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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





John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand."

-Matthew 3:1

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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

Parish Leadership and Service

Fr. Michael Henning Pastor mickeylee48@sbcglobal.net

Sr. Rose Mercurio, SSND Pastoral Associate rosessnd@sbcglobal.net

Mrs. Theresa McWilliams Director of Music A Pledge

tmacwms@sbcglobal.net to Parish Life

Mrs. Judy Krenn

Youth Ministry Coordinator judykrenn@aol.com

Mrs. Buffy Modde Parish Nurse parishnurse.hnoj@sbcglobal.net It will be friendly, if I am.

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sr mary@charter.net

Mrs. Sandy Miesner parishoffice10235@sbcglobal.net

> Mr. Steve Jones Maintenance Coordinator

> > Mr. David Vaughn Parish Custodian

Mrs. Rose Fox Rectory Housekeeping my parish to be.



My parish

is composed of people like me.

I help make it what it is.

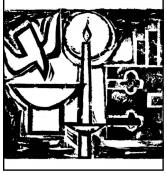
Its pews will be filled. if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to causes.

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, Sr. Mary Lawrence, SSND of fearlessness and faith. and a parish with a **noble spirit**, Parish Support Staff 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



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 yearround, 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, December 8th The Second Sunday of Advent

Ladies Guild Christmas Dinner

Monday, December 9th Feast of the Immaculate Conception 8:00am Parish Mass—Not a Holy Day of Obligation School Penance Service

Tuesday, December 10th

Eucharistic Adoration & Visits
Parish Reconciliation Service
Joint Service at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
Ist Penance Celebration of Our School Children
Men's Club Christmas Dinner

Wednesday, December 11th
Exercise Class
Parish Quilting Group
School Leadership Team Meeting
Room At The Inn Program
Boy Scouts Christmas Party

Thursday, December 12th Parish Finance Committee Meeting

Friday, December 13th Girl Scout Troop Meeting

Saturday, December 14th
Sacrament of Penance (Confessions)
Blood Pressure Screening Program
Soup Stew & Chili Program

Sunday, December 15th
The Third Sunday of Advent
Soup Stew & Chili Program
Sacramental Anointing of the Sick
Parish Hospitality: Coffee & Donuts
Blood Pressure Screening Program

COMING EVENTS OF NOTE

Thursday, December 19th, 7:00pm Christ Light of the Nations School Concert & Christmas Carol Program Trinity Catholic High School Celebrating the Politics of Grace

The Penance and Passion of Love

ON MARCH 28th POPE FRANCIS took the world off guard. We were not expecting him to celebrate Holy Thursday in prison, to wash the feet of the delinquent youth of Rome. His actions were at once breath taking and inspiring. In a simple, powerful way he linked what happens in church with what happened in everyday life.

And yet, should we have been so surprised? How could we not have seen this coming? Only as we got to know more about him did it become easier to connect the dots between what a person believes and how they live. When we do, we will always know where to find them. For instance, we learned that as the Archbishop of Buenos Aires he chose to live in an efficiency apartment and took the bus to work everyday. These choices or disciplines of his life were the evidence of his "repentance" — turning closer to God — that over the years cultivated and fueled his "passion" for loving others that he is now pouring over us like a new baptism.

The real issue for John the Baptist is the disconnect between people who think they love God and those who need to know that God loves them. Religion is not a game or set of empty rituals. Its rich stories and symbols and values are about real life. The passion of every Christian person and community is and will only be as strong as their daily life disciplines—their repentance.

IN TODAY'S BULLETIN don't miss the third and final in a series of Annual Financial Reports to the parish, today focusing on the Statement of School Revenues & Expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 2013. If you have any questions concerning this report or ideas concerning the management of our school's financial and material resources, please contact (314-741-0400) Sister Mary Lawrence, SSND, Principal, or Mrs. Kim Buchanan, Bookkeeper. If you would like to volunteer to assist with the work of our Finance Committee, please contact Bill Krenn (314-868-1391) or Father Mike (314-868-2310). Also, please try to take advantage of the extra opportunities listed below for celebrating the Sacrament of Penance during the Season of Advent. As I mentioned last week, "getting ready" rather than "going" might be the greater challenge. But you won't regret the experience of refreshing your perspective on yourself, your family and friends, and the around you each day.

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 I often use with others to help them 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 as a "grace" in my life"

| Putting Yourself into | 2:30 - 3:30pm | Every Saturday Afternoon | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| the Hands of God Again | 7.00nm | Tuesday December 10th | | | |
| Most Catholics | 7:00pm | Tuesday, December 10th Parish Reconciliation Service | | | |
| need to rediscover | | At Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church | | | |
| the value of this Sacrament | | with our children celebrating 1st Penance | | | |
| in their lives. | 4 00 00 | M 1 B 1 460 | | | |
| Most want to and tell me | 1:00 - 2:00pm | Monday, December 16th | | | |
| that it's been | 4:00 - 5:00pm | Thursday, December 19th | | | |
| way too long in coming. | | | | | |
| Most find that it's easier to do | By Appointment | | | | |
| than they thought. | with Father Mike at Anytime | | | | |

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY December 9 Tim Ferrell 8:00am

TUESDAY December 10 6:30am Joseph Seper

WEDNESDAY December 11

8:00am Patricia Simon

School Mass at Our Lady of the 8:00am

Rosarv

THURSDAY December 12

Kathy Boltin 6:30am

FRIDAY December 13 8:00am Gerry Wessel

SATURDAY December 14 4:00pm Dick Bamert

SUNDAY December 15 8:00am Rosa Ponticello

10:30am William & Kenneth Singler

Health Advisory

Your commitment to Mass is a sign of the vitality of our parish. However, for the health of our whole community. if vou are not feeling well, be attentive to these recommendations:

Don't Come To Church ...

- With a fever—be fever free for 24 hrs.
- When you're not feeling well achy, tired, sore throat, no energy
- When you're coughing and sneezing a lot with a runny nose or headache

When You Do Come To Church ...

- Use hand sanitizer at church entrances
- With slight symptoms of cold or flu -
 - Don't take communion from the cup
 - Offer the sign of peace with a friendly wave or simple bow

Thank you for your cooperation in taking responsibility for the health of our community. Remember, it's sad to miss Mass when you're sick or taking care of someone who's sick, but not sinful.



Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, December 14

4:00pm

Barb Ellington* Dee Hooser* Marilyn Gittemeier Frank Schneider Linda Schneider Tony Migliazzo Laura Lucido-D

Sunday, December 15

8:00am

Merry Marquart* **Bob Ritter*** Sr. Rose Laura Petroff Anne Schwanz Marie Tabor Debbie Maue-D

10:30am

Bill Krenn* Judy Krenn* Ken Kleinberg Gina Keppler Judi Sams Janet Ulreich

Minnie Huston-D



LECTORS

Saturday December 14

4:00pm Mary Migliazzo

Sunday, December 15

8:00am Mark Tranel 10:30am Mary Ann Harris

Mass Servers 🌋



December 9-13

8:00am Joann Dougherty & Katy Moran

Saturday, December 14

Grace, Juliana & Libby Modde 4:00pm

Sunday, December 15

8:00am Grace & Anna Gerhart 10:30am Alanna & Teirra Andrisse

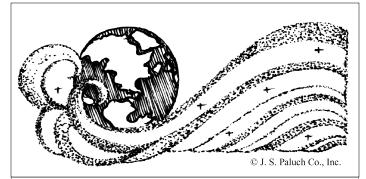


Saturday, December 14

George & Phyllis Lawler 4:00pm

Sunday, December 15

Grue Family 8:00am Mulvihill Family 10:30am



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD

(Isaiah 11:1-10).

Psalm — Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-

12; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;

Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt

11:28-30

Thursday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;

Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk

1:39-47.

or any readings from the Common of the

Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

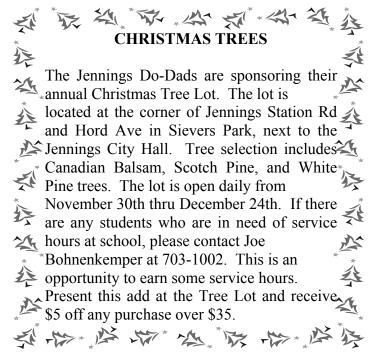
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-

19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10;

Mt 11:2-11



ATTENTION ALL PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

It is that time of year again when bulletin articles have an early deadline.

The following is the schedule thru the New Year:

- * December 12th for December 22nd bulletin
- December 18th for December 29th bulletin
- December 23rd for January 5th bulletin



We will again pray the Rosary before the 4:00pm Vigil Mass @3:30pm on Saturday, December 14th and on the 15th, Sunday at 7:30 and 10:00am.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

"Outward signs instituted by Christ to give grace" is the often-memorized definition of sacrament, but through four decades of reform we have rediscovered the power of sacrament to bestow grace by reshaping our lives as individuals and communities. Not so long ago, most people were not attentive to the nature of sacrament as an act of the Church, a power that flows from the Body of Christ. Fifty years ago, we were inclined to see a sacrament as an encounter between Christ and an individual.

Today, we see that definition does not go far enough. God's grace is not a trickle, but a gushing torrent washing over the whole Church. Like a photographer pulling back the camera for a broader picture, today we are not only interested in the person who is being baptized, reconciled, or anointed. We think about how celebrating a sacrament transforms a community. We think about the grace given by Christ to the community that baptizes or marries or ordains or confirms. Sacraments are for the good of the community. Even when it appears to be a private, hidden moment, as in individual confession, a sacrament is always for the sake of the whole body, always more than "meets the eye."

Young At Heart Christmas Party

Don't miss out on the fun and a great lunch!! \$15 a ticket, call Marcella at 869-0150. Need the count by December 11th!

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.



ADVENT

Let's approach Christmas with an expectant hush, rather than a last-minute rush.

-Anonymous

TIME OF PREPARATION

This life is the time of our preparation for our future state. Our souls will continue for ever what we make them in this world.

Trivia Night
Saturday, January 25th,
Fundraiser for HNJ SVDP Society
With Brian "PopTrivia" MC
Holy Name of Jesus Community Center
Doors open @ 6:30pm, Questions start @ 7:00pm
\$160 for tables of 8, Beer & Soda included,
Must be 21 to attend.
50/50's & Raffle Baskets
Reservations call: Diane Merz 314-393-5212 or
dianemerz@sbcglobal.net

BINGO

Santa Cruz Knight of Columbus 800 E. Chambers Rd

December 8th, & 29th

Doors open at 11:00am Bingo starts at 1:00pm



WINTER WOES

Winter is upon us now, December 21st, for those who have difficulty remembering their change of season dates. With winter comes the usual complaints and comments, "It's too cold...," "I hate all this slush and slop...,"

"The kids are driving me ...," just to state a few. Winter doesn't have to be so much doom and gloom. Especially if we are safe in the ice and snow to avoid winter falls.

- Before it freezes, cover surfaces around your home with de-icer, rock salt, sand, or kitty litter. Carry a small bag in your car or pocket to sprinkle on patches of ice when you find them.
- Look out for broken paving or cracked sidewalks. If a surface looks slippery, try to walk on the grass.
- Wear proper-fitting boots or shoes with wide, low heels and rubber soles, not smooth leather.
- Snow and ice cleats that fit over your boots and shoes will grip the ice and give you the most traction. Make sure they are easy to put on and take off before purchasing a pair.
- Carry a flashlight. It will make it easier for you to see and make you more visible to passing drivers.
- Walk flat footed, not on your toes, lengthen your stride and give yourself extra time.

If you find someone who has fallen outdoors and can't get back on their feet, call 911. Don't try to move them. Keep them as warm as possible and stay with them until help arrives.

If you are someone who insists on shoveling you own drive, here are a few tips to help keep you safe. 1. Wear layers and make sure you are warm enough. 2. Do not wait until the end of a snowfall to begin shoveling, heavy snow is harder to shovel and wears us out quicker. 3. Shovel at intervals, make 2-3



paths across the drive and then take a 10 minute break. It make take longer, but it is safer and not so exhausting. 4. Finish up with a hot cup of tea or cocoa, or a bowl of hearty chicken soup.

Winter is not all doom and gloom. Many wonderful, family traditions are begun in the winter, with the holidays. Snow days bring cheer and laughter from children and maybe a bonus phone call from grandchildren bored with being at home. Game nights are initiated because there are no out door sports to be played. But most of all, because our **Savior** is **born**, and this in itself is why winter is so wonderful.

May God's love shine upon each and everyone of you this Christmas season, and may He guide us this New Year to be even more generous and charitable.

Blessings of Peace, Buffy Modde RN, Parish Nurse

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.

Rest in Peace &

In your charity please pray for the repose of Kathy Uhlenbrock 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

ATTENTION

Do you know a homebound parishioner who would like to receive the Eucharist on a weekly basis? If so, please contact Sr. Rose. Men's Club Christmas steak dinner December 10th at 7:00pm, by Chef: Don Merz!

Cost \$5...Bring a friend & Can Goods to donate to St. Vincent DePaul. Entertainment provided by: BOB DOERR and the "Bellefontaine Bell Ringers"



Tender Mercies: a concert with harpist Amy Camie and soprano Patricia Scanlon Sunday, December 15, 2013, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. The Chapel - Mercy Conference and Retreat Center

2039 N. Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 These artists blend familiar songs of the Advent/ Christmas season with inspired original melodies, creating a sacred space for inner reflection.

Cost: \$15 at the door or pre-pay online at www.mercycenterstl.org
Contact: Bonnie Green at (314) 909-4677 or bgreen@mercycenterstl.org

HELP OUR CHILDREN, SIGN THE

PETITION! Right now Catholics have an opportunity to support a proposed constitutional amendment that will expand educational opportunities to public and non-public school children. The Missouri bishops strongly support this proposed amendment—the Children's Education Initiative. This Initiative will not raise taxes on anyone, but will provide a tax credit to those who make a donation to a Children's Education Foundation. The foundations can use the funds for any of three purposes: provide scholarships for children to attend non-public schools, including Catholic schools; offer funds to public schools to bolster the academic programs they offer to children; and, enhance special education for children with disabilities. If sufficient signatures are gathered, this proposal will be considered at the November 2014 election. Churches have a legal right to participate in issuerelated campaigns. Please join with the Missouri bishops in supporting this Initiative. Thank you.

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 the special event. A cash bar will be available. Please bring your ticket to redeem for your first beverage.

Bellefontaine Recreation center, 9669 Bellefontaine Road Thursday, December 12th 4:30—7:30pm Dinner served at 5:30pm \$12.00

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Christ Light of the Nations Catholic School Stewardship Report to the Parish—3rd of a Series of Annual Reports Statement of Parish Revenues & Expenses

Establishing the Presence of the Catholic Church in Our Community Making a Difference in Our World

Our school's Administration, Faculty, and School Board are committed to excellence in education, rooted in a faith-based system of values in the Catholic tradition. As an Archdiocese and as a local Church we are committed to making a quality education available to all families who choose to support the programs and values of our school for themselves and their children. This year the Archdiocese supports (\$200,000) the operation of our school as well as families in need of tuition assistance (\$146,000). This has enabled our parish to reduce support for our school this year by 22.3% (\$55,588). Such support also enables increased enrollment and tuition/program revenues. School policy currently limits classroom size to 26 students and our school has an enrollment capacity of 234 students. Our partnership with Our Lady of the Rosary Parish and the Archdiocese is a strong and effective way for our parishes to achieve the

Just a Glimpse at a Few Enrollment Numbers of Interest Information collected in September,

varying slightly throughout the year.

HNJ Parish Children (12.6%)
HNJ Families in School (11.9%)
OLR Parish Children (19.8%)
OLR Families in School (16.3%)
Total Catholic Families (28.1%)
Total School Enrollment
Children—Other Faiths (65.8%)
Families—Other Faiths (69.4%)

Parish School Financial Statement of Revenues & Expenses FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2012—JUNE 30, 2013

| School | Cafeteria | Pre-School | After Care | (FY13) Total | (FY12) Actual | (FY14) Budget |
|-------------|---|--|---|--|--|---|
| | | | | | | |
| \$32,003 | | | | \$32,003 | \$44,777 | \$20,000 |
| 4,010 | | | | 4,010 | 3,250 | 0 |
| 519,057 | 56,257 | 50,436 | 31,298 | 657,048 | 629,287 | 700,202 |
| 12,601 | | | | 12,601 | 131 | 150 |
| 626,187 | 1,516 | | | 627,703 | 491,569 | 558,526 |
| 43,110 | 20 | 50 | | 43,180 | 45,778 | 36,111 |
| \$1,236,967 | \$57,793 | \$50,486 | \$31,298 | \$1,376,544 | \$1,214,792 | \$1,314,989 |
| | | | | | | |
| \$887,148 | \$23,020 | \$32,498 | \$21,578 | \$954,243 | \$921,081 | \$976,958 |
| 50,445 | 37,792 | 1,200 | 408 | 89,845 | 82,371 | 106,962 |
| 34,748 | 312 | (13) | | \$35,048 | 39,636 | 36,875 |
| 89,859 | 101 | | 44 | 90,004 | 75,740 | 97,179 |
| 72,690 | | 723 | | 73,413 | 69,842 | 84,331 |
| \$1,124,891 | \$61,225 | \$34,408 | \$22,030 | \$1,242,553 | \$1,188,670 | \$1,302,305 |
| | | | | | | |
| \$112,076 | (\$3,431) | \$16,078 | \$9,268 | \$133,991 | \$26,121 | \$12,684 |
| 123,897 | | | | 123,897 | 9,164 | 7,800 |
| 10,094 | | | | 10,094 | 16,958 | 12,500 |
| (\$21,914) | (\$3,431) | \$16,078 | \$9,268 | (0) | (0) | (\$7,616) |
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Net Assets (July 2013) (\$41,816)

SOUP, STEW, and CHILI TOO!

| CONTAINER DISTRIBUTION DATES | CONTAINER COLLECTION <u>DATES</u> |
|------------------------------|---|
| 30 Nov - 1 Dec 2013 | 14 - 15 Dec 2013 |
| 4 - 5 Jan 2014 | 18 - 19 Jan 2014 |
| 1 - 2 Feb 2014 | 15 - 16 Feb 2014 |
| 1 - 2 Mar 2014 | 15 - 16 Mar 2014 |

Men's Council Annual Communion Breakfast

Men's Council Annual Installation and Communion breakfast will be held on January 12, 2014, 8:00am Mass. Fellowship and breakfast in the Community center immediately following Mass. \$15 per person. Must RSVP in advance. Tables of 8 available for reservation. You must RSVP by January 5th. Always a sellout so order your tickets early. Call Bob Doerr 868-2246, Jerry Van Deven 869-3840, Don Merz 869-6371, Tony Migliazzo 869-7076, Mike Petroff 869-2936, Bob Stolte 869-8147 for reservations.



Al Ruhling, Barb Ellington, Larry Cooke, Joan Janczura, Olivia Baum, Ralph Freund, Debbie LaPerre

In The Hospital ...

Carleen Cowell, Mary Rademacher, Jim Schmidt, Stanley Brice, Anita Hunt



Stewardship of Treasure Your Gifts of Support for Our Parish Mission

Report on Parish Collections

Thank you for supporting our parish services and programs as well as the operation and maintenance of our facilities. Your financial support will help us to achieve a balanced budget. This year our goal is for parish revenues to cover 50% of all parish expenses

Total Sunday Collection (Nov 24th) \$5,446.23 Budgeted Weekly Amount Needed \$7,186.00 This Week (Under Needed Amount) \$1,739.77

Report on Parish Collections

Thank you for supporting our parish services and programs as well as the operation and maintenance of our facilities. Your financial support will help us to achieve a balanced budget. This year our goal is for parish revenues to cover 50% of all parish expenses

Total Sunday Collection (Dec 2) \$8,061.95
Budgeted Weekly Amount Needed \$7,186.00
This Week (Over Needed Amount) \$875.95

Summary Through October

\$138,125 Revenues To Date

50% Expenses Covered by Parish Revenues

Report on Special Collections

 St. Vincent de Paul (Nov 2013)
 \$4,957.12

 Catholic Education (Nov 2013)
 \$980.50

The family of Fr. Jim Marshall has Scheduled a Memorial Mass for Monday, December 16, 2013 10:am

St. Angela Merici Parish, Florissant, MO



Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Parish & School St. Angela Merici Parish & School Christ Light of the Nations School St. Ferdinand Parish & School Holy Name of Jesus Parish St. Martin de Porres Parish Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish & School St. Norbert Parish & School

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish St. Sabina Parish

Sacred Heart Parish & School St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Parish & School

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MISSION MOMENTS



Ever wonder what's happening at our Catholic schools? Here are a few recent Alive in Christ "moments" at our Federation member schools:

- **St. Norbert** students are collecting toys to support a local charity: Whole Kids Outreach. Toys will help stock a Christmas store available to families in need.
- St. Ferdinand students are also reaching out this Christmas by adopting two families in need and providing gifts for them.
- Christ, Light of the Nations students have been exploring famous artists during their art classes. Check out some of the student artwork online.
- Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrates its parish feast day on December 12, with 9am Mass and a reception following.
- St. Rose Philippine Duchesne 8th grade students were Confirmed by Msgr. Rivituso on their parish feast day, Nov. 18
- Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Students entertained a full audience on Nov. 13 when they performed their school play "HONK"
- St. Angela Merici Students are "Brining Christ to our world through prayer" as they celebrate this theme throughout the season of Advent
- Sacred Heart middle school students collected over 440 Cans for Christ during the month of November and donated the food to T.E.A.M.

To learn more and view photos, visit www. FederationofCatholicSchools.org and click the "Our Good News" tab.

STAY CONNECTED THIS ADVENT

During the season of Advent, many celebrations and events are planned in the parishes and schools of the Northeast Deanery. Bookmark the "Upcoming Events" page on the Federation website for a quick reference and links to bulletins from each of the II parishes. If you are looking for opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or other ways to enhance your Advent preparation this year, a calendar of Advent and Christmas programs and celebrations is also online at

www.FederationofCatholicSchools.org.

NEWS FROM THE FEDERATION

As the 11 parishes and 8 schools of the Northeast Deanery continue in collaboration to support and strengthen the mission of Catholic education in the North County community, pastors and principals recently held their quarterly meeting at St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Parish. Here are a few highlights:

- The group has established a few goals for the year, including the development of a concise vision statement that captures the values and purpose of the Federation of Catholic Schools, understanding and embracing the diversity in our school communities, further exploration of possible ways the schools can share resources, and seeking ways to engage more parishioners and school families in the work of the Federation.
- CatholicFIT, using Christian values to inspire healthy and fit lifestyles, is a program that will help teachers incorporate faith into physical education classes. In February 2014, 6th grade students at each Federation school will receive this curriculum in their regular P.E. classes, and parents and teachers will be invited to participate in family workshops. As part of their Professional Learning Team work, P.E. teachers will be trained by Dave Reddy, a Fitness Expert and Health Coach who developed the program. Reddy is a member of St. Ferdinand Parish. A grant from the Incarnate Word Foundation was recently awarded in support of this pilot program.
- The Commission on Marketing and Advancement is working on the advertising and marketing campaign to promote Catholic Schools Week Open House on January 26th, inviting all families to explore Catholic schools in North County. Plans include a billboard at Dunn Road and Washington Street along I-270, door hangers customized for each school so that school families can easily spread the word in their neighborhoods, an online ad campaign on the Fox2 News website, and more. If you have an idea for promoting Catholic schools in North County, please contact Cara Koen at 314-537-3174 or by e-mail at advancement@FederationofCatholicSchools.org.

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