

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.	11/16	8:00 a.m.	Rose Marie Horjes
Tues.	11/17	8:00 a.m.	Adolph Wuenschner
Wed.	11/18	8:00 a.m.	Anthony & Meaghan
Thurs.	11/19	8:00 a.m.	Don Walters
Fri.	11/20	8:00 a.m.	Jason Landwehr
Sat.	11/21	4:30 p.m.	Mark Sellmeyer
Sun.	11/22	7:30 a.m.	Our Parish Family
		10:00 a.m.	Anthony & Elizabeth Sanders



LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

Pray for those who are sick and their caregivers. Pray for Andrew Freeman (Grandson of Jim and Roxanne Wolfslau), Edna Walters, Pat Carson, Jerry Brendel (husband of JoAnn, father of Jason), Edna Walters, Stacey Long, Sandy Ceriotti, Alene May (mother of Annette DeGreef), Evelyn Vetz, Steve Baum (nephew of Jean Provaznik), Bob Simmons, Frank Sandrowski, Dorothy Seper, Rosemary Young, Don Smith, 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 rec-



**Happy
Thanksgiving**
Thanksgiving Day Mass
will be at 9 a.m.

Office Closed

The Rectory Office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 25th for the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will re-open on Monday, November 30th.

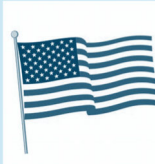
THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUES	Nov. 17	7 pm	Boy Scouts	Café
TUES	Nov. 17	7 pm	Stephen Min.	FKC

IMPORTANT!

Meetings in the FKC are limited to 50 people and meetings in the RMR are limited to 15.

MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED.



**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:

November 8, 2020

**Envelopes: \$4187
Loose: \$116
Maintenance Fund: \$210**

- 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



There are candles with names left from the All Souls Mass. If there is someone that was special to you that has a candle left, please feel free to take it.

Dear Parishioners,
Once again Ladies Sodality will be partnering up with Carondelet Community Betterment Federation this holiday season, because of Covid 19 the donations will be different. We are asking for gift cards for food, and clothing. Also winter hats, and gloves, hygiene and toiletry items. The Christmas tree will go up the week of Thanksgiving, and we will have boxes placed by the tree for your donations. If you donate gift cards, please put them in an envelope, marked The Giving Tree, and place them in the collection baskets in church. The dates to make your donations are as follows:



11/28-11/29

12/5-12/6

12/12-12/13

The deadline date is Sunday, December, 13th. If you have any questions, please call Lina Silistria at 353-7581. Thank you for always being very kind, and generous! We appreciate it very much!

Lina Silistria & Carol Sandrowski
The Giving Tree Committee

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.



**\$10 Donation
CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE
GENTLEMEN
OF PETER AND PAUL**

In the past you have generously donated Dollar Tree gift cards. With the uncertainty of this year we feel a \$10 cash donation would be most beneficial.

You may put your donation in an envelope – Attn: Debbie, and place in the collection basket, drop off at the Rectory or mail to the Rectory. I will be collecting until **Monday, December 14th**. In advance, Thank you for your generosity and Christmas spirit.

Email Please!

We would love if you would share your email with us! Your email would be used for parish communication only. If you would like to share your email address with us, please send an email to dgartner@ihm-stl.org.



Thank You

Thank you to our IHM Church family for all of the concerns, support and prayers. It was very uplifting during our dealings with cancer. Glen is on the road to recovery.
Sincerely Glen and Janet Zapf

I thought you should know—November 15, 2020

We're announcing at Mass this weekend that we are hoping to welcome safely for Christmas Masses many parishioners and many guests. With permission from Archbishop Rozanski, we have added a 3 pm mass on December 24 Christmas Eve, so our schedule of masses will be December 24 at 3:00 pm, 4:30 pm, and 10:00 pm, and December 25 Christmas Day at 9 am.

Also, we will save you a seat! Call or email the rectory and we will do our best to save your family a pew in Church at your preferred mass time. Act fast, because when Advent comes we're going to publicize to the whole neighborhood that they can save a seat at Mass, so space may get tight.

Below is last week's message on prayer from Week 2 of our "Practical" series. This week's message is on tithing, so it is a good time to report on how the parish used the worship offerings given here. God bless!

Financial Report for 2019-2020 (FY20)

The remarkable dedication of our parishioners and the wise administration of Msgr. Billing let us emerge from the COVID-19 stay-at-home order in good financial order. We also received help from a large bequest from the estate of a former parishioner. As a result our parish ended FY20 with a surplus instead of a deficit as was true in FY19 and FY18. However, Sunday offering decreased 5% from FY19. Looking at the report below, you may wonder why payments to the Archdiocese are a big expense; these payments include our insurance, our accounting service, and health and retirement benefits for our priest. Looking to the future, our parish faces a significant capital expenditure in the current FY21, as the sloped part of the rectory roof needs replacement. Fr. Aaron also hopes to invest additional funds in improvements to our weekend Masses. For example, music is again part of our 4:30 pm Saturday mass.

SUMMARY PROFIT AND LOSS, FY20 COMPARED TO FY19 AND FY18 (ALL AMOUNTS IN DOLLARS)

	JUL 19-JUN 20 (FY20)	JUL 18-JUN 19 (FY 19)	JUL 17-JUN18 (FY 18)
INCOME			
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	277,007.80	292,673.01	294,849.81
Other Unrestricted Income	120,629.45	107,260.01	109,547.86
Restricted Gifts	46,339.85	29,779.00	34,326.00
TOTAL INCOME	443,977.10	429,712.02	438,723.67
EXPENSE			
Personnel Costs	166,814.91	188,253.75	183,007.77
Supplies	22,403.15	31,323.17	32,253.31
Fees and Services	11,039.95	36,800.32	11,923.38
Occupancy	81,331.75	90,076.34	109,130.74
Payments to Archdiocese	87,092.13	114,556.26	121,244.30
TOTAL EXPENSES	368,681.89	461,009.84	457,559.50
NET ORDINARY INCOME	75,295.21	-31,297.82	-18,835.83
OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE			
Investment Fund Income	5,573.36	14,529.17	22,254.47
Capital Expenses	0.00	2,567.18	65,156.36
NET OTHER INCOME	5,573.36	11,961.99	-42,601.89
NET INCOME	80,868.57	-19,335.83	-61,737.72

There's a joke I like that's vaguely connected to this week's topic, but I'm not going to start with my joke. Nope, I'm not going to do it, because when I thought about it more, while my topic can be funny at times, it's not really like a joke. My topic this week is like getting married to someone because you think he is going to be a great dad, and ten years later you're watching him with your children, and he is a great dad. It's like welcoming a child into your family because you love that child so much, and twenty years later, your child comes home to see you, and you still love that child so much. It's like getting married to someone because she's so beautiful, and forty years later you're looking at her, and she's still so beautiful. Twenty years ago I made a prayer commitment, and God has been faithful.

One of the reasons I went to seminary to study to be a priest was that I had this idea that seminary would help me pray more, and that if I prayed more, life would be better. Twenty years later, I am here to say that this idea totally worked. Seminary and priesthood really did help me commit to prayer, and prayer really has made my life so much better. Look, I mess up a lot in my life, and still in mercy God gives me so many blessings, and I have to tell you, a lot of days, the big blessing, the best part of the day, was keeping my prayer commitment; my time with God. That's why I'm telling you that having a specific prayer commitment between you and God is practical.

Call an idea practical, and you give that idea high praise, because a practical idea is an idea you really can do and an idea that when you do it, makes a difference. This is week two of a four week series entitled "Practical". We're learning about basic, practical actions that help us grow as disciples, actions like "sharing your faith", or "tithing", or "service" or, this week, "committed prayer".

Let me talk first about a prayer commitment being practical in the sense that it makes a difference when you do it. In Scripture today, God promised us, "whoever watches for [wisdom] at dawn shall not be disappointed". How much difference would it make in your life if you made wiser choices? That makes a big difference in my life, when I make wise choices. And when I put off prayer, I soon make unwise choices. In the Psalm today, we heard the author pray, "God, you are my God for whom I seek ... lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name. As with a riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied." How much difference would make to spend some time satisfied, time when you know you're loved, you're forgiven, you're not alone? For me—and not because I'm special, but because I am like you—a prayer commitment makes that sort of difference.

What about the other part of a prayer commitment being practical. I mean, can you do it? Can you make a specific commitment to pray and keep it? Can you pray? And I guess I want to try to answer that question in a straight-forward way, by giving you a chance to try it. I mean, you don't have to. But if you don't mind, would you close your eyes and give this a try? If you would, close your eyes, and for a few moments, just follow along quietly in your own mind and in your own heart with what happens next. "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen." "Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God." <Pause> "Let's look back on the last day, the last 24 hours, and whatever was good in that day, in silence, let's give thanks for those things now, to God in our hearts." <Pause> "Let's look back on the last 24 hours, on the last day, and whatever was bad in that day, wherever we missed the mark or sinned, in the silence of our hearts, let's ask God to forgive." <Pause> "Let's look to the days ahead, to the weeks ahead, and whatever we would like God to bless, whoever we would like him to help, let's bring them to God in our hearts." <Pause> "Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and deliver us from evil. Amen." <Pause> Ok, if you want to you can open your eyes. So what do you think? That was one way to pray. Is it something you can do?

Prayer can be pretty simple: you remember you are in God's holy presence. You bring God the Good, the Bad, and the Please Help. And then you say a prayer.

If praying like that works for you, there's all sorts of cool expansion packs and downloadable content and optional attachments you can add onto that basic prayer. For the Our Father at the end you can swap in the Hail Mary or another prayer you like. If you want to pray with other people, or someone asks you to lead prayer, just do the basic prayer, but before praying the Our Father ask everyone to share one thing they brought to God in their heart. If you want to pray longer or give God more time to talk, after the Good, Bad, and Please Help part read some of the Gospel of Mark and think about what Jesus did and about what Jesus said and give God some quiet time, just you and him,

while you listen or think or rest or walk. If you want direction for your day, after prayer ask God out loud, "ok, what do you want me to do today?" and then talk with yourself about your best guess about what God would say to you about loving more if you could hear his voice in your ears. From the ideas that come to mind, listen for one idea that sounds like your marching orders for the day. Whatever prayer commitment you make to God, whether it is five minutes or fifteen minutes or an hour, you can expand this basic prayer to guide you through your time with God.

But please don't be like me at McDonald's, paralyzed by all the flashing options on the menu. Don't get paralyzed by all the options you can add to prayer, because the point is, you really can do this. Just remember God's presence, then the Good, the Bad, the Please Help, and then the Our Father.

You see, while in prayer we do thank God for things, and say sorry to God for things, and ask God for things, really, prayer is just the time we spend with God. A priest who taught me a lot about prayer said this even stronger. He said, "Prayer is wasting time with God." Really prayer is simply the time we spend paying attention to God and remembering that he is paying attention to us. And a prayer commitment is so practical. So I invite you to make a prayer commitment today, short term or long term, big or small, and this week keep your prayer commitment two days in a row.

Let me finish with what Msgr. Pins used to say. He said this because God really does love you, and your prayer commitment really does matter a lot to God. He said this because God loves specifically you, and time with you here on earth, and eternity with you in heaven. When people asked Msgr. Pins to pray for them, he said, "I will pray for you. But I can't pray instead of you."

-Fr. Aaron Nord

Save the Date!

Advent By Candlelight



IHM will present Advent by Candlelight for the ladies of the Parish on November 29, 2020 at 7 p.m.. Due to Covid-19 Restrictions, we will be having the Advent Service in the Church. For more information or to help with the program, please call Bernie Will at (314) 541-5297 or email Becky Will at arlynnwill@gmail.com.



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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.



Saint Vincent DePaul Blue Collection Bins

Please continue making donations to the bins. Your donations generate revenue for our parish, assist SVDP Thrift Stores and repurposing items are opportunities to care for our planet!

Thank you!

Thanks to your continued donations to the bins, we have received a check for \$235.44

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020



BOY SCOUT BLOOD DRIVE November 22nd

Immaculate Heart of Mary Boy Scout Troop 179 will be sponsoring their annual Blood Drive **next Sunday, November 22nd, 8:00 a.m. to Noon in the Father Keaney Center.** Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center is the sole source for St Louis area Catholic Hospitals' blood and platelets supply. Blood supplies are at their lowest this time of year, so the need is great. **In this season of "thanksgiving",** please consider the gift of life

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December 4-6th, 2020

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JOKE OF THE WEEK



"One day Son all this will be yours."

Saint of the Week



Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne
Saint of the Day for November 20

Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne's Story

Born in Grenoble, France, of a family that was among the new rich, Rose learned political skills from her father and a love of the poor from her mother. The dominant feature of her temperament was a strong and dauntless will, which became the material—and the battlefield—of her holiness. She entered the Visitation of Mary convent at 19, and remained despite family opposition. As the French Revolution broke, the convent was closed, and she began taking care of the poor and sick, opened a school for homeless children, and risked her life helping priests in the underground.

When the situation cooled, Rose personally rented the former convent, now a shambles, and tried to revive its religious life. The spirit was gone, however, and soon there were only four nuns left. They joined the infant Society of the Sacred Heart, whose young superior, Mother Madeleine Sophie Barat, would be her lifelong friend.

In a short time Rose was a superior and supervisor of the novitiate and a school. But since hearing tales of missionary work in Louisiana as a little girl, her ambition was to go to America and work among the Indians. At 49, she thought this would be her work. With four nuns, she spent 11 weeks at sea en route to New Orleans, and seven weeks more on the Mississippi to St. Louis. She then met one of the many disappointments of her life. The bishop had no place for them to live and work among Native Americans. Instead, he sent her to what she sadly called “the remotest village in the U.S.,” St. Charles, Missouri. With characteristic drive and courage, she founded the first free school for girls west of the Mississippi.

Though Rose was as hardy as any of the pioneer women in the wagons rolling west, cold and hunger drove them out—to Florissant, Missouri, where she founded the first Catholic Indian school, adding others in the territory.

“In her first decade in America, Mother Duchesne suffered practically every hardship the frontier had to offer, except the threat of Indian massacre—poor lodging, shortages of food, drinking water, fuel and money, forest fires and blazing chimneys, the vagaries of the Missouri climate, cramped living quarters and the privation of all privacy, and the crude manners of children reared in rough surroundings and with only the slightest training in courtesy” (Louise Callan, R.S.C.J., *Philippine Duchesne*).

Finally at age 72, retired and in poor health, Rose got her lifelong wish. A mission was founded at Sugar Creek, Kansas, among the Potawatomi and she was taken along. Though she could not learn their language, they soon named her “Woman-Who-Prays-Always.” While others taught, she prayed. Legend has it that Native American children sneaked behind her as she knelt and sprinkled bits of paper on her habit, and came back hours later to find them undisturbed. Rose Duchesne died in 1852, at the age of 83, and was canonized in 1988. The Liturgical Feast of Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne is November 18.

Reflection

Divine grace channeled Mother Duchesne's iron will and determination into humility and selflessness, and to a desire not to be made superior. Still, even saints can get involved in silly situations. In an argument with her over a minor change in the sanctuary, a priest threatened to remove the tabernacle. She patiently let herself be criticized by younger nuns for not being progressive enough. For 31 years, she hewed to the line of a dauntless love and an unshakable observance of her religious vows.



**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:

Jesse & Ken	December
Jessica & Patrick	December
Shannon & Andrew	March

Congratulations to Stephen & Leslie on the birth of their daughter, Elsie Faustina.

We will not be selling BIRTHRIGHT Christmas cards here at IHM this year.

You can order cards through the Birthright website (www.birthrightstl.org), by calling their office (314-962-5300) or you can pick them up at their office (2525 South Brentwood Suite 102, 63144).

God Bless,
Immaculate Heart of Mary Pro-Life

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**LECTORS****November 14/15th**

4:30 p.m.	Art Benjamin
7:30 a.m.	Judy Hudson
10:00 a.m.	Becky Will

November 21/22nd

4:30 p.m.	Joyce Huelsmann
7:30 a.m.	Howie Hirschfeld
10:00 a.m.	Maureen Lampert

Thanksgiving Day**November 26th**

9:00 a.m.	Art Benjamin
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November 28/29th

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



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ON-LINE DONATIONS

to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish available through our website!

Please click on the **Give to IHM button** on our homepage (www.ihm-stl.org) to set up your donation. One-time and recurring (weekly, monthly and yearly) options are available.

All donations are tax deductible as allowed by law, and your on-line donation will be confirmed by a receipt from the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Thank you for your generosity to our parish!

March for Life 2021 – Registration Now Open

MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN is now accepting registrations for our bus trip to the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. **Thursday- Saturday, Jan. 28- 30, 2021.** Until all life is protected, we will travel to D.C. to meet with our representatives and peacefully protest against the Supreme Court's decision to legalize abortion. This trip is open to anyone ages 7 and up (chaperones not provided). We depart from several locations in the St. Louis area and we do not stay in hotels as we sleep on the buses. Seats are limited because of COVID-19. The cost is \$230.

For more information, to register or to sponsor a rider go to www.missourilifecaravan.org. Contact us at: 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com.

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God generously bestows gifts upon us, spiritual gifts as well as physical gifts. He asks us to use those gifts for the purpose of building up the Kingdom of God and leading others to Jesus Christ. Because we are called to be good and faithful stewards, it is important for us to spend time in prayer with Jesus so that He can instruct us how to best utilize the gifts He has given to us. Do we invest our talents and share them with others? Do we go out and bury them, refusing to share them in service to the world? God, who is infinitely generous, rewards us for manifesting His power by means of the gifts He has given to us.

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