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Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church

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Friendship in Christ

Enjoying each other's company

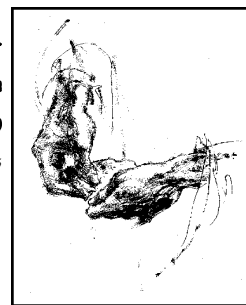
Striving to bring the best out of each other

Sharing a commitment to a common good outside of ourselves

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Were not our hearts burning as he spoke to us on the road ...
And they recognized him
IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Gospel of Luke 24: 13-35



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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm Standard Time

5:00 pm Daylight Time

Sunday 8:00am, 10:30am

Daily Mass Schedule

6:30 am Tuesday/Thursday

8:00 am Monday/Wednesday/Friday

8:00 am Wednesday/Thursday

Christ Light of the Nations School

Check the Bulletin each week

for schedule changes.

Holy Days of Obligation

8:00 am, and 7:00 pm

Civil Holidays 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 2:30-3:30 (CST);

3:30-4:30 (CDT)

Advent & Lent Reconciliation Services

By appointment at any time—

call priest directly.

Liturgy of the Hours

7:35am Monday/Wednesday/Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00am Tuesday-midnight

Wednesday

Becoming a Catholic Christian

The parish has a year-round/on-going process to assist adults in becoming Catholic. It also has a special program for older unbaptized children. Both can start any time. Call Deacon George (868-2310) for further information

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples begin preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage at least 6 months before their wedding. Please remember—a wedding date will not be scheduled until the assessment of their readiness for the Sacrament of Marriage has been completed. Contact the rectory for more information. Weddings are not scheduled during the Season of Lent.

Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament is for those having surgery, the seriously ill, the chronically ill, and those near death. If you know in advance that you are going to the hospital, call one of the priests to arrange for anointing at home or church. In addition the sacrament is celebrated at church on the first Saturday of the month after evening Mass and on the third Sunday of the month after 8:00 Mass. It may be repeated as needed.

A PLEDGE TO PARISH LIFE

My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.

It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to causes, if I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its community, if I invite and bring them.

It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a parish with a noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.

Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be.



Highlights of Life in Our Community Our Parish Life

Good for You - Good for Others

*Details in your bulletin or Parish Directory.
Being involved insures the vitality of our parish.*

Sunday, December 11th *The Third Sunday of Advent*

- Parish Hospitality: Coffee & Donuts
- Blood Pressure Screening

Monday, December 12th

- Exercise Class
- Ladies Guild Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 13th

- Eucharistic Adoration & Visits
 - Women's Prayer Group
 - Men's Club Meeting

Wednesday, December 14th

- Eucharistic Adoration & Visits
 - Parish Quilting
- Sacrament of Penance (1:00 - 2:00pm)
 - Room At The Inn Program
 - Girl Scouts
 - Boy Scout's Dads Meeting

Friday, December 16th

- Girl Scouts

Saturday, December 17th

- Soup Stew & Chili Program
- Sacrament of Penance (2:30-3:30pm)

Sunday, December 18th *The Fourth Sunday of Advent*

- Soup Stew & Chili Program
- Sacramental Anointing of the Sick

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

ADVENT PRAYER SERVICES

Waiting With Mary

Mondays of Advent, 7:00 - 8:00pm
Pallottine Renewal Center (Florissant)

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL

Alumni Thespian Trivia Night
Saturday, January 7th, 2012, 7:00pm
in support of their annual musical production

GODSPELL

Thursday-Sunday, February 3-6, 2012

MEN'S COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Sunday, January 8th, 2012, 8:00am

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

2012 Annual Conference / Peabody Opera House
Saturday, February 4th, 8:30am - 4:00pm

Becoming an Even More Welcoming Community - Boot Camp Exercise #21

Cultivating an Attitude of Joy

MOST PARENTS I KNOW WANT THEIR CHILDREN to grow up with some sense of God. They want them to know about God, but even more to experience God's presence in their lives. They have a sense that faith is an important part of their children's happiness and helps them to think about the good of others as much as their own.

For many years I've taught people and have encouraged them to teach their children the following **spiritual exercise**. It's a guaranteed way of knowing the presence and power of God in your life - that God is with you. What greater gift could you give a child! If we know God is with us and works through us, our joy is always evident to others. Give yourself and guide your children through just 2 minutes (more if you have the time) of quiet reflection on these questions at the end of the day.

- **What happened today?** (*Recall the facts, events, people, places of your day*)
- **How did I feel?** (*Remember your feelings. Go a bit deeper than the facts.*)
- **Where was God?** (*Identify when/how God moved your mind and heart today.*)

As you practice and teach this exercise keep these **warnings** in mind. **God will let you see the pain of others more.** This exercise is not a vaccination against sadness or evil. God is not cruel, but rather knows you can bear it. **God will give you crazy ideas** and other people will want to lock you up. Remember, faith helps us to re-imagine things and joy gives us energy to try. Such **real faith** is **very attractive** to anyone who needs God, who desires God, who's searching for God.

*"The spirit of the Lord God
is upon me ... he has sent me
to bring glad tidings to the poor
... to announce a year of favor
from the Lord ..."*

Book of the Prophet Isaiah 61:1-2

*As we express our gratitude,
we must never forget
that the highest appreciation
is not to utter words,
but to live by them.*

John F. Kennedy

2011 Year End Gift Campaign

An Investment in Our Community of Faith

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH STANDS on a solid foundation of faith-filled parishioners, religious, and priests - past and present - who have dedicated themselves to the sacramental life of the Church, the religious education of our members, and the development and operation of facilities and programs proclaiming Christ to all in our community.

Our **Year End Gift Campaign** is a special opportunity for anyone to invest in the long-term future of our parish. In the spirit of the Advent and Christmas seasons, I and our Pastoral Leadership Team recently have invited everyone to consider making a special gift to our parish this year. We also asked you to decide how you wanted your gift to be used - as tuition assistance for our school children, for capital maintenance and improvements, or for the parish general operating fund. We encourage you to continue to pray about your participation and support for the life and welfare of our parish. Your generosity in all ways ensures the presence and work of the Church in the communities we serve and gives glory to God. More information and gift envelopes may be found at all the entrances of church.

On Changes in the Mass **Your Catholic Questions**

ADULTS LEARN BEST when their teacher begins with **the questions they really have**, rather than with what the teacher thinks they should know.

As we continue to **experience the revised Mass prayers and the practice of celebrating Mass together**, pay close attention for the questions you may have.

Write them down so you won't forget. Put them in the collection or send them in, and we'll write back in the Sunday bulletin. We also want to hear your comments about **what you "get out of the Mass"** and/or the challenge it can be sometimes **"getting into Mass"**.

Together, from our experience, the more we **ASK** and the more we **SHARE**, the more we will **LEARN**. And the more we will **GROW IN FAITH** together.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY December 12**8:00am** Dan Gravelle**TUESDAY December 13****6:30am** John Finn, Sr**WEDNESDAY December 14****8:00am** School Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary**8:00am** Kathleen Lamb**THURSDAY December 15****6:30am** Madelin Flauaus**FRIDAY December 16****8:00am** Mary Rose Cooney**SATURDAY December 17****4:00pm** Homer Zigler**SUNDAY December 18****8:00am** Alma & Eugene Uhlenbrock**10:30am** Paul Smith

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will GOD make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

Psalm — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

Gospel — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of The Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

**Eucharistic Ministers****Saturday, December 17****4:00pm**

Barb Ellington*
Jennifer Krsul
Laura Lucido
Mary Migliazzo
Eileen Mills-D

Dee Hooser*
Mary Krsul
Judy Mantych
Tony Migliazzo

Sunday, December 18**8:00am**

Josephine Bono*
Larry Colombo
Sandy Hamm
Betty Kondracki
Linda Byrns-D

Betty Easley*
Diana Goodwin
Wil Huhmann
Shirley Loy

10:30am

Pat Edgar*
Mike Walsh
Jim Cuidon
Jeanne Field
Linda Byrns-D

Mary Harris*
Regina Anderson
Joan Cuidon
Lori Garner

**LECTORS****Saturday, December 17****4:00pm**

Joan Aslin

Sunday, December 18**8:00am**

John Prose

10:30am

Youth Group

Mass Servers**December 12-16****8:00am**

Linda Byrns & Bob Seidel

Saturday December 17**4:00pm**

Grace & Libby Modde & Michael Brooks

Sunday, December 18**8:00am**

Grace & Andrew Gerhart & David Bober

10:30am

Kelsey Keppler, Peter Krenn, George Bond

Gift Bearers**Saturday, December 17****4:00pm**

Denise Wellman & Victor Caravello

Sunday, December 18**8:00am**

Frank & Lois Albers

10:30am

Youth Group

CATHOLICS COME HOME

Please send any further donations for Catholics
Come Home to the address on the envelope:

Catholics Come Home
560 W. Crossville Rd #101
Roswell, GA 30075

**ALL BULLETIN NOTICES FOR THE
BULLETIN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH
MUST BE IN THE OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 14TH. CHRISTMAS DAY
BULLETIN MUST BE TRANSMITTED ON
DECEMBER 16TH**

**Celebrating
the Sacrament of Penance
in Our Parish Community**

If you think you're ready to rediscover
this sacrament in your life, here's three
simple questions that our children came
up with to prepare:

- ▶ What have I done wrong
that I'm sorry for?
- ▶ What do I need God's help with
in my life?
- ▶ What am I most thankful for today?

*Putting Yourself
into the Hands of God Again*
*Most Catholics need to rediscover
the value of this sacrament
in their lives.*

*Most want to and tell me that it's
been way too long in coming.
Most find that it's easier to do
than they thought.*

2:30 - Every
3:30pm Saturday Afternoon

1:00 - Wednesday,
2:00pm December 14th

4:00 - Thursday,
5:00pm December 22nd

*By Appointment with Father Mike
at Anytime*

DECK THE HALLS

We will be decorating our church on Sunday,
December 18th, immediately after the 10:30am Mass.
ALL are welcome to come and help. We sincerely
appreciate any time that you can share with us on that
day. There will be tasks for all—choose your
favorite! As always, we will provide Christmas
music to work by and hot chocolate. If you can,
please bring treats—cookies, brownies, or a snack for
all of us to share. We look forward to seeing you on
the 18th!

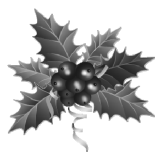
**Help for Your Advent Journey**

The "Praying Advent" website of Creighton University
offers many helpful resources for individuals and families.
There is a Daily Prayer for each day of advent, based on
the new Collects of the New Roman Missal. Also, there
are family Dinner Prayers for Advent, help for parents and
for people caring for parents. There are even audio reflec-
tions and a few audio retreats. All brief and intended for
BUSY people—to help make our advent full of grace.
Just Google "Praying Advent 2011".

**Eucharist Ministers are needed for
the Midnight Mass on December
24th. Please volunteer by
calling Linda Schneider at 868-2374**



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Come join us at Holy Name of Jesus Ladies Guild Christmas Party on December 12th at 6pm. We will have a catered dinner, musical entertainment and attendance prizes. Enjoy the

Holiday Spirit by calling Mary Masterson @868-2492 for tickets which cost \$15.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please call either Betty Kondracki @ 868-0176 or Pat Edgar @ 868-4143

Rest in Peace

In your charity please pray for the repose of Arthur Krispin and all who have died this week. We pray that they may now enjoy the great blessings of eternal life and that their family and friends may find peace in the promises of Christ.

Men's Council 6th Annual Communion Breakfast

The Men's Council will be hosting their 6th annual "Communion Breakfast" after the 8:00am Mass on January 8, 2012 in the community center. All men of the parish are encouraged to attend. Tickets are \$15 each. Tables of 8 may be reserved. Ticket reservations are required and must be completed by January 3, 2012. Tickets may be obtained by calling one of the following: Jerry Wieggers 869-2684, Bob Doerr 868-2246, Roy Rudolph 868-7113, Bruce Saak 868-5183, Mike Petroff 869-2936, or Jerry Van Deven 869-3840.

Are you looking for a New Year's resolution that could give you a weekend away to improve and enjoy your marriage relationship? Attend a Marriage Encounter weekend in 2012 to focus on yourselves. For more information or to register for the weekends on February 3-5 and April 27-29, 2012, call 469-7317 or visit www.stl-wwme.org

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

2012 Annual Conference

"I have called you by name, you are mine"

Sat, Feb. 4 Peabody Opera House

Speakers: Msgr. Stuart Swetland, Fr. Joe Kempf, Fr. Michael Lightner, and Dn. Ralph Poyo

Mass celebrated by the Most Rev. Archbishop Robert Carlson

Early registration open now at www.catholicmenforchrist.org

Find help for your troubled marriage through the next RETROUVAILLE Program that starts February 10-12, 2012, with a Weekend (Friday night thru Sunday), and has six follow-up sessions held over three months. You need not be Catholic to attend and we can work with people having financial difficulties. For confidential information, call 1-800-470-2230 toll free—or visit www.retrouvaille.org



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ADVENT = HAPPINESS

No time of year is busier, more packed with plans and projects and more laden with expectations than the weeks before Christmas. As we observe Advent, it may seem like we are adding another layer to an already busy schedule; trying to accomplish one more project. But Advent is God's project; the God who created us in our mother's womb and continues to care for us from moment to moment. God shapes us during Advent, as long as we are willing to be shaped. And through this project of God's, He is starting to prepare us for the promise we received at Baptism: **true happiness in Heaven.**

What is **happiness**? Happiness is defined as the quality or state of being happy. It is also defined as good fortune, pleasure, contentment, or joy. Happiness will always mean the same thing, but because it is a "state of being", individuals will differ in their reasons for happiness. Happiness isn't always about smiling or having a sunny disposition no matter what is happening in your life.

Psychologists describe two types of happiness; transitory and enduring. Transitory happiness brings momentary pleasure, like having a hot fudge sundae. Enduring happiness manifests as deep satisfaction with how we live our life, which depends on living a meaningful, values-based life in a community you feel a part of.

Researchers in psychology and physiology can give us all sorts of reasons why some people are happier than others or what the physiology of happiness is and how it affects our bodies. According to researchers, the four most common factors that contribute to happiness are, age, religiosity or spirituality, money and marriage. They also have strategies to get happy. But if we go back to the beginning of the article; God, who has been around a lot longer than these researchers, showed us through scripture and teachings how to be truly happy.

Advent is a season of preparation! Not preparing the house with decorations or preparing cookies or gifts for giving, but preparing our souls and mind for the Birth of our Lord. Let God complete His project. Allow yourself to be shaped this season so you may attain true happiness.

Peace and joy,

Buffy Modde, Parish Nurse @ HNOJ

IMPORTANT HOSPITAL NEWS

Hospitals, because they are going paperless, are no longer listing the parishes of patients. So, **PLEASE**, be sure to let us know if you are a friend, relative, neighbor, etc. are being admitted to a hospital. We want to support you in your illness. Just call the Parish Office and give us your information.



Silver Bells Dinner

The staff of Bellefontaine Neighbors Parks and Recreation Department invites our friends to celebrate the holiday season at our Silver Bells Dinner. Enjoy a delicious three-course dinner while listening to the songs you remember. Seating is limited so get your tickets early for this special event. A cash bar will be available. Please bring your ticket to exchange for your first beverage.

Bellefontaine Recreation Center

9669 Bellefontaine Road, 63137

Tuesday, December 13, 2011

4:30—7:30pm Dinner served at 5:30pm
\$12.00



Waiting in Joyful Hope

Advent (derived from the Latin word *adventus* meaning “coming”) is the liturgical season that helps us prepare for the coming of Christ. The Church encourages all Catholics to prepare during Advent for Christ’s Coming, both at Christmas and at the end of time. The prayers and Mass readings during Advent are intended to prepare us for Christ’s return, while also commemorating the original waiting for Christ by the Hebrews of ancient Israel.

The Advent Season is filled with preparation and expectation we’re all getting ready for Christmas—shopping and decorating, baking a cleaning. Too often, however, we’re so busy with the material preparations that we lose sight of the real reason for our activities: Jesus Christ, Son of God, took on our human nature and became man.]

Many families prepare for the Lord’s coming by displaying an Advent wreath in their homes, and saying a daily prayer around the wreath. Advent is also a time to be more patient with our loved ones, neighbors, and co-workers. Along with cleaning our homes during Advent, this is an ideal time to clean our souls through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St. Sabina New Year's Eve Party

December 31st Huels Hall

Sponsored by Men's Club, Sports & Vincent's

\$50 a couple or \$25 per person

Includes catered dinner, beer, set ups and music

7pm till 1am

All proceeds will be given to Love in Action

Make checks payable to St. Sabina Sports

To make reservations or if you have questions please call Dan Bateman at 839-7408 or Tim Oberkrom at 831-2154. You may drop them off at the rectory in an envelope marked New Years or we will be there after masses.

Christ Light of the Nations School Eighth Grade Advent Projects

There are many ways to prepare your heart and home to welcome Christ at Christmas. The students chose the one that would be the most meaningful to them and that they could use for years to come. They were to make it a **labor of love** that we can all see and appreciate. If you had the opportunity to see them in the front foyer of school, you know they succeeded. They were to choose between a nativity scene, an advent wreath, banners, an activity book for primary students, or an advent calendar

Grace will be at Holy Name of Jesus this weekend selling TWB Certificates. She will be in the back of church on Saturday night and in the Community Center on Sunday morning

**I am a voice
crying out
in the desert**



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Vinne's Autos, a car donation and transfer program of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, will have helped approximately eighty families receive basic transportation vehicles during 2011. We need your help and your neighbors need your help; we need more cars so that we can empower more people to get to work. During this Christmas season, please consider those whom we can bless; for more information, please telephone the Program Coordinator, Greg Marino at 881-6005.

Christmas Madrigal Dinner

Join us for this enjoyable holiday custom. A Madrigal Dinner is an American form of dinner theater generally held during the Christmas season. It is set in the Middle Ages and is generally comedic in nature. The meal is divided into courses, each of which is heralded with a traditional song. A play is performed between the courses and a concert of choral music concludes the festivities.

Two Performances-

Saturday or Sunday

December 17-18, 7:00pm

Seating begins at 6:30—Silent Auction opens at 6:00

Tickets \$30—Get yours at (618)409-0015

**JOIN US FOR THIS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION
BENEFITTING KING'S HOUSE!**

**DON'T FORGET THIS HOLIDAY SEASON TO
RECYCLE! WE HAVE CONTAINERS ON THE
TOP PARKING LOT FOR PAPER AND
ALUMINUM.**

FYI

Did you know that there is a candlelight vigil every Sunday evening from 7pm to 7:30pm at the College Church? This vigil is for **peace and social justice** and has been ongoing for the past 10 years. If you would like more information please call Bob Stolte at 869-8147. Peace

Tune in to **Catholic radio** on **AM 1460 KHOJ**, where you will hear special programs during the season of Advent and Christmas, along with the daily Holy Mass, devotions, Catechetics, live call-in shows, and much more. For a program schedule and a free CD call (314) 752-7000 or toll-free 1-877-305-1234.



Stewardship of Treasure
**Your Gifts of Support for
 Our Parish Mission**

Report on Parish Collections

Envelope Offerings	\$9,988.82
Loose Offerings	\$60.05
Total Sunday Collection: Parish Support	\$10,048.87



PLEASE PRAY *for:*

Theresa Coker, Jo Smith, Cheryl Elder, Dorothy Biritz, Sr. Pat Mueller, Marge Hoelker, Art Sommer, Mary Buecker

In The Hospital...

Jan Crabb, Betty Palmer, Joan Kleinberg, Carole Scott, Helen Parsons, Charlotte Chaney, Larry Abelin

The Trinity Catholic High School Alumni

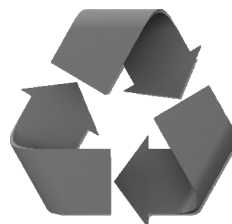
Thespian Trivia Night will take place at 7pm, Saturday, January 7th in the TCHS Cafeteria. The doors will open at 6pm and the cost for a table of eight is \$120. Beer and soda will be provided but players are welcome to bring any other refreshments they would like. Players must be 21 to attend. All proceeds from the evening will go toward the musical production of **Godspell** Feb. 3-6. For reservations call Diane Merz 869-6371 or email



dianemerz@sbcglobal.net

Waiting with Mary: An Advent Prayer Series.

All are welcome at the Pallottine Renewal Center Chapel on Mondays during Advent: November 28th, December 5th, 12th, and 19th from 7-8pm. We will spend an hour in prayer and reflection exploring different themes related to Mary as we wait with her expectation **FOR THE BIRTH OF Jesus**. Free will donations accepted, no registration necessary. For more information please call 837-7100 and ask to speak to Angela.



The Jennings Do-Dads are sponsoring their annual Christmas Tree Lot. The lot is located at the corner of Jennings Station Rd and Hord Ave in Sievers Park, next to the Jennings City Hall. Tree selection includes Canadian Balsam, Scotch Pine, and White Pine trees. The lot is open daily from November 26th thru December 24th. If there are any students who are in need of service hours at school, please contact Joe Bohnenkemper at 703-1002. This is an opportunity to earn some service hours. Present this ad at the Tree Lot and receive \$5 off any purchase over \$30.

CATHOLICS ARE COMING HOME!

This Advent, as we prepare to strengthen our relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ, we remember our call to share our faith with one another. We remember the words of St. Peter who tells us “to always be ready to give witness to the reason for our hope” (1 Peter 3:15). Sharing our love for Jesus Christ and spreading the Good News is a necessary part of our life in Christ. Between Dec. 16th and Jan 22nd, the Archdiocese of St. Louis will be a part of a *Catholic Come Home* commercial campaign, and powerful video ads will air on most all TV channels in the viewing area represented in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Thursday, December 15th from 6-9pm at Sacred Heart Church in Florissant

A workshop for friends and family members of domestic violence victims: those who suspect that someone they care about is being abused by their partner often feel scared and powerless. The workshop highlights how to best support victims, encourage safe choices and identify “Red Flags” of potentially lethal escalation. Learn coping strategies for how to deal with one’s own feelings. Learn the Do’s & Don’ts for addressing victims and addressing perpetrators. To register call Woman’s Place at 645-4848. Woman’s Place is a non-profit organization that has been providing free services since 1998 to address the needs of victims of domestic violence.



St. Clare of Assisi Church Ellisville, MO

*Bringing you the internationally known singer/songwriter
who has been inspiring audiences across America*

Friday, Dec 16th - 7pm

Experience Tajči’s powerful concert event: the music she writes,
the story she tells, the voice that will hold you spellbound.

EMMANUEL THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS

For questions about the concert, please contact Rene or JoAnn Lusser
Ph: (636) 537-1430
E-mail: lusser@charter.net



*This is a free event. Donations will be accepted.
Sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter.*

A CONCERT EVENT you will not forget.

See and hear Tajči perform right now at: ldobelieve.com

The inspiring live production, “Vianney” will be presented at St. Angela Merici Church on Monday, December 12, at 7:00pm. Experience the gripping story of Saint John Vianney, the remarkable priest who battled the devil to save souls. The production is suitable for ages 9 and up and admission will be a free-will offering.



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