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to schedule baptisms & to sign up for the
baptism preparation class (for first family
member being baptized) Must pre-register.

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Holy Cross Academy

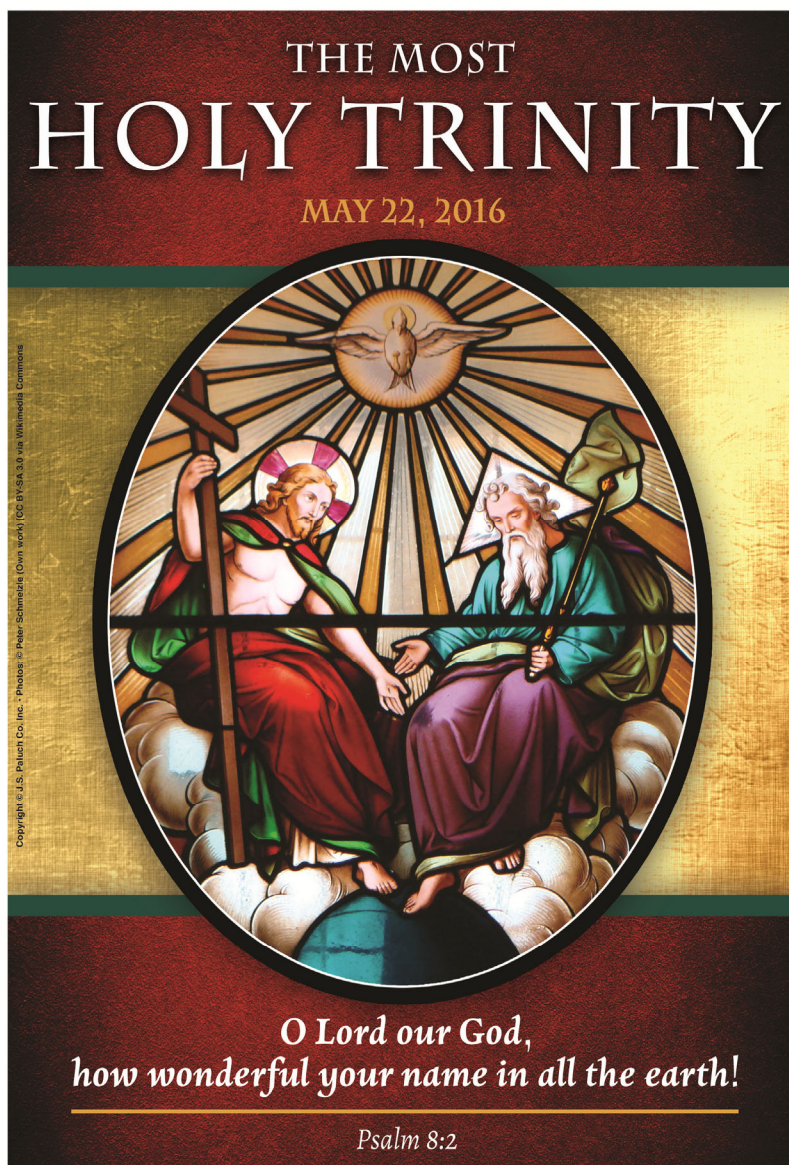
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Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday
at 6:30 a.m. & 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00—4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Rosary: Every Sunday—Friday at 7:30 a.m. (before the 8:00 a.m. Mass)

An Update and Informative Note From the Annunciation Parish Council

The Parish Council has been busy this year with several different issues that affect the parish. One of the more significant activities of the year involved participating in and completing the Archdiocesan Parish Planning Survey. As some may recall, this planning was requested by the Archdiocese to help plan for the future of our parish and all of the parishes in our Archdiocese as we move forward and the number of clergy continue to decline. The process called for each parish to evaluate its' strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities in the future. Over 60 parish members participated in our open forum sessions.



In summary, our analysis found that Annunciation Parish is a very viable parish with a good overall rating. Some of our strengths included being a small/close knit/stable community, our spirit of generosity, our active participation and leadership in the Holy Cross Academy school system and our parish facilities. Some of our identified opportunities for improvement included increasing weekend Mass attendance, increasing the offertory giving, developing an evangelization awareness and outreach in our community, and increasing volunteer participation at parish functions. Our parish family determined we are most viable with our current structure known as a designated priest-pastor but in some aspects the clustering structure with nearby parishes served and benefited our parish viability more. Holy Cross Academy and our shared offering of the ACTS Retreats with Our Lady of Providence are two visible areas where we are succeeding with the parish structure of clustering.

We believe that the parish analysis was a fair and open process. We have taken the results seriously and have begun to try to review and address our opportunities. This will be an ongoing process that will be a top priority for next year's Parish Council.

At this time, we are soliciting members of the parish community to consider and discern becoming one of our three new members of our Parish Council. In the event that there are more than three nominations, names will be drawn at random and by the power of the Holy Spirit. If you know of someone to nominate or would like to nominate yourself, please write the name on the form on the next page and either place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. If you would like to email your nominee's name, you can contact: Rob Huster at robert.huster@sbcglobal.net or Howard Place at place@slu.edu. Nominations are due by May 30th.

We look forward to welcoming all persons interested in helping advance our wonderful Annunciation Parish.

Rob Huster
President
Parish Council

Howard Place
Vice-President
Parish Council



Message from Father Mike

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Dear Friends,

As we near the end of May many things have been happening with our students and families of Holy Cross Academy. In addition to their musical of which I mentioned in last week's bulletin, they celebrated Grandparents Day, Field Day, and had their Band Concert, Spring Concert and Dance Recital. Our 6th Grade students went to 6th Grade Camp, while our 7th Grade went on a field trip to Springfield Illinois, and the 8th Grade went on a Mystery Field Trip that capped-off and celebrated their Middle School careers before they graduate this coming Tuesday evening at Seven Holy Founders. I would say our students must have enjoyed these last weeks of school, but I know it was tempered by their studies and taking their final tests before their summer break begins. Our eighth-graders are out, while the rest of our school has only five days and counting! Do you remember how exciting and fun those days were for you??

Over the next couple of weeks the Parish Council will be looking for individuals to be nominated as potential, future Parish Council members. I would be grateful if you would take a little bit of time to consider who you think might be good to serve our parish in this particular way. You may even consider nominating yourself if you think you might have interest in this service and ministry. Please see the form below and write down the name or names of those who you would like to see as a Parish Council member. You may want to speak to them before nominating them, or please be sure to briefly state your reasons for nominating an individual so when a current Parish Council member contacts them he or she will be able to give your reasons for their nomination. The Parish Council serves as a consultation Board for me as pastor and they are to assist in giving direction for the parish and its mission for the year ahead. The Parish Council generally has 12 members who each serve for three years. This year we will be in need of three new members. If nominated, a member of the Parish Council will call you and give you some more information and answer any questions you may have before asking if you would accept your nomination. I have to say, in this past year those serving on the Parish Council have been beyond helpful in assisting me to become acclimated to 'all-things-Annunciation' and their generosity in serving our parish is heartening and most appreciated by me.

Please be sure to see other information from the Parish Council on the opposite page. I think you will find it of interest to you.

During this month of May—Mary, pray for us.
Father Mike

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FY16		May 15, 2016	
SUNDAY ENVELOPES	\$10,493.00	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET FY 16 (7/15-6/16)	\$580,307.48
LOOSE COLLECTION	\$321.00	YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL FY 16	\$543,602.99
ONLINE DONATIONS	\$2,295.00	YEAR TO DATE SURPLUS/(SHORTALL)	(\$36,704.49)
TOTAL	\$13,109.00	TOTAL NO. OF HOUSEHOLDS	710
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$12,615.38	TOTAL NO. OF ENVELOPES USED THIS WEEK	161
WEEKLY SURPLUS/(SHORTFALL)	\$493.62	% OF HOUSEHOLD USING ENVELOPES	23%

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	SVDP	Pro Life Envelope	Bob Lauman Scholarship
<i>Thank You!</i>	\$291.00	\$25.00	\$105.00
Did you know? You can sign up for <i>Online Giving</i> by visiting our parish website http://www.goannunciation.com/annunciation-online-donations.html You can also sent up automatic payments through your own bank too. <i>To donate stock or securities</i> to Annunciation Parish, please contact Pat Griffaw in the Archdiocesan Finance Office, Securities Department at 314-792-7123. And please remember Annunciation parish when planning your will.			

ANNUNCIATION PARISH IS LOOKING FOR THREE NEW MEMBERS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL.

If you know of someone to nominate or would like to nominate yourself, please write the name below and return this form, either by placing it in the collection basket or by dropping it off at the parish office. If you would like to email your nominee's name, you can contact: Rob Huster at robert.huster@sbcglobal.net or Howard Place at place@slu.edu Nominations are due by May 30.

Nominee: _____ Phone No. _____

Reason for Nomination: _____

MASS INTENTIONS			
Monday May 23	6:30 a.m.	Joel Hodapp	
	8:00 a.m.	Agnes Knoll	
Tuesday May 24	6:30 a.m.	Bill Ekey	
	8:00 a.m.	Mary Vierling	
Wednesday May 25	6:30 a.m.	Judy Warren	
	8:00 a.m.	Sue McCabe	
Thursday May 26	6:30 a.m.	Jeanette Santen	
	8:00 a.m.	Robert Berry	
Friday May 27	6:30 a.m.	Marilee Arledg	
	8:00 a.m.	Ken & Louise Portwine—60th Anny	
Saturday May 28	5:00 p.m.	Conran Family	
Sunday May 29	8:00 a.m.	Tom Stanze	
	10:00 a.m.	Mary Anne Lucas	
	11:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	

MASS	SERVERS	
Monday May 23	8:00 a.m.	Erin M., John V.
Tuesday May 24	8:00 a.m.	Miles S., Ethan S., Ruby V.
Wednesday May 25	8:00 a.m.	Brian S., Sydney S.
Thursday May 26	8:00 a.m.	Tyler R., Luke K.
Friday May 27	8:00 a.m.	Need volunteers
Saturday May 28	5:00 p.m.	Annie Z., Eva M., Erin M.
Sunday May 29	8:00 a.m.	Lucy V., Gabby M., Cole E.
	10:00 a.m.	Sabrina C., Josie W., Owen R.
	11:30 a.m.	Sam S., Josie S., Tyler B.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE			
DATE TIME	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	MAY USHERS
Saturday May 28 5:00 p.m.	J. Berlinger, T. Kelly, T. Bergmann, S. Paster, R. Pelikan	M. Disbennett	K. Franklin, J. Rudolph, M. Weaver
Sunday May 29 8:00 a.m.	M. Hieger, C. Boncek, D. Verhoff, J. & W. Schuster	J. Jurotich	H. & B. Waldschmidt, R. Wedel, K. Wilson
Sunday May 29 10:00 a.m.	R. Stolz, T. Ritzenhouse, J. & J. Moore, M. Mueller	M. Mueller	B. Bretsch, B. Kraus, S. LaBarge, T. Strahan
Sunday May 29 11:30 a.m.	K.C. Schute, M. Steele, J. Lau-man	T. Sepe	B. Beavin, C. Henry, M. Madden, J. Maloney

APP	CERTIFICATE	SELLERS
	May 21 & 22	May 28 & 29
5:00 p.m.	P. Gaines	T. Robinson
8:00 a.m.	A. Kwentus	D. & T. Paloucek
10:00 a.m.	M. Strahan	P. Hillmeyer

MONEY COUNTERS	
Mon., May 23	Tues., May 31
J. Wallace	C. LaBarge
R. Wedel	M. Pelikan
S. Disbennett	F. Farrell

WEEKLY ANNUNCIATION PARISH CALENDAR			
Monday May 23	7:30 p.m.	District CYC Soccer Mtg <i>MPH/ANN, Cafeteria & Gym are closed tonight</i>	Klocker House
Tuesday May 24	8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions Eucharistic Adoration (ends at 9 p.m.) Quilters Rosary for Religious Freedom HCA 8th Grade Reception <i>MPH/ANN, Cafeteria & Gym are closed tonight</i>	Church Church GlenElm Church Gym
Wednesday May 25	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	PSR Faculty Bible Study Men of the Parish Pray the Rosary <i>Gym Closed</i>	MPH Klocker House Outside Church
Thursday May 26	9:00 p.m.	Adult Basketball	Gym
Friday May 27	5:15 p.m.	5 O'clock Shadows	Church
Saturday May 28			
Sunday May 29			

**RECENT BAPTISM**

The Christian Community of
Annunciation Church welcomes with
great joy into our Christian Family:
Evan Anthony Bickel,
Child of Mark & Rebecca
+ + +

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome into our
Annunciation Family:
Nick & Stephanie McArthur & family
Eric & Mary Rice & family
+ + +



MAY GIVE-A-MEAL-A-MONTH MENU: Spam or Treet, canned potato salad, baked beans, Jello & pears. Optional items: toilet paper, paper towels, peanut butter & jelly. Nonfood optional items cannot be bought with food stamps. We specify Martha White mixes—they do not need milk. Please, no glass containers

HOSPITAL VISIT INFORMATION: If you or a someone you know would like a visit or a phone call from the pastor during their hospital stay, please call the rectory office, 962-5955, x128. Due to privacy regulations, hospitals no longer contact the parish when people are admitted.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Our remaining third session date for Season of Hope scripture-focused grief support sessions is May 31 at 7pm in the Klocker House. Please call Mary at 277-5116 or Jeanne 918-0783 if you have any questions.



HOLY CROSS ACADEMY PRESCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR PRESCHOOL TEACHER ASSISTANTS to work in our new 2 year old classroom and expanding program in the 4-5 year old classroom at St. Dominic Savio. Position could be 15-30 hours weekly starting in August 2016. Please email resume or letter of interest to Angie Langhauser, preschool@hca-stl.org

SUMMER WEEKEND**MASS SCHEDULE (Starts June 4/5)**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Ruth Henry	Mike Vonderharr	Patty Cabot
Margit Vincenz	Robert Janeczek	Marie Quirk
Tom Smith	Joann Wills	Thomas Vogel
Gloria Smith	Patricia Egan	Kathryn Evans
Richard Timmerman	Drew Hittler	Sue Knoll
Mary Strauss	Mark Forrest	Pat Rebman
Holly Stoltz Smith	Marie Lange	Frank Miller
Jennifer Sinner		

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EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN: If you have any requests for the Email Prayer Chain, call Sue Williams, 961-7209, or msetwill@yahoo.com

(For name in the bulletin, please call or email the parish office)

Hey Kids!



**ATTENTION ALL
2016-2017
5th, 6th, 7th & 8th
GRADERS**

**Do you want to be
an Altar Server?**

Please come to a
**FUN 2 day serving
class, June 1 & 2**
(10 am-Noon in-
cludes food & fun)

This training is for both NEW & EXISTING SERVERS.

Please R.S.V.P. by May 30th to
parishsecretary@goannunciation.com

FUN

**HAS THIS EVER HAPPENED TO YOU?**

The ushers come forward to begin the Offertory collection process. You lean over and ask your spouse if she has the envelope? She replies that she left it on the table for you to put in your pocket. Oops! No envelope to give this week! In the rush of getting off to church, we all forget the envelope once in a while. Check out an easier way to give. You can sign up for

Online Giving by visiting our parish website <http://www.goannunciation.com/annunciation-online-donations.html> You can also sent up automatic payments through your own bank too. It's simple! It's safe! And it keeps God at the top of your giving list!



The Divine Mercy Chaplet

WOA would like to invite all parishioners to be present when the Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed on ordinary rosary beads during Eucharistic Adoration. This will begin on June 7, 2016 and will continue to be offered on the first Tuesday of every month. All are welcome to sit in the church for reflection, prayer, and/or to sing The Divine Mercy Chaplet (how-to-brochures will be present).

Bring yourself to rest in the spiritual arms of Jesus and surround yourself in his Love and Mercy, as you gaze upon the Sacred Host and The Divine Mercy Image. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is 20 minutes and will be offered at 2:50 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. You may find it peaceful to stay before or after for a bit longer to enjoy some quiet time with the Lord at Adoration.

The message of The Divine Mercy is based on the writings from the Diary of Saint Faustina Kowalska. That message of truth is that God loves all of us and His mercy is greater than our sin. Saint Maria Faustina wrote in her diary, **"The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy"** (Diary, 723). For more on this devotion, visit: www.thedivinemercy.org/message.



*Saint Maria
Faustina*

Now is the time of Mercy. When we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, we pray for mercy on the sick and the dying, mercy on lost souls and the souls of the faithful departed, mercy on our world, our communities, our families, and ourselves. Those who pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Jesus promised great graces through it. **"I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces...that vessel is this image with the signature, Jesus, I trust in You. By means of this image, I shall be granting many graces to souls"** (Diary, 327, 742).

For more information please contact:

WOA President - Ann Kelly at annkellyfamily@yahoo.com/314-397-8834

WOA Spiritual Committee Lead - Cathy LaBarge at sflabarge@att.net/314-968-0757

PSR

We are accepting registration for next year's PSR school year. First class session of PSR is Wed. Aug. 24th. Session is from 6:30 - 7:45pm. Registration forms are available on the parish webpage.

Annunciation is in need of volunteer for next year's PSR. We are in need of individuals willing to share their time as well as their faith as hall monitors, sponsors and catechists/instructors.

There are also excellent opportunities for high school students to earn service hours as teachers aides.

All adult volunteers are required to be in full compliance with the Archdiocesan Safe Environment Program which includes attending the *Protecting God's Children* workshop.

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS

Do you understand the meaning behind the parts of the Mass? In his video-based study, *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. In this study, you will come to know and understand the Mass as never before, leading you to a richer, more fruitful worship experience.

Join us this summer in the Father Klocker house from 12:30 - 2:00PM beginning on Monday, June 27th for *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*. We will meet for 5 weeks, not including the 4th of July. The fee for the course is \$22.00 which includes a book and workbook - YES, there is homework! For more information or to register for the study, call Cathy LaBarge at (314) 968-0757 or email: sflabarge@tt.net. Please respond by June 13th so we can order your study materials.

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth..." JOHN 16:13

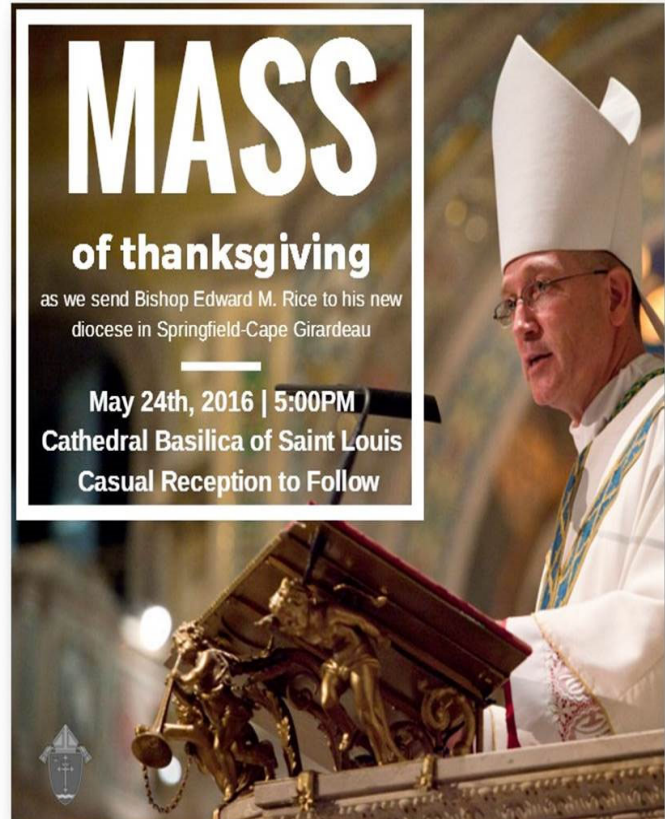
Prayer—

Participation—

Generosity

STEWARDSHIP

Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us know and live the truth. To prepare ourselves, we need to open our hearts to receive this gift before we can give it. Develop a daily prayer routine to ask the Holy Spirit to help guide our thoughts and actions.



MASS

of thanksgiving

as we send Bishop Edward M. Rice to his new diocese in Springfield-Cape Girardeau

May 24th, 2016 | 5:00PM

Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis

Casual Reception to Follow

Pope Francis' prayer intention for May – that families, communities, and groups may pray the Holy Rosary for evangelization and peace.

"O Blessed Rosary of Mary, sweet chain which unites us to God, bond of love which unites us to the angels, tower of salvation against the assaults of Hell, safe port in our universal shipwreck, we will never abandon you. You will be our comfort in the hour of our death; yours our final kiss as life ebbs away. And the last word from our lips will be your sweet name, O Queen of the Rosary, O dearest Mother. Amen."

WELCOME TO ANNUNCIATION PARISH

Please complete this form if you are not currently registered and wish to join the Parish. You can place it in the collection basket or send it to the Parish Office, 12 W. Glendale Rd., Webster Groves, MO 63119. A registration form will be mailed or emailed (if you provide your email address) to you. Parish Registration Forms are also available on our parish website www.goannunciation.com On the homepage, click on 'Church' then 'Join Our Parish'

NAME _____ PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY / ZIP CODE _____

Join WOA for a Social Potluck and 'Car Talk'



RSVP/Questions - Mollie Lucchesi:
mary.lucchesi@sbcglobal.net and Ann Kelly:
314-397-8834 or annkellyfamily@yahoo.com

Ladies, you are invited to a Social Potluck WOA Event!

Come for fellowship and ideas. Hear from our own parishioner, Paul Stock, on the differences between scheduled and preventive maintenance; why your battery is Queen; and helpful hints when purchasing a new/used car.

Paul has been an ASE Certified Master Mechanic for 40+ years, was inducted into the Mechanics Hall of Fame in 1984, does automotive training and has owned Stock's Underhood Specialists for 32 years.

Current members and those wishing to join WOA are invited.

Please bring a simple dish to share,

Tuesday, June 14, 2016 6:45 - 8:30 p.m.
Klocker House

Come when you can! Paul speaks at 7 p.m.
RSVP optional but helpful

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY SEMINAR: The Daughters of St. Paul will host Sr. Helena Burns, fsp a TOB expert for an all-day seminar on **Saturday, June 4, 10-4 at Pauline Books & Media, 9804 Watson Rd. in Crestwood.** A donation of \$15 is requested. Lunch included. Sr Helena will share on such topics as: What is gender? Why can't women be priests? What's great about being a guy? What's great about being a gal? How to men and women image God differently? Are wives supposed to be "submissive" to their husbands? Info: www.tinyurl.com/TOBSTL. Call to register 314-965-3512.

GOD's GARAGE SALE In memory of Jane Corbett for the Children of Haiti, June 16, 17, & 18 at St. Michael's Gym. Drop off donations: June 13-15 9:00-5:00 or contact Colleen Corbett Hanlen alolly3@aol.com or 314-799-5830 (Cannot accept TVs, computers, large appliances or car seats)

SAVE THE DATE - VBS AT OLP, June 20-24, 9-12. Children in preschool through 5th grade are welcome. We need many volunteers (6th grade through adults) to make this week a wonderful event for our children to grow in their faith. Please consider sharing your talents. Questions: Bridget Nyberg (bridgetnyberg@aol.com) or Eryn Kroboth (pekrboth@att.net) Registration information will be coming soon.



Please join us:

- Holy Mass
- Eucharistic Adoration for the Sanctification of Priests
- Talk by Fr. Michael Houser
- Opportunity to adopt an anonymous St. Louis priest
- Potluck lunch for Spiritual Mothers

"Behind all priests there is a spiritual mother who asked God for their vocation. She bears them through spiritual suffering and 'nourishes' them by offering to God all her daily activities so that they become holy priests."

-Eucharistic Adoration for the Sanctification of Priests and Spiritual Motherhood, p. 13

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Pro-Life Corner

Congratulations to Annunciation PSR student Deborah "Kat" Schuster and Holy Cross Academy student Gabe Mills! The Respect Life Apostolate selected them as finalists in the archdiocese-wide essay contest. Students in eighth grade write about the virtue of chastity and how this virtue relates to abortion.

There are pro-life envelopes in all the pews in church this month. If you'd like to help support the parish pro-life efforts, please make your checks payable to *Annunciation Pro-Life Committee* and drop them in the collection basket or at the parish office. Thanks to all who helped make the altar so beautiful with Mother's Day roses while supporting life!

On the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Saturday, June 4, 2016,

All women are invited to
**A Morning with Mary,
Mother of Priests,
Mother of Mercy**

presented by Fr. Michael Joseph Houser

Location St. Joseph Parish in Manchester
567 St. Joseph Lane
Ballwin, MO 63021

Cost Free—PLEASE PRE-REGISTER.
Please bring something to share for lunch.

Schedule

8:30 AM	Parish Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
9:30 AM	Adoration with Benediction, Talk, Rosary and other Prayers for Priests
11:15 AM	Commitment Ceremony of Spiritual Mothers adopting an anonymous St. Louis priest
12:00 Noon	Potluck Lunch in Cafeteria

Registration Please register by **Wednesday, June 1.**

Online (Preferred)

www.stlspiritualmotherhoodforpriests.com
smfpstl@gmail.com
314.275.0890

Email
Phone

Questions Email smfpstl@gmail.com or call 314.275.0890

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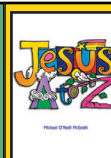
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