dr. Doolittle
- c) St. Patrick
- d) St. Francis of Assisi

5. The word *eschatology* refers to the study of

- a) sainthood
- b) the end times
- c) the importance of candles in the Latin Church
- d) the early Church

6. In the Garden of Eden, God created all of the ___ for Adam and Eve to eat.

- a) fruits
- b) dairy products
- c) salads
- d) animals

7. In Matthew 6:9-13, Jesus taught his disciples the

- a) Sign of the Cross
- b) Hail Mary
- c) Our Father
- d) Prayer of the Mass

8. At Mass, we shake hands with our Christian brothers and sisters during the

- a) Sign of the Cross
- b) blessing of the holy water
- c) greet-your-neighbor part
- d) Sign of Peace

9. The Church teaches that all life is sacred and to be protected

- a) from the moment of conception until natural death
- b) unless the person kills someone
- c) once the fetus is viable in the womb
- d) if the person can contribute to society and the economy

10. Who was the first non-martyred U.S. citizen to be canonized a saint?

- a) St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- b) Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini
- c) St. John Neumann
- d) St. Issac Jogues

Answers on the next page →



Tannenbaum and More Auction, 2015

Wednesday, Nov. 4 from 5:00 pm to 9:00

Knights of Columbus Hall in Washington, MO.

Join us for fun, food and drink!

Silent and Oral Auctions; admission \$25.00

Proceeds benefit the Friends of Emmaus, a non-profit organization, who have and will continue to support all Emmaus residents in the home of choice, campus or community.



Catholic IQ Answers:

1. **c)** All Saints Day celebrates those saints, canonized or not, known or unknown, who were faithful to Christ and are with God in heaven now.
 2. **d)** The Sign of the Cross reminds us of our Baptism, when we were brought into the Christian community in the name of the Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (see Matthew 28:19).
 3. **a)** Through Christ's intercession to the Father and the power of the Holy Spirit given at Baptism and Confirmation, all Christians are empowered to do all that Jesus did and more.
 4. **d)** Saint Francis (1182-1226) is often depicted with animals. According to his first biographer, Thomas of Celano, Francis preached to birds and fish, tamed the murderous wolf of Gubbio, and even carried worms to safety because Christ was referred to as a "worm, not a man" (see Psalm 22:7).
 5. **b)** Catholics look forward to the eschaton because Christ will return to fully establish God's kingdom.
 6. **a)** In Genesis 1:29-30, God gave fruit (vegetables included) to the people to eat and plants to the animals to eat.
 7. **c)** The Our Father is the only prayer Jesus taught his disciples. Considered by the Church the perfect prayer and a "summary of the whole gospel" (see CCC, nos. 2761-2865), the Lord's Prayer teaches us what to pray for and how to pray.
 8. **d)** The Sign of Peace, also referred to as the Kiss of Peace, dates back to the earliest Eucharistic gatherings in the Church (see 1 Corinthians 16:20). Justin Martyr (d. 164), in his First Apology, mentions the Kiss of Peace in his description of Mass.
 9. **a)** Catholics advocate for the life and dignity of all human life, whether unborn, disabled, infirmed, or compromised by serious sin, as in the case of those on death row (see CCC, nos. 2258-2283).
 10. **b)** Mother Cabrini (1850-1917) founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart and is known for her work among Italian immigrants. Her feast day is November 13.
- Adapted from Catechist Magazine

Mary Queen of Angels, a pro-life organization in O'Fallon that provides diapers, wipes, toiletries, formula, baby equipment, clothing, etc., is in **desperate** need of children's "WINTER" clothing in sizes 12 months through size 7/8 - we will not have enough outfits in these sizes to provide our moms with winter clothing for their children. Our address is 827 West Terra Ln., O'Fallon, MO 63366. Our hours are Tues/Thurs 10a-2p; Wed. 4-7p; Fri/Sat 9a-12p. We can be reached at 636-379-5070 or 636-634-7243. Thank you in advance for helping support "Life" in our community. God bless.

Did you know...

Some of our parishioners meet at IHOP in Wentzville on the first Friday of the month, after the 8:00 am Mass. All are invited, Dutch Treat!

Marion Council Bus Trip to Our Lady Of the Snows The trip is filling up, so don't get left behind! sure. Forms and payments can be made in the parish office. If you have any questions, call Michelle 314-614-1114.

Memorial Mass for Children

For parents who have lost a child due to miscarriage, stillbirth, accident, or abortion

Cathedral Basilica of St . Louis
Sunday, November 8, 2015, 10:00 am
Bishop Robert J. Hermann, Celebrant
RSVPs requested, 314-373-8200.

Are you a registered member of IHM ?

Even if you attend Mass here every week, you're not a member if you haven't registered. If you visit often and would like to be considered a member of our beautiful parish family, contact Sarah in the office. 636-398-5270

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Marion Mueller	Mary Meyer and her family
Patricia Prongue	JoAnn Cwiklowski
Patricia Rudolf	Nancy
Shirley McDonald	Jewel Kostecki
Ann Fitzgerald	Shirley Sims
Susan Van Booven	Catherine Bamert
Terri Guernsey	Lisa Clark
Melissa Van Hoy	Tammy Boyd
Dave Hendrix	Larry Hanna
Al Bamert	Terry Hagan
Ted Feldewerth	Dave Gentry
Jo-nell Falcon	Elaine Klein
Nancy Hollenstein	Mary Alice Dickherber
Alexander Wilmes	Sue Orlet
Charlie Grady	Bob Blackford
Frank Modder	Louise Fisher
Denny Steinmeyer	David and Mary Karl
Tom Miller	Ken Donaghue
Mildred Riley	Denny and Joan Duvall
Darryl and Clara Bockting	Jerry Schmitz
Angel Owens	Bobbi Beeson
Ted Pivin	Charles and Kathy Duckworth
Rita Elfrink	Ed Hoeckelmann
Mary Foley	Carol
Bob Cova	Gerald Hailey
Judy Jacobs' mom	Virginia Randolph
Rick Cobleigh	Barb Pope
Tricia Woods	Bill Ulery
Joan Allen	Sally Buck
Joan Martin	Gerald Hailey
Chris Hanna	Judy
Rita Bendel's brother Tom	Pat Ryan
Michael Candrl and his family	Monsignor Mank
Linda Candrl and her family	Kim F.
Jackie Hackett	Sylvia
Virgil Gildehaus	Antonette
Alice Molitor	Imogene Freeman
Maxine Drinen	Steven Albright
Tom Holstein	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

October 24 4:00 pm

EM: Walt & Jan Karase, Donna Cuddihee, Ed Etzkorn, Jan Messig, Ann Zaleuke
L: Karen Wilson, Ed Taylor
GB: Florence Joerling, Joyce Brakensiek
S: Jessica & Jorja Spivey
U: Stan Nikonowicz, Larry Graves, Tom Zaleuke, **one more please**

October 25 7:30 am

EM: Mary Hardesty, Walt & Jean Reel, Peggy Dupree, John & Karen Wappelhorst
L: Kathy & Richard Lalonde
GB: Michelle Greiwe & Girls
S: Eleanor & Max Hahn
U: Mike Hardesty, Gary Potter, Rich Molitor, Ed Rabbitt

October 25 9:30 am

EM: Kris Jenkins, Walter & Nancy Hollenstein, Pat Gentry, Terry & Marcia Schneider, Tom & Laura Holstein
L: Susan & Don Hladky
GB: Steve & Trish Williams
S: Brianna, Morgan, Jordan Dale
U: Jim Blondin, Curt Eccardt, Gary Struckhoff, Stan Kostecki, George Stark, **one more please**

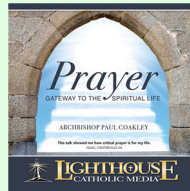
October 25 11:15 am

EM: Linda Ginther, Joan Marren-Slaughter, Kat Menne, Tim & Suzanne Michaelree, Jo Hailey
L: Theresa & Jim Risch
GB: Mary & Lisa Keune
S: Thomas Menne, Madison Skambraks
U: Todd Neihouse, Glen Taylor, John Bossert

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 Lighthouse CD Rack: Church Narthex

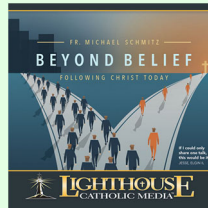


This talk made me realize that we always need to listen to the Holy Spirit when we are discerning our vocation. **Anna - Sycamore, IL**

This talk showed me how critical prayers is for my life. **Isaac - Centerville, VA**

I was truly moved by Archbishop Coakley's journey of faith...I came away realizing more than ever that conversion is a lifelong journey!
Scott - Batavia, IL

From the Parish Lighthouse CD Rack:



Fr. Mike Schmitz tackles some of the most difficult topics in the Church today with humor, clarity, and theological truth. In this talk, he challenges us to not settle for mediocrity and to allow Christ to change our lives. Fr. Mike goes on to explain that once we are changed by the love of Jesus, then together we can change the world.

If I could only share one talk, this would be it! **Jesse - Elgin, IL**

Fr. Mike challenges us to look back at how we spend our time and our money and ask if our history proves our love for Jesus. **Monica - Wichita, KS**

Autumn burned brightly, a running flame through the mountains, a torch flung to the trees. ~Faith Baldwin



Chili Cook-Off, Dessert Challenge and Trunk-or-Treat!

Look for the registration forms in the narthex after Mass!

Enjoy many different types of chili and gobs of great desserts on Saturday, October 31 from 6:00 pm to 8:00; Founders Hall

Get your recipes ready for the Chili Cook-Off and Dessert Challenge! The office is now collecting information about your recipes- Title, Major Ingredients, and your name which will remain anonymous during the judging. All information is due to the office by Oct. 25, please! The judges will choose the winning chili but the winning dessert will be The People's Choice.

Trunk-or-Treat, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Halloween night in the Founders Hall parking lot.

We want to make our kids as safe as possible. For that reason, no one will be allowed to hand out candy without going through the registration process. The parish office will need your name, model of car/truck, color of the vehicle and license number. **Everyone who hands out candy must be a registered member of the parish.** All New Melle area children are welcome to attend with an adult.

Archdiocesan Respect Life Apostolate Convention

The annual Respect Life Apostolate (RLA) Convention will be held at the St. Charles Convention Center on Sunday, Oct. 25. The keynote speaker is Charmaine Yoest, President and CEO of Americans United for Life (AUL), who has a Ph.D. in Politics from the University of Virginia. A regular political commentator, Dr. Yoest has appeared on all major networks and cable outlets. There is a Mass at 9:30 am, exhibits open at 10:30 am, luncheon and keynote speaker at 11:30 am, and workshops at 2 pm and 3:15 pm. The convention ends at 4:30 pm. Convention participants are able to choose from two of the following workshops:

- "Taking Abortion from Debate to Dialog"
- "Enhancing Your Pro-Life Work by Understanding Spiritual Warfare"
- "Abuse of Discretion: The Inside Story of Roe v. Wade"
- "Physician-Assisted Suicide: Why Not? Some Key Spiritual and Ethical Principles for End of Life Care"
- "Contraception and Abortion: Is There a Connection?"
- "Research Based Media and the Youth: How to Make a Difference"
- "GenLife: Am I Really Pro_Life?"

Exhibits and workshops are free. The luncheon is \$45/person for reservations made by Oct. 12, \$50 thereafter. For reservations contact the RLA at 314-792-7555 or prolife@arcgstl.org.

Parish Office: 636-398-5270

Future Events

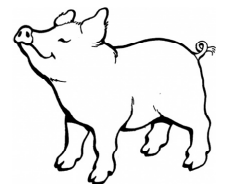
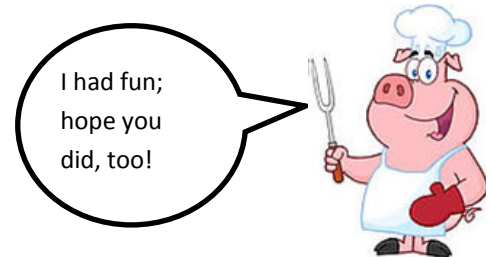
- ☒ **Popcorn** will be sold by the Scouts in the narthex after the weekend Masses, Oct. 17 and 18.
- ☒ **Protecting God's Children** class, Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 6:00 pm in Weber Hall. Register at archstl.org.
- ☒ **Knights of Columbus** will meet in Founders Hall at 7:00 on Tuesday, Oct. 20.
- ☒ **Legion of Mary** will meet in the Grand Hall at 6:30 on Tuesday, Oct. 20.
- ☒ **The Contemporary Group** will sing at the 11:15 Mass on Sunday, Oct. 25.
- ☒ **Baptism Class**, Monday, Oct. 26 in Weber Hall at 7:00 pm; call the parish office to register in advance
- ☒ **Chili Cook-Off and Trunk-or-Treat**, October 31; parking lot and Founders Hall.
- ☒ **Wine and Cheese Party** for new parishioners at Fr. Tom's house; 6:30 pm on Friday, Nov. 6

Fall Sausage Dinner News

Can you believe it's come and gone already?

Our annual Fall Sausage Dinner was a huge success once again!

- ♦ We served **3,257** dinners!
- ♦ The spectacular Marian Council quilt was won by B. Pohlman.
- ♦ The Bonanza Extravaganza Raffle had 3 winners: the big screen TV was won by George Stark; the Ipad was won by Jimmy Pool; and the \$250 cash prize went to Becky Kettler.
- ♦ The BIG 50/50 raffle, worth over \$2200, was won by Jimmy Pool.
- ♦ Attendance prizes went to Pam Degistad of Chesterfield, MO and Carol Godat of Maryland Heights.
- ♦ The PSR basket was won by Charlene- sorry, we don't have her last name. But we do have her phone number and she has been notified.
- ♦ Worker prizes were awarded to Bob Perry, Megan Browne and Rik Hill.



If you haven't read Fr. Tom's column yet, please do so!



The one thing that amazes our guests is our hospitality. If you have never volunteered to help with the fall or spring dinners, please consider helping next time. We always need more help and it's such a great way to have fun and meet other parishioners!

Many, many thanks to all who participated in this year's fall dinner. You worked hard and it showed!

Out and About

Breakfasts and Dinners

- **Sausage Supper with Potato Pancakes, St. John's UCC in Cappeln;** Sunday, Nov. 1 from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. Adults, \$11, Children, \$6, children under 6 are free. All you care to eat! 636-828-5221
- **Breakfast, Immaculate Conception in Augusta** on Oct. 25, 8:00 am to noon; all you can eat for \$8 (children, \$3)
- **Sausage Festival, St Peter Church in St. Charles** on Nov. 1, noon to 7:00 pm; whole hog sausage dinner; adults, \$11, children ages 6-12, \$5
- **Sausage Festival, St. John the Baptist Parish in Villa Ridge, MO,** on Oct. 25 from 10:30 to 6:00 pm. Adults, \$14; children under age 12, \$5; and preschoolers are free.
- **Sausage Dinner, St. Paul Lutheran Church in New Melle,** on Oct. 18 from 11:30 am to 5:30. Adults, \$11; children ages 6-12, \$5; and under age 5 are free.
- **Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner at St. Ignatius Parish in Concord Hill,** MO on November 26, 2015. Serving 11:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Annual Buffet Style, All You Can Eat! Adults - \$12, Seniors (Age 62+) - \$10, Children 6 to 12 - \$5; 636-932-4445
- **Fried Chicken Dinner at St. Patrick Parish in Wentzville;** Nov 6 from 4:00 pm to 7:00; All you can eat Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Gravy, Green Beans, Baked Beans, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Rolls
- **Turkey and pork sausage dinner at Holy Rosary Church in Warrenton,** MO; Annual Fall Dinner and Craft Show on Sunday, October 25, 2015. We will be serving from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. Adults \$12.00, children ages 6-12, \$5.00
- **Sunday Breakfast at St. Vincent in Dutzow,** Nov. 1 from 8:00 am to 11:30; adults, \$9; all grade school children eat free. Also this time there will be a Scholastic Book Fair going on from 8:30 to noon; special guest, Clifford the Big Red Dog!

Just for fun

- **Craft Fair at St. John's UCC** in Cappeln, Saturday, Nov. 28 from 9 am to 2 pm. Crafts, collectibles, food and drinks available (chicken salad sandwiches, hot dogs, chili dogs, nachos, homemade soups, dessert and drinks. 636-828-5452
- **Fall Festival at Assumption in O'Fallon:** live music, haunted hayrides, carnival rides, tasty food, games of chance, inflatables, refreshing spirits, and plenty of crafts at the annual Fall Festival at Assumption Parish (403 North Main St., O'Fallon, MO 63366) from 11 a.m. – 11 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17 and from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 18. Sausage and turkey dinners with all the trimmings on Sunday. McLovin plays from 7 – 11 p.m. on Saturday and again from 12 – 4 p.m. on Sunday. Pork steak dinners available on Saturday night. [\(636\) 240-3721](tel:6362403721).
- **4th annual Halloween Howl for the Homeless** 5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, October 31st, start-time 9:00am; benefits the Sts. Joachim and Ann Care Service. A Children's *Monster Mile* Fun Run will follow at 9:20 a.m. Costumes are encouraged and prizes will be awarded to the best costume in numerous categories. Both events take place on the campus of St. Charles Community College in Cottleville, MO. Online registration can be completed at www.HalloweenHowl.org. The cost for either event is \$33 for individuals; \$110 for a family of four participants; includes a long sleeve cotton-blend shirt.
- **Mouse Races at St. Vincent dePaul in Dutzow;** Saturday, Oct. 24; doors open at 6:00 pm, races start at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. For details, call Judy at 636-357-3287

Opportunities

- **St. Dominic High School** will hold a Special Open House on Sunday, October 25th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come tour the school, meet our students, teachers and parents. The Jazz Band, Robotics Team, Theater Group, and many sports teams will be present and performing.
- **St. Francis Borgia Regional High School** will hold an Open House on Sunday, October 25, from 12:00-2:00PM. The entire community is invited. SFRHS, is a catholic, college preparatory high school, which serves eight counties. This is an excellent opportunity for all members of the community to come in and visit, and get to know more about becoming a member of the Borgia family.
- **ATTENTION CRAFTERS:** The annual All Saints Craft Bazaar has a limited number of spots available for the show on Sat, Nov. 14, 2015. The show is for hand-made items only, no vendors. If you're interested in participating, please email or call Mindy at mindytihen@hotmail.com or [314-608-0238](tel:3146080238)

Positions Available

St. Joseph School- Cottleville is looking for qualified school personnel for the following position for the 2015-16 school year: Substitute Teachers: Please email your resume and letter of interest to Cindy Stowers, Assistant Principal at cstowers@stjoecot.org.

Extended Day Program (Part time. Hours are 2:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. as scheduled): Please email your resume and letter of interest to Maggie Wright, Director of EDP at mwright@stjoecot.org

The Friends of Priests Prayer Campaign for all Priests, Deacons, Seminarians and Consecrated Religious will begin on Sunday, Oct. 18 and end on Tuesday, Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. All parishioners are invited to sign a pledge to pray 10 Hail Marys each day during that time. The completed, returned pledge sheets will be presented in book form at the 5 pm Mass on Saturday, Dec. 5 at the Cathedral Basilica. All are welcome to attend.