

## IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*The parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, located in South Saint Louis City, comprised of small neighborhoods filled with multi-generational families, strives to answer God's call to.....*

- + COMMIT to live the Gospel;**
- +CELEBRATE Eucharist as a community;**
- +SERVE the needs of others;**
- + PARTICIPATE in parish life and ministries;**
- +STRIVE to be a sign of God's love!**

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#### **Celebration of the Holy Mass**

Saturday 4:30 p.m. (Sunday Vigil)  
 Sunday 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.  
 Weekdays Monday-Friday 8am Mass (Daily Chapel)  
 1st Saturday of the Month 8:00 a.m. (Daily Chapel)  
 Holydays As announced inside bulletin

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

1st Saturday of the month following 8:00 a.m. Mass until 11:30 a.m.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call the Rectory. First time parents will need to attend one meeting prior to the baptism.

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation**

The sacrament of Confirmation is normally organized by the parish school or PSR program attended by the candidate. Others are invited to contact the parish priest for preparation to receive this sacrament.

#### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Please schedule an initial meeting with the priest or deacon at least 6 months prior to the tentatively planned date for the ceremony.

#### **Holy Orders and Consecrated (Religious) Life**

Those discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life may contact the parish priest or the Archdiocese Vocations office at 314-792-6460.

#### **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**

Please call the Rectory to make an appointment with the parish priest.

**Care for those who are homebound, hospitalized, or in nursing home.** Please call the Rectory to arrange for Communion to be brought to any parishioner who is unable to come to Mass. Please inform the Rectory as soon as any parishioner is admitted to any hospital or nursing home.

#### **Devotions**

**Perpetual Help** Following Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Mass  
**Rosary** Following weekday Masses

#### **Becoming a Catholic**

Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults/Youth or Catechumen Meetings are weekly from September thru May to discuss your questions and the Catholic Faith. Call the Rectory for information.

#### **South City Deanery PSR**

Catholic Religious Education for children attending public or private non-religious schools. Call 314-773-3070.

#### **New Parishioners**

Please register as soon as possible by calling the Rectory.

**Bulletin items are due no later than 10 a.m. Monday** for the following week's bulletin. (Holiday deadlines can change without notice.)

# Mass for the Intentions Week

Mon.	10/12	8:00 a.m.	Tony Cladis
Tues.	10/13	8:00 a.m.	Tamarris Bohnannon
Wed.	10/14	8:00 a.m.	Mary Frances Hughes
Thurs.	10/15	8:00 a.m.	Jake Bock
Fri.	10/16	8:00 a.m.	James Bauer
Sat.	10/17	4:30 p.m.	Fred & Mike Garcia
Sun.	10/18	7:30 a.m.	Our Parish Family
		10:00 a.m.	Eugene Anthony Kral



## LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

Pray for those who are sick and their caregivers. Pray for Brenda Bucher, Glen Zapf, Joyce Huelsmann, Jerry Brendel (husband of JoAnn, father of Jason), Edna Walters, Stacey Long, Sandy Ceriotti, Juanita Bishop, Sr. Sheila Brennan, Alene May (mother of Annette DeGreef), Evelyn Vetz, Steve Baum (nephew of Jean Provaznik), Sandy Ceriotti, Bob Simmons, Frank Sandrowski, William Noll, Dorothy Seper, Rosemary Young, Don Smith, Jerry Brendel (husband of JoAnn), Gary Vance, Therese Shurig, Kathleen Moody (daughter of Charlie & Julie), Deacon Jack Burke (brother of Joan Mowery), Stephanie Hagan (wife of Barry), Anna Corson, Nick Corson Lammert and those parishioners who are homebound, living in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes, and all in our Prayer Book. May our Lord Jesus bring them comfort and healing.

If someone has been left off the prayer list or if you would like to add someone, please contact the rectory office.

Everyone must wear a mask entering and exiting the church. Parents with children nine and under may determine when the child is old enough to attend Mass and can abide by the safety guidelines.

We ask you to please sit in the open pews away from the aisles.

Please use your own best judgement concerning when you will return to Mass. Do not jeopardize your health.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the rectory.



## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**TUES Oct. 13 Boy Scouts FKC**

### IMPORTANT!

Meetings in the FKC are limited to 50 people and meetings in the RMR are limited to 15 people. Social distancing must be practiced.



**WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN THE ARMED FORCES. WE HOLD THEM IN OUR HEARTS AND AWAIT THEIR SAFE RETURN.....**

Lance Cpl. Andrew Ceriotti, U.S. Marines  
Pvt. David Walters, U.S. Army  
LT. Benjamin D. Stolarski, U.S. Navy  
Spec 4 Ian R. Larson, U.S. Army  
P2 Derek Ryan, U.S. Army  
Sgt. Lou Bollasina, U.S. Army  
A1C John Pipes USAF  
Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Clark U.S. Force  
Todd Bruemer, U.S. Navy  
M.K. 2 Brett Winkelmann, Coast Guard  
Cpl. Matthew T. Straub, U.S. Marines  
Sgt. Victor A. Will, U.S. Army  
Sgt. James A. Will, U.S. Army  
Tech Sgt. James Dobrynski, U.S. Air Force  
SSgt. Steve Appelbaum, U.S. Air Force  
Prvt First Class Troy Smith, U.S. Marines



## COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF:

**October 4, 2020**

**Envelopes: \$4958**

**Loose: \$196**

**Maintenance Fund: \$597**

- Thank you to all who make our IHM Parish Family strong & caring!
- Thank you to all who give of their time and talent, helping out in so many ways!
- Thank you to all who give back to God so generously with your **hard-earned** donations

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday through Thursday  
9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

# PARISH NEWS



## IN LOVING MEMORY Monday, November 2 6:00 p.m. Mass

Immaculate Heart of Mary celebrates our annual Mass of Remembrance, calling to mind all our dead, with special remembrance of those who have died this past year. Pause for a moment and join us in praying for your loved ones and for those in our parish community who have died.

## In Memoriam

Carl Bellers	10/29/2019
Martha Buck	11/07/2019
Marcella Jones	12/02/2019
Theresa Powers	12/03/2019
LaVelle Slocum	01/16/2020
Theresa Winkler	02/12/2020
Bernice Bock	02/20/2020
Chris Pfaender	02/21/2020
Jean Burke	03/13/2020
Adolph Wuenschner	03/16/2020
Don Broekelmann	04/13/2020
Mary Broekelmann	09/25/2020
John Patrick Scannell	05/02/2020
Alma Scheble	05/23/2020
John Reiter	06/06/2020
Joe Gioia	06/12/2020
John Schniedermeier	06/15/2020
Lauretta Mersinger	06/19/2020
Clementina Spink	08/01/2020
Raphael Spink	03/05/2018
Matt Caldwell	08/02/2020
Mary Theresa Thornton	08/04/2020
Catherine Ortinau	08/14/2020
Ed Macarthy, Sr	08/26/2020
Steve Zoricici	09/02/2020
Eric Sullentrup	09/21/2020
Celeste Lambing	09/24/2020
Judith Lambayan	09/25/2020



## REST IN PEACE

In your charity please pray for

Marilyn Krohn  
(mother of Nancy Tucker)

May she join her loved ones  
in joyful reunion with Jesus.

## RCIA

Right of  
Christian  
Initiation  
of Adults



## RCIA BEGINS THIS WEEK!

What is The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**? It is a program where interested adults are introduced to the Catholic faith in a planned and gradual process. It is the beginning step of a journey of faith with our Lord and his Church.

Persons interested in learning more about the Catholic faith usually begin by contacting the Parish Office (314-481-7543) and speaking with **Fr. Aaron** or by calling **Deacon Jim**. Anyone, even practicing Catholics, are welcome to attend. **We meet on Sundays. We will begin on October 11th at 11 a.m.**

## Got Stuff...

...that needs a  
new home?



Some items we cannot accept include: heavy exercise equipment; old, analog television sets; large, bulky appliances and furniture; magazines or encyclopedias, and items that have been recalled or taken off the market due to revised safety standards such as children's car seats, cribs, strollers, etc. We would also appreciate if clothing could be separated from other items.

A letter recognizing your charitable donation for tax purposes is available upon request. Please bring a list of the items you are donating, plus their estimated value to facilitate this process

THANKS FOR  
YOUR  
SUPPORT!

Although the 2020  
IHM New-To-You "Rummage Sale"

was cancelled, we are still accepting your precious treasures to be ready for the big event in 2021!

Our final drop-off date for the year  
is  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 12**  
Time: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
and  
5 to 7 p.m.

With the pandemic, movement of your precious treasures continues to require more coordination than in the past.

1. Items should still be brought to the school building through the door across from the rectory.
2. Donors are asked to wear masks during their drop-off.
3. One donor will be able to drop off items at a time. Please remain in your vehicle, and a volunteer will unload the items for you.
4. Subsequent donors are asked to wait in their vehicles until a rummage sale committee member can assist them.
5. Rummage sale committee members will be masked and gloved. They will be moving your precious treasures directly from your vehicle to a special room to be stored for at least 48 hours untouched.
6. If you have furniture or large items, special arrangements will need to be made to drop these items off.

For more specific information about the drop-off date or procedure, call or text Chris Verplancke at 314-418-5353 or via e-mail at [comliverp@gmail.com](mailto:comliverp@gmail.com) or to volunteer, call Elizabeth Cassmeyer at 314-832-0541 or via e-mail at [ramflor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ramflor@sbcglobal.net)

I thought you should know – 10/11/2020

Here's the latest installment for our Overflowing Homily Series. God bless you!

Al Guzman worked on the Arch, but never worked on Sunday. Last week Geronimo Guzman was telling me about a time when someone tried to convince his dad to work on Sunday. The person said that Al could make a lot of money on Sundays and told Al, "You should work on Sunday". Al replied, "I should have one day to count it." Six days to make a lot of money, and one day to count it. I loved that story! First of all, I loved the image of Al Guzman—who was raising 12 kids on a construction workers wage—sitting in his kitchen on Sunday like Scrooge McDuck, counting his huge pile of treasure! Even more, I loved that story because it showed Al's insight. Geronimo's dad wasn't just working to keep busy or to pile up money; he was working for the good that his work would provide, for its profit. Al had the insight and the wisdom to see that a bit part of the profit was having time to rest with his family and rest with his God.

It wasn't just that Al took off one day in seven to count his money. He took Sunday off so that his money would count for him and for the people he loved, so that all his work would turn a profit. Today, I'm going to suggest that we apply Al's insight in a strange way, almost flipping it around. I'm going to suggest that we use Al's insight—"I should have one day to count it"—like a mirror. We're in the fourth week of a homily series called "Overflowing", and we've been learning about how with faith in Jesus Christ, you can live like most people don't and like most people can't, but you can, from God's love overflowing. The Gospels have told us what incredible opportunities come from faith in God's love overflowing: you can forgive, you can get better than you deserve, and you can get another chance. Today's gospel opens with Jesus comparing us to a vineyard. Jesus says about God, "he planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower."

All those images point out the investment God has made in us. Digging a wine press means moving maybe 100 cubic feet of dirt—how much work is that? I don't like digging a 6 inch hole for a fence post! How much work does it take to build a tower with 1<sup>st</sup> century hand tools? When I put together furniture, I go look for an electric drill! How much work does it take to plant a vineyard? Even today, planting a vineyard is means 200 hours of work for each acre you plant, and you are looking at two more years of work before the vine produce a useful harvest. Today's Gospel intends to make us think about the huge investment of good God puts into each one of us, into our lives and into our community.

Then something strange happens. The vineyard yields produce, but no profit for the planter. Instead, the owner just gets harm from his investment, as the people who care for the vineyard give him nothing and kill his servants and kill his son. After so much work, just harm, no profit. And here's where we take Al's insight and turn it around like a mirror. After all the days of our lives that God works in us, pouring good into us, shouldn't God have one day to count it? Shouldn't a time come when the good that God has poured into us finally starts to overflow into good for what God cares about, for the people he cares about? Shouldn't there be a profit from us for God?

The good news, and our message today, is "You can turn a profit for God." With faith in Jesus, you don't have to be one of the wretched people how pay back ingratitude and harm to those who have invested so much in them. Instead, with faith in Jesus, you can be one of the pretty fantastic people who makes proud, makes glad those who have invested in them by the good that overflows from their investment. With faith in Jesus Christ, you can turn a profit for God.

What would that look like, a profit for God? The prophet Isaiah lamented that so often God looks for us to show judgment in our community, but instead, God sees bloodshed. So often God looks for justice in our community, but instead, he hears the outcry of those who are taken advantage of and oppressed. God's profit in us is judgment, and I don't mean judging others, but I mean good judgment, making the right decisions. God's profit in us is justice, and I mean so much more that fairness, I mean doing for others what is right in God's sight. That's why in the Gospel, Jesus gave such a strong warning to the chief priests and elders. God had made a big investment in those leaders. God gave them influence over others and attention in their community, but they weren't using that influence and attention to bring about in their community the justice and right judgment which would have been the profit for God. So Jesus told the chief priests and elders: "The Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." Turning a profit for God is about a lot more than money; it is about all the good that God given us overflowing into good for others.



That's why when I look at the lives of faithful people, I don't always see material prosperity, but I do see abundance and profit for God. I mean, my mom and dad are faithful people, but they never had the material prosperity to take that trip to Hawaii mom used to talk about. And yet, oh the abundance and profit for God in the good education they gave their 6 children and in the care they gave to their 75 foster babies. Or I look at the life of a faithful volunteer named Tom, I see times in Tom's life where he was so far from material prosperity that he had to count on the other people's generosity to keep him going—but what great profit for God in the way the Holy Spirit in Tom overflowed in a shining witness to faith and trust in God's providence. Thanks be to God, Tom is doing better now. Or I think of a family I know that struggled in COVID season with lost wages, but kept turning a huge profit for God in the way they kept caring for and raising up in virtue the child they adopted and the child to whom they had given birth. Some preachers preach a prosperity Gospel, and I hope I'm not telling you today that faith in Jesus means getting all the money you want or even all the money you think you need. But I am preaching today a Gospel of abundance, about God's love in you overflowing so much so that you go beyond just working and paying bills and taking care of yourself, so that you overflow in goodness for others and you turn a profit for God.

Now I'm going to conclude this homily first with a simple statement, and second with a simple question, and third with an invitation. First, God really does love you and God really does intend to bless you, to pour so much good into you and into your heart and into your life by faith in Jesus Christ, that you overflow in good for others and you turn a profit for God. That's God's offer and God's intention. Second, where in your life is God asking you to trust in Jesus and to let goodness overflow from you to others? Third, an invitation, and this it's just an invitation, nothing you have to do, because I don't know where you are at or what's possible for you. This week, I invite you express your faith in Jesus Christ by giving money to help the poor. You pick how, you pick the amount, but I invite you to give money to help the poor so that your actions say louder than words, "Lord, I am so confident that you are there bless me and I'm so confident you are to provide for me, I am so willing to trust you and I am so eager to see my life overflow, that right now, right now, I choose to overflow in good for someone you love."

Can you imagine what it would be like to have a heart that makes God proud? With faith in Jesus Christ, you can have a heart like that. You can turn a profit for God, by God's love overflowing.

-Fr. Aaron Nord

## ST. VINCENT DEPAUL FUNDRAISER

St. Vincent DePaul "Walk for the Poor" is an annual fundraiser allowing you to help our Neighbors in Need. This year the walk was on September 26 and was a virtual walk due to Covid. The event has passed however if you are interested in making a donation please place an envelope in the collection basket and mark it "SVDP Walk for the Poor". All funds remain in our parish organization to help our Neighbors.

If anyone is interested in Walking for the Poor please meet at Father Keaney Center on Saturday October 24 at 9:00 a.m. for a walk in the neighborhood or plan a group walk of your own.

Thank you for your support of St. Vincent DePaul society. The Neighbors we help are truly grateful.

## Table of Plenty

We are in desperate need of volunteers for our Table of Plenty program.

If you are able to help by taking food to those who are unable to leave their home, please contact the rectory office at 314-481-7543.

## ELECTION MASS NOVENA

### AVE MARIA!

The Alliance of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary invite everyone to participate in a novena of masses for the coming election; one of the masses will be held in our parish church on Wednesday October 21, 2020 starting at 6:30 PM. A patriotic rosary will be prayed at 6:30 PM during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Holy Mass will follow. Confession will be available before Mass. The Novena will begin on October 13, 2020, the anniversary of the Immaculate Heart of Mary's apparition at Fatima, and mass will take place each day through October 21, 2020.

Songs for the Mass will be sung by Country Music Artist Greg and Company. Contact Person: Alma Bright, 314-353-2372.

## Saint of the Week



### Saint Callistus I

#### Saint of the Day for October 14

##### Saint Callistus I's Story

The most reliable information about this saint comes from his enemy Saint Hippolytus, an early antipope, later a martyr for the Church. A negative principle is used: If some worse things had happened, Hippolytus would surely have mentioned them.

Callistus was a slave in the imperial Roman household. Put in charge of the bank by his master, he lost the money deposited, fled, and was caught. After serving time for a while, he was released to make some attempt to recover the money. Apparently he carried his zeal too far, being arrested for brawling in a Jewish synagogue. This time he was condemned to work in the mines of Sardinia. Through the influence of the emperor's mistress he was released and went to live at Anzio.

After winning his freedom, Callistus was made superintendent of the public Christian burial ground in Rome—still called the cemetery of Saint Callistus—probably the first land owned by the Church. The pope ordained him a deacon and made him his friend and adviser.

Callistus was elected pope by a majority vote of the clergy and laity of Rome, and thereafter was bitterly attacked by the losing candidate, Saint Hippolytus, who let himself be set up as the first antipope in the history of the Church. The schism lasted about 18 years.

Hippolytus is venerated as a saint. He was banished during the persecution of 235 and was reconciled to the Church. He died from his sufferings in Sardinia. He attacked Callistus on two fronts—doctrine and discipline. Hippolytus seems to have

exaggerated the distinction between Father and Son—almost making two gods—possibly because theological language had not yet been refined. He also accused Callistus of being too lenient, for reasons we may find surprising: 1) Callistus admitted to Holy Communion those who had already done public penance for murder, adultery, and fornication; 2) he held marriages between free women and slaves to be valid—contrary to Roman law; 3) he authorized the ordination of men who had been married two or three times; 4) he held that mortal sin was not a sufficient reason to depose a bishop; 5) he held to a policy of leniency toward those who had temporarily denied their faith during persecution.

Callistus was martyred during a local disturbance in Trastevere, Rome, and is the first pope—except for Peter—to be commemorated as a martyr in the earliest martyrology of the Church.

##### Reflection

The life of this man is another reminder that the course of Church history, like that of true love, never did run smooth. The Church had to—and still must—go through the agonizing struggle to state the mysteries of the faith in language that, at the very least, sets up definite barriers to error. On the disciplinary side, the Church had to preserve the mercy of Christ against rigorism, while still upholding the gospel ideal of radical conversion and self-discipline. Every pope—indeed every Christian—must walk the difficult path between “reasonable” indulgence and “reasonable” rigorism.

## JOKE OF THE WEEK



**ROSES FOR EXPECTANT MOMS!!!**

If you are expecting a child, we as a Parish would like to pray for you throughout your pregnancy. There are red roses on the table in front of the Blessed Mother's statue in the back of Church. Please write the parents-to-be names and due date on the card attached to one of the roses asking for prayers until the delivery. After baby(ies) arrive, please call Kathy at 314-832-6553. We will then share your blessing in our bulletin.

**Keep the following couples in your prayers:**

Stephen & Leslie	November
Jesse & Ken	December
Jessica & Patrick	December
Shannon & Andrew	March

Congratulations to Julie & Brian on the birth of their daughter Riley!

God Bless,  
Immaculate Heart of Mary Pro-Life

**Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Repentance**

The readings today talk much about the Lord's goodness and how He provides for His people in abundance. However, we should turn out attention to the idea of repentance. Why? Because repentance is the qualification for truly relishing what the Lord provides for us. In the Gospel, there is a man who comes to the wedding banquet but is cast out because he is not wearing a wedding garment. In the parable, the wedding garment is a symbol for repentance, a change of heart and mind, which is the condition for entrance into the kingdom. Through repentance, Christ transforms our faith and allows us to continue this transformation process in a life of good deeds (Mt 7:21-23). If we want to feast on the riches of God, it is essential for us to repent and turn away from our sins. How do you need to repent in order to be prepared for the wedding banquet?

[archstl.org/dynamic](http://archstl.org/dynamic)

## October 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Mass for Officer Tamarris Bohannon

We will be offering the 10:00 Mass for the repose of the soul of Officer Bohannon who was killed in the Line of duty on August 29<sup>th</sup> 2020.

Local police officers have been invited. The pews of the east side transept (Blessed Mother side) will be reserved for visiting officers.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**LECTORS****October 10/11th**

4:30 p.m.	Joyce Huelsman
7:30 a.m.	Barb Vineyard
10:00 a.m.	Maureen Lampert

**October 17/18th**

4:30 p.m.	Art Benjamin
7:30 a.m.	Glenn Mertens
10:00 a.m.	Kevin O'Sullivan

**October 24/25th**

4:30 p.m.	John Ruzicka
7:30 a.m.	Mike Kuhlman
10:00 a.m.	Lynn Repka



### *It is a Difficult Year for All of Us and Difficult to have a Tootsie Roll Drive*

The Knights of Columbus Developmental Center at Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center helps over 5000 patients a year and is involved in many innovative clinics:

- Dog Therapy Clinic - Intervention for children with anxiety related to medical settings and difficulties in social communication.
- Program for the Education and Enrichment of Relational Skills (PEERS) – Social skills group for adolescents.
- Move to Communicate Clinic – An early intervention group based on The Early Start Denver Model.
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) clinic.

**The Knights of Columbus** Developmental Center at Cardinal Glennon is nationally recognized as one of the 14 Autism Treatment Network sites in the U.S. and Canada that provides comprehensive diagnosis, intervention, family support and professional education services.

Our annual "Tootsie Roll" Drive has been the major fund raiser in support of the Knights of Columbus Developmental Center for almost 50 years. Covid 19 has severely limited donations at our traditional collection points. Councils all over the state are turning to electronic giving to make up the difference. Please consider a donation, any amount is greatly appreciated! Log on to [www.continuetogive.com/tootsieroll2619](http://www.continuetogive.com/tootsieroll2619) and follow the prompts. Your local council, Santa Maria 2619 and the Missouri State Knights of Columbus

**We will be collecting at Kenrick's  
Meat Market this weekend-  
October 9,10,11**



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