JANUARY 6, 2019

The Epiphany of the lord

Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

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!

Contact Information

Rectory - 4092 Blow Street, St. Louis, MO 63116-2796 Website: www.ihm-stl.org		314-481-7543 Fax 314-481-6316
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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

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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.)



Introducing the Year of Prayer, Study, Generosity & Evangelization

The year 2019 is dedicated to all Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic: Prayer, Study, Generosity, and Evangelization! Two key components of Evangelization are being welcoming and

providing radical hospitality. The Gospel today provides a great example of both welcoming and hospitality. The wise men traveled a very long distance to show welcome and hospitality to the "newborn King of the Jews." They provided generous gifts and gave Him homage. Mary and Joseph welcomed the strangers and presented a beautiful example of radical hospitality. Mary and Joseph were probably still extremely tired from their own journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem and from the anxiety of giving birth to a baby in a manger. However, they realized they were called to share Jesus with others and they did. How do you show welcoming and radical hospitality? When was the last time you shared Jesus with others?

Mass for the Intentions Week

Mon.	1/7	8:00 a.m. Dorothy Long
Tues.	1/8	8:00 a.m. Josephine Wahoff
Wed.	1/9	8:00 a.m. Robert Rafferty
Thurs.	1/10	8:00 a.m. Rose Mary Chill
Fri. Sat. Sun.	1/11	8:00 a.m. Toto Saputo
Sat.	1/12	4:30 p.m. Joseph Hiller
Sun.	1/13	7:30 a.m. Our Parish Family



LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

Pray for those who are sick and their caregivers. Pray for: Eugene & Melba Floyd, Bernard Wahoff, Raul Garcia, Helen Perzinskas, Sharon Oldani, Kathleen Moody (daughter of Charlie & Julie), Tom Ceriotti (husband of

Sandy), Linda McKern, Marilyn Harris, Judy Bruegger, Delores Berger (mother of Cindy Wright), Barb (Ziegler) Rodgers, Jimmy Rodgers, Bob Ziegler, Cheryl Mitchell (daughter of Mary Korn), Marilyn Haller-Krohn (mother of Nancy Tucker), Deacon Jack Burke (brother of Joan Mowery), Stephanie Hagan (wife of Barry), Marguerite Mann (mother of Shar Merkel), Betty Hartmann (wife of John), Ryan Grybas (nephew of Rosalyn Oldenburg & Cindy Schmaltz), Kathleen Wiese (daughter of Audrey and sister of Mike Smith), Anna Corson, Nick Corson Lammert, Kathy Dilport, 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 please pray for our deceased, Richard Sollmann.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Baptismal Class Wed. 7:00 p.m. RMR Ladies' Sodality Mtg. Wed. 7:00 p.m. FKC

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Boy Scouts

Quilters

Tues. 7:00 p.m. Cafeteria
Tues. 10:00 a.m. RMR

Judy Hudson's Exercise

Chair Yoga

Choir Practice

For Choir Rehearsal see Leona Ernst

at Weekend Mass

Spirit & Truth Thurs. 7p.m. School Balance Class Fri. 9 a.m. School Judy Hudson's Exercise Fri. 8:30 -11 a.m. Café



ON-LINE DONATIONS

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.



COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF: December 23rd/ & Christmas

Envelopes: \$10,404.00 Loose: \$1,206.34 Parish Maintenance: \$218.00

- 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



ROSES FOR LIFE This Weekend

Roses for Life will be available for your signature after all Masses, this weekend, January 5th/6th. We sign these little roses every year; and they are sent to our legislators in Washington. Surrounded by a society and cul-

ture that does not respect life, the popular Roses for Life Campaign gives us an opportunity to show that we embrace the culture of life at all stages. Please take a moment to sign one rose for this wor-

Our Baptism Class is this Wednesday, January 9th, 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.

LADIES' SODALITY MEETING

Come join us, this Wednesday, January 9th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Keaney Center. It's a great way to begin the new year!





Dear Immaculate Heart of Mary Parishioners,

To all that were able to donate this past year to our St. Vincent DePaul Clothing box, thank you!

Your donations brought in \$2,259.21 to our parish for 2018.

Keep us in mind if you are cleaning closets, as the seasons change, or maybe tell your neighbor or members of your family that might be doing the same. The St. Vincent De Paul Clothing House takes new, worn, torn, clothing, shoes or purses! (No appliances, heavy or breakable items.)

BOY SCOUT SUPERBOWL PIZZA SALE

You may place your order with a Scout following Mass, or if no Scout is available, you may order by calling John Ebert

- 314-258-0613. Pizza pick-up is Saturday, February 2nd, between 2 - 5:30 p.m. from the school cafeteria

Thank you as always for your continued support of our Scouts!

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY MEN'S CLUB HOSTS: AFC/NFC CHAMPIONSHIP SUNDAY

When: Sunday, January 20th Where: Father Keaney Center

Cost: \$30 per person and includes beer, wine,

soft drinks and food for both games.

Doors open at 1:00 p.m. and first game begins

2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like your 2018 Contribution Statement mailed to you, please drop a <u>LONG #10</u> self-addressed stamped envelope in the Collection Basket. I will mail the statements out beginning Thursday, January 10th.

You may come by the Parish Office between 8-3:00 p.m. beginning January 10th, if you'd like to pick it up instead of having it mailed

Thank you for your continued



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Get ready to have some fun!

Trivia Night
Sponsored by our
Immaculate Heart of Mary
Ladies' Sodality

Saturday, March 30th
It's a night you don't want to miss!



Dear Parishioners.

This weekend, we celebrate the mystery of the Epiphany, when Gentile magi coming from the East seek the newborn king of the Jews and pay him homage with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. There are many insights that one can draw from this encounter, but the central is the manifestation of the Christ-child to those who do not come from Judaism. This shows how Christ's mission is meant for all of humanity. He is the universal savior. We hear from the prophet Isaiah: "Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. [...] Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance" (Isaiah 60:1,3). With the coming of the Incarnate Son of God, the glory of God has embraced human nature, raising it to a dignity beyond its own capacity and power to grasp. This glory shines from within the people of Israel and is a beacon for all other peoples to come and be embraced by this glory.

Of course, this Epiphany would come with a terrible price due to Herod's fearful stranglehold on power. His duplicity is thankfully revealed to the innocent Gentiles, but his ensuing wrath was tremendous. Already, the evil in the world was ready to quash any possibility of surrendering its hold on humanity. The promise of a Messiah threatened evil's chains choking the human heart, and to have Gentile wise men ascertain His coming must have terrified it, let alone those who had surrendered to the ways of evil to gain power and privilege, like Herod.

When God manifests Himself, His power and glory challenge anything that is contrary to Him. This can be just as easily seen within the human soul. When His truth and love challenge the human heart to change, there can be some revulsion to surrender to Him. Ironically, it is for its own good that it allows God's grace to lift it up, so that the harm done by evil may be healed and the soul can share in His life. Like a stubborn child that would rather avoid the truth that what he or she was doing, was

Of course, when God manifests Himself, His power and glory is readily embraced by all that which is in harmony with Him. While parts of our hearts can be tempted to rebel, there are those elements that happily welcome Him. Like the child who falls and scrapes his or her knee welcomes the attention of parents to help his healing, the good within us enjoys the Presence of God, especially as it desires freedom from what weighs it down and harms it.

As we celebrate the solemnity of the manifestation of the Son of God to the Gentiles, we pray that how and when He manifests Himself to us may be readily received by us, and where there is hesitation or rebellion, we pray that He may be victorious. All His work is to our benefit.

In the Hearts of Jesus & Mary,

Father Kristian Teater

thank,

Dear

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish,

My parents and I loved the IHM parish family. I truly appreciated all of your support, prayers, cards and kind words during my father's ill-

ness. Thank you for everything!

Sincerely, Sandy Matthes

Joke of the Week

My friend reviewed her young son's fill-in-the-blank homework. One line: "At Christmas, we exchange gifts with"
His response: "Receipts."
++++++++++++++++++
My young son ran to me, crying "Daddy, I stubbed my toe," he sobbed.

"Let me kiss it and make it better," I said. "Which toe was it?"

"The one that has no roast beef."

SENIOR MOMENTS

HAPPY NEW YEAR! MAY 2019 BE A PROSPEROUS. HEALTHY, JOY FILLED YEAR!

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD AND CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

I read an article by Loyola Press, about Epiphany, which I found interesting: The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana. The visit of the Magi, the three kings represent our search for Jesus.

The gifts they brought represents Jesus' role in salvation. Gold is presented as representation of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity, because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The tradition of giving gifts at Christmas is thought by some to be rooted in the gift giving of the Magi. Think of the best gift you have received. What made it special? Was it the gift itself, the thought that went into it, or the person who gave it to vou? Share your memories with your family. Passing along our stories and traditions strengthen our fami-

Some of our seniors shared their favorite childhood gifts; a doll with clothes made by her mom, a charm bracelet, first bike, a puppy. My favorite gifts were two dolls. One was the Chatty Cathy doll. I was around four years old, it was expensive, a sacrifice for my parents. I know it was given with love. I loved pulling her string so she could talk to me. My other favorite was about five years later; a Thumbelina doll. She had a knob on the back that you turned to make her move like a live baby. I loved that doll! I am sure many people have received gifts that brought them joy! Yet, nothing can compare to the joy that is brought through Baby Jesus, as well as the promise of new life.

Baby Jesus' birthday gives me wonderful Christmas memories that surround around family, love, our nativity, Christmas songs, especially Silent Night,



Game day has become quite a success! People from various parishes gather together each month. I hope you are able to join us! Feel

free to bring a friend or relative! We have been gathering for seven months on the first Thursday of each month 1:00-4:00 p.m. in the rectory meeting room.

We break up into various groups and enjoy the afternoon playing a variety of games. We have snacks, talk and laugh. What's not to love?! Any questions feel free to give me a call. 314-481-9385

If we have snow and/or ice, Game Day will be canceled, but otherwise, even if it's cold outside, we will be here! Mark your calendar: our next gathering will be Thursday, February 7th.



Please save the date - Wednesday, January 30th at 10:00 a.m. We will be meeting in the rectory meeting room the last Wednesday of each month until Lent begins. Everyone enjoyed our time

together, so we decided to meet once a month until our six weeks Lenten series. All are welcome. We will watch a movie or have a topic to discuss. The time together allows us to get to know parishioners and grow in our faith. Come alone or bring a friend! The more the merrier!

BEING A VOLUNTEER IS GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH

Several years ago, I read an article in the Post-Dispatch, which quoted Dorcas McLaughlin, associate professor of psychiatric mental health nursing at SLU, "New research is finding that in some ways, volunteering is more positive for people who are serving, than the people who need help. This research has found that people who participate in volunteering have a greater sense of well -being, which deceases stress and depression and has some physical benefits."

Many people make a New Years' Resolution to concentrate on improving their health, just think...you can help someone and improve your health at the same time!! If you are helping someone else, there's less time for snacking, and more time for conversation! Helping someone else can provide relief from your own worries and you can feel good about lend-



Choose 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 Keli & Jason, on the birth of their baby girl, Rylan Ruby!!

Keep the following couples in your prayers:

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Jamie & Scott	January 2019
Victoria & Tony	January
Shannon & Andrew	February
Kristin & Dan	February
Jenny & Matt	February
Katie & Greg	February
Caitlin & Dan	March
Christina & Caleb	March
Kathryn & Michael	April
Molly & Jeff	April
Sarah & Jason	June

2019 CALENDARS

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



LOOKING FOR SOMETHING NEW? Come join the joy and laughter at Peter & Paul Men's Shelter

We leave from Immaculate Heart of Mary at 5:00 p.m. and return before 9:00 p.m. The men look forward to the evening when it's IHM's Night! We give out food, clothing, necessities and we play BINGO! They love it!

Please call or email me with your availability, or if you have any questions: Juanita Bishop: ihmpps@gmail.com or 314-605-5110

> Date(s): This Thursday, January 10th



is a south county young adults group which meets Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the school building of saint louis Immaculate Heart of Mary, for fellowship and a discussion on a top-

ic of faith, followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

Join us at Immaculate Heart of Mary this Thursday, at 7:00 p.m.

For details visit us at spiritandtruthstl.org or like us on Facebook at fb.me/spiritandtruth.stl



ATTENTION ALL HIGHSCHOOLERS

For more information and upcoming events about Saint Louis Lifeteen: Contact Lauren at 314.288.8873

SCHOLARSHIP APPLIICATIONS

Looking for a scholarship for the 2019-2020 school year? Apply online at TTEF-STL.ORG starting January 28th, 2019 for elementary and high school scholarships.

Deadline is February 28th, 2019.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN THE ARMED FORCES. WE HOLD THEM IN OUR HEARTS AND AWAIT THEIR SAFE RETURN......



LT. Benjamin D. Stolarski, U.S. Navy Spec 4 Ian R. Larson, U.S. Army 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



Immaculate Heart of Mary Quilters' Raffle

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DRAWINGS WILL BE HELD TWO TIMES A YEAR

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NEWS AROUND TOWN

ADORATION FOR LIFE

Our Lady of Guadalupe Convent (4311 Forest Park Ave) will have adoration after **7:00 a.m. Mass until 11:30 a.m. on the Mondays in January.** We invite you to join us in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for an end to abortion and a reversal of Roe vs Wade. For more information: 314-449-8612.

INVITATION TO SURVIVING DIVORCE

"I'm furious. What can I do with this anger?" "If God is good, why did He allow this divorce?" "Why does it hurt so much?" Find the answers to these questions and more in a new ministry to Catholics who have suffered from divorce: The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide. The 12-week DVD program features Catholic experts who present Church teaching along with lay men and women who share their challenges on the way to true healing. Immaculate Conception Parish — Dardenne is hosting the program beginning January 10, 2019. There is a \$25 fee which will cover all materials needed. (Scholarships are available for anyone). Contact Debi at debijo@att.net for more information.

ST. MARK TRIVIA LUAU
Saturday, January 26th 4200 Ripa Ave
Doors Open at 6:00 p.m. Trivia at 7:00 p.m.

\$25/table of 8 Snacks, Beer, Wine, Soda included Raffles, 50/50 & Silent Auction. For reservations call:

Jaime at 314-686-1583

Make check payable to St. Mark



February 2, 2019 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



March 9, 2019 Touhill Performing Arts Center UMSL

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

LECTORS

January 12th/13th

4:30 p.m. Jo Gaal

7:30 a.m. Glenn Mertens **10:00 a.m.** Joyce Huelsmann

January 19th/20th

4:30 p.m. John Ruzicka7:30 a.m. Kevin O'Sullivan10:00 a.m. Mary Pfeiffer



MINISTERS of COMMUNION
All Masses need <u>7 ministers</u> - Six <u>(6)</u> if
Deacon Jim or a visiting priest is on the altar.

10:00 a.m. January 13th

Kathy Jackson, Jo Ann Ratermann, Eileen Schindler, Annette Sandheinrich, Tara Murphey, Kevin O'Sullivan, Becky Will

10:00 a.m. January 20th

Scott & Betty Bollasina, Rich & Alison Bradley, Ed Bradley, I, Sadat Martinez-Cassmeyer, Becky Wil



SERVERS' SCHEDULE

FOR THE WEEKEND OF: January 12th/13th

SATURDAY 4:30 p.m. Peter & Paul Pham

SUNDAY 7:30 a.m. Tim Brennan

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

FOR THE WEEKEND OF: January 19th/20th

SATURDAY 4:30 p.m. Jacob & Joanna Ripper

SUNDAY 7:30 a.m. Jack Feldmeier

SUNDAY 10:00 a.m. Mary Beth Solari

INFORMATION SHEET

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500 bulletins (400 bulletins changed on October 9th, 2018)

DELIVERY ADDRESS: 4092 Blow Street, St Louis, MO 63116 **314-481-7543.**