

# Immaculate Conception Parish

*God's People sharing God's Word in Jefferson County since 1840*

## PARISH OFFICE

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## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Tuesday and Wednesday, 6:30-7:45 pm

Mary Winkelmann, Coordinator 636-321-0002, ext. 23

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

Open to children ages 2 through the 1st grade.

Sundays, during 8:30 & 10:00 AM Masses

Theresa Harms, Director 636-282-7539

## YOUTH MINISTER, Paul Halfmann 636-464-6300

LIFETEEN Sunday evening 6:00 pm, St. Joseph Church

## PARISH COUNCIL (Second Wednesday, 7:00 PM)

Gary Roettger, president; Mike Moonier, vice-president; Duke Redd, secretary; Sue Douglas, Chris Hoelker, Mark Howell, Jim Kargus, Loretta Kladiva, Don Morris, Brian Ott, and Walter Thurmond.

## ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (Third Thursday, 7:00 PM)

Pat Anvender, President

**Concession Stand / Field Information:** 636-321-0002, Option 5, Selection 1

## MEN'S CLUB (First Wednesday, 7:30 PM)

Jim Hentz, President, 636-296-8835

## OUR LADY'S SODALITY (First Tuesday, 7:00 PM)

Sue Douglas, President, 636-282-2451

## QUILTERS

Monday & Thursday, 5 - 9 PM; Wednesday, 8 AM - 3 PM  
636-321-0002, ext. 34

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY 636-321-0002, Option 6

## TENDER LOVING CARE

Meals for sick or recovering, Dot Cowin 296-5826

Rides to church or doctors, Thelma 296-3800

## NORTH JEFFERSON COUNTY CREDIT UNION

Wednesday, 5:30 - 8:00 PM; Saturday, 9:00 - 11:00 AM  
636-321-0002, Option 7; Fax 636-282-4357

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## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### THE LORD'S DAY

5:00 PM Saturday

7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM Sunday

### WEEKDAYS

Monday through Friday, 6:30 and 8:00 AM

Saturday, 8:00 AM

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Church open daily for prayer 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM,  
Sundays 6:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of each month, from 8:30 AM until 7:30 AM Saturday, concluding with Morning Prayer & Benediction.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4:00 to 4:45 PM, or by appointment.

### MORNING PRAYER (Liturgy of the Hours)

Monday—Friday, 7 AM

### DEVOTIONS TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tuesday, just before the 8:00 AM Mass

### ROSARY Sunday, 6:30 and 8:00 AM

### BIBLE STUDY

Monday, 6:00 AM, Parish Center, (All Year)

Monday & Wednesday 6:30 to 7:30 PM, Parish Center (September to April)

### PRAYER GROUPS

Rosary Prayer Group - Every Tuesday, 7:30 PM, Church

Charismatic Prayer Group - Every Monday - 7:30 PM, Parish Center

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## BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

First and third Sundays of the month, by appointment. Attendance at two preparation classes is required. Classes are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center. Parents should be registered in the parish. Godparents must be at least 16 years old and baptized, confirmed, practicing Catholics.

## BAPTISM / CONFIRMATION OF ADULTS

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or are a Catholic adult who has not been confirmed, please contact the Rectory for further information.

## MARRIAGE

To allow sufficient time for marriage preparation, at least six months' advance notice is required. Contact the Parish Office for Wedding Guidelines or other information.

## HOLY ORDERS and CONSECRATED (RELIGIOUS) LIFE

Have you considered serving God's people as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? For more information, call the Rectory or the Archdiocesan Office of Vocations at 314-792-6460.

## PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: ANOINTING and HOLY COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Anointing is for anyone seriously ill or anticipating surgery. It is available after any Sunday Mass or by appointment with one of the priests. Holy Communion will be brought on Sundays to anyone who is unable to come to Church; call the Rectory Office (ext. 10) or Deacon Joe Streckfuss (ext. 57).



## From the Pastor

In the *Lectionary*, the book of Scripture readings for Mass, the summary of today's first reading is: *The confession of faith of the chosen people*. In other words, these verses from Deuteronomy are an ancient Israelite "creed" or statement of belief. It was to be said when the families brought their tithes to be offered in the Temple. This profession of faith is not a list of doctrines, but the retelling of a sacred story: God set his people free and brought them into the promised land. Just as significant, the story is taken personally: each one says, *my father went to Egypt; the Egyptians oppressed us; God brought us out, and so on*.

In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations of the devil and professes his faith in God. Jesus knew the Holy One of Israel as his own Father. During Lent, we Christians often retell the sacred story of the suffering, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are also to take this story personally. We understand that Jesus did all this *for us*. God loves *you and me*, and sent his Son as an offering for *our* sins, so that *we* may have eternal life.

In every offering of the Eucharist, as we bring our gifts and our hearts to God, we can thankfully pray in the words of Mary: *The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name!*

We have many opportunities for growth in our faith and a deeper Christian life this Lent, as you will see in this bulletin. I especially invite you to the Souper Thursday program, beginning this coming Thursday, March 1 at 5:30 PM.

I also appreciate any help you can give for this summer's mission trip to Honduras. We are beginning to collect medical supplies, as well as hosting a fundraising dinner. Details are in this bulletin.

Peace be with you,  
Fr. Paul J. Niemann

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

February 25 through March 4, 2007

Sunday:	Dt 26:4-10 Ps 91:1-2,10-15 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13
Monday:	Lv 19:1-2,11-18 Ps 19:8-10,15 Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7,16-19 Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4,12-13,18-19 Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12,14-16,23-25 Ps 138:1-3,7c-8 Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-8 Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8 Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 15:5-12,17-18 Ps 27:1,7-9,13-14 Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1 Lk 9:28b-36



### Please pray for:

#### Recently Hospitalized:

Melvin Ott	Henry Guentz
Carrie McClain	William (Bill) Sellmeyer
Virginia Chrum	



#### Recently Departed:

Richard Carr (Brother of James Carr)

#### Deployed to Iraq:

Matt Witte	David Saxman	Matthew Roth
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#### Please continue to pray for:

Edmund Braun	Art Mullins	Rocky Rochford
Kathy Carothers	Lawrence Kempf	Robert Ruess
Gladys Clarke	Heidi Kladiva	Del Showers
Janet Gangloff	Vince Tedeschi	Ann Gravagna
Linda Lechner	Justin Tidwell	Joan Guentz
Georgiana Lewis	Jan Tipton	Ruth Hahn
Maggie Love	William Topp	Marie Haller
Lucas Malone	Amber Turner	Norman Haller
Joyce O'Hanlon	Xavier Vaughn	Bob Hupfeld
Leroy Owensby	Jean Vickers	Patricia Jansen
Martha Wade	John Johnson	Jeff Schmitt
Irene Wiljeck	Yvonne Prestwood	



# CHURCH SCHEDULE

## Sunday, February 25, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

7:00 am *People of the Parish*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Lectors:* Brian and Theresa Ott

*Euch. Ministers:* Ryan Weber, Janet Herman and Pat Knott

*Servers:* Andy Kelsall, Don and Carole Betz

8:30 am *In Memory of Richard Guentz*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

*Lectors:* Vince Selders and Chris Terry

*Euch. Ministers:* Sheila White, Dorothy Cowin, Christine Terry and Jim Kargus

*Servers:* Mike Weinrich, Jon Wilson and Gunnar Parsons

10:00 am *Living and Deceased Members of Joseph and Theresa Ziegler*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Lectors:* Chris Stinchcomb, Duke Redd and Greg Wise

*Euch. Ministers:* Christine Throm, Tonya Lee, Marge and Ken Atzert

*Servers:* Justine Jordan, Rachel Villafane and Natalie Butler

11:30 am *In Memory of Michael Bussen*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

*Lectors:* Verna Hahn, Becky Koeller and Moreen Kellogg

*Euch. Ministers:* Sue Dugan, Brian Coleman, Rosemarie and Stanley Leach

*Servers:* Nate Krenning, Kelly Davis and Morgan Winston

## Monday, February 26, Lenten Weekday

6:30 am *In Memory of Mary Messina*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

8:00 am *In Memory of Catherine Chaplin*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Servers:* Paige Helferstay and Brie Scates

## Tuesday, February 27, Lenten Weekday

6:30 am *In Memory of Frances Kohler*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

8:00 am *In Memory of Agnes Hanks*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Servers:* Courtney Mallett and Justin Summers

## Wednesday, February 28, Lenten Weekday

6:30 am *In Memory of Doris Ziegler*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

8:00 am *Living and Deceased Members of I.C. Quilters*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Servers:* Susie Owensby and Lucas Winkelmann

## Thursday, March 1, Lenten Weekday

6:30 am *In Memory of Billy Wingbermuehle*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

8:00 am *In Memory of Ambrose Meyer*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Servers:* Josie Schneiders and Morgan Winston

7:00 pm *Souper Thursday Presentation*

9:00 pm *Eucharistic Adoration*

## Friday, March 2, Lenten Weekday

6:30 am *In Memory of William Hanson*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

8:00 am *Living and Deceased Members of Wm. Ruess Family*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Servers:* Alex Trenary and Jacob Cancino

*First Friday Eucharistic Adoration begins after 8:00 am mass.*

2:00 pm *Stations of the Cross*

## Saturday, March 3, St. Katharine Drexel

8:00 am *All Souls in Purgatory*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Servers:* Megan Unterreiner and Peyton Bowe

8:30 am *Church Cleaning - Diane Mallette, Elizabeth Laury, Janet Herman, Marian Zebas and Annette Geger*

10:00 am *First Reconciliation - Holy Child*

4:00 pm *Reconciliation (Father Rich Heman)*

5:00 pm *In Memory of Joseph Telgman*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

*Lectors:* Eileen Hemann and Mary Lynn Schmidt

*Euch. Ministers:* Janet Herman, Marti Rutherford, Debbie Schisler

*Servers:* Amanda Wieland, Daniel and Josh Fick

## Sunday, March 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

7:00 am *In Memory of Jules Lewandowski*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

*Lectors:* Cindy Ziegler and Ron Baechle

*Euch. Ministers:* Sadie and Joe Wingbermuehle

*Servers:* Allen Unterreiner, Ron and Shirley Betz

8:30 am *People of the Parish*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Lectors:* Sheila White, Matt Mayer and Bob Butler

*Euch. Ministers:* Jo Ann Walker, Jo Ann Marty, Barb and Mark Weldele

*Servers:* Lori Kalapinski, John and Kathleen Wagner

10:00 am *In Memory of Clinton Hentz*

*Celebrant:* Father Rich Heman

*Lectors:* Chris Penberthy and Scott Eichholz

*Euch. Ministers:* Tricia Saputo, Jackie Redd, Jodi Hatter and John Harper

*Servers:* Blake Hager, Jeremy Becker and Natalie DeRousse

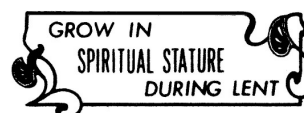
11:30 am *In Memory of Catherine Ruess*

*Celebrant:* Father Paul Niemann

*Lectors:* Francine Fitzgerald and Mary Comer

*Euch. Ministers:* Verna Haun, Karen Weber, Bob Eaves, Gerri Black and Sue Dugan

*Servers:* Karen French, Mary Robinson and Nick Weindel





# PARISH ACTIVITIES WEEKLY SCHEDULE



**Sunday, February 25**

8:00 AM BLOOD DRIVE - ROOM A  
 6:00 PM LOTW Community - ROOM B  
 7:00 PM LOTW Community, Room D

**Monday, February 26**

6:00 AM Bible Study - Room D  
 8:00 AM Holy Child Music Class - Room E  
 8:30 AM Pace Exercise Class - Room A1  
 3:00 PM Brownies - Kohne - Room B  
 6:00 PM Quilting - Quilter's Room  
 6:30 PM Bible Study - Room E  
 7:00 PM AA - Room B  
 7:00 PM Prime Timers - Rooms A2 and A3  
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts - Room A1  
 7:00 PM Bereaved Support Group - Room D  
 7:30 PM Charismatic Prayer Group - Library

**Tuesday, February 27**

7:00 PM Prayer Group - Library  
 7:30 PM Baptism Classes - Room D

**Wednesday, February 28**

8:30 AM Pace Exercise Class - Room A1  
 9:00 AM Quilting - Quilter's Room  
 1:30 PM Bible Study - Room D

3:00 PM Special Music Class - Room E  
 6:30 PM Easter Choir Practice - Room E  
 6:30 PM Bible Study - Room D  
 7:00 PM MOMS Meeting - Room B  
 7:00 PM Light Weigh - Room A2

**Thursday, March 1**

5:00 PM Souper Thursday - Room A  
 7:00 PM AA - Room B  
 7:00 PM LOTW Community - Library

**Friday, March 2**

12:00 PM Holy Child Faculty Meeting - Room D  
 6:30 PM Wolf Den - Short - Room E

**Saturday, March 3**

**Sunday, March 4**

8:00 AM Credit Union Annual Meeting - Rooms A2 AND A3  
 10:30 AM RCIA - Room D  
 6:00 PM LOTW Community - ROOM B  
 7:00 PM LOTW Community, Room D



## Your Gifts to God and Parish

### Our grateful gifts to God February 18:

Adult.....\$10,069.16  
 Youth.....\$0.00

Envelopes: 324 adult, 0 youth

### Special Collections:

St. Vincent DePaul ..... \$510.08  
 Church in Europe..... \$70.00  
 All Others ..... \$23.00

*“Let not your hand be open to receive  
 and clenched when it is time to give.”  
 Sirach 4:31*

## PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT 7/1/2006 - 1/31/2007

### Income

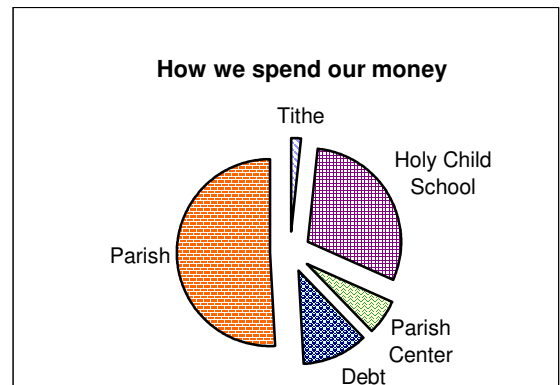
Deposit On Hand 7/1/2006 ..... \$ 33,998.69  
 Sunday Collections ..... \$366,468.57  
 Picnic ..... \$ 40,998.97  
 Bingo ..... \$ 69,590.00  
 Quilters ..... \$ 6,000.00  
 Athletic Assoc. .... \$ 2,500.00  
 Other Organizations ..... \$ 3,285.00  
 Parish Initiative ..... \$ 58,715.55  
 Rental Income ..... \$ 5,105.00  
 Other Income ..... \$ 7,165.22  
 PSR Tuition ..... \$ 6,453.00  
 Organizations Accounts ..... \$ 5,046.70  
 Cemetery Lots ..... \$ 2,725.00  
 Insurance Reimbursement ..... \$ 4,300.00  
 Interest and Fees ..... \$ 3,630.40  
**Total YTD** ..... \$615,982.10

### Expenses

Debt Payment ..... \$ 53,639.91  
 Interest on Debt ..... \$ 8,360.09  
 Salary ..... \$184,874.32  
 Utilities ..... \$ 20,249.35

Supplies ..... \$ 35,077.40  
 Maintenance ..... \$ 8,973.37  
 Fees and Services ..... \$ 8,098.13  
 Food Pantry, SVDP, etc. .... \$ 9,622.14  
 School Subsidy ..... \$137,059.79  
 Insurance/Assessments ..... \$ 71,943.73  
 Capital Purchases ..... \$ 15,739.63  
**Total YTD** ..... \$553,637.86

**Deposit on Hand 1/1/2007** ..... \$ 62,344.24





### Pro-Life Committee Message

The special interests who are promoting abortion and cloning/ embryonic stem cell research (E.S.C.R.) have a lot of money and political influence. They are constantly using their resources to lobby our elected government officials at the state and federal levels. Our representatives endure relentless pressure, promises, and threats from the forces of the "Culture of Death". Our representatives are reminded that the electorate is too preoccupied, indifferent, and apathetic to make any real difference. Even the most pro-life politicians can become discouraged and change their positions (and several have), on pro-life issues -- especially when they don't hear from us. It is critical that we keep them informed about our concerns. A most effective and interesting way of doing this is to join in the **No Human Cloning Lobby Day - Mar. 7 - Jeff. City.** From Molly Kertz, Director, Archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee: *This is the first of our public efforts to send a clear message to our elected officials that Missouri Voters want a true ban on human cloning and protection for all human life. It is vital that we have thousands of voters on hand to lobby our representatives to inform them that Missouri is not a human cloning state!*

Missouri Right to Life (M.R.L.) is providing FREE Charter bus transportation to Jeff. City and back on Wed. Mar. 7. Call M.R.L. for reservations by Mar. 2 at 314-567-0014 to reserve your seat on the bus. Bus departure location closest to us is at Grasso Plaza, Gravois & Rockhill. For transportation to Grasso Plaza, call: 636-586-3964 or 314-808-1161. Everyone please wear some RED (Not required, tho). If driving yourself, or with others, enter the Capitol bldg. on the south side, through the tunnel. (You will see many others of us going in there). Representatives from the MO. Cath. Conf., M.R.L., Missourians Against Human Cloning will greet you on the first floor rotunda -- throughout the day -- and will provide you with help and information when you sign in. More info can be found on the bulletin board in back of church by calling, 314-567-0014, and at website [www.mocatholic.org](http://www.mocatholic.org). This is a great opportunity to speak with your elected officials, to investigate your State Capitol Bldg., hear expert speakers, and enjoy a wonderful experience joining with friends in this important *Life* event. We'll see you there.

*Life ...  
It's precious in all its stages.*

### Light of the World Retreat



**If you missed last weeks retreat you missed a great chance to grow in your faith and love of Jesus Christ. Mark your calendar now and don't let another chance pass you by!**

The next retreat will be:

## September 21 thru 24, 2007

### Calling all singers!



Julie Engel is putting together a choir and directing the music for Holy Week and Easter this year. All adults and children (kindergarten and older) are invited to participate. Practices will be every Wednesday evening beginning February 28th and continuing thru April 4th. Practices will be 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Room E. Please come and be a part of this most special part of the church year. If you have any questions please call Julie @ 296-5159.

### Stewardship

*"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me."* (Deuteronomy 26:10) This simple line from the Old Testament presents us with two challenges. First, do we bring God our first fruits – the best that we have to offer? Second, do we remember that everything we have has been given to us by God? We brought nothing into this world and we can take nothing from it. So why not share what we have while we are here?



#### Chances to Practice Stewardship

**Time** - Give an hour this morning and give blood and help save a life.

**Talent** - Join the Easter choir and use your beautiful singing voice to praise God.

**Treasure** - Sign up for ParishPay and make your giving automatic and consistent.



## Inspirational Catholic CDs and Brochures

Look for the display in the back of church containing these CDs:

- Anger and Forgiveness – by Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald
- How to Keep Your Kids Catholic – by Ken Hensley
- Former Drug Dealer to the Catholic Priesthood – by Fr. Donald Calloway, M.I.C.
- Which Came First, the Bible or the Church? – by Matthew Arnold
- The Holy Eucharist – by Fr. Bill Casey, C.P.M.
- Why a Protestant Pastor Became Catholic – by Dr. Scott Hahn
- Why Do We Have a Pope – by Dr. Scott Hahn
- The Joy of Stewardship - Fr. John Lanzrath
- When Life Doesn't Make Sense – Fr. Benedict Groeschel, C.F.R.

Brochures: Why Does the Church Teach That?  
How to Pray the Rosary  
How to Make a Good Confession

The CDs and brochures will be available after every Mass on weekends. Your donation of \$3.00 per CD and \$.50 per brochure will help us continue this program. Checks can be made payable to Immaculate Conception--put "Lighthouse" on the note line.

## Credit Union News

North Jefferson County Catholic Credit Union is in need of a board member. If you are interested in volunteering your time once a month, please give Kathy a call at 636-321-0002, Opt. 1, Ext 43.

Please join the credit union members and staff for their 51st Annual Board Meeting, held Sunday, March 4th after the 8:30 am Mass in Rooms A2 and A3. Coffee and Doughnuts will be served.

## ParishPay

Making it Easier to Give

Automated Giving Is Here...  
Sign up Today!

- ★ It benefits **you** and **your** parish!
- ★ The cost to the parish is similar to the cost of sending you envelopes each month.
- ★ Enrollment is friendly and trouble-free.
- ★ Managing your account through ParishPay is easy.

It's easy to sign up. Simply go to the parish website [www.icarnold.org](http://www.icarnold.org) click on the ParishPay link and fill out the enrollment form. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact Greg at 636-321-0002, Opt. 1, Ext. 12.



## Additional Eucharistic Adoration

This coming Friday, **March 2**, is the First Friday of the month. Our parish honors Jesus and His great love for us **every First Friday** with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for 24 hours. This time of adoration is open to everyone, and all parishioners are invited to stop in and pray, even for five minutes. Our regular adorers are committed to praying for an hour, but anyone is welcome to join them. Why not begin to make a special time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament a part of your life? If you are interested in filling a permanent hour each month, please contact Nick Konacki @ 282-3445.



As a reminder, the weekly Lenten Eucharistic Adoration also starts this week, on Thursday evenings from 9 PM-midnight, and Friday mornings from 9 AM to noon, coinciding this week with First Friday. Please use the sign up sheets in back of church if you can commit to an hour, or feel free to drop in for quiet personal prayer during any of those times.

## Used Book Sale

Mark your calendar this years used book sale will be March 24th , 8:00 am - 2:00 pm, Room A. Please help us make it a huge success by donating your books, CD's, Videos, and cassette tapes. Drop off dates will be in Room A1 on Tuesday, March 13th from 6:00 -8:00 pm and Sunday March 18, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please no encyclopedias. If you have any questions please call Sharon Ott at 296-3655.



## Blood Drive

The Ladies Sodality will be sponsoring a blood drive on Sunday, **February 25**, in the Parish Center Room A, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Every two seconds someone in America needs blood. Role up your sleeve and help!



## Social Justice Issues

**WHAT:** Life & Death Decisions Conference  
**WHEN:** Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 8 am – 4:45 pm  
**WHERE:** Saint Louis University School of Law; 3700 Lindell; 63108  
**WHO:** scholars will present results of a study of 1044 homicide cases in Missouri. Options for life? Free – please register at [graeffek@slu.edu](mailto:graeffek@slu.edu)



## Parish Nurse Ministry



### Relay For Life

Relay For Life of Arnold will be held starting at 6 p.m. Friday, June 8 to 6 a.m. Saturday, June 9, at the Fox High School track. Relay For Life is a huge fundraiser for the American Cancer Society and it celebrates survivors of cancer, remembers those who have lost their battle with cancer and gives hope and support to those currently undergoing cancer treatment. At the event, teams camp overnight and have at least one team member walk or run on the track during the 12-hour relay. Registration to walk in the event is \$10 and if you register before May 8, you will receive a T-shirt. The suggested fundraiser amount for each walker is \$100. Proceeds from the event will be used for cancer research and education and services for cancer patients. Survivors are encouraged to participate and share their stories at the relay and they will be recognized at the event and will start the relay by taking the first lap around the track. Luminarias will be sold in memory of a person who has died from cancer or to honor a cancer survivor. The luminarias will be lit during the event. I will have forms available to purchase a luminaria and more information will be in upcoming bulletins as the relay gets closer. I am forming a team of 8-15 members for this wonderful fundraising event and would like to request walkers to help me represent Immaculate Conception and our efforts to help the fight against cancer. If you are interested in joining my team, please contact me at 636-321-0002, option 1, ext. 13 or my email, parishnurse@icarnold.org. I am very excited to be a part of this event and hope that you'll consider joining my team. If you have any questions regarding the Relay For Life, please contact me. Have a safe and blessed week,  
Linda Kuhlmeier, RN, BSN

## Scrip News

Applebee's, Crackerbarrel, Walgreen's and Darden Restaurants (Red Lobster, Bahama Breeze, Smokey Bones & Olive Garden) are now available for IMMEDIATE purchase. VENDOR UPDATE- Noodles & Company ( located in Westfield Malls) is a new vendor offering a \$10 card earning 8%. Dick's Sporting Goods has changed to 5%. 1st Cup Cafe' (located in the branch of the Arnold Library) is available in \$10 denominations earning 5%. Cold Stone Creamery is now a vendor offering a \$10 card earning 8%. (located in Ronnies Plaza). PFChang's is now available in \$25 denominations only. To place an order for pick-up after mass, please call 636-633-6140.

## MISSION TO HONDURAS

On Thursday, March 15, there will be a Spaghetti Dinner in the Parish Center from 4 pm to 7 pm. This dinner include salad, bread, spaghetti with meat sauce, dessert and drink. The price is \$6 for adults,; \$3 for children. There will also be a Raffle for 3 large baskets, with themes of Baseball, Easter, and Home Improvement. We will also raffle two teddy bears autographed by Cardinals Baseball players. The profit made from this dinner will go with Fr. Paul and some of our parishioners who are going on a Mission Trip to Honduras this summer. Please come eat with us and help us raise money for the poor in Honduras.

### MEDICINES NEEDED

The following medical supplies are needed for the Mission Trip going to Honduras this summer. We cannot take expired meds. Sometimes your doctor's office will give you samples which will be most needed. There will be a box in the foyer of the church marked MEDICINES FOR HONDURAS for you to drop off when you attend Mass. If you have any questions, please call Margie Atzert at 636-296-8224. TUMS; ADULT & CHILDREN TYLENOL; ASPIRIN; ADULT & CHILDREN VITAMINS; ADULT & CHILDREN'S MOTRIN; HYDROCORTISONE CREAM 1%; PRENATAL VITAMINS, NEOSPORIN; DIAPER OINTMENT, & LUBRICATING EYE DROPS.

## Directory Corrections

By now you should have received your 2007 Parish Directories. Please make the following corrections on the cover change the last four digits of the Schools number to 0002 not 2002. And please change on page 25 Kathleen Darnell's telephone number to 636-464-3161 and address to 1610 Piney, Arnold, MO 63010. Also on page 1, the Parish Center, should be 1, ext. 33, and the Mass Schedule should be Opt. 8.

## PRIME TIMERS

**February the 26th** we will begin at **6 PM** with dinner followed by our regular meeting. Don't forget your side dishes. Also remember to bring your items for the raffle baskets.

## Marriage Encounter

### Attention All Encountered Couples:

The 2007 Regional Marriage Encounter Convention is being held at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville, IL. The convention begins on Friday evening, July 20<sup>th</sup> and concludes with Mass on Sunday morning, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Additional information and registration can be found at [www.wvme-sec7.org/convention/index.html](http://www.wvme-sec7.org/convention/index.html) Save \$20 by registering before March 1<sup>st</sup>.






Feb 18 *Fr. Rich Heman*

LifeNight-Blood Lust

Feb 25 *Fr. Paul Niemann*

LifeNight-Prayer Night

**New Semester Theme: The Our Father**

We will break open the prayer Jesus gave us. Diving into the beauty, the petitions, and the glory of the Lord's prayer, and how it applies to our daily life.

March 1 *Fr. John Brennell*

LifeNight-Raps it up

March 8 *Fr. Rich Rath*

LifeNight-Life Teen Improv

*For information about all LifeTeen activities call Paul at 464-6300*

*or email [jclifetime@earthlink.net](mailto:jclifetime@earthlink.net)*

*Or visit our website [www.Jeffcolifetime.org](http://www.Jeffcolifetime.org)*



*Holy Child Catholic School*



*We Have Good News To Share*

Our annual Mardi Gras-Mission Carnival was a great success. We brought in over \$700 for the STUCO Missions. All students seemed to have a wonderful time. Tyler Jaudes won the big raffle, a white stuffed Tiger. Thanks to everyone that helped out.

Thanks to all who participated in the "Jump Rope for Heart" fund raiser. The Amount raised was \$2,325.00 Have a great week.

Mrs. Joann O. Coyle, Principal  
636 321-0002 Ext. 21



Thanks to Mr. John Smith and our Holy Child students for making and painting the crosses along Church Road, reminding us of the 40 days of Lent, leading us to Easter.

First Sunday of Lent

Tempted Like Jesus

Today's gospel ends with line that the devil "departed from him for a time." It is a reminder that the temptations in the desert were not the end but the beginning of lifelong temptations.

On the cross, Jesus was tempted by the criminals crucified with him. They told him to save himself, if he was truly the son of God. (Matthew 27:40) When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes (John 6:5-15.) the people tried to make him their king, but he avoided them. The Pharisees would later try to make Jesus prove himself when they argued with Jesus about giving them a sign from heaven. (Mark 8:11)

Like Jesus, we may be tempted to use the gifts God gave us for our own comfort. But I can choose to use wealth to help the poor, talents to help with liturgies, intelligence to teach the young, or strength to aid the weak.

These same gifts can tempt us to use them for popularity or power, but instead, we might choose to thank God for our gifts and let others know that the good we do comes from him.

"Signs from heaven" are not bad in themselves, but when we demand them, we are trying to manipulate God: "I'll believe in you if you give me a sign." That is what Jesus meant by putting God to the test. (Luke 4:12) Instead, remember Jesus' prayer, "Not my will, but yours be done." (Luke 22:42) Pray for that kind of faith and you'll have all that you need.

(Written by a Kenrick-Glennon seminarian)

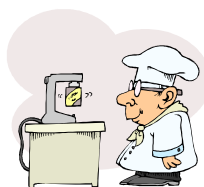




## Picnic Auction

Hi everybody! I'm hoping the cold weather that is keeping all of you inside, will give you time to start rounding up some items for our auction. If you have some items that are taking up needed space please keep the auction in mind. You will gain the space and the Church will benefit from the donation. Some examples of items which sell the best are golf clubs, hunting/fishing equipment, boats, motors, trailers, power tools, pinball machines, slot machines, event tickets, condo stays, business services, beer signs, and especially sports memorabilia. I have some great items that are in the works but until I wrap up some loose ends I can't announce them. One item will blow your mind, it will be a first for our auction. I had a call from a parishioner about some furniture but I had to turn it down due to lack of storage space and manpower. The only items along that line I can accept are antiques or high quality specialty items. Please call me on any of these type items and I will let you know if we can accept them. Please start ringing my phone, 296-2157. I need your help.

*Jim the Auction Guy,*



# FIRST SOUPER THURSDAY March 1



*Souper Thursdays coming again during Lent!!*

Like last year a delicious soup will be served in the Parish Center, Room A, from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Then all are welcomed to assemble in Church for an informative talk from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Our speaker this year will be Juliet Mousseau, Ph.D. She completed her graduate education at St. Louis University in historical theology. She is currently teaching theology at St. Louis University. Dr. Mousseau will be discussing Avery Dulles' book "Models of the Church" which offers different ways of considering the church as a community of believers. The weekly topics will be:

March 1	The Church as Community of Disciples and Institution
March 8	The Church as Communion
March 15	The Church as Servant
March 22	The Church as Sacrament
March 29	The Church as Herald



Immediately following these presentations Eucharistic Adoration will be held in the Church until Midnight. The Eucharistic Adoration will continue after the 8:00 am Mass each Friday until 2:00 pm. At 2:00 pm Stations of the Cross will be put on by Holy Child School children.

Come join us for the soup, the informative talks, the adoration and the Stations of the Cross and prepare yourself for the Easter celebrations. Also bring your friends. See you on the Thursdays and Fridays during lent.

