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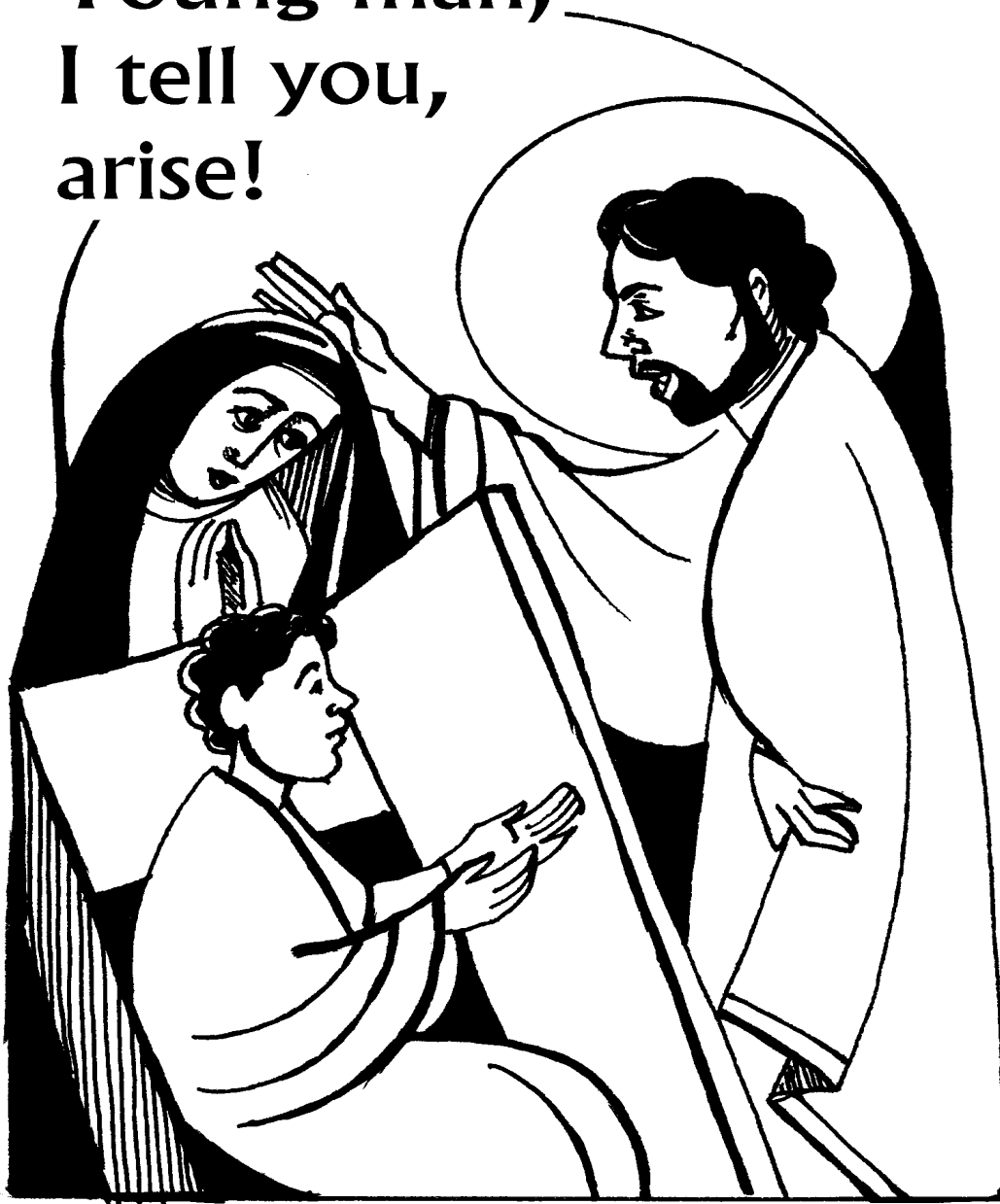
Friendship in Christ

Enjoying each other's company

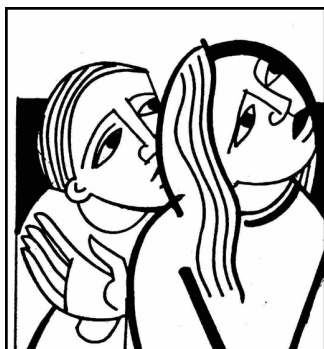
Striving to bring the best out of each other

Sharing a commitment to a common good outside of ourselves

**Young man,
I tell you,
arise!**



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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 St. Luke 24:13-35

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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**,

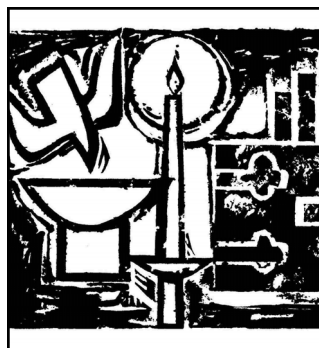
of **fearlessness and faith**,

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.**



Weekend Mass

Saturday 4:00pm/5:00pm

Standard Time / Daylight Time

Sunday 8:00am/10:30am

Daily Mass

6:30am Tuesday / Thursday

8:00am Monday / Wed / Friday

8:00am Wednesday

Christ Light of the Nations School

Holy Days - Obligation

8:00am / 7:00pm

Civil Holidays

9:00am

Reconciliation

Saturday Confessions

2:30-3:30p / 3:30-4:30p

Standard Time / Daylight Time

By Appointment Anytime

Call Father Mike

Communal Services

During Advent and Lent

Liturgy of the Hours

7:35am Monday / Wed / Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00am to 12 midnight on

Tuesdays only.

Parish Celebration and Formation

Becoming Catholic

Our parish has a year-round, ongoing process to assist adults in becoming Catholic. We also have a special program for older unbaptized children. Call us at anytime. Deacon George will provide all the information you need.

Getting Married

Preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage begins at least 6 months before a wedding. A wedding date cannot be scheduled until the couple has begun preparation for this sacrament.

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is for those having surgery, the seriously or chronically ill, and those near death. Call for anointing at home or church before entering the hospital. Celebrations at church take place -

Every 1st Saturday

After the Evening Mass

Every 3rd Sunday

After the 8:00am Morning Mass





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, June 9th

The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Parish Hospitality: Coffee & Donuts
- Blood Pressure Screening Program

Monday, June 10th

- 2013 Alumni Golf Challenge
*Sponsored by Trinity Catholic High School
at Wingham Country Club (O'Fallon)*
- Ladies Guild Meeting

Tuesday, June 11th

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

Wednesday, June 12th

- Exercise Class
- Parish Quilting Group
- Room At The Inn Program
- Girl Scout Troop Meeting

Friday, June 14th

- Girl Scout Troop Meeting

Saturday, June 15th

- Sister Rose's Golden Jubilee Celebration
2:30-4:00pm Open House - Parish Office Center
- Sacrament of Confession

Sunday, June 16th

Father's Day

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- The Sacramental Anointing of the Sick

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Retreat for the Men of Our Parish

Thursday, June 20th - Sunday June 23rd
White House Retreat (South St. Louis County)

Fortnight for Freedom Mass

Wednesday, July 3rd, 12:00noon
Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

Cardinal Baseball Game - Parish Outing

Sunday, September 8th, 1:15pm

SAVE THE DATE

Annual Fall Festival & Homecoming

Saturday, September 28th

Celebrating All That Gives Meaning To Life

Compassion Leads to Action

WHICH "DEAD" PERSON IN TODAY'S GOSPEL has been restored to life? This **key question** invites us to consider **the widowed mother** as the main character - and **focus of Jesus' attention** - rather than the deceased son. Of course the son is dead. But so too is his mother. In their 1st century world without any significant male in her life to take care of her, this woman was as good as dead in her society. Though she still possesses physical life, it is bereft of meaning. Jesus is moved to **compassion that leads to action**.

The world of Jesus understood healing as the restoration of meaning to life. So we must ask, **"In this story whose life has had greater meaning restored?"** The widowed mother's life! She lost her son, lost everything of value in her world.

To have her son restored by Jesus is to have been given **a new lease on meaningful life**. Take some time today to consider who and what may

"Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming,

'A great prophet has arisen in our midst,' and 'God has visited his people'.

This report about him spread through the whole of Judea and in all the surrounding region."

Gospel of Luke 7:16-17

give meaning to your life. Thank God for those who "visited" you in your time of loss. Who are the people you know whose suffering or struggle makes it hard for them to have a meaningful life? How might you or we as a parish help to bring about their restoration? When we do, however we can, it's always an "awesome" ("fearful") thing that easily and clearly proclaims that "God is with us"!

REMINDERS AND SHORT NOTICES

All Able Bodied Men - Or Women - especially if you have a chain saw - are encouraged to volunteer to help clean up the storm damage on our parish property. We have a number of trees that need to be removed and a few that need trimming. We need your help! It's a job bigger than one person alone can handle. If you are able and willing, contact Father Mike or Mike Petroff. Once we have a work crew put together, we'll get a date and time. The longer we wait, the worse things will begin to look!

Our Church Must Serve As A Primary Source of healing and peace when devastating storms and natural disasters occur. During the month of June parish members can contribute to recovery efforts in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Please designate your special contribution for this purpose. All funds will be sent directly to Catholic Charities of Oklahoma City through Catholic Charities of St. Louis. For more information visit: **www.ccstl.org**

Anyone With An Interest In Evangelization should contact Father Mike in the coming weeks. If you think you have a calling or gift for sharing your faith with others and want to explore becoming an active part of the ministry of evangelization in our parish, please make your interest known. There are countless opportunities within our parish and our community for helping others grow in understanding and in the practice of faith.

Help Make Our Annual Catholic Appeal a success once again in our parish. Review in today's bulletin the progress we are making. If you have not yet made your gift or pledge, give us a call today. Be a generous as possible.

If You Are Planning A Vacation or time away from our parish this summer, please remember that your continuing financial support is most needed and important for the maintenance, programs, and services of our parish.

MASS INTENTIONS**MONDAY June 10****8:00am** Henry Jennemann**TUESDAY June 11****6:30am** Gert Wiese**WEDNESDAY June 12****8:00am** Bob Copple**THURSDAY June 13****6:30am** Pat Crawford**FRIDAY June 14****8:00am** Mary Pennock**SATURDAY June 15****5:00pm** Gus & Phyllis Mercurio**SUNDAY June 16****8:00am** Vern Uhlenbrock**10:30am** Lloyd Imhoff**DID YOU KNOW?**

Mass is held every Tuesday 10am at the Missouri V.A. Nursing Home chapel. It is located on 10600 Lewis & Clark (the first light south of Christian Hospital, on Hwy 367). As we approach Veteran's Day, join us weekly as we celebrate Mass with those who know what it means to serve.



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June 14 is Flay Day**Eucharistic Ministers****Saturday, June 15****5:00pm**

Special Appointees

Sunday, June 16**8:00am**

Merry Marquart*

Debbie Maue

Bob Ritter

Marie Tabor

Pat Stolte-D

Josephine Bono*

Laura Petroff

Anne Schwanz

Larry Colombo

10:30am

Bill Krenn*

Judy Krenn

Mike Walsh

Barb Arnet

Linda Byrns-D

Judi Sams*

Janet Ulreich

Regina Anderson

Jeanne Field

**LECTORS****Saturday June 15****5:00pm**

Special Appointee

Sunday, June 16**8:00am**

Alyssa Cook

10:30am

Linda Byrns

Mass Servers**June 17-21****8:00am**

Linda Byrns & Bob Seidel

Saturday, June 15**5:00pm**

Sophia Anzalone, Lauren Swindle & Lauren Whittington

Sunday, 16**8:00am**

Grace & Andrew Gerhart

10:30am

Kelsey Keppler, Peter Krenn & George Bond

Gift Bearers**Saturday, June 15****5:00pm**

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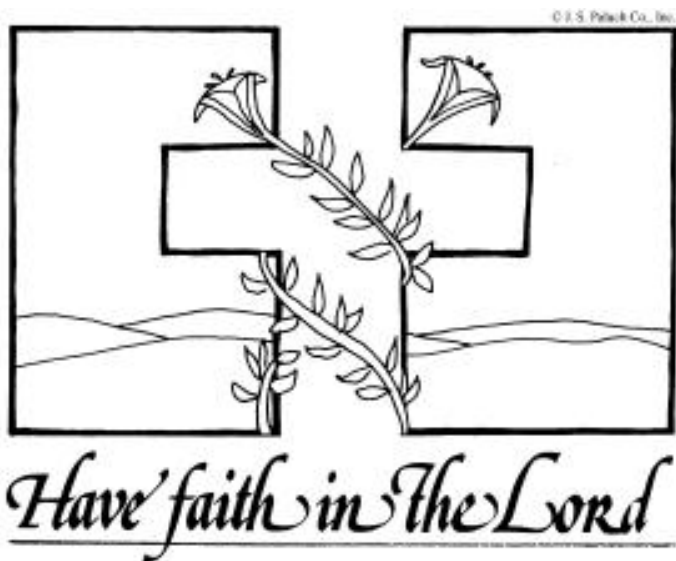
Debbie LaPerre & Bob Schaller

10:30am

Volunteers



The Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will continue their 100 years celebration by having a Mass at Our Lady of Rosary Parish on July 1, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. All parishioners are invited to attend.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Elijah revives the son of a widow (1 Kings 17:17-24).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — Paul explains God's call to him to preach to the Gentiles (Galatians 1:11-19).

Gospel — Jesus raises from the dead the son of a widow in the city of Nain (Luke 7:11-17).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 119:129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11; Gal 2:16, 19-21; Lk 7:36 — 8:3 [7:36-50]

CATHOLIC MARRIED and SINGLES DANCE —
Sponsored by North County Divorced Catholics (NCDC)
Saturday, June 22, 2013 7:30 P.M.- 11:30 P.M.
at St. Robert's Parish Hall, 1424 Highway 94 South, St. Charles, MO
Admission \$10.00 per person (includes snacks; cash bar)
Must be over 21
Directions: Interstate 70 to Highway 94, South to Sherman, left on Sherman to St. Robert's Church

Interested in joining a Catholic singles organization?
The Catholic Single Adults Club is a group that provides adults with spiritual, social, and athletic activities. For more information, please contact Carol at 636.236.8749 or visit www.csacstlouis.org. June 19th starting a sand Vball league. Details contact Kevin: Kevinreese75@yahoo.com

October 11th, 2012 - November 24th, 2013
A year of opportunities for Catholics to experience conversion and a deeper call to discipleship.
Come and rediscover a renewed relationship with Jesus Christ and with the Church. Deepen your trust in God and your confidence about sharing your faith with others by word and deed.



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 * *Ladies Guild Meeting* *
 * *Please join us for our Ladies Guild meeting* *
 * *on June 10th at 6:00pm. Instead of Pot* *
 * *Luck, we're going to have a "Pizza Party",* *
 * *salads and desserts!* *
 * *This will be our last meeting until* *
 * *September. All ladies are welcome!* *
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Trinity Golf Tournament set for June 10

The 2013 Alumni Golf Challenge sponsored by Trinity Catholic High School will be held Monday, June 10 at Winghaven Country Club in O'Fallon, Mo. The four-person scramble event will begin at 1pm and cost \$95 per player or \$380 for a four-some. The price includes lunch, dinner, refreshments throughout the day, a gift bag, contests on the course and the chance to bid on silent and live auction items. All proceeds will grow the Trinity Angel Fund for tuition assistance. Only 36 teams will be accepted and spots are filling fast. To reserve a spot call Dan Grumich in the Trinity Advancement Office at 314-741-1333, ext: 223 or email at: dgrumich@trinitycatholichigh.org.

THE DEFINITION OF MARRIAGE – ACCORDING TO GOD (Q & A to follow)

In response to the USCCB's Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty, Dr. Ed Hogan, Director of Paul VI Institute and Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary will be presenting a talk Thursday, June 20, 7-8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 751 N Jefferson St., Florissant, 63031. All are invited to this free event. For more information, contact the Office of Laity & Family Life at 314-792-7180.

Spend an Afternoon with the Saints in Glass
 At St. Francis Xavier College Church
 3628 Lindell Blvd

Friday, July 12th at 12:00 noon

The afternoon will begin with lunch in the Ballroom, followed by a tour of the historic College Church and their extraordinary stained glass windows presented by Fr. J.J. Mueller S.J., Author of the "Saints in Glass Book".

\$20 per person before July 1st
 \$25 per person after July 1st

Contact Mary Beth Erickson, Parish Center
 Administrator at 314-977-7304 or email
church@slu.edu to make reservations, for more
 information or to schedule a special tour.

*The Saints in Glass Book by Fr. J. J. Mueller, S.J. and Fr.
 Thomas Rochford, S.J. will also be available for purchase at
 the event.*

LWANGA CENTER HOSTING ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION AND ASK A LAWYER

The St. Charles Lwanga Center is hosting the Alzheimer's Association Testing and Lunch on Saturday, June 22, 2013 from 10:00am—1:00pm at the Center, 4746 Carter Ave. This is in conjunction with our Legal Ministry's on-site "Ask a Lawyer" for general legal information and referral on a wide range of concerns. There is no charge for these joint events, but please RSVP to Margaret Washington at the Center 314-367-7929.

FOOD SAFETY

I know there were very few of you affected by the power outage from the tornado on Friday. I'm sure you were affected in some way, but losing your power was not one of them.

Prolonged power outages bring on serious concerns about food. When food spoils, there is a higher risk for food borne illness. Salmonella is the most common food borne organism present in spoiled food, but E. Coli can also be present, especially when ground beef is involved.

The most important thing to know when there is a power outage is to keep your refrigerator and freezer door closed. If the doors stay sealed, your food can stay cold up to 4 hours. If your freezer is full and stays sealed, it can stay for 48 hours (24 hours if half full).

A general rule of thumb, when it comes to throwing out food: throw out any perishable that has been stored above 40 degrees F for more than 2 hours, no matter their appearance or odor (never taste). Words to live by: ***When in doubt, throw it out!!***

Watch out for neighbors and loved ones during periods of bad weather.

St. Medard, patron saint against bad weather, pray for us.

Buffy Modde, Parish Nurse @ HNJ

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 or 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.

Rest in Peace

In your charity please pray for the repose of Mildred Krug and all the souls 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. Amen

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



We will be going to the Ball Game on September 8th at 1:15pm. We need to purchase the tickets ahead of time. Please get your money to the Parish Office by June 21st.

Ticket price is \$25 each. Checks should be made payable to "Holy Name of Jesus Church". The number of tickets is limited.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today we return to using the green vestments of Ordinary Time on Sundays. Changing colors give a sense of the progress of faith through the seasons of life. For centuries, the number of colors and the reasons underlying them were left to local custom.

Over time, we settled on six colors to express the character of a day or season: white, red, green, violet, black, and rose. Black is seldom seen these days, replaced by white or violet. Rose, really a dusty pink shade, appears at most twice a year. What does the color green suggest to you? Green is new growth, olives, evergreens, glistening emeralds, ripening pears, and fields at high summer. It suggests renewal, healing, fertility, peace, and harmony. In medieval Europe, green was the favorite color for brides! Did you know that drivers of green cars are the least likely to be stopped for speeding? Is it because of their own feelings of harmony and well being, or because law enforcement officers are filled with serenity when they see a green car whiz by? Take out a paint chart today and marvel at the many hues and names of green.

The Church figured it out centuries ago: color really matters.

Preset your radio to **AM 1460 KHOJ, Catholic Radio**. Programming includes daily Holy Mass, the Rosary, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Also, participate in engaging live call-in shows, such as Catholic Answers, Right Here, Right Now with Patrick Madrid, EWTN Live, the Doctor Is In, and more. For a program schedule and a free CD, please call toll-free 1-877-305-1234.

Support Our Parish by Making a Planned Gift This Year
Use Your IRA to Make a Gift & Save Taxes

IF YOU'RE OVER THE AGE OF 70½, tax laws now allow you to make charitable gifts through your traditional or Roth IRA, through the end of 2013. Gifts must be made by the IRA custodian directly to the charity and may not exceed \$100,000.

Although no charitable deduction is allowed, **you can avoid the tax you would otherwise pay on required distributions**. Giving from your IRA, rather than from other assets, may be especially appropriate if you use the standard deduction rather than itemizing your deductions. It might also be a good choice if you don't need all of your required minimum distribution or you wouldn't be able to deduct all of your charitable contributions because of deduction limitations. Here are some **opportunities for giving to support our parish** that this legislation now makes possible.

Increase Your Annual Giving IRA funds are heavily taxed whenever you draw them out, at rates as high as 35%. You can divert the tax collector's "take" from your IRA to Holy Name of Jesus Parish..

For example, suppose you're in a 25% tax bracket and normally give \$1,000 each year in support of our parish. Instead of writing a check each week or month or once a year, you could instruct your IRA trustee to send us \$1,333 from your account, the tax would have been \$333 in a 25% bracket. That \$333 now can be used to assist parish ministries and programs - all paid for by the IRS.

Annual Distribution Gifts Under these rules, IRA gifts will count toward mandatory annual distributions required of individuals over the age of 70½. That means IRA gifts can reduce your taxes for 2013.

For example, Charlie must withdraw at least \$20,000 from his IRA this year, even though he doesn't need the money for living expenses. Charlie can now direct that the \$20,000 be paid to Holy Name of Jesus Parish from his IRA prior to taking any distribution and reduce his federal taxes by \$5,600 in his 28% tax bracket.

Major Gifts If you are intending to make a planned major gift to our parish after you die, you may want to consider making such a gift during your lifetime and enjoying the benefit it will have for our parish now.

Bernice planned to leave a gift of \$25,000 to our parish in her will. Now she can direct that gift be made from her IRA this year.

If you would like more information about using your IRA to financially support our parish, please contact your IRA administrator directly or call Father Mike, 314-868-2310.

Guide Book & Directory Update

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the Church. The book contains the Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of our Church. The book is provided at **no cost** to our Church, including the mailing to each family, and again is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out how to advertise in our book, please call the Church Office at 868-2310.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize our Guide Book & Directory advertisers over non-advertisers. It "does pay" to advertise in our Guide Book & Directory.

Updating Census/Membership Information

Does the church database have YOUR family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory. It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the church office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct. The church office number is 868-2310.

ATTENTION MEN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Are you ready for more life? Searching for a greater depth in life? Gather with other searchers and seekers on a White House Retreat, the Jesuit retreat house overlooking the Mississippi River. The retreat begins at **6:00 PM on Thursday June 20 and ends at 2:00 pm on Sunday June 23**. The Lord invites each person He loves to "come aside and rest a while." To join our group call Bob Stolte at (314) 869-8147.

The Steve Szczesniak Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament benefitting Trinity Catholic High School will be held on Saturday, June 29, 2013 at Eagle Springs Golf Course. 1PM start. Cost is \$100 per golfer. This includes golf, lunch, dinner, refreshments on the course and gift bag. To reserve your team or foursome please call Rick Uehlof at 636-240-4041.

The Jennings Do-Dads are sponsoring their annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 15th. The Tournament will be held at Eagle Springs Golf Course, 2575 Redman Rd. Food, refreshments, and prizes will be provided at Seivers Park in Jennings after the Tournament. Proceeds to benefit our Scholarship Fund for the Juvenile Justice program at UM - St. Louis. Cost is \$80 per golfer if paid before May 31st; \$85 if paid after. Hole sponsorships available for \$100. For more information, contact Jim Christian at 314-341-8417.



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

Report on Parish

Envelope

Loose Offerings

Total Sunday Collection: Parish Support

Due to the power outage, last week's offering was not counted until later. It will be reported next Sunday.

Today, during the 10:30am Mass, we welcome through Baptism, Matthew Curtis Knapp, son of Brian and Danielle Knapp. May Matthew and his parents be filled with love and peace from the Holy Spirit.



FAMILY GOLF NIGHTS

**AT BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
 MINIATURE GOLF COURSE**

**FRIDAY JUNE 14TH & AUGUST 9TH
 6:30PM—8:30PM**

**ONLY \$1.00 PER PERSON
 FOR UNLIMITED GOLF TIME**

**ATTENDANCE PRIZES
 FOR KIDS UNDER 14**

FREE HOT DOG AND SODA



**BRING THE
 WHOLE FAMILY**

PLEASE PRAY for :

Cheryl Elder, Mark Hayes, Paul and Helen Lucas, Laura Williams, Ronald Slaughter, Tom Crowe, Lauren Nieman, Kathy Uhlenbrock, Al Ruhling, Dorothy Downar

In The Hospital...

Tina Rudloff, Karen Kulla, Jerry Wiegers, Al Herl, Mary Hogan, Frank Kurz

BINGO

**Knights of Columbus Council 1215
 800 E. Chambers Rd**

**June 9, 23, & 30th
 Doors Open at 11:00am**

Bingo Starts at 1:00pm



Grace will be here this weekend selling TWB Certificates. She will be in the vestibule of church on Saturday and in the Community Center on Sunday. This is also Hospitality Sunday, coffee and donuts available.

CALL TO PRAYER

FOR LIFE, MARRIAGE AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY



FAITH | WORSHIP | WITNESS
JOURNEY WITH CHRIST

In this Year of Faith, the Catholic Bishops of the United States have called for a nationwide effort to advance a movement for Life, Marriage, and Religious Liberty through prayer, penance, and sacrifice.

Catholics across the nation are being encouraged to pray for rebuilding a culture favorable to life and marriage and for increased protections of religious liberty.

Time of unprecedented challenges

This call to prayer is prompted by unprecedented challenges to the Church and the nation, particularly the HHS Mandate and current trends in government and culture toward redefining marriage.

The goal of this call to prayer is twofold: (1) to increase awareness of these challenges and (2) to build spiritual stamina and fortitude among the faithful so that we can be effective and joyful witnesses of faith, hope, and charity and agents of the New Evangelization.

Need for spiritual stamina

Beginning on the Sunday after Christmas, the Feast of the Holy Family, the *Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty* has five components:

- Monthly Eucharistic Holy Hours in cathedrals and parishes
- Daily Rosary by families and individuals
- Special Prayers of the Faithful at all Masses
- Fasting and abstinence from meat on Fridays
- A Fortnight for Freedom in June/July 2013

Join the movement!

Pray for our nation. Pray for life, marriage and religious liberty.

www.usccb.org/life-marriage-liberty

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