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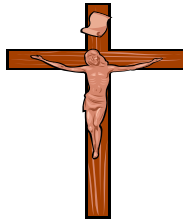
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## FEBRUARY 18, 2018 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### Mass Intentions

Monday, February 19	8:00 AM NO Mass
Tuesday, February 20	5:30 PM NO Mass
Wednesday, February 21	No Mass
Thursday, February 22	8:30 AM NO Mass in Jonesburg
Friday, February 23	8:00 AM NO Mass
Saturday, February 24	5:00 PM Our Parish Family
Sunday, February 25	8:00 AM Mass in Jonesburg 10:00 AM + Kenny Cunningham



July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

Church/School Financial Report:	Income	Expenses	Difference
January 2018	\$53,578.77	\$45,716.13	\$7,862.64
Fiscal Year July '17-'18	\$335,669.44	\$325,704.83	\$9,964.61
Needed Weekly = \$10,910.96			
February 4 --	\$ 12,911.92		
February 11 --	\$ 22,536.49		
February 18 --	\$		
February 25 --	\$		

Last Week's Envelopes: 49 of 191

*With God all things are possible*

**Parish Membership:** Call the parish office to register.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** 4:15pm Saturday or call for an appointment.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Celebrated during Mass or at another arranged time. Call the parish office to set up an appointment to meet with Fr. Austin.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Call the office at least six months prior to the date you would like to get married to make arrangements and set a date.

**To Become a Catholic:** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in the Fall and sacramental initiation normally occurs at the Easter Vigil. Call for details.

### WHO IS AN ACTIVE PARISHIONER ?

- Registered in the parish
- Regularly participates in Mass and the sacraments
- Supports the parish financially
- Annually completes a stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure form and fulfills that commitment

### RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Hermann/Rhineland: Tuesday, Feb. 27, 7:00 PM

**Montgomery City: Wednesday, Feb. 28, 7:00 PM**

Mexico: Thursday, March 1, 7:00 PM

Martinsburg: Monday, March 5, 7:00 PM

Fulton: Thursday, March 15, 7:00 PM

Jonesburg: Sunday, March 18, 7:30 AM and after 8:00 AM Mass

### Liturgical Ministers for February 24 and February 25

#### Ministries

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Sunday, 10:00 AM

<b>Lector</b>	Larry Brueggemann	Shane Lotton
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>		Sue Beck
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Acolyte Dennis Cobb, Vickie Oden, Gary Hoette	Acolyte Dennis Cobb, Londa Swoboda, Eileen Lotton
<b>Ministers of Hospitality</b>	HSRE Students	HSRE Students
<b>Servers</b>	Landon and Reed Pottebaum	HSRE Students
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Daryl & Nancy Cobb	HSRE Students
<b>Money Counters</b>	Bob Reiter, Rae Jean Rhoads	Gayle Adams, Ruth Schneider



## UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, February 19	8:00 AM NO Mass
Tuesday, February 20	6:00 AM - 5:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 5:30 PM NO Mass 7:00 PM Catholic Education Commission Meeting
Wednesday, February 21	1:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Perpetual Help Devotions 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, February 22	8:30 AM NO Mass at Jonesburg Noon Peel potatoes at KOC Hall
Friday, February 23	8:00 AM NO Mass 11:00 AM -1:00 PM, 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM Fish Fry at the KC Hall 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
Saturday, February 24	5:00 PM Mass
Sunday, February 25	8:00 AM Mass at Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM PSR Classes 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM HSRE Class



### BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S **SEVEN DEADLY SINS, SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES**

Pride, envy, anger, sloth, greed, gluttony and lust: these “seven deadly sins” are patterns of dysfunction that keep us separated from God and ultimately lead to unhappiness. Join us as we embark on Bishop Robert Barron’s exploration of these seven deadly sins and also learn how practicing countervailing virtues can break the cycle of sin.

This week, our parish will begin the *Seven Deadly Sins and Seven Lively Virtues* program. To find out more information, please contact Julie Worsham 573-489-2778, or stop by the church vestibule to sign up.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

**To David & Janet Cobb** as they celebrate their 41st wedding anniversary on February 19!

#### RAFFLE WINNERS

The KOC Ladies Auxiliary quilt raffle winners that were drawn at the KOC sausage dinner were: First place quilt- Betty Pursifull of Wellsville, Second place \$50.00 - JoAnne Reagan, and Third Place \$25.00- Betty Wessel. Thank you to all who support our yearly fundraiser in order to help our community and church family. God Bless!



#### CRS RICE BOWL

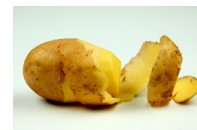
**During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.**

#### ENCOUNTER MAJD

In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

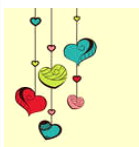
The KOC Ladies Auxiliary would appreciate volunteers to help with peeling potatoes, rolling silverware, etc. for the fish fry on Thursdays at noon at the KOC Hall. Also, cakes, and desserts are needed for the fish fry weekly. Thank you for your help!



#### TUESDAY ADORATION OPENINGS

**We are looking for people to fill the 7:00 AM and the noon hour.** If you are interested, please call Bonnie Walker at 564-2108. Substitutes are also needed. Adoration takes place every Tuesday from 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to come and spend some time with the Lord.

#### CARD SALE



The IC Relay for Life team will be selling their hand-made all-occasion cards at both lunch and supper Fish Frys at the K of C Hall on March 2 and March 16. So stop by our table and stock up! They are still \$1 a card or 6 for \$5.

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL INFORMATION



Get shopping /gift cards through the IC Scrip Program. [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com) Enrollment code: 676419AC74L7 If you have any questions, call Gina Smith, coordinator, 573-289-8635. 2/19:No School, President's Day, 2/23:12:30 dismissal/In Service, Fish Fry 11AM-1PM, 4:30 PM-6:30PM

**PRINCIPAL NEEDED for Immaculate Conception School (ECLC-8)**, a faith community with 86 students (ECLC-8) and 19 faculty and staff. Applicants must be practicing Catholics with a least 3 years of successful teaching, preferably in a Catholic elementary school. Requirements include a Master's degree and principal's certification or working toward it. For information, contact Fr. Austin Okoli at 573-564-2375 or [imm-con@sbcglobal.net](mailto:imm-con@sbcglobal.net).

## HELP WANTED

The Social Concerns Commission is looking for more volunteers who could help with sending out birthday cards to older members of the parish. The more folks we have helping, the less each person will have to do. You may only have to send 5 or so a year. Please contact Beth Roesner by February 25 if you would like to volunteer and you are not already on the list or have not confirmed with her that you can do it this year (if you were on the list last year). Beth's number is 314-974-1087.

## PORK SAUSAGE DINNER - FEBRUARY 18

St. Paul's Parish in Berger will be holding an "All You Can Eat" Pork Sausage Dinner on Sunday, February 18, from 11:00 Am to 5:00 PM.

## LENTEN STUDY GROUPS

You are invited to join a Lenten Study Group. This year the topic will be "7 Deadly Sins, and 7 Lively Virtues". There will be groups meeting on Sunday morning, Monday morning, and Sunday and Tuesday evenings. Please sign up in the vestibule.

Lanie Gardner will be leading a group on Monday mornings at 10:00 AM. If interested, please call her at 564-3301.

## LENTEN RESOURCES AVAILABLE

There are copies of *The Word Among Us* in the vestibule. One per family, please. Rice Bowls are also in the vestibule. There are also daily Lenten reflections available at [www.wordonfire.org](http://www.wordonfire.org) and [www.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever](http://www.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever)

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**All are invited to attend the Stations of the Cross held at 7:00 PM on Fridays in Lent.**

February 23, March 2, March 9, March 16, and March 23

## Spring Vocation Discernment Retreat For Single Catholic Women ages 18-40

**WHAT:** The spring Vocation Discernment Retreat is a "Journey of the Heart", a retreat opportunity with times for input, reflection, spiritual direction, community building and prayer. Participants will learn more about discernment and have an opportunity to pray and reflect with Sisters from various religious communities in the St. Louis area.

**WHEN:** Friday evening, March 2 through Sunday noon, March 4, 2018. You can arrive any time after 4pm on Friday, dinner is at 6pm. **WHERE:** Adorers Spirituality Center in Ruma, IL. For reference, the center is located about one hour from the Gateway Arch in Downtown St. Louis Transport from the Belleville MetroLink stop can be arranged. Please go to <https://goo.gl/ah47sq> or contact Sr. Pam Falter at [stspam@fsolph.org](mailto:stspam@fsolph.org) / 314-703-4024 for more information.

## SIMON SCHOLARSHIP

The William H. Simon Scholarship Funds awards scholarships to Catholic students who are in financial need for the purpose of attending an accredited college or university of the student's choice. To request an application, contact the parish office. **Deadline for submission of the application and all its requirements is March 31, 2018.**

## ETERNAL REST

We offer our prayers and sympathy to Nancy Hinkel on the passing of her nephew, Dan Gibson, last Saturday. Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.



*Please pray for:* Daniel Leonatti, Timothy Cochran, Corey Rees, Gina Smith, Angela Witthaus Keller, Donna Bell, Anita Jones, Mary Hertel, and Joshua Cochran.



**Please pray for all our men and women serving in the armed forces**....Corey Stulce, Brent Arnold, Steve "Hip" Hill, Aaron Henke, Tanner Cobb, Travis Thebeau, Jacob Merz, Daniel Lohmann, Jared Korman, Tom Kraust, Tim O'Fallon, Brandon Benney, Gary Frey, John Burce, Chris Burce, Jacob Jones, Matt Veder, Michael James, Michael Adams, and John Martin.



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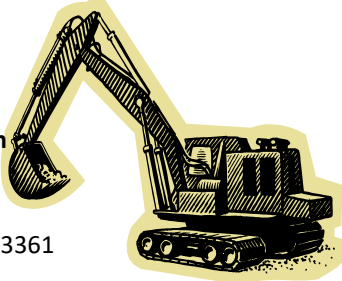


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and of  
good  
courage,  
do not fear  
or be in  
dread of  
them:  
for it is the  
Lord your  
God  
who goes  
with you;  
he will not  
fail you or  
forsake  
you."**

Deuteronomy 31:6

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