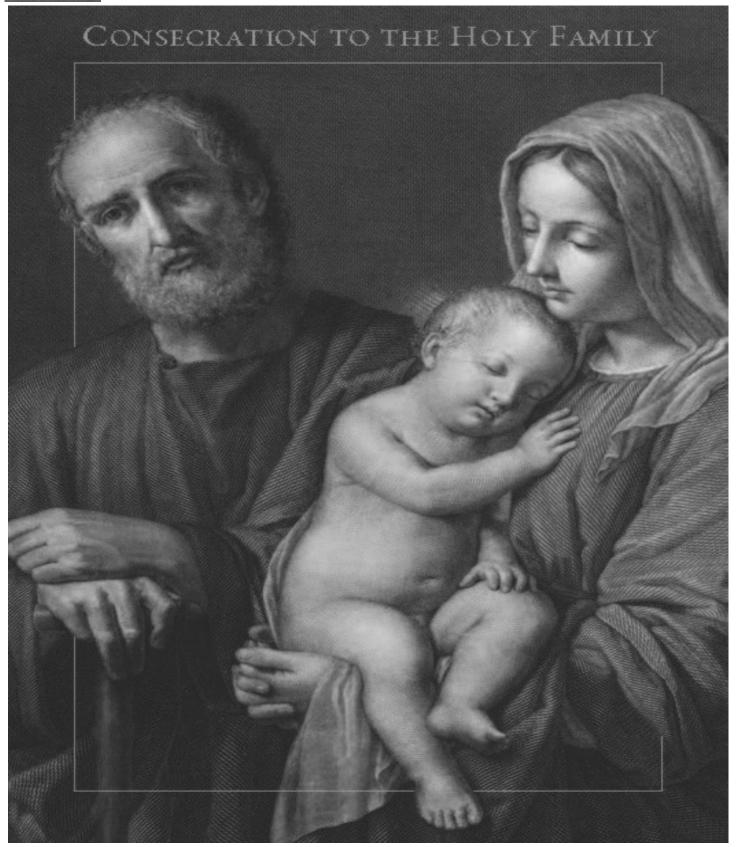


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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER RICH

Last week the Finance Committee met with Mr. Jerry Amsler, from the Archdiocese to discuss the possibly of the parish joining Shared Accounting. Currently over 100 parishes throughout the Archdiocese use shared accounting for their accounting records. This is something the Archdiocese has been encouraging parishes to consider for a long time.

Shared Accounting involves one individual handling multiple accounts of several parishes within the Archdiocese. We are excited to partner with Shared Accounting. As we implement this process, please keep in mind that the parish will now need approximately one week turnaround time to cut parish checks.

If you have any questions about this new process, please feel free to contact me directly.

- Father Rich

SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday, January 30, 2017 | Envelopes 147 Regular \$7,098 | Loose 314.00 Online Giving (8 givers) \$815.00 Adopt A Student \$10.00 First Offering \$60.00 | Life Line Coalition \$65.00 | St. Louis Review \$180.00

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SKIP THE ENVELOPES!

Consider signing up for Online Giving through our new WeShare program. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. You can donate weekly/monthly to our general collection as well as other second collections of interest to you. In addition, you have the ability to make weekly/monthly donations to our St Vincent de Paul Society and our Immaculate Conception Adopt a Student Program. Need help or have questions?

Call the parish office (636.661.5002) today.

JOIN US FOR AN 8 -WEEK BIBLE STUDY SERIES

This year we are going to do Ephesians Bible Study Series from Jeff Cavins-Discover what it means to be not just a son or daughter of God, but an heir to all he has to give.

Learn about the great mystery of how we can love one another as Christ loves the Church, and find out that you have a place in God's "plan of sheer goodness".

This is a 8-week series the first 4 will be begin in Lent starting the week of 3/6/2017. Sign-up sheets are at the back of Church for anyone who wish to participate. **Please sign up by 2/12/2017** so the study guides can be ordered in time.

Any questions, please contact Mary Johnson at 636.566.6302.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all who have died especially **Jerry Hansen**, husband of Betty Hansen of our parish.

ST BLAISE AND THE BLESSING OF THE THROATS

Two candles crossed and placed against the throat is what many of us remember from childhood. Who was the saint that we remember each year? He was a bishop in the early part of the fourth century. He was martyred in AD 316. Even though Christianity was legalized by the Edict of Constantine in 311, religious persecution was still raging in Eastern Europe. As the myth is told, he had fled to the countryside and was living peacefully with the wild animals. Some hunters came upon his cave and found in kneeling in prayer with all the lions and wolves and other wild animals sitting by his side. The hunters bound him and took him to prison. On the way a woman presented her son to Bishop Blaise for him to heal him, he had a fish bone stuck in his throat. Upon Blaise's blessing, the boy coughed up the fish bone. Bishop Blaise eventually was killed for not worshipping the pagan gods of the region, and the story of Bishop Blaise's healing of the young boy became legend. His saint day in the Roman Church is February 3. Remember the faith of this saint each year and pray for blessings upon those who suffer from throat ailments. Moreover, always remember this blessing is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for the sick, and for those who need our prayers.

Baptisms

Congratulations to Andy and Annie Heitman who had their son **Michael Joseph** baptized here on January 29, 2017.

NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME DINNER

Our new parishioner welcome dinner is right around the corner. We hope to see all of our new families who have joined our parish in 2016 at our welcome dinner next

Wednesday, February 15

in our ICOM school cafeteria. Contact Fr. Rich or Jeannette Roberson at 314.650.5886 with any questions.

UPCOMING CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Interested in making a Cursillo weekend?
Please contact Fr. Rich, Jeanette (314.650.5886) or anyone who has gone on Cursillo. We will be happy to get you an application or answer any questions you might have.

It is a great weekend.

Pick up additional literature regarding this weekend at the back of church.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

If you had your church directory photo taken and did not place a portrait order, your complimentary 8x10 is ready for pick up at the back of church.

If you placed an order, your complimentary 8 x10 was included in your order delivered to your address.

Didn't get a chance to sign up for a directory photo? Don't worry, additional signups for directory photos will take place March 25-26 and April 1-2 after masses with directory photo sessions taking place April 18— April 22.

February 5, 2017

DEACON NEAL'S REFLECTION CORNER..

Our Knights of Columbus has been given the opportunity to present the icon of the Holy Family blessed by Pope Francis (pictured on the front of today's bulletin). It will be on display in church, this weekend and Monday. Monday evening at 7:00 p.m., I would like to encourage everyone to come and have their family consecrated to the Holy Family. There will be scripture readings, homily, rosary, and family consecration.

Please come and bring your family. And as the saying goes... "the family that prays together, stays together." And as the Gospel message this Sunday says, "We are the Light of the World" Sometimes that Light needs a little extra fuel.

- Deacon Neal



SCHOOL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

School registration is open for grades

Preschool through 8th grade.

Enrollment packets can be picked up in the school office.

Please contact the school office for information about our school.

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LADIES SODALITY MEETING

Join us this **Tuesday, February 7 at 6:30 p.m.** at the Old Monroe Picnic Grounds.

CARDS FOR KIDS

Thanks to your support, ICOM has earned \$1,510.00 during the holidays.

That brings us to a total of \$1,790.00 for the school year.

Our next order will be placed February 13, delivery by February 17. If you would like to place an order or have any questions, please contact Pam Fallert at 566-6888 or Linda Henke at the school office 665-5463 by 9am on February 13.

GREASE IS THE WORD!

Don't miss this year's Grease themed ICOM Trivia Night put on by Home and School.

Saturday, March 11.

ICOM Gymnasium. Doors Open at 5:30 p.m. Trivia at 6:30 p.m. \$160 per table of 8.

Beer, soda provided.

Call/email Tanika Busch at 314.713.4343/tan_busch@hotmail.com

WANNA GETAWAY?

Reserve your spot by
Friday, February 10 with a \$75.00
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Info in back of church or contact
Jean Folwarczny at 636.566.8571/
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OUT AND ABOUT!

Euchre Tournament

Saturday, February 11. 7:00 p.m. St Joseph/Josephille \$10 per person. Keep your partner. Sponsored by St. Joseph Knights of Columbus. Contact Ralph Orf at 636.485.5306

4-Man Euchre Tournament

Saturday, February 18. 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Hall, O'Fallon. 19th Annual M.C. Gentemann/Special Olympics. \$10 per player. Keep your partner. For additional information contact Dennis Henson at 314.540.1295

Women's Retreat

February 24-26. "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World". Pallottine Renewal Center in Florissant, Missouri. Contact Melissa Leitman at 636.528.8219.

Lions Euchre Tournament

Saturday, February 25. 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall \$10 per person. Keep your partner. Contact Bill Prinster at 636.661.5858

Middle School Trivia Night

Friday, March 3. 7:00 p.m. –9:45 p.m. 6th - 8th grade students. St. Dominic High School Fallon Family Center. \$10 per person/8 per table. Soda, water and 1 pizza per table. Prizes for 1st and 2nd place. Contact Shelley Lang at 636.300.1661/sdhpalstrivia@hotmail.com

St. Dominic Trivia Night

Saturday, March 4. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. \$160 per table of 8. Beer, soda and water provided. Prizes and Raffles. Contact Shelley Lang at 636.300.1661/sdhpalstrivia@hotmail.com

St Paul Spring Quilt Social

Saturday, March 4. Doors open at 11/Bingo starts at noon. St. Paul Knights of Columbus Hall. Refreshments available.

St Paul Parish Annual Breakfast

Sunday, March 5. 7:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. All you can eat. St Paul Gym. \$8.00 for Adults/\$4.00 Children/Children under 5 free.

Annual Quilt Social

Sunday, March 12. Doors open at noon/Social Starts at 1:00 p.m. St Francis of Assisi Memorial Hall - Portage Des Sioux, Missouri. 20 games of bingo, quilt raffle, 50/50 raffle and more. Lunch, cake, coffee, soda and beer available.

Women's Retreat

March 24-26. King's House in Bellville, Illinois. Join us for a time of rest, renewal and spiritual nourishment. Contact Amy Schwent at 636.665.5057

Marriage Encounter Weekend

April 21-23. Find out more or apply by calling: 314.649.7317 or go to <u>www.stl-wwme.org</u>

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 6, 2017

7:45 a.m. Genevieve Margaret Goellner

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 7:45 a.m. Ron Mueller

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 7:45 a.m. Kelly Meyer

Thursday, February 9, 2017

7:45 a.m. Chris Burkemper

Friday, February 10, 2017 7:45 a.m. Delores Hoelting

Saturday, February 11, 2017 5:00 p.m. Elmer Dreisewerd

Sunday, February 12, 2017

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. Richard Starmann

LITURGICAL ROLES February 12, 2017

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Neal Burkemper8:00 a.m. Elliot Stetson10:00 a.m. Mike Padella

Extraordinary Ministers

5:00 p.m. Theresa Gerholdt, Jill Gregory,

Bonnie Hackenewerth, Ron Hackenewerth

8:00 a.m. Butch Henke, Brent Hessling,

Marjorie Hessling, MaryAnn Hoelting

10:00 a.m. Tim Hogan, Sandy Hogan,

Kate Hogan, Mary Kendall

Servers

8:00 a.m. Josie Bauer & Taylor Gentemann

10:00 a.m. Anna Hoeckelmann & Camille Martin

Ushers

8:00 a.m. Marty Mennemeyer, Keith Burkemper,

Jeff Reller, Bill Westhoff

10:00 a.m. Chris Gnade, Kevin Kaimann,

Eric Westhoff, Jim Eusterbrock

Organists

5:00 p.m. Karen Gnade 8:00 a.m. Katie Boyd

10:00 a.m. Karen Nicholl

Gift Bearers

5:00 p.m. Dale & Jeanette Robertson

8:00 a.m. Glenn & Katie Grupe

10:00 a.m. Bryce & Jeana Rhoades

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Mass Schedule:

Weekdays: 7:45 a.m. First Saturday: 7:45 a.m.

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. Sunday Liturgy Sundays: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Holydays: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. until 7:30 a.m. Wednesday

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesdays after 7:45 a.m. Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. **First Saturday after 7:45 a.m. Mass**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact Rectory for arrangements. **Baptismal Prep Classes** will be held the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Contact the rectory to sign up for class.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact Pastor at least six months in advance

ROSARY

For Vocations, Fridays after 7:45 Mass. For World Peace, First Saturdays after 7:45 a.m. Mass. Regular Bulletin Deadline –Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

February 5, 2016 through February 11, 2017

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20--2:4a/Ps 8:4-9/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-5/Mk 7:24-30 **Friday:** Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

(Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. to Wednesday 7:30 a.m.)

"Come spend an hour with Me"

Participants needed from 2:30 p.m. -3:30 p.m.

Participants are always welcome and needed to come and pray any hour. If you can cover an hour or are available to be a sub, please call Barb 636.665.5482 or Bonnie 314.520.8599



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