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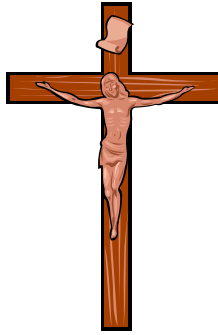
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Dianne Talley, Bob Reiter, Laura Yelton



APRIL 16, 2017 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Mass Intentions

Monday No Mass
Tuesday 5:30 PM Kenny Cunningham
Wednesday 8:30 AM Mass in Jonesburg
Thursday 8:00 AM + Frank & Elsie Dreesen
Friday 8:00 AM + Frank Cobb
Saturday 5:00 PM + Francis Whyte
and Our Parish Family
Sunday 8:00 AM Mass in Jonesburg
Sunday 10:00 AM For the First Communicants
and their families



July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017 Church/School Income Report

Total Expenses for Year \$606,481.00
Year-To-Date Goal \$478,187.10
Year-To-Date Actual \$454,342.71
Needed Each Week \$ 11,663.10
Last Week's Actual \$ 6,888.30
Year-To-Date Difference -\$ 23,844.39
Last Week's Envelopes 71 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.



LIVE THE LITURGY

Alleluia, the Lord is risen! Mary of Magdala went to Jesus' tomb and found that it was empty. She was the first witness of the Resurrection and announced the empty tomb to other disciples. We are called to be witnesses too. Can you imagine the joy the disciples experienced when they realized that Jesus was actually raised from the dead? Sometimes our faith in the Resurrection can run lukewarm. We don't fully doubt that Jesus was raised but we aren't fully convinced either. Once we become convinced our lives, no matter where our roads take us, will automatically radiate with joy. Like Mary, we are called to then share that joy with others so that they may realize that it is the Lord and come to believe.

Liturgical Ministers for April 22 and April 23

Ministry

Saturday, 8:00 PM

Sunday, 10 AM

Lector

Vicki Oden

First Communicants

Children's Liturgy

Sue Beck

Communion Ministers

Acolyte Dennis Cobb,
Ruth Ann O'Keefe, Margie Cobb

Deacon Wayne Korte,
Megan Pierce, Shirley Henke

Ministers of Hospitality

Steve and Beth Cobb,
Regan Pazdera, Aubreigh Allen

Greeters: First Communicants
Charlie & Pat Korman, Ron & Dianne Talley

Servers

Weston See, Jacob Hogue

Hudson Schroeder, Landon Pottebaum, Olivia Roesner

Gift Bearers

Bob and Mary Dryden

Reed, Casey, and Mary Pottebaum


Money Counters

Sandy Bethel, Raymond & Chris Welker

Pam Schwartz, Cathy McCormack

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday (Today)	8:00 AM Mass at Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass	
Monday	No Mass 7:00 PM Society of St. Vincent DePaul meeting	
Tuesday	6:00 AM - 5:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 5:30 PM Mass 6:00 PM Combined Meeting of St. Patrick and Immaculate Conception Parish Councils	
Wednesday	8:30 AM Mass at Jonesburg 1:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Perpetual Help Devotions	
Thursday	8:00 AM Mass	
Friday	8:00 AM Mass	
Saturday	5:00 PM Mass	
Sunday	8:00 AM Mass at Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - First Holy Communion 6:00 - 7:30 PM PSR classes 6:00 - 8:30 PM Confirmation and HSRE classes Refreshments: Sandy Bethel, Julie Worsham	

 **CONGRATULATIONS!**


To Jake and Julie Beck as they celebrate their 13th wedding anniversary on April 17!

To Brian and Rachel Rakers as they celebrate their 9th wedding anniversary on April 19!

To Justin and Jill Dunlap as they celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary on April 21!

To Harold and Anna Marie Cobb as they celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary on April 21!

To Dalton Brinegar who celebrated his First Holy Communion last Sunday, April 9!

 **PHOTOS**

The photos have arrived and are in the vestibule of church. **Thank you** to all the families that took the time to get their photos taken for the parish directory.

If you were unable to attend a sitting for your family photo please contact Joe Klekamp before May 6 to schedule your photo session. The best way to contact Joe is by text 573-325-4345 or e-mail joek@joeklekkamp.com. If you do not have these capabilities, please call Judy at the parish office and she can forward your phone number to Joe.

WELCOME!

We welcome a new parishioner, Charles Cassaday, to our parish. He lives in Middletown, relocating from the Lemay area in south St. Louis County. Welcome to our parish family, Charles!

COMBINED MEETING - APRIL 18


A Parish Leadership and Pastoral Planning Meeting for the parish councils of Immaculate Conception Parish and St. Patrick Parish will be held on **Tuesday, April 18, at 6:00 PM** in the IC school cafeteria.

INFIRM PRIESTS COLLECTION

The annual collection for infirm priests is this weekend. **We have been assessed \$2,317.00.** Please be generous in your support of the priests that have served our diocese and are now unable to do so because of age or illness.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - APRIL 23

Sunday, April 23, 5 children will be celebrating their First Holy Communion. Congratulations to Owen Merz, Reed Pottebaum, Jacob Roesner, Emersyn Schroeder, and Carl Smith.

 The Society of St. Vincent DePaul sincerely appreciates the April Collection of \$377.14. Thank you so much for enabling us to help others in our Church and Community!

PROJECT PROM 2017

Project Prom is an all-night, chaperoned, drug and alcohol free event following the Montgomery County R-II Prom on April 29, 2017. Attendees enjoy a fun, safe environment as an alternative to other post-prom "celebrations", which can be dangerous. This tradition would not be possible without generous donations from our community. If you would like to contribute, please send donations to Project Prom, c/o Montgomery County R-II High School, 394 N HWY 19, Montgomery City, MO 63361. Make checks payable to Project Prom. If you would like to donate your time as a volunteer or have any questions, please contact Ruth Ann O'Keefe, (573)823-2676 or ruthannokeefe@yahoo.com. Thank you!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL INFORMATION



4/13-4/23: Easter Break/Spring Break, 4/23: First Communion; 4/25: Sketch Day, 4/27: Dine-Out Night at Dos Primos, 4:28: Spring Concert, 6 PM

Get shopping /gift cards through the IC Scrip Program. www.ShopWithScrip.com Enrollment code: 676419AC74L7 If you have any questions, call the school at 564-2679 or Gina Smith, coordinator, 573-289-8635.

WANTED! - CHURCH PEW

Immaculate Conception School is looking for a six to eight foot church pew to use in the foyer. If you know where we can get one please contact Kristie Eldringhoff as soon as possible.

SPRING BASKET FUNDRAISER

Immaculate Conception School has started their spring basket fundraiser in cooperation with Yardbirds LLC. Baskets are \$16 each. You may get your tickets from the school office or from Kristie Eldringhoff at 573-220-9616 (keldringhoff@gmail.com). These make great Mother's Day gifts. Your tickets must be used by June 1. Thank you for your support of our school.



SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Regular registration runs April 1-May 31 and is \$150. Late registration begins June 1 and is \$175.

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

It is never too early to start thinking about your child's education. Immaculate Conception School ECLC is now enrolling Preschoolers for the 2017-2018 school year. At IC School we prepare your child for formal academics by teaching beginning phonics, math readiness and the essential skills to enhance the learning process. Please contact Mrs. Jesse Bolte to schedule a visit (573) 564-2679.

ENCOUNTER THE RISEN CHRIST

We prayed, fasted and gave alms --and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends as we encounter our risen Lord. We reflect on our brothers and sisters whom we walked with in India, Zambia, El Salvador, Mexico, Ethiopia and Hawaii. And we commit to bring Easter joy to each person we meet in our daily lives. **Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl by dropping it in the collection basket or leaving it at the parish office.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

The Montgomery City Knights of Columbus will again give a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior. To qualify the student must be a Montgomery City Knights of Columbus member, or a son or daughter of a Montgomery City Knights of Columbus member, or a member of Immaculate Conception parish. Applications are due May 1. Contact Wayne Korte for applications.

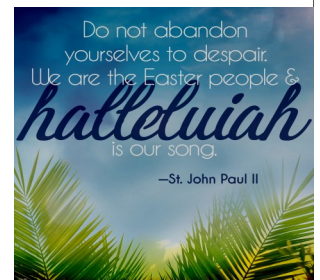


April is designated Child Abuse Awareness month in the United States. The USCCB reminds us that, throughout the Gospel, Christ calls upon his followers to care for the most vulnerable among us, especially children. Our faith also calls for us to uphold the value of human life and the dignity of the human person. The protection of children is the responsibility of the entire Church, including the faithful. As Archbishop Gregory Aymond states in the Protecting God's Children course, "The hope is that through education, through prayer, though our working together as a Catholic community, we can create safe boundaries where life is revered and where we can move forward." Education is a key to helping protect children. If you have not attended a Protecting God's Children class, sign up to attend one the next time it is offered in your area. To see a list of upcoming classes, and to learn more about Child and Youth protection, go to www.diojeffcity.org/child-and-youth-protection.

ETERNAL REST

Our condolences are offered to Dianne Talley and her family on the death of her mother, Florence Kuebler, on Monday, April 10. Visitation will be held at Toedtmann-Grosse Funeral Home in Hermann, on Monday, April 17, from 4-8 PM. The funeral Mass will be on Tuesday at 10 AM at St. George in Hermann. Eternal rest grant unto Florence, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

† **PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Marian Busken, Amy Dullard, Daniel Leonatti, Jim Grillo, Evan Clements, Delores Miller, Debbie Heidelberger, Robert Merz, Harold Cobb, Bill Auchly, George Banfield, Jo Ann Reagan, Mike Dorlac, Roger Richard, Dylan Arnold, Bill Fischer, Judy Cunningham, Lori Sollberger, Evy Heimburger, Zita Welter, Stephanie Steffans, Jeff Dykman, Eathan Leadley, Charlene Strange, and Katie Williams.



Please pray for all our men and women serving in the armed forces.... Tanner Cobb, Aaron Henke, 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.

ALLELUIA

If then you were *raised* with Christ,
seek what is above,
where Christ is *seated*
at the right hand of God.
Think of what is *above*,
not of what is on earth.
For you have died, and your *life*
is hidden with Christ in God.
When Christ your life *appears*,
then you too will
appear with him in *glory*.

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

GOSPEL QUOTE

"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.' Behold, I have told you." -- Mt 28: 5b - 7

SPRING DINNER AND CRAFT SHOW - APRIL 23

Holy Rosary Church in Warrenton, MO is sponsoring their Annual Spring Dinner and Craft Show on Sunday, April 23, 2017. They will be serving Fried Chicken and Kettle Beef from 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM. Adults, \$12.00; Children ages 6-12, \$5.00; Children 6 and under free in dining room only. Drive-thru carry-out is \$12.00.

COME AND SEE WEEKEND - MAY 5-7

Thinking about religious life? We have tools for your spiritual journey! The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18-40 who are considering religious life, to attend a Come and See Weekend at their monastery in Clyde, MO, May 5-7, 2017. It's a chance to experience contemplative monastic life and learn about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend, and details can be found at www.benedictinesisters.org. To register, please contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 994-2221 ex. 127 or e-mail vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AROUND THE WORLD AND IN MISSOURI EVENT - MAY 6

Former Human Trafficking Victims to Speak at Catholic Charities Event

Join Catholic Charities on Saturday, May 6, from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the Catholic Center, 2207 West Main Street, Jefferson City. You will have the opportunity to hear testimonies of trafficked survivors from the Mid-Missouri area. This will give you a deep personal look into what exploitation can look like for U.S. citizens. Program: Documentary - Not My Life, small group discussion, lunch (provided), social media and trafficking, trafficking survivor testimonies. Please RSVP by April 28 to jseifert@cccnmo.org or 573-635-7719.

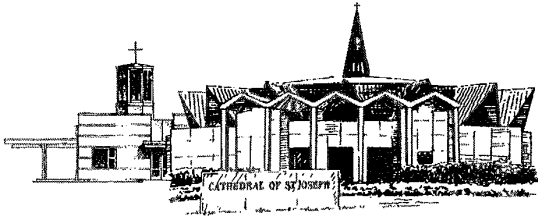
PILGRIMAGE - MAY 6

The National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church in Laurie, Missouri is hosting a pilgrimage opportunity on Saturday, May 6. This pilgrimage will commemorate the 100th anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima. Deacon Patrick O'Toole from the Diocese of Springfield, Illinois will give a presentation. The pilgrimage begins at 9:00 AM and includes presentations on Our Lady of Fatima, reconciliation, Mass, lunch, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please contact Rose for reservations at mothersshrine@shrineofpatrick.com or 574-374-6279.



RETROUVAILLE - JUNE 2-4

Marriage Challenges? Retrouvaille (a French word meaning rediscovery) is a program to help couples heal and renew their marriages that offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. It has helped thousands of couples with marital problems and crises, even couples who are separated and divorced. The next program begins with the **weekend of June 2-4, 2017**. For further information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



THE DIOCESE OF JEFFERSON CITY
Office of the Bishop

Easter Sunday
April 16, 2017

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Alleluia! He is Risen! I pray that the light of Christ's Resurrection will shine on you and your families this day. Please also join me in congratulating those who joined our Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults this Easter. Welcome to you all!

We always give thanks to God for the gift of our life and the beauty of creation that surrounds us. Today, on this Easter morning, we offer special praise to the Lord Jesus Christ for setting us free from the grip of the enemy whose strength we could not match. Christ has freed us from death, and clothed us with immortality. Therefore, as we hear in the words of Psalm 136, let us praise the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures forever.

Wishing you a very happy and blessed Easter season, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John R. Gaydos
Bishop of Jefferson City

N.B.: This letter should be read from the Pulpit or printed in its entirety in your bulletin on the weekend of April 15-16, 2017.

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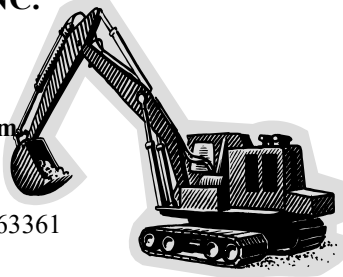


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do not fear
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he will not
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Deuteronomy 31:6

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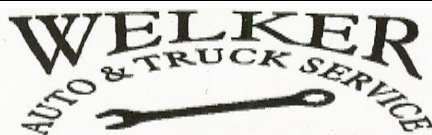
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