

SECOND SUNDAY

OF *Advent*

A voice cries out:
In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!
Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill shall be made low.

Isaiah 40:3-4



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

A communal celebration is offered after the 1st Saturday, 8 a.m. Mass. For those who prefer/need a different time, 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 After Tuesday 8 a.m. Mass

Rosary After 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.)



"Prepare the way of the Lord..."

- MARK 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, does just that – it puts us on the path to holiness and it invites others to be holy, too.

Mass Intentions for the Week

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| Mon. | 12/11 | 8:00 a.m. | Rev. David Walter |
| Tues. | 12/12 | 8:00 a.m. | Martin, Mary & Peg Scannell |
| Wed. | 12/13 | 8:00 a.m. | Lorraine Herwig |
| Thurs | 12/14 | 8:00 a.m. | Emanuel Amann |
| Fr. | 12/15 | 8:00 a.m. | Dorothy Flaker |
| Sat. | 12/16 | 4:30 p.m. | Our Parish Family |
| Sun. | 12/17 | 7:30 a.m. | Ed Bucher |
| | | 10:00 a.m. | James Bauer |

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER



Pray for those who are sick and their caregivers. Pray for: Cathy Christman, Jackie Evrard, Jo Gaal, Stephanie Hagan (wife of Barry), Rose Marie Horejes, Rose Marie Murphey (mother of Deacon Jim), Nancy Bitter, Marguerite Mann (mother of Shar Merkel), Betty Hartmann (wife of John), Sandy Galis & Ryan Grybas (niece & nephew of Rosalyn Oldenburg & Cindy Schmaltz), Evelyn Shaver (mother of Bill), Kathy LaLonde (cousin of Karen Garcia), Kathleen Wiese (daughter of Audrey and sister of Mike Smith), Nick Corson Lammert, Kathy Dilport, Robert Morse (brother of Margaret), Carolyn Merkel (daughter of Shar), Shirley Leaders (mother of John) 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.

REST IN PEACE

In your charity pray for our deceased, Rose Ruzicka (mother of John (Jeanne) and Ellie (Bill) Hill) and Mary Freudenthal (wife of Tom). May they join their loved ones in joyful reunion with Jesus.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Boy Scout Blood Drive CANCELLED

G. Scout Donut Sale Sun. In Church

Ladies' Sodality Christmas Party

Wednesday, at St. John the Baptist 6:00 p.m.

Baptism Class

Wed. 7:00 p.m. RMR

Men's Club Christmas Gathering will be

Thursday, at the Haven at 8:00 p.m.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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| Boy Scouts | Tues. | 7:00 p.m. Cafeteria |
| Quilters | Tues. | 10:00 a.m. RMR |
| Judy Hudson's Exercise | Tues. | 8:30 – 10 a.m. Cafe |
| Choir Practice | Wed. | 7:00 p.m. Church |
| For Choir Rehearsal Info see Leona Ernst after Mass | | |
| Spirit & Truth | 2x Monthly Thurs. | 7p.m. School Bld. |
| Balance Class | Thurs. | 9 a.m. School Bld. |
| Judy Hudson's Exercise | Fri. | 8:30 -10 a.m. Café |
| Centering Prayer | Meets the 1st & 3rd Sat. of each month at 9 a.m. in the vestibule of Church | |

ON-LINE DONATIONS



Give To IHM

to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish are now 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 via e-mail. Thank you for your generosity to our parish family!

WEEKLY



COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKENDS

of:

**November 29th
& December 3rd, 2017**

Envelopes: \$10,294.00

Loose: \$693.00

Parish Maintenance: \$1,344.00

- 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 NEWS

**TODAY- SUNDAY!
BOY SCOUT BLOOD DRIVE
CANCELLED!!**

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**SUPPORT 7th GRADE
GIRL SCOUT TROOP 1976
AND SATISFY
YOUR SWEET TOOTH!**



Following 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses today, December 10th, in the vestibule of Church, stop by the girl scout table and help support by purchasing a donut for \$1 or a dozen donuts \$8.

Thank you for your continued support!!

Our Baptism Class is this Wednesday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room. This one-time only meeting is for 1st-time parents who wish to have their child(ren) baptized. Call the Parish Office to register 314- 481-7543.



ST. PATRICK CASSEROLES

Casserole supplies may be picked up in the vestibule of Church **this week-end**. Please **return frozen** to the Father Keaney Center **before 9:00 a.m. Thursday, December 21st**.
Thank you!



St. Mark 8th GRADE PRO-LIFE BAKE SALE - Next Weekend

The sale is following Masses next weekend, December 16th/17th in the Father Keaney Center. This Bake Sale will help raise funds for the 8th grade pro-life trip to Washington, D.C. in January.

We will have a variety of baked goods, including cookies, pies, breads - just in time for the Christmas holiday.

The St. Mark 8th graders going to the Pro Life March thank you in advance for supporting this fundraiser.



Dear Parishioners,
We wanted to thank everyone for their kindness and generosity again this year. We are very grateful to everyone that pulled a card from the tree and bought the items to donate. We even had some items donated that weren't on the cards. **Thank you again, for making Christmas very special for the kids.** We truly appreciate your generosity!

Merry Christmas from the Ladies' Sodality
Giving Tree Committee,
Lina Silistria & Carol Sandrowski



My Dearest Family & Friends at Immaculate Heart of Mary,

How does one say thank you for all the prayers and well wishes over the past 3 1/2 months while I was in hospitals and re-hab? I am so happy to finally be home and your love and kindness continues. I have been so blessed by God and I want everyone to know how much I appreciate everything you have done for me.

Love and Prayers,
Jo Gaal



Dear Immaculate Heart of Mary,
My family and I want to thank you for all the acts of kindness, cards and love shown to us in the passing of our dad (grandpa) recently. Please know we appreciate all the prayers during this difficult time for the whole family.

Sincerely,
Pattie & Matt Baker
&
the Wallner Family



CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

During the Christmas Season you will have the opportunity of providing a poinsettia plant that will be placed in the Sanctuary of our Church as a memorial for your loved ones.

A suggested offering of \$8 may be placed in the flower envelope at the entrances of Church and placed in the Collection Basket or dropped at the Rectory by **Sunday, December 17th**. The names of your loved ones will be placed at the image of the baby Jesus.

SENIOR MOMENTS

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT 2017

It was with heavy hearts that it was necessary to cancel the *Advent by Candlelight* this year. Due to the uncertainty of the installation of the boiler and wanting our guests to have a comfortable temperature for the evening, cancelation was necessary.

Myself and an additional team member were not able to commit to the service this year due to our health issues. Bernie and Becky Will graciously volunteered to continue with our annual service. God bless them for taking on all of the planning, preparations, scheduling and shopping the evening requires. Even though the service was canceled, they were prepared to facilitate and host. Thank you Bernie and Becky!

Mark your Calendar the first Sunday of Advent **Sunday, December 2, 2018** Advent by Candlelight.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thank you to all for your out pouring of generosity for the men of the Peter and Paul Shelter! **We made our goal of seventy five cards and then some!** Thank you to those who donated cash for cards and for those who purchased cards. We will have a wonderful celebration! *"They will know we are Christians by our love!"* God bless you all! I will let you know more details about the party in an upcoming bulletin.

THANK YOU, FROM DEBBIE

I've been back a little over a month since my second surgery. I am stronger and walk well with the walker. I am not able to walk long distance without discomfort, but I am grateful for any progress. Unfortunately, I am not able to walk without the walker as yet. I am in a holding pattern; it will take until sometime between January and May to know if the surgery will be a success. The surgeon said my leg would never be the same, but our goal was to help me walk without a walker.

I have felt predominately patient throughout this year long process. I want to be the first to say, this patience is truly a grace from God! Thank you Lord, for blessing me with this patience. I know this does not come from me. I know I am not this patient to have my mobility hindered and my humility tested. It is the Holy Spirit that has allowed me the patience and peace of mind. For that I am

eternally grateful. I am also grateful for your prayers, acts of kindness and the tremendous amount of cards and Masses! It is your goodness, support and prayers that has carried me through. I am sure that your prayers have lifted me to the grace of patience. Gratitude and blessings to all!

GAS AND ELECTRIC BILL ASSISTANCE

The Missouri Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is designed to help pay heating bills for those Missourians in need of assistance now through the month of March. If the head of household and/or spouse are over 60 and/or disabled, the application can be sent now. Eligibility for benefits under this program is limited to households who: are responsible for paying home heating costs; are U.S. citizens; do not have available resources in excess of \$3,000; and meet specific income guidelines that vary according to household size.

For one person, monthly income cannot be greater than \$1,356.75. For a household size of two, the monthly income limit is \$1,827. Please contact Debbie 481-9385 for the application or to receive help applying for this program.

Joe Biden offers Hope in Grief Work Shops

I discovered a quote by Joe Biden, who served as our 47th vice president from 2009 to 2017. Joe Biden has lived through heart breaking, unimaginable tragedy. His first wife and thirteen month old daughter died in a car crash just a few months after the twenty-nine year old was first elected to the U.S. Senate in 1972. His other two sons were seriously injured in the accident. His grief was tortuous. He felt anger, loss and so much more. In 2015 his forty-six year old son died after battling brain cancer. Again, experiencing devastating loss and heartache! Joe has spoken of his grief publically and through a book that he wrote after his son's death: *Private Grief and Its Effect on a Public Life*.

This quote has been shared when he offers workshops or speaks on grief: ***"There will come a day – I promise you, when the thought of your son or daughter, or your husband or wife, brings a smile to your lips before it brings a tear to your eye."***

Through the many emotions, pain, suffering and hopeless feelings, he has been able to find hope and to offer hope for others.



Dear Parishioners,

At the beginning of Advent, the Church meditates on God's preparation for the coming of the Son in this world and His ministry in the figures of Mary and John the Baptist. With the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, we see how from the first moment that she existed, Mary was prepared by God to be the Mother of His Son by infusing within her soul the life of grace that He would win for us on the Cross. All things being present before the eye of God, which sees all that is within Himself as well as everything between Creation and the End of Time, there is no stretch in thinking that He would apply the merits of the Cross to Mary, even though from our point of view that is locked in the order of time, it had not happened yet. Perhaps what is most important to ponder, though, is how God would prepare her to receive the gift of His Son on behalf of all of us in order that we might share in the newness of life that she would enjoy from her conception. She was put "at enmity" with the devil, as prophesied in the Book of Genesis, meaning that Mary would be separated from the Enemy's power and consecrated by God with His grace (See Genesis 3:15). While this first grace was unmerited for her, as it is for all of us, it would be through her cooperation with grace throughout her life that would conform her even more to Him. We do not know of the temptations that she endured, but it would be reasonable to imagine that this blessed human creature intrigued the Enemy by her resistance of him, remaining beyond his deceptions and desire to corrupt all of God's works. While we give thanks to God for what He had done for Mary at her conception, we also praise Him for keeping her faithful throughout her life and for her generosity of taking on the special vocation for which He had prepared for her.

We also consider in these days the person of St. John the Baptist, whose coming would be foretold as well, such as in the prophet Isaiah, from whom we hear this weekend: "A voice cries out: 'In the

desert, prepare the way of the Lord! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!" (Isaiah 40:3) Again, we see another person, who would be prepared to introduce the Son of God to the world. Though he would not be preserved from the stain of original sin like the Blessed Mother, he would nevertheless enjoy a closeness to God due to his special place in salvation history. God instilled within him gifts that would assist him in his vocation, and through John's fidelity, they would flourish and prepare the world for the revelation of the Son of God. His life was not an easy one, but John was filled with a desire to remaining true to his calling of calling people to repentance and conversion.

Though we do not have the special vocations of the Blessed Mother and John the Baptist, we all have our part to play in salvation history, and all of us receive gifts to assist us. Like Mary and John, it is up to us to respond to the gifts we have received. May their example and prayers, let alone those of others, help us prepare to meet the Son of God face-to-face.

In the Hearts of Jesus & Mary,

Father Teater

Dear Parishioners,

In order to keep our records accurate it would be most helpful when using your parish envelopes that you would **write the amount of your donation on the outside of your envelope**. We want to credit each of you correctly for your generosity to Immaculate Heart of Mary!! Thank you!

JOKE OF THE WEEK

A customer walked into our store looking for Christmas lights. I showed her our top brand, but — wanting to make sure each bulb worked — she asked me to take them out of the box and plug them in. I did, and each one lit up. "Great," she said.

I carefully placed the string of lights back in the box. But as I handed them to her, she looked alarmed. "Oh, I don't want this box," she said abruptly. "It's been opened."



ATTENTION HIGHSCHOOLERS!

Please join us this Wednesday,
December 13th from 7- 9:00 p.m.
at Bishop DuBourg High School, as we continue to
enter into and explore the ways that the Lord is
drawing near to us during this time of Advent.
See saintlouislifeteen.org for more information

ATTENTION EIGHTH GRADERS!

Save the date for **LUKE 18 2018** - it will take place
February 16-18th, 2018. More information is
available at
saintlouislifeteen.org/luke18.



is a south county young adults
group which **meets two Thurs-**
days a month at 7:00 p.m. in the
school building of Immaculate
Heart of Mary, for fellowship and
a discussion on a topic of faith, followed by Eucha-
ristic Adoration and confessions.

Join *Spirit and Truth* this Thursday for our annual
Advent social! **This year we will go to visit the**
Way of Lights at the Shrine of Our Lady of the
Snows. Join us first at IHM at 7:00 p.m. and then
we will carpool together to the Shrine.

Visit us at spiritandtruthstl.org,
or like us on Facebook at fb.me/spiritandtruth.stl

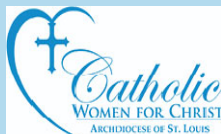


February 3, 2018 Touhill Performing Arts Center UMSL

Doors Open at 8:00 a.m.
Concluding with 4:00 p.m. Mass

\$40 register online
Catholicmenforchrist.org
Or call 314-516-4949

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March 10, 2018 Touhill Performing Arts Center UMSL

Doors Open at 8:30 a.m.
Concluding with 4:00 p.m. Mass

\$40 - register online
catholicwomenforchrist.org
or call 314-516-4949



YARN FOR AFRICA

I am crocheting yarn covers for water
filter bottles. The Sisters of St. Jo-
seph send these to Africa, so the
women may get clean water for their
families. Only a small amount of yarn
makes one cover. I'm also still making Prayer
Shawls. If you have nay leftover yarn, I'd be grateful
for any donation. Please call Mary Korn at 314-481-
9134.



Beyond Sunday
Education | Faith | Community

Beyond our Dreams, Bold as our Prayers

Nearly seven years ago, Archbishop Robert J. Carl-
son wrote: "In 2018, I hope our Catholic people will
be giving themselves more wholeheartedly to the
Lord in their prayer, in their active involvement in
the life of the Church, and in their willingness to give
back to the Lord with increase. A new foundation
will be working hard . . . to grow endowment funds .
. . . to build our capacity for stewardship-based fund-
raising and will have generated significant new dol-
lars for local parish and school needs . . ." (Alive in
Christ, March 24, 2011).

The year 2018 is on the horizon, and much of
Archbishop Carlson's vision - a hard-working Ro-
man Catholic Foundation, growing endowment
funds and stewardship-based fundraising with sig-
nificant dollars generated—has become reality!
Thank you to so many who have worked tirelessly
and contributed generously to bring this vision to
life.

The most recent report on the Beyond Sunday cam-
paign illustrates that our prayers have been an-
swered and that the Catholic community has ac-
cepted the call to generous stewardship with a re-
cord-setting response!

- Over \$106 million raised
- More than 25,000 pledges received
- \$4.7 million in scholarships and grants already
awarded

Many blessings of the campaign extend beyond fi-
nancial impacts. The annual Beyond Sunday Fel-
lows events demonstrate how the campaign
touches lives, advances important issues and
changes hearts through community-building and
direct service opportunities.

THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

With Advent here, let's think about Jesus' teachings of how we should treat one another. While doing these deeds, come join the joy and laughter with your fellow parishioners at Peter & Paul Men's Shelter. You will be practicing three maybe even four of the seven Corporal Works at once.

We meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary at 5:00 p.m. to carpool to the Men's Shelter, if you like, and return before 9:00 p.m. The men look forward to the evening when it's **IHM Night!** We serve the men dinner and drinks, give out clothing and necessities and we play Bingo! We go on the 2nd Thursday and 3rd Friday of each month.

Come Try it, You'll Like it!

(and we need additional volunteers)

Please call or email me with your availability, or if you have any questions:

Juanita Bishop

email: ihmpps@gmail.com or 314-605-5110

Our date for December:

Friday, December 22nd



Holiday shopping is beginning!

Perfect time to apply for a card!

Immaculate Heart of Mary earned \$173.86 for the month of October. Thank you! Earn up to 3% every day for our Parish! Shop with your registered Schnucks eScrip Card and 3% of your purchase will come back to IHM. (\$1,749.24 since January)

If you are interested in receiving a Schnucks E-Scrip card, please fill in the information below and return in the **Collection Basket, "Attention Ann" or drop off at the Rectory.** After I register your card online, I will send your card(s) to you and you may begin to use immediately! **It's surprising the way the profit each month adds up by you just swiping your card at check-out. Thank you!!**

Please print clearly:

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Address _____

City, State, & Zip Code _____

Phone # _____ # Cards: _____

**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.

**Congratulations to Melissa & Carlos
on the birth of their son, Maddox
and to Kate and Alberto on the birth
of their daughter, Esperanza Christina.**

Keep the following couples in your prayers:

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| Stefanie & James | January 2018 |
| Hilarie & Dan | February |
| Leslie & Stephen | March |
| Heather & Zach | March |
| Laura & Andy | April |
| Elizabeth & Dominic | April |
| Amber & Brian | April |
| Kim & Corey | June |

God Bless you all, The IHM Pro-Life Committee

2018 CALENDARS

Calendars are at the doors of Church. Thanks again to Kutis Funeral Homes, for making these available free of charge to Immaculate Heart of Mary.



**KEEP OUR MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE
OUR COUNTRY TO KEEP US SAFE
IN YOUR PRAYERS!**



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
Specialist 1st Class David V. Rice, U.S. Army
SSgt. Steve Appelbaum, U.S. Air Force
Fr. Edward Ramatowski - deployed to Afghanistan

NEWS AROUND TOWN

TODD DANIELS MEMORIAL FOUNDATION TRIVIA NIGHT

Mark your calendar! Saturday, January 13th at St. Mary's High School. **Tables are \$250 ea. with up to 10** to a table and includes, soda, water, setups, and 10 rounds of trivia. There will be 50/50's, raffle packages and silent auction items. Doors open at 6:00p.m. with Trivia at 7:00 p.m. **Tables will only be reserved when paid in full.**

Questions? brian@tdmemorialfoundation.com.

GIFT CARDS APPRECIATED!

The Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are having a Gift Card drive the month of December for their 25th Annual Dinner Auction in February 2018. Cards to restaurants and stores valued at \$25 or more would be most appreciated. Gift cards may be mailed to the Sisters at 204 N. Main Street, O'Fallon, MO 63366.

CAMP KESEM

Ran through St. Louis University

Camp Kesem is a free week-long summer camp for children ages 6-16 who have been affected by a parent's cancer. One week of camp is completely SLU student run, fundraised, and planned. We also provide year-round support. **This year's camp will be August 5th-11th, 2018** at Sunnyhill Adventure Camp in Dittmer, MO. Interested or questions slu.outreach@campkesem.org or call Mary at 773-259-8497 or Maddie at 734-658-1802.

PROJECT RACHEL & PROJECT JOSEPH

Hope for the broken hearted. Whether you are the mom, dad, grandparent, or sibling, abortion can leave a hole in the heart of any family member. Find healing for your heartache at Project Rachel and Project Joseph – free, confidential, professional counseling at 314-792-7565.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS!

It has been said that the greatest gift you can give your children is two parents who are deeply in love with each other. No matter how old your children are, you can polish your gift on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. You deserve the best! To apply for upcoming weekends see our website at www.stl-wwme.org or call 314.649.7317.

"OUR MOTHER HEALS"

**Ministry at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish
Catholics and non-Catholics welcome!**

We offer a healing Mass and anointing for all those who are sick, especially cancer patients. This Mass will take place the **first Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. (January 6th)**. After Mass we will have adoration, healing prayer, and anointing. For non-Catholics, we will pray over you. All are welcome to come and experience the healing power of Jesus in their personal lives.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

LECTORS

December 16th/17th

4:30 p.m. Darlene Kustra
7:30 a.m. Art Benjamin
10:00 a.m. Judy Hudson

Saturday, December 23rd

4:30 p.m. Judy Vonder Haar

Sunday, December 24th

7:30 a.m. Diane VanZandt
10:00 a.m. Becky Will

Christmas Eve Vigil Masses

4:30 p.m. Cindy Wright
10:00 p.m. Joyce Huelsmann

Christmas Morning, Monday, December 25th

9:00 a.m. Mary Pfeiffer



MINISTERS of COMMUNION

**All Masses need 7 ministers - Six (6) if
Deacon Jim or a visiting priest is on the altar.**

10:00 a.m. Sunday, December 17th

Al & Eileen Book, Elizabeth Cassmeyer &
Elvin Martinez, Sadat Martinez-Cassmeyer,
Jenelle & Rob Leighton

**No Communion Ministers will be scheduled
for the 10:00 a.m. Masses on
December 24th or December 31st.**

If you see the need for a minister, please go up.



SERVERS' SCHEDULE

FOR THE WEEKEND OF: December 16th/17th

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Mary Beth Solari, Jack Feldmeier

Sunday 7:30 a.m. Troy Smith, Lily Aboussie

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mikayla & Olivia Murphey

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