# Mary Immaculate Parísh

716 E. Washington St. Kirksville, MO 63501

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Lynn Carter, OFS secretary@miparish.org Kindly submit bulletin items for publication by 3pm on the Monday prior. Thank you!

## **Mary Immaculate School** 660-665-1006

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays and Saturdays, 4:30 p.m. in the church and by appointment.

## **Baptism**

Contact the Parish Center for requirements. **Marriage** 

Six months notice required for preparation.

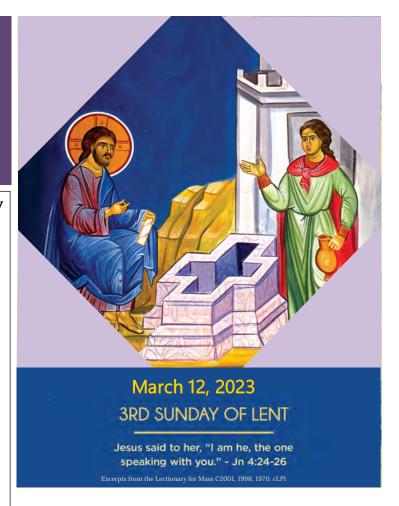
Communion to the Sick

Please contact the Parish Center. Also, please inform the office if a parishioner is in the hospital or nursing home.

**Mary Immaculate Catholic Cemetery** 615 S. Jamison St. Contact the Parish Center for information.

Accessible Entrance to the Church

There is accessible parking and a ramp entrance into the church at the back of the school. Approach is through the alley which opens onto New St. next to the rectory garage.



## Welcome to Mary Immaculate Parish!

We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope our parish community will nourish your faith and that you will share your special gifts with us. If you are settling into Mary Immaculate full time, please contact the parish office to register, find forms in the rack at the side entrance to the church, or look for the "New to Our Parish" tab at www.miparish.org



## **Catholic Newman Center**

709 S. Davis St. Kirksville, MO 63501 (660) 665-4357



**St. Rose of Lima** 911 Rombauer Ave. Novinger, MO 63559

#### Clergy

Msgr. Marion Makarewicz, V.F., Pastor Deacons Dave Ream offs, Chris Korte, & Edwin Pacheco, Assistants to the Pastor

## **Parish Staff**

Mat & Janelle Stephens, Youth Ministers Mary Wolken, Bookkeeper Chris Koch, PSR Coordinator Lynn Carter OFS, Secretary and VIRTUS/Safe Environment Coordinator

## **Parish Pastoral Council Members**

Matt Wolken, President Kathleen Everette, Vice President Chris Koch, Secretary

Sabra Adams Patrick Nolan Damian Schulte Ben Seedorf

## **Hispanic Ministry**

Deacon Edwin Pacheco

## **Mary Immaculate School**

Ann Gray, Principal

## **Newman Center**

Deacon Chris Korte, Director Rev. Simeon Etonu, Chaplain

## Calendar of Events

Monday, March 13 — Lenten Weekday

NO SCHOOL—Spring Break

6:30pm Scouts, Cafeteria and Gym

Tuesday, March 14 — Lenten Weekday

4:00pm Bible Study, Parish Center

Wednesday, March 15—Lenten Weekday

Thursday, March 16—Lenten Weekday

Friday, March 17—Saint Patrick, Bishop

5:00pm Fish Fry, cafeteria/church basement

7:00pm Stations of the Cross, Church

Saturday, March 18—Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and

4:30pm Confessions, Church Doctor of the Church

Food Collection Weekend at all Masses

Sunday, March 19--Fourth Sunday of Lent

## Mass Intentions: March 13-19, 2022

## Mary Immaculate

No Weekday Masses this week during Spring Break

Friday 7:00 am Morning Prayer, Exposition and

Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 5:30pm † Deacon Philip Ordonio III

Sunday 9:00am For the People

11:00am Kimberly Olson (birthday)

St. Rose

Sunday 7:30am † Virgil Rock

## Newman Center

Newman Masses are paused for Spring Break until Wednesday, March 22.

Bishop McKnight's Prayer Intention for March: For a greater respect for the dignity of all human life; may our Catholic Faith inspire us to recognize all human beings—no matter their age, race, or condition—as our brothers and sisters in the Lord.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March: For victims of abuse: we pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.





The sanctuary lamp is offered for a special intention by Barb Williams

## Readings For The Week

**Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

**Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35 **Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-

13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6

-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14,17/Mk 12:28-34 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-

19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

## Stewardship News

Budget Goal per Month	\$ <i>47,</i> 920
Weekly Goal	\$ 11,060
February Offertory	\$ 49,263
Difference	+\$ 1,343
Week 1	\$ 15,679
Week 2	\$ <i>7,254</i>
Week 3	\$ 8,647
Week 4	\$ 3,251
Electronic Transfers	\$ 14,432



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 7:30am until 6pm



Brother Knights, we need you! The harvest is great, and the workers are few, so please sign up to work at the **Lenten Fish Frys**. If you missed the February meeting, please contact Jim McCormick (660-956-2990, jmccormi@truman.edu) or Lance Llewellyn (660-626-7373, yesterdaysgarage@gmail.com) to volunteer.

If you, or someone you know, has been thinking about being Baptized, or Confirmed, or being received into full communion of the Catholic Church, please contact RCIA Coordinator Taylor Leffers (217-653-0518; taylorleffers96@gmail.com).

## March Birthdays

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3/2	Msgr. Marion Makarewicz	Z	Mary Lou Woehlk		Leslie Eitel	Congra anniver prefer r contact
3/3	Leonard Tetlak	3/14	Kristi Groseclose	3/24	David Cleaver	
3/4	Jenna Eitel		Gisele N'Goniem		Adam Eichelberger	culati sary o aci the I
	Nathan Webb		Ashlynn Stocks		Donna Fortenberry	
3/6	Axel Fuentes	3/15	Jason McKim		Thérèse Ream ofs	s to birt owle ish
	Brett Lemmon	3/16	Dana Delaware	3/26	Jarrett Groseclose	
3/7	Katelyn Horst		Jovial Enswe	3/27	Carol McCoy	e e e
	Estelle Maples	3/17	Grant Kinney		Sharon McGahan	e pec and nent er.
3/8	Donald Reynolds	3/18	Rachel Ngalula		Joseph Novinger	people and you ent be <sub>l</sub>
3/9	Nicole Berkus		Nina Seedorf	3/28	Hannah Meyer	e! If u are prin
	Jake Elmlinger		Trish Sexton	3/29	Payton Herbst	
	Christopher Wilson	3/19	Kimberly Olson		Gay Nichting	<u> </u>
3/10	Mary Jo Dunlap	3/20	Lydia Dawson	0	Sandra Novinger	have on th n the
	James Hendler		Aaron Fischer	3/30	Elizabeth Boren	. 🚡 ``
	Austin Long	3/21	Ann Ferguson		Meredith Meyer	. Ma list, ulle
3/11	Xavier DeLeon	3/22	Cecelia Everette		Kimberly Moore	a March e list, or bulletin,
3/12	Kristin Kinney		Sofia Ramirez	3/31	Leyda Flores	· <del>-</del>
	Darice Todd		Cole Swisher		Debbie Grgurich	if you please



are good all year, so you can win more than once!

## March Wedding Anniversaries

Donald and Shayla Reynolds, 44 years on 3/11 Patrick and Susan Boren, 37 years on 3/15



**DATES TO REMEMBER:** 

**March 11-19** – Spring Break **March 25** – Diocesan Speech Meet – Jeff City



"The universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely.

Hence, there is a mystical meaning to be found in a leaf,



in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop, in a poor person's face. The ideal is not only to pass from the exterior to the interior to discover the action of God in the soul, but also to discover God in all things."

Pope Francis (Laudato Si Par 233)

## From the Pastor

**Parish Update:** It's been a while since I reviewed all the various projects and activities we are engaged in. While information gets sent out regularly and the bulletin publishes much of this, sometimes it's good just to review so that everyone can catch up on what's going on.

**Stewardship:** Thank you to the over 115 families who returned their stewardship commitment forms for time, talent and treasure. There are still many families who haven't returned their forms. Recall that this is an essential practice for our parish so that we are better informed about and committed to our mission to preach the Gospel, celebrate the Sacraments, and be a center of charity and mercy. At a very practical level, it will help parish leadership know how people want to participate in the mission. At a very practical level, it updates the information we have on our families so that we can better communicate and collaborate. Returning the commitment form is especially important for all families with children in preparation for registration for the next school year or for planning religious education for PSR and Youth Ministry. If you still haven't picked up your registration packet, please stop by the parish office to retrieve it. If you misplaced it and need another one, stop by the office to pick one up.

Virtus Training for All Volunteers: As we continue to reengage in different ministries or services, recall that every volunteer needs to complete the Safe Environment training before engaging as a volunteer. Lynn Carter OFS will assist you in getting that training completed. She is very accommodating to the different needs of individuals as to how to get registered and trained. The policy requiring training for all volunteers for the Diocese of Jefferson City has been in place for over a year, but there are still a few volunteers who haven't received training. Training all volunteers in best practices for keeping children and vulnerable adults safe is an important step toward forward for our Church. Cooperation and collaboration by all indicates that we take this issue seriously and are willing to lead in the effort to prevent abuse. Call the parish office to set up your training as soon as possible.

Mask Use at Mass: The Worship Commission has been reviewing our mask use policy at each monthly meeting. On Sunday, March 5, we took a poll of attendees at the 11:00 AM Mass in regard to their preference for requiring masks at the 11:00 AM. There were 62 responses. 42 preferred to discontinue the mask requirement while 20 preferred to keep the mask

requirement. I have consulted health care providers, reviewed the CDC recommendations, and noted community levels of COVID19. After consulting the worship commission members, I have decided to remove the requirement for masks for the 11:00 AM Mass. I appreciate how members of our community cooperated in practices that allowed people with more critical health risks to attend Mass in person. We do want to continue to keep people safe. COVID19 infections are still a thing. The flu and strep season is still here. Please monitor for symptoms and stay home if you are sick.

**Education Commission:** The commission met this past Tuesday. An important topic for discussion is scheduling retreat opportunities for parishioner renewal. The goal is to provide a weekend retreat experience to help rekindle the fire of faith in our community. These retreat opportunities are great for everyone, but are especially important for those who have been less than involved and are looking to reconnect with God and the sacramental and catechetical life of the Church. We are looking at two retreat programs that are very common in parishes throughout the US. One is the ACTS retreat. This program will be for the men of the parish. We have already identified a seed team from another parish who are willing to come and put on the retreat, most likely sometime next Fall. The women's retreat experience will be the WELCOME retreat, formerly known as Christ Renews His Parish. A seed team from another parish in the Diocese has been identified and are willing to come and put the retreat on for us. For both retreat programs, after the first retreat, those who make the retreat are then in turn leaders for a future retreat and so the programs become local-led. If you are interested in making these retreats happen, please contact the parish office.

**Social Concerns Commission:** The next meeting of the commission is Wednesday, March 22 at 4:00 PM in the Parish Center. We are still at a formation stage for the commission, but there are many topics that are on the table. One important issue is to define and re-brand our direct charity outreach, formerly known as the "Quarter Sunday Collection". Best practices in stewardship indicate that parishioner tithing is the best way to ensure that all parishioners participate in charitable outreach. Filling out your yearly stewardship commitment of prayer, service, and sacrificial giving helps parish leadership prepare for the next year. This is done through yearly parish budget planning. We are working on a good description of the particulars of our direct charity outreach that Lynn Carter OFS regularly updates us about, so that everyone can know how we assist folks

with direct charity. Other topics for the commission concern support for the local food pantry, especially in providing volunteers, and for partnering with Catholic Charities in bringing their services up to this part of the Diocese. Immigrant outreach is a special concern as we continue to find ways to make our parishioners from other countries and cultures more welcome in our midst.

**Administration Commission:** Two important functions of an Administration Commission are maintaining our facilities for present needs and planning for our future needs. A stable commission that meets regularly ensures that regular attention is given to the upkeep of our facility through repairs and improvements. While acute problems that arise from breakdowns or wearing out get attended to, we still need to have a more systematic and organized approach to maintenance and improvement so that we can budget appropriately. Having a long-range plan for our facility needs is also essential. Parking, accessibility to facilities, size constraints for meeting spaces, and end-of-service issues for some of the systems have been substantial concerns for some time. We need to have a plan in place so that we can identify and allocate resources as necessary. Stay tuned for a further invitation to participate in this very practical and necessary part of pastoral life.

## Participation in the Sacramental Life of the

Church: Attendance at Sunday Mass is slowly rising. We have enjoyed a fairly full church at the 9:00 AM on Sundays. There is still plenty of room for Saturday night. Sunday at 7:30 AM at Novinger varies from 25-35 people, but it was almost full last Sunday when the PSR confirmation students were present with their families. It's good to see more people attend. We can do better. Please encourage each other to come to Mass. If you know a Catholic who hasn't been to Mass for a long while, ask them to come with you. In the past couple months, I've had wonderful conversations with folks who have been wanting to come back, but needed just a little encouragement and company for the return. It's really making a difference in their lives. And Lent is a perfect time to re-commit.

The second Tuesday monthly (March 14) is Bellacinos Payback Night. There is now a form required to give proper credit to the parish school and to the specific class. Please go to miparish.org and then click on Resources at the far right of the blue bar at the top of the page to find the PDF, or check the back table at church.

Pre-K: Miss Kreps Ki 1st/2nd: Mrs. Long 5t 3rd/4th: Mrs. Hays 7tl

Kindergarten: Mrs. Bailey 5th/6th: Mrs. Speak 7th/8th: Mrs. Murmylo



# Lenten Appeal

We at Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri enter Lent with hearts ready for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

We are committed to providing compassionate social services to those in need, and we can't do this incredible work without you.

#### **GIVE SECURELY ONLINE**



Scan the QR code here or visit us online at cccnmo.diojeffcity.org/give to give your gift to our annual Lenten Appeal online with our safe, secure, and easy-to-use online giving form.

Council: We are now working to prepare the 2023-2024 budget for the parish. We are challenged by the exceptional rise in the cost of items such as health insurance, heating fuel, electricity and teacher salaries. We will need to offset these costs by an increased offertory collection in the next fiscal year. Thank you to all who have already completed your 2023 Stewardship Commitment for our parish mission of teaching, sanctifying, and charity in the name of Christ.

For those who haven't yet returned your commitment forms, your cooperation in filling out your 2023 Stewardship Commitment of time, talent, and treasure and returning it to the office will greatly assist us in budget planning. We are proud of our parish, her mission, and our excellent school. Thanks to each of you for your tithing which is the major support of our parish and school.



Our **Parish School of Religion** or PSR Program is for all Parish children who are in Preschool (age 4) through 8th grade who are not enrolled at Mary Immaculate School. We meet at Mary Immaculate

School on most **Wednesday nights 6:30-7:45 pm**. This year, the 7th/8th Graders will have Confirmation preparation and attendance is required for the students to be confirmed.

Contact me at chris.koch@miparish.org to register your child(ren) if you are a new family in the Parish.

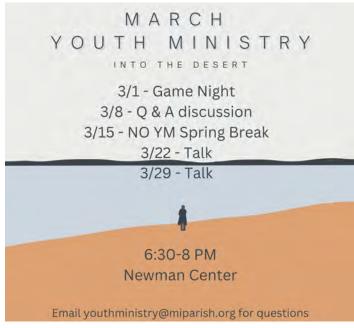
~Chris Koch, Mary Immaculate PSR Coordinator



**Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** Group meets at 4-5:15pm on Tuesday afternoons. All are welcome to attend. We are currently discussing the

BIBLESTUDY upcoming Sunday readings. Come as you are—no prep necessary! For more info, please contact Sharon at smcgahan@truman.edu or 660-988-7012.

A **Young Adult Bible Study** has begun. We take an in-depth look at the upcoming readings proclaimed at Mass. Please contact Taylor Leffers by email at taylorleffers96@gmail.com for more information.



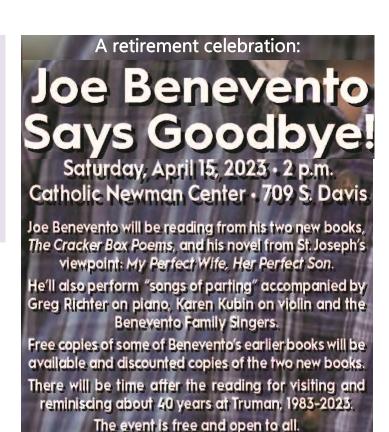
## Camp Registration is in Full Swing

For more information on Diocesan Summer Camps and to register: diojeffcity.org/youth-camps/

For High Schoolers interested in Volunteering: https://diojeffcity.org/camp-lolek-high-school-volunteers/

For Parishioners and Parents interested in Volunteering:

https://diojeffcity.org/adult-summer-camp-volunteers/







## Please Pray For Our Sick Loved Ones

Theresa Armentrout, Debi Barlow, Bartholomew, daughter of Clive Renfroe, Laura Bell, Mary Maye Bennett, Sheryll Bentley, Sam Berendzen, Deacon Ken & Marianne Berry, Dan Bishop, Troy Bruner, son of Denise & Mike Bruner, Roger Butt, Verla Choitz, sister of Carol McCoy, Beverly Compton, Raguel Cooley, friend of V.R. Hatfield, Reid Cowan, Kristina Crockett, Carol Daugherty, Carol Davis, Willa Deiters, Mary & Scott Detring, Larry Dieker, brother of Sandy Lammers, Larry Duarte, Ann Ferguson, Sheldon Fessler, friend of the Behnen family, Annie Fisher, Amy Fleshman, Paula Foster, Mike Fox, Caitlin Frushour Estes, family of Maxine Martin, Amy Frye, Steve Frye, Pamela Gobier, niece of Bobbi Hogenson, Dorothy Gonnerman, Anne Gramling, Flo Griesbaum, Caleb Griffel, Beverly & Gary Grubrich, Bill Hannant, Susan Hellmer, sister of Sandy Lammers, Tracy Herman, sister of Marsha Jones, Tony Hettinger, Don Hoerner, Bobbi Hogenson, Rick Hoskins, father of Susan Speak, Kathy Howard, Patsy Jones, Dr. Charles Kline, Steve Koch, brother of Chris Koch and Susan Foster, Thomasa Koch, sister-in-law of Koch and Susan Foster, Gannon Chris Kriegshauser, great nephew of Mark & Judy Blacksmith, Pat Lehr, Tim Lewin, Thomas Lorenz, Rita Ludden, Logan Maher, Mary Martin, Allison McBee, cousin of Don McCoy, Ron McClanahan, Carmelita McVay, Maureen Militzer, friend of the Kurz family, Judi Misale, Annie Morin, Glenn Neuweg, Gay Nichting, Jo Ann Pearce, Jerry Platt, Vivian Prose, sister of Darice Todd, Aleksandra Pulsucki, Sherri Ray, Florence Rene, Clive Renfroe, Joey Renick, Tina Rinaldi, family of Martin Rupe, brother in law of Maxine Martin, Rick Sayre, Donna Schmitt, Bernard Schreck, father of Marsha Jones, Joe Schreck, cousin of Marsha Jones, Dorothy Selby, Carolyn Shaffer, Dawn Shaw, daughter of Willa Deiters, Jean Ann Sidwell, Cindy Sigmund, sister of Lucky Wertin, Judy Skiggs, friend of Bess Willis, Madonna Sorell, Jim & JoAnne Spalding, Tim Spencer, Tammy Tarr, Kaitlin (Early) Taylor, Helen Todd, mother of Brian Todd, Susan Wallin, Mother of Melissa Passe, Wilma Wellman, Bryant Western, grandson of Bob and Mary Jane Kiefer, Gerhard and Elisabeth Wiedermann, parents of Andrea Davis, Barb Williams, Delana Wilson, Rod Yuskis, Junior Zuccarini, brother of Elsie Eddy, Brian Zweimiller, brother-in-law of Brian and Darice Todd.

Please contact the parish center to have a name added to or removed from the prayer list.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS





## LENTEN FISH FRY 2023

Serving 5:00-7:00pm

March 17, 24, 31

In the school cafeteria/church basement (enter through the east school doors)

Menu:

Beer battered cod fillet, potato, mac & cheese, vegetable, cole slaw, corn bread, dessert and drink

## Prices:

Adult: \$15.00

Military/Police/First responders

in uniform: \$13.00

Student (with ID): \$13.00 Child's plate: \$10.00

Check/Cash/Credit/Debit cards accepted. Carry out / Dine in

Take-out and baked fish orders can be placed online at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/MIFishFryOrder">https://tinyurl.com/MIFishFryOrder</a>.

## **Farewell Reception** for Sarah and Dana Delaware

Dana and Sarah Delaware will be relocating to Indiana after living in Kirksville for 42 years and 8 months, raising 4 children and participating in many local organizations. Friends are holding a reception Sunday March 19, 2023 from 3-5pm at the Catholic Newman Center 709 .S **Davis.** All are invited to attend and spend a few

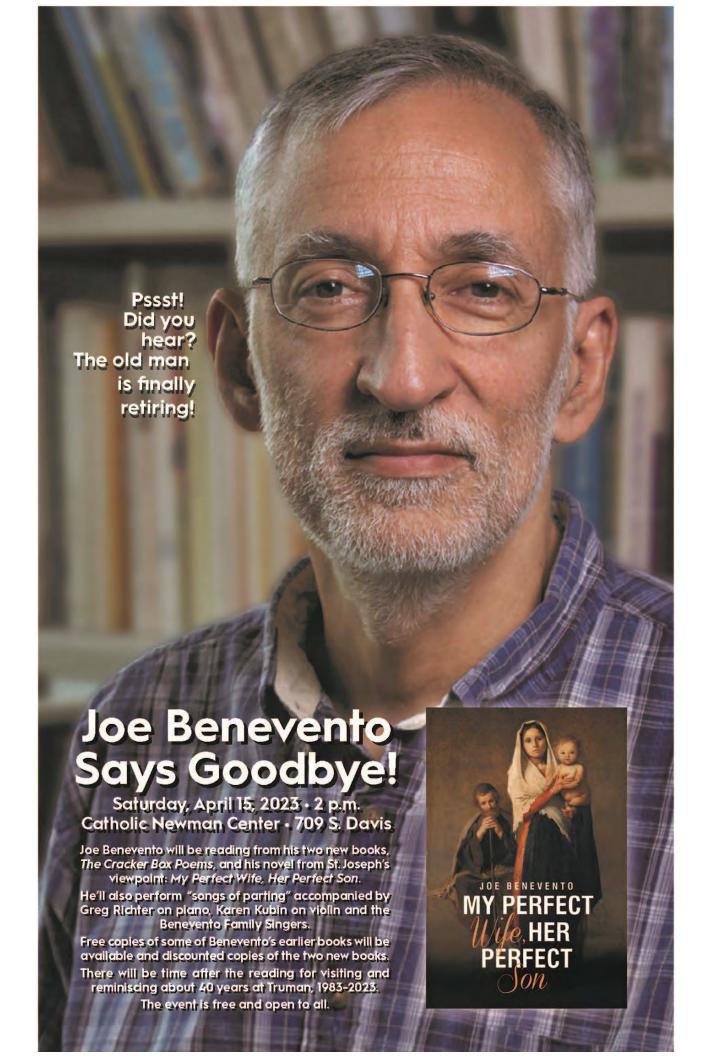
minutes with Sarah and Dana.

No Gifts please! Cards only. Donations of food or monetary support for the Pantry of Adair County will be accepted in their honor. Special tags will be available for attendees to write messages or memories. Contact Sharon McGahan for questions at 660-988-7012 or smcgahan@truman.edu.



Our next food drive weekend will be **March 18/19** at all Masses, followed by a Drive Through

Drop Off on Monday the 20th. Our requested item is old fashioned or quick oatmeal, without additional flavors/sweeteners.





in body, mind and spirit

Saturday, March 18 • 8:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Kertz Hall of Immaculate Conception Church 1206 E. McCarty St., Jefferson City



Women of all ages are invited to treat yourself to a mini-retreat of faith and fellowship! Spend a morning with other women to enhance/invigorate/renew your physical, mental, and spiritual well-being. Start with 8:00 am Mass in church then join us for the morning's activities.

## To RSVP or for childcare, email:

Jo Anderson • jacknjo@embarqmail.com Mary Flowers • mcalflowers@gmail.com

# PARISH MISSION: March 20, 21, 22, 2023 - 6 pm

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH 1111 BROADWAY, HANNIBAL, MO

THEME: "THE EUCHARIST-NEW EVANGELIZATION"

Are you so busy scurrying around with business, children, family, social activities that you have little time for quiet contemplation with God?

A Mission is a time of special grace when God calls us into a deeper relationship with Him, a time for personal growth, a time to listen to God, a time of spiritual refreshment. It is a time to refresh and refocus our spiritual life.

WHO IS INVITED? All are welcome to attend the three nights spiritual journey!

WHEN IS THE PARISH MISSION? March 20, 21, 22, 2023 at 6:00 pm each evening

Presentations centering on... "Being chosen/trust in God"

"Emptying your bowl of yesterday's rice/moving on"

"Perseverance in Prayer --- not the facts"



PRESENTER: Fr. William Rhinehart, C.M. of the Vincentian Missions will conduct our Parish Mission. Fr Bill was born July 16, 1952, in a small town in Missouri where he grew up with 10 brothers and sisters. He always wanted to be a priest and joined the Vincentians as a high school seminarian in 1966.

He was ordained a Priest of the Congregation of the Mission – Vincentians – of St. Vincent de Paul in 1979. He spent his first seven and a half years as a missionary in Taiwan serving as Pastor in Mandarin-speaking parishes. Upon his return to the states in 1987, his next 20 years of assignments were as Pastor in several parishes and missions within the Pueblo and Colorado Springs dioceses. He then returned to Missouri, serving as pastor in two rural parishes for several years. Having been a pastor these many years, he hopes to remain connected to parishes through the Vincentian Parish Mission Apostolate.