6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41

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6th Sunday Ordinary Time



AND GIVE ALMS

Wednesday of this week is Ash Wednesday

Mass Schedule:

6:30, 8:45 am & 5:30 pm

Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence (refraining from meat) for all Catholics age 14 onwards. Archdiocesan Lenten regulations posted elsewhere in this bulletin.

Parish Mass Times

Sunday Masses:	Saturday	5:00 p.m.
·	Sunday	7:30, 9:30,
	11:30 a.m.,	& 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses: 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m. Mon.-Sat. (School in session) 8:45 a.m. Wed.

Holy Days: Consult the current Sunday bulletin.

Perpetual Help: Tuesdays following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Contact the rectory to request visitation of the sick, either at home or in the hospital.

Sacraments

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Weekly: Thursday, following 8 a.m. Mass, Saturday 4-4:45 p.m. and anytime by appointment.

Baptism Class: A class is held each month in the Rectory at 6:30 p.m. All first time parents with a child to be baptized should be prepared to attend this class. Please call the rectory to register for the class (date **TBD**) (991.5700 x311).

Baptism: First Sunday of the month at 12:30 p.m.

Marriage: Engaged couples must contact a priest at least six months prior to the anticipated date of Marriage in order to allow sufficient time for preparation.

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Registration

New parishioners, please stop by or call the rectory to register. We look forward to meeting you.

Bulletin Deadline - Tuesday, NOON. Website - www.immacolata.org

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Dear Friends,

"FAIL! HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR LENT!" This is the captivating title of Father Augustine's presentation for this year's Parish Mission here at Immacolata. The Parish Mission will be **February 18 & 19, Sunday and Monday evenings, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** in church. We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Fr. Augustine's presentation, and Benediction. Fr. Augustine was the speaker at Advent by Candlelight this past December, and was very well received. **Be sure to mark your calendar: February 18 & 19!** The Mission is an excellent way to enter into the spirit of Lent.

Lent—a season of drawing closer to Jesus—begins this week, Ash Wednesday. This season of grace prepares us to celebrate the great feast of Easter, the celebration of the Lord's Resurrection and the promise of our own. In Lent the Holy Spirit touches people's hearts to renew their faith, repent of sin, help people in need, and experience the love of Christ. Let us keep our **focus on Christ** as we enter more fully into the faith in the midst of a busy world.

"We shall be blessed with clear vision if we keep our eyes fixed on Christ... The man who keeps his eyes upon the head and origin of the whole universe has them on virtue in all its perfection; he has them on truth, on justice, on immortality and on everything else that is good, for Christ is goodness itself." (St. Gregory of Nyssa, d. 395)

Masses on Ash Wednesday are at 6:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.

Lent is a good time to receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. Confessions here at the parish are scheduled throughout the year at these times: Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:45 p.m., and Thursdays right after the 8:00 a.m. Mass, and anytime by appointment. Confessions are heard every day at St. Mary Magdalen Church (Brentwood), and six days every week at St. Joseph Church (Clayton). The traditional spiritual practices of **prayer**, fasting, and almsgiving receive more attention during Lent as we draw closer to Jesus Christ. The *regulations on abstinence from meat, and fasting*, noted elsewhere in the bulletin and on the webpage, express the communal dimension of our faith.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: This Thursday we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:35 to 10:10 a.m., during which time our grade school children will be present for prayer in shifts. All of course are invited for private prayer at any time during Exposition.

In his first Epistle St. Peter wrote: "Christ Himself carried our sins in His body to the cross...It is by His wounds that you have been healed." (1 Peter 2:24)



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Msgr. Vernon Gardin



Mass Intentions for Monday-Saturday, February 12-17, 2024

MONDAY	6:30 AM 8:00	Joseph & Kathryn Darpel Antoinette Klinger		
TUESDAY	6:30 AM 8:00	Paul Shelton Terry Mehan		
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WEDNESDAY	6:30 AM 8:45 5:30 PM	Jerry & Sally Doyle (Anniv.) Lois Milford Margaret Sullivan		
THURSDAY	6:30 AM 8:00	Dec. Members Glarner Family Joseph & Kathryn Darpel		
FRIDAY	6:30 AM 8:00	Mary Grace Guyol Joyce M. Cullen		
SATURDAY	8:00 AM 5:00 PM	Jim & Sally Phelps For the People of the Parish		
Mass Intentions for Sunday, February 18, 2024				
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	7:30 AM	Urban Terry		
	9:30	Frank Adam, III		
	11:30	For the People of the Parish		

In your charity, please pray for those in our Parish Family who are sick and for those who have died, but in particular for those dear to us, especially, JACK MILFORD, brother, of Christine Hoffmeyer.

Antoinette Breihan

5:00 PM



ZIMMACOLATA I have taken over the Shining Armor Report this week to let you know not only did the students have a lot of fun during Catholic Schools Week, but we also completed a lot of service projects. During the week the students made 800 sandwiches for St. Vincent

de Paul shelter, they collected \$1400 in guarters for Suds of Love allowing the homeless to be able to do their laundry, created 53 blessing bags for Sts. Peter and Paul, donated numerous books to Ready Readers, and raised \$5914 during our Mission Carnival which will be sent to Haiti Health (formally Crudem). What a strong showing of Christian spirit from our school. Tom Havrilka ~ Principal



The Men's Faith Network will lead the Parish in the STATIONS of the CROSS this Lenten season. ALL are welcome, inside and outside of the Parish, We will start with a 7:00 pm Rosary followed by Stations at 7:30 pm on the following dates: 2/16, 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, and 3/22. Please feel free to bring a neighbor, friend or family member to this event protraying the Passion of Christ.

School Children and Stations of the Cross All are welcome to join the school children for Stations on the following dates and times: Friday, Feb. 23, at 8:45am lead by 4th grade Tuesday, March 5, at 2:15pm lead by 5th grade Friday, March 22, at 8:30am lead by 7th (and 1st) *Thursday, March 28*, at 2:00pm lead by 8th (and 2nd) outside.

Your Weekly Stewardship - Stewardship Generosity, Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given

SACRIFICIAL GIVING Through prayer we recognize that all we have is a gift from God: our time, our talents and our treasure. Our generosity is giving a portion of what we have been given.

Your Gifts to God & Immacolata Parish ~ February 3-4, 2024 Year to Date

Offertory Envelopes	\$	9,950	(includes online giving)
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Budget Required	\$	14,200	\$ 454,400
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Stewardship - The Path of Faith...Prayer, Participation, Generosity

Assignment of Liturgical Roles ~ February 12-18, 2024

Monday-Friday, February 12-16, 2024 6:30 am

LECTOR: John Welge SERVER: Dave Gruenbacher

Monday-Saturday, February 12-17, 2024 8:00 am LECTOR: Patrick Hayes SERVERS: Isabelle Ramshaw-Cooper Workes

Saturday, February 17, 2024 5:00 pm LECTOR: Jeff Mathews SERVERS: Maeve McDonald-Cadence Mackey EXTRAORD: Michelle Hunter-Betty Rataj

Sunday, February 18, 2024 7:30 am LECTOR: Dave Noce SERVERS: Tom Havrilka EXTRAORD: Cathy Day

9:30 am

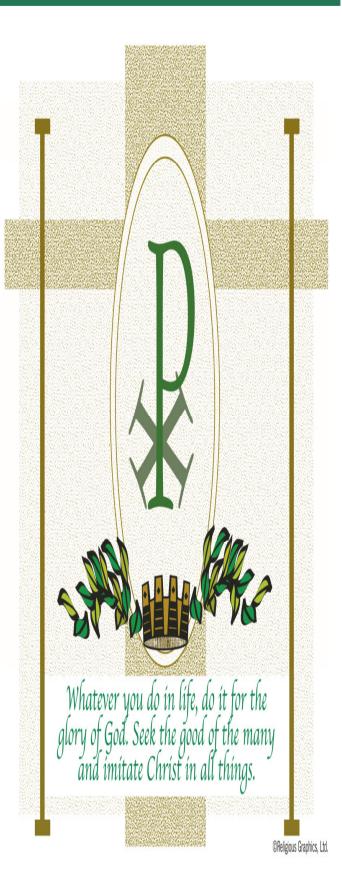
LECTOR: Ann Wiedl SERVER: Joey Fusz-Finn Scott EXTRAORD: Patty Erker-Danielle Mohrmann

11:30 am

LECTOR: Benetta Hochstatter SERVERS: Laine Auffenberg-Britton Bledsoe EXTRAORD: Nancy Akins-Pat Leahy

5:00 pm

LECTOR: Regina Jones SERVERS: Eliza & Nick Benninger EXTRAORD: Margie Murphy-Sanja Ord





JOIN US FOR A FISH FRY DINNER FUNDRAISER BENEFITTING IMMACOLATA PARISH HOSTED BY THE IMMACOLATA MEN'S FAITH GROUP

> Wednesday, February 14th Friday, February 23rd Friday, March 1st *Carry Out Only Friday, March 22nd

Immacolata School • Dinner Served 4:30-7pm

\$12 Dinner includes: Fish + 2 Sides

Cheese Pizza Meals Available for Children

Dessert , Beer, & Refreshments Available for Purchase

Credit Cards Accepted

ENTER AT THE IMMACOLATA SCHOOL BACK DOOR BY CAFETERIA

Kids Corner

Prayer

God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I'm sick.

Mission for the Week

Visit the sick. Make a card. Take a treat to share. Give them something to read. Pray for them before you leave. You will brighten their day.

Sharing the Gospel

It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school. You can't go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don't feel well at all. The man with leprosy in today's Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

Now color the picture! Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

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Transforming society to respect and protect all innocent human life.

10 Reasons to DECLINE to Sign

Parental Consent laws will be eliminated

If a "right" to abortion is enshrined in our Missouri Constitution it would allow abortions to be performed on pregnant minors without notice to or consent from the minor's parents.



Partial-birth / Late-term abortions on demand

If our Missouri Constitution is amended with a "right" to abortion, abortion will be allowed from conception to live birth, including partial-birth / late-term abortions.

Abortion - all 9 months

If this amendment passes, abortions will be allowed for "physical or mental health" reasons all 9 months - from conception to live birth.



Health & Safety standards eliminated

Missouri law requires health and safety standards for abortion clinics. These would be eliminated if this amendment passes, and would allow anyone to perform abortions without a healthcare license.



MO's 52+ pro-life laws will be eliminated

Our Missouri Constitution is our state's supreme (highest) law and governing document. Our prolife laws will be eliminated by enshrining a "right" to abortion in our Missouri Constitution.

Women lose ability to sue for malpractice



A woman's ability to seek criminal prosecution/civil penalty of any person who performs/assists/provides support to induce/ seek/obtain an abortion will be eliminated.

PRCs forced to refer for abortion

Pregnancy Resource Centers will be forced to refer for abortion.

Ultrasounds eliminated

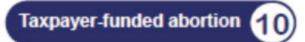


Abortion clinics will no longer be required to otfer or show a mother her baby's ultrasound image.

Significant \$ Loss to MO

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Missouri will suffer a significant loss to state and local revenue (the MO AG estimates increased litigation costs alone of up to \$21m).



If abortion is enshrined as a "right" in our Missouri Constitution, your legislator will be unable to refuse to appropriate funds to abortion providers.

Contact us for more information about how you can be a pro-life voice! Missouri Right to Life, PO Box 651, Jefferson City, MO 65102 | 573-635-5110 | missourilife.org

Knights of Columbus presents 14TH ANNUAL ASH WEDNESDAY FISH FRY

February 14 4:00 - 7:00pm St. Joseph Parish Hall (basement of church) Baked Fish — Fried Fish — Shrimp — Fish & Shrimp Reservations preferred — Walk-ins welcome — Carry-outs available

To make a reservation, email (parishoffice@stjosephclayton.org) or call (314-726-1221) the parish office with the following information or drop this form in the collection basket. All checks should be made out to "KofC Council 11794". All meals include slaw, mostaccioli, hush puppies, dessert, and beverage! Thanks to those who make our delicious, homemade desserts!

Name:		
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Circle one:	Dine-in	Carry-out

	Regular price	# of Adults	Children (12 and under)	# of Children
Fried Fish	\$15		\$10	
Baked Fish	\$15		\$10	
Shrimp	\$15		\$10	
Fish & Shrimp	\$17		\$10	
	\$ Due:		\$ Enclosed:	

6th Sunday Ordinary Time

STL Awakenings hosted by the UMSL Catholic Newman Center is our most popular retreat of the year and we would like to invite you to join us! It's a weekend of spiritual growth and fun that you will never forget (seriously). You do not have to attend UMSL just be college aged. The retreat is 2 nights and 2 days—we'll meet at the Catholic Newman Center on Friday, February 23rd at 4pm and return on Sunday, Feb. 25th at 3pm.

Cost is \$60.00 for the entire weekend. If you register online before February 12th, you get \$10 off!! The final registration deadline is Friday, February 19th. Registration and more information for our Awakenings Retreat is up on our website: <u>cncumsl.org</u>. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Joe at <u>joe@cncumsl.org</u>.

Mercy Center St. Louis

Guided Lenten Retreat featuring *The Chosen*, Tuesdays, Feb. 27, Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, 9:30 AM-2:00 PM at Mercy Conference and Retreat Center in Frontenac. \$40 individual session; \$175 for whole series. Presented by Sr. Danielle Witt, SSND and Carolyn Held. Each day will start with a viewing of an episode of *The Chosen* followed by reflection, prayer, and discussion. Free time for optional craft activities or walking the grounds. Lunch included. Register at mercycenterstl.org.



White House Retreat in South County will be hosting five Lent Day of Prayer events. Each event is on the beautiful campus of White House Retreat and includes three conferences from a member of the Jesuit staff, the chance for Reconciliation, Mass, free time to explore the campus, and lunch. The cost is \$35/person per event, and these events fill quickly. For each date, check-in runs from 8:15 AM to 9 AM, with the first talk beginning at 9:05. The events conclude around 2:30 PM.

Available dates are: February 14 (Ash Wednesday), March 11, 12, 25, and 26.

To register, visit <u>whitehouseretreat.org/day-of-prayer</u> or call 314-416-6400. Space is limited, advance registration required.



This year of 2024 has been designated as The Year of Prayer. Covenant Network Catholic radio is here to help you to increase or begin to create a structured prayer life. In addition to our engaging programming, the day is laced with prayer. You can pray the Angelus, the Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and much more with us. Don't miss the opportunity to enrich your day with prayer. Tune in to KHOJ 1460 AM or listen anytime on our Covenant Network app or at <u>OurCatholicRadio.org.</u>

CONTINUING CATHOLICISM

Guilt, Atonement, and Human Flourishing

In Lent, it is appropriate to remember the human condition, marked by sin and guilt. But it is also appropriate to remember the atonement of Christ, which redeems and restores us to love, joy, and peace with God. These lectures will focus on both the sorrowful and the joyful character of Christian life in this world.

FEB 21	LECTURE 1: Guilt and Forgiveness
FEB 28	LECTURE 2: The Atonement of Christ
MAR 6	LECTURE 3: Humility and Magnanimity
MAR 20	LECTURE 4: The Lesson of Ecclesiastes

PRESENTED BY DR. ELEONORE STUMP

Eleonore Stump is the Robert J. Henle Professor of Philosophy at Saint Louis University. She is also Honorary Professor at Wuhan University and at the Logos Institute, St Andrews, and a Professorial Fellow at Australian Catholic University. She has published extensively in philosophy of religion, contemporary metaphysics, and medieval philosophy. Her books include Aquinas (2003) and Wandering in Darkness: Narrative and the Problem of Suffering (2010). She has given the Gifford Lectures (2003), the Wilde lectures (2006), the Stewart lectures (2009), and the Stanton lectures at Cambridge in 2018. She is past president of the Society of Christian Philosophers, the American Catholic Philosophical Association, and the American Philosophical Association, Central Division; and she is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.



6:00 PM - Potluck Dinner 6:30 PM - Seminar (1h 30m) 8:00 PM - Mass



DONATION: \$125

REGISTRATION CAP: 80

Potluck dinner - CSC provides the main dish

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