

After Mass on Sunday, we will decorate the church for Christmas! Everyone is invited to help! Our Penance Service will be at 2 p.m.

**WELCOME** to all who have come to worship and pray with us. We're glad you're here! Please fill out a visitor card. They are found at each of the church entrances.

WEEKEND MASSES 6PM Saturday 10:30AM Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES 8:15AM Wednesday & Friday

# LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Some of our Masses are livestreamed on the church's Facebook page, SS Peter & Paul Church — Boonville, Mo.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION The Sacrament of Reconciliation is

generally offered 30 minutes prior to Mass unless otherwise announced and by appointment.

**THE ROSARY** is prayed before most Masses. Please join us.

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## Janet Thompson

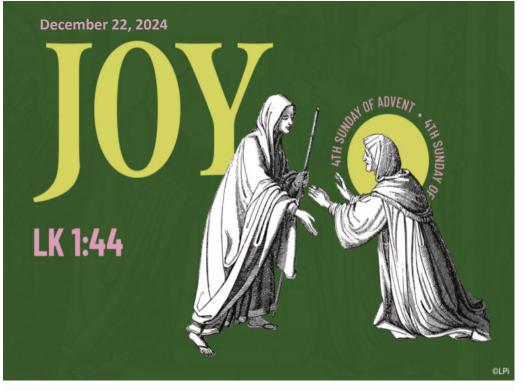
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FLOCKNOTE Text SSPPBV to 84576 to receive occasional text communications from the parish.

ST. JOSEPH, PILOT GROVE Father Mark is also the pastor at St. Joseph, Pilot Grove. Mass times are Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:05 a.m., Saturdays at 4 p.m. and Sundays at 8:30 a.m. Contact the St. Joseph office at 660-834-5600.

# Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Parish

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"Blessed are you who believed," Elizabeth tells Mary. Do we believe? When we hear the voice of God whispering in our heart, do we listen — or do we ignore, out of fear and uncertainty? This last week of Advent, follow Mary's example, and believe.

First Reading: You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah too Second Reading: "Then I said, 'As is written small to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel. (Mi 5:1) Psalm: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see

your face and we shall be saved. (Ps 80)

of me in the scroll, behold, I come to do your will, O God.'" (Heb 10:7)

Gospel: "And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?" (Lk 1:43)

# **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

The Blessed Virgin teaches us the secret to being blessed, happy, and full of joy. When Elizabeth, her cousin, greets her, she calls Mary "blessed" for two reasons, her motherhood of Jesus, and Our Lady's belief that "there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord" (Luke 1:45). Mary is "blessed" entirely because of her relationship to the Incarnation of God in Jesus, and for no other. This of course makes perfect sense, because as the Lord, as God-in-the-flesh, her son is the source of all blessedness, life, and joy. Mary is blessed because of her contact with Jesus, and by her faith in him.

So, it is with us, too. We become blessed by our "motherly" contact with Christ in our souls through baptism. He lives in us and grows to maturity within us. We bear him to the world. This requires unshakeable faith that his promises to us will be fulfilled, despite all the problems and difficulties that plague us. We become blessed, happy, and joyful in the measure that we are in contact with Jesus and trust in him.

ADVENT CHALLENGE: 1.) This week go to someone who has borne the love of Jesus to you and tell her or him how they have been a blessing to you. 2.) Name someone in your life now to whom God has sent you to bring Jesus' presence. Pray: "Lord, thank you for the blessing of sending me to bring your presence to this person. Help me bear you faithfully to him/her."

# FATHER'S MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, December 21 6PM: Dale Dinwiddie SUNDAY. December 22 10:30AM: Greg Larm CHRISTMAS EVE, TUESDAY, December 24 5PM: Gary Oerly 8:30PM: Ed & Mary Wiemholt

CHRISTMAS, WEDNESDAY, December 25 10AM: Ted & Brian Smith FRIDAY. December 27 8:15AM: John & Martha Vollmer SATURDAY, December 29 6PM: Larry Smith SUNDAY, December 29 10:30AM: People of the Parish

**PARISH COLLECTION** & TITHING

Information unavailable due to early print deadlines. Weekly Budgeted Collection & Tithing: \$17.846.15 YTD Collection & Tithing Received: \$385,782.67 YTD Budgeted Collection & Tithing: \$392,615.38

We are grateful to those who sacrificially tithe to financially support our parish. Thank you.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Dorothy Imhoff, who died December 9, 2024.

"May the souls of your faithful departed, through Your mercy Oh God, rest in peace, and may their families and friends receive comfort from the Lord."

# SPIRITUAL HOMEWORK: QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: Micah prophesied a "ruler" would come through the line of David ("Bethlehem-Ephrathah") and bring peace to the divided kingdom of Judah and Israel. How might you be able to promote peace this week among your family or co-workers?



# Second Reading: The author of Hebrews

reminds us that Christ makes us holy so that above all else, we do God's will. As the season of Advent draws to a close, what could be one practical way to do God's will this week?

Gospel: Elizabeth calls Mary "blessed" because she believed and trusted in the Lord. Are there people in your life who model such trust and faith in God?

## **Mass Ministry Volunteers**

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/Heb 10:5-10/

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK** 

Lk 1:39-45 Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79 Wednesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25; Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14; Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6,

11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20; Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22 Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97: 1-2, 5 -6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18 Next Sunday: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 (see 5a)/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52



**Bishop McKnight's December Prayer Intention for our Local Church:** For hope to find a home in our hearts as we embrace the joy of Christ's birth. Amid the jubilation, may we also find time in prayer to experience the calm and peace of God's presence in our lives.



The Pope's December Prayer Intention for Pilgrims of Hope: We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

# **SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent Monday: St. John of Kanty, Priest Tuesday: Christmas Eve Wednesday: The Nativity of the Lord Thursday: St. Stephen, First Martyr Friday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist Saturday: The Holy Innocents, martyrs

Next Sunday: The Holy Family



# December Altar Linens: Marilyn Vanderfeltz

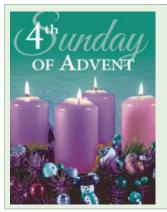
Altar Angels Church Cleaning Team Families: Toby & Kristina Friedrich, Chad & Sally Gaines, Jason Gerke, Tom & Emalee Gilberg Parish families with school-aged children are assigned each week to clean the church. The first family listed is the Team Coordinator. You will receive a text prior to your assignment with instructions. Thank you for your stewardship to our parish family!

	Sacristan	Coordinator	Lectors	Offertory	Greeters/Ushers	Servers	Musicians	Money Counters
Saturday, Dec. 28 6 p.m.	Diane Brimer	Jill Campbell	Paula Wiemholt	Ani Esser Family	Adam & Amy Imhoff Family	Parker Richerson Gentry Rogge Cole Viertel	Guitar Group	Team 1 Dana Nichols Stephanie Schuster David & Delinda Straatman
Sunday, Dec. 29 10:30 a.m.	Macie Fjell	Elena Wirths	Bill Rapp Linda Runnebaum	Danny & Melanie Wassmann Family	Larry & Kim Jones Russell Gerling	Josh & Isabelle Jones Harper Lowe	ТВА	

Please find someone to substitute for you if you are unable to fulfill your ministry. Sub lists can be found online at: tinyurl.com/5n78w677. Thank you for all you do to keep our liturgies reverent!

## PARISH CALENDAR

- Friday, December 20: SSPP School dismisses at 12 noon
- Third Friday, Dec. 20, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.: Adoration at church
- Friday, Dec. 20, 9 a.m.: Cursillo, cry room
- Friday, Dec. 20, 12 noon: SSPP School dismissal for Christmas break
- Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 21-22: Religious Articles case open for sales.
- Sunday, Dec. 22: OCIA, church hall, 9 a.m.; church decorating & open house at the rectory after Mass; penance service/First Reconciliation, 2 p.m.
- Monday, Dec. 23, 9 a.m.: Legion of Mary, parish office basement
- Monday, Dec. 23, 6:30 p.m.: Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, church
- Tuesday, Dec. 24, 10 a.m.: Bible study, canceled
- Tuesday, Dec. 24: Parish office closes at 12 noon
- Christmas Eve, Tuesday, Dec. 24: Masses at 5 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.
- Christmas, Wednesday, Dec. 25: Mass at 10 a.m. Parish office closed for the day.
- Thursday, Dec. 26: Items due for the Jan. 5 bulletin. Email to bulletin@ssppparish.net.
- Friday, Dec. 27, 9 a.m.: Cursillo, cry room
- Friday, Dec. 27: Bingo, KofC Hall, 1515 Radio Hill Rd. Doors open at 5 p.m. Early Birds start at 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 29, 9 a.m.: OCIA, church hall
- Sunday, Dec. 29, 12:30-4 p.m.: Church hall rented
- Monday, Dec. 30, 9 a.m.: Legion of Mary, parish office basement
- Monday, Dec. 30, 6:30 p.m.: Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, church
- Tuesday, Dec. 31: Parish office closes at 12 noon
- Wednesday, Jan. 1: Parish office closed.
- Friday, Jan. 3, 9 a.m.: Cursillo, cry room
- Saturday, Jan. 4, 8:30-5 p.m.: Church hall rented
- Sunday, Jan. 5, 9 a.m.: OCIA, church hall
- Sunday, Jan. 5, 7 p.m.: Youth Group, parish office basement
- Monday, Jan. 6, 9 a.m.: Legion of Mary, parish office basement
- Monday, Jan. 6, 6:30 p.m.: Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, church
- Tuesday, Jan. 7, 5:30 p.m.: Stewardship meeting, parish office
- Tuesday, Jan. 7, 6:30 p.m.: Medjugorje Prayer Group, cry room



Prayer for Advent Joy Dear Jesus, The news of your coming was met with boundless joy fill us anew with the wonder of your presence. You are Emmanuel, God with us. Amen.

# "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Luke 1:45)

Like Mary, encourage your children to trust in God's plan for their lives. If they feel called to serve as a priest or religious brother or sister, support them in believing in God's promise and following with courage. Have them reach out to your priest, religious coordinator, or diocesan vocation director.

# Advent Penance Services

## THURSDAY, DEC. 19, GLASGOW, 6:30 P.M. SUNDAY, DEC. 22, BOONVILLE, 2 P.M.

Note: In Boonville, Father Mark is available for Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to all Masses with the occasional exception of the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Confessions may also be scheduled by appointment, 660-882-6468.

"There are people who are afraid to go to confession, forgetting that they will not encounter a severe judge there, but the immensely merciful Father." - Pope Francis



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

## <u>SSPP MASS TIMES</u> Tuesday, December 24 5 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 25 10 a.m.

<u>OTHER MASS TIMES</u> Tuesday, December 24 Pilot Grove, 4 p.m. Clifton City, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, December 25 Clear Creek, 8 a.m. Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 722 Seventh St., Boonville, Ma 660-882-6468 ssppboonville.diojeffcity.org

# Support Our Seminarians & Infirm Priests

Through the Christmas Special Collection

Look for the envelope in the December 6 issue of *The Catholic Missourian* and bring it to Mass or the parish office



Ireland/Scotland Pilgrimage with Fr. Matthew Flatley if planned for August 18 - 31, 2025. The trip will include stops at Belfast, Dublin, Glasgow, Edinburgh, St. Andrews Scotch Whiskey Tour, Carfin Grotto, Scone Palace, Croagh Patrick, Lough Derg, Kylemore Abbey, Galway Cathedral, Cliffs of Moher, Knock Shrine, Blarney, Rock of Cashel, Dublin Eple Museum, Guinness Storehouse, St. Patrick's Church, Sairling Castle, Holyrood. and St. Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral. Please call Fr. Matt @ 573-202-3590 or email mflatley@diojeffcity.org to learn more.

We will gather in Jefferson City on Thursday, January 9, 2025 for an information night with Travel Tyme Pilgrimages.



**One of the longest running Christmas light displays at the Lake of the Ozarks returns this year through Jan. 5, 2025.** The National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church, 176 Marian Drive in Laurie, will be offering the display to the public, free of charge, from 5-10 p.m. each night. On Fridays, 6-8 p.m., the gift shop will be open and free hot cocoa and candy canes will be offered.

# Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained: CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Question: Why do we give gifts at Christmas?

Answer: Great events in and of

themselves are not tangible. They occur in life but leave no mark behind, nothing that someone could come across and know that something significant occurred. So we mark the event with monuments, holidays, gold watches or plaques, making a meaningful event tangible and memorable.

Gifts at Christmas do the same thing. They mark the occasion of the birth of Jesus, communicating a bit of the joy

of the day by allowing us to be both giver and receiver. Gift-

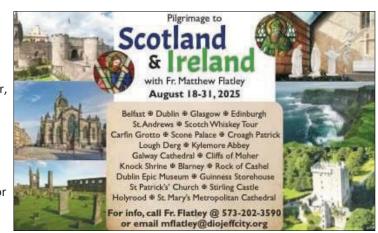
giving sets aside the day as special and different. The special foods,



customs, decorations, and gifts all help focus our attention on the importance and

meaning of the day and at the same time allow us to share personally in its joy and happiness.

In giving gifts, though, we can share in the meaning of Christmas in a significant way. We imitate God in sharing with others. We give a bit of ourselves to others in the gifts we give, just as God gives us the gift of his Son. No wonder we often say that the best gifts are those that come from the heart. Given in love, these presents are wrapped in the best covering of all.



# PRAYERS FOR OUR TROOPS

Please pray for: Technical Sgt. Matthew A. Babbitt, USAF Charleston, SC, son of Tony & Jeanette Babbitt; Lt. Col. Gregory Baker, USAF physician, Kuwait, grandson of Pat & the late John Davis; Spc. Justin Coleman, US Army, Fort Huachuca, AZ, son of Jim & Laura Coleman; 2nd Lt. Aaron Goedrich, USMC, Guantanamo Bay, grandson of Pat & the late John Davis; Cadet Peyton Hahn, USAF Academy, Colorado Springs, CO, son of Justin & Kristina Hahn; Lt. Austin L. Hein, US Navy, San Diego, son of Linda Hein and grandson of Gene & Emilie Herigon; Staff Sgt. Dutch Muder, US Army, Ft. Liberty, NC, grandson of Joyce & the late Tom Adair; Senior Airman Logan Q. Pfeiffer, Air Force, Alaska, grandson of Logan & Betty Pfeiffer; Col. Matthew Pfeiffer, USAF, Albuquerque, NM, son of Logan & Betty Pfeiffer; Timothy Shelby, USN pilot, seaside, grandson of Pat & the late John Davis; Lt. Chad Twenter, USMC, Camp Lejeune, NC, son of John & Lori Twenter; and all Veterans. To have your military family member included in the bulletin, please email the information to bulletin@ssppparish.net.

# ENCOUNTERING CHRIST RETREATS

#### On these silent retreats you can expect:

- Silence and a technology "
- Four conferences given by a monk, intended to lead the retreatant to encounter Christ
- Participation in the Divine Office and Mass with the monastic community
   Specific times for personal prayer and *lectio divina*
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#### MEN'S RETREATS

 Jan. 24–26, 2025
 July 18–20, 2025

 Feb-21–23, 2026 (hill)
 Aug. 29–31, 2025

 May 16–18, 2025
 Oct. 17–19, 2025

 May 30–June 1, 2025
 Nov. 21–23, 2025

 June 27–29, 2025
 Dec. 19–21, 2025

Jan. 17–19, 2025 Jan. 31–Feb. 2, 2025 March 21–23, 2025 May 23–25, 2025 June 20–22, 2025 July 11-13, 2025 Aug. 22-24, 2025 Sep. 12-14, 2025 Oct. 31- Nov. 2, 2025 Dec. 12-14, 2025

WOMEN'S RETREATS

Pricing: \$250 per person. Retreat costs includes all the meals, a private room, linen and towels, and retreat director fee.

We are located in northwest Missouri: 37174 State Huy V V | Conception, MO.64433



# Q: "What is hell?" - Philip S., 14

A: Hell is the eternal separation from God and the blessed (CCC #1033). Hell is (or will be) an actual place because the bodies of the resurrected damned will be there. Hell was originally just created for Satan and the other fallen angels who rebelled against God in the beginning of time. However, with the fall of man through original sin we, too, can now go to hell as punishment for unrepented sins against God.

Hell is also referred to as "Gehenna" (Matt. 25:41, Rev. 14:9-11). It has been described as a prison (Job 38:17), a place of torment and misery (Dan. 12:2, Matt. 8:11-12, Luke 13:24-28), a pit (Job 26:5-6, 2 Pet. 2-24), a place of darkness (Ps. 88:6, Jude 13), an unquenchable fire where the worm does not die (Isaiah 66:24), and a lake of fire (Rev. 19:20). Human images or responses used to describe hell include wailing (crying), gnashing of teeth, pain, stench, unquenchable thirst, binding chains and incredible darkness. There is only hate in hell, especially hate for God. According to the Catechism, hell is "reserved for those who to the end of their lives refuse to believe and be converted" (CCC #1034). Because God is just, only those who are truly worthy of hell will go there. It is for those who die in a state of mortal sin and who intentionally do not repent before death. References in the Bible to hell as a punishment for sin include Isaiah 3:11,



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a New Year's Eve Party at the hall, 1515 Radio Hill Rd. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Admission is \$10 which includes a Fun Bingo Card. All pro-

ceeds will benefit the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Pantry.

The event is a pot luck; please bring a dish to share. BYOB.

There will be music, activities, and a 50/50 drawing. Attendees must be 16 to play Bingo.



### Rom. 2:6, 1 Cor. 6:9-10 and more.

Few doctrines in Scripture are more frequently affirmed than hell. There are many references to hell in Scripture, including a dozen from Jesus Himself. The existence of hell is a dogma of the faith that Catholics are required to believe.

> Reprinted from "Did Adam & Eve Have Belly Buttons?" by Matthew J. Pinto

# St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power

of God, thrust into hell Satan and all

evil spirits who wander through the

world for the ruin of souls

Amen

# St. Michael the Archangel, PRAY FOR US

Diocese of Jefferson City Women's Ministry

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10:00 TO 3:00

SATURDAY 5th APRIL

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# 2024-25 Stewardship Information

Please pray and discern how you can share your time, talent, and treasure in the coming year. Paper Stewardship packets are available at each of the church entrances. The forms may also be completed online by using this QR code.



# In December, the Spiritual Adoption Program continues into the fifth month of pregnancy. Our prayer cards



are at each church entrance. We encourage you to pray daily.

**Fifth month unborn baby development:** In the fifth month, the baby responds to music, noises and voices in the mother's womb. The mother feels the baby's movements. The baby is fully formed and 7 ½ inches long weighing about one pound. The baby can hiccup! The baby can even cry but cannot be heard because there is no air inside the womb! There are a billion nerve cells in the baby's brain! In June we will celebrate all the babies we have been praying for.

# Additional note from Connie Gerling, ProLife Coordinator:

Please pray for the My Life Clinic that serves women in need of help during pregnancy. They are hoping to enlarge the space as the number of clients have increased. Also, I received an email from My Life Clinic that they have heard from a conference they attended that Planned Parenthood will be starting abortions December 5 in Columbia; let's pray that this does not happen.

Need a last minute Christmas gift? Purchase a Scrip gift card from our inventory. They make great gifts! Contact Darlene Smith at 660-537-8638 for pickup at her house. You can also email us at stsppscrip@gmail.com. As always, you can download the RaiseRight



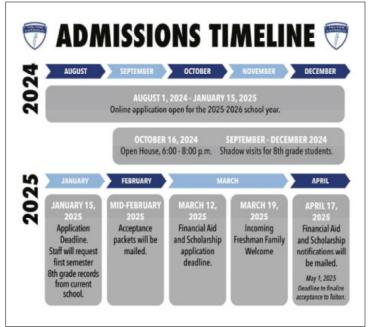
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# Haven't submitted your Tolton Catholic H.S. application yet?

Deadline to apply is January 15, 2025. To get started, visit toltoncatholic.org/apply. The application for the 2025-26 school year is open; please select the "2025-26 9th-12th Grade" application. Only students currently in the 8th grade or above are eligible to fill out the application. The deadline to apply is January 15, 2025. Questions? Contact Ashley Moore at amoore@toltoncatholic.org.





# Week of December 22, 2024



#### The Story of Christmas | Benjamin Cello Christmas Special

In this special hour-long television event, Benjamin Cello and his friends travel to Pennywhistle Park for a spectacular shadow puppet retelling of "The Story of Christmas" by Brother Joseph and "The Shadow of His Wings" puppet theater.



#### O Holy Night - Christmas with the Annie Moses Band

Experience the beauty of the Christmas season with the Annie Moses Band as the acclaimed classical crossover ensemble performs stunning arrangements of holiday favorites.



#### Mary's Labor: What Does Catholic Tradition Have to Say?

Join Dr. Scott Hefelfinger and Dr. Michael Barber as they explain the Catholic Church's understanding of Mary's labor and the birth of Jesus Christ.

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# Sacramental and Spiritual Life of the Parish

**AUTOMATIC TRANSFERS** If you would like your giving to be processed automatically, please download the authorization form at:

ssppboonville.diojeffcity.org/wpcontent/uploads/sites/17/2019/12/sspp -ach-authorization-form.pdf or pick-up a form in the front entrance of church. Completed forms may be delivered to the parish office.

**BAPTISM** Preparation is required for both parents, preferably during the early months of pregnancy. Contact Theresa Krebs, 882-6468 or dre@ssppparish.net.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Check the parish calendar for meeting dates. Call the parish office for details, 660-882-6468.

## **CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

Adults interested in inquiring about becoming Catholic are invited to participate in this process. Contact Pete Seleke, 816-863-7103, for more information on the process.

The **CURSILLO** movement is active in our parish. The Wednesday night group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month in the cry room at church at 5:30 p.m. Contact Ruth Wells, 660-888-5395. The Friday group meets in the can be found at each of the church cry room at 9 a.m. Contact Dave or Sue Miller at 660-888-6827 or 660-537-0437.

# **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED**

**SACRAMENT** is held on First and Third Fridays after the 8:15AM Mass until 9PM. Please come and pray with the Lord.

FORMED.ORG Join Formed for information on faith formation, sacramental preparation, Bible studies and youth resources. To register, go to signup.formed.org and select our parish. No code needed!

LEGION OF MARY meets Monday mornings at 9AM in the Parish Office basement. Their main ministry is to reach out to people to witness the Good News of Jesus. For more information, contact Nancy Poulsen Fangman, 660-466-0145 or email nancy56@iland.net. MARRIAGE Contact the parish office at least six months prior to your proposed wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

MEN'S GROUP Contact Deron Widmer,

# 573-289-0360.

MINISTRY TO THE HOSPITALIZED AND **HOMEBOUND** Please contact the office when a parishioner is hospitalized or sick. Father will schedule a visit and communion call, as appropriate. (Due to patient confidentiality, the parish is not automatically notified of hospital admissions.) Homebound parishioners can be added to our list as needed. Any parishioner in need of transportation to/from Mass may contact the office and we will attempt to schedule a ride for you.

NEW PARISHIONERS Welcome! Please take advantage of belonging to our parish by getting involved in a ministry! To register, pick-up a form in the back of church, download the form from our website or visit the parish office.

**PRAYER LINE** To place someone on the Prayer Line, please call Phyllis Lauer at 882-6367. You need not give your name, just let us know who we can pray for. Prayer requests may also be sent to ssppboonvillemo@gmail.com. If you want to be a part of our e-mail prayer chain, contact Russell Gerling at rgerling@iland.net. Prayer request cards entrances. You may put them in the collection basket.

PROLIFE GROUP Contact Connie Gerling, 660-621-2787, to get involved.

**REDUCED GLUTEN HOSTS** are available at each Mass. Please check-in at the sacristy so the priest will know to have it available. You will need to go to the center aisle to receive communion from Father.

**RELIGIOUS ARTICLES CASE** is generally open every third weekend of the month. Items are also available by contacting the parish office, 882-6468.

VOLUNTEERS Anyone who is volunteering with the youth in the parish (at church or the school) is required to be Virtus certified. Contact the parish office, 882-6468 or dre@ssppparish.net for more details, or visit www.virtus.org.

WOMEN'S GROUP meets monthly, on the third Wednesday in the parish office basement, unless otherwise announced, at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Jill Birch, jb081973@gmail.com.

OFFICE HOURS: The parish office is open 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Monday—Friday. The office number is 660-882-6468. THE BULLETIN DEADLINE IS MONDAYS AT 4 P.M. Email bulletin items to: bulletin@ssppparish.net.

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