# Mary Immaculate Parish

716 E. Washington St. Kirksville, MO 63501

## February 18, 2024

Office hours 8am to 3pm Mon-Fri

660-665-2466 (voice) www.miparish.org 802-328-6279 (text)

Msgr. Marion Makarewicz, V.F. Pastor Monsignor.Mak@miparish.org

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** 

Friday and Saturday at 4:30 p.m. in the church. **Baptism** 

Contact the Parish Center for requirements. Marriage

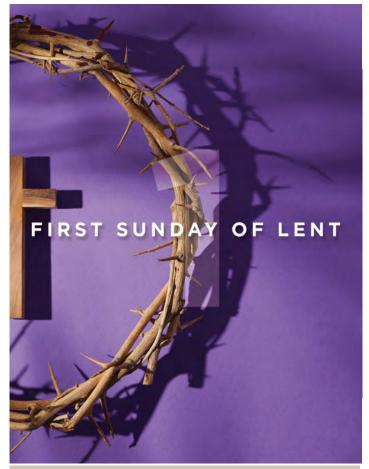
Six months notice required for preparation.

**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 old 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. 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

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

Msgr. Marion Makarewicz, V.F., Pastor Lynn Carter OFS, Secretary and Safe Fr. Cesar Alejandro Anicama, **Associate Pastor** 

Deacons Dave Ream OFS, Chris Korte, & Edwin Pacheco, Assistants to the **Pastor** 

### **Hispanic Ministry**

Deacon Edwin Pacheco

### **Parish Staff**

Environment/VIRTUS Coordinator Mary Wolken, Bookkeeper Chris Koch, PSR Coordinator

### **Newman Center**

Deacon Chris Korte, Director Fr. Boniface Kasita Nzabonimpa, Chaplain

### Parish Pastoral Council Members

Katie Everette, President Ben Seedorf, Vice President Sabra Adams, Secretary Sandra Novinger Alayna McKim Damian Schulte **Pat Williams** Matt Wolken

### **Mary Immaculate School** Ann Gray, Principal

### Calendar of Events

Monday, February 19—Lenten Weekday

6:00pm AED Training for ushers, Church

6:30pm Scouts, Cafeteria and Gym

Tuesday, February 20—Lenten Weekday

4:00pm Bible Study, Parish Center

6:30pm Finance Council, Parish Center

**Wednesday, February 21**—Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

4:00pm Social Concerns Commission, Parish Center

6:00pm RCIA, Parish Center

Thursday, February 22—The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

6:00pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting, Parish Center

Friday, February 23—Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

4:30pm Confessions, Church

5:00pm Fish Fry

7:00pm Stations of the Cross, Church

Saturday, February 24—Lenten Weekday

2:00pm Women's Ministry, Cafeteria

4:30pm Confessions, Church

Sunday, February 25-Second Sunday of Lent

### Mass Intentions: February 19-25, 2024

### Mary Immaculate

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 5:30pm † Walter, Wanda, & Rita Gladbach

Wednesday 7:00am † Helen Graves

Thursday 8:00am Joanna Thomasa (health)

Friday 7:00am † Vi Martin

Saturday 5:30pm † Howard James

Sunday 9:00am † Mike & Carol Wolken

11:00am † Elaine Kuttenkuler

St. Rose

Sunday 7:30am For the People

### Newman Center

Wednesday 8:00pm Sunday 11:00am



The remaining **Walking Rosary** for February will be the 26th. Please meet at the church, and the weather will determine whether we walk outside or remain inside. The next meeting will be on **February 24th from 2**-

**4pm** in the cafeteria. Since we will be in the season of Lent, we will not be having food. Please do not bring food to share. We will pray the Rosary and make homemade Rosaries together to hand out to all the women of the Parish in preparation to pray the Rosary before each Mass during the month of May.

### Readings For The Week

**Sunday:** Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8 -9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15 **Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9,

10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7,

16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4,

12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday:** 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4,

5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4,

5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4

-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

**Next Sunday:** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

### Stewardship News

Budget Goal per Month	\$ 52,083
Weekly Goal	\$ 12,020
January Offertory	\$ 53,864
Difference	+\$ 1,781
Week 1	<i>\$ 17,220</i>
Week 2	\$ <i>5,657</i>
Week 3	\$ 5 <i>,4</i> 91
Week 4	\$ 9,890
Electronic Transfers	\$ 15,606



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 7:45am to 6pm.



The next regular meeting (second Thursday monthly) of the William Eagen Council will be March 14 at 7:30pm in the cafeteria. Fish Frys from 5-7 pm on Friday evenings (February 23, March 1, March 22) in the cafeteria.



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

### February Birthdays

1 Cornary Birthauys			
2/1	John DeLeeuw		Billie Fruge'
	Rebecca Head	2/15	Walter Howd
2/2	Griffin Peper	2/16	Sabrina Horst
2/3	Amelia Carillo	2/18	Lovella Schmitz
	Charlie Cooper	2/19	Lorna Begley
	Dan Lammers		Larry Ewing
	Justin Wiles		Tammy Kriegshauser
2/4	Megan Gregory	2/20	Rachel Case
	Lori Shook		Melina Mansfield
2/5	Jordan Bahr		Mollie Mansfield
	John Dahlman	2/21	Sadie Carter
	Christine Kuttenkuler		Audrey Wichmann
	Delaney Maag	2/24	Aiden Bergman
	Judy Neuweg		Christian Bergman
2/6	Nicole Roberts		Emil Helmich
	Dorothy Selby		Gary Ledford
	Blair York	2/25	James Cox
2/7	Clement Kalonda		Kelsea McKim
2/8	Sarah Curtis		Paula Swisher
	Tim Herbst		Frinchie Tisdale
	Mike Rudy	2/27	<b>Beverly Compton</b>
2/9	Sandy Lammers		Glenn Neuweg
2/12	Melanie Grgurich	2/28	Joseph Behnen
	Debbie Lechner		Luke Cahalan
	Anna Moore		Eldon Grissom

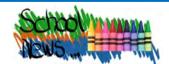
### February Wedding Anniversaries

Regina Lindhorst

**Bodie Western** 

Charles Lemley & Margaret Wilson, 37 years on 2/14 Michael and Melissa Grgurich, 25 years on 2/20

Congratulations to these people! If you have a February 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.



### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**Feb. 19** – No School; President's Day **Feb. 23** – Stations of the Cross, 12:30 pm **March 1** – Stations of the Cross, 12:30 pm

2/13 Mia Palumbo

2/14 Derick Bruno-Kuilan

March 2-3 – Uniform Mass, wear your uniform to Mass

March 8 – No School; Diocesan Prof. Development

March 11-15 – No School; Spring Break



### Welcome...

is a two-day retreat crafted to unite our parishioners in Christ, emphasizing active participation in small groups. Our main focus will be on sharing life experiences, fostering meaningful discussions, developing lifelong friendships and group bonding. When women come together, we grow stronger. We are united by those moments of realization that we're not alone in our experiences.

This retreat will be held at the
Catholic Newman Center
Saturday, April 20, 8am to 9pm
Sunday, April 21, 8am to 2pm
(not an overnight)
Participation is limited to the first 25
Registration begins March 3.

For more info, call or text Teresa Peters 816.898.4647 or Chris Koch 660.341.1482



Quilt tickets are \$10, and are good for the whole year. Purchase at the Parish Center, or ask your favorite Piecemaker. Get yours soon, as the first drawing will be at the end of February!



From the Desk of Deacon Dave, O.F.S.

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

May the Lord give you His peace!

We have begun our Lenten journey for 2024! Perhaps we could take as a theme for this First Sunday of Lent: From the rainbow to the Cross: Renewing our covenant with God.

If there is one thread that runs through the entire fabric of Sacred Scripture, it is that of COVENANT. The biblical notion of covenant entails much more than a mere legal contract with clearly spelled out rights and responsibilities. Covenant is profoundly and intimately relational in nature and implies the total and irrevocable commitment of the whole of oneself to another. Everything in salvation history is related to covenant – God calling us to relationship, human faithfulness and unfaithfulness, and the continual need to return to fidelity.

In today's fuzzy moral landscape, it is quite unpopular even to speak of sin, let alone to try to condemn it. It would be even more politically incorrect to talk about God taking stern action against sin and those who promote it. But that is exactly what the story of Noah and the flood is all about. The Great Flood is a testament to God's hatred for sin and his determination to wipe it from the face of the earth. He offers a way to escape the waters of destruction by instructing Noah to build an ark which carries Noah's family and a pair of every animal to safety. With these, God provides the earth and the human race with a new beginning. As a sign of his covenant of friendship with the newly re-created world, he places a rainbow in the sky, a sign which in a sense joins heaven and earth. How unfortunate that this revered biblical symbol has taken on other connotations in our society today.

From the beginning, Christians have seen in this story a hint, a foreshadowing of a greater work of God that would come later. The first flood swept away the evil from the surface of the earth, but not from the hearts of the ark's human passengers. So an even greater act of salvation was needed, one that was more radical, that penetrated to the very root of evil. God himself enters into our world in the

form of a man named Jesus of Nazareth and engages in hand-to-hand combat with Satan.

First, Jesus himself is immersed in the waters of baptism, a sign of the destruction of sin, although he himself has no sin. Next, he goes into the wilderness to strike at sin's patron. Jesus has to confront his own demons, his own temptations, his own "wild beasts" - just as we do - and he comes out of this wrestling match the winner. However, Mark's gospel is a gospel of few words and he does not note what Luke tells us in his gospel account of the same interaction, that Satan left Jesus to await another opportunity. That opportunity came later, brokered by Judas Iscariot and Pontius Pilate. On the cross, the sign of the new and eternal covenant between God and his people, the new rainbow which joins heaven and earth, Jesus decisively vanquished sin and its patron, letting loose from his own pierced side a stream that was infinitely more powerful than the ancient waters of the days of Noah.

Through faith and immersion in these mighty waters of baptism, sin can finally be scoured not just from the skin but from the heart. Baptism puts to death not people, but the old humanity, separated from God and infected with the disease of pride and disobedience. In today's second reading Saint Peter draws on the Noah theme in pointing to baptismal water as the saving element of God's new covenant. Peter tells us that we are saved by a baptismal bath that corresponds to Noah and his family being saved from the flood.

In today's reading from Peter, we also hear something else that is noteworthy: there were eight people in Noah's ark. Jesus rose on the day after the Sabbath, the "eighth day." God created the world in six days, rested on the seventh, and performed the new creation of Christ's resurrection on the eighth. The number eight carried over into the sacrament of baptism in the early Church when baptisteries were constructed with eight sides. This was done to emphasize the point that baptism means burying the old self with Christ and emerging from the womb of the Church as a new creation, sharing in Christ's resurrection.

Lent is a time intimately linked with baptism. Since

the earliest of times Lent has been the season when catechumens have prepared themselves by prayer and fasting for their paschal journey to the waters of baptism. The faithful prayed and fasted with them, accompanying them and encouraging them on this journey. Lent has also traditionally been the time when those who have soiled the white garments of their baptism through sin prepared for reconciliation in anticipation of Easter.

If we're really honest with ourselves, all of us fall to some degree into this category. It is often difficult to keep a healthy balance between admitting our sinfulness and also recognizing our goodness. The key is that Christ loves us even though we are sinners. We are not loved because we are perfect, but we are forgiven because we are loved. In the words of today's psalm response, we must strive to be among those who keep God's covenant if we wish to know God's ways which are always love and truth.

So let us determine here and now, at the beginning of Lent 2024, through prayer, fasting, and works of charity, to intercede for the catechumens and candidates of the Church this year, especially the catechumens of our own parish, and at the same time, to scour compromise and any lukewarm spirit from our own hearts. Only in this way can we move from the rainbow to the cross, only in this way can we seek to renew our covenant with God, only in this way can we heed the words of our Lord and Savior as he exhorts us to "Repent, and believe in the gospel."

With a brother's love in the Lord and Mary Immaculate,

Deacon Dave, O.F.S.

T In Persona Christi Servi





### You are invited

to participate in a special session for the Synod on Synodality and

### Shaping Our Future Together

(our diocesan planning process)

by responding to questions on the structures of our parishes and local Church

Tuesday, February 27 6:15 - 7:00 p.m. At five locations in the diocese or via Zoom



For locations, to RSVP, and for more information, visit diojeffcity.org/27FebruaryRSVP

Feb. 28



6:00 p.m.

### CATHOLIC MEN'S ACCELERATOR

MI PARISH

### The Mercy Mindset Catholic Leadership

Come with us on a journey of self-discovery and leadership mastery as we explore the transformative potential of embodying the seven Catholic spiritual works of mercy. Join us to learn how adopting a mercy mindset can revolutionize your approach to leadership, inspiring positive change in both your professional and personal lives.

Location: MI Parish Center

RSVP (appreciated): mberkus@catholicaccelerator.com



### CREATING CATHOLIC EXPERIENCES IN

# MOTHERHOOD

Join the Mothers' Shrine for a unique series designed just for Catholic Moms!

Scheduled, priced, and created to fit your busy mom-life: All sessions are hosted live on Zoom, so you can join virtually from anywhere.

Facilitated and designed by Jenna Mayo, professional coach and Catholic mom. Participants will walk away from this program gaining self-confidence and empowered in their faith.



### LEARN MORE AND REGISTER:



MOTHERSSHRINE.COM 573-374-6279





Afternoon **Bible Study** Group meets at 4-

Tuesday

5:15pm on

Tuesday afternoons in the parish center. All are welcome to attend. Come as you are no prep necessary! For more info, please contact Sharon at smcgahan@truman.edu or 660 -988-7012.

The **Benedictine Adventure study group** will continue to meet on the (usually) second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 3pm in the parish center, now led by Deacon Chris Korte. Please contact the parish center for details on our study guide.



Please continue to pray for Fr. Alex as he recovers from a serious car accident. He has graduated

from Rusk, and his current address is:

Father Cesar Anicama Jorges The Neighborhoods by **TigerPlace** 3003 Falling Leaf Ct. Columbia MO 65201 please no visitors at this time



**Our Parish School of Religion (PSR)** classes are for

4 year olds to 8th graders who are in the public school or homeschooled. Classes are held at Mary Immaculate School and are from 6:30-7:45 pm on Wednesday nights. If you have a child that you would like to attend, please contact me at chris.koch@miparish.org ~Chris Koch, PSR Coordinator



Bishop McKnight's **Prayer Intention for** February: For the depressed and those suffering from mental illness; may the active

compassion of the Church bring healing and consolation to those who are tempted to despair.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February: We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Whole 40: Making a Spiritual plan for Lent.

Discussion of the reasons and benefits of dietary and spiritual discipline. (Adult)

**Reflections: The Tears of Christ.** By John Henry Newman. This is a multi-episode, spiritual journey exploring the heart of Jesus. (Adult)

**Drawing closer to God.** A Catholic art show for kids! Follow Christ from the desert to his Passion, death and resurrection. Join art teacher Ms. Kim for 10 exciting episodes. This material will deepen their faith and understanding, as well as coach them to produce beautiful artwork. (Young children, elementary school)

Homeless but Human. Christ in the City. Multi-episode documentary showing College students forming loving and Christ -like relationships with the homeless (Young Adults, High School, College)

### Please Pray For Our Sick Loved Ones

Father Alex Anicama, Theresa Armentrout, Diana Baldassaro, aunt of Darice Todd, Debi Barlow, Gayle Barnard, sister of Dale Schenewerk, Emily Bartholomew, daughter of Clive Renfroe, Laura Bell, Mary Maye Bennett, Sheryll Bentley, Deacon Ken & Marianne Berry, Dan Bishop, Amanda Bobzien, daughter of Mike and Mary Carol Early, 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, Don Crosby, Carol Daugherty, Carol Davis, Willa Deiters, Mary & Scott Detring, Larry Dieker, brother of Sandy Lammers, Larry Duarte, Janice Durflinger, sister to Maxin Martin, Autumn (Sparks) Early, daughter-in-law of Mike and Mary Carol Early, Elsie Eddy, Ann Ferguson, Sheldon Fessler, friend of the Behnen family, Annie Fisher, Amy Fleshman, Paula Foster, Mike Fox, Chuck Freeman family and Francine Freeman, family of Maxine Martin, Amy Frye, Steve Frye, Pamela Gobier, niece of Bobbi Hogenson, Anne Gramling, Flo Griesbaum, sister of Sr. Ruth Ann Klauser, 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, 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, Karen Konarski, Gannon Kriegshauser, great nephew of Mark & Judy Blacksmith, Pat Lehr, Faye Leppin, aunt of Lucky Wertin, Tim Lewin, Ann Lowe, Rita Ludden, Virginia Maag, Logan Maher, Mary Martin, Alayna McKim, Maureen Militzer, friend of the Kurz family, Judi Misale, Annie Morin, Glenn Neuweg, Gay Nichting, Maria Nolting, Jo Ann Pearce, Jerry Platt, Pulsucki, Jeff Purcell, friend of Matt and Mary Wolken, Sherri Ray, Terra Razo, Dan Reents, nephew of Vicky Wehner, Florence Rene, Clive Renfroe, Terese Roberts, 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, Judy Skiggs, friend of Bess Willis, Madonna Sorell, Jim & JoAnne Spalding, Tim Spencer, Kristin Swann, daughter of Robert Graves, Tammy Tarr, Kaitlin (Early) Taylor, Leonard Tonrick, father of Sarah Curtis, Kyle Wallace, Susan Wallin, mother of Melissa Passe, Glenn Wehner, Bryant Western, grandson of Bob and Mary Jane Kiefer, Elisabeth Wiedermann, mother 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.



### **Breaking the Silence of Abuse**

As a diocese, we are committed to breaking the silence of abuse. When someone is reporting abuse, we must acknowledge their pain and how difficult it is to talk about it. False allegations are very rare. Our initial response to someone who is disclosing abuse for the first time must be compassionate. For those who need to report abuse, encourage them to contact our Victims Assistance Coordinator, Jacqueline Baldwin, (573-694-3199) and to make use of the appropriate State of Missouri hotline (1-800-392-3738) or the Attorney General's clergy abuse online form. All of this information is also on our website, under the 'report abuse' tab. For those who want information or want to convey a message to Bishop McKnight, please encourage them to write to us at reportabuse@diojeffcity.org.



114-116 N. Franklin, Kirksville, MO 63501 (660) 665-7818

### Hightower Wholesale

511 North Marion Street Kirksville, MIssouri 63501

Phone: 660-665-4698

### **Adair County** Veterinary Clinic

Ph: 660-665-6696 Fax: 660-665-6383



David H. Moore, D.V.M. John D. Moore, D.V.M. Large and Small Animal Services

www.adaircountyvet.com

24463 Benton Road • P.O. Box 857 • Kirksville, MO 63501

### LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!

> CONTACT ME Mike Anderson

manderson@4LPi.com (800) 950-9952 x2612

### MUDDY FEET

Concrete Pumping LLC 660-341-4875

pumpingmud.com | rummerfield4@gmail.com

### catholicmatch\* Missouri



Catholic Match.com/MO

**SHORT STAFFED?** 

### The Ol Garage Mobile Lock Shop Jerrod Lake

573 338 0444 roadsterpilot@att.net Kirksville, MO 63501

Tim Peters • 660-665-5665 1515 S. Baltimore Ave. . Kirksville, MO 63501

### Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!

AD CREATOR STUDIO





### **NE'RE HIRING!**

AD SALES EXECUTIVES

BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION. **WORK WITH PURPOSE** 







Order Online at coltonssteakouses.com Dine-in • Pick-up • Catering



**ADT-Monitored Home Security** Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Flood Detection Carbon Monoxide
- Fire Safety

ADT Authorized SafeStreets



833-287-3502

# AD DESIGN

### SUPPORT **OUR PARISH**

Local business ads sponsor the printing of our bulletin. 4lpi.com/adcreator

# SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!





### **WE APPRECIATE OUR ADVERTISERS!**

They allow us to print this bulletin. Thank you!

For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • www.4lpi.com

### **NEVER MISS OUR BULLETIN!**

### SUBSCRIBE

Have our bulletin emailed to you every week.

Visit www.parishesonline.com

