



# Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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## Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday: 8:00am, 4:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday  
Sunday: 7:30am, 10:00am  
Weekdays: 8:00am & Wednesdays at 6:30pm (in the chapel)

## Weekly Devotions and Prayers

### Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 8:30am until Friday 11:00am, St. Joseph Chapel

Rosary: Prior to weekdays 8am and Saturday 4pm Mass

### Weekday devotions after morning Mass:

Tuesday: Mother of Perpetual Help

Wednesday: Litany of St. Joseph

Thursday: Celebrating the Sanctity of Life

First Friday: Litany of the Sacred Heart

### First Saturday of the Month Devotions

8:00am Mass, Rosary, 15 minutes of meditation

## Sacraments

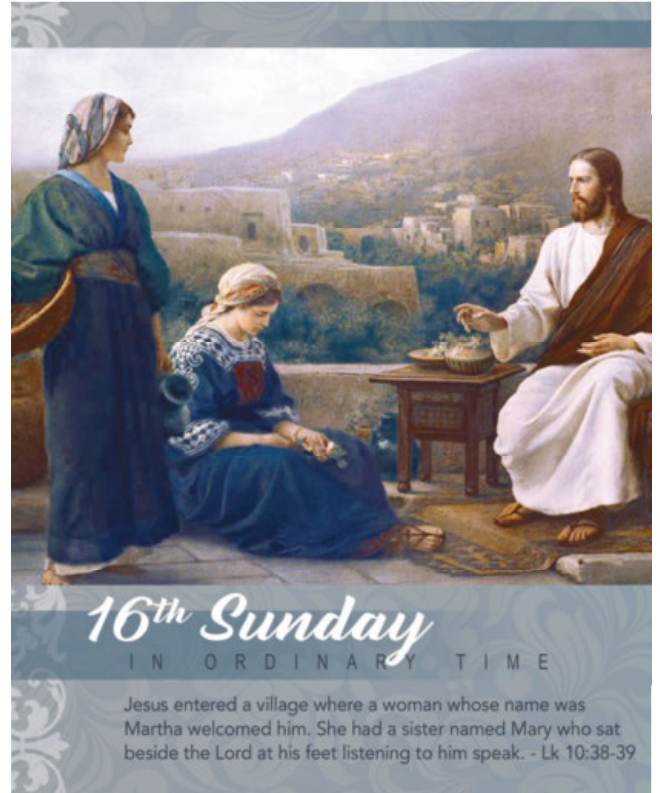
Reconciliation: Wednesdays in St. Joseph chapel, 7pm  
Saturdays in church following 8am Mass

Marriage: Contact the parish office  
at least six months prior to the wedding

Baptism: Contact the parish office  
to register for class and to arrange date

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:  
Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office

## July 17, 2022



## Deeper Understanding of Scripture

“Our families need to ask for the gift of the Spirit! Through prayer, even in the busiest times, we give time back to God, we find the peace that comes from appreciating the important things, and we encounter the joy of God’s unexpected gifts. Through daily prayer may our homes become, like the house of Martha and Mary, places where Jesus always finds a warm welcome.”  
*Pope Francis*

While it is necessary to attend to the details of hospitality, learning how to be present to people, experiences, and God is sometimes more important. Creating homes that are welcoming environments requires not only organization and structure but members who truly enjoy being there and celebrating life with one another.

Details can often get the best of us. While attending to details is important to success, our obsession with them can be problematic. Whether wanting to make a good impression, fear of failure, insecurity, or emotional immaturity, throwing ourselves into the “details” of hospitality can distract us from being present to those we want to serve. Conversely, focusing exclusively on being present without any attention to detail also sets our attempts at hospitality up for disaster! We need a balance of both. But creating a truly welcoming space in our homes and within ourselves requires still more.

We have to be empty of ourselves. Becoming a welcoming, hospitable person is not possible in someone focused on their own needs and desires.

If the one we serve is the one who looks back at us in the mirror, then there is no space for anyone else.

While Martha and Mary had different ideas of what it means to serve, they both had the inner space and freedom to do so. They were detached from themselves. Detachment becomes the challenge to hospitality and creating a God-centered, open-hearted space in our lives. When we impulsively act out of our personal agendas, violence, abuse, pride, greed, lust, power, control, passion, and self-aggrandizement encroach upon the space needed to be present to another human being. Not only can others not find a home in us, but even God cannot find a home in us!

### Parish Staff

Parish Office: 636-398-5270

Fr. Tom Miller, Pastor *askpadre@aol.com*  
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Karen Wappelhorst, Child Safety Coordinator  
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### Religious Education

Shawn Mueller, Director

636-398-5270, *smueller@ihm-newmelle.org*

Parish School of Religion  
Grades 1 thru 8, September thru May, 8:45-9:45am, Sundays  
Confirmation Preparation  
8th Grade—September thru May, 8:45-9:45am, Sundays  
Children's Liturgy of the Word  
September thru May, during the 10am Sunday Mass  
Adult Education  
Sundays 8:45—9:45am Grand Hall, Wednesdays 7:10pm Weber Hall  
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—contact Shawn for schedule

### Quick Contacts Directory

#### Parish Youth

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#### Prayer and Devotion

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#### Parish Organizations

Budget & Finance  
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Cub Scouts: Jerry Hespen 636-236-1955  
Scouts: Chris Williams 314-713-9170  
St. Vincent de Paul  
Joe Willis 618-806-6684  
Welcoming Committee  
Teresa Berfanger 636-398-5565

## *Why you shouldn't miss Sunday Mass on summer vacation*

*It's tempting to skip Sunday Mass while relaxing on the beach, but summer vacation doesn't exempt us from going to church.*

When traveling away from home to enjoy a relaxing time of vacation, it can be tempting to "forget" to attend Mass on Sunday.

We may want to sleep in on Sunday, or there might not be a convenient Mass time and we don't want to interrupt our activities.

Whatever excuse we may come up with, vacation seems much simpler if we skip the Sunday obligation.

**However, God doesn't see it this way.**

The current *Code of Canon Law* confirms the Sunday obligation and states, "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, **the faithful are obliged to participate in the Mass.**"

This means that any Catholic who is able to attend Mass must make every reasonable effort to be there.

At times there may be exceptional circumstances that could dispense a person from attending Mass. For example, if the town you're traveling to doesn't have a Catholic parish, it would be unreasonable to expect you to find a Mass. But opting to skip an available Mass in favor of **enjoying time on the beach is not a legitimate reason to miss Sunday Mass.**

### **Time for God**

The reason why the Church is so insistent on this

issue is that we need to make time for God on Sundays, worshiping in the way that *he* designed.

St. John Paul II urged all Catholics to renew their dedication to the Sunday Eucharist in his apostolic letter, *Dies Domini*.

It is crucially important that all the faithful should be convinced that they cannot live their faith or share fully in the life of the Christian community unless they take part regularly in the Sunday Eucharistic assembly. The Eucharist is the full realization of the worship which humanity owes to God, and it cannot be compared to any other religious experience. A particularly efficacious expression of this is the Sunday gathering of the entire community, obedient to the voice of the Risen Lord who calls the faithful together to give them the light of his word and the nourishment of his Body as the perennial sacramental wellspring of redemption. The grace flowing from this wellspring renews mankind, life and history.

While it may be easier to skip Mass on Sunday when traveling, we would be sacrificing the wellspring of grace that God wants to give to us in every Sunday Eucharist.

Above all, don't see the obligation to Sunday Mass as an imposition, but as an invitation to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

*Philip Kosloski, spirituality writer for Aleteia.org*

## *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year C*

[Martha complained to Jesus because Mary visited with him while she worked. Jesus replied,]

"Martha, Martha!...Mary has chosen the right thing, and it will not be taken away from her." LUKE 10:41-42

A young monk had questions about his order's motto: "Pray and Work." So one day the abbot invited him to row across the lake with him. The abbot rowed first—but with one oar. As a result the boat went in circles, and they made no progress. The young monk said, "Abbot, unless you row with both oars, you won't get anywhere." The abbot replied, "You're so right, son! The right oar is prayer; the left is work. Unless you use them together, you just go in circles."

What balance do I try to keep between work and prayer? How do I know when the balance is correct?

*Each Christian needs half an hour of prayer each day, except when we are busy; then we need an hour.* —St. Francis de Sales

Fr. Mark Link S.J. (*Action 2000*)



## Ministry Schedule

July 16—4pm (guest priest)

EM: Kathy Lalonde, Karen Wilson, Pat Roche, Mary Hannig, Bryan Potter, Donna Cuddihee, Carole Baker, Bernie Pollihan  
Lec: Joe Willis, Jackie Dunn  
Music: Bryan & Elizabeth  
GB: Judy Cova, Vanita Joerling  
Serv: Brody & Ashlyn Stafford  
Ush: Chris Cuddihee, Tim Wilson, Dave Hendrix, Mike Rieker

July 17—7:30am (guest priest)

EM: Jan Kardasz, Jackie Barclay, John Fiacco, Dianne Dickherber, Marcy Pivin, Betty Tuepker  
Lec: Kris Jenkins, Mary Hardesty  
Music: Verdi & Elizabeth  
GB: Tom & Carol Ostermeyer  
Serv: David Vehige, Sydney Jaeckle  
Ush: Rich Molitor, Joe Weber, Brian Corrigan, Ron Jacob

July 17—10am (guest priest)

EM: Chris Aulbach, Amy Brinkmann, Pat Gentry, Anne Steffens, Chris & Kat Menne, Laura Holstein, Chuck Hinkle,  
Lec: Susan & Don Hladky  
Music: Bryan, Betsy S, Mary  
GB: Ruth Scott & Joshua Scott  
Serv: Lily Nelson, Lannah Montgomery  
Ush: Alan Raymond, Bill Riley, Bill Winters, Gary Struckhoff

### IHMformation Station

4:00 Pat Roche  
7:30 Mark & Terri Thome  
10:00 Ralph & Janice Britton

## Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Phyllis Zerr, Fran Bussen, Betty Boyd, Amy Robbins, Don Schmidt, Carl Wolff, George Stark, Pat Foster, Betty Heppermann, Joyce Brakensiek, Tom & Mary Jean Hartenbach, Terry Hagan, Richard & Doris Berhorst, Pat Ryan, Larry Hecht, Pete Schepis, Jeff Bollman, Tom Baker, Jim Hall, Roger and Dianne Sudbrock, Jim Warren

Steve Wengerski and Kathy Schuckman (friends of Mandy Daub), Keith Langford (son of Rita & brother of Valerie Langford), Red Brockmeyer (cousin of Kay & Ray Cherry), Karla Sitzes (daughter of Sophia Bax), Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen), Jennifer Fitzsimmons (cousin of Karen Fitzsimmons), Mary Ann Blaske (mother of Jeff Blaske), Marlene Hagemeyer (sister of Pat Roche), Charlie Grady (grandson of John & Carol Grady), Michael Gober (son of Ray and Janice Gober), Rosemary Bell (sister of Janet & Jerry Hespern), Jessica Anderson (daughter-in-law of Bill & Terri Anderson), Malachi (toddler nephew of Tim & Kim Lebb)

**Hospitalization:** If you are hospitalized, please let us know. Please call the office or ask a friend to call for you if necessary.

**Communion Calls:** If you would like to receive Communion but are unable to get to Mass because of illness or disability, please contact the parish office: 636-398-5270.

**Prayer Requests:** Brenda Hutchcraft at 636-248-8493 or email brhutchcraft@gmail.com

## Ministry Schedule

July 23—4pm

EM: Becky Wilson, Bernie Pollihan, Wilma Zurweller, Vanita Joerling, Cheryl Gray, Judy Cova, Wally & Jan Karase  
Lec: Larry Graves, Donna Hecht  
Music: Bryan, Norm, Dick, Stacey  
GB: Doug & Christine Scheer Family  
Serv: Sophia & Trevor Hake  
Ush: Andy Pope, Bob Gray, Ed Etkorn, Bill Pollihan

July 24—7:30am

EM: Maureen Blondin, Mary Keune, John Fiacco, Kris Jenkins, Betty Tuepker, Bob Brossette  
Lec: Bob Leeker, Yvonne Brossette  
Music: Verdi & Brooke  
GB: Mike & Mary Hardesty  
Serv: Alex & Maria McCarthy  
Ush: Rich Scharf, Gary Potter, Tom Meczkowski, Larry Koch

July 24—10am

EM: Walter & Nancy Hollenstein, Janet Hespern, Anne Steffens, Donna Wolff, Amy Brinkmann, Laura Orf, volunteer please  
Lec: Chuck Hinkle, Mary Busby-Simpson  
Music: Bryan, Betsy B, Mike, Mary  
GB: Don & Susan Hladky  
Serv: Billy & Peter Simon  
Ush: Mark Thome, Alan Raymond, Ron Simpson, Chris Molitor

### IHMformation Station

4:00 Wally & Jan Karase  
7:30 Bob & Yvonne Brossette  
10:00 Chuck & Laurie Hinkle

### Heavenly Dusters

Week of July 17: Yvonne Brossette  
Week of July 24: Flo Joerling  
Week of July 31: Jean Reed-Bamman

### Purificators

Month of July: Carol Ostermeyer



If you haven't done so already, please use your QR reader to scan here to answer a couple of questions that our parish leadership has formulated, to help us in our follow-up to the DMI survey. Thanks!

**Pope's Intentions for July: For the elderly**  
We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.



## Mass Intentions

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Monday, July 18         |  |
| 8:00am                  | Carol Sage +                           |
| Tuesday, July 19        |  |
| 8:00am                  | Sheila Birk +                          |
| Wednesday, July 20      |  |
| 8:00am                  | Frank Modder +                         |
| 6:30pm <u>in Chapel</u> | Frank Kardasz +                        |
| Thursday, July 21       |  |
| 8:00am                  | Al & Cy Bamert +                       |
| Friday, July 22         |  |
| 8:00am                  | All Souls                              |
| Saturday, July 23       |  |
| 8:00am                  | Mary Karll +                           |
| 4:00pm                  | Jim Blondin +                          |
| Sunday, July 24         |  |
| 7:30am                  | Bud Kellems +<br>Karen Windler (1st) + |
| 10:00am                 | People of IHM<br>Leroy Farwig +        |

## Contributions July 2/3

|                        |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| General Contributions: | \$8,718.50         |
| Online Gifts:          | <u>\$8,867.98</u>  |
| <b>Total Offering:</b> | <b>\$17,586.48</b> |

## Contributions July 9/10

|                        |                    |
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| General Contributions: | \$9,338.00         |
| Online Gifts:          | <u>\$5,512.11</u>  |
| <b>Total Offering:</b> | <b>\$14,850.11</b> |

*"...I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God." Colossians 1:25*

We are all called to evangelize—to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends and neighbors. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

**We pray:** that we have the courage to share our faith with those closest to us.

## Activities this Week

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Sunday, July 17    | Baptismal prep after 10am Mass—please register!   |
| Monday, July 18    | Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm<br>St. Vincent de Paul, Grand Hall, 6pm   |
| Tuesday, July 19   | Legion of Mary, Weber Hall, following 8am Mass<br>Fitness, Grand Hall foyer, 9am<br>Marian Council, Grand Hall, 6:30pm<br>KofC, Founders Hall, Rosary @ 7pm, meeting @ 7:30 |
| Wednesday, July 20 | Evening Mass, Chapel, 6:30pm, Reconciliation after SVDP, Grand Hall, 5:30—9pm   |
| Thursday, July 21  | Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am  |
| Friday, July 22    | Quilters, Weber Hall, 8:30—noon   |
| Saturday, July 23  | Reconciliation, church, 8:45am<br>Family Fun Night, back parking lot after 4pm Mass<br>see more info later in this bulletin   |

## Needed at the Pantry



hamburger and tuna helper, fruit juices, cold cereal, coffee, Bisquick, Jiffy corn bread mix, canned chili, beef stew, sugar, powdered drinks, cake and brownie mixes, icing, Jell-O and pudding regular and sugar-free, saltines, stuffing, chili beans, salad dressing, ketchup, mustard, and mayonnaise

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus affirms that to be a disciple we must also sit at His feet and listen to Him. St. Vincent de Paul taught that it is only in prayer that we can give selfless loving service to those who are poor.

This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish.

## SVDP 24-hour Helpline

St. Vincent de Paul has a 24 hour helpline for anyone in crisis, including the homeless, by dialing 2-1-1. Our coordinated entry team will respond to their needs. For our local SVDP Conference, please call 636-398-5270, ext. 225.

St. Barnabas the Apostle Super Raffle! Grand Prize is \$10,000 PLUS 14 other Monetary Prizes. \$100 per entry fee. For information: 314-599-4001, or mail your check for entry to: St. Barnabas the Apostle, Attention Raffle, 1400 North Main St., O'Fallon, MO 63366. Confirmation of receipt will be mailed to you.

Authentic Catholic Radio: AM 1460 EWTN  
Global Catholic Network: [www.ewtn.com/radio](http://www.ewtn.com/radio)  
and on Dish Channel 261

## What's Your Catholic IQ?

- The Nicene Creed that we recite at Sunday Mass describes which person of the Trinity as “the Lord, the giver of life?”
  - God the Father
  - God the Son
  - God the Holy Spirit
  - none of the above
- The Polish nun canonized in 2000, St. Faustina Kowalska, originated the devotion known as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - the Divine Mercy
  - Benediction
  - Centering Prayer
  - Transcendental Meditation
- According to tradition, the Apostle who was crucified upside down was \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Paul
  - James
  - Jude
  - Peter
- The liturgical feast that we celebrate 50 days after Easter is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Pentecost
  - the Transfiguration
  - Trinity Sunday
  - the Assumption
- The liturgical color for Pentecost is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - purple
  - rose
  - red
  - gold
- A miter is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Canon Law’s word for invincible ignorance
  - the tall spire on a steeple
  - a tall hat worn by a bishop
  - a corporal work of mercy
- The New Testament book Acts of the Apostles was written by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - St. Paul
  - St. Luke
  - St. Mark
  - St. Matthias
- Agnus Dei* is the Latin for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Holy, Holy, Holy
  - Lord, I am not worthy
  - Glory to God
  - Lamb of God
- The Hispanic organizer of California’s migrant farm workers who led boycotts of non-union supermarket produce in the 1960s and 1970s was \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Antonio Banderas
  - Cesar Chavez
  - Ivan Ilitch
  - Fidel Castro
- Moses’ assistant who led the Israelites into the promised land after Moses died at the age of 120 was \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Joshua
  - Samson
  - David
  - Hezekiah



### Rest in Peace



We offer our prayerful sympathy to the families of

**Ann Fitzgerald**, sister of Patricia Clayton,  
Kathleen Ditch and Jane Griffin

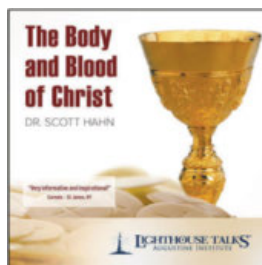
**Hank Voss**, brother-in-law and  
**Chris Laneman**, cousin of Ruth Nolkemper

**Rose Eccardt**, wife of Curt Eccardt

May they and all the faithful departed  
rest in the eternal peace of Christ.

### PSR Corner

In the Traditional-Devotional Dedication of the Months of the Year, the month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus. Loving union-contact with the Precious Blood of Jesus is the greatest gift on earth. It is given to us in the sacraments, primarily in the Eucharist. Listen to some powerful audios on the Eucharist like this one, free at [www.ihm-newmelle.formed.org](http://www.ihm-newmelle.formed.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 CD Rack in the Narthex

- How did the Church begin and spread?
- Why is it important to learn about early Christianity?
- Who were the successors of the apostles and other leaders of the early Church?
- Were the doctrines and sacraments of the early Church different from those of the Catholic Church today?



As Catholics we can't truly know who we are without knowing where we came from—those earliest Christians who, succeeding Jesus and the apostles, codified and built upon the teachings they inherited. 20 Answers: The Early Church reveals the legacy of our forefathers in the Faith, showing how they lived and what they believed. And perhaps most importantly, how the Church they governed, guarded, and preached was the same Church that Jesus founded and the same Church that we have inherited

**KofC Council 823 invites all Knights and parishioners to St. Peter Church (St. Charles) for Marian Devotions on the 4th Tuesday each month (July 28) at 7pm. Includes Perpetual Help devotions & Rosary.**



## Spiritual Gifts—Charisms— of the Holy Spirit (4)



This is a series of articles on Spiritual Gifts. There are distinctions, differences between the Isaiah / Traditional Gifts we hear of at Confirmation and what are described as Motivational / Roman Gifts / Manifestation / Charismatic / Corinthian Gifts – Ministry / Ephesians Gifts.

(From <https://diolaf.org/gifts-and-charisms>)

(Part 2 of Motivational Gifts) – Romans 12:6-8 **We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.**

**CONTRIBUTOR (GIVER / ALMS GIVER)** -one who loves to give time, talent, energy and financial / material means to benefit others and advance the Gospel; a person of faith who knows that God supplies every need, and is willing to put themselves and their resources at the service of others.

**ADMINISTRATOR (FACILITATOR / LEADER)** - one who loves to organize, lead or direct, knowing by faith that any project can be accomplished by bringing together the right people to do it – one that is "over others" - a person of broad vision, the administrator grasps the overall picture and sees all that is involved.

**ONE WHO SHOWS MERCY (PERSON OF COMPASSION)** – one who shows compassion, love and care to those in need; one who readily recognizes the pain people experience and reaches out to bring healing and love into action; as a person of faith, helping others to work together in love.

1 Peter 4:8-11 shows us how to use our Motivational Gifts – "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God; whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."



Janet Hespen,  
Youth Minister,  
314-369-6521

Come and meet your Parish friends and let the Holy Spirit guide you in new directions.

All meetings from 6:30 to 8pm in Founders Hall  
July 21 August 4 & 18 September 1 & 15

As always, if you have any questions or just need to talk, call/email/text any time.



## Ballet Dance Classes



We had so much fun dancing at Ballerina Princess Camp that we have decided to offer weekly dance classes on Wednesday evenings September through May.

- ◇ Pre-Ballet for ages 3-5 from 5:00—5:45
  - ◇ Beginner Ballet for ages 6-8 from 5:45—6:30
  - ◇ Classes in Founders Hall
  - ◇ \$45/month + \$15 registration fee
  - ◇ Spring recital with no additional fees for costumes or tickets
  - ◇ Limited class size
  - ◇ Enroll at DanceTimeLLC.com
  - ◇ Email [dancetimellc@gmail.com](mailto:dancetimellc@gmail.com) for additional info.
- Kathy Fowler, Dance Time, LLC, 636-262-5548

# Parish Mission

## August 28-30 7pm in church

FEATURING  
**FATHER JIM SICHKO**

Fr Jim, Missionary of Mercy, uses real lives experiences and ties those experiences into the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. Known for his presentations entitled "60 minutes for Jesus", each talk is geared for all in a family household with no exceptions.



# Family Fun Night at IHM

**July 23rd**

**on the back parking lot  
beginning after 4:00pm Mass**



**Food Trucks**  
for purchase



Bring your lawnchairs

Bring your dancin' shoes



**Band**

Bring your family



**Bounce  
House**

**IHM will provide beer and wine  
(Donation only)**

**Grand Hall will be open for your relaxation  
and bathroom facilities**



## “Pro-Life Landscape after Dobbs” Forum on Saturday, July 23

Co-hosted by the Archdiocese of St. Louis and Diocese of Belleville Respect Life Apostolates

Learn how the landmark Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health decision will impact the pro-life landscape on the local, state and national levels from Catholic public policy experts. The Dobbs Forum will be held on Saturday, July 23 from 1:30 to 3:30pm at the Cardinal Rigali Center. The panel features attorney and lobbyist Jamie Morris, interim director of the Missouri Catholic Conference, attorney and public speaker Mary FioRito, Cardinal Francis George Fellow at the Ethics & Public Policy Center, and Missouri State Representative Mary Elizabeth Coleman, attorney with the Thomas More Society.

- ◆ Contact [prolife@archstl.org](mailto:prolife@archstl.org) or 314-792-7555 for additional information.
- ◆ Download and share the event flyer—google “Pro Life Landscape After Dobbs flyer”
- ◆ Promote the event on social media—google “Facebook Pro Life Landscape After Dobbs”

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Gospel of *Life*

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*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing”*

St. Patrick's Wentzville will have  
Holy Mass of Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life  
on Saturday, July 23, at 8:00 a.m.  
We will pray the Rosary for Life before Mass  
with a light reception after Mass in the social hall.



This summer, the Marianist Retreat and Conference Center located in Eureka is offering unique retreat opportunities, and you are cordially invited!

The weekend of July 29-31 you can spend a weekend exploring the spirituality of St. Terese of Avila—one of Christianity’s greatest teachers—as expressed in her classic work “The Seven Mansions of the Interior Castle.” This retreat is for people of all ages and in all stages of their spiritual journey.

Feel free to call, text, or email our Program Director, Paul Masek at 314-608-5447 or [paul@marianistretreat.com](mailto:paul@marianistretreat.com)

### Attention:

#### Sleeping Mats for the Homeless Crocheters

Do you know that 276 sleeping mats have been crocheted? We have kept approximately 165,600 bags out of landfills! (600 bags per mat x 276 mats) If anyone is interested in joining this effort, call Barbara Richter at 636-724-6443. If you are in need of quality plastic yarn, please call Barbara.



A great way to organize emergency meals for the people of our parish!

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| Arrival of a new baby | Injuries/Surgeries |
| Military deployment   | Extended illnesses |
| Condolences           | Group events       |

Please contact Kelly Meyer at [meyer5853@qmcinc.org](mailto:meyer5853@qmcinc.org) if you have any questions or would like to become a part of this ministry.



### Trip to the Holy Land: Nov. 6-17

A trip of a lifetime!! Please join us for a trip to Jordan, Israel, Palestine and Egypt from November 6-17. Invite your family and friends! Led by Father Sebastian Mundackal, pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows. We would need a minimum of 25 people to sign up. For details, contact Our Lady of Sorrows rectory at 314-351-1600 x103 or email: [rectory@olsorrows.org](mailto:rectory@olsorrows.org) or Father Sebastian at 636-212-1789 or email [sebastianosb@yahoo.com](mailto:sebastianosb@yahoo.com).



## Answers to Catholic IQ

1. c Listen carefully the next time you go to Mass for the Holy Spirit's "job description."
2. a St. Faustina (1905-1938) was given an overwhelming insight of God's mercy flowing through the heart of Christ. We celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday the first Sunday following Easter.
3. d Legend says that Peter claimed he was not worthy to die the same way Jesus did, and requested to be crucified upside down. It is generally accepted that he was martyred during the reign of Nero (54-68).
4. a Pentecost, the celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles, is often referred to as the birthday of the Church. The word "Pentecost" comes from the Greek word for "fifty."
5. c Traditionally, red, the color of blood, represents life. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost brought life to the community of Jesus' believers. They were ready to spread the teachings of Jesus to the ends of the earth.
6. c The miter is two pieces of stiff triangular-shaped material attached at the side to form a headdress. Reference to Israelite priests wearing such garb can be found in Exodus 39:28. In about the twelfth century it became the custom for bishops to wear the miter as a distinctive headdress.
7. b Acts picks up where Luke's Gospel left off.
8. d Today, the Lamb of God is sung or spoken in English at Mass while the priest breaks the consecrated host. The Lamb of God ends with "grant us peace" (*dona nobis pacem*).
9. b A deeply religious man influenced by Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr., Chavez (1927-1993) accompanied his protests with fasting and daily Mass.
10. a Moses saw the promised land but never entered it. Before he died, Moses blessed Joshua, and God gave Joshua wisdom to lead the people across the Jordan River (Deuteronomy 32:48-42, 34:9).

## Prayer Shawls

If you or someone you know needs to be wrapped in prayer, please pick a prayer shawl! We have a good supply in church of shawls that have been hand-crafted by parish members who offer a prayer with each stitch, and each one has been blessed by Fr. Tom.



It can be a stressful time for many after severe illnesses or loss of loved ones. Prayer Shawls are a lovely way to show you care.



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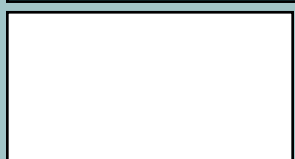
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