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157th YEAR OF SERVICE

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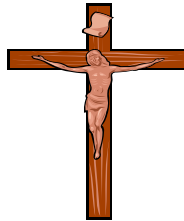
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Parish Council Members: Michael Auchly, President; Julie Beck, Vice-President; Dianne Talley, Secretary; Bob Reiter, Laura Yelton, Beth Cobb

FEBRUARY 25, 2018 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 26	8:00 AM NO Mass
Tuesday, February 27	5:30 PM NO Mass
Wednesday, February 28	No Mass
Thursday, March 1	8:30 AM Mass in Jonesburg
	10:00 AM + Roger Richard
Friday, March 2	8:00 AM + Sherrie Killday
Saturday, March 3	5:00 PM + Bill Auchly
Sunday, March 4	8:00 AM Mass in Jonesburg
	10:00 AM Our Parish Family



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 --	\$ 7,162.02		
February 25 --	\$		

Last Week's Envelopes: 72 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

Liturgical Ministers for March 3 and March 4

Ministries

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Sunday, 10:00 AM

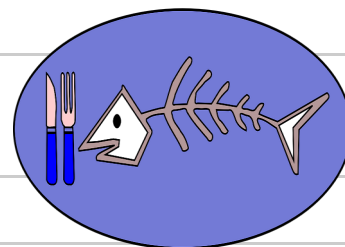
Lector	Shirley Henke	Michael Readey
Children's Liturgy		Bonnie Walker
Communion Ministers	Deacon Wayne Korte, Shirley Henke, Larry Brueggemann	Acolyte Dennis Cobb, Richard Bainbridge, Tudie Simpson
Ministers of Hospitality	Kasey & Mary Pottebaum, Daryl & Nancy Cobb	Steve & Kathy Holtz, Ruth Schneider, Sharon Pottebaum
Servers	Emersyn and Camden Schroeder	Carl Smith, Elizabeth Schierhoff
Gift Bearers	Kasey Pottebaum Family	Sharon Pottebaum, Jeff & Amanda Arens
Money Counters	Dottie Brueggen, Debbie Heidelberg	David & Janet Cobb, Mike & Jenidean Readey



UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Create
in me a
clean heart,
O God,
and put a
new
and right
spirit
within me."
Psalm 51:10

Monday, February 26	8:00 AM NO Mass 6:30 PM R.C.I.A. meets 7:00 PM Society of St. Vincent DePaul meeting
Tuesday, February 27	6:00 AM - 5:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 5:30 PM NO Mass
Wednesday, February 28	1:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Perpetual Help Devotions 7:00 PM Reconciliation Service here
Thursday, March 1	8:30 AM Mass at Jonesburg 10:00 AM Prayer Partner Mass Noon Peel potatoes at the KC Hall
Friday, March 2	8:00 AM 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, March 3	5:00 PM Mass
Sunday, March 4	8:00 AM Mass at Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass



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. Lenten groups have been formed and have started meeting, but you may still join in. To find out more information, please contact Julie Worsham 573-489-2778.

COUPLES HONORED

Congratulations to: Richard & Carole Bainbridge, Ignatius & Marian Busken, Harold & Karen Clark, Bill & Marge Cobb, Jim & Virginia Cochran, Peter & Judy Cunningham, Marvin & Lucille Griesbauer, Robert & Pat Merz, Charles & Judy Nelson, John & Jo Scott, and Tony Laverne Wessel. These couples have been married over 50 years and were honored recently at the Valentine's Mass and Brunch. This function is hosted annually by the Society of St. Vincent DePaul.



CONGRATULATIONS

To Tim & Sandy Bethel as they celebrate their 23rd wedding anniversary on February 25!

THANK YOU

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul sincerely thanks our parish family for the \$347.85 obtained in the February collection. Your generosity has made it possible to continue to help those less fortunate in our church and community.



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

ENCOUNTER CESIA

We encounter Cesia in Nicaragua, where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, young people pursue their dreams by building businesses to better their lives. How can you work to improve the lives of others this Lent? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit **crsrice-**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

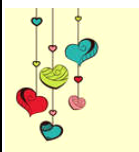
The KOC Ladies Auxiliary would appreciate volunteers to help with peeling potatoes, rolling silverware, etc. for the fish fry on Thursdays at noon at the KOC Hall. Also, cakes, and desserts are needed for the fish fry weekly. Thank you for your help!



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 Enrollment code: 676419AC74L7 If you have any questions, call Gina Smith, coordinator, 573-289-8635.

2/27: School Board, 6:15 PM; 3/1: Prayer Partner Mass, 10:00 AM; 3/2: Dr. Seuss Day Fish Fry 11AM-1PM, 4:30 PM-6:30PM; 3/3: Speech Meet

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.

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 and www.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentenver

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

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

THANK YOU

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul would like to thank the Social Concerns Commission for hosting the Mission Breakfast and Bake Sale in our behalf. We received \$720.50 in proceeds which will be used to aid those in need of assistance in the Montgomery County area.

UNITED IN PRAYER DAY, MARCH 17

Father Matt Flatley, pastor of Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church in Vienna and Holy Guardian Angels in Brinktown, will be leading a morning of prayer in our diocese for Contemplative Outreach of Central Missouri on Saturday, March 17. It will be held from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM in the Alphonse J. Schwartze Memorial Catholic Center in Jefferson City. Welcome, registration and hospitality begin at 8:30 AM. The theme will be *The Four Senses of Scripture...A Journey to Unity*. Light snacks and refreshments will be served. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Free-will offerings will be accepted to help cover the cost of the event. For more information and to register contact COCEMO at 573-864-1097 or e-mail cocemo1@gmail.com

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 stpam@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.**



Please pray for: Piper Clark, Daniel Leonatti, Timothy Cochran, Corey



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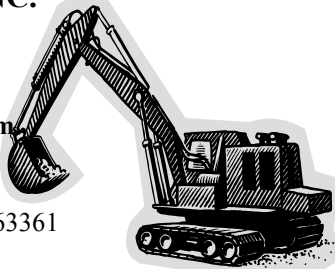
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strong
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do not
fear or be
in dread
of them:
for it is
the Lord
your God
who goes
with you;
he will
not fail
you or
forsake
you."**

Deuteronomy 31:6

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