

# Mary Immaculate Parish

716 E. Washington St.  
Kirksville, MO 63501

**Easter Sunday**  
**April 9, 2023**

**Office hours 8am to 3pm Mon-Fri**  
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Lynn Carter, [OFSsecretary@miparish.org](mailto:OFSsecretary@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**

Friday and Saturdays at 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.

## **Clergy**

Msgr. Marion Makarewicz, V.F., Pastor  
Deacons Dave Ream OFS, 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**

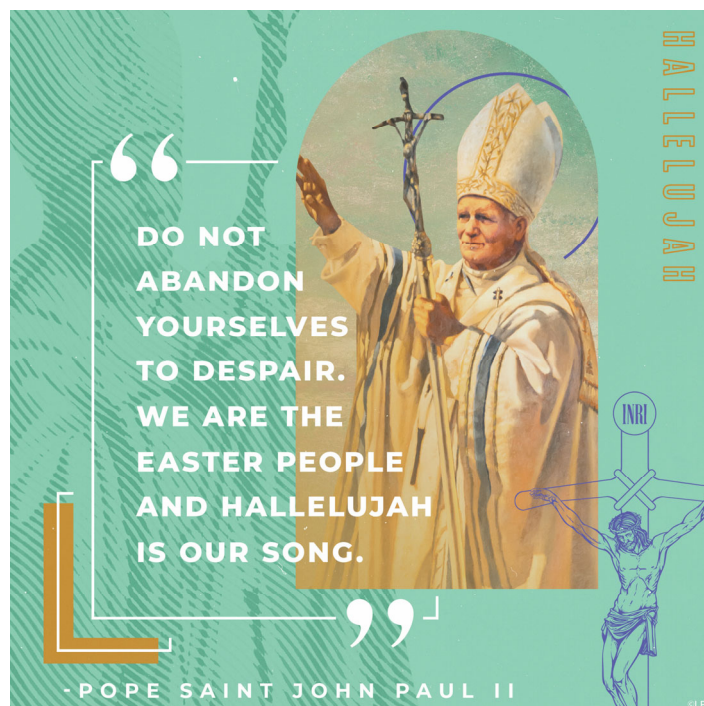
Deacon Edwin Pacheco

## **Mary Immaculate School**

Ann Gray, Principal

## **Newman Center**

Deacon Chris Korte, Director  
Rev. Simeon Etonu, Chaplain



## **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. Your prayers, your presence, and your talents are most welcome. If you are settling into Mary Immaculate full time, please register! You may contact the parish office, 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](http://www.miparish.org)

Thank you for worshiping with us!



## **St. Rose of Lima**

911 Rombauer Ave.  
Novinger, MO 63559



## **Catholic Newman Center**

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

## Calendar of Events

**Monday, April 10** — *Monday within the Octave of Easter*

**School and Parish Center closed**

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena, Church

6:30pm Scouts, Cafeteria and Gym

**Tuesday, April 11** — *Tuesday within the Octave of Easter*

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena, Church

4:00pm Bible Study, Parish Center

**Wednesday, April 12** — *Wednesday within the Octave of Easter*

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena, Church

6:30pm PSR, School

Youth Ministry, Newman Center

**Thursday, April 13** — *Thursday within the Octave of Easter*

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena, Church

**Friday, April 14** — *Friday within the Octave of Easter*

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena, Church

4:30pm Confessions, Church

**Saturday, April 15** — *Saturday within the Octave of Easter*

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena, Church

4:30pm Confessions, Church

**Sunday, April 16** — *Sunday of Divine Mercy*

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena, Church

## Mass Intentions: April 10-16, 2022

### Mary Immaculate

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	5:30pm	† Walter, Wanda, & Rita Gladbach
Wednesday	7:00am	† Gudrun "Goodie" Schmitz
Thursday	8:00am	† "B" Dempsey
Friday	7:00am	† Dr. Michael Jerome Martin and Dr. William Lee Martin III
Saturday	5:30pm	† Deacon Philip Ordonio III
Sunday	9:00am	† Knights of Columbus
	11:00am	† Lisa Welch

### St. Rose

Sunday 7:30am For the People

### Newman Center

Wednesday 9:00pm

Sunday 11:00am



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



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

## Readings For The Week

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

## Stewardship News

**Budget Goal per Month** \$ 47,920

**Weekly Goal** \$ 11,060

**February Offertory** \$ 49,263

**Difference** +\$ 1,343

**Week 1** \$ 15,679

**Week 2** \$ 7,254

**Week 3** \$ 8,647

**Week 4** \$ 3,251

**Electronic Transfers** \$ 14,432



At our March food drive 225 pounds of food were donated, mainly cereal and oatmeal. In the photo are (l to r) MI parishioners Dana Delaware, Mary Myers, Sarah Delaware, and Debi Boughton. Pantry for Adair County appreciates Mary Immaculate's monthly food drives to address food insecurity in our area.



## April Birthdays

4/2	Jim McCormick	Owen Munn	4/20	Kaleb Barlow	
	Violeta Pacheco	4/13	Kit Hadwiger	Clelia Pacheco	
4/4	James McEvoy		Stevie Wood	Katrina Rudy	
4/6	Dwain Vittetoe	4/14	Mary Maye Bennett	Micah Stephens	
	Kristen Williams		Christian Curtis	4/21	Lynn Kizzire
4/7	Denise Bahr		Adam Davis	4/23	Spencer Campbell
	Adelphi Eichelberger	4/15	Joann Eskra	4/24	Ken Dines
	Christopher Llewellyn	4/16	Timothy Lewis, Jr.		Dana Head
4/8	Patricia Leighton		Aurelia Maples	4/25	Dan Hagan
4/9	Daniel Williams	4/17	Rosemarie Carter		Clara Sweet
4/10	Devan Grissom		Chris Koch	4/26	Sister Ruth Ann Klauser
	Morgan Grissom	4/18	Deborah Holte		Duncan Simmons
	Noah Kizzire		Winston Vanderhoof	4/27	Etienne Begley
	George Schulte	4/19	Andrea Cahalan		Norine Eitel
4/11	Rebecca Akasa		Jason Haxton		Justin McKim
	Pam Zeigler		Ethan Kuzanga	4/29	Dalton Doyle
4/12	Olin Adams		Nathan Kuzanga		Charlie Tiedemann
				4/30	Nathan Cox

Congratulations to these people! If you have an April anniversary or birthday and you are not on the list, or if you prefer no acknowledgement be printed in the bulletin, please contact the Parish Center.



## April Wedding Anniversaries

Albert & Margie Kurz, 39 years on 4/7  
 Don & Kathy Westhoff, **53 years** on 4/19  
 Kevin and Jessica Marberry, **10 years** on 4/25  
 Phil & Marsha Ordonio, **57 years** on 4/28  
 Winston & Pat Vanderhoof, 44 years on 4/28  
 Thom & Denise Bahr, 28 years on 4/29  
 Tom & Cassie DeBlauw, 23 years on 4/29  
 Elijah & Ilene Elmlinger 13 years on 4/30  
 Robert & Peggy Maeder, **52 years** on 4/30

The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air and in all forms of life. This is why the earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor; she 'groans in travail' (Rom 8:22)"(LS 2)



## Easter Mass Schedule

8:30pm Saturday Vigil at MI  
 7:30 am Sunday at St. Rose  
 9am Sunday at the Newman Center  
 11am Sunday at Mary Immaculate



The *Ignatian Adventure* book/Scripture study was so helpful that we have decided to continue on in May with a FRANCISCAN adventure, using the book *A Knight and a Lady* by Bret Thoman OFS, supplemented with scripture and other resources. We plan to continue to meet 3-4:30pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays monthly, at the parish center. Contact the parish center for more details.

# From the Pastor

## An Easter Gift to Your Family

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." How beautifully Christ reveals his offering of salvation to us in the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John. Hearing these and other words of Sacred Scripture that put salvation in terms of receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, the Church has always held the Eucharist as the source and summit of our faith. Jesus Christ himself made it so, telling us to "do this in remembrance of me!"

The Catholic Church in the United States launched a national Eucharistic Revival early last summer on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Our Lord. The revival is a call to Catholics to renew their faith through a deeper commitment and devotion to encountering the Real Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Our world is sick and troubled in so many ways. We have become weak and worn out. So many people live without the light of faith. And so many Catholics are not receiving the greatest source of strength and the most perfect medicine: the Body of Christ.

In June of 2023, our parish will join in the local phase of the revival. From the Gospels, we know that any authentic encounter with Jesus Christ is an occasion of conversion. In encountering Christ, we are invited to follow him on the path to righteousness by turning away from all that leads us away from God. Metanoia, or change of heart or mind is what the Holy Spirit accomplishes in us when we truly listen to and accept the Good News. The parish phase of the revival will assist in bringing about a true Eucharistic conversion to a deeper faith in Christ's presence.

How many times have you heard the expression "You don't even know what you are missing?" In many respects, that can be a good description of the attitude of so many toward the Mass. So that we can better understand the Eucharist and the celebration of the Holy Mass, the Worship Commission has ordered copies of *A Minute in Church: The Mass by Gus Lloyd*. This book is a collection of 52 minute long reflections on the Eucharist and the celebration of the Mass.

Each family that attends Easter Sunday Masses is welcomed to take home a copy. Remaining copies will

stay in Church in the book holders so that people can continue to use this resource to grow in a deeper appreciation of the Eucharist by learning more about its parts and its substance.

Today, we celebrate the greatest mystery of our faith: the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. As Paul reminds us, "if Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain." Unlike the culture around us flourishing the bunnies, the eggs, and the candy, resurrection is not something we celebrate just once a year. Each Sunday, the Church gathers on the Lord's Day, the Day of Resurrection, so that we can be renewed in our faith. Each time we gather and celebrate the Eucharist, we proclaim the death and resurrection of Jesus. In the Eucharistic communion, the Church has always most perfectly encountered the Risen Lord.

Therefore the measure of our faith in the resurrection is how faithful we are to joining in with the community in celebrating the Mass. Recently a parishioner shared with me her own story of how she learned what the Eucharist was about. During the challenging days as the Mass appeared so different in the transition from the former Latin rite to the new rite in English, grandma was asked to explain how she managed the transition from what was so familiar to something quite different and new. "God did not make me a leader in the Church. So long as Jesus is still Jesus in Communion, I'm OK."

A true understanding of the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ is fundamentally true faith in the resurrection of Christ. Christ didn't rise to go away. Christ rose in his glorified body so that he could remain with us always, until the end of the world. This is the Catholic difference. Other Christian communities of Protestant origins certainly hold to the truth of the resurrection but miss the sacramental encounter with the Risen Christ. I always find it fascinating that with such an emphasis on the literal meaning of the Bible, passages that are obviously about the Eucharistic Presence are read figuratively.

Note Paul's handing on the tradition of the Eucharist in the early decades of the Church: *"For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do*

*this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” [1 Cor 11:23-25.] This is my body—this is my body broken and sacrificed. This is my body—risen and glorified. This is my body—take and eat.*

Our participation in the Eucharist is not only a sign of our belief in the resurrection, it is the means by which we are fed the food of eternal life. “This is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die.” Without the vital nourishment we receive in Holy Communion, we will not have the strength to make it to heaven. Christ invites us to become the food we consume. Having fed on the bread of life, we have the sustenance to make it on the journey to heaven.

I’ll conclude with a meditation on this image of the food of heaven. For many years I have had the dream of keeping bees. It all started when I was in Vienna and lived next to the church. There was a colony of bees that lived in the tall bell tower of the church. Each year it would cast off a couple healthy swarms of bees. I’d watch them bivouac for a few hours on a large tulip poplar nearby, but I was never ready to capture the swarm.

My final year in Vienna, we had planned a major renovation of the church stained glass windows and for sandblasting and tuck pointing the church. I had many bee keepers come out to check to see if they could cut out the swarm, but the bees were so deep in between the massive concrete block exterior and interior concrete walls that it was too difficult to remove them without structural damage. The exterminators were called so that the contractors could do their work.

I felt bad about destroying that colony of bees. I started reading books about beekeeping. I watched countless videos on YouTube about bees and beekeeping. I put a swarm trap up at my farm, with no success. This year I finally decided to pull the trigger and get the equipment needed to keep bees. I connected with some local beekeepers, including some of our parishioners, and strategized on how to procure my first colony of bees and where to keep them.

One thing you learn about in beekeeping is the importance of bee food. It’s where we have developed this symbiotic relationship with bees over the millennia. We both want that sweet honey! Nurse bees take nectar and pollen stores and turn that into

food for the developing larvae. One larva gets a special cell dedicated to it and is given a large amount more of the royal jelly. That larva will develop into a queen, and the colony will therefore continue to reproduce.

I’ve found it fascinating that the food the developing larva consumes makes such a radical transformation in its physiology. All bees get fed royal jelly, but it is only the one that gets the correct amount who will be able to continue the life of the colony.

That is really the nature of all food. We literally become what we eat, because that’s how nourishment works. That’s how we survive. It’s why good nutrition is so essential for the young of all living things.

The greatest gift we have is life. We cherish it in ourselves and honor it in others. Jesus Christ gives us the food that enables the life he has given us to last forever. Today as we celebrate the gift of new life in Christ through the power of the resurrection, let us recommit to participating in the Holy Eucharist, the celebration of abundant life, and life that endures forever.

*MJM*

## Young at Heart

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Young at Heart will be on April 14 this month, because of Good Friday. Meet at 10am for social time, anointing Mass at 11am, and luncheon following.

**He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.**

Acts 10:42-43

***As modern-day disciples of Christ, how do we “preach and testify” to all God has done? We live intentionally through prayer, participation and sacrificial giving of our time, talent and treasure as a grateful response to God for the gift of his son.***



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## DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 14 – Early Dismissal (1:30 pm); Faculty mtg  
 April 14 – PreK-4th Fun night  
 April 20 – Home and School Meeting, 6:00 pm

## CathedralGLOW

*A vigil for families, youth and young adults*

Join us for a joyous evening as we journey through our newly renovated Cathedral of St. Joseph with prayer and music

May 4, 2023

BBQ at Memorial Park Pavilion

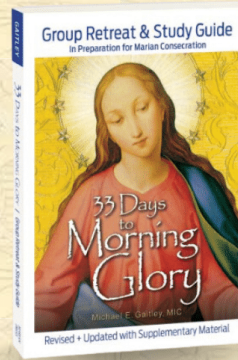
5:15-6:15 p.m.

Youth Vigil in the Cathedral

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Please park at Memorial Park

Free registration required:  
diojeffcity.org/cathedralglow



## VIRTUAL SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITY

Join the Shrine for a virtual 33 day retreat on Zoom as we journey together towards Marian Consecration.

April 25: Orientation and small group Zoom meetings Tuesday at 12:05pm CDT

May 29: Marian Consecration at the Shrine following Mass at 10 am CDT  
Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church  
Mass with Bishop W. Shawn McKnight

Learn more &  
Register by April 5:

[tinyurl.com/MothersShrine33Days](http://tinyurl.com/MothersShrine33Days)



MARIAN FATHERS OF THE  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The second Tuesday monthly (**April 11**) 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](http://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  
 1st/2nd: Mrs. Long  
 3rd/4th: Mrs. Hays

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



**Bishop McKnight's Prayer Intention for April:** For all those celebrating the initiation sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and first holy communion this Easter Season; may their discipleship be strengthened by their participation in the life and mission of the Church.

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for April:** We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.



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### Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study

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

**BIBLE STUDY** upcoming Sunday readings. Come as you are—no prep necessary! For more info, please contact Sharon at [smcgahan@truman.edu](mailto: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](mailto:taylorleffers96@gmail.com) for more information.

### Easter Decoration donation

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## Please Pray For Our Sick Loved Ones

Theresa Armentrout, Debi Barlow, Emily 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, Raquel 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, Autumn (Sparks) Early, daughter-in-law of Mike and Mary Carol Early, 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 Chris Koch and Susan Foster, Gannon Kriegshauser, great nephew of Mark & Judy Blacksmith, Pat Lehr, Tim Lewin, Thomas Lorenz, Rita Ludden, Virginia Maag, Logan Maher, Mary Martin, Allison McBee, cousin of Don McCoy, Ron McClanahan, Carmelita McVay, Maureen Miltzer, friend of the Kurz family, Judi Misale, Annie Morin, Glenn Neuweg, Gay Nichting, Maria Nolting, 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, Glenn Wehner, 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**

The next regular meeting (2nd Thursday monthly) of the William Eagen Council will be April 13 at 7:30pm in the church basement/cafeteria.

Fourth Degree Assembly 3824's April Meeting will be Thursday, April 20, at 6 p.m., at Colton Steakhouse's Meeting Room. Please let FN Ralph Cupelli know if you plan to attend.



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](mailto:chris.koch@miparish.org) to register your child(ren) if you are a new family in the Parish.

~Chris Koch, Mary Immaculate PSR Coordinator



**APRIL YOUTH MINISTRY**

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GOD, GROWTH, GREATNESS, GENEROSITY, GO

4/5	Holy Week Meditation
4/12	Resurrection Party
4/19	Talk
4/26	Talk
5/3	End of Year Party 8th Graders Welcome



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](mailto:taylorleffers96@gmail.com)).