



HOLY INFANT SENIOR NEWSLETTER



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FROM THE EDITOR



By: Maria Dorn

My favorite season has arrived and finally, the weather will cool off and the leaves will turn and begin to fall. Then we will be able to get our exercise by taking longer walks and raking the leaves. The house renovation is coming along, slow but sure. The hardwood floors are in and look wonderful. Currently they are covered with tarps and cardboard to protect them while the bathrooms are finished, the cabinets installed and painting done throughout. My contractor is still saying by Thanksgiving and we will totally be 'most thankful' for that to happen. We are living in our basement, eating out almost every meal. If you think you are seeing more of me, you probably are, as there is 'more of me' with the increase in calories I'm taking in ;-).

If you ever have suggestions or an article that you think other members would enjoy, you can send email to mariadorn@hotmail.com. Be sure to put HIS in the subject line. Thanks and I look forward to keeping you 'in the know'.



October's Featured Members – Gene and Rosemary Bestgen

There is a story of small town boy meets big city girl in Kansas City in 1964. The story starts when Gene and his twin sister, Judy, were born at home in Garden Plain, Ks, 20 miles west of Wichita on April 26, 1938 and Rosemary was born on June 6, 1941. Gene grew up and joined the Marines, serving for 3 years. After the military he went to college and graduated from Pittsburg State University. After graduation he moved to Kansas City. Gene's career path wound through Phillips Petroleum (gas), Sealtest Dairy (milk) and Wonder/Hostess (bread).

While working in Kansas City, he met Rosemary Koetting, a school teacher, who taught French & English at Bishop Miege High School. Rosemary had six children. Two were fathered by the gas man, two by the milk man and the final two by the bread man, three boys & three girls in ten years. They have 16 grandchildren, 9 boys and 7 girls. Their GREAT grandson is one month old. Gene & Rosemary moved to Ballwin in 1992. Gene retired in 2000 and Rosemary retired in 2007 from St. John's Hospital. They are involved in many Holy Infant activities and have enjoyed traveling with friends. They are a fun couple and part of the HIS Travel team responsible for arranging and orchestrating our fun trips.



SCHEDULED PROGRAMS FOR THIS YEAR

By: Joan Wojciechowski

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| November 2 | Wine and Food Pairing, Ballwin Schnucks, Stacy Seipp |
| December 8 | Christmas Party – New Start time of 11AM instead of 10AM |
| January 4 | De-cluttering your home; <i>Home Sweet Home</i> , Kristen Lund |
| February 1 | Not-So-Newlywed Game; Love Songs Sing-Along (if time) |
| March 1 | Day of Recollection |
| April 5 | Powder Valley; Robin Parker, Backyard Wildlife/ Birds in our area/Conservation |
| May 3 | Irish Dancing, Holy Infant Students |
| June 7 | Picnic |



Birthdays – September

By Carolyn Kraichel

Wishing each of you, and anyone accidentally missed, a very Happy Birthday!

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| Tom Wardenburg | 10/4 |
| Linda Krull | 10/6 |
| Janet Linhoff | 10/7 |
| Carol Nortman | 10/7 |
| Linda Beckmeyer | 10/7 |
| Julie Freeman | 10/9 |
| Bob Kayser | 10/10 |
| Marie Modde | 10/15 |
| Bob Schlemeier | 10/18 |
| Bill George | 10/19 |
| Karen Morris | 10/22 |
| Kathie Hanneke | 10/23 |
| Carol Wolf | 10/23 |
| Carol McElroy | 10/30 |

NOVEMBER

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| Blanche Flynn | 11/1 |
| Gene Norris | 11/1 |

ADULT BINGO

Saturday, October 14, 2017
Holy Infant School – Upper Cafeteria
248 New Ballwin Road
Doors Open at 6:00 P.M.
Bingo Starts at 7:00 P.M.



\$20.00 per Person
Admission includes 15 Games of Bingo
Beer, Soda, Wine and Water
Food available for purchase
Sponsored by the Holy Infant
Knights of Columbus

*Our task must be to free ourselves by widening our circle of compassion
to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature and its beauty. - Albert Einstein*



GREETINGS

By Pat Bouckaert

Since our last meeting the following greetings we received a nice note from Nell that we wanted to share.

My Dear Friends,

Thank you for the farewell card. I wish I could have told each of you goodbye individually. It's been a hectic few months. I'm sorry I left my Secretary Job early but it became almost overwhelming--not the job, but the move itself. After 50 years in that house it was a big job. I'm too emotional over things I associate with people. So I was a wreck by the time I finally left with the last load.

But I have a lovely apartment in Springfield and my son is close by. I love getting to see him and his family more often. I miss all of you though. I also get pretty attached to people too. So know I love my "Senior" friends and I hope you'll visit me in Springfield sometime. Love & Prayers, Nell.

Nell Cox
2730 S. Mettleton Ave #230
Springfield, Mo 65807



STEPHEN MINISTRY

By Gene Bestgen

“Why don’t you try this?” When you’re going through tough times, everyone has advice. But often it isn’t advice you need—it’s caring. Stephen Ministers are trained to give this care by listening instead of telling you what to do. If you, a family member, neighbor or friend would benefit by having a Stephen Minister, have them contact Patricia Foley at 636 227-0802, opt#3. There is a confidential email > > stephenministryhi@yahoo.com that you can use if you prefer.



TRAVEL TIME

By: Mary Jane Bahr, Rosemary and Gene Bestgen

The Holiday Brass Concert at Manchester Methodist is Monday, December 4th, 10:00 a.m. Ticket are \$24.00 and must be paid for at this Thursday's meeting. If you haven't been there before, it is a marvelous show with mostly Christmas music. We have 55 tickets.

You have received the information on our planned trip to **three of our Missouri State Parks** on October 26th. Comfortable bus transportation, lunch, water and snacks are included in the cost of under \$40.00. If you want to go, sign up now, only about 20 seats are left. This is a first time HIS trip.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

By Kathie Hanneke

Save These Dates! Direct questions to Kathie Hanneke, gkhanneke@gmail.com or 314.704.2350.

Sunday, October 15, 6:30-8:00 pm, Upper Cafeteria

Presentation on Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of Guadalupe

Dr. Lawrence Feingold, Associate Professor, Theology and Philosophy
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

No reservations needed. Invite a friend!

Friday, November 3, 6:30-9:00 pm, Upper Cafeteria

Women's Paint-n-Sip, \$35, open to first 40 paid registrants 21 or over

For reservations, provide check (made payable to Holy Infant Church)
to Patricia Foley at Parish Office or PSR Office.

Thursday, November 9, 7:00-8:00 pm, Upper Cafeteria

Presentation on "Faith and Science: What Does the Church Teach?"

Fr. Noah Waldman, Parochial Administrator, St. Martin of Tours, Lemay

No reservations needed. Invite a friend!

Sunday, December 10, 1:30-3:30 pm, Upper Cafeteria

Ladies' Advent Tea



Community Services

By Eileen Buehrle

NOVEMBER 7, 2017 ELECTION

The Election Board has moved to what was once the Northwest Plaza Shopping Center in St. Ann, MO. If you are familiar with the old shopping center they are located in what was once the Famous Barr/Macy's building on the lower level of the complex. This old Famous Barr /Macy's building has a white structure on the roof which can easily be seen. **Driving directions from West County are:**

Take nearest major road to I-270 Go North on I-270.

Continue I-270 N and take I-70 E towards St. Louis.

Continue I-70 E towards St. Louis US-67 S

Take US-67 S towards Old St. Charles Rd and take a left onto Old St. Charles Rd.

Take a left on the Crossings at Northwest Sign Continue thru the parking lot until you reach the far SW corner of the complex. Address is 725 Northwest Plaza Dr. St. Ann, MO, 63074

Instructions to enter the Board of Elections:

Enter the building at 715 Northwest Plaza Drive.

Pass through security and enter Room 101 which is the first double door on the left.

Poll Workers

If you are interested in being a poll worker this might be a good time to try it out. Voter turnout should be light as there is very little on the ballot. Go to their website: stlouisco.com/YourGovernment - to find information on how to become a poll worker. It is a paid position.

Election in our area

If you live in Chesterfield Valley there are two propositions. In the Metro West Fire District, there is one proposition - Metro West Fire Protection District of St. Louis County wants to levy an additional tax of not more than seventeen cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the support of the Districts Advanced Life Support operations



DID YOU KNOWBy Jo Lewis

- That a man's tie should fashionably touch the belt, no longer, no shorter.
- That whether you wash your hands in cold, luke warm or hot water, the bacteria is equally removed.
- That even in nice hotels the TV remotes tend to be highly contaminated. Slip a zipper style storage bag over it before using to protect yourself from unwanted germs.



OUR THANKS GO OUT TO....

- Joan Wojciechowski for planning our interesting and fun year.
- The George and Schlemeier couples for good treats at our first meeting.
- Maria Dorn for starting our year off right with a "newsy" newsletter.



PARISH REMINDERS -

By Sandy Hughes

October 2017

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| 7 | 7am | Serve St. Louis - Parish Wide Service Projects - On and Off Campus |
| 14-15 | | Women's CRHP Retreat Weekend |
| 14 | 7pm | Knights of Columbus Adult Bingo - Upper Cafeteria |
| 15 | 7pm | Adult Faith Formation - "Marian Talk" presented by Dr. Larry Fitzgerald |
| 21 | | School Auction - Parish Center |
| 23-27 | | Book Fair - Rosario Hall |
| 28 | | Trunk or Treat - following 5:30 Mass - Upper Parking Lot |
| 29 | Noon | Mass of Remembrance - Church |
| 29 | 6pm | CRHP 20 th Reunion Mass - Fr. Joe Kempf – Reception following in the Upper Cafeteria |

November 2017

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| 1 | 6,8,10, & 7pm | All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) – Church |
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2016-2017 H.I.S. Board Members

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| Tom Arnold | President | 227-2515 |
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| Maria Dorn | Newsletter | 314-610-8784 |
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| Jim Yettke | Recycle Coor. | 227-8163 |
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| Brenda George & Mary Schlemeier | Refreshments | 394-2286 391-9556 |
| Marie Fox & Marcy Zufall | Sr. Choir | 227-2750 394-5540 |
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| Eileen Buehrle | Service & PAC | 230-5435 |
| Rev. Edward Stanger | Spiritual Dir. | 227-7440 |
| Gene & Rosemary Bestgen & Mary Jane Bahr | Trips | 458-1580 |
| Carol Wolf & Carol Komor & Rose Birkner | 50/50 | 227-6214 |
| 227-7260 | | |

